

JEAN C. HOLLER CONTEMPLATION GARDEN GROUNDBREAKING**PRESS RELEASE * PRESS RELEASE * PRESS RELEASE * PRESS RELEASE**

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DIRECTOR**JEAN C. HOLLER CONTEMPLATION GARDEN GROUNDBREAKING AT THE WELLNESS COMMUNITY OF
PHILADELPHIA
TO BE HELD FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2001 AT 11:00 A.M.****WHAT:** A groundbreaking ceremony for the Jean C. Holler Contemplation Gardens at **The Wellness Community of Philadelphia****WHERE: The Wellness Community of Philadelphia**The Suzanne Morgan Center at Ridgeland
Chamounix Drive - West Fairmount Park
Philadelphia, PA**WHEN: Friday, March 30, 2001 at 11:00 a.m.****DETAILS:** Scheduled to open for the "Celebration of Hope" on June 1, 2001 in recognition of National Cancer Survivors' Day, the Jean C. Holler Contemplation Garden will be a place of peace and tranquility for participants and caregivers to take T'ai Chi, meditation and relaxation programs, and to quietly reflect and restore their spirits. Peta Raabe, a breast cancer survivor and landscape architect, is designing the Garden. Peta's vision is to create an inspirational space that will offer comfort to **TWCP** participants. Drawings of the Garden will be on display.

"Planting gardens historically has been our way of taking control of the environment. With a cancer diagnosis, the individual experiences a tremendous loss of control in his or her life. This garden will symbolize the ability to take control again that is the cornerstone of all **Wellness Community** programs," says Peta who will attend the groundbreaking along with the Contemplation Garden Committee and funders.

COMPONENTS: The Jean C. Holler Contemplation Garden will feature a lovely terrace that will enhance the beauty of the grounds and provide an excellent spot for groups to gather, a vine covered pergola, two garden trellises that will lead to beds of richly planted trees, shrubs, perennials, bulbs, and ferns, a fountain for a calm and refreshing sound, a shade garden, ten garden benches for quiet contemplation, and more.**FUNDING: TWCP's** board of directors has committed to raising \$150,000 for the support of the Contemplation Garden. To date, over \$70,000 has been raised with \$66,250 coming directly from board member gifts. The lead gift was made by board co-chair Jill Durovsik and her family. The Garden will be named in memory of Jill's mother, Jean C. Holler, who died of lung cancer in 1986. "The Contemplation Garden will be a beautiful tribute to her," says Jill. "She is why I'm involved with **The Wellness Community of Philadelphia** today."

There are still many naming opportunities for individuals who wish to support this project. In addition, **TWCP** is looking for volunteers who would tend to the garden after it is completed.