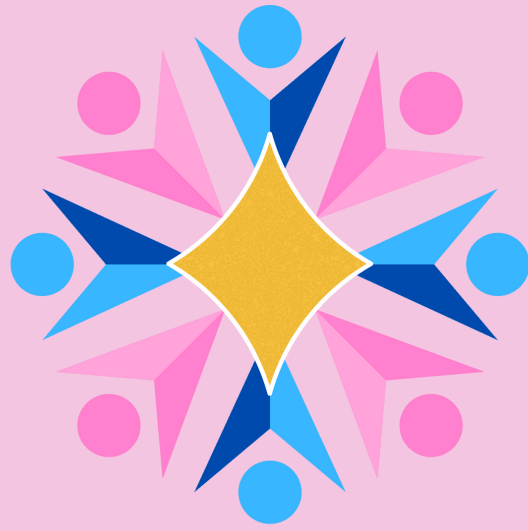


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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Mothers,

Welcome to the 2023-24 Program Year. We have a phenomenal year planned to include our Inaugural Beautillion Fundraiser. The chapter's success is dependent on each of us. And our children's experience rests in our hands. I look forward to working with each of you to make it the best year ever!

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 Mother's Retreat in July 2023, San Juan Puerto Rico.

MEMBERSHIP UPCOMING EVENTS

*October 5th
Sponsor/Co-Sponsor Training*

*October 22nd
Informational Tea*

*November 2nd
Alternate Sponsor/Co-Sponsor Training*

*November 11-12th
Chapter Retreat*

*December 10th
Holiday Party*



PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS



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.

Over the summer, Mother Dorothy Sisnett developed and launched WSCC’s Magnificent Middle School Leadership Team, MMLT. The MMLT purpose was born to provide middle school students the opportunity to develop leadership skills as they prepare to transition into the Trailblazer Grade Group. The Leadership Roles consists of a Chair, Co-Chair, and Liaison. Navigators (7th and 8th grade) had the opportunity to run an election for various leadership roles. Sixth graders were appointed to liaison leadership roles.

The Middle Schoolers campaigned throughout the summer and elections were held on July 19th; followed by an end of summer pool party at the River Run Club. We are excited to see these leaders serve in their purpose.

Many of our other grade groups also engaged in some social fun from golfing to bowling.

On Sunday, September 10th, we hosted our annual Jack and Jill Day event at Wheatland Community Park in Aurora, IL. Our day was filled with fun, activities, great food, and lots of socializing as our chapter enjoyed music by our very own, DJ Tate Morris! The “WSCC School Daze” theme encouraged families to show their school pride by sporting their alma mater, favorite collegiate or Jack and Jill gear. New to the annual event was a Bake Off! With bragging rights awarded to Maya & Camille Fazal.

PROGRAMMING CAPTURES



JACK & JILL DAY CAPTURES



IN THE NEWS ...
BY MOTHER LINDA TYLER

A TYLERMAN FILMS DOCUMENTARY

A PRIVATE SCREENING

One family's journey in seeking justice for their son
who was executed by the Minneapolis and St. Paul police.



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CHARGE?

THE AMIR LOCKE STORY

PRODUCED, WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY ANDREW TYLER EXECUTIVE PRODUCER AND PRODUCER LINDA KAY TYLER

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NEKIMA LEVY ARMSTRONG	JONATHAN MCLELLAN	ROB DOAR	ATTY. BENJAMIN CRUMP	ATTY. JEFF STORMS	ATTY. ANTONIO ROMANUCCI

WITH APPEARANCES BY:
REV. AL SHARPTON
DEBORAH WATTS

INTERVIEWS
WITH:

22-year-old Amir Locke was fatally shot while Minneapolis police were serving a no-knock warrant. The family of Amir Locke is courageously sharing their story with the hopes of changing laws and saving future black lives.

stay in the know

IN COMMUNITY NEWS ...



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We're excited to kick off the Program Year focused on serving others. 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!



ON THE HILL LEGISLATIVE SUMMIT SEPTEMBER 22-25, 2023

On the Hill Legislative Summit is the greatest opportunity for our Teens to take part in (and) experience the legislative process. The 3 Day Summit consists of business forums, financial seminars, mental health pop-ups, and Advocacy Training sessions. We are excited to hear from our teens that will be attending.

GET READY!! MOTHER'S RETREAT

*The Membership Committee is excited to host our Mother's Retreat themed, **Reconnect, Destress, and ReEmerge Your Very Best.** November 11-12th, 2023*

We look forward to bringing Mothers together; relaxing, relating, and releasing all stress to prepare for the new year!



OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



"WE HAVE BEEN REPORTING THIS SAME DISPARITY YEAR AFTER YEAR FOR A DECADE. THE DIFFERENCES IN DEATH RATES ARE NOT EXPLAINED BY BLACK WOMEN HAVING MORE AGGRESSIVE CANCERS. IT IS TIME FOR HEALTH SYSTEMS TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT HOW THEY ARE CARING DIFFERENTLY FOR BLACK WOMEN."

REBECCA SIEGEL, MPH
SENIOR SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR
ACS CANCER SURVEILLANCE

GET YOUR GIRLS CHECKED!

TEST YOUR J&J HISTORY

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WHAT YEAR WAS JACK AND JILL FOUNDED AND WHO WAS THE INITIAL ORGANIZER?

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NAME 3 CHAPTERS ESTABLISHED AFTER THE INITIAL FOUNDING.

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WHO IS THE CURRENT 2023-2025 MIDWESTERN REGION DIRECTOR?

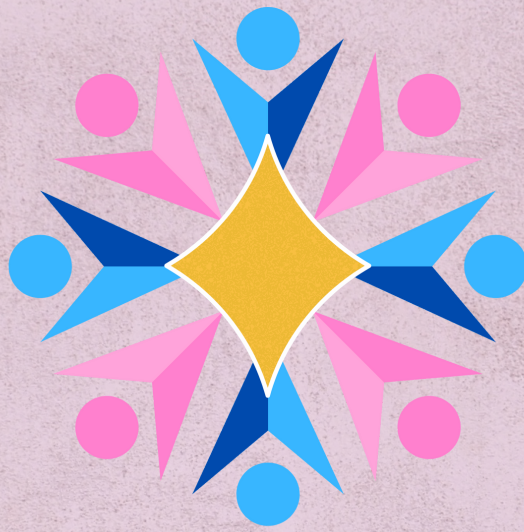
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IN WHAT YEAR WAS THE WEST SUBURBAN CHICAGO CHAPTER FOUNDED?

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