President’s Message

We all love something greater than ourselves. I know I do. Something stronger, faster, more popular. In high school it was probably a girl who scored more goals on the soccer team, or a teacher you admired. As young women we tend to resent these people, then as we get older we see how to benefit from them. Lance Armstrong is someone most of the world admires. They call it “his story,” his fight and comeback. But really it’s his life, his very life that we admire so much. I watched many times this year, with a big lump in my throat, the Nike commercial that showed him on October 6, 1996, at a press conference, four days after he learned he had cancer, and seeing continued on page 2

Celebrate the Magic of Miami

By Jennifer Starns Buttrick & Katie Lane-Ariola, Co-Chairs

Miami: Who Makes a Magic City is taking shape to be a fun and entertaining evening. The event will be held on November 19th at the Village of Merrick Park in Coral Gables and we will once again honor those individuals who have made a lasting impact on Miami, both personally and professionally.

This year’s honorees include Dr. Barth Green of the Miami Project to Cure Paralysis and Project Medishare, Alonzo Mourning of the Miami Heat and Alonzo Mourning Charities, Tracy Wilson Mourning of Honey Child and The Honey Shine Foundation, Jackie continued on page 1

Race for the Cure

by Liza Winklejohn, DIAD

Thanks to 90 Provisionals, Actives and Sustainers who came out in the pouring rain to participate in the 10th Annual Susan G. Komen Foundation’s Race for the Cure on October 15th! It was truly a day of reflection, inspiration and celebration. A generous donation of Sofia Mini Blanc de Blancs from the Niebaum-Coppola Estate Winery awaited members as they finished the race! ::<p>**JLMers at 2005 Race for the Cure on a drizzling early Saturday morning.**</p>
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this promising athlete so vulnerable. We have all had times like this. Maybe we were changing jobs and unsure of our decision, getting married, getting divorced, helping a loved one with a serious illness. It is our vulnerability and actions immediately following, that form our character. And as volunteers, it is our character that drives us to hold hands with foster kids, help a woman who lived through domestic violence balance a checkbook or put on a fabulous event that brings in money for next year’s projects. And if we meet a hero along the way, all the better. We are pumped, rejuvenated, recharged. I guess it goes without saying that I am pumped, rejuvenated and recharged for this year.

Remember as you go out this League year and do your thing that you are the hero to the GAP girl. You are a hero to someone on your committee. You are the one who challenges, in a positive way, a project participant or even another member, to test their limits.

My five year old asked me if I wanted to marry Lance Armstrong. My immediate reply was, “I don’t want to marry Lance Armstrong, I want to BE Lance Armstrong!” For now, I am happy having a photo of him. And even more happy to share it with you. Andria Hanley, President

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Nespral of NBC6; Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk, Dean, University of Miami School of Architecture and Principal of Duany Plater-Zyberk and Company; Ruth Shack, President of the Dade Community Foundation; and Richard Shack, of ArtCenter/South Florida.

The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. with an Honoree Reception at Tiffany & Co.’s Merrick Park store on the Garden Level. There will be hors d’oeuvres presented by NORMAN’S, and champagne and martini courtesy of National Distributing Company. The event will flow out into the courtyard where the Main Event will begin at 8:00 p.m. It will feature food celebrating Miami’s cultural diversity catered by Parties By Pat, a full bar compliments of National Distributing Company, music, and coffee stations provided by Café Pilon. Entertainment will include live performances from City Theatre Summer Shorts Festival and the New World Connection from the New World School of the Arts. And be prepared to shop because we will have a fabulous silent auction including items donated by many Merrick Park merchants and original artwork donated by the artists-in-residence at Art Center/South Florida. The affair will be cocktail attire. Complimentary valet parking will be available on Salzedo Street and complimentary self-parking will be available in the Merrick Park garage.

United Capital Markets, Inc. and John Devaney, CEO have generously underwritten Miami: Who Makes a Magic City as Treasure Sponsors. Additional event sponsors include Avatar Real Estate Services, LLC, KPMG, Stearns Weaver Miller Weissler Alhadef & Sitterson, P.A., TotalBank and The Village of Merrick Park. We would like to thank all of our sponsors for their generous support of the Junior League of Miami.

In conjunction with the event, the Junior League will be selling a Merrick Park Shopping Discount Card. This card will be available for purchase before and at the event for $25, with all proceeds benefitting the Junior League of Miami.

Those who purchase the card will receive a specified discount on their purchases at participating Merrick Park Merchants between Saturday, November 19th and Monday, November 21. Some of the participating merchants include Diane von Furstenberg, Moreschi, Casa Chameleon, Adolfo Dominguez, and Gucci. The cards are available for purchase online, by phone, or by mail. If you have any questions, please contact one of the event Co-Chairs, Katie Lane-Ariola or Jennifer Stearns Buttrick.

Tickets are limited and are on sale now. $150 includes the Honoree Reception and Main Event and $85 for the Main Event only. Tickets, raffle tickets and Merrick Park Shopping Discount Cards can be securely purchased on our website at www.juniorleagueofmiami.com or by contacting Katie Butler at kabutler@kpmg.com or at 305-968-3846.

Inn Transition South... A Busy Place

By: Heidi McMinnis

Take me out to the ballpark is a request often heard in the summer. Usually, such wishes are not possible for residents of a transitional housing program for victims of domestic violence and homelessness, such as Inn Transition South. This year, however, the women and children of ITS were able to do just that.

Thanks to the Florida Marlins’ Ballpark Buddies/Corporate Partners for Youth Program, ITS residents were able to attend five Florida Marlins baseball games this summer. But that’s not all!

The ITS residents were also invited by United Artists Movies At The Falls 12 to watch movies for free. To provide the ITS children with entertainment and some much needed relief from the heat, the Inn

Transition South committee provided busing for 45 residents every Wednesday for eight weeks during the summer.

With summer vacation drawing to a close, we wanted the children to have all the supplies they would need to have a successful academic year. So, with the help of the ITS staff, backpacks generously donated by Miami-Dade Commissioner Dennis Moss were stuffed with school supplies and distributed to approximately 80 school-age children residing at ITS.

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Annual Dade Delegation Breakfast

Local Elected Officials Learn More About JLM and Our Issues

Miami’s legislators, community leaders, honored dignitaries, child advocates and Junior League members all came together on September 28, 2005 at Mellon Bank to discuss the issues that impact the children and families that Junior League serves. The Public Affairs Committee organized the annual breakfast to honor members of the Dade Delegation for their efforts in Tallahassee and in local communities around Miami-Dade County.

Attendees from the Miami-Dade Delegation included Representative Anitere Flores, Representative Carlos Lopez-Cantera, Representative David Rivera as well as Legislative Aides Thomas Barr from Senator Bullard’s office and Cedric Minn from Representative Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall’s office. The event began with Dwight Hill, Executive Vice President of Mellon Bank and breakfast host, welcoming the legislators and guests in attendance. Aside from JLM sustainers and actives, JLM Community Advisory Board (CAB) members including Judge Cindy Lederman, Judge Debra White-Labara, Dr. Leda Perez with Collins Policy Institute, David Lawrence with The Children’s Trust, organizations with shared interests were also represented including Guardian Ad Litem (GAL), Child Net, Foster Care Review and Miami CAN.

Mary Cagle, CEO of CHARLEE engaged all attendees with her passionate speech on issues pertaining to aging out foster youth in South Miami Dade. In addition, David Lawrence from The Children’s Trust highlighted the dire need for medical clinics in public schools across the county, the strengths and weaknesses of Universal pre-K and its impact on Miami-Dade as well as significant contributions made by the Junior League to issues pertaining to women and children.

The value and impact of bringing this group of leaders together will surely impact each JLM Committee as we move through the year. Look for more information on PAC and its goal to empower those we serve through advocacy.

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— Marianne Williams, “A Return to Love”

This year, I challenge each of you to confront your deepest fear. Give yourself permission to shine and encourage our fellow Junior League members to do the same. In the four months since becoming president elect, I have been working on doing just that.

I have met scores of League members, among them, Christie Wolfe, who along with Kara Moss are already working hard on proposals for our 80th anniversary event in the Fall of 2006; Austin Rivers, our program development chair whose professional skills and talents are being brought to bear on choosing our community projects and grants for next year; Jackie Crable, our visionary fund development chair; and Jennifer Buttrick, Katie Lane-Arriola, Tina Towery and Mallorie Marshall, who are part of the teams feverishly working on our two Fall fundraisers. I met Kristin Wherry and Betty Wohl, the co-chairs of Project Reach at their orientation meeting where the Big Brothers Big Sisters representative told us that over the summer, the children kept asking when “the ladies” would be back. At Super Saturday I met provisional co-chairs Heather Shuppert and Chantale Suttle who are also off to a great start for us. I met the smart and enthusiastic Kimberley Thompson, co-chair of PAC, at JLM’s Dade Delegation Breakfast and at the past presidents’ reception, I had the honor of meeting and talking with many past presidents.

I have met many other members for the first time, gotten to know members better, sat in on meetings and shared ideas with many of you so far this year. And, I have learned something from each of you. I encourage every member to open herself to the opportunities for personal growth and friendship that JLM offers as part of its volunteerism opportunities. Attend and participate in the general membership meetings, your own committee meetings and events (gentle reminder: required as part of your membership), the other League activities and our fundraisers. Check the calendar on the web, log your volunteer hours onto the website for the President’s Volunteer Service Awards program that Member-at-Large Bibi Cruz LeDón has launched this year. Email me with your ideas at ssl@florida-attorneys.com. Make your League year a satisfying one and help our fellow members to do the same! 😊

Fondly, Susan Lerner,
Your President Elect
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Raising money for charity while having fun!

By Mallorie Marshall, Golf Co-Chair

The tournament exists because of the generosity of its sponsors and participants. Over the past two years, many local and national businesses partnered with the tournament to support JLM, its mission and the many community projects. This year, the tournament had the honor of having support from the following in-kind donors and sponsors:

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The 2nd Annual JLM Charity Golf Tournament was a great success! Thank you from the 2005 Golf Tournament Committee to all sponsors, participants, volunteers, JLM actives, sustainers and provisionals!

Top: Golf Co-Chairs Tina Towery and Mallorie Marshall; Sustainers Ann Goldman and Donna Gordon Fales with hubbies Lowell and Gordon.

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KMM Scholarship Awarded

By Jessica Bennet-Porto, Community Service Award Chair

The Kathryn Miller Menke scholarship was awarded to Yoli Flores, a graduate of Homestead Senior who now attends the University of Florida. Yoli earned a 4.727-weighted GPA and was #5 in her graduating class. In addition to logging more than 3,000 hours of volunteer service, including Key Club, Horses for Handicapped and AYSO Soccer, Yoli worked part time at HealthSouth in Cutler Ridge as a Rehabilitation Nursing Technician to help with household financial needs.

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Community Partners

Your Annual Gift to the League Makes an Impact

By Aniella Gonzalez, Community Partners Chair

Each year, the Community Partners Committee reaches out to businesses and philanthropists in our community with an invitation to support the League’s community projects, grants and volunteer efforts through cash donations. These direct solicitations for funds serve to strengthen our community projects and grants, and provide us with an invaluable marketing tool, as we take the opportunity to tell our donors about the League’s incredible volunteers and how they make a difference in our community each day. When faced with other compelling requests for donations at home, and worldwide, we are grateful that we have been able to count on Community Partners for their steadfast support of the League’s mission to help the women and children of Miami-Dade County.

This year Community Partners will launch it Annual Campaign for League Leaders, in an effort to recognize League members who make a special gift to Community Partners. The Campaign’s Goals are to:

- Raise $50,000 during our fiscal year which ends May 31, 2006;
- Reach our $50,000 goal through the participation of 100 sustaining, active and provisional members pledging $500 each; and
- Recognize League Leaders at the general membership meetings and throughout the year in our E-newsletters, journal and event programs.

Your individual pledge of $500 is significant, but the cumulative effect of 100 pledges is monumental – $50,000 directly affecting our community projects and grants. Please look for your invitation to become a League Leader in the mail this Fall and consider if you can donate $100 a month for five months this League year.

Please help us expand our network of Community Partners by considering these questions. Do you know a prospective Community Partner? Does your company or organization offer a matching gift program? Did you consider the Junior League as your donor designation for the United Way campaign? Would you like to make a multi-year pledge? Please contact Community Partners Chair, Aniella Gonzalez at aniella93@aol.com if you have any questions about becoming a Community Partner.

2006-2007 Fundraiser Applications are now available!

Have a great idea for a JLM fundraiser? Pick up an application and propose it for next year! Applications can be found at the JLM website or at Headquarters. Helpful hint: The more detail you can provide about your idea, the greater chance it will be chosen. Good luck! Contact Jackie Crabbill at sleepyhead23@bellsouth.net.
Gaining Efficiency with Technology

JLM Launches New Online Membership Directory

By Kara Skelley, Database Diva

Information please.... Question: How many have logged in? The answer: not enough. Over the summer the Communications Council was busy at work sorting through data, entering member's personal information in our secure new system, and, of course, looking at your pictures as we created the new Online Membership Database Directory.

Reinventing the roledex. Now a few months after we repaired our manicures from the hours of typing and have put the directory online and in play, we see that less than a third of our members have activated and logged in. So, now we are taking it to the streets in hopes of providing you the info to get online.

Fear factor... Loggin in. First time users need to know two things: Activation ID and Password. Both were sent to you in your Placement Letter but if that letter has long gone to the recycle bin and you don't know either... no problem, we can help you. Email to databasediva@jlmiiami.org

See the Database Diva at Membership Directory Table during the next GMM

Lose your ID or password? Email databasediva@jlmiiami.org to get it back.

Test drive. View/Edit: Allows you to see and modify your own personal information in addition to monitoring your requirements met for the year (which are graciously entered by the ladies from your Placement Committee.) You can search for other members, but not modify others' records. You can search by Last Name, First Name or Business, as well as by Status and Placement. Search for one member or an entire committee or placement group. Remember, we are here to answer any questions you have on how to use the members-only site.

Comment card. How are we doing? Can we make anything better? Don't be shy! Let us know. Send us a note, a call, a gift, have friends email us. Enjoy! ☺

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Ashley is a Miami native who has led a successful real estate career for over a decade. Her sales performances annually distinguish her as a top producer.

An avid marathon runner, Ashley is just as passionate about each of her commitments, including her volunteer work with the Junior League of Miami, Ballet Arts, and the Susan G. Komen Race For The Cure. She understands the importance of balancing family, work and community.

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In Memory...

By Maggie Blake and Muriel Hall

Sue Collier Daniel, a longtime sustainer, passed away this summer. Sue led the League’s efforts to restore Coral Cables House. Sustainer Maggie Maessen Blake vividly recalls Sue and Arva Park’s dedication to convincing the League and its members of the importance of saving this piece of Dade County history. After much controversy and several meetings, the League embraced the restoration. Sue is still remembered for the grace with which she handled herself when members disagreed with the colors in the swatches of fabrics for drapes and sofas. Sue would calmly reply, “this was Mrs. Merrick’s color scheme, not necessarily yours.” Each time Sue and her committee reported at a general membership meeting of finding a rug or furniture piece from the era, the excitement in their voices was unmistakable. Before the League took over the project, the Coral Cables House was in shambles. Thanks to Sue Collier Daniel and many others’ dedication and perseverance, future generations can enjoy this beautiful Coral Cables landmark.

The Junior League lost two of its most beloved past presidents in September: Sylvia Blount (president 1967-68), and Martha Miller (president 1959-60). Each enjoyed her years of service while adding to the accomplishments of JLM.

Sylvia was born in Miami. Her mother, Vivian Shaw, was also a League member. Sylvia attended Miami High, University of Miami and graduated from University of Florida. She was active in the Junior Museum, as the Science Museum was then called, and held many committee chairmanships in the League. Her daughter-in-law, Holly Blount, is a member of the League as well. She was the first woman president of the Lighthouse for the Blind, and was active in Beaux Arts.

Martha Miller was also born in Miami. She attended Miami High and graduated from Randolph Macom Woman’s College in Virginia. Her two daughters, Janie Kerestes and Martha Raiss, were League members as well, and Janie was the President of the Junior League of Norfolk. Martha was instrumental in the founding of the Junior Museum and shepherded it to grow to a major museum.

Both Sylvia and Martha will be greatly missed. The Junior League of today would not be the same without their capable leadership.
The Power of One

By Maggie Cruz-Ledón, Journal Editor

Chantale Suttle is a perfect example of what the Junior League is all about. Chantale who grew up in Houston, upon seeing the faces of Katrina evacuees at the Astrodome, began a teddy bear drive for the kids. At first, it seemed like a small project, a friend agreed to deliver bears to the Astrodome. When the number of bears got to be a little much for her girlfriend’s doorstep, Chantale called the Junior League of Houston. They agreed to receive all the bears and have their own volunteers distribute them at the Astrodome. Soon a truck of bears was on the way. The truck was filled with not only bears but also books and toys courtesy of PlayAlongToys. Thanks to many League members from Florida to Texas who joined Chantale, the bears brought smiles to the faces of the children. Thank you, Chantale for showing us all that one person can make a difference! 🎁

Did You Know

Long before the Junior League Journal there was Tropical Topics. It began as a 4 x 6-inch monthly and was updated by Past President Maggie Blake in the late 70s to an 8-1/2 x 11 monthly. Maggie remembers this terrific new member who said she learned sales techniques by being our advertising manager! Thanks to the League, Miami now has a premiere real estate agent, our very own Jeannett Slesnick!

Welcome Transfers!

Welcome to the following new Transfer members: Ashley Shannon Tonya Meister Lori Del Vecchio Amanda Cantrell Valda Clark Christian Suzanne Coker Lauren Hammann

Calendar of Events

NOV. 8 General Membership Meetings (AM @ HQ – PM @ Country Club of Coral Gables)
NOV. 19 Miami: Who Makes a Magic City, The Village of Merrick Park
DEC. 2 Provisional Holiday Party
DEC. 9 JLM Holiday Party @ Allison Freeland’s Home
DEC. 17 Sustainers Holiday Party @ Cynthia Trescott’s Home
JAN. 10 General Membership Meetings (AM @ HQ – PM @ Country Club of Coral Gables)
FEB 15 General Membership Meetings (AM @ HQ – PM Country Club of Coral Gables)
MAR. 5 Women Who Make a Difference Luncheon @ THE COLLECTION
MAR. 14 General Membership Meeting (Voting, PM only, Country Club of Coral Gables)
MAR. 23 Foundation Wine Walk Fundraiser on Santa Maria Street
APR. 11 General Membership Meetings (AM @ HQ – PM @ Country Club of Coral Gables)
APR. 29 & 30 In Style Event at the Eden Roc Hotel, Miami Beach
MAY 16 Annual Meeting @ Fairchild Tropical Garden, 7:00 PM

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And the Nominees For Best Future Leadership Are...

By Loretta Nido, Nominating Chair

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- President Elect
- VP Community
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- VP Development
- VP Membership
- VP Planning
- Treasurer
- Planning Council Members-At-Large
- Recording Secretary
- Membership Outreach Committee
- Nominating Committee

Nominees should have at least one active year in the League. Vice Presidents should have had at least one leadership role in the League.

Active members may submit confidential, electronic nominations by completing the online straw ballot or by sending an email to Loretta Nido at LCNido@aol.com. Or, you are invited to send your nominations via U.S. mail to Loretta at 14140 SW 69 Avenue, Miami, FL 33158. Or you can fax to Loretta at (305) 255-1388. And lastly, nominations are accepted by hand delivery to Loretta by the deadline.

The straw ballot is available on the website, will be at the November General Membership meeting, and at the front desk at Headquarters. Submit as many or as few names as you’d like on the Ballot. The deadline for submission of straw ballots is Friday, December 2, 2005 by 5:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS will be made.

The General Membership will vote on the 2006-07 slated positions at the March General Membership Meeting.

Visit the website for detailed answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about the nominating process: www.juniorleagueofmiami.com

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Even though summer is over, thanks to the University of Miami Athletic Department’s Nike Future Canes Program, the games continue for ITS residents. The Nike Future Canes Program is designed to expose at-risk youth, disabled persons and disadvantaged children to Hurricane athletics. Through the generous contributions of UM Corporate Partners, ITS residents will be able to attend Canes Football, Women’s Soccer and Women’s Volleyball games this Fall.

We thank the following sponsors for their generous Ticket donations:

Ballpark Buddies/Corporate Partners for Youth Program: Amerigroup, BellSouth The Real Yellow Pages, HealthEase, Keyes, Maroone, MetroPCS, Millennium Laser Eye Center and New Era.


The Junior League of Miami and the residents of Inn Transition South also wish to thank United Artists Movies At The Falls 12, Florida Marlins, Commissioner Moss, University of Miami, and all the Corporate Partners for their generosity. Their generous support of programs like these provides much needed and otherwise unavailable entertainment and stress relief to these women and children who are working so hard to build strong families and positive futures.

It is the Junior League of Miami’s vision to empower Miami’s women, children and families to conquer tomorrow’s challenges and build a united community. Thanks to the generosity and community outreach of organizations and businesses like these, JLM is able to continue striving to realize this vision. ☞

JL Disaster Fund Established

The Junior League Disaster Fund has been established to provide an effective way for Leagues to contribute to their sister Leagues in times of natural disaster. The Fund will be administered by the Association of Junior Leagues International Board of Directors. The JL Disaster Fund is designed to specifically address the need for Leagues to directly assist their sister Leagues and their communities.

Checks should be made payable to AJLI and note “JL Disaster Fund” on the check. Contributions to the Junior League Disaster Fund should be sent to: AJLI, 90 William Street, Suite 200, New York City, NY 10038.

Questions should be directed to Martha Ferry, mferry@ajli.org. Thank you to all provisionals, actives and sustainers who have assisted hurricane victims this year.

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Past Presidents’ Reception

By Maggie Blake, Past President

Nineteen Past Presidents were welcomed at a cocktail reception at the Riviera Country Club on September 22 by President Andria Hanley and other members of her Board and the Foundation Board. Muriel Hall, who led the group in 1962-63, took the honors as the “most seasoned” Past President.

Andria, who thanked Amy Sussman for kindly hosting the reception, discussed League projects and fundraisers and asked for members’ support. Sustainer Leslie Riviera, President of the Junior League of Miami Foundation, explained the Foundation’s purpose and encouraged members to contact her.

Past Presidents attending were Muriel Hall, 1962-63; Ruth Admire, 1964-65; Shirley Rogers, 1966-67; Priscilla Greenfield, 1975-76; Lane Convey, 1977-78; Nancy Leslie, 1978-79; Caroline Lewis, 1979-80; Maggie Blake, 1983-84; Dorothy Weaver, 1984-85; Becky Matkov, 1985-86; Susan Jones, 1986-87; Mary Lynch, 1987-88; Claudia Kitchens, 1990-91; Pamela Poulos, 1991-92; Mary Young, 1998-99; Debbie Korge, 2000-01; Julia Bianchi, 2001-02; Holly Battle, 2002-03; and Amy Sussman, 2004-05.

Sustainer Brunch

By Denie Freyer, PR Co-Chair

The Junior League of Miami has once again hosted another fabulous and well-attended Sustainer Brunch, this year at the beautiful Coral Gables home of mistress Galia Pennekamp. In an atmosphere that was both reminiscent of old times and inspired by future plans, guests enthusiastically socialized and learned about the many exciting Sustainer activities that are planned for the year.

Andria Hanley spoke briefly to the group of her goals, challenges and hopes for the coming year as well as ways the Sustainers can remain involved in the organization. The brunch was organized by sustainer liaison Allison Freeland and was attended by many past presidents and current JLM Board members.

Athena Among Us

Congratulations to Sustainer Sara Barli Herald who was awarded the Athena Award from the Coral Gables Community Foundation. This award recognizes professional accomplishments, community service and leadership.

Thank you!

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Sustainer Chair Debra Charbonnet, Brunch hostess Galia Pennekamp and Sustainer Liaison Allison Freeland.
Super Saturday

By Heather Schueppert, Provisional Chair

On a clear, yet slightly muggy day, over 65 women walked through the beautiful doors of the Sonesta Hotel and Resort on Key Biscayne to begin a journey they would never forget. On Saturday, September 9, the Provisional Class of 2005 – 2006 were introduced to one another, their mentors and a program that was sure to make one meaningful and fun year. Super Saturday was certainly a day to remember and included a heart-warming and motivational speech by our President, Andria Hanley and a “walk down League memory lane” by our key note speaker, Past President Mary Young.

The Provisionals also learned about their Fall Mentor Group Project, which focuses on the enrichment or development of a program in our existing community projects. Their hard work would continue in the Spring as three “Our Gloves are Off” projects are scheduled for March, which will allow the women to work directly on-site by planting gardens, building a playground and so much more. The year will not be all hard work as many socials are scheduled throughout the year to bring the women even closer to one another and the Actives. We are already proud of this year’s class and encourage all Active members to openly welcome them at upcoming General Membership Meetings.  

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The Junior League of Miami and its members wish to extend a special thanks to The Country Club of Coral Gables for hosting our general membership meetings this year. For membership information, please telephone the Director of Membership at 305.448.7464.

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