



Mount Lebanon Junior Women's Club  
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**Mount Lebanon Junior Women's Club Awards  
Grant Funds to Local Organizations**

Mt. Lebanon, Pa. (June 11, 2010) — Mt. Lebanon Junior Women's Club (MLJWC) presented a \$7,500 grant to Angels' Place, Inc. during the club's monthly meeting on May 27, 2010, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Mt. Lebanon. Angels' Place, Inc. will use these funds toward the creation of a natural playground at its Brookline Center. This type of playground allows children to experience many elements in an outdoor environment such as sand, grass, wood, and living plants.

"These funds will allow Angels' Place to offer a natural playground to the children in our care, creating an outdoor space rich with opportunities to engage with nature in special ways," states Michelle Smith Tipton, Executive Director of Angels' Place. "We are grateful for MLJWC's support of our organization."

This grant was made possible through the efforts of MLJWC's 13<sup>th</sup> annual benefit, *A Night at the Museum*, which was held on Saturday, March 6, 2010 at the Heinz History Center. Over 200 guests attended this special evening that featured music, entrance to museum exhibits, silent auction and luxury basket raffles, hors d'oeuvres, and a hosted happy hour. Andrew Stockey, WTAE Channel 4 Action News Anchor, emceed the event.

Angels' Place serves low-income, single parents who are full-time students. At each of its three locations in Pittsburgh (Brookline, Swissvale and North Side), Angels' Place provides student parents with child-care and other support services they need to finish their education, obtain meaningful employment, and embark on satisfying careers. To read more about Angels' Place, visit [www.angelsplaceph.org](http://www.angelsplaceph.org).

"Mt. Lebanon Junior Women's Club is proud to provide Angels' Place with this grant as it fits with our mission of giving back to local organizations that assist women and children," states Andrea Thompson, MLJWC's 2009-2010 President.

MLJWC gives back to the community in a number of other ways including grants for local organizations and participation in community fundraising events. These include

donations to HEARTH, Emmaus Community of Pittsburgh, and the Mt. Lebanon Public Library and member participation in Meals on Wheels, activities at the Children's Institute, and Mt. Lebanon Relay for Life. The Club also awards an annual \$1,000 college scholarship to a Mt. Lebanon High School Senior woman at the end of the school year. This year's recipient is Paige Carrigan who will attend Chatham University in the fall.

MLJWC is a civic, philanthropic, and social organization founded in 1968 by ten civic-minded young women. Located in Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania, it is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with an annual membership of approximately 70 women from the South Hills area. Over the past 42 years, the Club has donated more than \$500,000 to local Pittsburgh-area charities and organizations through fundraising efforts that include an annual charity benefit event, an annual local scholarship, and other charitable contributions. General meetings are held the fourth Thursday of every month (September–November and January–May) at 7 p.m., St. Paul's Church, 1066 Washington Road. To learn more about MLJWC, visit [www.mljwc.com](http://www.mljwc.com).

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