

LIGHTS

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Community Grant Recipients Announced



The focus area for this year's grants is to provide funding to local organizations that address the needs of Allegheny County youths, grades K-12, concentrating on physical fitness, healthy lifestyles and/or nutrition. The CADC is pleased to announce three non-profit organizations that have been selected to each receive a community grant in the amount of \$2,500.

Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh

The grant will be used for the JCC's "Growing Strong Girls"

program. This program is designed for girls 8 to 12 years old and will run from October 2007 to December 2007. The primary goal of the program is to enhance self-esteem, and educate young women on the importance of physical fitness and nutrition.

This program will provide speakers who will speak on various topics such as nutrition, health issues, media influence, women in society, drugs and alcohol, peer pressure and volunteerism. The fitness portion of the program includes yoga, aerobics, power

walking, sports games, weight training and muscle conditioning.

Girl Scouts – Trillium Council

The grant will be used for the Girl Scouts' PULSE program. The program plans to serve 40 girls ages 11 to 13 in Allegheny Traditional School, a junior high school in Allegheny County, and will run from April 2007 through May 2007 for two days a week for six weeks.

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Save The Dates

18th Designers' Show House 2007

April 27— May 13

1265 Beechwood Boulevard

Visit the new, dynamic website

jlpshowhouse.com

On With The Show

Junior League members will be working at Show House by the time you read these lines. All League members are welcome to stop by 1265 Beechwood Boulevard for a "Before" tour during the month of April. When you walk in again on or after April 27th, you'll be amazed at the transformation.

The century-old home was built by real estate developer Samuel Dickie at a cost of \$10,000. The house was built in the Italian Renaissance style, with hints of Colonial Revival also integrated.

In 1910, William and Elizabeth Jenkins became the first owner-occupants of the house. Census records show they lived at the home with their four children, Elizabeth's two children from a previous marriage and two servants. The Jenkins' lived at 1265 Beechwood until 1930.

Later owners include Bob & Pat Friend, who resided there between 1969 and 1975. Bob was a pitcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates between 1951 and 1965.

Dr. Daniel & Margaret Boyle are the current homeowners. They bought the house in 1997, and lived there with their 12 children for five years. After St. Francis Hospital closed, the Boyles relocated to North Wildwood, New Jersey and kept 1265 as a second home. The Boyles contacted the Junior League in 2006 regarding their interest in Show House. After Show House closes to the public, 1265 Beechwood Boulevard will be offered for sale.



SNEAK-A-PEEK WEEKEND ENJOYS SUCCESS!

March 30th found many League members flocking to this year's Sneak-A-Peek party, planned to perfection thanks to past President Lynne Chadwick and Presi-

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Office of the President

New Beginnings



Linda Hartman
President
2006-2007

The blooming of flowers and leafing out of trees reminds us that spring is a time of new beginnings and opportunities. The Junior League of Pittsburgh has its own signs of spring.

Our 18th Designers' Show House begins soon. This gives us the opportunity to raise the funds so we can give kids a new beginning with a new space for safe play. It is a place where they can enjoy the fresh air and get lots of exercise.

Spring also is when we start thinking about next year with recruiting events and the annual placement fair. As you think about your placement for next year consider all you have learned and ways you have grown through this year's placement. Then think of other women who would enjoy these same experiences. Invite them to attend the upcoming recruiting events over the next few months. Invite them to join you during a Show House shift so they can experience the fun of meeting new people and knowing they helped to make it possible for youngsters to begin to gain self-esteem and confidence and to realize their potential.

Enjoy the sunny days and warmer weather. I look forward to seeing you at 1265 Beechwood Boulevard and the placement fair.

— Linda Hartman, President, 2006-2007

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Nominating: Your Opinion Counts!

Do you know of an outstanding leader in the JLP, just waiting to take on new roles and responsibilities? Maybe that

leader is you!

So, how do you nominate yourself or a fellow JLP member for a leadership position? Once nominated, what are the selection criteria that the nominating committee considers for each position?

This year, the nominating committee focused on refining the nominating process to help JLP members to better understand just how to go about nominating someone for a position. We first put together a new nominating form (located on the JLP website). This form is designed to help the committee compare nominees fairly, and to help the nominating member understand what information she should pro-

vide to the committee.

To quote past JLP President Lynne Chadwick, "Nominating is EVERYONE'S job!" We need your help to identify the future leaders of the Junior League of Pittsburgh. As always, please feel free to contact any member of the nominating committee with questions about the nominating process.

Cast your vote for the JLP Member of the Year!

This award goes to the JLP member who you feel went above and beyond to promote the mission of the JLP. This could be a person who was behind the scenes or

right up front in their actions. Please send your nominations for this award to Katie Heinritz (katie.heinritz@yahoo.com) **by May 15th.**



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Studio 2B books created by Girl Scouts of the USA, *Don't Sweat It*, which focuses on handling stress, taking care of your body and learning healthy eating habits. The program's activities will focus on managing stress, goal setting, self esteem, and nutrition. This program will also introduce girls to new forms of exercise such as yoga and some forms of dance. The focus will be to help girls discover positive leisure activities they can pursue for a lifetime.

Girl Scouts – Trillium Council

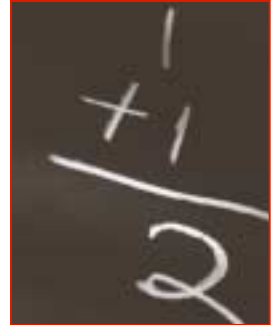
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dance. The focus will be to help girls discover positive leisure activities they can pursue for a lifetime.

Wilkins School Community Center

The grant will be used for the WSCC's "American Kids Summer Camp." This program will provide a summer camp experience for children ages 5 to 12. The camp will have two sessions, August 6-9, 2007 and August 13-16, 2007. It is expected that 50 children will participate at each session. Although the program will charge tuition of \$50 per child, the program also provides 10 scholarships. During the program, children will participate in a variety of activities, including nature hikes, arts and crafts, theater, cooking, yoga and special programs highlighting urban gardening, health, fitness and aerobics. Programs for the older children will also include a community service focus. This camp was initially started by the director of the WSCC in 1997 in her own home and had 5 campers. By 2003, the camp had grown to 40 children.

The be presented at the April 18, 2007 General Membership Meeting. Next year (2007-2008), the Junior League of Pittsburgh's community grants will be funded with money raised in the Annual Appeal, so please give generously!



Membership Development Committee

The Membership Development Committee recently hosted a successful Transfer & New Actives social gathering at Déjà Vu.



Julie Katz, Susan Wagner, Beth Vucic



Jen Cohen, Kelly Ember, Brooke McMorrow



Beth McCall, Adrienne English, Karen Rivetti

Committee News



Show House Housewarming Needed Items

- Broom
- Coffee cups (disposable-200)
- Combination Lock for basement storage closet
- Cream (powdered-4 large jars)
- Lamps (Lend or donate-2 or 3 desk or small table lamps)
- Garbage can (Lend or donate one large, plastic 30-gallon)
- Glass cleaner (2 spray bottles)
- Light bulbs (12 bulbs, 60 watts)
- Liquid, anti-bacterial soap (3 small pump containers)
- Masking tape (2 rolls)
- Rags for cleaning (Ex: flannel, terrycloth, men's cotton under-shirts)
- Scotch Tape (2 rolls)
- Smoke detectors (4)
- Trash bags (30-gallon, 4 boxes)
- Telephone (Lend or donate phone w/cord to plug into wall jack)
- Toilet Bowl Brush

On With The Show

The stage is being set for "Elegance on Beechwood" The Junior League of Pittsburgh's 18th Designers' Show House. Twenty-five local design firms are readying to revitalize this Italian Renaissance mansion in Squirrel Hill, once home to former All-Star Pittsburgh Pirates pitcher Bob Friend. Located at 1265 Beechwood between Fifth and Forbes Avenues, Show House doors will open for the first time on April 27th – when Glitz, Glamour & Grace will reign at the Gala

DETAILS

When: April 27th to May 13th House Tours

May 14th to May 20th Available for Private & Corporate Event Rental

Where: 1265 Beechwood Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

Between Fifth & Forbes Avenues, Squirrel Hill

Hours:

Tuesdays through Fridays 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Evening 6 – 9 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 12 – 5 p.m.

Monday - House Closed to the Public

Group Tours Available for a minimum of 8 people.

Please call Kelly Uranker for more information (412) 391-5122

TICKET PRICES

Ticket prices are \$15 if purchased in advance by April 20th or \$20 (cash/check) at the door.

Tour tickets are transferable (can be used any time the house is open to the public) but non-refundable.

You may purchase tickets by MasterCard, Visa or Personal Check by calling (412) 394-6767. You may also purchase tickets on-line at Blacktie Pittsburgh by visiting blacktie-pittsburgh.com. Blacktie accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, and electronic checks.



Enjoy Show House Special Events

All events take place at the 2007 Designers' Show House, located at 1265 Beechwood Boulevard. Tickets/Reservations are available by calling 412-394-6767.

Tickets are also available on-line by visiting blacktie-pittsburgh.com.

EVENING WITH DESIGNERS

Friday, May 4, 7 – 9 p.m.

Reservation Prices: \$40 in advance (until April 30) \$50 at the door.

Take a behind-the-scenes look at the Junior League of Pittsburgh's 2007 Show House. This is a chance to get up-close-and-personal with the designers who have created "Elegance On Beechwood." Make your way inside to tour the transformed home, marveling at each room's style. The creativity continues in our unique party atmosphere, an outdoor gallery styled by artist & designer Matthias Bodnar. There, enjoy a glass of wine, hors d'oeuvres by Savory Catering and the sounds of jazz/blues singer Jessica Lee.

On With The Show

OPENING NIGHT GALA GLITZ, GLAMOUR & GRACE

Friday, April 27th. Creative Black Tie 

Stroll the red carpet and be among the first to step through the doors of this gracious house. Experience the luxurious high-style waiting inside. Enjoy dinner and entertainment in the moonlight. Meet and mingle with celebrity host Andrew Dan-Jumbo of TLC's "While You Were Out" and "Trading Spaces," and special guest Bob Friend, former homeowner and All-Star Pittsburgh Pirate.

Gala Ticket Prices—RSVP by April 13 

Patron: \$300. 5pm. Private cocktail party with Andrew Dan-Jumbo, Private tour of Show House, Dinner & Dessert Reception

Dinner Ticket: \$125. 7pm. Dinner & Dessert Reception and tour of Show House.

Dessert: \$60. 9pm. Dessert Reception and tour of Show House.

Amazing items will be up for bid at Gala's Silent Auction. Choose from a vacation in Spain, golfing with Pittsburgh's Mayor, scuba diving in the Keys and many other exciting items.



Gala celebrity host Andrew Dan-Jumbo of TLC's "While You Were Out" and "Trading Spaces."

SUSTAINERS EVENT

Monday, May 7, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. This is a two-seating event available at 10 a.m. and 12 p.m.

Ticket Price: \$40

This luncheon, organized in honor of former Junior League volunteers, will feature guest speaker Erika Wirkkala of Tapis Rouge Events. Enjoy the opportunity to tour the home, shop at the Boutique and receive a free subscription to *Table Magazine*. See page 6 for more details.

SHOW HOUSE BOUTIQUE

Don't forget to include our Boutique in your visit to Show House. This year, the Boutique showcases merchandise from Pittsburgh's finest artisans and entrepreneurs. A wide variety of items are for sale, including art, furniture, home textiles, garden goods, bath & body products, clothing and accessories. Mother's Day, Father's Day and graduations are on the horizon, so get some shopping done! Visa, MasterCard, cash and checks are accepted.

GUIDED GROUP TOURS AND CORPORATE EVENTS

Hold a special event for your company while supporting our playground build initiative! A corporate event at this year's Designers' Show House will give you and your colleagues an afternoon or evening with exclusive access to the house.

Events will be held the week of May 14-20. Times available are 12:00-3:00 and 7:00-10:00 each day. If interested, contact Christa Valentine, (859) 533-7627 or Lisa Chilcote, (412) 953-8834.

We have two exciting opportunities for you and your friends to join us at the 2007 Designers' Show House: group ticket sales and group tours.

Group Ticket Sales are being offered at substantial discounts for blocks of tickets purchased in quantities of 15 or more. And here is the best news; the group does not have to tour at the same time. Once tickets are issued, the individual holding the ticket may visit the 2007 Designers' Show House at any time it is open to the public,

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Tuesdays through Sundays.

Group Tours, eight guests or more, are being offered on Mondays throughout the 2007 Designers' Show House event. Groups of 15 or more can take advantage of the discounted ticket prices. Groups of 10 or more will be split into smaller groups for easier access



Sneak A Peek A Success!

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dent-Elect Martha Wiegand. For those of you who don't know, Lynne Chadwick currently lives in London, England for work – and she “crossed the pond” to get to Sneak-A-Peek! In fact, this was a popular destination, as five JLP past Presidents were in attendance – quite a display of support for our fundraiser.

Guests enjoyed food from Qdoba, Del's in Bloomfield and Bruester's Ice Cream. Members, friends and families walked the halls and took one last look at Show House before Designers began to work their magic.

throughout the rooms of the house. Group tours will be on a first come schedule basis and are subject to availability. To book a tour, purchase group tickets, or if you have questions, please contact Kelly Uranker, Group Tours Chair at 412-391-5122 or email kellyu2088@yahoo.com



(front) Christie Smith, Julie Katz, Ryann Ogrodnik, (rear) Kim Kisner, Ondrea Rovinson, Holly Fajt, and Jenn Tribble work at the Show House on the 1st day of Sneak-a-Peek tours Saturday, March 31, 2007. More than 60 visitors toured the house Saturday.

Thanks to all League members who staffed the home during the Sneak-A-Peek party and tour weekend!

STAFFING NEWS

Staffing is important! The Staffing Committee needs to have each Provisional and Active sign up for your three required shifts. We also welcome and encourage you to sign up for extra shifts & bring a friend or family member to complete a shift with you. If you bring someone, it counts as two shifts for you!

We have a particular need for daytime staffers.

Please visit showhoustaffing@gmail.com to sign up. Thanks to all of the Sustainers who have volunteered to work Show House shifts!

OTHER IMPORTANT STAFFING INFORMATION

When arriving to work your shift, please sign-in downstairs in the basement, where you will be able to leave your coat and lock your purse and belongings in the treasury room. You will also put on your JLP Apron and receive instructions from your Shift Captain.

We recognize that there will be emergencies that prevent members from completing shift assignments. In these situations, it is critical that you call Catherine Baker or Melissa Polachek.

Please dress in some type of combination of red, black and/or white when staffing your shifts. You will be provided with a black apron to wear during your shifts.

Please do not wear high-heeled shoes in the Show House. We would like to help to keep the newly refinished floors as beautiful as possible, and lower shoes will be more comfortable to wear during your shifts as well.

HELP MARKET SHOW HOUSE POSTERS & POSTCARDS AVAILABLE

Show House Posters & Postcards are available. Any member who would like these materials may contact Christie Smith at 412-860-4485 or christiesmith412@hotmail.com



Sustainer News—Let's Reconnect At Show House 2007

"Elegance on Beechwood" is almost ready to open her doors. Let's help our members raise funds for KABOOM, our signature project, by attending the Sustainer Lunch with some friends, staffing a sustainer day shift or purchasing a tour ticket. Our support is truly appreciated by our active members.

Check out the fantastic Show House **web site at www.jlpgh.org** and click on the picture of the Show House or go directly to the dedicated site at jlpshowhouse.com.

SHOW HOUSE-SUSTAINER LUNCHEON

Our very own Sustainer Luncheon will be held on Monday, May 7 at the Show House tent venue. Don't forget to send in your reservations for you and your guests. Tickets are \$40 each and include a tour of the Show House, luncheon, lecture on Tres Chic Tablescapes given by Tapis Rouge Events, a free subscription to Table magazine and shopping in the boutique.

Checks for the luncheon should be made payable to the JLP and mailed to my attention, Suzy Golitko; 200 Tech Road; Pittsburgh, PA 15205. Please specify:

1st Seating: 10 AM tour with 11 AM lunch

2nd Seating: 12 noon tour with 1 PM lunch

SUSTAINER DAYS STAFFING at SHOW HOUSE

Several sustainers asked for specific sustainer staffing days for us at Show House this year. They want to staff with fellow sustainers and reconnect! The Show House staffing committee listened to our request. The following dates and times are for sustainers to volunteer to staff at Show House.

Wednesday, May 2 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Friday, May 11 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Friday, May 11 5:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Let's Reconnect! Call Melissa at 412-915-9963 or email ShowHouseStaffing@gmail.com with the shift date you can work.

If you can not staff on one of the dates listed above but would like to work an alternate shift, Melissa will be happy to accommodate you.

Hope to see you at Show House!
—Suzy Golitko, Sustainer Director

GLOBAL LINKS & LUNCH

4809 Penn Avenue, Thursday, May 10
10 aM – 12:00 PM daytime

Thank you to those of you who came in March to volunteer. You may be interested to know that to date we have put in 92 volunteer hours! Way to go, we will cap 100 hours next time!!

Unfortunately our visit on April 12th has been cancelled due to a conference to which the Volunteer Coordinators (Jennifer, Hayley and Alex) from G.L. are going. Therefore, our next visit will be on May 10th. At the moment, the following have signed up: Pam McDonald, Jennifer Martin, Stephe Bozic, Cindy Potter, Peggy Mooney and Thea Stover. Let me know if you would like to be added to the list for May. Contact: Fredrica Cryan at 412-784-9069 or email at cryanfejk@aol.com

After the May meeting, we will take a break and re-convene in September. Same plan as this year: 2nd Thursday of the month excluding December. Mark your calendars! I would also like to let you know that Peggy Mooney has agreed to be my JL co-volunteer coordinator for G.L. Thank you Peggy!

—Fredrica Cryan, Sustainer



About the Junior League of Pittsburgh

Women building better communities.

For more than 80 years, the Junior League of Pittsburgh has been the driving force behind the kinds of initiatives and institutions that make our community a healthier, more vital place to live.

Junior League members, reflecting a wide range of backgrounds, interests and professional pursuits work together to identify unmet needs, forge effective coalitions and work for change. Time and time again, the Junior League is among the first organizations to step up to the plate and tackle the community's biggest challenges.

Mission

We are an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

We reach out to women of all races, religions and national origins who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism.



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Submission Requirements

Submit all articles electronically to Chère Tiller, Chair & Editor at: ctiller@forus.com. It is helpful if you add the topic of your submission in the "RE:" of your e-mail message.

Articles

Please submit as a *plain* Word document (avoid adding special fonts, tabs or other formatting, such as tables -- they will be deleted, regardless, to comply with *Lights* standards.) You may also submit content within an e-mail.

Photos "...worth a thousands words!"

Submission of photos is encouraged! Please, supply as a JPEG file, and *please* compress/zip-up before sending if there is more than one. Limit is 5 meg per email.

Add photo caption information along with your submission.

** The editorial staff reserves the right to edit for content, length and style.*

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