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## Member Spotlight

### Tina DeVine - Unsung Hero

The Junior League of Richmond is made up of many dedicated women who truly want to make a difference in our community. One of these dedicated women is Tina Devine. This year Tina leads our Done in a Day (DIAD) programs which are entirely funded by donations to the League's Annual Fund. These programs are short in duration but high in impact



## Community Impact - Good Sports

Good Sports Committee focuses on character development through sports. Each month, at Peter Paul Development Center in Richmond's East End, committee members lead about 30 program participants in a sporting activity and teach them a specific character pillar that is relevant to the sport being taught. We have partnered with Virginia Union University, Randolph-Macon College, the Richmond Kickers, Benedictine High School and others to teach the basics of softball, soccer, tennis, volleyball and track. These athletes, along with Junior League members, use these sports to teach the six character pillars of: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. The character pillars are discussed and demonstrated with the children to help them use these character pillars to guide their choices in and outside of the sport.

When the sport is presented to the children, the committee members present the corresponding

- Over 250 meals served at the Hospital Hospitality House
- 35 programs and over 640 volunteer hours
- Over 600 families served through Foodbank distribution efforts
- 2 Computer basics training to families in the Flagler Community
- Major indoor and outdoor beautification efforts at Woodville Elementary, Anna Julia Cooper Episcopal School, and Clark Springs Elementary

Before Tina joined DIAD as the Co-Chair in 2011-12, she was “on call” for almost every community program. We knew we could call Tina at any time to fill a volunteer role, bring needed supplies for a project, and solicit support from friends, coworkers, and neighbors. Tina is a great advocate for the League’s community programs and supports them often behind the scenes. So we want to take this opportunity to thank her for her leadership and her dedication!

respect. Before the program begins the committee will ask the children what they think respect is and how they may use it on a daily basis. Throughout the activity or demonstration of the sport, the character pillar is brought up as much as possible so that the children learn exactly what it means and how their actions do and do not represent it.

Each child is placed in a team and they remain in that team throughout the year. The team creates a mini-community in which the children can practice the character pillars and the pillars can be reinforced by the Junior League member leading the team. Throughout the year the children become increasingly familiar with their teams and their team leaders, helping them to become more comfortable in a team (or community) setting. They learn to develop relationships with the leaders and their teammates, as well as how to apply character pillars to sports and everyday life. This reinforces the importance of becoming a good member of their community.

Committee participants develop tools and resources to help families apply what the kids have learned through the program at home and in their community. After the activity is complete, a healthy meal is supplied for each child. The children eat with their teams and discuss with their Junior League leaders what they learned during that evening’s program. This is a great way for the children to remember what they have learned and to focus on bringing the character pillar home and sharing it with their families. The children are also presented with a book at the end of each program. The book focuses on the sport that was taught, as well as the importance of good character and sportsmanship.

The future is looking bright for the Junior League of Richmond!



## Announcing our New JLR Executive Director

**Britt Nelson**

The JLR Board of Directors has selected Britt Nelson as our new Executive Director.

Britt joins the League with over 12 years of grant writing and project development experience where she has worked to connect organizational and community needs with ideas and resources. Prior to joining JLR, Britt was the Grants Coordinator for Henrico County Public Schools and prepared grant proposals supporting a variety of educational needs, including literacy, mentoring, professional development, technology and health/wellness. [Click Here](#) to read more.

**Don't Forget to Check Out the JLR [Blog!](#)**



## Virginia Fare

The Junior League of Richmond cookbook, Virginia Fare, is on sale now at the Clothes Rack store on West Cary Street. Get your copy today in time for the holidays! Check out this wonderful recipe for a Stir-Fried Turkey Salad, a wonderful option for a light meal using leftovers after Thanksgiving!

Stir-Fried Turkey Salad, [click here](#) for recipe



## My Junior League

Check out the new "My Junior League" series on our YouTube channel.

Our first video in the



**Climb.  
Explore.  
Learn. TOUCH!**

The 7th Annual Touch a Truck (TAT) was on September 15 at RIR. TAT is an annual unique and interactive event, which allows children to see, touch, and explore their favorite big trucks and vehicles as well as to meet the personnel who protect, serve, and build the Richmond community. Thank you to everyone who participated, the event was a huge success! TAT brought in over \$30,000 to support our many community efforts, such as our featured committee, Good Sports!

**[Click Here to donate to the Junior League of Richmond.](#)**

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**Don't miss out on the fun in 2012-2013, mark your calendar for the League's annual events and be on the look-out for upcoming Clothes Rack donation drives.**

**November 30**

**Red Friday**

5PM - 8PM

All 3 Cafe Caturra locations (Libbie/Grove, Short Pump & Midlothian)  
The Junior League of Richmonds New Member Class is supporting Peter Paul Development Center this holiday season with Tis the Season for Peter Paul Developmental Center, a holiday gift drive.

**December 12**

**Holiday Happy Hour**

5PM - 7PM

Location at the Berkeley Hotel  
Spouses and Guest are welcome!

**March 12**

**Past President Luncheon**

11:30AM- 1:30PM

Located at Mayo Carter House

**April 15**

**Pinkie W. Smith Luncheon**

11:30AM-1:30PM

Located at Mayo Carter House

[Click Here](#) to read more about the Pinkie W. Smith Award

**May 1**

**Book & Author**

7PM

Located at the Greater Richmond Convention Center  
Authors to be announced in January

**On-going Events**

**Sustainer Book Clubs**

Evening book club

**Day time book club**

Contact Virginia Stone ([geoff5505@comcast.net](mailto:geoff5505@comcast.net) or 804-282-7871)

**Dining Divas**

Meets once a month

Contact Lori Coyne ([lcoyne@greaterrichmondcc.com](mailto:lcoyne@greaterrichmondcc.com) or 804-477-7325)

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