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The Junior League of Springfield Announces 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. May 30, 2018 – Jane McElvaine has been named the 2018 Junior League of Springfield (JLS) Lifetime Achievement Award recipient. The purpose of the JLS Lifetime Achievement Award is to recognize the significant contributions being made in our community and the League by Sustaining Members. Lifetime Achievement Award honorees are active in the community, support the activities of the League and represent the ideals of Junior League membership.

McElvaine was awarded this honor at the Sustainer luncheon held at Hickory Hills Country Club on April 27, with formal announcement made to membership at the JLS Annual Meeting on May 2 at Ocean Zen. The award was presented by Michelle Nahon Moulder, current JLS Sustainer Director, and Beth Raidel, past Lifetime Achievement Award recipient. "Our award recipient this year has devoted her life to her community and family and is an inspiration for future generations," noted Moulder.

McElvaine's JLS involvement includes serving as Sustainer President, Provisional Chair, and as the Newspaper Insert Committee Chair. She has also served as a Sustainer Advisor for the Charity Ball, Plaid Door and Charity Run (formerly Pitter Pat) committees. She is a previous recipient of JLS's Cheri Clark Bouquet of Enthusiasm Award.

In addition to donating countless hours to JLS, McElvaine has donated countless hours to the community. McElvaine has served on numerous local boards including Red Cross Disaster Services Board of Directors, Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks Board of Directors, and the Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks Advisory Board.

Additional community involvement includes, Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks, the Discovery Center, Lucky Paws, Habitat for Humanity, Lost and Found, GYNCA, CoxHealth Foundation, Arc of the Ozarks, Alzheimer's Association, Project Hope, PriceCutter Ozarks Open, Council of Churches, Springfield Public Schools Foundation, Springfield Catholic Schools, Rogersville Public School Foundation, Summit School, Developmental Center of the Ozarks, Good Samaritan Boys Ranch, Rotary, Red Cross Disaster Services (Board of Directors) and many

more.

McElvaine and her husband, Rick, own Maxon Fine Jewelry. Through sponsorships and donations, the McElvaines have made it possible for many agencies across the Ozarks to raise untold thousands of dollars. The McElvaines stated, "Annual beneficiaries have been a part of our planned giving for many years. We've never kept a tally on the amount given nor the amounts raised, but are certain that several hundred thousand have been raised through the auctioning or raffle of jewelry from Maxon Fine Jewelry for the benefit of the not for profits that serve those in need in the Ozarks."

Current JLS President, Mary Kromrey notes, "Jane McElvaine sets the standard as a servant leader; her dedication to the community and her family is unmatched. The Junior League of Springfield is proud to have her as a sustaining member that our active members can look to as an inspiring woman leader."

A list of past recipients of the JLS Lifetime Achievement Award may be found at: www.jlsspringfield.org/about/awards.

About the Junior League of Springfield

The Junior League of Springfield is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The Junior League of Springfield reaches out to women of all races, religions and national origins who demonstrate an interest in and a commitment to voluntarism. Its purposes are exclusively educational and charitable.

Since 1959, the Junior League of Springfield has contributed more than \$4 million and more than 1.3 million hours of volunteer service to the Springfield community. For more information, please visit the Junior League of Springfield website at www.jlsspringfield.org.