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Congratulations to Marilyn Sprague, the 2010 Recipient of the Susan B. Myers Leadership and Community Activism Award

By Samantha Soldan

It was the JLP Board of Directors great pleasure to present **Marilyn Sprague** with the Susan B. Myers Leadership and Community Activism award at Annual Brunch. Marilyn Sprague began her Junior League career over 40 years ago as a Provisional in the Junior League of Milwaukee, WI and has also been a member of the Junior Leagues of Birmingham, MI and Indianapolis, IN. Fortunately, Marilyn and her family (husband, William and her children William, Anne, and Robert) moved to Philadelphia 20 years ago, and she has been a driving force in the JLP ever since! Marilyn's League work has included terms as Sustainer Chair, Sustainer Treasurer, Affirmative Action Coordinator, BBB&B Chair (where she helped establish the Blossom Fund and its guidelines), Sustainer Representative to the Community Council, and Co-Chair of League Non-partisan Volunteers for the Republican National Convention. It was for her work with the Republican National Convention that Marilyn received the "Heart of Philadelphia Award" from the city of Philadelphia.



Marilyn Sprague with her husband, William and grandsons Matthew, William, and Will.

The Susan B. Myers Leadership and Community Activism Award honors League members who have contributed to the community through outstanding achievements within the JLP and externally. Marilyn's volunteer work outside of the JLP is too extensive to list in full, but includes her passionate involvement with Meals on Wheels, the Pan American Games, the National Figure Skating Championship, and the Chamounix Mansion Youth Hostel. But spend any appreciable amount of time with Marilyn and you'll quickly learn about her passion for our parks. Marilyn was a member of The Water Works Preservation Committee with Susan Myers and was heavily involved with the Fund for the Water Works, and the Women for the Water Works. She has also served as Fairmount Park's Representative for the Philadelphia Committee of the Garden Club of America.

Marilyn Sprague is a woman who puts her whole heart into everything that she does. Her kindness, wisdom, and understated charm are greatly respected throughout the Philadelphia community. Marilyn transcends all boundaries between League membership categories; she is a great colleague, mentor, and friend to both Actives and Sustainers and often the first person to call and offer a helping hand when a fellow member is in need. Quite simply, Marilyn Sprague shows us each day what it means to be a servant leader. Congratulations Marilyn! We are proud to honor you as the second recipient of the Susan B. Myers Leadership and Community Activism Award. 

Earth Day at Martin Luther School

By Nicole McElroy

On April 10, seven Junior League volunteers provided an afternoon of fun mixed in with educational teachings to eighteen children at the Silver Spring- Martin Luther School. The "Earth Day" theme offered various hands-on activities to promote the awareness of Earth Day and more importantly, provide real life examples of what each child could do on their own to keep the Earth green.

Activities included creating a personal Earth shaped picture frame, coloring, and writing on a personal "Being Green" poster where each of the children came up with ways to keep the earth clean, conserve energy, and state why they like the Earth. The children also decorated biodegradable planters using creative ways to

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Student from Martin Luther School with his hand-decorated planter created during DIAD's Earth Day themed event.

President's Perspective

By Samantha Soldan

Plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose. Or, in English, the more things change, the more they stay the same. The topic of change has been at the forefront of our national psyche for the last few years. It is only natural that we seek change during difficult times and, although we hear much about change in the rhetoric of political campaigns, we often find ourselves thinking, rather cynically, that nothing ever really changes.

Of course, we all know that change is inevitable. This year's Board has moved the League toward what we envision will be a period of positive, meaningful change for the JLP. This year, after considering the recommendations from the AJLI Strategic Roadmap and the findings of our Governance Task Force, the JLP's Board of Directors proposed major changes to our leadership structure. These changes will separate the governance and management functions of our Board by redefining Board positions and terms of service and creating a discrete Management Council. In March, the JLP's membership approved these rather sweeping changes to our leadership structure. It is hoped that the separation of governance and management functions will allow our organization to elevate long-term, strategic leadership AND support more efficient operations and stronger management of the League. Now, as we put this new, talented leadership team in place, I feel confident that these changes to our leadership structure will achieve their desired effects.

Even greater changes for our League are visible on the horizon. With ever-increasing demands on our membership's time, energy, and resources, the AJLI Strategic Roadmap has suggested that more profound changes should be implemented for the health of Leagues everywhere. It is likely that in the coming years we will see changes to our requirements menu, changes to our committee operations, and changes that tear down the familiar membership categories that Leagues have maintained since their inception. In addition, to fit the needs of our membership and our community programming, change is afoot at our headquarters.

Why should we impose so many changes to our nearly 100-year-old organization in a relatively short period of time? Because ultimately, these changes will help us preserve what we cherish most about the League. These changes will allow our organization to continue to thrive and to enter its next century as an organization of women who are united by their passion and commitment to promoting voluntarism, improving the community, and developing the potential of women. By having the courage to make these changes, revitalize our organization, and adapt to the ever-changing world in which we operate, the JLP will maintain its impact and presence as the premier women's volunteer organization in the greater Philadelphia area.

The more things change, the more they stay the same....as my term as JLP President comes to an end, that is certainly my hope for the JLP. 



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symbolize "Earth Day" followed by each of them planting seeds in their own decorated planters. The children will be able to nurture the plants and watch them grow over the weeks to come. The gardening was a huge hit!

At the end of the program, the volunteers and children sat together and enjoyed refreshments of organic fruit salad, organic milk, and cookies. The children excitedly shared their thoughts of what they learned that day and presented their art creations to the group. Parting favors for the children included Earth Day-themed bookmarks, globe-shaped erasers, and pencils. Needless to say, it was a great day at the school and the Junior League volunteers were happy to make it happen for the children. 



Some things never change--Past Presidents relying on (wo)man's best friend for support and sound advice.
JLP Past-President Ellenor Morris (1938-1940) with her trusted companion and JLP Past-President Sam Soldan (2009-2010) with Xena.

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Congratulations, Ladies of the Year!

By Samantha Soldan

Each year, the JLP's Board of Directors determines the Volunteer, Committee, and Leader of the Year after evaluating the nominations submitted by the membership. This year we received many nominations for each category, demonstrating that the membership consistently rose to the occasion and exceeded our expectations. We had the pleasure of acknowledging the Volunteer, Committee Council, and Leader of the Year at Annual Brunch. Congratulations to this year's winners!

Volunteer of the Year-Alex Escher

As an Active member of the JLP since 1995(!) **Alex Escher's** League work has always focused on our community projects. Although she has never accepted a formal leadership role, Alex never failed to lead by example as a consistently reliable, determined, and hardworking volunteer. This year, the GVC benefited from Alex's thoughtful, resourceful, and practical approach. Alex served as a great motivating force for the GVC by building relationships, finding solutions, and applying her unmatched work ethic. Through her consistent commitment to the League and her respect for her fellow members, Alex embodies the "lifelong" League volunteer.

Leader of the Year-Christen Scalone

In the 2008-2009 League year, **Christen Scalone** became Co-Chair of the Campus Community Gardens committee when it was a project "in development." Christen demonstrated her commitment to this project by agreeing to continue as Co-Chair for the 2009-2010 League year. While all of our projects have their own unique challenges, the Campus Community Gardens Committee has many layers of complexity; the CCG is working with several partners to build a garden for the Tanner G. Duckrey School, including the Duckrey School faculty and administration, The School District of Philadelphia, other non-profit organizations, a landscape architect, and the City of Philadelphia. Throughout this process, Christen maintained a positive attitude and worked to ensure a high level of committee and partner satisfaction. Her dedication for two years as

CCG Co-Chair has been critical to its success. Christen has not allowed the bumps in the road to derail the program or its committee members, and her commitment to this project and the community it serves is nothing short of extraordinary.

Committee Council of the Year- The Communications Council

The 2009-2010 year was a banner year for the Communications Council and the achievements of each of its committees were truly remarkable. The *Hotline* and *e-Line* operated like well-oiled machines and set new standards for keeping our membership connected and informed under the leadership of **Christina Van Riper**. Our ability to communicate both internally and externally was further expanded by major improvements to the website. In addition to frequently updating the site and responding rapidly to member, committee, and Board requests, Website Chair **Candice Lawrence** took the time to train her fellow members so that they can use our website to its full advantage. In addition, the JLP's use of social networking sites as a vehicle for internal and external communications took off this year. Real-time Facebook and Twitter updates entered and promoted by Communications Council Director, **Jen Morgan** [and President Sam Soldan] provided another mechanism for communicating with members and the community and proved useful in promoting community event, fundraisers, and for recruiting efforts for the 2010-2011 year. Both the quantity and quality of PR for the League increased tremendously this year with the entire Communications Council participating in the design of League advertisements to be used in print, online, and even on SEPTA! Most notably, the entire council came together to create a name, logo, and new marketing materials to brand the new focus area, Project GREEN: Using Nature to Nurture. Congratulations to **Jen Morgan**, and the Communications Council Chairs **Candice Lawrence**, **Christina Van Riper**, and **Jennifer Jarden** on an amazing year! Special thanks to 'honorary PR members' Active **Sara Nelson** and Provisional **Lauren Innella** for their exceptional design talents to make this a successful year. 📌

Stimulus for Spending at the Thrift Shop

By Patty Franks

Consignment is now up and running. At present we are accepting women's clothing and accessories and small pieces of fine art and china. We sold a lovely Vera Wang wedding dress to a real bride recently. We will soon be opening consignment to accept exceptional children's clothing. We will extend consignment to the public shortly after the first of June. Please call for your appointment.

The floor is stocked with wonderful spring and summer merchandise. We have been experiencing an up tick in sales during the change of the seasons. We hope to keep it up throughout the summer by keeping the Shop open on First Fridays and Sundays.

We are anticipating a benefit from a stimulus package that the Ardmore Initiative has offered. Customers can buy 10- and 20-dollar Ardmore Dollars for 5- and 10-dollars respectively [up to 200 dollars]. Those dollars can then be spent in participating stores and restaurants in Ardmore, and the retailers can redeem them for face value. It will require a little bookkeeping but will definitely be a stimulus for spending. 📌



GVC Goes Green[er]

By Mary Alice Michaels

The Green Volunteer Corp. (GVC) Committee learned a great deal this year from the many events as well as trainings Fairmount Park provided for us.

Our first two events took place on September 26 and October 3 with the Provisional Class. The final event in autumn was on November 7. We finished in the spring with two more events provided by Fairmount Park at their Greenland Nursery in April and May. Although much was publicized regarding the amazing accomplishment in the creation and completion of the Mural at Fernhill Park, this article will highlight the "greener" part of our committee.

The League's mission, as we all know, is about promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The GVC Committee fulfills this mission by organizing large-scale projects and trainings associated with Fairmount Park. GVC also promotes voluntarism by mobilizing both JLP and non-JLP volunteers in the completion of these projects.

Our events at Fairmount Park and its seminars fostered the development of our members' potential and created trained volunteers. Members (as well as their friends/colleagues/partners/etc.) may or may not have arrived at events with an understanding of native or invasive plants or how to manage gardening tools, but upon departure, they certainly had a better understanding of those topics. They also left the event having made a positive impact on the community.

What we did not fully anticipate was just how much we would learn along the way. Ask any member of the GVC (or anyone who attended an event or Fairmount Park training) what a native or invasive plant is, and they will happily tell you. They are then able to tell you the positives and negatives of these plants. For some of you reading this article, this may not seem like much, but there are others for whom this is a revelation.

Our training seminars, open to the entire JLP membership (Provisional, Active, and Sustainer) as well as the community at large, educated us further on this topic. For those of us who were amateur or even master gardeners, the trainings gave us new techniques, enhanced our knowledge base and inspired us to create a more eco-friendly garden--whatever the scale.

This article mentions native and invasive plants, the cornerstone of our committee's work this year both in event tasks and in training topics. Thus, this article would be incomplete if such terms were not defined, at least in the most basic terms. Invasive plants are in essence weeds. These plants spread aggressively, take over other plants and can even invade existing ecosystems. They can easily infest an area and be very expensive to control as well as being destructive environmentally. Not all of these plants were brought over from other continents, but most of them were.

Native plants, on the other hand, originated in Pennsylvania before the settlement of Europeans. They occur naturally in a particular area without human interference. Those native plants considered invasive are those whose landscape has been altered.

Finally, we learned about how to propagate these native species. According to our trainers, Sarah Low and Maximillian Blaustein, the way in which we choose to grow these plants does matter. By

creating the new plants from seeds, we offer diversity in the genetic structure of these plants. This diversity makes them better able to withstand potentially devastating diseases. Conversely, plants with DNA from a single plant cloned multiple times could be eradicated. Cloned plants are plants propagated by layering, or rooting a stem taken from a "parent" plant. It is important to maintain the plant population's ability to regenerate naturally.

Native plants play an important role in our ecosystem. They best adapted to our climate and soil conditions, and they are critical for native insects. Many insects are specifically adapted to particular native plants. Without the plants, these insects suffer.

For gardeners, native plants offer a landscape that generally requires less care and far less water. Finally, when we surround ourselves with native plants, we surround ourselves with a sense of uniqueness to our part of the world. Utah and Pennsylvania have distinctly different aesthetics and much of that is due to the plants native to each area.

For more information on these topics, the following are offered as resources:

Invasive Plants of the Eastern United States Identification and Control
www.invasive.org

DCNR Invasive Exotic Plant Tutorial for Natural Lands Managers
www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/invasivetutorial

Mistaken Identity: Invasive Plants and their Native Look-Alikes
An identification Guide for the Mid-Atlantic
www.nrcs.usda.gov NRCS

<http://dda.delaware.gov> Delaware Department of Agriculture
www.dsu.edu Delaware State University

www.dehort.org Delaware Center for Horticulture

www.delawareinvasives.net Delaware Invasive Species Council

Invasive Plants: Guide to Identification and the Impacts and Control of Common North American Species (2007) By Sylvan Ramsey Kaufman & Wallace Kaufman 

JLP GVC at Greenland Nursery

By Sarah Maccoll

On April 24, the Green Volunteer Corps held a work-day at Greenland Nursery in Fairmount Park. The nursery, once abandoned in the 1980s, is being used again to grow and house native plants. These plants will be installed throughout Fairmount Park to preserve natural ecosystems. Volunteers potted and watered new plants, weeded nursery areas, and cleaned-up the general surroundings. 



Sarah Yakubic digs in the dirt during GVC's work day at Greenland Nursery.

The Building Committee is Hard at Work!

By Dianne Smith

With the completion of our new elevator and the end of the League year at hand, the Building Committee wrapped up the year with its last workday on May 23. In November, we did some light cleaning and painting in the Thrift Shop to freshen it up during the elevator construction. To allow space for consignment by March 1, the committee moved the personnel break room to the second floor office area, relocated the donation intake area to a section of the old furniture room, and spruced up the employee bathroom. It looks fabulous!

At the end of April, we started the tremendous task of cleaning and painting part of the second floor office area so it could be used for meetings once again. The walls and baseboards in the hallway and front room were washed and then painted a lovely sage color. The last workday in May completed this project by finishing the painting of the walls and baseboards, cleaning the floors, and polishing and organizing the furniture in the front room. What a difference it has made! Please look for more workday opportunities in the future to fulfill Thrift Shop Shift credit. I hope you all enjoy the new look! 📌



Christen Scalone, Candice Lawrence, Emily Schwarz, and Mary Alice Michaels paint the Thrift Shop a lovely shade of yellow.

DIAD 2009-2010

By Madeline Adams

As the chair of the DIAD committee, I wanted to say a very big thank you to all the dedicated members of Done in a Day, 2009-2010. As a committee, we initiated relationships with new community organizations, including Councilwoman Janine Blackwell's Mission Against Homelessness, Sunrise Assisted Living and Alzheimer's Center, and the Martin Luther School. In addition, we continued to strengthen our current relationships with local projects including MANNA, Philabundance, Philly Cares, HELP, and many others. I am excited for another year – and an active summer! Our current members have been busy brainstorming activities to keep you busy over the summer months – not only will it be a great way to knock out your mission credits early, but a great opportunity to socialize with other JLPers and help the community! Keep an eye online for the signups, including: **June 5** at Philabundance and **June 10** for Children's Village.

I want to thank the DIAD members for all their hard work: **Candace Balch, Jennifer Carr, Jeanette Danvers, Maureen Dever, Kristin Hudock, Nicole McElroy, Jennifer Minton, Betsy Padgett, Brenna Pellegrini, Lauren Stienes, and Krista Vaughn.** Despite the craziness of everyday life, both **Jennifer Minton** and **Jennifer Harris** welcomed new members to their families, and **Maureen Dever** and **Lauren Stienes** are both expecting. Congrats to all! 📌

Reading Rocks continues as "Building Better Bodies" as a DIAD with the YMCA

By Krista Vaughn and Candace Balch

On Saturday, April 17 the DIAD committee hosted the event "Building Better Bodies with the JLP" in conjunction with the YMCA's Healthy Kids' Day. JLP volunteers worked with children at the Ardmore and Roxborough YMCA locations to promote healthy lifestyle choices. The kids who attended made a door-hanger craft decorated with vegetables, bookmarks decorated with sports stickers, colored the food pyramid, played hopscotch, and were able to pick out free books to take home. The two locations were well attended, and the JLP had a positive presence in the community. This year's event was an interpretation and extension of a past JLP project, Reading Rocks, which promoted reading and education. 📌



Getting ready to hopscotch for a prize with DIAD's Building Better Bodies at the YMCA on April 17.

Sustainer News

Sustainer Chair's Perspective

By Bobbie Cameron



"Our future's so bright, I have to put on my shades." Those were my farewell words (or words to that effect) to my JLP Presidency back in 1998 and my "shades" were Minnie Mouse sunglasses purchased in Orlando while attending the AJLI Annual Conference. Who knew I could see all the way to 2009-2010 where **Pam Maimone**, our fabulous Sustainer Chair, has shined so brightly?

Pam has been shining everywhere, from Board meetings, both Sustainer and Active, to Membership meetings, Cooking Klatch, Garden Club, and Active Projects to Evening Sustainers, parties and Teas. I think the only thing she missed was bridge! Pam managed to do all this while caring for her mother, looking for a new job, and staying happily married to Bill, her very dedicated husband and chauffeur.

Pam's boundless energy, enthusiasm, attention to detail, upbeat personality, levelheadedness, and commitment are what make her a great leader, Sustainer, and a truly great friend. I am honored to have such an outstanding mentor and will do my best to follow the guiding light she and those before her have provided.

Sustainer Nominating, led by **Margie Patches** (Chair) and **Beth Gadsden** (Co-Chair) and consisting of **Susan Arnold, Nancy Greytok, Pam Maimone, Betsy Mallon, Nancy Scarloto, Pam Steiner, and Suzanne VanderVeer**, has done another brilliant job of slating a super incoming Board. Thank you and welcome to all who have graciously accepted positions on the board, including our

Executive Board: **Joan Prewitt** (Sustainer Chair-Elect and the perfect woman to lead us into our Centennial), **Stephanie Carr** (Treasurer), **Mary Hinds** (Recording Secretary) and **Nancy Hebard** (Corresponding Secretary), and to those of you who will be heading up committees, interest groups, and serving as Sustainer Reps to Active Councils. I look forward to the privilege of serving with you.

Congratulations to Sustainer of the Year, the charming **Pam Crutchfield**. I was exhausted just listening to all her accomplishments. Pam, thank you for your outstanding commitment to the JLP and to the community.

Is there anyone more deserving of the Susan B. Myers Award than my fellow Green Bay Packer-backer, **Marilyn Sprague**? Marilyn was Sustainer Chair my first year on the Active Board and I've been crazy about her ever since. Susan would be so pleased Marilyn is the recipient and that it was announced at The Water Works, Susan's legacy, during the lovely Spring Membership meeting coordinated by **Bev Galloway** and **Sharon McNamara**, where we also honored our Special Sustainers.

As the League year comes to a close, so, too, does our Sustainer Project. Who knew that a "little" book drive for the Paul V. Fly School in Norristown started by the visionary **Marge Devlin** and **Judy Ruse** several years ago would morph into boas, fleeces, and "SMARTBoards™?" Talk about a bright future for the students at Paul V. Fly and the Norristown School District! Thank you, Marge and Judy, and to all who have participated over the years in this landmark Sustainer Project.

When I look at the **BOLDED** names above, I see not only mentors, but my past; from Sharon who was Co-Chair of my Provisional Class to Marilyn, Marge, and Judy who were Sustainer Chairs while I was on the Active Board. Looking to 2010-2011, I see a fabulous League year ending on a high note when we host the AJLI Annual Conference in May 2011. So, enjoy your summer because I foresee a very busy year for our Super JLP Sustainers.

Bobbie

Blossom Fund Gives Back to the Community

Over the years, the Blossom Fund has earned \$110,088.59 and earned interest of \$7,099.20, for a total of \$117,187.79.

We have returned to the community a total of \$68,275.00 through grants. Here is a listing of our disbursements to date:

- 1999 - \$2,000 for 2 scholarships
- 2003 - \$3,400 for Jubilee School for the care of trees
- 2003 - \$20,825 for the restoration of the Lemon Hill Gazebo
- 2004 - \$1,000 for the Fairmount Park Historic Preservation Trust
- 2006 - \$20,000 Water Works South Garden
- 2007 - \$2,000 Sustainer Project - Paul V. Fly Elementary School
- 2008 - \$5,000 Sustainer Project - Paul V. Fly Elementary School
- 2009 - \$1,000 for Susan Myers Fund
- 2010 - \$8,000 Sustainer Project - 2 SMARTBoards™ - Paul V. Fly Elementary School
- 2010 - \$3,000 for JLP Actives - forgave the remainder of debt
- 2010 - \$2,050 for E. M. Stanton Elementary School Multicultural Garden, 4th and 6th grade project

Please help us to continue to give back to the community. The Blossom Fund guidelines and applications are on the JLP website. It is up to the JLP members to spread the word! 




Tee Off Against Breast Cancer

Join us for a day of golf and fun to benefit
Young Survival Coalition of Greater Philadelphia
 an organization that provides connections, outreach
 and resources to young women facing breast cancer.

August 16th, 2010, Blue Bell Country Club
9:30 a.m. Registration, 11:00 a.m. Shotgun

For more information or to register, please visit:
www.youngsurvival.org/
 Philadelphia or call
 866.702.3448.

Sustainer Project Comes to a Close

By Marge Devlin and Judy Ruse

It is hard to believe that the Sustainer Project at the Paul Fly Elementary School is coming to a close. It has been a wonderfully successful and rewarding project. Little did we think in the Fall of 2007 that the project would go on for three years and be as comprehensive as it has been. What began as helping to re-book the school library developed over time to be far more comprehensive. Dedicated JLP Sustainers who have a warm spot for needy children and a true belief in strong schools made this large project possible. In an era where volunteerism competes with complicated lives and busy schedules, the members of this committee spread the mission of the JLP by example. Their actions were a powerful voice. When the project began, the students and staff at the Paul Fly School had never heard of the Junior League. Now they all know! Other schools in this school district also have learned what the League can do. The Norristown School District recognizes the JLP, thanks to the volunteer efforts of the members of this committee.

Key Accomplishments:

- Over 35,000 children's books donated
- A fully book stocked school library
- Each of the 32 classrooms has an in-classroom library of teacher-selected books
- Educational magazine subscriptions for each classroom and the library
- Children's clothing – shirts, pants, socks, underwear, hats, gloves, handmade sweaters, vests, and shoes – available for needy children
- Six classroom SMARTboards™ for educational instruction
- Philly Phanatic visit for a school assembly stressing reading (many homeroom teachers then enrolled their students in the Phillies Phanatic Reading Program)

This project was made possible by the support of the Huston Foundation, our Blossom Fund, and over 125 individual contributors. Many civic organizations, including churches, libraries, and schools donated books. The most valuable contribution, however, was the many hours of Sustainer volunteerism and encouragement. We wish everyone a relaxing summer of well-deserved rest! 📖

Afternoon Brush-up Bridge

Afternoon Brush-up Bridge is now held the first Monday, second Friday, third Thursday and fourth Wednesday, 1 - 4 p.m., of each month. Call the individual hostess if interested in playing.

JUNE

- 7 Mimi Johnson (610) 525-1443
- 11 Ginny Price (610) 355-1484
- 17 Phyllis Scott (610) 687-1227
- 23 Ginny Price (610) 355-1484

JULY

- 2 Ann Vaughan (610) 293-0870
- 9 Ginny Price (610) 355-1484
- 22 Annabel Wilson (610) 688-7816
- 28 Ginny Price (610) 355-1484

Larks Update

Where are the songs of Spring? Ay, where are they? (John Keats)

The "songs of spring" fill the air where the Larks rehearse and perform! Every Wednesday morning, after enjoying the camaraderie of the group, the Larks prepare for their trouping performances. Under the extraordinary leadership of **Anjali Gallup-Diaz**, the Larks concentrate on perfecting pieces from their repertoire as well as mastering the newest following selections: "Accentuate the Positive," "Embraceable You," "Build Me Up, Buttercup," and "What a Wonderful World."

The spring and summer trouping schedule is underway, with the Larks performing and conducting sing-a-longs for the residents at the following venues during June:

June 9 HighGate at Paoli Point in Paoli

June 16 Wayne Senior Center in Wayne

The Larks always welcome new members. If interested, please contact **Jill Franks** (610) 363-9573 or **Anjali Gallup-Diaz** (215) 476-3587. 📖

Special Sustainers

During the Junior League of Philadelphia 2009-2010 year, five women became eligible for "Special Sustainer" status.

At the April 7 Annual Sustainer Spring Luncheon held at the Water Works Restaurant, only one Special Sustainer, **Nancy Henry**, was able to attend. She was introduced and applauded for her years of dedicated service.

The other members of the 2009-2010 "class" are **Marietta Homeier**, **Carol Pendergrass**, **Nancy Ulrich**, and **Sinclair (Sis) Ziesing**.

Together, these five women represent over 247 years of volunteer service to the Junior League in a variety of capacities.

We salute them, and thank them for their continued support! 📖

BOOKMARKS

Please join us Thursday, **June 17** for our last meeting before summer. Joseph O'Neil's best selling *Netherland* is the selection and the 6:30 p.m. meeting is at the home of **Karen Miller** in Malvern. Bring a salad ingredient or "accessory" as well as your ideas for summer reading, and for the 2010-2011 Bookmarks season. Let Karen know that you are coming, at **kmsmiller@aol.com**, or (610) 647-4287. 📖



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To publish the *Hotline* in a timely manner, articles are to be submitted via email at Hotline@JLPhiladelphia.org. Each article must have a byline and a headline.

Remember, the *Hotline* also accepts advertising: \$15 for classified ads, \$40 for business card-sized ads, \$60 for ¼ page ads, \$125 for ½ page ads, and \$225 for full-page ads. The dimensions for the ad sizes are: 8"x10.5" full page • 5.25"x8" half-page • 4"x5.25" quarter-page.

Upcoming Dates

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| June 3 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Mission Grill, Philadelphia |
| June 5 | Mission Credit Opportunity! Philabundance |
| June 9 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Seasons 52, Cherry Hill, NJ |
| June 17 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Huntingdon Valley |
| June 23 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Villanova |
| July 22 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Bourbon Blue, Philadelphia |
| July 29 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Kildare's Irish Pub, King of Prussia |
| August 5 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Racquet Club, Philadelphia |
| August 10 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Great Estate Consignment Shop, Bryn Mawr |
| August 19 | JLP Recruitment Open House, Table 31, Philadelphia |
| September 11 | Provisional Kick-Off |
| October 3 | Taste of Fall |

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