

(As always, we ask that those of who are on the members e-mail list please forward this message to members who are not on it—yet.)

June 18, 2008

Dear WILPF members,

As we move ever closer to our Thirtieth Triennial Congress in Des Moines, WILPF has been “Moving Forward, Making Peace.” Therefore, members of the national board have news to share.

On May 29th, the national board met via open conference call to take action on the Past Presidents' report concerning the building at 1213 Race Street. Following a period of open commentary by participating members, the national board adopted the following three resolutions by consensus:

- * To accept the recommendation of the Past Presidents' report and respectfully ask the Jane Addams Peace Association to take steps to sell the building at 1213 Race Street.
- * To ask the incoming 2008-11 national board to set up a committee of current and past board members and WILPF members to make a recommendation on the most appropriate location for WILPF U.S.'s location going forward within an agreed upon timeframe, preferably within the calendar year 2008.
- * To establish a committee comprised of both WILPF and JAPA board members and JAPA Executive Director to research and negotiate a sale and make recommendations to both boards regarding the allocation, use and management of the proceeds.

Implementing a decision taken at the April board meeting to honor Pamela Jones Burnley's many years of loyal service to WILPF, the national board gifted her with additional severance pay equivalent to three months wages. Pam is currently working for the Nationalities Service Center in Philadelphia. Please join us in wishing her the very best of luck with her new position.

Lastly, our long awaited 2007 audit is now complete and will be available on the WILPF website at http://www.wilpf.org/US_WILPF soon.

Members of the 2005-2008 national board have been uniquely honored to serve WILPF during these transitional times. We will be seating the new board at the Congress in Iowa and we welcome our new board members, who bring with them experience, ideas, energy and passion. Please show your support for the new board as they take on the challenge of following through with the strategic plan and revitalizing this grand organization.

Looking with vision and hope towards our 100th anniversary.

Sincerely,
Chris Morin
WILPF National Board President