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Junior League of Memphis Announces

Merry Marketplace 2009 "A Season for Giving"

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – October 12, 2009 – The Junior League of Memphis (JLM) is proud to announce it will host the ninth annual Merry Marketplace from Thursday, October 29 through Saturday, October 31, 2009, at the Agricenter International. This year's Merry Marketplace will represent the JLM's role in the community with the theme "A Season for Giving."

Merry Marketplace is the JLM's largest annual fundraising effort. With nearly 150 merchants from across the United States, this year's Merry Marketplace will offer a wide variety for shoppers. This unforgettable, 3-day shopping event includes the best in art, jewelry, women's fashion, giftware and so much more.

The JLM is looking forward to an even larger, more spectacular Merry Marketplace. The revenue from this shopping extravaganza directly supports the mission of the JLM, which is to: promote voluntarism, develop the potential of women and improve the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Chey Widdop, JLM President, notes that, "Not only does Merry Marketplace promise an unrivaled shopping experience; but it also enables the JLM to help meet the needs of women and children in our city. The JLM makes a \$1 million dollar impact by combining all funds raised with 1,600 committed volunteers giving over 30,000 hours annually."

General Shopping

Thursday, October 29, 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Friday, October 30, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturday, October 31, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$10.

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Event Schedule

Marketplace Morning, Thursday, October 29, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Ticket price: \$25

We are excited to announce Marketplace Morning will now be the first shopping experience of the weekend! Everyone attending will enjoy brunch, mimosas and a quiet stroller-free environment.

Marketplace Gala, Thursday, October 29, 6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Ticket price: \$65 in advance/\$75 at the door

Cocktail attire

Preview Party has been given a makeover! Marketplace Gala will have fabulous food and drink, exciting silent auction, great shopping with our amazing merchants and a Men's Zone for the guys.

Girls Night Out, Friday, October 30, 5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Tickets: \$25

Grab the girls and celebrate "a season for giving" while sipping cocktails and browsing the hottest finds of the season!

Merry Monster Mash, 7th and 8th grade dance, Friday, October 30, 6:30 p.m. -9 p.m.

Tickets: \$15

Drop off your 7th and 8th graders for an evening of Halloween fun!

Don't forget, you can purchase a ticket for Girls Night Out and shop at the same time you child is enjoying a great party.

Go to www.merrymarketplace.com or call 452.5121 today to purchase your tickets to this year's Merry Marketplace.

The Junior League of Memphis is committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The Junior League of Memphis is a volunteer organization for women interested in making an impact in their community. We are part of the Association of Junior Leagues International, which is made up of 294 Junior Leagues in four countries. For more information, visit our web site at www.jlmemphis.org.

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