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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Greetings Mothers of the West Suburban Chicago Chapter,

As the holiday season envelops us in its warmth and joy, it's the perfect time to celebrate the unsung heroes of our lives- the mothers. In the grand story of life, each of us holds a unique chapter filled with love, sacrifice and unwavering support.

We are the conductors of the family orchestra, weaving melodies of love that resonate through the years. With every lullaby sung and every bedtime story whispered they compose a symphony that becomes the soundtrack of our lives. Just as the artist carefully chooses each color to create a masterpiece, we intricately craft the moments that shape our families' memories. Every detail is a stroke on the canvas of love. In the tapestry of family traditions, mothers are the skilled weavers. From baking the special holiday cookies to adorning the house with twinkling lights, we pass down the essence of celebration from one generation to the next, creating a legacy of warmth and togetherness. The greatest gift we give is the gift of unconditional love. It's a love that knows no bounds, a love that lights up even the darkest corners of our lives.

As we gathered around the table at our annual Holiday Party, I was able to reflect on this beauty of motherhood with each laugh shared, tear wiped away, and milestone celebrated as a testament to the incredible journey that mothers embark upon with grace and resilience.

This holiday season, I want to express my gratitude for the warmth you all bring to the West Suburban Chicago Chapter. This is an organization dedicated to mothers, so let's embrace the magic of the holidays and cherish the moments we create together. May the love we share be the brightest star on our family tree, and the memories we craft be the ornaments that adorn our hearts.

Happy Holidays to the incredible mothers who make every season brighter. May your days be filled with joy, laughter, and the warmth of family.

With appreciation for what you do, and who you are...

Chapter President Courtney Wade



ABOUT US

Founded in 1983, West Suburban Chicago Chapter consists of an incredible group of mothers lending their diverse backgrounds and talents to making a difference in our home, community, and country.

As we all continue to navigate new ways of life with advanced technology and artificial intelligence, we are confident that WSCC will continue to deploy creative solutions and activities to engage our families and serve our community.

Editor Team

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

We are a membership organization of mothers with children ages 2 to 19, dedicated to nurturing future leaders by supporting children through leadership development, volunteer service, philanthropic giving and civic duty.

Pictures from the the Chapter Retreat held Nov. 11-12, 2023.



MEMBERSHIP UPCOMING EVENTS

January

1/15 - MLK Day of Service

1/20 - Breakfast Club

1/28 - Founders Day & Associate Celebration

February

2/17 - Breakfast Club

April

4/11 - New Member Training

4/25 - New Member Training



CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY

On Sunday, December 10th, WSCC families along with perspective new mothers enjoyed food, music, holiday crafts, festive decor, and a special visit from Santa.

It's the most wonderful time of the year!

MERRY CHRISTMAS



SAVE THE DATE FOUNDER'S DAY & ASSOCIATE APPRECIATION



&

ASSOCIATES APPRECIATION CELEBRATION

SUNDAY JANUARY 28, 2024
1:00PM - 4:00PM

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF LEGACY

Eddie Merlots
28254 Deihl Road Warrenville IL

welcome Transfer Mothers

MOTHER DESHA JASON & FAMILY



We are excited to welcome our transfer moms and their families into the WSCC family. Please reach out to them with a warm welcome!

MOTHER SHARON COOPER & FAMILY



PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Chapter Programming is the “heart” of the organization. It is the way that we “create a medium of contact for children that stimulates growth and development.” The Programming Team has been busy this summer preparing to welcome our and children with exciting, innovative, and culturally centered activities.

Save the Date: MLK Day, January 15, 2023

Congratulations to the 2022-23 Bronze Your Volunteer Winners

Camille Fazal
Alivia Hines
Ari Sisnett
Kaden Wynn
Nicholas Fleming

National Teen Leadership Summit (NTLS) Reminder

We need to proactively track curriculum/module credit for those interested so please let LTA Stephanie Hebron or TA Tiffany Morgan know if you want your teen to attend the NTLS at National Convention.

PROGRAMMING CAPTURES



SAVE THE DATE MLK DAY OF SERVICE



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MLK DAY OF SERVICE

SMALL ACTS LEAD TO BIG CHANGE

JANUARY 15, 2024

9:30A-12:30P

PROGRAM AND SERVICE PROJECT

EOLA COMMUNITY CENTER, 555 S EOLA RD., AURORA, IL 60504, ROOM 104

IN COMMUNITY NEWS ...



stay in the know

Thank you for making the November Chapter Wide Community Service Project a success!

\$3,000+ pledged by Chapter Mothers and used to purchase non-perishable food items

120 grocery bags packed by Chapter volunteers and delivered to Hesed House (Aurora, IL)

Here's a list of local organizations with family-friendly opportunities (with age min.) to explore:

- [West Suburban Community Pantry](#) (8+)
- [Inside Out Club DuPage](#)
- [Feed My Starving Children](#) (5+)
- [Ronald McDonald House](#) - Central DuPage Hospital (13+)
- [Northern Illinois Food Bank](#) - Joliet location (8+)

We've put together a helpful resource with information on these nonprofits & more. Take a look [here!](#)

A CALL FOR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Do you want to recommend a community service partner for volunteer activities?

Do you know of an impactful organization that could benefit from a Jack and Jill Foundation grant?



If you answered "yes" to either of these questions, use this QR Code to complete the WSCC Community Partner Survey and let us know!

CHAPTER COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY



LET'S DO GOOD TOGETHER!

drop in do good

Join WSCC Mothers & their families for an afternoon of community service during Winter Break!

WHEN: Thursday, December 28th
4:30pm - 6:15pm

WHERE: Feed My Starving Children
555 Exchange Court, Aurora, IL 60504

HOW: Sign up at <https://bit.ly/FMSCWSCC>
Group Name: Jack and Jill WSCC
Group Leader: Karyn Lee

Note: You must create an account when registering
Open to volunteers age 5+

May your days be

Merry & Bright

this Christmas
season and
throughout the
New Year

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