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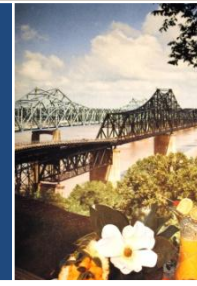
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Newsletter of the Junior Auxiliary of Vicksburg

Junior Auxiliary of VICKSBURG



Spring 2013

President's Message

Aristotle tells us that we are the sum of our actions and motivation. His words resonated with me personally as I reflected on the last four years of service in the Junior Auxiliary of Vicksburg. It has been an honor and a privilege to be a part of something so special and impactful within my community. As the President of JAV, I appreciate the premise that an individual's cumulative actions can result in a fantastic end product.

We have had a remarkable year filled with growth and change. The membership has faced challenges that continue to define the strength of our chapter and promote unity focused on service. We have had to take a step back with the changes facing our economy and realize that our roots are based in service and have taken action to meet the needs of our children.

We have recently been reminded that life is precious and we should live every moment to the fullest. We must value our life experiences and pay tribute to the positive outcomes. Obstacles should only be seen as stepping stones toward greatness. The opportunity to positively impact the lives of our children in Warren County is a tremendous task that all members, both past and present, have made possible through hard work and dedication.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone who had a part in making the 2012-2013 year a huge success. Words cannot express my appreciation for the love and support I have received throughout my term as President. I have no doubts that my successor will continue to lead your Junior Auxiliary of Vicksburg towards a promising future. We will continue to face challenges, but I have complete faith that we will overcome any obstacle with grace, honor, and integrity.

Snapshot

The Junior Auxiliary of Vicksburg helped with the 4th Annual Chili for Children Cook-Off sponsored by K Hits 104.5 and Lady Luck Casino on January 26, 2013. Proceeds helped the Mississippi Children's Home Services Warren County Children's Shelter. Pictured (from left): Cathy Ann Goss, Heather Murphy, Amy Scott, and Katie Feibelman.




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**JUNIOR AUXILIARY
OF VICKSBURG**

God Bless,
Kristy Cole
2012-2013 JAV President

how we serve ...

2013-2014 Service Projects

JAV CARES

Providing children's activities, resources, education, and support during hospital stays at River Region Health System

CAMP SILVERCLOUD

Summer camp for mentally and physically challenged children

CHILDREN'S SHELTER

Activities, parties, and babysitting for children at the Warren County Children's Shelter

INK (INSPIRATIONAL NOTES FOR KIDS)

Pen-pal relationships with local 4th graders

FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

Providing young disadvantaged mothers and children with knowledge, skills, and supplies needed for quality child rearing

LEAPS (LEARNING TO EAT AND PLAY SAFELY)

Teaching nutrition, fitness, and safety to school-aged children

CAP CENTER

A mentoring program to school-aged children who need a positive role model and encouragement



READ (READING ENRICHMENT AND DEVELOPMENT)

Enhancing children's love of reading

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Providing basic items to the Vicksburg Warren School District's social workers and needy families

JAV Celebrates JA Week

The hard work goes on year round, but during the first week of April each year, the Junior Auxiliary of Vicksburg pauses to say thanks to the community for another great year.

A year packed with service to families and children through nine service projects that include everything from pen-pal relationships with school children to transforming a Christmas tree into a Valentine tree for children at the local hospital.

This year JA Week, April 7-12, kicks off with the fifth annual Birdie, Bogey, and Boogie for Kids golf tournament and party on April 5th. Then, all week long, the Junior Auxiliary of Vicksburg will receive submissions of artwork from local high school students participating in the JAV CARES Student Art Competition which wraps up on April 12th. "I love the idea and I know the patients will enjoy the artwork. Thanks for everything the Junior Auxiliary of Vicksburg has done to make our pediatric unit special," said Pam White of River Region Health System. Winning artwork will be framed and featured on the pediatric floor of the hospital. Finally, JAV is celebrating the completion of provisional members' Plant-A-Seed project which was implemented at Vicksburg Intermediate School. Students have learned about growing plants, fruits, and vegetables in addition to environmental awareness, responsibility, and nutrition. Please join us in saying thanks to our community!



we will miss ...

Farewell to Class 5

Thank you to Class 5 members. We appreciate your years of dedication and service. You made a difference in the lives of the children in Warren County.

Kara Brister – Officer Positions: Second Vice President, Co-Recording Secretary; Projects: Camp Silvercloud, Family Development

Katie Feibelman – Officer Positions: Treasurer, Co-Treasurer, Committees: Finance; Projects: Family Development

Salli Hobson – Projects: Safety Town, Camp Silvercloud

Allyson Johnston – Officer Positions: Corresponding Secretary; Projects: INK, Camp Silvercloud

Stacey Lambiotte – Officer Positions: Projects, Co-Projects; Projects: Community Outreach

Laura Dow Madison – Officer Positions: Fundraising, Co-Fundraising; Projects: Children's Shelter

Kimberly Mansfield – Officer Positions: Publications, Co-Publications; Projects: LEAP

Karla McHan – Officer Positions: Second Vice President, Publications, Co-Publications; Projects: Camp Silvercloud

Ginger Parker – Officer Positions: Projects, Co-Projects; Projects: LEAP

Molly Procell – Officer Positions: Projects, Co-Projects; Projects: INK, Family Development, JAV CARES

Amy Scott – Officer Positions: Recording Secretary, Co-Recording Secretary; Committees: Constitution; Projects: Adopt-A-Family, LEAP, JAV CARES

Lisa Sudderth – Projects: Community Outreach, LEAP



JAV President Kristy Cole and Recording Secretary Allison Brewer at the 2012 AEC Conference in Little Rock, AR.

AEC Conference

The 2013 Annual Education Conference will be held at the Memphis Marriott in Memphis, TN on June 7 and 8, 2013.

For more information, go to www.najanet.org.



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River Region pediatric nurses stand by a door decoration provided by JAV CARES.



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Peter Cauthen (Vicksburg Catholic School)
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Elizabeth Holloway (Porter's Chapel Academy)

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Clara Grace Turner (Vicksburg Catholic School)

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