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**The Junior League of Kansas City, Missouri Celebrates the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *Above & Beyond Parsley***

To honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its publication, the Junior League of Kansas City, Missouri (JLKCMO) celebrated the *Above & Beyond Parsley* (AB&P) cookbook at its headquarters on Thursday, October 12. Nearly 100 current and previous members of the League shared anecdotes about the great pride and hard work that went into the creation and sales of the cookbook, successor to the award-winning *Beyond Parsley*, published in 1984.

JLKCMO members Jane Guthrie and Jan Flanagan co-chaired the cookbook's development 25 years ago and now chaired the anniversary party celebration. The beautiful array of food was prepared from recipes in the *AB&P* cookbook for the many volunteers present who were central to its history and community fundraising success. Member Ginny Beall brought her original notebook of submitted recipes with ratings and comments from her testing committee. The event brought together memories of lifelong friendships and the accomplishments that generations of women have made within the Kansas City community.

A JLKCMO event such as this is unique because it shows how the League celebrates the diversity of its members and encourages each woman to be her best self. Many generations of members were present, showing the various personalities and backgrounds of women who have made huge impacts within the League and out in the community through signature projects and programming.

Many professionals and donors involved in the cookbook's development were also present for the celebration. Food stylist Vicki Johnson attended, as did Linda Buchner, formerly of Ernie Block photography studio. Chuck Matney of The Little Flower Shop recreated his arrangement of orange roses that formed the 1992 dust jacket illustration. Major Brands, Premium Beverage Distributors, donated the wine for the evening, while Lon Lane of Inspired Occasions supplied some of the food items.

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