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Staff Changes, New Plans Mark New Year at API

Dana Dabek-Milstein, a former intern and long-time API volunteer, has been named director of leadership programs, and Kris Myers, formerly associate program director, has been promoted to director of heritage and outreach, it was announced by Rhonda DiMascio, API president.



Dabek-Milstein's association with the Alice Paul Institute began in 2002, when as a sophomore at The College of New Jersey, she served as a table facilitator for Share Your Voice, a one-day leadership program for eighth grade girls.

She was an Alice Paul Institute intern during the summer between her junior and senior years and later became a member of the Leadership Program Committee.

Since that time, Dabek-Milstein has been advisor to the Girls Advisory Council; facilitator for several *Lead-A-Way* programs, an in-school series that teaches leadership skills to girls by utilizing women leaders as role models; and directed last summer's leader-

ship camp for fourth and fifth grade girls from LEAP Academy charter school in Camden.

For the last few months, Dabek-Milstein has been working on a *Girls Share Their Voice* report, compiling evaluation data from past leadership programs and conducting focus groups with girls in area schools.

The report, which will include a list of recommendations for programs area girls need and for a strategic plan for the next five years, will be published and sent to funders and Delaware Valley

schools.

The report's recommendations will influence leadership program planning for the future, Dabek-Milstein said. For the immediate future, she is planning a *Lead-A-Way* program for the Holbein School in Mt. Holly for the spring and another summer leadership camp in June.

She also hopes to expand the leadership program to a wider geographical area. Recently, she received a request from girls in the Washington, DC area, who want to

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Last fall, 18 eighth grade girls from Thomas O. Hopkins Middle School, Burlington Township, participated in Lead-A-Way. Here Anna Preston, a Lead-A-Way facilitator, directs the girls in a learning activity designed to teach leadership skills.

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A common focus of historical study is continuity and change. Both are evident at Paulsdale. We have continuity in our ongoing mission to educate the public about Alice Paul by providing quality programs for girls and young women, and we have change in the form of new personnel.

Lucy Beard, program director for six years, has departed to become director of education at Cliveden of the National Trust, a Revolutionary War house in the Germantown section of Philadelphia. Lucy will be sorely missed though we know she will continue to support API.

Kris Myers has been promoted to director of heritage and outreach, and Dana Dabek-Milstein has been named director of leadership programs. (See page 1.)

The Board of Trustees has five new members. (See page 3.) They each bring a wealth of experience and expertise from a variety of backgrounds that will help API continue to fulfill its goals. This year the board will continue to work on board development, fundraising efforts and long-term strategic planning.

The Paulsdale staff and board members have been very busy recruiting new volunteers through a series of workshops. These efforts have been very fruitful in finding volunteers for the Institute. (See page 4.)

Another very significant change will occur this year when API pays off its mortgage in June. This long-awaited historic milestone will be celebrated during the Women's Equality Day event in August.

Watch for more details about this special celebration and plan to join us then.

Take a Tour of Paulsdale in 2007

If you've never visited Paulsdale, resolve to join us for a tour this year. Paulsdale opens its doors to the public twice a month from March through November.

Tours, beginning with a walk around the property to see the farm landscape and the remains of the structures that once surrounded the house, include a map of the property that shows the layout of the original farm. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes that can get dirty.

Inside the house, tourists learn about Alice Paul, the restoration and rehabilitation of the site and its present day use as a girl's leadership center.

Open tour dates for 2007 are Wednesday, March 7; Saturday, March 17; Wednesday, April 4; Saturday, April 21; Wednesday, June 6; Saturday, June 16; Wednesday, July 11; Saturday, July 21; Saturday, Aug. 11; Wednesday,

Sept. 5; Saturday, Oct. 13; Wednesday, Oct. 24; Saturday, Nov. 3; and Wednesday, Nov. 14.

Tours, beginning at 2:15 or 3:15 p.m., cost \$5 per person (\$4 for children) with a \$1 discount for members.

Group tours can be arranged for any date of the week, Monday through Friday. Groups can choose the tour only (45 minutes) or a tour plus a slide show presentation on the life of Alice Paul (one and a half to two hours).

The price for the tour with the slide lecture is \$15 for an adult group of eight or more.

We can supply names of local restaurants or caterers who will deliver lunches or refreshments to Paulsdale, or you can bring your own food.

To arrange a group tour, please contact info@alicepaul.org or 856-231-1885.

News in Brief

G.O.L.D. (Girls Overnight Leadership Development) has openings for the Friday, April 20, to Saturday, April 21, program.

G.O.L.D. programs take place seven times each year at Paulsdale from October through May.

Girls in fourth through eighth grades participate in activities that include a talk about Alice Paul, a tour of Paulsdale, team projects, an art activity, yoga and much more. They learn that teamwork is an important component of effective leadership.

A registration fee of \$30 includes a G.O.L.D. tee shirt, evening snacks and breakfast.

Girl Scout troops, youth groups or individuals are all welcome.

To register, or for information, contact the Alice Paul Institute at ddmilstein@alicepaul.org or 856-231-1885.

Celebrate New Jersey Women, a patch program for Junior Girl Scouts and third year Brownies (girls from ages eight to 11) takes place at Paulsdale on Saturday, May 5, from 1 to 4 p.m.

A joint project of the Girls Advisory Council for middle school and high school girls; GRAPes for girls in fourth, fifth and sixth grades; and the Alice Factor, a young women's group, the event features a tour of Paulsdale, an opportunity to learn more about Alice Paul, team games, arts and crafts, old time photos in costume and more.

Save the Dates . . .

A Wine Tasting and Community Partners Reception is planned for May. Watch for the date and details.

A Mothers Day Victorian Tea is set for Sunday, May 13, 2 p.m. at Paulsdale.

For information about these programs, contact the Alice Paul Institute at 856-231-1885 or info@alicepaul.org.

New Members Bring Diverse Skills to API Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees has welcomed five new members.

Ellen Ferreira is president of Costume Gallery in Burlington, a leading national dance costume manufacturer. In the 1970's Ferreira worked as a legislative aide for three members of Congress, Representatives Bella Abzug (D-NY) and Ed Koch (D-NY), and Senator Barbara Mikulski (D-MD). Her career in government included 18 years at the U.S. Department of Agriculture where she was a manager with the Food Stamp and National School Lunch Programs.

Lizanne V. Hackett, a practicing attorney, is a member of the Litigation and Labor and Employment Practice Groups at Flaster/Greenberg P.C., Cherry Hill. She represents plaintiffs and defendants in business disputes in the federal and state courts of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Hackett authored two articles that appeared in the New Jersey Law Review.

Nancy O. Ireland is curriculum supervisor for the Mt. Laurel School System. Previously she

was a teacher for the gifted and talented program and a classroom teacher in Mt. Laurel.

Ireland has been a member of API's Leadership Program Committee since its beginning in 1994, later serving as committee chair.

Tara S. Parvey, also a practicing attorney, is a member of the Real Estate and Commercial Litigation Practice Groups at Flaster/Greenberg P.C., and a part-time lecturer at Rutgers University School of Law, Camden. She served as a law clerk to the Honorable James Havey, New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division, and as a legal extern to the Honorable Dolores K. Sloviter, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Suzanne Quigley is community initiatives director for Capmark Finance Inc. based in Horsham, PA. In this capacity, she directs corporate giving and employee volunteer initiatives and oversees grant-making activity. Previously, Quigley was manager of regional initiatives for the Fannie Mae

Foundation and program officer for the Arizona Community Foundation.

Help Honor Alice Paul With Congressional Gold Medal

In early 2005, Congressman Joe Baca (D-CA) introduced legislation that would posthumously award Alice Paul the Congressional Gold Medal for her role in securing equal rights for women, including the passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

On Alice Paul's birthday, January 11, Congressman Baca announced that he would reintroduce the bill.

You can help Alice Paul receive this long overdue recognition by urging your Congressional representative to sign on as a cosponsor of H.R. 406.

Alice Paul's Birthplace Selected as Reason to Celebrate New Jersey

Celebrate New Jersey has invited New Jersey residents to submit their reasons to celebrate their state. Selected entries may appear on a billboard.

"Mount Laurel, New Jersey, is the birthplace of Alice Paul. She helped one half of the entire nation, women, gain the right to vote!" submitted by Kris Myers, API's director of heritage and outreach was one of 31 entries selected for the month of January and was posted on the Celebrate New Jersey website on Jan. 20.

The contest is open until March 31. Why not submit your reason to celebrate Alice Paul or Paulsdale? Just go to www.celebratenj.org and follow the directions.

If your reason is chosen, you could see it on billboards, on posters, in newspapers, or hear it on the radio throughout next year. In addition, you and your reason could be one of the subjects in a series of feature newspaper articles.

Barbara Irvine Receives National Honor

The National Women's History Project has recognized Barbara Irvine, founding president of the the Alice Paul Institute (then the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation) as one of its 14 honorees for National Women's History Month in March. The theme for this year's celebration is "Generations of Women Moving History Forward."



Irvine is executive director of the New Jersey Historic Trust, a state historic preservation funding agency.

In 1985, the centennial of Alice Paul's birth, Irvine and ten other women founded the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation and raised over \$58,000 to save a collection of Paul's books, and other

items, including a Susan B. Anthony desk. Irvine then spearheaded the national campaign to raise more than \$1.8 million in public and private funds to purchase and rehabilitate Paulsdale, which was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1991. She served for more than 16 years as the organization's volunteer president and board chair.

Irvine initiated and chaired the first national conference on women's historic sites in 1994 and led an initiative to found the National Collaborative for Women's History Sites in 1999. She also played a key role in the creation of the New Jersey Women's Heritage Trail. In 2000, she was appointed to the federal Women's Progress Commemorative Commission, and in 2005 she was named "Woman of the Year" by Gamma Sigma Sigma, a national service sorority.

API Welcomes New Volunteers

Fifteen new volunteers, whose interests ranged from serving as tour guides, training to present slide lectures on Alice Paul or helping at the store to serving on the development or marketing committees, attended two orientation sessions that took place at Paulsdale during January and February.

Some of the new recruits were members while others read about it in local newspapers or knew somebody involved with the Alice Paul Institute.

"Volunteers are intrinsic to the success of any organization," said Kim Moon, API trustee and membership committee chair, "and we

already have many wonderful ones."

As API programs have expanded and interest in Paulsdale as a site for tours, events and rentals has grown in recent years, the need for volunteers has increased, Moon explained.

"We are delighted with the number of new volunteers who participated in our first orientations and the enthusiasm they demonstrated," she said.

Another orientation session will take place Wednesday, April 11, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more registration or to register, contact API at info@alicepaul.org or 856-231-1885.

Staff Changes

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visit Paulsdale.

Dabek-Milstein is a candidate for a master of liberal arts degree from the University of Pennsylvania, which she expects to receive in May.

Myers's association with API began in the fall of 2001, when she was a senior at Rowan University writing a research paper on Alice Paul for her senior

seminar. During the spring semester of 2002, Myers completed an internship at API, during which she directed the sorting and organizing of 18 boxes of archival materials of Alice Paul's papers and belongings.

In 2003, Myers joined the API staff as administrative assistant. Later she was named program associate.

In her new capacity, Myers is responsible for API history programs, tours, school trips; *Meeting Alice*, an on-site program for elementary school children; and public presentations such as "Alice Paul, New Jersey Heroine for Equality."



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