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Message From Our President



Welcome back!

It gives me great pleasure to welcome the wonderful Mothers of the South Suburban Chicago Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated for what will be a fabulous Program Year! This summer, we have relaxed, traveled, chauffeured, planned, danced, and prayed. Some of our children have left the "nest" to attend college; and all our children have started a brand-

new school year full of hope and encouraged to do and be their best. What about you? What did you do for you? As Moms, at times, we really have to stop and think about this question. It is my hope that this Program Year not only brings you great experiences in Jack and Jill, but great experiences as a Mom. Time to LEVEL U.P.!

As we venture forward and begin planning our activities, let's think outside of the box. There are so many ways that we can be impactful and purposeful in Jack and Jill. This summer, I left our Mid-Western Regional Conference revved up and ready! Ready to tap into the amazing resources that we have within our chapter to do some amazing things. Let's leave our mark on our communities and Jack and Jill.

I am "JJSSCC PROUD" of our chapter and proud to be your President. Again, welcome back!

Welcome back to a circle of encouragement, support, and yes, hard work. You'll be fine...you're a Queen, right?

Daleta Mitchell President

Jack and Jill/Carole Robertson Day at The Classic Fundraiser

Join us in celebrating Jack and Jill/Carole Robertson Day on **Saturday**, **September 14, 2019** while giving back to our communities. A Community Service Fundraiser supporting the Chicago Football Classic Scholarship Fund and Jack and Jill Foundation to bridge the gap by helping a deserving student receive an education at an HBCU. Each mother member is encouraged to contribute a minimum donation of \$10 in support of the Chicago Classic Scholarship. Please submit your donation at the Mother's Meeting on **Tuesday**, **September 10th**.

Jack and Jill Day 2019

"A Pink and Blue Carnival"

Saturday **September 21, 2019** Dolphin Lake Park 2700 W 183rd St Homewood, IL 12pm-3pm

Payment information: \$35 JJSSCC Moms and Dads \$30 JJSSCC Children \$40 All guests

Food, Fellowship, and Fun for all ages!

Please bring your payments to the September Mother's Meeting on 9/10/19 or for your convenience payments may be made via Eventbrite.

Please note that no personal checks will be accepted from guests.

We are also collecting school supplies to assist the Ford Heights Boys and Girls Club with their after-school activities.

To assist with planning, please also RSVP via Evite by September 14th.

IL Area Fall Workday

We are just a few short days away from the close of registration for the IL Area Workday- "The University of Jack and Jill". Just a reminder that the last day to register for the cluster is **9/15**. There are no late registrations.

We look forward to seeing you October 25 - 27, 2019 as you participate in our engaging and applied mini-classes on governance, Jack and Jill financial literacy, best in class programming, membership engagement, strategic planning and much more. Collectively, they will prepare your chapter to operate with both knowledge and understanding.

Teens, grades 8th through 12th, will have an opportunity to exercise their leadership skills while learning and having fun with teens from across the cluster. As done in the past, there will be an oratorical contest for teens in the 8th – 12th grade. This year's contest will be based on the TLC Theme - "Embracing our Legacy - Our Culture, Our Heritage, Our Greatness"

The cost of registration is \$165 for adults and teens.

Click here to register

Follow the link below to book your room at the Jack and Jill rate of \$119.00 (plus Tax). The conference rate will be available until **October 4**, 2019. Make Your Hyatt Hotel Reservations

Up The Hill

It's almost that time of year again! Submissions for the 2020 edition of Up the Hill will be due by **January 15th, 2020.**

Up the Hill is the annual publication that showcases who Jack and Jill of America, Incorporated is as a national organization. In addition to highlighting the many projects and activities planned by our chapters, it provides a medium for us to celebrate our families, Regions, Debs, Beaus, and graduating seniors.

If you would like your family, graduating senior, deb and/or beau to be featured in

this publication, please submit the photo you would like to use no later than January 15th (.jpg or .pdf ONLY).

While all families are able to submit a photo, being featured in UTH is especially important for our graduating seniors! For moms of graduating seniors/debutantes/beaus, a bio will be needed to accompany your photo submission (*no more than 100 words- if you send more than 100 words your submission will be edited).

Please send all photos and bios to Editor Alsberry at editor@jackandjillsscc.com. Submissions will only be accepted at this email address. If you have any questions, please contact Editor Alsberry.

More information and details to follow in the upcoming weeks.

2019 Mid-Western Region Mother's Conference

The 2019 Mid-Western Region Mothers Conference held this summer was a wonderful time of learning, bonding, empowerment and enrichment. We said farewell to the Regional Exec Board and elected a new Regional Board including the return of Director Gibson as RD. South Suburban represented on the Regional Team. Shout out to Mothers Tonya L Coats and Kimberly M. Mitchell for your exemplary service on the Regional level! Our MOTY Susette Kanion Lunceford as our chapter Outstanding Mother and IPD Tracie Rainey-Hayes were recognized as our chapter Outstanding Leader. It was really wonderful to see Teen Veronica Goldstein, daughter of KM Orlandi, in photos capturing her tenure as Regional Teen Secretary. Extra special thanks to the Moms who attended (9 total) We were engaged and no-doubt energized as attendance at a Regional Conference or National Convention is not only fun, but the big picture that it gives of Jack and Jill is invaluable.

Anti-Bullying PSA

"The Power To Make A Difference"

School bullying is an issue that we are all concerned about. In fact, addressing school bullying is an initiative of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Recently there has been reported incidences of school bullying in the Frankfort School District 157-C, a district that resides in the JJSSCC service area. As concerned parents there are actions we can take individually to assist with encouraging the FSD 157-C administration and school board to take this matter seriously and to take action.

You can call the FSD 157c's District office at 815-469-5922. Ask...

Why isn't the district following their zero tolerance policy? Why is bullying pervasive in the district? What is the timeline for bullying investigations? What can we as concerned citizens do to help eliminate bullying in schools.

Stop.Bullying.Now
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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