Apple a Day™: The JLP’s New Healthy Living Initiative

By Halley Neboschick

If you participated in a General Membership Meeting, Area Meeting, Open House, or the Voting Meeting during the year, you are familiar with the JLP’s important decision to make Healthy Living the League’s new community focus. Apple a Day™ is the Junior League of Philadelphia’s multi-tiered community initiative with the goal of creating a positive impact on the health and wellness of adults and children in the Greater Philadelphia area. Apple a Day™ programming will include both an interactive educational curriculum, which is key to implementing positive behavior change, and a focus on increasing the region’s capacity to supply and distribute healthy food to families in need.

The need is overwhelmingly clear:
- Seventeen million American children are now food insecure, meaning that their parents often cannot identify where or where they will eat their next meal.
- In Philadelphia, a staggering one in three children lives in poverty, and their parents are unable to meet their basic daily nutritional needs.
- Philadelphia has the second worst ratio of grocery stores to citizens in the country, leaving residents with little or no resources to healthy foods.
- Many families forgo balanced nutrition because they lack access to fresh foods and relevant information on use and preparation.
- Children living in poverty are particularly at risk.

The JLP is committed to combating this trend through the Apple a Day™ initiative with programming that strategically pairs access with education.

The main goals of Apple a Day™ are twofold:
1. Educate adults and children about the production, selection, preparation, and nutrition of healthy food while enabling them to experience the connection between healthy eating and healthy living through innovative hands-on programs and increased social interaction.
2. Increase the volume and distribution of fresh produce to communities classified as food deserts by increasing the production capacity of our community partners.

The Apple a Day™ umbrella includes a variety of new community projects at different stages of implementation. Three projects, the Empowering You Health Fair, Kids in the Kitchen, and Etiquette will be active during the 2012–2013 League year.

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President’s Perspective

Dear JLP Members,

The 2011–2012 Board of Directors and I witnessed an extraordinary year for the JLP. This year, we as a League have:

- Moved forward with issue-based community impact by embracing the Apple a Day initiative and voting in three new community projects—a bold action that will launch our next hundred years;
- Established four new powerful community partnerships with Main Line Health, Greener Partners, the Philadelphia Orchard Project, and the Vetri Foundation for Children;
- Continued to stabilize our financial position by securing an Ardmore Initiative grant which will allow us to make major improvements to our Headquarters rear façade, windows and brick repointing, and pay off the elevator loan;
- Reached over $630,000 in Thrift Shop revenues—the largest in our history;
- Developed a professional communications and public relations plan that will heighten the League’s external visibility and internal communications;
- Raised over $125,000 through our heroic fundraising efforts. Taste of Fall, Harvest Hustle, our first-ever American Girl Fashion Show, and the Centennial Gala all exceeded their fundraising expectations;
- Celebrated our centennial with the spectacular “A Century of Achievement. A Future of Promise” gala;
- Launched our first-ever Capital Campaign with a one million dollar goal that will jump-start the next 100 years. And, I am pleased to report that members of the Capital Campaign Committee, the Management Council, and the Board of Directors, who have been very involved behind the scenes, have already pledged their support and donated just shy of $400,000;
- Served over 2,500 families and children with our community projects.

We accomplished a great deal, and I am incredibly excited about the future of the JLP. We have much to be proud of, not the least of which is the simple fact that the voluntarism of the “every day” continues to be the foundation of our amazing organization—an organization of 900 trained volunteers, contributing more than 75,000 hours of service annually, and looking for opportunities to bring positive change to the community.

Thank you to the 2011–2012 Board of Directors. I have trouble finding words that adequately express my admiration for your vision, perseverance, thoughtfulness, courage, and stewardship. Without your leadership this year, we could not have accomplished so much.

To all the women who accepted leadership roles, whether chairing a committee, ad hoc, or working as an advisor, I am so grateful for your dedication. To every active, Sustainer, and Provisional who stopped me at an event, picked up the phone, or sent an email with a new idea or words of advice, I thank you.

My one regret this year is that I haven’t had the opportunity to get to know each and every one of you as well as I would have liked—the year did go by amazingly fast. Yet, on a very real level, I do know you.

You are the women who will lead the JLP into the next century. Voluntarism is vital to your lives. You can be found fitting your personal life around your Junior League life. You rejoice in the daily victories of the women and children you serve. You send emails in the wee hours of the morning. You work like crazy. You challenge yourself to ask for the dollars that keep our programming in place. You are positive forces in this community. You are problem solvers. You are hand-holders. You have families and friends who are very proud of you.

You are the women of the JLP, and I have been so honored to lead you. As we embark on our second hundred years of service, the League will be serving the community better, meeting more needs of our members, and continuing to be one of the premier volunteer organizations in the area—because of you.

Marcelle Parrish takes the gavel, and I am delighted to pass this on to this incredibly gifted and talented woman. Marcelle will be an outstanding leader; the League is in good hands.

I have signed all of my letters to you with the closing of “best,” “sincerely,” or “regards” all year. Frankly, I think it’s time to tell you how I really feel—after all, as I said, “I do know you all so very well.”

With my thanks, admiration, respect, and love,

Jodi Kerr, President
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Empowering You Health Fair: The goal of the Empowering You Health Fair Committee is to create a positive, sustainable impact on the health and wellness of adults and children in the Greater Philadelphia area. The committee, in collaboration with Lankenau Medical Center, will host a one-day annual health fair at the hospital in the spring to provide interactive education and awareness opportunities to empower individuals and families to make healthy decisions. The fair will also showcase the League’s community projects and partners.

Kids in the Kitchen: The Kids in the Kitchen Committee will work to empower youth in grades K–5 to make healthier lifestyle choices and to help reverse the growth of childhood obesity and associated health issues. Specifically, the committee will train afterschool providers to implement fall and spring Kids in the Kitchen programs consisting of four 45-minute sessions per week over a span of eight weeks. The curriculum will include fitness activities, healthy recipes that can be replicated at home, and informational handouts on nutrition for parents.

Etiquette: The JLP will partner with the Vetri Foundation for Children’s Etiquette program to help over 4,000 children experience the connection between healthy eating and healthy living through food, education, and social interaction. This project will be the Sustainers’ signature project under the Apple a Day™ umbrella but will have five active members to help facilitate the program. League volunteers will participate in family-style school lunches and serve as models for school children on setting the table, manners, and teamwork and to encourage participants to sample new foods.

Three projects will be in development during the 2012–2013 League year: Farm to You Mobile Garden Education, Farm to You Mobile Market and Distribution, and Seed to Snack®.

Farm to You Mobile Garden Education: The committee will partner with Greener Partners to create the Farm to You Mobile Garden. The mobile garden will be an innovative new initiative to pair the essential combination of food distribution with hands-on education in one setting. Essentially, it will be an interactive demonstration garden where participants will gain familiarity with produce through planting seeds, observing plant lifecycles, and preparing and taste testing a variety of foods. The committee will co-locate the mobile garden with existing produce markets.

Farm to You Mobile Market and Distribution: The committee will engage in several activities to increase produce distribution. First, it will co-host Philadelphia Orchard Day in the spring with the Philadelphia Orchard Project in order to increase awareness of the existence and benefits of urban gardens. Philadelphia Orchard Day will be an opportunity to develop and incubate educational programming for the Farm to You Mobile Market. Second, the committee will investigate long-term produce distribution through the development and potential implementation of a pop-up mobile market. Finally, the committee will facilitate three distribution sponsorships with our new community partners:

- The JLP will expand Greener Partners’ distribution capacity by donating a hoop house (green house) that will grow 3,000 pounds of food and enable the nonprofit to create a winter community supported agriculture program;
- The JLP will underwrite 32 Community Supported Shares for Greener Partners to provide 32 low-income families with fresh, locally grown produce for 26 weeks;
- Through the Philadelphia Orchard Project, the JLP will sponsor two urban orchards that will produce 300 pounds of food for the surrounding communities.

Seed to Snack®: Greener Partners’ Seed to Snack® program brings the farm into the classroom and gives kids hands-on experiences with the local food system. The program’s success lies in the unique combination of cooking demonstrations, taste tests, and instruction on growing food. The committee will work with Greener Partners to research the expansion of Seed to Snack® from a school-based program for third graders to a family format held in the evenings or on the weekends.

League members voted overwhelmingly to approve the Apple a Day™ community slate at the Voting Meeting on April 12, and President Jodi Kerr publicly announced the initiative at the Centennial Gala on April 14. The 2011–2012 Board of Directors, the Project Advisory Committee, and the Project Research & Development Committee are excited to move forward with Apple a Day™ and issue-based community impact. It is their hope that Apple a Day™ will provide excellent training and volunteer opportunities for League members and create positive, measurable impact on the health and welfare of our community for the next decade or longer.
League Members Have a Ball at the Centennial Gala

By Jennifer Morgan

Photos courtesy of Weld Photography LLC

Over 260 celebrants gathered at the Please Touch Museum on Saturday, April 14, 2012, to honor "A Century of Achievement. A Future of Promise" at the Junior League of Philadelphia’s Centennial Gala. The event, which featured a silent auction and dancing to the Jack Faulkner Orchestra, marked the climax of a year of centennial–related festivities beginning in April 2011 when the JLP hosted the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc. Annual Conference.

The gala raised $33,000 to support the JLP’s mission, thanks to the generous donations of both personal and corporate sponsorships, as well as exciting silent auction items that included a VIP trip to the Final Four and a four–course dinner for 12 prepared by the League’s Board of Directors.

Among the evening’s highlights were opening remarks by JLP President Jodi Kerr, who unveiled the League’s Apple a Day™ initiative, and a special video presentation created for the occasion. Jodi noted the contributions of the League’s earliest members as well as the League’s enduring legacy and impact on the community. The video, by bronze sponsor Blossom Productions, included heartfelt recollections of several JLP Past Presidents, incoming 2012–2013 President Marcella Parrish, current Capital Campaign Committee members, and a testimonial by Meg MacCurtin, representing the JLP’s new community partner, Greener Partners.

The new Apple a Day™ Healthy Living initiative and its supporting projects were officially launched in the presence of two representatives from Greener Partners, whose organization will receive a hoop house donated by the JLP. The hoop house, which is similar to a pop–up greenhouse, will increase the capacity of Greener Partners’ Media farm hub to grow fresh produce throughout the year and feed families in need.

The evening kicked off with guests arriving for cocktails at 7 p.m. and a sampling of gourmet cheeses and charcuterie in the Carousel House. They were greeted by Centennial Gala Committee Co–Chairs Jennifer Fleck and Stacey Miros as well as other members of the committee, the Board of Directors, and the Management Council. Attendees turned up riding the historic carousel and having their photographs taken by silver level sponsor Weld Photography LLC. Following the cocktail hour, guests moved to the main exhibition hall for a three–course dinner provided by Brûlée Catering by Jean–Marie Lacroix.

Floral centerpieces created by Sustainer Chair Joan Prewitt, Centennial Gala Committee member Adrienne Amey Stretch, and several of their friends, decorated the round tables, which were swathed in Granny Smith apple green tablecloths. The Sustainer Garden Club contributed a $500 sponsorship toward the cost of the flowers. Red apples donated by bronze level sponsor Nardella, Inc., a produce distribution company based in Philadelphia, completed the red and green apple–themed decor.

Centennial Gala Committee member Juliet Geldi–Rigall designed the commemorative program.

JLP Past Presidents in attendance at the gala included Marcy Bevan, Barbara Cameron, Nancy Hebard, Annamarie Hellebusch, Sarah Hillyer, Lucinda Landreth, Susan Mostek, Georgiana Noll, Dorothy O’Donnell, Margaret Patchers, Nancy Scarlato, Dianne Smith, Samantha Soldan, Heidi Tirjan, and Helen Weary. Debra Marsteller was unable to attend the event but generously sponsored in her absence.

Helen Weary, who served as President between 1982 and 1983, stated, “I was very pleased to serve on the Centennial Gala Committee during a number of years of planning and am delighted that it was such a success, both as an event and financially. It was a great example of Provisionals, actives, and Sustainers working together... I think the location at the Please Touch Museum in Memorial Hall was a great decision. Over our 100–year Junior League history, we have undertaken many volunteer activities in Fairmount Park in historic preservation, children’s services, health initiatives, and environmental endeavors. The bright lights of the carousel welcomed all the guests, and the vastness of the main hall reminded us of the myriad volunteer efforts the League has engaged in throughout its history and of those which still lie before us. It was nice to have community partners there to support us, and all who attended enjoyed the energetic band and delicious dinner. Jodi Kerr’s speech, the video presentation, and the program were very well done, and I hope can be used again.”

Photographs from the Centennial Gala are available for purchase through silver level sponsor, Weld Photography LLC, based in Media, PA. The video can be viewed on the JLP website.
2011–2012 Award Recipients

Volunteer of the Year

The Volunteer of the Year Award is bestowed upon a member who embodies the spirit of voluntarism and the mission of the Junior League of Philadelphia through her unflagging commitment to service.

This year’s recipient leads by example, goes above and beyond the call of duty, promotes open lines of communication between all levels of our membership, and is deeply respected by everyone who has the privilege of working with her. She is an endless source of knowledge, support, and advice. She has devoted over 30 years to the JLP and is a past Sustainer Chair. For the second year in a row, she has served as the Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer, and, in addition to that role in 2011 she took on the dual and multi-year positions of Capital Campaign Co-Chair and Campaign Director. This tireless advocate for our League is a one-woman bridge between the active and Sustainer membership and truly embodies the belief that we are “one League.” She also gives generously, both literally and figuratively, to the League and the community we serve.

In recognition for all that she does to further active projects and sustain our League, the 2011–2012 Volunteer of the Year is Jane Sagendorph.

Committee of the Year

The Committee of the Year Award recognizes the outstanding achievements of a committee whose members exceeded expectations and promoted the Junior League’s mission while providing a supportive training experience for its members.

This year’s Committee of the Year Award honors a fundraising committee who planned and coordinated one of the most ambitious and successful events the Junior League has undertaken. This event required the hands-on participation of all levels of our volunteer membership: actives, Provisionals, and Sustainers, reminding us that we are one League dedicated to a shared mission.

The majority of the members who served on this committee volunteered to serve a double placement and assumed a much greater task than initially anticipated. They worked diligently to produce an event in just five months that, under usual circumstances, requires a full year of preparation. This event’s successful outcome in its first year will set the tone for the future, and it is certain to become a signature fundraiser for our League.

The 2011–2012 Committee of the Year is the American Girl Doll Fashion Show Committee, co-chaired by Regina Colantonio and Hilary Fuelleborn.

Leader of the Year

The Leader of the Year Award honors a member holding a leadership position within the League and recognizes her ability to motivate, inspire, and supervise other volunteers and staff.

This chair is organized, detail-oriented, and committed to the long-term future of our League through her work on multiple committees. She executes the Annual Plan in an efficient and fair manner and is capable, discreet, and resourceful. Although much of this leader’s service occurs “behind the scenes,” we all share in the fruits of her labor.

Her involvement with the planned renovations for the JLP Headquarters, the Capital Campaign Committee, and supervising the League’s senior personnel has been inspirational to her peers and lends a greater understanding of the exciting future that lies ahead for all of us. Her commitment to the League is visible through the countless hours she dedicates and her agreement to serve a second year as House Chair. If you recently visited Headquarters after hours and felt safer due to the motion detector floodlights, you have this leader to thank for their installation.

The 2011–2012 Leader of the Year is Emily Lambert.

Provisional of the Year

This year’s Provisional of the Year Award goes to a young woman who truly took advantage of everything the Provisional Course had to offer. She was a constant presence at Junior League events and continued her involvement long after her required credits had been completed. One Advisor remarked: “It was always a pleasure working with her and having her around at events. The energy she brings is contagious.” She thrived on making connections and meeting new people, and I’m sure the end of her Provisional year only marks the beginning of some wonderful new friendships. For her spirit, kind heart, and unending enthusiasm, this award goes to Kelsey Poole.

President’s Cup

The President’s Cup is presented to an individual who has been an instrumental member of the Board and served as an outstanding Junior League leader. This individual has worked tirelessly on behalf of the JLP in these roles and has also been a sounding board for me this year. She has the unique ability to understand the big picture but also be analytical and focus on the details. This skill set, along with her critical thinking, ability to fact find, and, most of all, her extreme patience, helped the Board and Management Council hone the strategic decisions we made this year. I am very proud to award this year’s President’s Cup to Melissa Finnegan.

Susan B. Myers Leadership and Community Activism Award

It is the Board of Directors great pleasure to present JLP Past President Kitten Susannin with the Susan B. Myers Leadership and Community Activism Award. This award honors a League member who has contributed to the community through outstanding achievements within the JLP and externally and reflects Susan B. Myers’ ability to: instill passion for a cause, lead with a clear vision, and have lasting power and determination. Kitten certainly embodies these ideals.

Kitten has been a fervent participant in JLP activities for over 50 years in a multitude of different capacities, including President of the JLP, Co-Chair of the Delaware Valley Tennis Classic, and the 1977 Follies “Statue of Liberty.” Most recently, she has participated in the Sustainer projects for Paul V. Fry Elementary School in Norristown and has prepared and served dinner for the DIAD event at Ronald McDonald House. Kitten is currently Special Sustainer Chair.

Her major efforts, though, have been reserved for the humanitarian nonprofit group Wheels, formed initially over 48 years ago as a JLP pilot project. Kitten began as a volunteer driver in 1962 and served on its Finance, Program, Personnel, and Executive Committees. Kitten was named Chairman of the Board and, in 1989, became its Director of the Volunteer Division.

Kitten is a member of the Vestry and Alter Guild at Church of the Redeemer, and she is a driver for the American Cancer

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Society, transporting cancer patients to their therapy and doctors’ appointments. She is a volunteer at the Philadelphia Flower Show and has been a Judge of Elections in Montgomery County for the past 36 years.

In addition, Kitten has served on numerous committees and boards outside the JLP, including the National Exhibit by Blind Artists, the Commonwealth Board for the Medical College of Pennsylvania, the American Red Cross, and the Charles C. Knox Home, a residence for older adults.

Kitten’s perpetual good humor and upbeat and kind spirit make her a constant and sought after presence in the community.

In 2006, Kitten was named Sustainer of the Year to recognize her years of continuous, dedicated service to the Junior League and the benefit of that service to the Philadelphia community at large.

Kitten is an elementary education graduate from Wheelock College and a native of Wilkes Barre, PA. Often seen at Kitten’s side was her adoring and adored husband of 48 years, Andy, who recently passed away. They have two children and four adorable grandchildren.

Congratulations, Kitten! We are proud to honor you as the 2011–2012 recipient of the Susan B. Myers Leadership and Community Activism Award and thank you for your service to the JLP and the community.

BBB&B Returns to Celebrate the JLP’s Centennial Year

By Jane Sagendorph

The Blossom Fund was created in 1999 with the proceeds from the first Bed, Breakfast, Blossoms, and Barnes event that was organized and staffed by a dedicated group of Sustainers. Over the next several years, the fund continued to grow with the proceeds from the highly successful BBB&B events. The fund has provided monies for a variety of projects including educational scholarships for women, the renovation and restoration of the historic gazebo on Lemon Hill, Fairmount Park, and the Waterworks’ South Garden, several projects at the Paul V. Fly Elementary School, the creation of the E. M. Stanton Elementary School multicultural garden and the living willow structure at Smith Memorial Playground and Playhouse, and some urgent repairs to our Headquarters.

This year, the Blossom Fund Committee (Chair Jane Sagendorph; Sustainer Chair Joan Prewitt; Sustainer Treasurer Susan Mostek; and committee members Maureen Luke, Betsy Mallon, Didi Rieger, and Mary Tattersfield), with the approval of the Sustainer Board and the Board of Directors, provided funding for two grant proposals.

A grant of $1,000 was awarded to the E. M. Stanton Elementary School for the purchase of supplies for their multicultural garden, which was recently awarded first prize in the Community Children’s Garden category in the Pennsylvania Horticulture Society’s 2011 City Gardens Contest. PHS was particularly impressed by the JLP’s well-maintained urban garden and the fact that vegetables were harvested and served to students and their families at Bainbridge House, with the excess produce being donated to Philabundance.

A grant of $2,500 was awarded to the Chester Children’s Chorus to cover a full-year of program costs for a rising third grader who will enter the chorus this summer. The child will participate in a six-week, full-day summer learning program at Swarthmore College where the curriculum includes reading, African dance, step team, outdoor sports, and swimming, in addition to daily music instruction and choral rehearsal. Choral rehearsals and music lessons will continue twice a week during the school year.

The Blossom Fund has disbursed in excess of $86,000 over the past 14 years. Congratulations to all of the hardworking volunteers who have participated in the BBB&B events over the years. Best of luck to Susan Arnold and her committee when BBB&B returns in March 2013.
American Girl Fashion Show a Huge Success

By Jennifer Morgan

Photos courtesy of Nicole Mitchell Photography

The Junior League of Philadelphia hosted its first annual American Girl Fashion Show at the Desmond Hotel and Conference Center in Malvern, PA, on Saturday, March 3 and Sunday, March 4, 2012. Over 830 guests experienced the series of three shows, which featured 120 local models and an engaging program showcasing historical and contemporary fashions for girls and their dolls.

The American Girl Fashion Show raised $30,000 for the JLP's mission, thanks to the efforts of this year's dedicated committee, many of whom also coordinated the Harvest Hustle 5K Run/1 Mile Walk last October. In addition to the committee, many Board, Management Council, Sustainer, and Provisional members, along with their advisors, volunteered their time. Actives Regina Colantonio and Hilary Fuellborn co-chaired the American Girl Doll Fashion Show Committee.

This year, the American Girl® Corporation unveiled two additions to its line of historical event–inspired dolls: Cécile™ and Marie-Grace™. Their friendship transcends race, economic class, and hardship in antebellum New Orleans. Inspired by the Crescent City's colorful history and efforts to rebuild after Hurricane Katrina, this pair of characters represents American Girl®'s commitment to building community and educating today's girls about our shared cultural heritage.

Local models presented the fashions, while lively commentary, music, and decorations created a memorable experience for girls and their families. Celebrity hostesses included Lori Wilson, Michelle Grossman, and Stacey Stauffer of NBC 10.

Attendees delighted in historical clothing, daywear, sleepwear, and special occasion clothing resembling what the popular American Girl characters Cécile, Marie-Grace, Kaya, Josefina, Addy, Rebecca, Kit, Molly, and Julie might have worn. Contemporary My American Girl outfits for older girls and sweet Bitty Baby fashions for little ones completed the program.

Among the models were Vivian Parrish, daughter of JLP President-Elect Marcelle Parrish, Morgan Hellebusch, daughter of JLP Past President Annamarie Hellebusch, Olivia Tirjan, daughter of JLP Past President Heidi Tirjan, Kennedy Ndiaye, daughter of Sustainer Lisa Ndiaye, Victoria Vieira, daughter of Sustainer Cornelia Vieira, and Annie Newmark, daughter of Sustainer Emily Newmark. Models were selected on a first-come, first-served basis and cast based on their likeness to the characters. Casting for the 2013 show will begin in late fall of 2012.

Kennedy Ndiaye described her first American Girl Fashion Show modeling experience as "wonderful." She portrayed Cécile Rey and Addy Walker. "When I curtsied like Cécile, I felt like I was really living in New Orleans over 150 years ago. It was fun."

Kennedy's mother, Lisa, added, "The show was informative and fun to watch. Hearing about the historical characters presented a rich picture of the great diversity of the American heritage. The JLP did a wonderful job with the event."

The event included a plated lunch, dessert, party favors, a raffle, and door prizes. Attendees who brought their dolls to the event had the opportunity to send them to the on-site doll hair salon as well as purchase souvenirs ranging from books to special American Girl Fashion Show t-shirts.

Area businesses generously supported the event, donating over 60 different raffle packages. Raffle items included the American Girl Place New York City experience, American Girl dolls and accessories, gift certificates to Audrey Claire's Cook and other local restaurants, a Lilly Pulitzer birthday party, and an original painting donated by artist Tricia Pucci valued at $2,000.

The launch of the JLP's first American Girl Fashion Show was one of a series of events marking our centennial year and will begin a new fundraising tradition for the League.
RESPECT Nature Club Committee Concludes Year

By Kate Farnham

The RESPECT Nature Club Committee completed a very successful 2011–2012 League year in late March at Gotwals Elementary School in Norristown, PA. Over the course of the year, the committee held Science Expo Nights with Riverbend Environmental Education Center in each of the six elementary schools in the Norristown Area School District and collectively served nearly 450 schoolchildren in grades two through four and their families. The children learned about worms, analyzed the parts of a flower, made their own seed greenhouses, and dissected owl pellets to discover what owls like to eat. The schools’ faculty and families were very appreciative of our efforts and the students enthusiastically delved into the activities. Co-Chairs Kate Farnham and Elizabeth Moyer thank their hardworking committee members for all their efforts in making this a successful year.

BOOST Camp Committee Holds its Last Event

By Olivia Tarbox

The BOOST Camp Committee completed another successful year with its last event held on Sunday, April 15. The committee planned an exciting outdoor event with activities that allowed participants to enjoy the spring weather. Donna Seifarth was invited to teach participants about ecosystems by helping them create their own terrarium. It was a fun, hands-on opportunity to educate participants about the environment and their local ecosystem.

Over the past three years, the BOOST Camp Committee has planned many events and activities to engage and teach participants about the JLP’s signature focus. The committee has also been very busy spreading the word about BOOST Camp to the Philadelphia community.

The committee has enjoyed working with the Cancer Support Community of Philadelphia over the past three years and hopes for the continued success of their programming for children. When the JLP started its partnership with CSCP three years ago, the organization did not offer a support group for children. Last year, CSCP began its own group, Kid Support, designed to support children through cancer. The JLP’s impact will undoubtedly continue to be seen at CSCP.

Photos courtesy of Nicole Mitchell Photography
Spring Has Sprung at Smith Memorial Playground & Playhouse
By Meredith Collins Schilling

The JLP continues to partner with Smith Memorial Playground & Playhouse in many valuable ways to encourage children to embrace a healthy lifestyle through active, imaginative play. The HIP Kids Sliding Home Committee kicked off 2012 with our “Cheer for a Healthy New Year” and “Love Your Heart” events.

On Saturday, March 17, 2012, committee members welcomed an early spring at SMITH with our “March Madness” event. The indoor event was enjoyed by 58 children and 51 adults. Everyone remembered to wear green in celebration of St. Patrick’s Day. There were several activities including basketball, a mini-cheer clinic, the pot of gold toss, and sports-themed crafts. We concluded our event with kiddie Zumba, where we danced the morning away.

On April 7, 2012, SMITH hosted its annual Play-a-Palooza and welcomed 577 children and 407 adults. JLP members at large were offered a Mission Credit to assist with games, including a water balloon toss and an egg and spoon roll. On Saturday, May 12, the committee hosted a county fair celebration at SMITH.

JLP Partners with YouthBuild Philadelphia Charter School
By Jacqueline Gorbev

On Saturday, March 10, 2012, members of the Junior League of Philadelphia participated in a DIAD event at YouthBuild Philadelphia Charter School. YouthBuild enables out-of-school youth in Philadelphia to earn their high school diplomas through a blend of rigorous academics, on-the-job training, and community service. During the event, JLP volunteers served on a mock interview panel to help students practice for their transformation interviews, which each student completes upon graduation. Students were asked questions about their experience at YouthBuild and their plans for the future. In addition, League volunteers created and hung inspirational signs to support students in their preparation for an upcoming college placement exam. Finally, the members cooked a healthy breakfast of eggs, French toast, and fruit for the students and staff of YouthBuild to thank them for their hard work and dedication. “The Junior League is a great community partner for YouthBuild, and I look forward to seeing the partnership grow in the future,” said JLP member and former YouthBuild employee Kristen Forbriger. “Junior League members are outstanding role models for the students, and the volunteers went above and beyond during their time at the school.”

DIAD Volunteers at the YMCA’s Annual Healthy Kids Day
By Katie Bergen

On Saturday, April 28, JLP members volunteered at the YMCA of Philadelphia & Vicinity’s Annual Healthy Kids Day. The YMCA is a community service organization that promotes positive values through programs that help to build strong kids, families, and communities. The organization provides quality childcare to over 5,000 children each day and swim instruction and water safety programs to more than 28,000 men, women, and children. The Healthy Kids Day event celebrates healthy kids and teaches them about healthy eating habits and ways to stay active. JLP members assisted at cooking demonstrations, fitness stations, game stations, and a moon bounce. A highlight was a workstation where the kids planted seeds in a cup to take home so that they could watch and appreciate how plants grow. The event was well attended by the community.
JLP Volunteers at Play a Chord for KenCrest Music Benefit Concert

By Lauren Ladd

On Friday, April 13, nine JLP members volunteered at KenCrest’s Play a Chord for KenCrest Music Benefit Concert. KenCrest, a nonprofit human services agency, is the largest provider of community-based services and support in the Delaware Valley for people with intellectual or developmental disabilities and autism. Each year, KenCrest serves more than 8,700 children, adults, and their families in over 350 facilities across the Philadelphia region. The event raised funds to support the music therapy program in KenCrest’s facilities.

Save the Date for the Harvest Hustle 5K Run/1 Mile Walk on September 23

By Nicole DiSalvo

The JLP’s second annual Harvest Hustle 5K Run/1 Mile Walk will take place on Sunday, September 23. The run/walk begins and ends at Suburban Square in Ardmore. The race course will travel through the scenic neighborhoods surrounding Suburban Square and will be filled with runners, joggers, and walkers of all ages. Details to follow—get ready to hustle.

Snacking Smart at Tree House Books

By Sarah Ann Walters

The In the Garden with Tree House Books Committee hosted an exciting program on healthy eating for the children of Tree House Books. In a continued commitment to educate children in underserved communities on urban gardening and healthy eating habits, the committee partnered with special guest Chef Debbie Herskowitz to teach kids about smart snacks that provide us with essential nutrients.

On Saturday, March 31, the committee, staff, and volunteers of Tree House Books, along with a room full of children from the neighborhood, came together to learn about fruits, vegetables, grains, and proteins. The children learned how to incorporate these items into their daily meals and snacks and then immediately put what they learned into action by making their own healthy snacks: yogurt parfaits with apples and granola, “ants on a log” with celery and raisins, and air-popped popcorn. All of the waste from the fresh produce, including the apple cores, was put into the garden composter that the JLP donated to Tree House Books at our January program.

Of course, the program wouldn’t have been complete without proper gear for all of our mini–chefs whipping up healthy snacks. With the help of the committee members, each child made their own personal chef apron decorated with stencil drawings of food and utensils.

The kids had a blast, enjoyed some healthy snacks, and took home valuable information on healthy eating. The committee is looking forward to its final program of the year on May 19, when we’ll be turning over the garden and planting crops for the summer.

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Taste of Fall will be held on October 7, 2012, from 1 to 4 p.m. It will feature a chili cook-off between restaurants.
Voting Meeting Results Are In

By Halley Neboschick

Following the Voting Meeting on April 12, our Parliamentarian Kristen Corcoran was hard at work tallying the ballots. As Director of Development, I am pleased to report the results to the membership.

Apple a Day™: After a year of research, development, and discussion with League members and community partners, the new Apple a Day™ community outreach slate was presented to the general membership for final approval. Apple a Day™ aims to create a positive impact on the health and wellness of families in the Greater Philadelphia area by providing interactive programming to empower individuals to make healthy living decisions, in addition to increasing the production and distribution of fresh, locally grown produce.

This innovative slate passed with a strong majority and will be our transformation to issue-based community impact.

The JLP will offer the following community committees for the 2012–2013 League year:

- Active Community Projects: Empowering You Health Fair, Kids in the Kitchen, and Eatiquette.
- Community Projects in Development: Farm to You Mobile Garden Education, Farm to You Mobile Market and Distribution, and Seed to Snack®.

Please note that Done in a Day is a standing community committee; therefore, it is not included in the voting process.

Bylaw Change—Fundraising Credit: Currently, all League members are required to earn two Ways & Means credits and provide $125 in quota donations to the Thrift Shop. Chief Operating Officer Melissa Finnegan presented a proposal to change the title from “Ways & Means” to “Fundraising” and to require that all members purchase tickets to two of the three JLP fundraisers per year. Members who are unable to purchase tickets could fulfill the requirement by working at the fundraiser, subject to availability. Members would also be able to buy out the requirement for $60 for one event or by donating an additional $100 in quota.

By removing the added incentive to donate additional quota for Ways & Means credits, the minimum quota requirement would increase from $125 to $150 for Tier 2 members in their third to fifth year of active service and from $125 to $175 for Tier 3 members with six or more years of active service. The JLP’s three fundraisers and Thrift Shop, our largest fundraiser by far, enable us to continue our community projects helping adults and children in need. This measure failed by only a handful of votes.

Bylaw Change—Automatic Dues Increase: Treasurer–Elect Mary Peller presented a proposal recommended by the Finance Committee to adopt a standard annual dues increase based on the Consumer Price Index. Accordingly, dues would be adjusted in accordance to a generally accepted cost of living indicator for all urban consumers in the Philadelphia Metropolitan area published by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics and the U.S. Department of Labor. In addition, dues would be increased when AJLI dues are increased. AJLI dues are scheduled to increase $4 per person in July 2012 and $4 per person in July 2013. The general membership voted to approve this measure.

Bylaw Change—Online Voting: Chief Operating Officer Melissa Finnegan presented a proposal to allow for online voting in addition to our current methods of voting—in person, mail, or fax. With the increased usage of Digital Cheetah and other electronic media, online voting is a more efficient method for our members. Online voting would take place through the League website and member login and password authentication would represent a digital signature for all voting submissions. As in the past, two-thirds majority of the votes cast would constitute an affirmative vote. This measure passed unanimously.

Board and Nominating Slates for 2012–2013: Nominating Chair Joann Falciani presented the 2012–2013 Board of Directors and Nominating Committee slates for general membership approval. Both slates passed with overwhelming support. Thank you to Joann and the 2011–2012 Nominating Committee for all of their hard work.

Thank you to all members who participated in the voting process this year—your voice was heard.
Provisionals Experience an Exciting First Year

By Julie Ermentrout

The 2011–2012 Provisional class had an exciting year filled with community service, fundraising, and new friendships. The Provisional Course Committee consisted of Ashley Crandall, Chair Julie Ermentrout, Alena Ferjuste, Chrissi Jenkins, Megan McCampbell, Sara Nelson–Veith, Yvonne Osirim, and Chair–Elect Sara Solow. Beginning in June 2011, the committee members, with the help of the Member Enrichment & Recruitment Committee, hosted eight Open Houses. President Jodi Kerr and President–Elect Marcelle Parrish spoke to the interested members about the many wonderful aspects of the Junior League of Philadelphia. At the September 12, 2011, Kick–Off at the Union League of Philadelphia, the committee was proud to welcome over 100 new members.

October was a busy month for the Provisionals, beginning with the JLP Legacy Bus Tour. The women enjoyed the beautiful weather as they toured the Fairmount Park area and learned about the JLP’s presence there. Later in the month, Provisional members were able to get hands–on experience in the park. The women came ready to work as they cleaned up the grounds of Thomas Mansion and cut down invasive plants at the Wissahickon Environmental Center.

In the winter months, the Provisionals had many social events with their advisor groups and participated in a class–wide cookie exchange in December at the Hilton Garden Inn in Center City. In January 2012, the class was fortunate to have a fundraising training hosted by Liz Kolb and Tara Stichberry at Sligo in Media. This was the perfect event to get everyone ready to assist the American Girl Doll Fashion Show Committee at the American Girl Fashion Show in March. In February, the Provisionals, Provisional Advisors, and the American Girl Doll Fashion Show Committee met to review key aspects of the American Girl Fashion Show, including fundraising, model selection, and raffle prizes. On March 3 and 4, Provisionals were honored to work alongside the American Girl Doll Fashion Show Committee during the shows. Provisionals collected tickets, directed young models, and assisted with the raffle. They all had a wonderful time.

In March, Assistant to the President Jennifer Morgan spoke to the group during their meeting at Bourbon Blue in Manayunk. She enlightened the class with her personal experiences as a JLP member and was able to give some valuable advice as the women approached the end of their Provisional year.

As the year drew to an end, Advisor Ashley Crandall was kind enough to host an end of year celebration where the Provisionals were able to get together and reminisce about their first year in the Junior League of Philadelphia. Provisional Nichole Allen remarked, “My Provisional year in the JLP was a wonderful experience. Being new to Pennsylvania, the JLP was a great way for me to become involved in the community and become familiar with the Philadelphia area. I enjoyed volunteering in a variety of activities, while making lasting friendships. I look forward to being involved in the League for many years to come.”
JLP University Completes Its Second Year
By Bertina Whytehead

JLP University completed its second year of leadership training and development for JLP members. This year we offered courses that included Event Planning, Conflict Resolution, Public Advocacy, and Fundamentals of Fundraising and Fund Development. We again partnered with professors from Drexel University’s Goodwin College: School of Technology and Professional Studies.

Congratulations to the Class of 2012 for completing three JLP courses: Katie Adams, Allison Bedrosian, Alena Ferjuste, Brigit Gomez, Sarah Green, Katherine Koob, Kelsey Poole, Ann Ryan, and Sarah Young. Alena Ferjuste is a graduate of the Class of 2011 and returned this year to receive her master’s at JLP University.

Spring EVT Healthy Lifestyle and Finance Trainings
By Meredith Lord, Christina Royer-Scheible, and Kristin Wright

On March 28, Jeanine Romanelli, MD, gave a presentation at Lankenau Hospital on the prevention of cardiovascular heart disease in women. She explained how a lot of attention to women and heart disease is attributed to the Go Red For Women campaign, which gives women an excuse to go shopping. The statistics are staggering. There is currently one cardiovascular death per minute in the U.S. There are more deaths attributed to heart disease than to lung disease, Alzheimer, cancer, and accidents combined. It is important to assess your risk for heart disease.

On April 24, JLP members received valuable tips and information on caring for aging parents at Lankenau Hospital. A clinical social worker presented tips for assisting older parents in preparing for physician appointments, managing medications, monitoring medical conditions, and maintaining a personal health record. Sample personal health records and reading materials were available for those in attendance. In addition, a case manager provided contact information for medical and educational resources to assist those who currently care for aging parents.

On April 25, Pari Hashemi, CRPC, Financial Advisor, provided important information on budgeting to JLP members. Those in attendance learned about women and wealth, investing, and planning ahead for retirement. Pari, a dynamic speaker, was gracious to volunteer her time for this training and was very willing to answer questions from attendees. In addition to providing a copy of her presentation, she also supplied resources, including a financial to-do list and a worksheet for achieving your financial goals.

Congratulations

Hilary, Andrew, and big brother Henry Fuelleborn welcomed Thomas Walker on May 12, 2012. He weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz.

Nina and Lance Rogers welcomed Jackson Scott at 10:17 p.m. on March 14, 2012. He weighed 9 lbs. 9 oz. and was 21.5 inches long.

Drea and David Tarity welcomed Declan on May 22, 2012.

Adrienne and Rick Wetmore welcomed Alexander Evert on May 22, 2012. He weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Sustainer Alexia Hudson was elected to the National Executive Board of the American Library Association (ALA) for a three-year term (2012-2015). Alexia is the first graduate of the ALA Emerging Leaders program to be elected to the organization’s executive board. The ALA is one of North America’s largest professional organizations with a membership of 59,000. Its mission is to provide leadership for the development, promotion, and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to all information for all.

Jodi Kerr was awarded the PECO Woman who Empowers Us Award bestowed by 95.7 BEN FM radio at the Women of the Week luncheon held at Drexelbrook Caterers on April 9. Dr. Oz was the keynote speaker. Jodi appeared as a guest on 95.7 BEN FM’s Woman of the Week radio program. She spoke about her lengthy service to the JLP, our Centennial, and our exciting new Healthy Living community initiative.
JLP Thrift Shop Update
By Laura Collins

This month we celebrate our members for supporting the Thrift Shop through quota donations and volunteer hours. In the 2011–2012 League year, quota donations had a value of over $80,000. Additionally, members have accumulated a total of 700 volunteer hours at the Shop this year. The Thrift Shop staff and committee members thank you for all of your valuable service to the League's largest fundraiser.

Ten members have gone above and beyond their annual quota requirement by donating more than $1,000 worth of quota. Together, these members have donated over $13,000 worth of goods this year. The following members were recognized with a Golden Hanger Award at Annual Dinner and each received a JLP scarf as a thank you for their exemplary donations: Susan Asplundh, Laura Bahnck, Regina Colatoniov, Kate Forrester, Jodi Kerr, Sara McCabe, Jennifer Morgan, Halley Neboschick, Jaclynne Parsons, and Andrea Undercofer.

The Thrift Shop Committee and staff are extending a challenge to the members of the JLP for the 2012–2013 League year. Let’s try to reach at least $100,000 worth of donations. Note that high-quality name-brand items elicit higher prices, thus benefiting the League more. Reach out to family and friends for donations. Ask at your favorite retail stores if they would make a donation of their clearance items. Think about items that you would want to buy—women’s and children’s clothing are especially popular. And, when you visit the Shop next, please make sure to check out our new display of photographs in the front of the store highlighting member activities. You just might see yourself in one of the pictures.
Exciting Summer Events in the Philadelphia Area
By Victoria Boaz and Jara Freeman

As the League year comes to a close, the Member Enrichment & Recruitment Committee would like to thank all of the members who came out to the social events and made suggestions for activities. While organized group activities will be on hiatus for the summer, the committee encourages members to stay in touch with one another and take part in many of the wonderful events and traditions that make the Philadelphia area unique.

Devon Horse Show and Country Fair:
May 24–June 3, 2012 (www.DevonHorseShow.com)

Lilly Pulitzer Warehouse Sale:
June 9–11

Independence Day Welcome America Festival:

Brandywine Polo Club:
June 1–Sept 23 (Brandywinepolo.com)

Center City Sips:
June 6–August 29 (CenterCityPhila.org/life/sips.php)

University City Dining Days:
July 12–16 (UniversityCity.org/university-city-dining-days)

French Fling Bar Crawl, featuring Kronenbourg 1664:
July 14

Fairmount Goes French:
July 15

Bastille Day Festival and the Storming of the Bastille:
July 16

French Champagne Brunch:
July 17

Bottom Dollar Food Concert Under the Stars series:

Movies Under the Stars in Penn’s Landing:
July and August

Welcome Transfers

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Sustainer Chair’s Perspective

It is hard to believe that the 2011–2012 League year is over. It has been an exciting whirlwind of activity.

This spring, Barbara Minsker and Robin Thomas orchestrated a lovely luncheon at the Overbrook Golf Club where our Special Sustainers were honored for their many contributions to the JLP. Susan Arnold, Annamarie Hellebusch, and Debbie Vozzo organized our spring teas, with Bobbie Cameron, Beth Gadsden, Suzie Patterson, and Joyce Shenian acting as our gracious hostesses. And Sustainers rallied their forces to help with the American Girl Fashion Show. We look forward to participating next year. It was great fun!

Many Sustainers also gave a great deal of time and experience to plan and support our Centennial Gala at the Please Touch Museum. It was a spectacular evening and will be remembered for years.

At Annual Dinner, Kitten Susanin was awarded the Susan B. Meyers Leadership and Community Activism Award. This is the most prestigious award given by the League. We are all so grateful for all that Kitten has done in our League and in our community. She is an inspiration to us all.

In April, I attended the AJLI conference in San Francisco and participated in Sustainer meetings. I came away bursting with pride. Other Sustainers were very impressed with our organization and all our interest groups and activities. The facilitator asked if she could contact me to get more information for the other Sustainer chairs.

I have had a wonderful year working with all of you. Your support is very much appreciated and your friendships so meaningful.

It is my greatest pleasure to pass my duties to your new Sustainer Chair, Nancy Hebard. With Nancy’s incredible grace, her wealth of experience, and her devotion to the League, Sustainers will have a fulfilling 2012–2013 League year.

I wish you all a happy, healthy, and relaxing summer.

Joan

Bed, Breakfast, Blossoms and Barnes Returns on March 6 to 8, 2013

The B&B&B Committee is looking for new members. We are also looking for hostesses to house guests, homes for dinner parties, coordinators for the Flower Show and the Barnes Foundation trip, cooks, drivers, and helpers.

Please contact Susan Arnold at Arnold-ba-sa@msn.com or 215.659.6128 if you’d like to help and be kept in the loop. You won’t want to be left out.

You Ought to be in Pictures

Please help make the JLP online membership directory more useful by including your picture with your listing. You may submit it via email, mail, or hand-deliver it to Susan Mease who will ensure that it is posted. The 2012–2013 Nominating Committee, in particular, would appreciate having those pictures available.

Evening Sustainers Recap

Interested in joining the Evening Sustainers Group? We’ve had many different events this year including a speaker who spent a year in Dubai, dance lessons, and a discussion on women’s health. We also had our annual White Elephant party in January. We look forward to another exciting year and we always welcome new members. Please contact Marti Rodgers at mrodger49@comcast.net if you would like to be included on the mailing list.
The Larks Sing Their Way into Spring

By Jill Franks

The Larks had a fun-filled, gratifying, and adventurous spring. They performed at the Golden Living Center in Rosemont, Waverly Heights in Gladwyne, the Belvedere Center in Chester, the Hayes Manor Retirement Residence in Philadelphia, the New Horizons Senior Center in Narberth, the Highgate at Paoli Pointe in Paoli, the Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital in Malvern, and the Parent-Infant Center in Philadelphia.

After many hours of rehearsal, selections of “Blue Skies,” “You Made Me Love You,” “When Will I Be Loved,” and “Accentuate the Positive,” among others, were featured at the performances at the varied troupes’ venues. Renditions of various songs were often accompanied by Margy Conlon on tambourine, Sue Davis on ukulele, and Anne Markle and Musical Director Anjali Gallup-Diaz on piano.

The performances were followed by sing-a-longs with the homes’ residents; the Larks continued to be amazed at the response from the audience. In every facility, the singers were joined enthusiastically by patients who knew all of the words to old, familiar songs such as “Daisy,” “You Are My Sunshine,” and “Take Me Out to the Ball Game.” Singing “God Bless America” at the conclusion of the program was often emotional for both the Larks and the residents.

One highlight of the season was a visit to the Parent-Infant Center in Philadelphia where Anjali is director of School Age Programs. The Larks donned baseball caps and cowboy gear when they sang to a large group of three- and four-year-olds. Songs including “Old MacDonald” and “I’ve Been Working on the Railroad” were big hits, but the most popular with the youngsters was the Larks’ rendition of Smokey Robinson’s hit “My Guy.” To make it kid-friendly, the name “Elmo” was substituted for every time “my guy” was sung. The children loved the number and especially delighted in the antics of the wind-up toy Elmo who giggled and did flips on the floor while the Larks sang.

The Larks are always looking for new members. Rehearsals and troupings occur on Wednesday mornings. Please contact Jill Franks at jg29franks@yahoo.com or Anjali Gallup-Diaz at cagallupdiaz@gmail.com if interested.

Afternoon Bridge

The Afternoon Bridge (formerly known as the Afternoon Brush-Up Bridge) group is open to intermediate level players who are focused on mastering the newest bridge conventions, improving their skills, and enjoying the company of fellow Sustainers.

The Afternoon Bridge One group meets from 1 to 4 p.m. on the first Monday and third Thursday of each month at the homes of the hostesses listed below. The Afternoon Bridge Two group meets on the second Friday and the fourth Wednesday of each month at Dunwoody, graciously hosted by Ginny Price. Please promptly contact the hostesses, as space is limited. A substitute list of interested players is maintained.

**JUNE**

4 Suzanne VanderVeer 610.525.7447  
8 Ginny Price 610.355.1484  
21 Joan Prewitt 610.989.1756  
27 Ginny Price 610.355.1484

**AUGUST**

6 Jean Murdock 610.642.7283  
10 Ginny Price 610.355.1484  
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22 Ginny Price 610.355.1484

**JULY**

2 Bonnie Hamm 610.356.4277  
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19 Mimi Johnson 610.525.1443  
25 Ginny Price 610.355.1484

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Upcoming Events

JUNE
9 HIP Kids Sliding Home Event
14 DIAD with MANNA

More details about all of these events and more can be found on the JLP website: www.JLPhiladelphia.org.