

Outline for Newsletter 2010-2011

1. **Expansion of Program**
 - Site 1 – 4 days a week
 - Added another room
 - Permanent office
 - Went from 20 to 40 students enrolled
 - Site 2- K-8, added another room
 - 80 children enrolled
 - Site 3- Boys' and Girls' Club in Springfield, 2 days a week
2. **ArtsFriday**
 - Went from 1 Friday a month to 3 a month
 - Enchanted Circle Theater
 - Vega Yoga Studio
 - Local artists
3. **What's New**
 - Peabody Grant – new windows
 - Raised \$20,000 matching grant
 - Ronald McDonald Charities Grant – computer lab, new furniture, books
4. **New Staff (put a little background about each)**
 - New Executive Director
 - New program director
 - New education director
 - New Site Supervisor

New AmeriCorps Worker (3 in total)

New Staff:

Connie Roy, ssj has joined the staff of Homework House as Education Director. Besides being the Site Supervisor for Site 2, she will do more work with the tutors, preparing and guiding them. She has been a teacher, high school principal and assistant superintendent of schools.

Andrew Melendez, who has been with Homework House since his first year in college, has become a permanent staff member. He graduated from Elms College in June with a degree in Marketing and Management. He is now the Program Director. Besides being the Site Supervisor for Site 3, he works closely with the public schools, recruits tutors and is the liaison to the wider community.

Joanine Carey has joined the staff as an AmeriCorps worker. She graduated from the Elms College with a Social Work degree. Her last year was spent in Honduras as a Passionist Volunteer and helped found a soup kitchen for street children. She joins our two other AmeriCorps workers **Jackie Diaz** and **Frankie Quiniones**.

Lillian Reilly, former teacher and principal, comes to Homework House this year as the Site Supervisor for Site 1. Last year she did the math testing for the Homework House children.

Mary McDowell, former teacher and principal, has been hired part-time to continue the math and literacy testing with funds from the Community Foundation Grant.

Jane Morrissey, ssj, former Co-Director with Maureen Broughan, ssj, is on sabbatical for the year and will be returning to Homework House in June.

Maureen Broughan, ssj, former Co-Director with Sr. Jane is now Executive Director.

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- 5. **Fundraiser Box**
 - **Collaborative Fundraiser with Holyoke Library**
 - **December 11, 2010**
 - **All are invited**
- 6. **Annual Report**
 - **List Foundation**
 - **List Corporate Donors**
 - **Mention over 600 private donors**
- 7. **Pictures:**
 - **New windows**
 - **New computer lab**
 - **New office**
 - **New room in Site 1**