



Junior Women's League of Smithfield

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Member Spotlight

Erin Porr

**Occupation:**

Analyst for The Division of Child Development and Early Education

JWL Involvement:

Serves on the Membership Engagement Committee

Favorite thing about JWL:

I have enjoyed gaining new experiences and insights, giving back and helping others, as well as creating connections with people.

Jenn Glover

Occupation:

Chief of Support Services, NCDPS-Community Corrections

JWL Involvement:

Membership Development, Strategic Planning, Community Impact and Placement and Provisional

Favorite thing about JWL:

Having a positive impact on the community I live in. It is also an awesome feeling to be part of a group that has such caring hearts and a passion to help others.

Member Welcome from 2017-2018 JWL President

Thank you for choosing to be a member of this exciting organization. It is my honor and privilege to serve as President for JWL's third service year. As we move forward in this year, please continue to remember our Mission Statement:

The Junior Women's League of Smithfield is a non-profit organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

While our members come to the JWL for different reasons – including opportunities for community volunteerism, skill development, and leadership roles – we are each committed to making a positive impact in the community in which we live and serve. Over the past two years, we have partnered with six local organizations to help make a difference in the lives of others. To date, we have positively impacted Johnston County communities by giving approximately 3,000 volunteer service hours and donating \$25,000 to various partner organizations.

During our 2017-2018 year, we will partner with a new organization, The Miracle League of Johnston County. To sustain our mission, we will work hard to make member training a cornerstone of our organization. We will also continue our well-known fundraisers, Touch-A-Truck and Big Night Out.

I am looking forward to standing beside each one of you and serving as your President. It is an honor to work with you as your servant leader and I am inspired to carry on the mission of JWL.

Meredith Fordham

JWL President 2017-2018



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Second Annual Touch-A-Truck

JWL's 2nd Annual Touch-A-Truck fundraiser is quickly approaching! The event will be held **October 28** from **10 a.m. - 2 p.m.** in Downtown Smithfield. The TAT Committee is hard at work planning this unique and interactive fundraiser that allows children to see, touch, and safely explore their favorite big trucks and heavy machinery, as well as meet the personnel who protect, serve, and build Johnston County communities. In addition to a variety of trucks and machinery, the event will also include food trucks, inflatables, special guests, face painting, and more! Proceeds will benefit the Me Fine Foundation!



WE STILL NEED TRUCKS AND SPONSORS! Know someone who would like to be a sponsor or has a fun vehicle they would be willing show off? Check out the [JWL website](#) for forms and more information. A truck registration list is also under the members section of the website so we can keep everyone updated on the types of trucks we already have.

Member Requirements for Touch A Truck 2017: All member's must meet one of the following requirements: Volunteer a 3 hour shift on the day of the event, secure a vehicle/truck, secure a \$250 sponsor, or pay the \$75.00 buyout option.

Touch a Truck T-Shirts: TAT t-shirts will go on sale **October 1**. All t-shirt orders and payments will be due by **Friday, October 13**. No orders will be accepted after this date. Be on the lookout for more information!

Volunteer Shifts are now available! See the volunteer section below for details.

Volunteer Calendar Updates / Events

Rescue Ur Forever Friend (RUFF) Dog Wash - September 30

Volunteers are needed for the RUFF Dog Wash on September 30 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. The event is at Hudson's Hardware in Clayton. Volunteers should be prepared to get wet and maybe a little smelly, but are sure to have lots of fun! All funds raised will go to RUFF to enable them to continue their mission to help animals in need. Please email austinyansom@gmail.com with your name and number to RSVP for this event. Members will receive 4 out-of-league credit hours.

Swag Bags - Deadline: October 19

We will be giving out swag bags of crackers, water, granola bars, etc. to our truck drivers who are giving their time to share a vehicle at our Touch A Truck event. The TAT Swag committee needs donations to help purchase items for the bags. Volunteers can sign up to donate \$15 for one in-league volunteer hour. Please email austinyansom@gmail.com to sign up. Monday, October 19, is the last day to sign up for this opportunity.

Touch-A-Truck Volunteer Shifts - October 28

TAT volunteer shifts are now live on the JWL Google calendar. Shifts are available from 10-1 and 1-4. Please email Austin Yansom at austinyansom@gmail.com to sign up. Commenting on Facebook will not reserve your shift. Volunteer shifts will be first come, first serve. We have a total of 50 volunteer slots available throughout the day. These are 3 hour shifts and you will get 3 in-league hours for the shift you work. You will be assigned to a designated area by the TAT committee.

September Birthdays

Amy Plant-Perdue	9/2
Lauren Daughtry	9/6
Hunter Misenis	9/6
Angela Rains	9/9
Brooke Whitfield	9/12
Amanda Johnson	9/18
Jena Andrews	9/19
Caitlyn Capps	9/20
Amber Stancil	9/21
Dana Satterfield	9/23
Ashley Stevens	9/27
Dana Peterson	9/28
Cameron Thornton	9/28
Laura Way	9/28

Important Dates & Reminders

- We will be selling new JWL t-shirts during the week of **September 17-24**. Be on the lookout for more details!
- The password for our members tab on the JWL website has been changed. The new password is: jwlVolunteer.
- Our first GMM will be at **7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 21**. The meeting will take place at the Country Club of Johnston County. Anyone without a headshot photo will need to arrive between 6:00-6:45 to have your picture taken by Carly Fogleman. We will be taking a group photo with all members at the end of the meeting.
- We will hold two "Super Sunday" meetings for our Provisional members. These are scheduled for **September 17** and **October 15**. Both Super Sunday events will take place at the Partnership for Children of Johnston County located at 1406 S. Pollock Street, Selma. Attendance is required for both meetings. The times for both meetings are **3:00-5:00 p.m.**