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Bloomfield Hills Resident Honored for Exceptional Volunteerism for Japhet School

Madison Heights, Michigan - "Empowering." That's how Japhet School describes Judy Miller of Bloomfield Hills, honored with a Distinguished Volunteer award at the 19th Annual National Philanthropy Day dinner that took place in November at the San Marino Club in Troy. Japhet School is an independent school in Madison Heights, serving students in preschool through eighth grade.

Judy Miller, active philanthropist, served on the school's Board of Trustees and provided a smooth and stable environment during a key transition for the school in the mid-1990s. She also helped provide sustainable funding for the school and introduced Japhet to the Benevon model for fundraising. "Judy continues to be an ambassador for Japhet in action and in prayer," says Cathy Mohan, Head of School. "Industry, courage, perseverance, dedication, open-mindedness, humility, generosity, and love are some character qualities integrated in Japhet's curriculum that Judy exudes, contributing to her effectiveness."

National Philanthropy Day is a special day set aside on November 15 to recognize the great contributions of philanthropy - and those people active in the philanthropic community - to the enrichment of our world. The day's events are coordinated by the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

About Japhet School:

Founded in 1973, Japhet School is an independent school, serving children the metropolitan Detroit area in preschool through eighth grade. Its mission is to nurture and prepare children for life by integrating character education with a strong academic program. The school provides small classes, which are purposefully designed as "blends" or two-grade classrooms. This setup enables teachers to challenge students with academic material that is appropriate for their intellectual readiness, regardless of age or grade. Integrated with strong academics is Japhet School's national award-winning character education curriculum, which builds a peaceful community within the school and creates leaders with integrity. Japhet is a National School of Character, and was the first school in Michigan -- and the first independent school in the country -- to receive this award.



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Photo: Judy Miller, center, was recognized at the National Philanthropy Day dinner a Distinguished Volunteer. She is thanked by Japhet School Development Director Cheryl Haithco (left) and Head of School Cathy Mohan (right).