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November 2018

President's Note



Dear Moms,

The days are getting shorter and darker and I'm tempted to roll up in a ball and hibernate. But it's the season of Thanksgiving and I'm reminded of all that I have to be thankful for. It makes me jump up and shout. I'm thankful for you, my Jack and Jill sisters and the ones who laid the foundation for our chapter.

We are at a sweet spot in our chapter history where the grandchildren of some of the earliest members are showing up on our rosters with their legacy parents. Our Associate group is strong. They meet at least quarterly for dinner. And, even though they no longer serve on committees, they are very invested in the success and legacy of our chapter. I joined them for dinner in October along with our Associate Liaison, (and soon to be associate) Stephanie Farrow. They want

to be invited as much as possible to our open events. They want to experience the “new” South Suburban and lend their wisdom and time. One example of their availability is Associate Sharon Grace who is participating with the teens in a Financial Literacy Module this year. Let’s support them in their efforts to be there for us.

Coming up:

- Mother Meetings Tuesdays at 7p in the Holiday Inn Matteson 11/13, 1/15, 2/12, 3/12, 4/9, and 5/14
- Holiday Party Sunday December 15th, Olympia Fields Country Club
- Winter Escape Friday February 15th – Monday February 18th, at the Kalahari Resort
- Annual Fundraiser Sunday, March 10th
- Many of us have not completed the code of ethics, grievance, and photo release forms. We have been asked to have everyone review and sign the forms on-line. We need 100% compliance. Please follow this link and fill out the on-line forms (You may need to sign in following the instructions.)
<https://jackandjillincforms.org/midwestern/>

On Fire for South Suburban,

Dr. Tonya Coats,
President
Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated
South Suburban Chicago Chapter

Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway: Ford Heights Boys & Girls Club

In preparation for the Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway, the Community Service Committee will donate 25 Thanksgiving Baskets to families of the Ford Heights Boys & Girls Club. Distribution will take place on **Tuesday, November 20th from 3pm until 6pm.**

This is a **CHAPTER WIDE** initiative and community service hours will be given for this event. All J&J Teens, Children, Mothers, and Fathers who can help prepare food boxes to be distributed are welcome to assist.



Our goal is to create 25 baskets complete with the following trimmings:

Group 1: Stuffing Mix, Cornbread Mix (Muffin)

Group 2: Cake Mix, Cake Frosting

Group 3: Cranberry Sauce and Glory Greens

Group 4: Box of Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Group 5: Canned Corn, Green Beans, Peas

Group 6: Box of Macaroni & Cheese and Canned Yams

The support of each Group is essential to ensure each box is complete. Each group should donate enough of each item to total 25. Note: Aldi's, Food For Less, and Walmart are great resources to shop for all items.

Please make arrangements to bring items to the November Mother Meeting.
Thank you in advance for your participation!

Holiday Party 2018: Winter Wonderland



[Purchase your Holiday Party tickets now!](#)

Let's Get Ready to Escape!

JACK AND JILL
WINTER ESCAPE 2019
Boogie Winter Wonderland



Registration for Winter Escape 2019 is now OPEN! **All South Suburban Chicago Chapter teens and children receive \$10 off their registration fee with code "JJSSCC."** And don't forget to **reserve your room!** Our room block closes 12.17.18.

We have worked closely with the Kalahari Resort and Cascade Mountain to offer a vast amount of activities just for you! Activities are planned for all family members; Moms, Dads, teens, tweens and children...there's something for everyone! Here's a preview of the weekend agenda:



WEEKEND AGENDA

Friday February 15, 2019

6pm : *I'm So Excited* Family Meet & Greet Mixer
8pm: *Disco Inferno* Trivia Night
8pm: *I Love the Night Life* Movie Night (X-Men:Dark Phoenix or The LEGO Movie 2, additional fee for adults)

Saturday February 16, 2019

8-10am: Hospitality Suite Continental Breakfast
8am: *Stayin Alive* Exercise Bootcamp
10am-4pm: *Copacabana* Waterpark Splash Party
12pm: *Celebration* Lunch at the Waterpark
5pm: *We are Family* Banquet Dinner (Wilderness Resort)
8pm-11pm: *Let's Groove* Adult Party (Wilderness Resort)
8pm: *I Will Survive* Escape Room Adventure (Teens 14 & Up, Wilderness Resort)
7-11pm: *Night Fever* Teen and Tween Kickback & Games (Wilderness Resort)
7-11pm: Pop-In Nanny, \$45

Sunday February 17, 2019

8-10am: Hospitality Suite Continental Breakfast
10am-5pm: *Don't Stop 'Til You Get Enough* Family Ski Day (Cascade Mountain, additional fees)
5pm-11pm: *Good Times* Theme Park
5pm-9pm: *Ladies Night* at the Kalahari Spa (By Appointment Only, additional fee)
5pm-9pm: *Daddy Cool* Dads Kickback in the Hospitality Suite
5-9pm: Pop-In Nanny, \$45

Monday February 18, 2019

8am-10am: *Best of My Love* Breakfast
Optional Ski Day (Cascade Mountain, additional fee, on your own)

[Click here to register for Winter Escape!](#)

Save the Date for our 2019 Fundraiser!

SAVE THE DATE

Jack and Jill South Suburban Chicago Chapter
2019 Fundraiser



"School Days"

Sunday, March 10, 2019
Tuscany Falls Banquets - Mokena
2pm to 7pm
Attire: Collegiate Chic

Click [here](#) to be a featured sponsor of our annual fundraiser. Contact [Chair Daleta Mitchell](#) for more information.

JJSSCC Teens Halloween Service Event



This Halloween our Group 6 teens spent the afternoon throwing a bash for children at the Boys and Girls Club of Ford Heights. The kids had a wonderful time getting their faces painted, decorating cookies and listening to our teens share scary stories! Pizza was served, and cookies and candy (of course!) were enjoyed by all. Thank you to Community Service/Foundation Chair, Sheva Franklin, and Teen Community Service Co-Chairs, Lauren Legardy and Vinnie Payne, for orchestrating yet another successful JJSSCC service event!



Pink and Blue Pajama Escape



JJSSCC moms had a wonderful time at the first social of the official program year. Hosted by our new moms aka "The Illustrious 11," we enjoyed an evening full of laughs, great food and cocktails, and a series of challenging "escape room" games. Thank you to our new moms for organizing a wonderful event for our chapter.

A Message from Our Parliamentarian

Please feel free to submit a request for a new policy and procedure or request a change to an existing policy and procedure to be reviewed by the ByLaws committee. You may reach out to the Parliamentarian, Deborah Harris (Deborah.Harris01@yahoo.com) to obtain the appropriate forms or you may also obtain them from the [Members Only section](#) of the Jack and Jill South Suburban Chicago website.

Kudos Corner



KUDOS to Caleb Hoereth who was named MVP for the Homewood-Flossmoor Varsity Soccer Team! Go Caleb!!

Do you have information or news to share with our chapter?

If you'd like to contribute to the monthly JJSSCC newsletter, please send your information to editor@jackandjillsscc.com.

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