

COMMUNITY



GLMP founder La'Keisha Gray-Sewell



Village of Barrington presents a Proclamation.



Barrington businesswomen supported the retreat.



Leah Jackson shares her story.



Azyia learns make-up techniques.



The girls participate in a Sister Circle.



Artist Brianna speaks at the luncheon.



The girls enjoyed some glamour.



Retreat attendees made vision boards.



TV talk show host Tracy Sanders Campbell.



Women business owners shared their stories.

Girls Like Me


BARRINGTON'S WHITE HOUSE IS HOST TO
A LIFE EMPOWERING RETREAT

ON THURSDAY, August 12, 2021, the inaugural Girls Like Me Project (GLMP) retreat was held at Barrington's White House. The Village of Barrington offered a Proclamation for the event. It was a day away for a group of young African American women who live in some of the most dangerous areas of Chicago.

Founded in 2012 by La'Keisha Gray-Sewell, the GLMP mission is to help African American girls ages 11-17 to critically examine social and cultural representations in media, so that they will be able to overcome stigmas and negative stereotypes. They equip girls with tools and strategies to become influential, independent digital storytellers who transform their communities and foster global sisterhood.

The girls enjoyed a day of relaxation, pampering, and a chance to feel like a princess. They embraced their futures by building vision boards and hearing from local businesswomen. Lunch was donated by the Canteen Restaurant and many other donors helped. Mildred (Millie) Liggins, an American Family Insurance agent, coordinated the retreat. She shared this after the event:

"I can't tell you how absolutely blown away I am about the success of the Girls Like Me Project Retreat! The Village of Barrington showed up and showed out for this day! Their desire to help was overwhelming, enthusiastic, and effusive! I would especially like to thank the Village President and staff for allowing us the use of such an elegant and beautiful venue for which to host the Retreat. From the table settings to the signage, the Village demonstrated their eagerness to contribute to something they deemed important. I so appreciate this level of unselfish commitment to such an important cause..."

Seeds were undoubtedly planted this day. Your collective effort to offer career advice, grooming tips, financial insights, life experiences, and life lessons provided the girls with information that will empower them to take control of their lives and to believe that they can be whatever they dream! Thank you so very much for your participation, encouragement, and stellar example as strong women entrepreneurs. In you, the girls were able to see possibilities." 

To learn more, visit girlslikemeproject.org.



Christmas Services

The Presbyterian Church of Barrington

Sunday, December 19, 2021
10 am Lessons & Carols Service (*Livestreamed*)

Friday, December 24
5 pm Family Service (*Livestreamed*)

7 pm and 9 pm Candlelight and
Communion Services (*7 pm Livestreamed*)

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Barrington Suzuki Strings
Presents

Happy Holidays

Sunday, December 12th, 3pm
Barrington High School Auditorium

Featuring the
Barrington Youth Symphony
and students of the
Barrington Music Institute

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