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## Junior League of Philadelphia Members - Your Vote Counts!

By Melissa Finnegan

Each year at the Annual Voting Meeting, the Junior League of Philadelphia members vote on many different items, including the community and fundraising projects. Each project that comes for your review and vote goes through a due diligence process led by Project Research & Development (PRD) and the Project Advisory Committee (PAC).

During the course of the League year, the PRD Committee excels at multi-tasking by working on the following items:

1. working with the community and fundraising committee co-chairs to update PAC on the committees' status and progress
2. distributing and analyzing surveys regarding League and committee satisfaction
3. helping to organize the minimum three PAC meetings per year
4. researching new projects, if needed, that may become future committees

PAC works with PRD throughout the year by participating in three meetings to review existing projects. PAC is an ad-hoc committee consisting of the following members: President, President-Elect, Treasurer, Treasurer-Elect, Chief Operating Officer, Community Council Vice Presidents, Fundraising Council Vice Presidents, Director of Development, Placement Chair, Membership Development Council Vice President, and two at-large members. The PRD Committee and Nominating Committee also participate. During each PAC meeting, normally held in November, January, and February, the participants meet and discuss the following:

1. review each committee's proposal form
2. meet with committee co-chairs to ask questions about the project successes - community partner and member satisfaction, participation, budget, and project future
3. discuss survey analysis provided by PRD
4. vote on the project slate to present to the Board of Directors

The final goal of PAC is to produce a recommended project slate to the Board of Directors for the following League year. Upon completion of the project slate by PAC, it is presented to the Board by the Director of Development. The Board will review PAC recommendations and also incorporate discussions regarding project viability, community partner satisfaction, membership staffing, and the League's budget and financial status. The Board will then approve or recommend an alternate project slate to the general membership at the Voting Meeting.

This year's Voting Meeting will occur on April 20. At the meeting, the results of the PRD, PAC, and Board recommendations will be presented to the membership. Active League members will then cast votes on each project; these votes determine the committees for the next League year.

Many times, when I attend League events, I hear comments questioning the League's involvement in certain committees and projects, such as "Why is the JLP working with this group?" or "Why do we have this committee?" Ultimately, the answer to both these questions is that the project was approved by the membership. Careful thought and conscientious voting will ensure that League members' voices are heard. See you in April! 

# President's Perspective

By Dianne Smith

On January 19, the JLP welcomed Philip K. Howard, Founder and Chairman of Common Good, as the keynote speaker for our General Membership Meeting at The Racquet Club of Philadelphia. Common Good is a non-profit, non-partisan legal reform coalition dedicated to restoring common sense to America. By conducting polls, hosting forums, and engaging with leaders in health care, education, law, business, and public policy from across the country, Common Good is developing practical solutions to restore reliability to our legal system and minimize the impact of legal fear in American life.

Common Good's June 15, 2010 meeting at the National Constitution Center focused on ending government paralysis. I attended the event and participated in the many workshops. They were designed to bring together policy and legal experts, political leaders, and media to discuss how the accretion of laws and entitlements had spawned armies of special interests and how political structures had become virtually inert. Speakers introduced a range of possible solutions including those that address entitlements, campaign finance, redistricting, mandatory sunsets, civil service, and supermajority rules.

Common Good has four major reform initiatives in the areas of health care, education, civil justice, and the value of play. Our current focus area, Project GREEN: Using Nature to Nurture, is designed to reconnect children with their natural environment and is greatly affected by the value of play in our community. Fears of lawsuits, excessive safety regulations, and society's growing aversion to risk have fundamentally altered the nature of play and recreation in America. As part of our civil justice reform program, Common Good is promoting a more balanced approach to risk in the hope of restoring free play opportunities to America's children.

The Board of Directors is currently researching the deepest needs in the Philadelphia area, so we can determine how the JLP can best address those needs. We will find that perfect marriage between our membership and impactful community outreach in order to pilot this new issue-based focus area next year during our Centennial celebrations. Common Good is a valuable resource in assisting the JLP with navigating through the legislative process and public policy, ensuring that we become an advocate of our own area of impact. This will set the stage for the JLP's next 100 years of service and secure our position as the premier volunteer service organization in the Philadelphia area. 



## Green Carpet Event

The Junior League of Philadelphia, Inc. and the Provisional Course Committee are proud to present the first Green Carpet Event at The Piazza at Schmidts in Northern Liberties. The members of the 2010-2011 Provisional Course have been hard at work preparing what is sure to be a fantastic spring fundraiser.

The event will take place outdoors at the beautiful Piazza at Schmidts on **Saturday, April 2** from 7 to 10 p.m. with a rain date of April 9. The event is open to the general public. Tickets are \$40 each for general admission and \$75 for VIP admission, which includes a front row seat and swag bag. Each ticket purchase will earn one Ways & Means Credit for JLP members. Cocktail attire is suggested. Proceeds will support our mission and our Signature Focus, Project GREEN: Using Nature to Nurture. 



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# The Annual Fund Grows—Thanks To Your Support !

By Jill Jokelson

The Annual Fund is continuing to grow, thanks to ongoing contributions from our members. Annual Fund contributions are used to support the Junior League's goals of promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of our volunteers, and improving our community. Donations may be made online at [www.JLPhiladelphia.org/annuallfund](http://www.JLPhiladelphia.org/annuallfund) or by check and sent to our office at 27 W. Lancaster Ave., Ardmore, PA 19003. Every bit helps - no contribution is too small - and all is appreciated. We gratefully acknowledge the generosity of our donors to this year's Annual Fund, as of February 15, 2011:

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## "A Few of Our Favorite Things" JLP Adds Online Auction to Fundraising Efforts

By Bonnie Duncan

The Junior League of Philadelphia (JLP) is trying something new this year in our quest to raise funds. April 3 will mark the launch of our first online auction, "A Few of Our Favorite Things." The JLP is seeking to reach our goal of raising \$20,000.

"A Few of Our Favorite Things" online auction will run from April 3 through April 18. We will be collecting donated items and putting these items up for bid on our auction website. This event is powerful and exciting because of the virtually unlimited reach of the internet. It is a wonderful example of how the internet has the ability to bring people together to support a great cause. We will be using an online auction tool from cMarket, Inc., also known as Bidding For Good, which is an organization focused on supporting non-profit organizations. Bidding For Good has helped to raise more than \$100 million dollars for a variety of charitable causes. We are hoping that all members will participate in this event by donating items, promoting the auction to family and friends, and bidding on all of the fabulous items.

The funds we raise will benefit JLP programs and support our mission. We are counting on JLP members to make this event a success. Our first task will be collecting donations of items, such as travel packages, tickets, and dining gift certificates. In addition, merchandise, goods, time donations, and skills or special treats also make attractive bidding items. If you, your organization, or others you know would like to make any kind of a donation, please look for upcoming communications on how to donate.

All Provisional and active members have the ability to earn Ways & Means Credits by helping to solicit donations. For every \$100 of fair market retail value in items collected, members will receive one Ways & Means Credit. We are also seeking sponsorship. Sponsorship levels range from \$100 to \$1,000. High level sponsors have the opportunity to have their name, logo and hyperlink to their website included on both the JLP and online auction websites.

The auction promises to have a major impact on the League. To make our fundraiser a success, we need you. We will be sending emails and other communications this month soliciting donations for the auction. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Bonnie Duncan at [Bonnie.Duncan@Willis.com](mailto:Bonnie.Duncan@Willis.com). 

## Winter Ends at the Thrift Shop

It has been a long hard winter for all of us, but spring is on the horizon. We began hanging spring clothing on February 1, so the floor is filled with happy colors.

Please remember that after March 1, any additional quota can be applied to next year (2011-2012). Remember that you can receive shift credit for a donation of end-of-the-season new merchandise from a retailer you frequent and they can receive tax credit for the donation.

Please come visit us and see our spring line. 



## Being GREEN for Fairmount Park and the Philadelphia Zoo: Green Volunteer Corps Workday at Greenland Nursery

By Alex Escher

In November 2010, groups of volunteers from Temple University and the Junior League of Philadelphia partnered in an effort to tackle projects for Fairmount Park and the Philadelphia Zoo. Volunteers met at Greenland Nursery on a beautiful fall morning where we were given a brief history of the nursery and an overview of the two projects for the day.

Over 30 years ago, Fairmount Park's Greenland Nursery was a 28-acre production facility growing everything from shrubs to mature trees. Over time, with the introduction of containerized vegetation, production stopped and Greenland became more of a holding nursery and a repository for the City of Philadelphia's Street Tree Program. In 1980, the Park opened the Horticultural Center with a new and expanded greenhouse production space, and Greenland Nursery was closed and then virtually abandoned and forgotten by 1988. Today, however, with thanks to many volunteers and select staff members at the Park, it has become operational again. As explained by Tom Dougherty and Max Blaustein, our Fairmount Park leaders, one of the current missions of Greenland Nursery is to propagate native trees, shrubs and plants that will then be nurtured until they are ready to be planted throughout Fairmount Park under their land management and restoration initiative.

As part of that day's effort, some volunteers worked on collecting seeds from cuttings of meadow grasses from various locations within Fairmount Park. The collected seeds will be stored over the winter and then used to expand the Houston Meadow in Wissahickon Park in the spring. The second project was in collaboration with the Philadelphia Zoo in their effort to plant trees to promote and support a sustainable environment through the Footprints Carbon Offset Project. Volunteers in this group spent the morning clearing invasive plants and materials, and participating in reforestation activities that will ultimately reduce our carbon dioxide "footprint," which in turn reduces global warming and provides a valuable habitat for wildlife. Overall, volunteers in both groups assisted in transforming a part of our community into a healthier, "greener" environment that will serve and benefit both people and wildlife for years to come. 



# Green Volunteer Corps Spends Morning at Local Nursery Learning about the History, Uses, and Care of Roses

By Drea Brooks Tarity

On a gray and dreary Saturday morning, 15 Junior League members and guests set out to brighten their day with an educational training and luncheon at Triple Oaks Nursery in Franklinville, NJ. The training, Everything's Coming up Roses, was led by Lorrain Kiefer, whose philosophy on growing plants and flowers focuses on eliminating chemicals and allowing plants to thrive through careful cultivation and protection from harsh climate changes.

This Green Volunteer Corps training touched on the history of roses and rose oil, looked at the diverse uses of roses through the centuries, and discussed the best way to grow and maintain rose bushes. Attendees were also encouraged to ask questions in an open forum following the presentation and a demonstration on making rose petal potpourri concluded the event. Attendees left with their own bag of potpourri and a deep knowledge of this important flower.

Given Triple Oaks Nursery's commitment to sustainable gardening, the training also focused on protecting rose bushes from black spot, a common fungal infection, without toxic pesticides. Attendees were encouraged to use organic antifungal options to treat their rose bushes, including natural alternatives such as copper and sulfur powders, and recipes for homemade anti-mildew sprays.

Roses are a timeless tradition of love and the Everything's Coming up Roses training was well positioned a week before Valentine's Day. Please join the Green Volunteer Corps for our March trainings, Container Gardening with Native Plants on [March 3](#) and Blades Natural Beauty, Greening your Personal Care Products on [March 26](#). You can register for both on the Junior League of Philadelphia website. [J](#)



JLP members learning about the history and care of roses

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# Winter Wonderland Cocktail Party at Freeman's Auction House

By Hilary Fuelleborn

On Saturday, February 5, 2011, the Membership Enrichment and Recruitment Committee hosted a Winter Wonderland Cocktail Party at Freeman's Auction House in Center City Philadelphia. Excited Junior League actives, Provisionals, Sustainers, and their friends and guests filled the main gallery of Freeman's for this fun event. Guests danced to the musical styling of Streamline DJs while enjoying a wide variety of cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, elegantly served by Bacchus Market and Catering. The lofty space at Freeman's was filled with beautiful art for party-goers to enjoy, and estate jewelry was available for guests to try on. Great conversation and mingling made for a memorable night that was enjoyed by all who attended. The JLP extends a special thanks to Freeman's Auctioneers & Appraisers for hosting this fantastic event. The Member Enrichment and Recruitment Committee express its sincere gratitude to the JLP Garden Club and JLP members **Bobbie Cameron**, **Liz Kolb**, **Sarah McCabe**, and **Jennifer Morgan** for their generous donations that made the event a rousing success. [J](#)



# Terrarium Training at Terrain, Sponsored by the Green Volunteer Corps

By Alex Escher

On January 15 a group of 21 JLP League members, Sustainers, and guests gathered at Terrain in Glen Mills for a hands-on demonstration and training on the art of "How to Create and Maintain a Terrarium." The event, organized by **Alyson Kelly** of the Green Volunteer Corps (GVC) Committee, started with members meeting and greeting one another over a delicious breakfast consisting of homemade scones and muffins with preserves and other tasty fresh items. Shortly thereafter, we were introduced to our group leader from Terrain, **Dianne McGuire**. Dianne provided a brief overview of the fundamental principles of designing and maintaining a terrarium as well as the different types and sizes of terrariums. We learned that, other than some basic requirements for proper drainage in a self contained glass vessel, there are few set rules to follow and people can allow their creativity to determine their individual themes. Varying textures, colors and shapes of small foliage plants as well as miscellaneous decorative items such as small pine cones, pieces of tree bark, stones, and twigs are used to create one's design concept. With that said, each person got busy brainstorming. Everyone personally selected three plants and a few decorative items to use as the foundation for their individual masterpieces. It was great fun to create, but equally as fun seeing what others had created! The uniqueness of each terrarium was fascinating, considering we all were working side-by-side the entire time. At the end of the training we all departed with our terrarium creations to take home to nurture and watch grow.



JLP members create terrariums

Coincidentally, the following day the television program "Sunday Morning with Charles Osgood" featured a segment on terrariums that had been filmed at Terrain. The show reported that there are terrariums on display at the Museum of Modern Art and that some terrariums have sold for as much as \$20,000 to \$40,000! [↓](#)

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# Thrift Shop Committee Changes Benefit League's Largest Fundraiser



By Laura Longwell

The Thrift Shop is by far the League's largest fundraiser, and the substantial revenue it generates supports everything from community programming to office expenses. Over the last two years, the Thrift Shop Committee has helped maximize profitability by staffing the Shop on Sundays and setting up the Consignment area. Along with the hard work and dedication of full-time staff, these factors have helped the Shop perform very well despite challenging economic times. As we look to the 2011-2012 League year, the Thrift Shop Committee tasks are expanding further to identify new opportunities for increasing revenue.

Under the leadership of Co-Chairs **Betsy Burkett** and **Katie Connelly**, the Committee will be exploring new ways to help solicit donations from inside and outside the League as well as ways to promote the Shop in the community. A primary focus of the Committee will be to make going to the Shop a great experience for members. They plan to host several quota parties that will be designed to make "doing Quota" a social, fun time for members fulfilling their requirements.

Outside the League, the Committee is actively soliciting new merchandise from local stores that are clearing end-of-season items or liquidating their inventory. Donations of new items that can sell for a slightly higher price are a great addition to the high quality second-hand donations the Shop relies on. Additionally, members will use advertising and marketing in the local area to let more people know about the great merchandise that is available and will begin communicating with shoppers who sign up for a new email list, letting them know about special promotions.

Special thanks to the dedicated Thrift Shop Committee members: **Betsy Burkett**, **Katie Connelly**, **Sarah Drewniak**, **Alex Esposito**, **Melissa Lopez**, **Janet McGuigan**, **Christy Moran**, **Kerry Shields**, and Sustainer Advisor **Joyce Shenian**. [↓](#)

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# A Call for Leadership Awards Nominations

By Dianne Smith

What an amazing year we have had thus far! With so many accomplishments behind us, we still have more to come! It is time to take a look back at this year's successes and recognize those individuals who have contributed above and beyond expectations. There are three awards presented at Annual Dinner: Volunteer of the Year, Committee of the Year, and Leader of the Year. Nominations for each are submitted by the membership and brought to the Board for a vote. Receiving one of these awards is a very special honor and reflects the ultimate pillar of accomplishment in the League. Please give this some thought and submit your nomination. The forms are located on the League website under Forms in the Information section. [↓](#)

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# 89th Annual AJLI Conference Coming to Philadelphia May 12-14

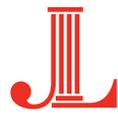
Junior League leaders from all over the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the United Kingdom will be converging on the Philadelphia Downtown Marriott for the 89th Annual AJLI Conference **May 12-14**. The JLP's Ad Hoc Committee for the AJLI Conference has been busy planning tours, gathering items for a knock-out Welcome Bag, and working on volunteer schedules to make sure that our guests "Love Philly xoxo."

"Being the host city for the AJLI Annual Conference is such a tremendous honor. Philadelphia has so much to offer with so many diverse attractions to create lasting memories for all of the conference delegates," said JLP President **Dianne Smith**.

As host site for the conference the JLP is responsible for planning and leading a variety of activity tours during the free time scheduled on Saturday afternoon **May 14** and staffing the hospitality table throughout the Conference. Volunteer opportunities abound to take a shift at the Hospitality Table, be a guide for one of the five tours being offered, and assembling the Welcome Bags for our guests. Sustainers **Maureen Luke** and **Judy Ruse** are coordinating volunteer schedules. Watch the *e-Line* for how to sign up.

The Ad Hoc Committee is made up of actives **Madeline Adams, Alison Dyer, Rachel Reavy, Laura Snead, Bertina Whytehead**, President **Dianne Smith**, President-Elect **Jodi Kerr**, and Site Chair **Jeannette Schlegel**. Sustainers serving on the Committee include **Kathy Andre, Kathy Douglas, Maureen Luke, Betsy Mallon, Judy Ruse**, Sustainer Chair and Past President **Bobbie Cameron**, Past Presidents **Kara Goodchild, Beth Maggio, Margie Patches, Nancy Scarlato, and Susan Van Allen**.

With so many volunteer opportunities available, every JLP member can get involved in some capacity. Watch the *e-Line* or contact **Jeannette Schlegel** and she will find a place for you. Let's show the other Leagues just how accommodating and welcoming the JLP can be! 



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## Welcome Transfers!

Please help welcome all 2010-2011 transfers into the JLP:

### Actives Transfer In

Betsy Burkett  
Erin Bushnell  
Katherine Connelly  
Martha Cook  
Laura Ege  
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## Save the date



for the JLP's Harvest Hustle: Strides for Stronger Communities. The 5K Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, October 15 in Ardmore. We hope you can join us for a fun and friendly day of fitness in support of the JLP! Stay tuned for additional information. If you have questions or ideas for potential sponsors, please email us at [jlpharvesthustle@gmail.com](mailto:jlpharvesthustle@gmail.com) 



# Sustainer News

## Sustainer Chair's Perspective

By Bobbie Cameron

Being Sustainer Chair has been a wonderful experience. I have met so many lovely women and attended lots of fun events that I had never attended before, like Cooking Klatch and a Garden Club cocktail party. I even enjoy writing this column. There is only one unpleasant task: contacting members who have not paid their dues. Before I go any further, I must admit that I have forgotten to pay my dues, so I know how easy it is to push the letter aside and just forget about it. And, there is always the possibility of an accounting error on the part of the League.

There is a reason why we must pay our dues by a certain time. Each June, AJLI receives its portion of our dues, presently \$35 per JLP member. Paying \$35 to AJLI for each member, active and Sustainer, who has not paid her dues adds up quickly. Therefore, in these tough economic times and since AJLI takes its headcount directly from our website, it has become necessary to enforce a strict deadline. You have a grace period, and it is during that time that the Sustainer Chair begins contacting Sustainers who have forgotten to pay. Usually, one call or email is all it takes, but it has become necessary to forfeit members for nonpayment of dues with the provision that they will be reinstated upon receipt of payment and a reinstatement fee.

You are probably thinking, "How many can there be?" Actually, there are quite a lot, and it can take all summer to settle accounts. Delinquent dues impact the entire League from our Bookkeeper, Office Administrator, Treasurer, Treasurer-Elect, and the Board, to our community projects.

Soon, we will all receive that envelope in the mail stamped "DUES" on the front. We know what it is; we've been getting it for years. It always comes at the same time and contains nearly the same information, so please pay your dues by April 30. The JLP has even made it easy for us with alternative methods for paying our dues: the old standard (by check), on the JLP website (by credit card), or submission of the completed Installment Form (by credit card) included in our Dues Notice. Your prompt payment will be greatly appreciated.

Now, I still hope to make it to Bookmarks, but I think it's going to have to wait until my term is over. I've been too busy enjoying my time as Sustainer Chair to read a book! 

*Bobbie*

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## Garden Club Honors Barbara Wadhams

The JLP Garden Club honored long-time member and chair of its flower show **Barbara Wadhams** for her outstanding contributions over many years. Flower Club Chairperson **Graham Boose** presented a painting of poppies and iris to Barbara as **Ellen Lloyd** and **Betsy MacIntosh**, this year's flower show chairs, and artist Mimi Barclay Johnson share the club's appreciation. This year's show will be held at Dunwoody Village, 3500 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, on **May 20**. The exhibit is open to the public from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. free of charge. 



# Sustainer Nominating Committee News

The Nominating Committee of the Sustainer Board is very pleased to present the following proposed slate for the 2011-2012 Sustainer Executive Board:

Chair	Joan Prewitt
Chair-Elect	Nancy Hebard
Recording Secretary	Mary Hinds
Corresponding Secretary	Lisa Twitmyer
Treasurer	Susan Mostek

## *Joan Prewitt, Sustainer Chair*

Joan Prewitt, 2011-2012 Sustainer Chair, is former President of the JLP Garden Club and the Cooking Klatch. Joan served on the Sustainer Board as Public Relations/Historian, and was the Sustainer Representative to the Active Communications Council, Fundraising Council, and the Public Relations Committee. In addition to the Sustainer Board, Joan is a former Board member of The Baldwin School, the Women's Resource Center, and Wheels Medical Transportation. She and her husband, Dave, have been married for 49 years and are blessed to have three lovely, very accomplished daughters and five lively grandchildren. She receives great pleasure as a member of garden clubs and flower arranging groups and is a Vestry Member of St. Martins Church in charge of Parish Life. Joan is looking forward to her year as Sustainer Chair and to working and having fun with a great group of women!

## *Nancy Hebard, Sustainer Chair-Elect*

Nancy Hebard joined the Junior League of Stamford, Connecticut while still in college. She transferred to the JLP in 1968 and has enjoyed serving on a wide array of committees and projects. One of her favorites was the Children's Theater Project serving students in the Philadelphia public schools, many of whom had never seen live theater before. Nancy served as JLP President during the League's 75th Anniversary year, after which she was elected to the AJLI Area II Council on Nominating. At that time, she also was the Chair of Volunteers for the SE Chapter of the American Red Cross, completed her degree in Educational Leadership at the University of Pennsylvania, and entered the work force full time. Nancy was

Director of Admission and then Head of Lower School at Sanford School in Delaware, and after nineteen years, retired in June of 2010. She is looking forward to spending more time with her six grandchildren, joining the Sustainer Garden Club, and reconnecting with League friends and activities. Nancy is married to George, whom she describes as "a really good League husband!"

## *Mary Hinds, Sustainer Recording Secretary*

Over the past few years, and in addition to being the current Sustainer Recording Secretary, Mary Hinds has served as the Sustainer Co-Chair of Hospitality, the Treasurer, and the Co-Chair of the Evening Sustainers. She was also the Sustainer liaison to the actives' Finance Committee for five years and found that to be very interesting. Mary is in her thirtieth year of employment with Ernst & Young, which she continues to enjoy immensely. Mary is married, has two step-children, four step-grandchildren, and two cats. She enjoys needlepoint, reading, and gardening.

## *Lisa Twitmyer, Sustainer Corresponding Secretary*

Lisa Twitmyer joined JLP as an Active Professional in 1958. Children's Theater was her first placement, followed by Thrift Shop, Hotline, and numerous other committees, Board positions, and interest groups within the League and the local community. She has worked in the medical field for all those years and currently is Office Manager for a concierge medical practice in St. David's. She and husband Bob have two children and two grandchildren.

## *Susan Mostek, Sustainer Treasurer*

Susan Mostek joined the JLP in 1999 and has loved her League experience. Two of her favorite placements were the Nominating Committee and serving as JLP President in 2007. She lives in Chester County with her husband, three children, and two dogs. She is currently Director of Development of the Phoenixville Public Library. She also serves as Vice-Chair of the Phoenixville Social Concerns Committee and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Association of Fundraising Professionals - Greater Philadelphia Chapter. 

# Cooking Klatch News



Photo taken by Jane Acton at the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church (BMPC), where the JLP Sustainer Cooking Klatch held their January 13, 2011 meeting. Left to right are: Lorrie Pennell, Klatch Co-Chair, Jane Mackie, Hostess, and Bonnie Hamm, Klatch Chairman, standing in the kitchen of the BMPC as they survey the many bags of groceries contributed by Cooking Klatch members.

The JLS Cooking Klatch members coordinated with the **Hunger Task Force** at BMPC to "stock" the Food Pantry with non-perishable groceries for individuals and families located in Philadelphia and surrounding areas. January is the month when food items are in shortest supply and the Klatch filled the cupboards! The meeting focused on the benefits of choosing organic foods, which were prepared for the lunch by Klatch members under the organization and direction of our Hostess, **Jane Mackie**.

The March meeting for members of the JLS Klatch will be a Cooking Demonstration to be held at Merion Golf Club on **Thursday March 10** at 12 noon. The menu will feature springtime recipes created by Merion Golf Club's Chef, Jerry Schreck. \$37 per person.

RSVP by **March 4, 2011**. Reservations are limited to the first 45 members to respond. 

## Garden Club Features March Talk and Tour of Natural Lands Trust, Media

Ever wonder about who is key in keeping the greater Philadelphia area green? The Garden Club invites you to attend its March meeting **Monday, March 28, 2011**, at 10 a.m., at the Natural Lands Trust. Drew Gilchrist, Director of the NLT Conservation Center for Landowners, will discuss the Trust's work, in particular its efforts to restore native grasslands in the area. A short narrated stroll through the adjacent Hildacy Preserve will follow. Coffee and nibbles are provided; bring your lunch for a social time after the hike. Guests are welcome; respond to **Graham Boose**, [GDBoose@gmail.com](mailto:GDBoose@gmail.com) or 610.431.7701.

The Natural Lands Trust ("NLT") is a regional land trust proactively conserving land in the greater Philadelphia region. It is located at 1031 Palmers Mill Road, Media, PA, 19063 (610.353.5587). Additional information regarding the mission and program of the Trust and its properties is available at [www.natlands.org](http://www.natlands.org).

The **April 25** meeting will be held at the Tredyffrin Library, and will feature Pat Meitzler, a retired Winterthur guide and friend of member **Beth Graves**, who will show us how to *Bring Home the Blues: How to Design Winners for Our Flower Show*. Coffee at 10 a.m., speaker at 10:15 a.m. Guests are invited. Please respond to Graham as above. The library is located at 582 Upper Gulph Road, Wayne, PA 19087 (610.688.7092).

The Garden Club's annual flower show will be showcased on **Friday, May 20**, at Dunwoody Village, 3500 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square. Entries will be available for viewing from noon until 1:30.

The Garden Club meets monthly from September through May, and is open to Actives and Sustainers. Its members enjoy field trips and good speakers on a variety of conservation, horticultural, and design topics. New members are welcome. 📞

## Afternoon Brush-up Bridge

Afternoon Brush-up Bridge is now held from 1 to 4 p.m. on the first Monday and third Thursday of each month at the homes of the hostesses listed below. It is also held on the second Friday and fourth Wednesday of each month at Dunwoody, with **Ginny Price** coordinating. Please call individual hostesses if interested in playing.

### MARCH

- 7 Bonnie Hamm 610.356.4277
- 11 Ginny Price 610.355.1484
- 17 Ann Vaughan 610.293.0870
- 23 Ginny Price 610.355.1484

### APRIL

- 4 Suzanne VanderVeer 610.525.7447
- 8 Ginny Price 610.355.1484
- 21 TBA
- 27 Ginny Price 610.355.1484

## Spring Sustainer Membership Meeting

Tuesday, April 5, 2011

Merion Golf Club  
450 Ardmore Avenue  
Ardmore, PA 19103

Noon - Reception and Cash Bar  
12:30 p.m. – Luncheon and Meeting  
RSVP by **March 29, 2011**  
\$35 per person

Please send your check, payable to the Junior League of Philadelphia, to: Louise Hill, 511 North Rose Lane, Haverford, PA 19041.

Any questions? Call **Phyllis Suckow (610) 649.3916** or **Louise Hill (610) 649.0717**. 📞

## Calling all Sustainers!

WANTED: Sustainer Volunteers  
WHERE: AJLI Annual Conference  
Hospitality Booth, Marriott Downtown  
WHEN: May 12-14, 2011

Two- to three-hour shifts available starting as early as May 10. To sign up or for more information, please contact **Judy Ruse**, [jruse@verizon.net](mailto:jruse@verizon.net), or 610.687.3468. 📞

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## The Larks' 50th Birthday

Rehearsals are in full swing again for the Larks as they prepare for their winter and spring trouping schedule. In addition to their regular activities, one very special event has been added. THE LARKS WILL BE CELEBRATING THEIR 50TH BIRTHDAY! Initiated and coordinated by **Jane Acton**, Larks past and present will gather on **Wednesday, April 6, 2011**, at 5 p.m., to reminisce and enjoy their common bond of music. Please contact Jane for more details at 610.649.5254 or [actonup1@gmail.com](mailto:actonup1@gmail.com). In addition, during the following weekend, the Larks will be participating in a recital given by their director, Anjali Gallup-Diaz. For additional information, please contact **Shirley Messina** at [dieselem@aol.com](mailto:dieselem@aol.com). 📞

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## Saint, Pattern & People

Furniture of Southeastern Pennsylvania,  
1725–1850

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This landmark exhibition explores the colorful and diverse furniture of southeastern Pennsylvania and the people who made, owned, inherited, and collected it. *Members free. Included with admission.* For more information visit [winterthur.org](http://winterthur.org).

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## Hotline Deadlines

June issue: *April 25*

The *Hotline* is eager to accept your articles and story suggestions. Please feel free to contact us with your articles and proposals to make this newsletter better.

To publish the *Hotline* in a timely manner, articles are to be submitted via email at

[Hotline@JLPhiladelphia.org](mailto:Hotline@JLPhiladelphia.org). Each article must have a byline and a headline.

Remember, the *Hotline* also accepts advertising: \$25 for classified ads, \$115 for business card-sized ads, \$200 for ¼ page ads, \$300 for ½ page ads, and \$525 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

March 3	Container Gardening with Native Plants Training
March 3	Ducks in a Row: Home Organization Training
March 5	DIAD Philabundance
March 9	Science Expo Night at Cole Manor Elementary
March 12	HIP Kids Winter Event
March 12	Viking Cooking School Classic Streakhouse
March 13	BOOST Camp Event
March 15	General Membership Meeting
March 19	GVC Training at Waterloo Gardens
March 19	Banking 101 Introducing Kids to Money Saving
March 22	Stress Management Training
March 26	GVC Workshop "Greening" Your Personal Care Products
April 2	HIP Kids Winter Event Play-a-Palooza
April 6	Home Buyer 101
April 10	BOOST Camp Event
April 12	JLP University: Living Wills & Estate Planning
April 14	Science Expo Night at Marshall Street Elementary
April 20	Voting Meeting
April 26	Seasonal Prevention and Kids Safety for the Summer
April 26	JLP University: Membership 201: The Expressway to Junior League Success
May 12	AJLI Annual Conference
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May 14	AJLI Annual Conference
May 19	Annual Dinner

More details about all of these events and more can be found on the JLP website calendar: [www.JLPhiladelphia.org](http://www.JLPhiladelphia.org).