

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE WEST SUBURBAN CHICAGO CHAPTER

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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Greetings Mothers of the West Suburban Chicago Chapter,

As we step into March, we embark on a journey of celebration, reflection, and empowerment. March is not just another month on the calendar; it's a time dedicated to commemorating the remarkable contributions and achievements of women throughout history. Women's History Month is a time to honor the strength, resilience, and leadership of women around the world.

This month, we pay tribute to the trailblazers who shattered glass ceilings, the unsung heroes who fought tirelessly for equality, and the everyday women who continue to inspire us with their courage and determination. From political leaders and scientists to artists and activists, women have played an indispensable role in shaping our society and advancing progress in every field imaginable.

In our own West Suburban Chicago community, we are fortunate to be surrounded by countless incredible women who embody the spirit of empowerment and drive positive change every day. Whether it's through the care of their children, leadership in the work place, or unwavering commitment to our shared goals, these women are the heart and soul of our organization.

As we celebrate Women's History Month, let us not only reflect on the past accomplishments of women but also commit ourselves to creating a more inclusive and equitable future for our children. Let us continue to amplify women's voices and advocate for gender equality.

I value the opportunities for us to come together, learn from each other, and inspire one another.Together, let us reaffirm our commitment to fostering a culture of diversity, inclusion, and empowerment within our organization and beyond. Thank you to all the phenomenal mothers who continue to inspire us and make a difference in the world. Happy Women's History Month!

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



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.

A few pictures from the Founder's Day & Associate Celebration held at Eddie Merlots on Sunday, January 28, 2024.

MEMBERSHIP UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 4/11 - New Member Training 4/25 - New Member Training **MAY** 5/21 - Installation Ceremony





PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Middle School Leadership team donates \$4,500 to GiGi's Playhouse.



The Trailblazers hosts Pitch Perfect.



PROGRAMMING CAPTURES





Who says being driven is a had thing?

RAIDERS





WSCC BEAUTILLION SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

COULTION GLOWING WITH GREATNESS Gelebrating Black Excellence and Brilliance

West Suburbar Chicago

SUNDAY APRIL 21, 2024 5:30PM

THE MORTON ARBORETUM 4100 IL-53 LISLE, IL 60532

> After Party DJ VINCE ADAMS 9:00 – 10:30PM

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Mistress of Ceremonies SAMANTHA CHATMAN ANCHOR | REPORTER ABC 7 CHICAGO SCAN TO PURCHASE TICKETS



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SAVE THE DATE NATIONAL CONVENTION



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ELEBRATING A MASTERPIECE OF LIFE, LOVE, LEADERSHIP, & LEGA

NATIONAL CONVENTION INFORMATION

MARCH 26, 2024 9:00PM EASTERN

IN COMMUNITY NEWS ...



In December 2023, some Chapter families gathered at Feed My Starving Children (Aurora, IL) to participate in the inaugural WSCC "Drop In, Do Good" community service opportunity. These are smaller scale opportunities designed to help Chapter families serve their community together. Stay tuned for our next scheduled Chapter service activity!

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! Due to your incredible generosity, the WSCC exceeded the regional ask for the 2024 Souper Bowl of Caring!

<u>Total Food Collected*</u> **1,386** Ibs of food **1,700** total items The Regional Ask was **61** Ibs of food per Chapter

Thank you!

*Food purchased and packaged for the November 2023 Chapter-wide Community Service Project

Coming Soon:

Mid-Western Region Month of Service (May 2024) The Literacy Lighthouse: Leading to a Brighter Tomorrow

March of Dimes 2024

More details to follow

LET'S DO GOOD TOGETHER!

ONGOING COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



WSCC Mothers Karyn Lee and Crystal Banks recently spent a morning with Inside Out Club DuPage compiling kindness kits that will be donated to West Suburban Community Pantry

Are you looking for volunteer opportunities for you and your family?



http://bit.ly/3rnM21w

Scan the QR Code above or follow the link to check out our list of ongoing community service opportunities in the Western Suburbs

Don't forget to track your child's community service hours!

FOR OUR FUTURE

Jack & Jill State Day at the Capitol is rescheduled for May. Details and flyer will be available soon!

Upcoming Legislative Actions:

Primaries – March 19th - 2024 races include Federal (President, Congressional Seats, Congressional Delegates, and Representatives) and County (i.e. County CEO, County Circuit Court, State's Attorney, County Auditor, County Board, etc.); and Judicial Races

Registration Deadlines

IN PERSON: Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Other Important Websites

DuPage County Republicans (dupagegop.com)

<u>The Democratic Party of DuPage County | democratic | 833 Geneva</u> <u>Road, Carol Stream, IL, USA (dupagedemocrats.com)</u>

<u>Will County Democratic Party – Will County Democratic Central</u> <u>Committee (willcountydemocrats.com)</u>

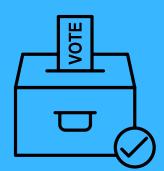
The Democratic Party of Kane County (kanedems.org)

DuPage County Republicans (dupagegop.com)

Home | Kane County Republican Party (kanegop.org)

Republicans | Will County Republican Central Committee

New Lenox (willcountygop.com)





Her Skin a Rich Mahogany. A Striking Opal Hue. Her Beauty so Grand She Radiates Through and Through Her Eyes like Geep Pools of <mark>Gold</mark>. Her Hair a Natural Wild Mane. She is Strong. she is Bold. A Black Melanated Мадгарізх



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