

## MLB, 'People' Magazine and Phillies announce three finalists for "People All-Stars Among Us" National Campaign

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Major League Baseball, PEOPLE and the Phillies today announced the three finalists and the start of the voting period for the 2010 "PEOPLE All-Stars Among Us" national campaign, which debuted in 2009 and recognizes individuals who are serving their community in extraordinary ways.

The three Phillies finalists include Harry Leong of Philadelphia, PA, Marci Schankweiler of North Wales, PA and Darlene Sullivan of Cochranville, PA. The 90 finalists (three per MLB Club) have been selected from thousands of online submissions by fans across the U.S. and Canada who nominated their local "All-Stars." Fans are encouraged to log on to [www.PeopleAllStars.com](http://www.PeopleAllStars.com) now through June 20 to vote for their favorite community "All-Stars" who go above and beyond to serve their communities. A total of 30 "All-Stars," one representing each MLB Club, will attend and be honored at 2010 All-Star Week in Anaheim, Calif., including during the pre-game ceremony of the All-Star Game on July 13 on FOX beginning at 5:00 p.m. PT (8:00 p.m. ET). One of the "All-Star Among Us" winners will be featured in PEOPLE during the week of the All-Star Game, the premier sporting event of the summer.

Harry Leong is a familiar name within Philadelphia's Asian community. Harry has worked with kids, young adults, senior citizens and families. Through mentoring and caring for their basic needs, Harry seeks to empower them to transform their community. Harry encourages respect for one another as well as community elders, encourages volunteerism and sportsmanship and instills values of leadership.

After Marci Schankweiler's husband died of testicular cancer, she founded an organization to send young adult cancer patients and their families on all-expense paid respite vacations. In 10 years, Crossing the Finish Line has benefited more than 800 cancer patients and 3,000 caregivers. Patients and families credit Marci for giving them renewed energy to battle the disease.

Darlene Sullivan founded Canine Partners For Life, one of only 60 organizations worldwide accredited to train service dogs. Darlene with her staff and volunteers train dogs to assist in daily activities such as operating light switches and dressing, as well as life-saving duties such as detecting seizures. To date, Darlene has placed more than 400 dogs in 43 states.

"The Phillies are honored and proud to announce our three outstanding finalists among the thousands of deserving applicants," said Phillies President David Montgomery. "The winner will not only represent our organization, but also the spirit and compassion of so many in the Philadelphia region at the All-Star game in Anaheim."

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