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For Directors of the
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Seasonal Newsletter

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Word from the President

It is hard to believe that another year is upon us. This is a busy and exciting time for everyone and I would like each one of you know that our Corporate Office is committed to serving our directors. I wish you all the best in the upcoming season.

Charles A. Winters
President, NLJC

Director Updates:

- **Remind 101**– a free texting service to update your parents on events. Please also sign up with the corporate office as we will be using this to communicate with you.
- **Check out latest NLJC Approved Top Hit Music**
- **12 monthly etiquette tips now under the Director's Admin**
 - **New and updated handouts**



Approved Music

The following songs have recently been added to the approved music list:

<i>Artist</i>	<i>Song</i>	<i>Dance</i>
Bastille	"Pompeii"	Swing
R5	"I Can't Forget About You"	Swing
Maroon 5	"Maps"	Swing / Cha Cha
Clean Bandit	"Rather Be"	Cha Cha
Ingrid Michaelson	"Girls Chase Boys"	Foxtrot Boxstep
Demi Lovato	"Let It Go"	Foxtrot Boxstep
Vance Joy	"Riptide"	Refreshments

Please note what a difficult challenge it is to find pop music with appropriate lyrics. We desire to have both happy students and happy parents! If you hear a song that is popular among students, please email it to cotillions@nljc.com as a song suggestion for review and approval.

Timeline

September

- Send Royalty Report & Student Registration Lists to Corporate Office postmarked by the 10th
- Send September Press Release to the local papers.
- Pay quarterly taxes.
- Start classes.
- Buy favors and prizes for first class.
- Write down names of parents for potential board members. (September through November)
- Book sports figure to speak at Spring Ball.
- Mail Chaperone reminder cards.

October

- Send October press release to local papers.
- Buy favors and prizes for second class.
- Give students Ten Best Mannered People List. (to be turned in at next class)
- Send Royalty Report and Student Registration lists to Corporate Office postmarked by the 10th.
- Order Holly/Winter Ball reminder cards to distribute at November class.

- Order favors and prizes for Holly/Winter Ball-allow 3 weeks.
- Holly/Winter Ball Dance cards (color and tie) allow 2 weeks.
- Mail chaperone and assistant reminder cards.
- Book facility for board Tea in January.

November

- Send November press release to local papers.
- Mail Chaperone instructions for Holly/Winter Ball.
- Buy favors and prizes for third classes.
- Collect student lists of the Ten Best Mannered People and send to Corporate Office.
- Send Director's list of Ten Best Mannered People and send to Corporate Office.
- Send Royalty Report and Student Registration Lists to Corporate Office postmarked by the 10th.
- Line up Holly/Winter Ball florist.
- Buy Holly/Winter Ball prizes for contest winner(s).
- Mail Chaperone and assistant reminder cards.



Birthdays

September

Melina Burt	Pensacola, FL	9/01
Lydia Holland	Lawrenceville, GA	9/04
Debbie Grush	Slidell, LA	9/09
Alice Harling	Concord, NC	9/20
Sarah Heston	Katy, TX	9/20
Jamey Rivers	Milledgeville, GA	9/20
Kacey Buchanan	Bristol, TN	9/21
Lisa Flathers	Lubbock, TX	9/21
Ann Woods	Bristol, TN	9/29
Becky Miller	Douglas, GA	9/30

October

Janelle Starr	Hayden Lake, ID	10/03
Jennifer Bell	Georgetown, SC	10/04
Sheila Cox	Johnson City, TN	10/09
Cate Boone	Lewisburg, WV	10/09
Marie Abee	Raleigh, NC	10/11
Kimberly Mills	Barbourville, KY	10/11
Judy Stalder	High Point, NC	10/14
Sara Rollison	Blackshear, GA	10/16
Kenneth Greene	Cartersville, GA	10/18
Nancy Hardeman	Lincolnton, GA	10/21
Jennifer Winters	Gastonia, NC	10/22
Susan Humphries	Hot Springs, AR	10/23
Elaine Poitevint	Fayetteville, GA	10/28

November

Lisa Chase	Dover, DE	11/03
Loren Kruger	San Antonio, TX	11/04
Lou Ella Hobgood	Rome, GA	11/13
Susan Schlossberg	Roanoke, VA	11/15
Meg Stevens	Greenwood, SC	11/15
Jenna Leissner	New Bern, NC	11/19
Sherri Green	West Plains, MO	11/19
Jean Carden	Durham, NC	11/21
Laurie Coventry-Payne	Punta Gorda, FL	11/29
Patricia Richards	Phoenix, AR	11/30



National Courtesy Character & Citizenship Month



PREPARING FOR NATIONAL COURTESY, CHARACTER & CITIZENSHIP MONTH

In the previous newsletter, we included preparations for the upcoming Courtesy, Character, and Citizenship Month. We have listed them again as a reminder.

Please review your materials in Packet #46 for CC&C month thoroughly. You will need to have your agenda outlined for Courtesy Month well before February. NOW is the time to contact your Mayor, school principles, and teachers.

November - Send out letters and sample proclamation to the Mayor; ask for an appointment to discuss this National Courtesy, Character, and Citizenship Month with him/her. Take NLJC students with you; this makes a great impact. Ask the Mayor to attend the January or February class to speak on *"THE IMPORTANCE OF USING GOOD MANNERS AS A PUBLIC SERVANT"*.

November - Pass out NLJC Handout #55A to students so they can write and submit their essays on *"HOW LEARNING GOOD MANNERS CAN IMPROVE OUR LIVES"*. Winners will be selected by the first of January. If you have a student who has won or is a finalist, we will send you items to commemorate this achievement. Then, ideally, you can honor this student at your January class with the Mayor. *(This class is a wonderful photo opportunity for your chapter - please invite the press to attend.)*

December - After confirmation from the mayor, send letters and a copy of the Mayor's proclamation to the school superintendent and school principals.

January - Send out Press Releases to local media. Make yourself available for interviews.

January - Make copies of the flyers and distribute them around town to grocery stores, banks, schools, churches, etc.

One week prior - Deliver a copy of the "Making a Difference Day by Day" and the "Characteristics of a Noble Character" handout to schools and churches who plan to participate.



Convention Highlights



Our 2014 Convention was held in Charlotte, North Carolina at the SouthPark Marriott on June 20-22! Over thirty directors from all over the country spent the weekend learning, dancing, and having fun!

The National League of Junior Cotillions 2014 Convention in Charlotte, North Carolina exceeded all my expectations! The theme was Shaping Tomorrow's Leaders Today! "What an eventful weekend! As a new Director, it helped me in so many ways. Not only was the weekend informative but it was very innovative as we all look toward our future with respect to our Cotillion Students and the future of our NLJC Chapters."

I enjoyed meeting the Directors from around the country. Corporate Updates, Breakout sessions, Dance Training, Social Media, Technology Training, Forums, and Guest Speakers were just a few of the many topics that were featured. Thank you Corporate Office for a productive Convention. Thank you Directors for traveling so far to make this Convention a success! I am honored to have met you all and I am inspired by all of you. Looking forward to seeing you all in the future at the next Convention!!! Good luck and success to everyone in the 2014-2015 Cotillion Season!"

NLJC Seasoned Directors (pictured below) were honored at our Friday night reception. All of the directors who have served with NLJC for 10 or more years received a Tiffany serving bowl.



Convention Highlights

Directors split off into different tracks throughout the day on Saturday. These tracks included media, year one mock one, the instructional dinner, and others.



Convention Highlights

Directors had a blast learning the 2014 Line Dance of the Season to the popular hit “Happy” by Pharell.



Award Winners

Jessica Fisher, Leawood, KS
New Director of the Year 2013



Jayne Smith, Ft. Worth, TX
Director of the Year 2013



Monica Brademann, Cumming, GA
New Director of the Year 2014



Debbie Scully, Hillsborough, NC
Director of the Year 2014

