

# RIVIERA ROMANCE



**THE NEW YORK JUNIOR LEAGUE**

**66<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WINTER BALL**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018**

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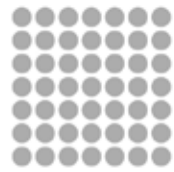
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## NYJL MISSION STATEMENT

The Junior League of the City of New York is an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

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# New York Junior League

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# EVENING PROGRAM



6:30 p.m. **Harriman Circle VIP Reception**

7:00 p.m. **Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres**  
**Silent Auction Begins**

8:00 p.m. **Welcome and Presentations**

**Mistress of Ceremonies**

*Jean Shafiroff*

**Fundraising Events Council Head, 2017–2019**

*Ashley B. T. Ma*

**Winter Ball Co-Chairs, 2017–2018**

*Jessica DeSantes*

*Jeri Powell*

**NYJL President, 2016–2018**

*Suzanne E. Manning*

**2018 Outstanding Sustainers and  
Outstanding Volunteers Presentation**

8:30 p.m. **Dinner**

9:15 p.m. **Community Partner Presentation**

*Gregory J. Morris*

*Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center*

9:30 p.m. **Live Auction**

*Sebastian Clarke*

*Rago Arts*

**Dessert and Dancing**

*The Dream Team*

11:30 p.m. **Silent Auction Closes**

12:30 a.m. **Evening Ends**



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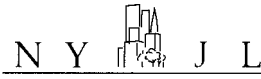
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Dear Friends,

Welcome to the New York Junior League's (NYJL) 66th Annual Winter Ball, "Riviera Romance." I want to thank you for joining us this evening at The Pierre to support the charitable activities of the NYJL and to celebrate seven exceptional women for their extraordinary volunteer service in our community.

One hundred and seventeen years ago Mary Harriman organized a group of dedicated, civic-minded young women who gave their time, talent, and energy to ensure that New York City would be a better place to live. Today, more than 2,800 NYJL volunteers invest over 250,000 hours annually to keep Mary's legacy alive by engaging in diverse activities and community projects throughout New York City. These programs target five areas of need—Adult Education & Mentoring, Children's Education, Child Health & Welfare, City Impact, and Culture & the Arts. Our volunteers impact the community through a variety of initiatives, including:

- Crisis Intervention, which works with the Domestic and Other Violence Emergencies (DOVE) program at New York-Presbyterian Hospital to offer advocacy, emotional support, and information to survivors of intimate partner violence and sexual assault.
- Cooking and Health Education for Families (CHEF), which empowers families to make life-long healthy choices by teaching proper nutrition and physical activity while placing an emphasis on planning, collaboration, and fun.
- Girls' Leadership Institute, a program that provides young girls with the tools and skills to build healthy relationships, develop self-respect, and excel in conflict-management while giving them the confidence to live as leaders.
- Forum for Nonprofits, an annual educational conference that addresses key issues facing small to mid-size nonprofits and the communities they serve. For more than a decade, the Forum for Nonprofits has brought together leading experts to empower volunteers to better serve their community.

The charitable works of the NYJL would not be possible without the support of our generous donors, the collaborative spirit of our more than 50 community partners, and the compassion of our devoted volunteers. Together we are able to build a brighter tomorrow for the women, children, and families of New York City.

Tonight, we celebrate seven women who embody the humanitarian spirit of Mary Harriman. We are proud to honor our Outstanding Sustainers—Nancy Houghton and Wendy Wade—and Outstanding Volunteers—Mary Catherine Burdine, Katie Cook, Nicole Ferrin, Elizabeth Fabsits Pavone, and Kim Essency Pillari—for their significant and sustained volunteer work at the NYJL and in the community. I encourage you to read about their inspiring contributions in the following pages of this journal.

Along with honoring our Outstanding Sustainers and Outstanding Volunteers, we are proud to highlight our community partner, the Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center. Founded in 1964, the Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center is a multi-service organization focusing primarily on the needs of children and low-income families, out-of-school and out-of-work youth, and aging New Yorkers including the isolated and homebound elderly. Throughout its more than 50-year history, the organization has been dedicated to developing programs of quality and distinction in response to the evolving needs of the community it serves.

The New York Junior League has the privilege of working with the Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center on three of our community programs: Artistic Journeys, Beacon to Broadway, and Passport to the World. NYJL volunteers have designed interactive programs that build confidence and self-esteem through encouraging self-expression. Volunteers provide robust visual and performing arts curricula supplemented with trips to venues such as The Metropolitan Opera and Carnegie Hall.

On behalf of the NYJL Board of Directors and Management Council, our volunteers and our community partners, I thank you for your generosity this evening. Your support is vital to the NYJL's ongoing contribution to this great city.

Sincerely,

Suzanne E. Manning  
President





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**ANDREW M. CUOMO**  
GOVERNOR

March 3, 2018

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to everyone gathered for “Riviera Romance,” the 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Ball of the New York Junior League.

People in communities throughout the metropolitan region are the fortunate beneficiaries of work carried out by your active and thriving Chapter. As a champion of humanitarian causes and the ideals of community service, New York is proud to be the birthplace of the Junior League, established more than a century ago on Manhattan’s lower east side by a group of socially-conscious and civic-minded women. Today your members remain true to the founding mission to promote volunteerism, develop the potential of women, and improve our communities through effective action and leadership.

This evening you pay tribute to distinguished women who are honored for their leadership and selfless work carried out on behalf of the League and its worthy objectives. I join in offering congratulations to this year’s *Outstanding Sustainers*, Nancy Houghton and Wendy Wade, and *Outstanding Volunteers*, Mary Catherine Burdine, Katie Cook, Nicole Ferrin, Elizabeth Fabsits Pavone, and Kim Essency Pillari – all of whom are dedicated to improving peoples’ lives, thereby strengthening our society as a whole.

Warmest regards and best wishes for an enjoyable evening and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew M. Cuomo". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

ANDREW M. CUOMO



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10007

March 3, 2018

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to join the New York Junior League in welcoming everyone to its 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Ball.

My administration is working hard to make New York the fairest big city in America, and we are grateful for the efforts of community organizations like the New York Junior League that are dedicated to building a brighter future for people across the five boroughs. Founded over a century ago, NYJL now has over 2,800 volunteers that work to improve the health and welfare of young people, provide educational support, raise awareness about domestic violence, and more. Chirlane and I are proud to join in applauding this organization's staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts to foster positive change throughout our city and beyond.

On behalf of the City of New York, congratulations to this year's honorees. I offer my best wishes for a memorable event and continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill de Blasio".

Bill de Blasio  
Mayor

CHARLES E. SCHUMER  
NEW YORK

Democratic Leader

## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3203

March 3, 2018

Dear Friends,

Please accept my warmest greetings and congratulations as you gather for the New York Junior League's 66<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Ball. I would like to recognize the 2,500 volunteers that contribute an astounding 250,000 hours to better the lives of thousands of New York City women and children. I am honored to acknowledge the exemplary work of the New York Junior League and this evening's distinguished honorees on this momentous occasion.

The New York Junior League Winter Ball honors outstanding volunteers and community partners who provide exemplary community service to New York City. The New York Junior League's pursuit and commitment to promote volunteerism, develop advancements for women and improve communities through effective action and the leadership of trained volunteers is a truly admirable feat. I am honored to join everyone here today to congratulate the volunteers of New York Junior League for making New York City a better place for generations.

Furthermore, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate tonight's honorees; **Nancy Houghton** and **Wendy Wade**, this year's *Outstanding Sustainers* and **Mary Catherine Burdine**, **Katie Cook**, **Nicole Ferrin**, **Elizabeth Fabsits Pavone** and **Kim Essency Pillari** for being *Outstanding Volunteers*. Their dedication and commitment to the residents of New York City is commendable and it brings me great honor to recognize the achievements of these great women.

Once again, congratulations and thank you all for your hard work and devotion to this noble activity. I am sure that the New York Junior League will continue to touch the lives of thousands of families in the coming year. Best wishes on a wonderful evening.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Schumer  
United States Senator

KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND  
NEW YORK



UNITED STATES SENATOR

March 3, 2018

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to send greetings to everyone attending the New York Junior League's 66th Annual Winter Ball. I am proud to join all of you in honoring this year's Outstanding Sustainers and Outstanding Volunteers.

For 116 years, the New York Junior League has worked tirelessly to promote volunteerism and improve the lives of women, children and families throughout New York City. I commend this essential organization for identifying the most pressing needs of our communities and harnessing the power of women working together to strengthen New York's families.

Please accept my best wishes for a memorable event and many years of continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kirsten Gillibrand".

Kirsten Gillibrand  
United States Senator

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2018 OUTSTANDING SUSTAINERS

Nancy Houghton & Wendy Wade

on your tremendous accomplishments!  
You truly are stars and we thank you for your  
dedication to the New York Junior League!

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Sustainer Evening Committee  
Sustainer Nominating  
Thanksgiving Eve Ball  
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# OUTSTANDING SUSTAINERS



OUTSTANDING SUSTAINER

## NANCY HOUGHTON

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*“The New York Junior League is a major volunteer and community organization that supports the development and skills of women. The comprehensive leadership training that the Junior League provides to women has resulted in countless opportunities for women to succeed in their areas of interest whether in business or in the volunteer sphere.”*

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“Her entire life—professional and personal—is about giving back to the community.” This is how many fellow New York Junior League volunteers, and people of New York City, describe Outstanding Sustainer Nancy Houghton. Continuing the work of many compassionate women before her, including Mary Harriman, Nancy Houghton has made it her personal mission to advocate for the underserved and disadvantaged people of her city.

When Nancy joined the NYJL, her work experience was limited. She credits the training and experiences she received from the Junior League for helping her succeed in her professional career path. “She’s taken her volunteerism to a whole other level,” notes Bunty Armstrong, NYJL Sustainer, who served on the Thanksgiving Eve Ball Committee with Nancy. “The work is an important part of her life.”

The NYJL trained Nancy to value volunteers and she particularly learned from the NYJL that volunteers “must be in a job they like and enjoy doing.” Today, and for the past sixteen years, Nancy has been the Executive Director at Health Advocates for Older People, where she uses her training and past experiences with the NYJL to provide 700 free programs each year for more than 1,000 participants. In 2005, Health Advocates developed a volunteer program to provide a wide range of services to seniors including escorting them to appointments, and providing friendly visits, fall prevention initiatives, and nutrition programs that promote healthy aging. Health Advocates harnesses the goodwill and energy of a committed group of volunteers who range in age from nine to ninety to provide a wide range of service to elders.



Nancy's commitment to the work of the NYJL remains strong. In fact, the NYJL Community Health Access Module Program (CHAMP) committee has provided weekly seminars at Health Advocates for Older People for twelve years. Working with this team professionally "has introduced Nancy to a whole new generation of volunteers." She counts the partnership an enormous blessing for the participants of Health Advocates.

Nancy served on the NYJL's Early Childhood Development committee for over 18 years. She found that the program was "life changing for parents." The information learned and taught in Early Childhood Development highlighted the importance of parental engagement with their children. The proven research, which provided reliable data about the ages and stages of children from birth to three years of age, made an impact on schools and parents in the wider community. The lessons Nancy learned during the years she was on the committee have "spilled over into all areas of her life." Her volunteer work with Early Childhood Development inspired her to get a Master's Degree in Psychology with a focus in parenting from New York University.

In one of her first placements, Nancy worked with the NYJL Breast Cancer committee, which was a pioneer in bringing awareness to women about the then unspoken disease. She served during a time when women such as Betty Ford and Happy Rockefeller were diagnosed, which brought increased media awareness to the committee's work. The committee promoted the importance of monthly self-examinations and Nancy made presentations explaining the life-saving importance of self-examinations to groups of women in the community.

"Nancy does so much work," says Helen Pennoyer, NYJL Sustainer. "And she does it with such charm and grace." Indeed, Nancy served on the NYJL's Placement committee and was a member of the Thanksgiving Eve Ball committee for over twenty years, serving as the Chair in 2001.

In addition to her time with the NYJL, Nancy served on the Board of the Children's Health Service and on the Board of the Knickerbocker Greys, an organization that fosters discipline, leadership development, and responsibility in young boys as they grow up. She has continued her volunteer service at the Church of the Heavenly Rest. Once again, her volunteer experiences have been positively influenced by her training and hands-on work at the New York Junior League. "Volunteering at the Church of the Heavenly Rest has drawn on the skills I learned at the Junior League," Nancy says. "There was an underlying positive attitude at the League about how much can be accomplished to make important projects possible and successful".

Nancy's advocacy and philanthropic spirit serves as a model for future generations of New York women. She encourages new NYJL volunteers to "work hard in your Junior League commitment and be supportive of our mission of community outreach that is constructive for both the city and the people who live here. The important lesson is that when we work together—the upbeat and encouraging vibes of our work and friendship ripple out and bring good will and positive results to others in many different communities."

Nancy is married to Stephen W. Houghton and mother to Stephen and Carlynn.



OUTSTANDING SUSTAINER

## GWENDOLEN L. WADE

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*"The NYJL was my education in board and committee leadership and formed an invaluable basis for my volunteer work in the New York City community and beyond."*

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Outstanding Sustainer Gwendolen "Wendy" L. Wade credits her long, extraordinary tenure with the NYJL for "preparing her to step out into the New York community at any level and offer volunteer service." The citizens of New York continue to benefit from her long-time advocacy for the health and well-being of her fellow neighbors.

As an active volunteer with the NYJL, Wendy chaired the Provisional Training and Personnel committees. She also served on and chaired the Winter Ball and Thanksgiving Eve Ball committees, important NYJL fundraisers that are "a wonderful way to introduce young women to the League at an early age." As Chair of the Thanksgiving Eve Ball, Wendy had the interesting experience of heading a committee whose members were leaders and former Chairs. This provided Wendy with the "unique experience of balancing long tradition and ways of working with new ideas and necessity of making changes, with the changing times." She is proud of using this experience with the NYJL to strengthen her ability to work with people. "Whether it be in a committee, on a Board, as a facilitator, a workshop leader, or as a teacher, what I learned at the NYJL is a large part of my volunteer roots," she says. "As a Chair of a committee, as a group facilitator, or in any other leadership involvement, it is important to be able to listen to the others involved."

Throughout her many positions, Wendy's service has been steeped with grace and leadership. "Wendy is the type of person who can do it all, and always with a great sense of humor," says Alice Allen, who previously served as Vice President of Communications. "She cares a great deal about people. She gets involved in organizations and projects that benefit others."

Among her numerous roles in the organization, Wendy served on the Board of Directors as Secretary and she also wrote for the NYJL newsletter. She describes her time on the Board as a “wonderful experience, introducing her to the inner workings of the League and to many talented women.” Wendy acknowledges serving in this position offered a special opportunity to help plan and shape the future of the Junior League. It is because of this and so much more that in 1980 Wendy was named a NYJL Outstanding Volunteer.

The Thanksgiving Eve Ball, and Wendy’s leadership of the committee, still evokes fond memories from many NYJL members. “Wendy is an unbelievable worker—very organized,” remembers Bunty Armstrong, NYJL Sustainer. “When she ran the Thanksgiving Ball, it was wonderful. She is delightful and we also had a lot of fun.”

Wendy credits the NYJL with giving her the “skills and confidence to explore and experiment with new ideas and the stimulus to follow her passions.” She joined the League in her late 20s, just before starting a family. The 1960s and 1970s proved to be a cultural shift for many women as they entered into full-time careers. Wendy acknowledges that volunteering with the NYJL partnered women who did not have full-time careers with those who did and trained both groups toward independence and a sense of professionalism in their volunteer work. Wendy believes that training “forms the basis for a lifetime of focused and intelligent leadership as volunteers.”

For Wendy, this sense of pride in work and commitment to her community carried forward in volunteer work outside the League. Anne Perkins, Thanksgiving Eve Ball committee member, explains: “Wendy was and remains committed to helping people and the communities in

which they live. I know that she was a very dedicated community services volunteer and that she was heavily involved in a number of projects that she helped bring to fruition. She is still an active and involved member of her community and New York City at large.”

In addition to her service with the NYJL, Wendy is the First Vice President of the Health Advocates for Older People, where she was honored beside Edward Cardinal Egan in 2012 as an Outstanding Community Leader. She has held positions on many boards, including NYC Parents in Action, Episcopal Charities, and the Garrison Forest School, where she received the Distinguished Alumna Award in 2016. She is an active member of the St. James’ Church, is a former Senior Warden, and has chaired many parishioner committees. It is at St. James’ where she continues to volunteer with fellow NYJL members, including Sustainer Susan Relyea. “Wendy and I have had the good fortune of continuing to work as volunteers together in many capacities,” says Susan. “Wendy’s organization, humor, and perseverance have always been in play. She is a consummate volunteer, a leader, and a dear friend.”

Wendy is a healing practitioner, teacher, and a Reiki master. She currently owns Wendy Wade Designs where she creates and manufactures hand-painted and découpaged decorative tôle accessories. Wendy’s dedication to giving back was instilled in her by her parents’ examples, as they both volunteered actively in their communities.

Wendy is married to George J. Wade and is mother to Barbara Caroline and George Joseph. She is proud that the commitment of service has been passed on to her grandchildren.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2018 OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS!

MARY CATHERINE BURDINE, KATIE COOK, NICOLE FERRIN,  
ELIZABETH FABISITS PAVONE, KIM ESSENCY PILLARI



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# OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS



OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER

## MARY CATHERINE BURDINE

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*"I am empowered daily by the intelligence, generosity, kindness, and effervescent spirit of my fellow NYJL volunteers. This organization reminds me that sometimes the most successful collaborations come from unexpected beginnings."*

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Mary Catherine Burdine believes that working to improve the lives of the disadvantaged around you enriches the lives of each and every person in the community at large. She has spent her entire adult life giving back to others. Throughout her high school and college years, she volunteered at local domestic violence shelters and hunger assistance programs where she soon learned the blessings of "interacting with individuals who had such vibrancy and hope when you'd expect they would have quite the opposite internal spirit." After completing college, Mary Catherine brought her valuable volunteer experience and boundless energy to New York where she continued her commitment of service with the New York Junior League, forging "lifelong friendships based on a common bond of loving New York City."

Using her professional and philanthropic skills in event planning and fundraising, Mary Catherine has made huge positive impacts at the NYJL. During her time in leadership positions with the organization, she has been able to identify and set goals that ensure her programs add to the fiscal health and overall well-being of the NYJL to advance their mission and programming.

"I am proud of planning and producing programs that are helping to keep the organization financially profitable and stable," says Mary Catherine. Lauren Giordani, Fundraising Events Senior Council Head, expounds on Mary Catherine's success in development: "She has helped to shape our fundraising platform and has been instrumental in driving fundraising revenue to new heights which has allowed the NYJL to expand our impact and reach. She is both a leader and a doer in an artful balance that truly epitomizes our mission of effective action and leadership."

Early in her NYJL career, Mary Catherine served as member and Co-Chair for the Astor House Events committee for three years where she turned often struggling events that were being cancelled for lack of attendance into profit creators with significant ticket sales and low overhead expenses. Natalie Ings, Provisional Training Group Leader, has worked side by side with Mary Catherine on several positions in the NYJL. "Mary Catherine's organization skills and her ability to adequately leverage relationships with partners ensures that events across the NYJL are consistent and efficient for maximum fundraising potential," she says. For this work, Mary Catherine was named an NYJL Woman to Watch in 2013. Later, she was a vital part of the team that created the NYJL's marquee culinary event, Savor the Spring.

Ultimately holding the position of Fundraising Events and Affiliation Senior Council Head, Mary Catherine oversaw the Fundraising Events Councils and sat on the Development Work Group, and identified key strategic partnerships that were incorporated into existing fundraising programming.

Mary Catherine believes that "leadership is action" and credits her success as Senior Council Head with the support she received from "incredible Council Heads as well as committee Chairs that instilled the greatest confidence that they can execute on day-to-day operations." She also believes in the power and benefits of teamwork. "Mary Catherine and I have served together on the Management Council," say Serra Eken, Provisional Training Group Leader. "She played an integral role in making sure our areas and councils collaborated, with our goal of making sure we spotlighted at least one Community committee at each of our events."

Mary Catherine's volunteer experience has been rewarding "because of consistent mentorship from NYJL management." The leadership skills she's developed through her relationships serve as a clear representation of the NYJL values. "Mary Catherine is wise beyond her years. She is so thoughtful in everything she does," explains Mary Cooper, NYJL Sustainer. "She is meticulous with details and she inspires teamwork. I knew the day I met Mary Catherine that we'd become very good friends and that she'd go far in leadership at the NYJL!"

She has recently shifted focus to developing the potential of the future leaders of the NYJL by serving as a member of Provisional Training. "Mary Catherine brings an energy and dynamism to every project she tackles and our organization is better for having her and our volunteers are better off for having worked with her," states Ms. Giordani.

Although the majority of Mary Catherine's volunteer work at the NYJL has been focused on the fiscal health of the organization, she still honors her need to directly touch the lives of her neighbors. Mary Catherine often finds herself working beyond her leadership commitments at the NYJL by helping a community partner located in her East Village neighborhood serve food to those in need.

Professionally, Mary Catherine is a Luxury Account Director for Bloomberg Media, where she also acts as a Best of Bloomberg (BOB) Employee Volunteer at various Bloomberg Philanthropy Projects. She is currently enrolled in the ELLE International Fashion and Luxury Management Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Sloan School of Executive Education.



OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER

## KATIE COOK

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*"The NYJL is an incredible organization of dedicated, motivated women and I am proud to be a part of it. Since joining the League, I have grown so much as a leader and have been able to give back to our community in an effective and organized way. What I love about the Junior League is the countless ways you can be involved. We are so lucky to be surrounded by accomplished women and together there is no limit to what we can do."*

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Katie Cook's professional career as a chef offering wellness training in high-need NYC public schools blends in perfect harmony with her volunteer experience at the NYJL. She credits her time with the NYJL in helping her to become "more sensitive and understanding of the needs of her students and their families." Her work in the New York school systems exposed her to the hard facts that some students may go home to shelters or leave school hungry. The synergetic relationship between her professional and volunteer experience allows Katie to spend her time working towards her personal mission of "assisting those less fortunate and improving the community we live in."

In joining the NYJL, Katie found an organization to help her give back to underserved populations in an effective and organized way. For the last eight years, she has been steadfast in honoring that commitment. She served on the Playground Improvement Project (PIP) as a committee member and Vice-Chair, before becoming the Co-Chair in 2013. Among the many projects Katie participated in during her time on the committee, she was most proud to collaborate with the parks manager to revitalize Tompkins Square Park, an East Side landmark. She and her team partnered with another NYJL community committee, Project Muse, to create a student-designed mural to help beautify the play area, and repaint the park as part of the much needed improvements. Katie credits working countless afternoons in the park for allowing fellow volunteers and her to spend time with the people of the community. She has fond memories of meeting and talking with neighbors as they enjoyed the new features of their parks. It was especially rewarding when community members also participated in the project and made an effort to "thank her and the team for all they were doing to improve their beloved space."



Katie found long days of gardening, painting, and other tasks challenging at times, but when she stepped back and looked at all the work the team had done over the course of several weekends, it gave her a true sense of accomplishment. These accomplishments have been seen by many in the organization. “I knew Katie was a true leader the first time I met her. I was volunteering at PIP while she was a Co-Chair,” states Joan Pedley, NYJL Sustainer. “She is the first to step in for any big job, leading large committees such as PIP, CIP, and CHEF. She organizes her volunteers and ensures they see the big picture and understand the impact they have on the lives of the community we serve.”

The Playground Improvement Project “will always have a special place in her heart.” It is the first committee Katie joined and the one she has spent the longest amount of time on during her tenure at the NYJL. Beth Batiuchok, Building Blocks Co-Chair, has worked with Katie in various capacities. She shares, “Katie works from the heart. As a result, each committee, council, and endeavor she undertakes is executed with excellence. I feel privileged to have worked alongside her and honored to count her as a friend.”

Katie also has held the crucial role of Co-Chair of the Community Improvement Project (CIP). During her time on the committee, they partnered with the Union Settlement Association and renovated the multipurpose room to make it a sanctuary for the youth of East Harlem.

As a chef, Katie’s expertise was perfectly suited for her position as Co-Chair of the Cooking and Health

Education for Families (CHEF) committee. She was able to take her professional experience working in NYC public schools to help develop new lessons, recipes, and supply kits for the educational workshops. She stepped into the role having never served on the committee and was able to help it quickly expand and grow to a super committee. Explains Nicole Pappas Ferrin, Community Senior Council Head and fellow Outstanding Volunteer: “Katie has been a rockstar to work with these past few years. Her professional background and knowledge surrounding food, combined with her affable and enthusiastic personality, have made her invaluable to CHEF and as a council head, as well as being someone fun to work with!”

Katie is currently serving the second year of her term as the Child Health & Welfare Council Head. She oversees seven community committees including CHEF. She “still feels connected to the committee” and is actively working to ensure volunteers and clients are getting the most out of their time. Jana Beauchamp, who serves as Director at Large, Board of Directors, has witnessed much of Katie’s leadership: “Katie is one of the most impressive people I have worked with in my NYJL career. She is an NYJL all-star—it is no wonder she is Council Head and has chaired all of the three largest community committees: PIP, CIP and CHEF!”

Outside of the NYJL, Katie continues to work as a chef in the public school system, training school cafeteria staff on the implementation of a scratch-based lunch menu. She also provides cooking classes and nutrition education to students.



OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER

## NICOLE PAPPAS FERRIN

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*“Through volunteering with the NYJL, I have learned so much about the wide issues across New York City. It has allowed me to understand this city in a deep way that would otherwise have not been possible. I am proud of the work that we do and am in awe of the talented and dedicated women that I have met who are passionate about improving this community for all who live here. Raising two daughters here now, my hope is to provide them with a model for giving back.”*

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Nicole Pappas Ferrin was raised in a family that values participating in community service. A meaningful future with the NYJL seemed inevitable for a younger Nicole who was a member of the high school organization called Twenty Little Working Girls that promotes volunteerism and empowers young girls to learn leadership skills. Over the years, much of Nicole’s work with the NYJL has reminded her of the community-based projects her family completed while she was growing up, including a trip to the Galapagos Islands where she and her family spent a day working with a local school to revitalize their playground.

For over a decade, Nicole has directly touched the communities the NYJL serves. She was a member, Vice-Chair, and Co-Chair of the Performance of a Lifetime committee where she worked with the children of the Boys & Girls Harbor, introducing them to live performances at community venues. She bonded with students over the course of many years and “got to know them and watch them grow as little people.” Nicole also works with youth in her professional career as the Director of Admissions and Administration at Barrow Street Nursery School. Among her many responsibilities, she leads a parent and teacher group that plans projects and activities to show very young children the value of helping others who are less fortunate in the community. “Nicole’s professional background in education coupled with her passion for the community we serve has made her a truly tremendous asset to the NYJL,” explains Jana Beauchamp, Director at Large, Board of Directors. “Nicole is a NYJL wonder woman—a strong leader; someone who you can always count on to be there and step up when needed, do the right thing 100% of the time, be the ultimate team player across the entire NYJL,

and always sing the praises of others and let her team shine. It is no wonder she is an Outstanding Volunteer.”

Nicole’s work led her to accept the two-year term of the Culture & the Arts Council Head in 2014. Coming full circle, in this position she oversaw the NYJL’s 25th Playground Improvement Project.

In addition to her commitments in working in the community, Nicole remains active in helping plan the future of the NYJL as part of the Strategic Planning Work Group. This experience has allowed her to gain a larger perspective and unique insight into the organization and the nonprofit structure, along with the issues nonprofit and volunteer-based organizations currently face. She is able to apply the knowledge learned from the NYJL to both her volunteer work with other organizations and her professional work at Barrow Street Nursery School.

Last year Nicole served on the 115th Anniversary Planning Task Force, planning and coordinating 115 hours of continuous volunteering for “Around the Community, Around the Clock.” Nicole knows “there is literally no limit to what the volunteers of the NYJL can accomplish and we should never stop trying.” She proved this point by coordinating participants, which included over 400 NYJL volunteers of all ages, community members, students and more to provide 1,500 hours of service. During the initiative, volunteers worked tirelessly throughout a 115-hour period, renovating invaluable park spaces in New York, serving over 350 meals, conducting workshops, teaching art lessons, preparing and monitoring homeless shelters overnight, and decorating over 250 holiday bags for God’s Love,

We Deliver. “This event wouldn’t have happened without Nicole. The 115th Anniversary and the “Around the Community, Around the Clock” initiative illustrated what the NYJL is capable of and what Nicole is about—giving back to the community,” says Anne Bahr Thompson, Director at Large, Board of Directors. “She does everything so gracefully that you don’t know how much she is doing. Then you look back and see all the amazing work she’s done.”

Nicole currently holds the position of Community Senior Council Head. “Nicole puts her head down and gets the work done. She cares about the success of the volunteers she works with and the community they serve,” states Kara Van Norden, Membership Senior Council Head. “She finds a way to communicate what she needs—with compassion for her colleagues and their needs.”

For the last five years, Nicole has been a member of the Room to Grow Young Professional Group, a NYJL partner she learned about when taking part in the Nonprofit Boards Clearinghouse course at the NYJL.

Working as a family to help underserved communities continues to be a priority for Nicole. As Courtney Wessling, LIFT Co-Chair, observes, “It amazes me how much time and dedication Nicole has given to the Junior League over the last several years. Her parents have always instilled volunteerism into her core values and the NYJL is incredibly lucky to have her.” Nicole has two young daughters, Eleanor and Cecily, and believes it is important for them to see and learn from parents who give back to the community. She “cannot think of another organization that she could be more proud of to share with them.”



OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER

## ELIZABETH FABSTIT PAVONE

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*"The NYJL is like no other volunteer organization I have ever come across. Only in the NYJL can you step out of your comfort zone to learn new skills, meet new friends, and give back to the community by partnering with over 50 community partner organizations. I am always amazed at what a group of NYJL volunteers can accomplish when they team together."*

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Chicago, New York City, Boston, Los Angeles, San Francisco. This list of cities may seem like vacation destinations to most people, but for Elizabeth "Liz" Fabsits Pavone these are all cities where she's donated her time with the Junior League.

Transferring from Chicago in 2004, the NYJL offered Liz "the opportunity to get plugged into a community of like-minded women and learn about her new city." She soon found a "home away from home at the New York Junior League, where every time she walks through the doors of the Astor House, she sees a smiling face of a fellow volunteer and feels inspired to continue to give back to her community."

Quickly settling into her role in the NYJL, Liz joined the Advocates for Public Policy committee where she learned state legislative processes and worked with Albany to advocate for policy change related to domestic violence. That year, Advocates for Public Policy was named an NYJL Committee of the Year.

Eager to get more hands-on experience in the community and drawn to the variety of volunteer events, Liz joined the Done in a Day on Demand committee for the flexibility and opportunity to volunteer in the evenings or on the weekends.

She hit the ground running in her role on the Done in a Day on Demand committee, quickly becoming Co-Chair. Liz credits the chance to lead a large committee with over 30 members, over 20 community partners, and over 70 yearly events with helping her develop invaluable organizational skills. Additionally, as explained by Nikki Hudak, fellow volunteer, friend, and current

Done in a Day on Demand Co-Chair, “Liz has a passion for helping people. Serving as Co-Chair of the Done in a Day on Demand committee allowed her to work in the community and interact with her fellow New Yorkers. Liz serves as an excellent liaison between our community partners and the women of the New York Junior League.”

Liz has also served on the Nominating committee where she “learned the organizational structure of the NYJL and the importance that everyone plays in accomplishing the organization’s goals.” She continued her service by co-chairing the Community Improvement Project (CIP) in 2015–2016, where they partnered with the Hartley House in Hell’s Kitchen for the renovation of their Creative Learning Space for youth. She led over 30 NYJL volunteers, who collectively gave 650 hours of service to complete the renovation project. After the project was completed, the Hartley House soon honored the NYJL with the Philanthropic Excellence Award.

Liz’s remarkable ability to build relationships with her fellow volunteers and her community has not gone unnoticed by the women of the NYJL. As Rosemarie Dackerman, Director at Large, Board of Directors, explains, “Liz Fabsits Pavone epitomizes a NYJL Outstanding Volunteer by living our core values every day. She is passionate about the community, a leader in her every responsibility, and a true mentor who treats each volunteer with the greatest sense of dignity.” Liz and Rosemarie worked together on the Nominating committee as well as on the Forum for Nonprofits committee. Liz also played a crucial role in planning the events to celebrate the NYJL’s 115th year anniversary of service. “Liz’s dedication to the community is unmatched. She is always quick to respond, thorough in her

work and completely unfailing in her dedication to the NYC community. Her attention to detail is outstanding and Liz was my right hand when we were planning the 115th ‘Around the Community, Around the Clock’ initiative,” says Nicole Pappas Ferrin, Community Senior Council Head.

Liz sums up her experience with the NYJL as “allowing her the opportunity to grow, meet new friends, and give back to the community all at the same time.” Her advice to new members of the NYJL is to “not be afraid to try a variety of placements within the organization” as she credits the variety of her placements for learning aspects of fundraising, public relations, project management, people development, and even some tangible skills such as gardening and interior design.

Liz is currently the City Impact Council Head where she oversees many of the committees on which she has previously volunteered. Julie Zawislak, City Impact Council Associate, describes her impact in this role: “Liz’s organization skills shine as she manages the two largest and highest profile community projects in the League: Playground Improvement Project and Community Improvement Project. In her Management Council role, Liz comfortably leans into her natural talents. She is an effective multitasker easily pivoting from PIP fundraising issues to CIP communications planning to volunteer logistics.”

Professionally, Liz is Senior Manager at KPMG LLP where she mentors and manages a team of client service professionals as well as generates new business and works as a project manager. Liz and her husband John are the proud parents of Leonardo.



OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER

## KIM ESSENCY PILLARI

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*"I volunteer because I am grateful for all the opportunities I have had and feel a responsibility to create similar opportunities for others. I love that the NYJL has provided me a consistent, meaningful volunteer experience for more than 15 years, alongside like-minded professional women who want to make the city they live in even better for now and in the future."*

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Kim Essency Pillari has an unwavering dedication to and truly believes in the work of the New York Junior League. During her extensive volunteer service, Kim has taken on each position with a sense of gratitude and a strong passion for ensuring that future generations of women have an organization where they can give back to the community.

Joining the NYJL in 1999 fulfilled Kim's desire to find a meaningful, regular volunteer commitment where she could serve alongside "like-minded professional women who want to make the city they live in even better for years to come." Kim was, and always will be, "proud to continue Mary Harriman and the NYJL's legacy."

Kim has held many distinguished positions, culminating in her current one, Director at Large on the NYJL Board of Directors. Her work has been driven by her strong commitment to helping the NYJL continue functioning at a high level during the ever-changing nonprofit landscape. "Kim is conscientious, an expert at handling the details, and brilliant at guiding other volunteers to achieve their goals," says Anne Bahr Thompson, fellow Director at Large, Board of Directors. "Her purposeful and analytical way of working builds trust and confidence across committees, task forces, and work groups. Her loyalty to the NYJL and dedication to ensuring the organization is successful and inexhaustible."

At the beginning of her involvement with the NYJL, Kim served as a member of the Playground Improvement Project, and then as member and Chair of the Skylines committee where she developed, wrote, and edited the NYJL newsletter. Starting in 2006, she used her professionally honed communication capabilities while serving as Communications Manager and then

Communications Vice President/Secretary on the former Board of Managers. This position meant she was a member of the Board's Executive Committee, working with the President and other leaders on strategic issues. "When I joined, my first committee placement was on the NYJL newsletter and Kim was the sole chair," explained Colleen Caden, current member of the Ethics committee and former Secretary and Director at Large. "Her extraordinary leadership skills and passion for the NYJL were immediately apparent. I have continued to work closely with Kim and, in everything she does, she inspires others with her commitment, empathy, and integrity."

Kim served on the Communications Task Force from 2011 to 2014 and was particularly proud of the "I volunteer because..." campaign created in 2013 to help increase volunteer engagement.

During her time at the NYJL, Kim's leadership and deep understanding of the mission and values have allowed her to lend her expertise and mentorship to new generations of volunteers. "Kim is generous with her time and leads with an emphasis on both collaboration and respecting each individual's talents," says Sharon Bonanni, Development Work Group member, who collaborated with her on many communications projects. "She is very passionate about the NYJL, and that shows in her work."

As part of her dedication to ensuring the NYJL continues its success in improving communities, Kim used her storytelling expertise to cultivate donors and corporate sponsors while serving as a member and now Co-Chair of the Development Work Group. Prior to this, Kim held a two-year term as Chair of the Audit committee overseeing the audit of the NYJL's financial statements for the 2015 and 2016 fiscal years.

Kim's work could stand on its own as proof that she is an exemplary volunteer, but it is her responsibility to create similar opportunities for others that will truly help shape the future of the NYJL. She believes in collaborating with volunteers and watching ideas blossom into action. And like all leaders at the organization, Kim encourages every woman to "let their voices be heard."

"Kim is a quiet leader who guides with an angel's touch and iron hand," explains Celeste Rault, Director at Large, Board of Directors. "And her due diligence gets amazing work done. She always goes the extra mile. She is a star role model and a truly lovely lady!"

Stacey Lawrence Lee, Past President, describes her work ethic: "It was such a pleasure to work with Kim on the Board. She graciously and expertly executed every initiative I asked her to lead; from chairing the Audit committee to writing the monthly Board reports to membership, always producing sterling work with a smile. I am so happy that she's being honored with the Outstanding Volunteer award. Our organization is a better place because of Kim's involvement."

Kim says she "wouldn't trade her experience for anything —volunteering for the NYJL has made [her] a better person personally and professionally." In turn, the NYJL has recognized Kim's service; she was named an NYJL Woman to Watch in 2005 and under her leadership as Communications VP, Between the Lines received Committee of the Year in 2008.

Professionally, Kim has had a long career as a communications professional at leading global organizations and currently works as an internal communications executive.

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## JEAN SHAFIROFF

Jean Shafiroff, philanthropist, activist, humanitarian, and author of *Successful Philanthropy: How to Make a Life by What You Give*, is at the vanguard of a new movement of modern philanthropists. Jean's philanthropy goes beyond financial contributions and includes the gifts of extensive time and knowledge. Through her work, she encourages and seeks to empower all individuals to become philanthropists so that they can build the fulfillment of giving into their lives.

A volunteer fundraiser, leader, and spokesperson for several charitable causes, Jean supports a spectrum of philanthropic work which includes improving the lives of underserved populations, women's rights and well-being, health care, animal welfare, and resources for children in need, in addition to other causes. Jean serves on the boards of New York City Mission Society, New York Women's Foundation, French Heritage Society, Couture

Council (Museum of the Fashion Institute of Technology), Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services, Southampton Animal Shelter Foundation Honorary Board, Southampton Bath & Tennis Club's Charitable Foundation, and Global Strays, and is an Ambassador for the American Humane Society.

Widely recognized for her philanthropic work, Jean has been recognized and featured in numerous publications, including *The Wall Street Journal*, *Gotham Magazine*, *The New York Times*, *Hello, Hola*, *New York Social Diary*, *Avenue*, *Hamptons Magazine*, and *The Huffington Post*, among others.

Jean works closely with the multiple causes she supports. Each year she chairs numerous galas and hosts events benefiting numerous nonprofit organizations. She is well known for her leadership in raising money for many charities, including the Southampton Hospital, New York City Mission Society, New York Women's Foundation, and the Southampton Animal Shelter Foundation. Jean is often a guest speaker on television and radio shows throughout the country. The subjects she speaks about include philanthropy, human rights, fashion, and animal welfare.

Jean has been honored by several organizations including the American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, New York City Mission Society, Youth Counseling League, Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services, Surgeons of Hope, The Ellen Hermanson Foundation, Pet Philanthropy Circle, Animal Zone International, and the Southampton Animal Shelter Foundation.

Jean holds an MBA from the Graduate School of Business at Columbia University and a BS in physical therapy from the Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. She has worked both in public finance and private partnerships on Wall Street. Prior to that, she was a physical therapist at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City. Jean is married to Martin Shafiroff, an investment advisor, and together they have two daughters, Jacqueline and Elizabeth, who share their mother's interest in charitable causes. Jean and her family reside in both New York City and Southampton, NY.



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## GREGORY J. MORRIS

PRESIDENT AND  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,  
THE STANLEY M. ISAACS  
NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

Gregory J. Morris has served as the President and Executive Director of the Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center since September 2013.

Prior to that, Morris had been with The Children's Aid Society (CAS) since 2010, serving as its first Chief of Staff and Special Assistant to the President and CEO before transitioning to the role of Deputy Director to launch the Adolescence Services Division. During his tenure, Morris was co-lead applicant for The Children's Aid College Prep Charter School, a K-5 school in the South Bronx which was authorized by the University of the State of New York Board of Regents in September 2011 and opened August 2012.

Prior to joining CAS, Morris served in senior leadership positions at The Door, A Center of Alternatives, Inc. and as Assistant Director at University Settlement Society of New York where he began his career in the nonprofit sector in 1993.

Morris holds a master's degree in Public Administration from Baruch College School of Public Affairs and an undergraduate degree in History from New York University. He is a graduate of the Columbia University's Senior Leadership Program for Nonprofit Professionals and the PASE Emerging Leaders in Nonprofit Management Program. He currently serves on the Boards of United Neighborhood Houses (House Member), New York City Employment and Training Coalition, and Art Connects New York. He is Vice Chair of the Human Services Council's Priority and Strategy Council.

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2017	Zoe Stolbun	2007	Christina R. Davis	1988	Mrs. Cloyd Laporte
2017	Anne Bahr Thompson	2006	Pamela J. Sheiffer	1987	Mrs. Haig Carapetyan
2016	Celeste D. Rault	2006	Brenda Neubauer Straus	1986	Mrs. Helen Watson Buckner
2016	Elizabeth A. Smith	2005	Barbara Willmarth Callahan	1985	Mrs. N. Edward Mitchell
2015	Catherine C. Crane	2005	Margaret S. Scott	1984	Mrs. John R. Hupper
2015	Peggy Anne Heinkele Dineen	2004	Jane R. Crotty	1983	Mrs. Hiram D. Black
2014	Nancy Geer Blackford	2004	Barbara Doljack Hayes	1982	Mrs. Speight Jenkins
2014	Gregg Deane Swain	2003	Carolyn Leigh Patterson	1981	Mrs. Eugene R. Ball
2013	Allison Cooke Kellogg	2002	Jeanne Glennon McAnaney	1980	Mrs. Samuel F. Carstens
2013	Barbara Anne Paddock	2000	Roberta J. Allardyce	1979	Mrs. Thomas H. Barton
2012	Linda Fraser	1999	Kathleen Gill Miller	1978	Mrs. Paul H. Raymer
2012	Caroline Williamson	1998	Nancy Rae Scully	1977	Mrs. Bruce A. Gimbel
2011	Deane Allen Gilliam	1997	Marion B. McNeely	1976	Mrs. Edward Tinsley Chase
2011	Diann Rohde	1996	Carolyn L. Smith	1975	Mrs. Broderick Haskell
2010	Helen Bearn Pennoyer	1995	Mrs. William T. Stubenbord	1974	Mrs. John Carrington
2010	Pamela Bimson Reade	1994	Mrs. Thomas N. Armstrong, III	1973	Mrs. Joseph A. Anderson
2009	Melissa Lewis Bernstein	1993	Mrs. Roy M. Goodman	1972	Mrs. James M. Hubbell
2009	Frances Griffith Laserson	1992	Mrs. Edwin Anthony Heard	1971	Mrs. Charles S. Brown
2008	Joie Angermeier Anderson	1991	Mrs. David C. Gerli	1970	Mrs. Robert DeVecchi
2008	Wendy M. Hornick	1990	Mrs. Raymond Z. Fahs, Jr.	1969	Mrs. George J. Stewart
2007	Mary Jane Brock	1989	Mrs. Cornelia Wooley Clifford		

# FORMER OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS

2017	Pamela Robbins Arcilla	Allison Marie Hyers	Julie A. Naughton	2010	Christine Drinan
	Lucretia Gilbert	Cynthia Vitari Song	Heidi Thompson		Fiona A.R. Grant
	Megan Hauck	Leah Wenger			Amy Phelan
	Hilary K. McNamara	2014	2012		Jill Ferrari
	Anne Watters Westpheling	Robin L. Body	Maureen Brady Atinsky		Sandra Smith
2016		Colleen L. Caden	Megan Karessa Hodes	2009	
	Charlene Chuang	Lauren Jenkins Chung	Stacey Lawrence Lee		Kara A. Dunn
	Courtney Morris Guzman	Anne-Marie Peterson McMahon	Patricia T. Miranda		Elizabeth King
	Caroline Gordon Organisciak	Amanda Koenig Stone	Justine V. Oddo		Justine Frances Schiro
	Sarah Thorpe Tanner	2013	2011		Mary Prevosti Shelton
	Kara Suzanne Van Norden	Shanette Barth Cohen	Shari Elizabeth Aser		Lisa Hathaway Stella
2015		Gretchen Freydl Jeanes	Desirée Fish		
	Jana Beauchamp	Crystal L. Z. Matsibekker	Suzanne Elizabeth Manning		
	Sharon Bonanni		Laura D. Matiz		
			Caroline Tyburczy		

2008

Nancy C. Brown  
Karen L. Chin  
Mary Hutchings Cooper  
Karen L. Grund  
Lisa Boren Sivy

2007

Soo Won Hwang  
Elizabeth V. Finan  
Marilyn Holstein  
Maria Falck Reina  
An Renée Trotter

2006

Cheryl L. Bundy  
Mari Terese Dubois  
Jeannie Egas-Trouveroy  
Marion S. Hedges  
Melissa Richards

2005

Sarah Hewitt  
Susan G. Munn  
Elizabeth Knight Sweeney  
Jephtha Tausig  
Derval M. Whelan

2004

Melissa Strock Canoni  
Christina M. Feicht  
Julie Lynn Pfeiffer  
Marlise Lynn Randle  
Dee Dee Scarborough

2003

Anne McLellan Ferguson  
Lisa Rossi Gorri van  
Shawn Hartley Hancock  
Sara Stone Laughren  
Claire L. Luppi

2002

Cynthia Cathcart  
Elizabeth Illium  
Gena Lovett  
Elizabeth A. Smith  
Gregg Deane Swain

2000

Trisha G. Duval  
Cynthia Ann Hallenbeck  
Randi-Jean G. Hedin  
Suzanna S. Keith  
Dana Carole Pearce

1999

Ann Williams Ewell  
Barbara Dale Paxton  
Dale Jennings Perreten  
June Russell Reed  
Nicole H. Williams

1998

Rosemarie E. Dackerman  
Nancy Newton Sipp  
Robin Alicia Stratton  
Katherine Tsougranis  
Stacy E. Waggoner

1997

Joan Marinelli Benham  
Ellen Shickich Cromack  
Courtenay Anne Hardy  
Judith Strong Jorgensen  
A. Gale Kroeger

1996

Catherine E. Baxter  
Harriet Louise Fitzpatrick  
Mary Beth O. Harvey  
Ellen Kratzer  
Jane Alling Lyons

1995

Anne Bartlett Covell  
Therese Francoeur Giacomo  
Barbara Anne Paddock  
Beth Marie Reifers  
Frances Anne Root

1994

Peggy Anne Heinkele Dineen  
Pamela Hicks Ferguson  
Lucie Guernsey Kleinhans  
Ruth Ann Wood McSpadden  
Marcia Pearson Sendax

1993

Margaret Loughead Brenizer  
Catherine Herlihy Brogan  
Sue-Gray Goller  
Mary Jullien Henry  
Joann Shieflo Schwarberg

1992

Nancy Geer Blackford  
Linda Jeanne Blatz  
Allison Conway Carey  
Patricia Stacom  
Elizabeth Ann Timberman

1991

Jane Baumgardner Granruth  
Allison Cooke Kellogg  
Margaret Jane McKinley  
Jessica Anne Murphey  
Pamela Jeanne Wright

1990

Martha Dolkart Bernstein  
Page Elizabeth Bigelow  
Mary Beth Mulvey Buck  
Suzanne Cunliffe Stirn  
Pamela Marvinney Underwood

1989

Carol Fontaine Humstone  
Kathryn Love Lumpkin  
Nancy Eberhart Rothe  
Linda Miller Shrader  
Sherri Stephenson

1988

Gail Peters Beitz  
Pamela Lee Bimson  
Joy Jelliffe Endo  
Karin Eriksen Perez  
Sara Gore Stone

1987

Eleanor Culbertson Albert  
Joie Angermeier Anderson  
Wendy Mann Hornick  
Thea Elliott Nolan  
Nancy Williams Ward

1986

Ki Hackney Hribar  
Gwen Warner Kade  
Elizabeth Maier  
Christine Parkinson Mitchell  
Gracey Stoddard Sloterbeck

1985

Mary Jane Hipp Brock  
Kim Hamilton Gottshall  
Laurie Grenley Hallen  
Linda Ward Popko  
Sandra Sanderson Swan

1984

Patricia Mosle Friedman  
Pamela Dixon Harris  
Marilyn Wright Hartman  
Patricia Swinney Kaufman  
Margo Lyden

1983

Martha L. Dinerstein  
Frances G. Laserson  
Jane M. Stubenbord  
Joan Ward  
Gilda Gates Wray

1982

Fay Gambee  
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# COMMUNITY IMPACT



NYJL volunteers work in association with more than 15 New York City nonprofit organizations to provide immediate assistance and community impact through its Done in a Day (DIAD) and Done in a Day On Demand (DIAD-OD) programs. Volunteers lend a helping hand and complete short-term projects to address needs in the community.

The New York Junior League (NYJL), a nonprofit organization of trained women volunteers, has been helping build a brighter tomorrow for children and families in New York City since 1901. Each year, more than 2,800 volunteers collectively donate more than 250,000 hours of service. Working together with more than 50 community partners, the NYJL embodies a positive force for change within the communities it serves. The NYJL seeks to strengthen the health and well-being of the children and families of New York through five distinct program areas: Adult Education & Mentoring, Child Health & Welfare, Children's Education, City Impact, and Culture & the Arts.

# ADULT EDUCATION & MENTORING



Volunteers with the Senior Friends program build relationships with the residents of Jewish Home Lifecare and organize engaging activities to enrich the lives of the residents and help foster a greater sense of community.

Adult Education & Mentoring programs focus on providing adults with life skills training to become healthy, productive citizens of New York City. NYJL volunteers advocate for adults in need and provide training and counseling for a wide variety of areas. From supporting survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in New York City hospitals in partnership with New York–Presbyterian Hospital’s Domestic & Other Violence Emergencies (DOVE) program to teaching financial literacy to adults at the English-Speaking Union to providing guidance to homeless teens at Covenant House, NYJL volunteers strive to help people live their best lives.



# CHILD HEALTH & WELFARE



The Cooking and Health Education for Families (CHEF) program empowers families to make life-long healthy choices by teaching proper nutrition and physical activity. CHEF's comprehensive workshops teach families how to make and prepare healthy on-the-go snacks, breakfasts, lunches, dinners, and desserts.

Mentors can establish a life-long support system that leads to continued success for at-risk youth. Through Child Health & Welfare programs, volunteers work to teach young people that challenging life circumstances provide opportunities to learn, grow, and persevere. Working in conjunction with community partners like SCAN New York, Mentoring USA, and Good Shepherd Services, NYJL volunteers use their expertise and relationship-building skills to ensure that youth can overcome difficult life circumstances and obstacles. The NYJL uses a positive approach and harnesses individual strengths to foster responsibility, self-esteem, and initiative.



# CHILDREN'S EDUCATION



The Personal Empowerment Project (PEP) focuses on providing career mentoring for girls and helps open students' minds to different career paths. Students are paired with an NYJL volunteer who helps them explore a variety of professions.

Working together with community partners, Children's Education programs strive to empower parents, guardians, and caregivers with the tools to help them build a positive future for themselves and their families. For families who are homeless, headed by a single parent, or experiencing other difficulties, the stress of daily life can be overwhelming. NYJL volunteers help alleviate some of the pressures families face by providing education support in a variety of disciplines including math, science, art, financial literacy, reading, and writing.





# CITY IMPACT



The Playground Improvement Project (PIP) partners with the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation to revitalize a New York City park in need of repair. For more over 25 years, NYJL volunteers have designed, planned, funded, and completed a playground renovation each spring.

City Impact programs encourage NYJL volunteers to undertake service projects to better the city they love. From restoring New York City parks through the Playground Improvement Project to lending a helping hand to other Manhattan-based organization through the Done in a Day and Done in a Day on Demand programs, NYJL volunteers take pride in making a positive impact on their community. Each year the Community Improvement Project establishes a one-year partnership with a selected nonprofit organization to assist in increasing the facility's community impact through a capital donation of more than \$50,000.



## CULTURE & THE ARTS



NYJL volunteers lead students in activities geared toward exploring many forms of art, including drama, dance, painting, sculpture, poetry, music, photography and more through a variety of Culture & the Arts programs.

Culture & the Arts programs bring arts education and appreciation to underserved New York City children and teenagers to encourage self-expression while building confidence and self-esteem. Working in tandem with community partners like the Stanley M. Isaacs Neighborhood Center, P.S. 64, Boys & Girls Harbor, and Grosvenor Neighborhood House YMCA, NYJL volunteers provide exposure to art and music through robust visual and performing arts curricula and supplemental trips to venues from The Met to Carnegie Hall and beyond.

**The CHAMP Committee of the NYJL has presented over 480 health related seminars to the 1100 senior participants of Health Advocates for Older People since 2005.**



**Kudos to the Junior League from Health Advocates,  
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# SAVE THE DATE



The NYJL has multiple fundraising opportunities throughout 2018, each of which supports our important community and training programs.

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Best wishes for a successful and impactful tenure.  
We look forward to your leadership and vision.

With love and admiration, your friends at the NYJL



# AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



The New York Junior League has received the following recognition for its community programs and projects:

- October 2017* THE SINGLE PARENT RESOURCE CENTER VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARD honoring the Building Blocks committee.
- October 2017* OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AWARD from the Breast Treatment Task Force in recognition of the work of our Cancer Awareness & Support committee.
- May 2017* \$2,500 Gwynnie Bee Grant from AJLI for the Personal Empowerment Project (PEP) committee's work promoting positive body image.
- October 2016* NEW YORK COMMUNITY TREASURE AWARD from Health Advocates for Older People (HAFOP) for the work of our CHAMP committee.
- May 2016* REACHING NEW HORIZONS COMMUNITY PARTNER AWARD from SCAN New York for our partnership with them for over 10 years to help at-risk children and their families to achieve positive life goals.
- April 2016* HARTLEY HOUSE AWARD FOR PHILANTHROPIC EXCELLENCE from our partnership with Hartley House and our Community Improvement Project where we awarded them a \$50,000 grant and our volunteers worked to revitalize three rooms used for community programming.
- April 2016* THE AJLI RISING STAR AWARD to NYJL volunteer DeNora Getachew.
- October 2015* THE SINGLE PARENT RESOURCE CENTER COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARD for our long-standing commitment to the Single Parent Resource Center.
- May 2014* THE STANLEY M. ISAACS SHINING STAR AWARD for our tremendous contributions to the City of New York.
- May 2014* \$3,500 Kashi Grant from AJLI for the Cooking and Health Education for Families (CHEF) committee's work to improve healthy eating and lifestyles in the New York City community.
- June 2013* URBAN DOVE'S VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD for our Community Improvement Project and the organization's commitment to improving the lives of at-risk youth.
- May 2013* COVENANT HOUSE'S VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AWARD for the NYJL and the Rights of Passage committee on our commitment to serving homeless, runaway, and at-risk youth.

- October 2009* NAZARETH HOUSING'S COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD for contributions to homeless families and individuals in New York City.
- November 2007* BOWERY RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER AWARD for providing the most volunteers and completing the most one-day projects for the prior fiscal year.
- June 2007* NEW YORK FOUNDLING'S VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD for the NYJL's commitment to improving the lives of children and families in need.
- September 2005* CHRISTOPHER REEVE PARALYSIS FOUNDATION GRANT to the NYJL and Friends of Coler-Goldwater committee.
- May 2005* OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION signed by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg proclaiming Sunday, May 8, 2005, New York Junior League Mother's Day Race to Erase Domestic Violence Day.
- May 2005* THE AJLI/ANHEUSER-BUSCH \$10,000 FUND FOR THE FUTURE AWARD presented for innovative new solutions in addressing NYJL challenges.
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- June 2004* CHELSEA-ELLIOT "I HAVE A DREAM" PROGRAM CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION for support of their program.
- October 2002* INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES, INC., RECOGNITION for the contribution and commitment of volunteers who share their time and talent to improve the lives of New York City's homeless families and children.
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- April 2001* MUSEUM OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK \$24 AWARD for contributions that have significantly enhanced the quality of life in New York City.
- April 2001* AJLI ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD Outstanding Program in Community Impact. Honorable Mention for the Community Health Access Model Program (CHAMP).
- March 2001* THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK for a century of commitment to improving the lives of women in the City of New York through advocacy and service programs.
- March 2001* THE IPHIGENE OCHS SULZBERGER AWARD presented by INWOOD HOUSE for contributions to family life.



The Winter Ball Committee celebrates and honors the  
2018 Outstanding Sustainers and Outstanding Volunteers  
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You are an inspiration to us all!





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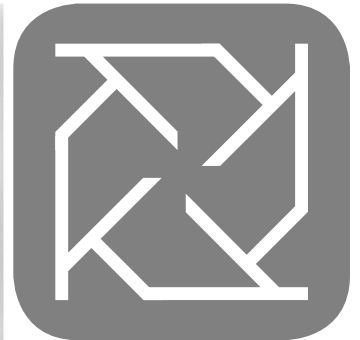
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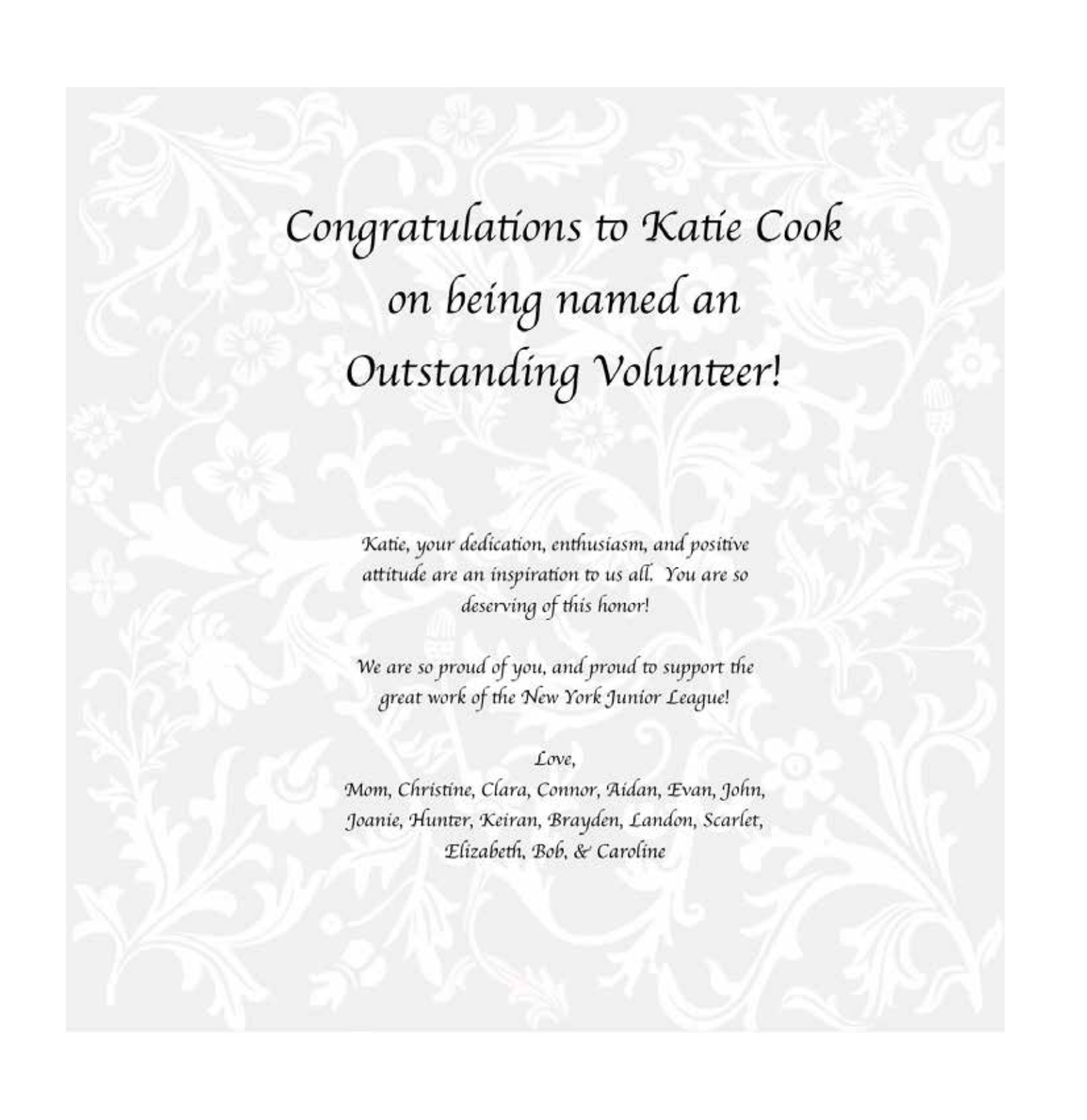
MC x 2 = Perfection! Mary Catherine, I've known you are OUTSTANDING since the day I met you! Now, I'm glad the NYJL acknowledges this too! Congrats, Baby Girl! Needless to say, I'm over the moon so proud of you!

**HELL YEAH! XOXO, COOPIE**



Congratulations, Mary Catherine, on being honored as  
2018 NYJL Outstanding Volunteer. Your tireless passion, dedication,  
leadership and achievements are inspirational.

**LOVE,  
MOM, NICK, TREY, ARABELLA AND GRANDMOTHER**



*Congratulations to Katie Cook  
on being named an  
Outstanding Volunteer!*

*Katie, your dedication, enthusiasm, and positive attitude are an inspiration to us all. You are so deserving of this honor!*

*We are so proud of you, and proud to support the great work of the New York Junior League!*

*Love,*

*Mom, Christine, Clara, Connor, Aidan, Evan, John,  
Joanie, Hunter, Keiran, Brayden, Landon, Scarlet,  
Elizabeth, Bob, & Caroline*

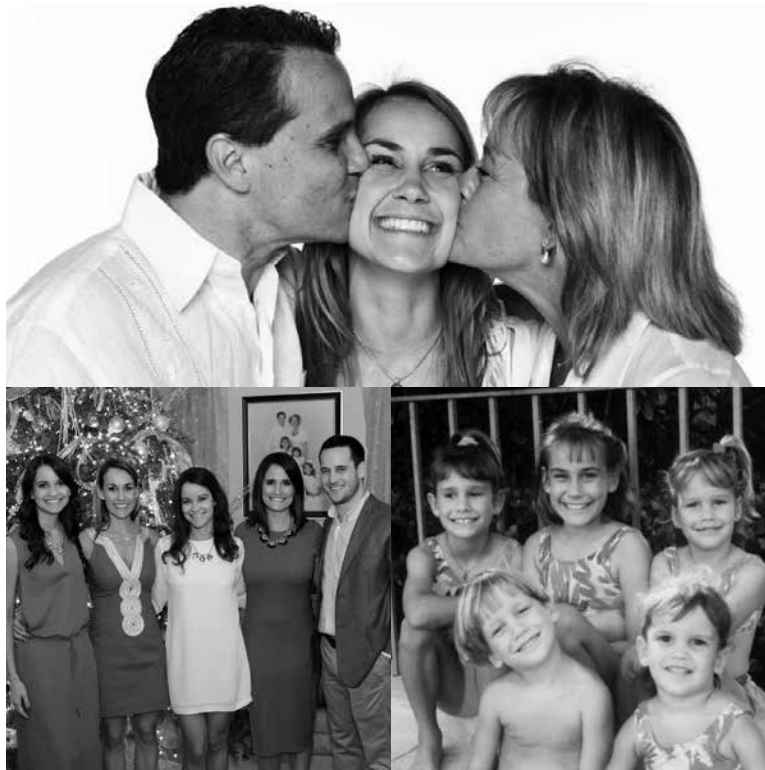




Congratulations Katie Cook!

We are proud of you and all the wonderful work you do at NYJL. Your energy and enthusiasm have always been part of who you are. It was there even when this photo was taken many many years ago!

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THE BIANCANIELLO FAMILY**



To our Big Sister and amazing oldest daughter – we are proud of you and all of your accomplishments for the Junior League.

You have always been a leader.

**LOVE MOM AND DAD**

**CHRISTINA, RACHEL, RYAN AND KATIE**



Nicole,  
Thank you for your dedication to the NYJL and our family.  
We love you so much and couldn't be prouder.

**LOVE,**  
**BRENT, ELEANOR (3) AND CECILY (1)**



Congratulations to Elizabeth Fabsits Pavone and to all the 2018 Outstanding Volunteers and Sustainers! Your dedication to serving your community is inspirational. Enjoy your special evening.

**LOVE,**  
**THE FABSTITS FAMILY**



Dearest Liz,

Thank you for all you do for your family and for your fellow New Yorkers.  
Your commitment to volunteerism and your generosity to others is truly outstanding.

We love you so much and are so proud of you!

**LOVE,**

**JOHN AND LEO PAVONE**



The Cassidy Family supports the good work of the New York Junior League  
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Chase Lillian Cassidy graciously thanks the volunteers of  
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our community to empower women and strengthen families

A special thank you to the Winter Ball for another sparkling fundraising event,  
making the NYJL service to the community possible.



Congratulations to the 2018 Outstanding Sustainers and Outstanding Volunteers of the New York Junior League – you are an inspiration!

We also toast the NYJL and Winter Ball Committee for this magnificent evening and tremendous work in the community.

You all enable and empower others to achieve greatness!

**MUCH LOVE, CARMEN, ALYSSA AND STEPHANIE OWENS**





Congratulations to the 2018 Outstanding Sustainers and Outstanding Volunteers,  
and all of the dedicated volunteers of the New York Junior League.  
And a special thank you to the entire 2018 Winter Ball Committee  
on another successful evening!

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*"Don't give to get.  
Give to inspire others to give."*

— Simon Sinek

## **Congratulations Kim Essency Pillari!**

**Thank you for giving tirelessly to  
the NYJL, and to your friends.  
Your dedication inspires everyone  
who knows you.**

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Congratulations, Kim! We are all so very proud of you!

Love, The Pillari and Ruffini Families



Congratulations, mama! We are so proud of you!

Love, George and Henry



Congratulations to our daughter-in-law Liz  
for the recognition of her outstanding work!

**LOVE,**  
**JOHN AND ROSALIE PAVONE**

Congratulations to a true treasure,  
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We'd like to extend a huge

thank you to our

Senior Council Head, Lauren Giordani

and our Council Head, Ashley Ma

for all of their tireless efforts in making

the 2018 Winter Ball a success!

**JERI POWELL & JESSICA DESANTES**

**2018 WINTER BALL CO-CHAIRS**



**HEALTH ADVOCATES**  
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The entire Board of Directors, Staff and Volunteers of  
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Congratulations from the Class of 2009

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Congratulations to the Outstanding Sustainers  
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**Outstanding Sustainers**  
Nancy Houghton  
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We are thrilled to celebrate  
your accomplishments,  
dedication, and enthusiasm  
which are truly inspirational.

*Congratulations*  
TO THE  
*Outstanding*

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WENDY WADE  
MARY CATHERINE BURDINE  
KATIE COOK  
NICOLE FERRIN  
ELIZABETH FABSTIT PAVONE  
KIM ESSENCY PILLARI

*with love, admiration and appreciation*

FROM THE 2018 OUTSTANDING SUSTAINERS AND VOLUNTEERS:  
CELESTE BETSY CHARLENE COURTNEY CARRIE SARAH KARA

“The meaning of life is to find your gift.  
The purpose of life is to give it away.”

— William Shakespeare

The O's of 2017  
thank  
2018's Outstanding Honorees  
for tirelessly giving their gifts  
to the NYJL.

Congratulations

Nancy Houghton, Wendy Wade,  
Mary Catherine Burdine, Katie Cook, Nicole Ferrin,  
Elizabeth Fabsits Pavone, Kim Essency Pillari



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*For your joy, dedication, and leadership.*

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Congratulations  
to the  
2018  
Outstanding Volunteers and Sustainers

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time;  
they just have the heart.” – Elizabeth Andrew



Best wishes, Melody Morgan

**CONGRATULATIONS TO NICOLE,  
KATIE, LIZ, AND ALL THE OUTSTANDING  
VOLUNTEERS & SUSTAINERS.**

We are so incredibly lucky to work with  
such outstanding women. You inspire us to  
elevate the game in our respective roles.  
Thank you for everything you do for the  
community.

LOVE,  
CAROLINE, MEGAN, MEREDITH W., LEIGH,  
MEREDITH C., AND ALL COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP!

Congratulations  
2018 Winter Ball  
Honorees

**OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS**

Mary Catherine Burdine  
Katie Cook  
Nicole Ferrin  
Elizabeth Fabsits Pavone  
Kim Essency Pillari

**OUTSTANDING SUSTAINERS**

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"I SLEPT AND DREAMT THAT LIFE WAS JOY. I AWOKE AND SAW THAT LIFE WAS SERVICE. I ACTED AND BEHOLD, SERVICE WAS JOY."

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**Congrats Jessica DeSantes  
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Katie Keenan, Nicole Koelle, & April Arnold



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to the following volunteers on their dedication to the New York Junior League  
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