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Message From Our President



Greetings Mother Members!

Happy February! This month brings us at least 4 major considerations: Love, Kindness, Health, and History. First, February 14th is Valentine's Day and brings us feelings and images of LOVE. Love is in the air and surrounds us. Don't forget, however, that self-love is also important. To love yourself, first, gives you the foundation to love others and to appreciate your value and worth.

Second, February 17th is National Random Acts of Kindness Day. I am so excited that our chapter will have our inaugural "Random Acts of Kindness week" this month. We will take to our communities to spread kindness in various ways. We hope to not only brighten someone's day, but to show that kindness takes very little effort with far-reaching effects. Third, this month we consider heart health, particularly in women. Cardiovascular diseases continue to be the greatest health threat for women. Therefore, it is vital that we see a doctor regularly for check-ups and physicals. Lastly, February is designated as Black History Month. Contributions made by African-Americans throughout history are highlighted. However, as Jack and Jill families, we know that Black History is every month and every day. Let's continue to teach our children about our ancestors and the torchbearers that sacrificed so much so that we may live better lives. Moreover, our beautiful Founders Day and Associates Appreciation celebration on February 2nd further cemented our love, pride and appreciation to be members of a historic organization such as Jack and Jill of America, Inc. and our beloved South Suburban Chicago Chapter.

Have a wonderful February! Spread Love...it's the JJSSCC way!

Daleta Mitchell
President

Notice of February Mother's Meeting



Wear RED to Mothers Meeting in support of Go Red and ♥ health awareness.

Fundraiser Assessments due. Any payment made after Feb. 11th will incur a \$50 late fee.

Founders Day/Associates Appreciation Luncheon



Founders Day 2020 and Associates Appreciation was a beautiful celebration of Jack and Jill of America and our beloved South Suburban Chicago Chapter. A BIG thank you to our Associate Jewels who inspired us with their pearls of wisdom and told us stories about times past in Jack and Jill. The panel, moderated by Deadra Woods Stokes was full of energy!! Thank you to Eileen

Letts, Ankhe McDonald-Bradley and Betheny Lyke for participating on the panel. Kudos to the fabulous Founders Day Committee Tonya Coats, Danielle Broadwater, Karimiah McKee, Stephanie Pearson-Davis, Tracie Hayes, Alison Wright, Betheny Lyke and Lisa Sheppard!! Thank you also to Kimberly Mitchell, LaTosha Mayes and Rashida Downing for your assistance.



MLK Day of Service 2020

JJSSCC's MLK Day of Service led by Program Director Alison Anderson Wright and Chair Mariba



Smith-Woods was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who attended, donated food and toiletries and assisted throughout the event. In just 2 hours, 175 bags of food were packed as we do our part to tackle hunger in support of the 2020 Souper Bowl of Caring initiative. We also registered 7 new voters, created anti-bullying cards and crafted caps for preemies with help from our children, teens and guests! Jac Pac Dad, Peter St. Jean led a "Peaceology" presentation on leadership and we heard from a 2020 Census Rep. We were also very fortunate to partner with the Skyline Metropolitan Chicago Chapter of TLOD. Thank you Associate Monica

Lewis Fox for the donation of bags from the National Kidney Foundation! The bags were used to pack the donated food and toiletries. Lastly, many thanks to the Homewood-Flossmoor Chronicle for featuring our activity!



Jack and Jill School Days "The After Party" 2020

The South Suburban Chicago Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated will host our annual Fundraiser on Sunday, March 8, 2019 at Tuscany Falls Banquets in Mokena, Illinois from 2 pm to 7 pm. You are invited to attend this historically well-



attended, high-profile event.

The event will be a Day-Party and you are welcome to invite your significant others or friends. Proceeds from “School Days: The After Party-A Mission, Vision and Purpose for 2020 will benefit not only National Jack and Jill Foundation, but also support chapter community outreach efforts and college scholarships for high school Seniors.

You and your guests will experience an event that will not only be fun, but meaningful as we “party

with a purpose” and bring the college experience to life. If you weren’t in attendance last year, this is the year to come!

Event Features:

- Open Bar
- Hors d’oeuvres/Signature Drinks
- Lunch/Dessert
- Live Music
- DJ
- “Blue Carpet” Photos
- Luxury Raffle Items
- Call to Action
- ...and MORE!!!

Attire: “Sneaker Chic”

Ladies-wear your cocktail attire with sneakers-yes, sneakers! Think sparkly “Chucks” or any other jazzy sneaker that you’d like to wear.

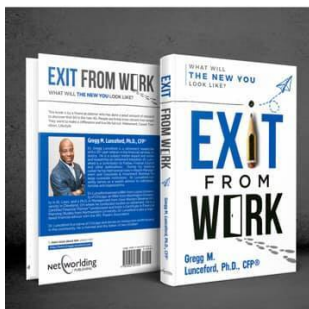
REQUESTED but NOT REQUIRED

Men-collared shirts and suits (no T-shirts); feel free to wear sneakers or “Chucks” with your suits. Have fun with it! *No T-shirts, No jeans*

[Click here to purchase tickets](#)

Kudos Corner

Kudos to Jac Pac Dad, Gregg Lunceford, husband of



Mother Member Susette Lunceford for the publication of his new book "Exit From Work". This book explores the growing number of people living longer lives and the options they have before them. You can support Gregg by purchasing a copy of his book online at Amazon. Congratulations Gregg on this wonderful accomplishment!!

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

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