

Winter Newsletter

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IMPORTANT MEETING TIMES:

- **Thursday, 4:30 PM - OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOLS**
- **Thursday, 5:00 PM—DISCUSSION GROUP LEADERS**
- **Thursday, 5:45 - ALL ADVISORS—We will have a short orientation meeting.**
- **Thursday, 6:15—NEW ADVISORS—for all first time advisor attending convention**
- **Thursday, 7:00—Opening Session will begin**
- **FRIDAY, 11:30—Advisor luncheon, business meeting and district meetings**

2009 CONVENTION AT WAYNESVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

- Make plans to attend the 61th Annual State Convention at Waynesville High School in Waynesville, MO.
- The Convention Registration Brochure is included in this email. Be sure to read all information carefully.
- Regular Registration deadline for convention will be Feb 6
- Late Registration deadline for Convention will be Feb 13—an additional \$50 fee will be added to the cost. Your school will not be guaranteed convention shirts and nametags.
- Waynesville High School will offer a pizza dinner on Thursday evening for all schools. Pizza will be available for purchase—buy a whole one or by the slice!
- You may wish to order Convention Shirts with the Convention logo for only \$12 each. Pre-Pay orders only.
- Health forms and Participant Commitment forms are on the website YOU MUST bring these with you to the convention.
- Host family information will be mailed back to you with directions to the school and updated information about one week before the convention.
- Schools who plan to run for office should see information in the convention brochure. Follow the deadline/guidelines closely.
- Schools who would like to assist with student Discussion Groups, please contact: Vice President Schools:
West Platte HS
Poplar Bluff JH
- Scholarships and Award information is included in this newsletter. Be sure to nominate your students for these awards!

State Honor Council Awards

Karen Haak, director of our Honor Council Award has announced the applications are available on the website. ONLY those schools who are eligible may apply. Please follow the application guidelines and direct questions to Karen. Remember, for the

award, photographs must be included in your application to qualify.

Pictures will be used in the Honor Council presentation at the state convention.

If possible email the pictures to Karen and include the name of the school in your email.

Karen's contact information:
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Moberly MO 65270
teacherhaak@sbcglobal.net
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SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS INFORMATION

Several scholarships and award recognitions are available to students and advisors from MASC.

Applications can be downloaded at:

www.mascl.org

SCHOLARSHIPS REQUIRING AN APPLICATION CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM WEBSITE and ARE TYPABLE

Many times in the past there have not been many applicants for these awards. Please take the time to assist your student leaders and recog-

MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS SCHOLARSHIP

Completed applications must be returned directly to MSAE OFFICE, Jefferson City, MO.

\$1500 scholarship awarded to outstanding student council leader. DUE: Feb 28

Each school can nominate one senior—preferably your president or other officer

NONA HYDE – LENORA YOUNGER SCHOLARSHIPS

Completed applications **returned** by **March 1**.

Two scholarships to attend MASC Summer Leadership Workshop at William Woods University.

Provides full registration. Any student 9 – 11 in current school year is eligible

Interviews will be conducted at convention on Thursday— the nominee must be one of the regular delegates.

MARVIN FLEMING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Completed applications **returned** by **March 1**.

Letter of recommendation from advisor nominating student and outlining the student's qualities and experiences

Each school may nominate one student council member

Scholarship to MASC Workshop at William Woods University, Fulton, MO

MEL GUEMMER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Completed applications **returned** by **March 1**.

Letter of recommendation from advisor nominating student and outlining the student's experiences.

Student must be a student council member and varsity letter winner in any sport.

Letter of recommendation from student council advisor Verification of varsity letter from a coach or athletic director.

Scholarship includes full registration to MASC Workshop at William Woods University, Fulton, MO

OUTSTANDING JUNIOR HIGH-MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARD

Student must be a registered delegate at Webb City High School MASC Convention

Current Junior High-Middle School student GPA of C or above Actively involved in Student Council

Completed applications due by March 1 to: Charlotte Dudenhoefter, Lewis & Clark MS, Jeff City, MO 65109

Interviews will take place at convention and winner will be announced Saturday morning.

DR. GRACE GARDNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Completed applications **returned** by **March 1**.

Provided to a Middle School – Junior High student to attend MASC Leadership Camp in June at William Woods

UMKC STUDENT LEADER SCHOLARSHIP

Completed applications **returned** by March 1

This is a great scholarship opportunity for student council leaders. UMKC is offering 8 scholarships to STUCO seniors who plan to attend their campus in the fall, 2008 The \$2000 scholarship is available ONLY to student council members.

Contact UMKC Admission Director: Jennifer Deheamers—816-235-1111

DENNIS LOCK AND KEVIN “CUBBY” HOUSKA SCHOLARSHIP

Completed applications **returned** by March 1

There are two special scholarships available to high school students to attend MASC Summer Leadership Camp in Fulton, MO. One honors former executive director, Dennis Lock, who now teaches in Las Vegas, NV and the other is in memory of former camp JC and Mehlville HS graduate, Kevin “Cubby” Houska.

Cubby Scholarship—Application on the website.

Dennis Lock Scholarship—Send a letter of nomination, outlining student accomplishments to Terri by March 1.

Additional scholarships will be available for 2 students and 2 advisors in the April Newsletter. These scholarships will provide the opportunity to attend Summer Leadership Camp in June.. Watch for updates! Remember—check out the MASC website for scholarship applications. It's easy...and all the scholarship forms can be typed or downloaded!

NATIONAL STUDENT COUNCIL AWARDS

National Association of Student Councils will be awarding Honor Council Awards for the third time this year through the National Office. The award documentation runs from January 1, 2008 to December, 31, 2008. Applications should be postmarked by February, 2008. There will be two levels of the award. Applications can be found at

www.nasc.us—Scholarships and Awards

The application process is very similar to the Missouri Honor Council Award. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to recognize your council. More Missouri schools were recognized last year than any other state in the union!

NATIONAL CERTIFIED STUDENT LEADER

Certified Student Leader program is a rigorous and challenging national skill and knowledge-based recognition program created by the NASC to identify outstanding individual student council leaders in high schools. Students earning the CSL designation will have demonstrated their personal leadership abilities and met the skills and criteria established by NASC. Unlike scholarships or recognitions that have limited numbers of winners, all student council leadership in NASC schools who successfully meet the criteria will be recognized.

This new program, just introduced by NASC is now available on the NASC website. The program guidelines for both the student and advisor can be downloaded. The process and subsequent recognition is an ideal way for student leaders to earn certification which could be placed on resumes and college applications.

Please go to: www.nasc.us for additional information or contact the National office with questions.

INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR MASC STATE OFFICE?

NEW GUIDELINES are being put in place for schools running for MASC office. Please read these carefully and call or email Terri if you have questions regarding state office.

1. **Candidates for President may bring 8 delegates to convention. Other offices may bring ONLY 4 delegates.**
2. **Candidates will be doing presentations from the stage. These will be done on THURSDAY night at the opening session.**
3. **All candidate schools will be expected to have a campaign booth which will be set up Thursday evening and Friday morning.**

4. **Schools who would like to run for office need to send a letter, declaring candidacy by Feb 13, 2009 to Terri. The letter should be signed by the school advisor and council president. A letter from the principal giving permission to run for office should be included.**

Candidate schools will receive guidelines and rules for campaigning after their candidacy letters have been received.

MAKE TRAVEL PLANS ACCORDINGLY—ALL OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOLS MUST BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING AT WEBB CITY HIGH SCHOOL ON THURSDAY AT 4:30 PM.

Officer Schools will be involved in the planning and arrangements for the State

Convention. The President School will send a representative to the National Convention at Highlands Ranch HS, Colorado in June, 2009

OFFICER SCHOOLS MUST COMMIT TO ATTEND PLANNING MEETINGS THROUGH OUT THE YEAR.

All offices are held by high school level councils EXCEPT for 2nd Vice President.

*****PRESIDENT**—Convention host, 2010

*****1st VICE PRESIDENT**—Select topics and discussion leaders for high school delegates

*****2nd VICE PRESIDENT**—Select topics and discussion leaders for Jr High/Middle Level delegates

*****SECRETARY**—Prepare minutes of annual convention, provide mailroom at convention

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Email Terri to join the list-serve!

Show-Me Leadership Website:
www.masc1.org

SPECIAL OLYMPICS—OUR STATE CHARITY

Special Olympics has long been our Charity of Choice. MASC donated nearly \$45,000 and logged over 10,000 volunteer man hours in 2008. We must continue to do our part and help this vital organization. Special Olympics will be highlighted at our State Convention this year. Your students will be moved by the presenters and learn how important their role is in its success. Special Olympics has appointed a liaison for our organization who can be contacted for additional information.

Melody Prawitz, SOMO Representative
Can be reached at 816-233-6232

If you are unsure of what you can do for Special Olympics, Check out the Special Olympics website

somo.org or call Melody!

Volunteers are always needed!

NATIONAL STUDENT COUNCIL CONVENTION June 27-30, 2009

One of the highlights of the summer for many student council leaders is the annual National Convention. This year the 4 day event will be held **Highlands Ranch HS, Denver , Colorado.**

Missouri has a large delegations in and we are making plans for delegates to have a great experience this summer.

The cost for the actual convention this year will be **\$415 per student and adult.** Each individual is responsible for their own transportation. However, we do try to travel in two groups, one from KC and one from STL.

\$100 DEPOSIT (per person) IS DUE BY Feb 8 (this holds your spot), with remainder due by March 15.

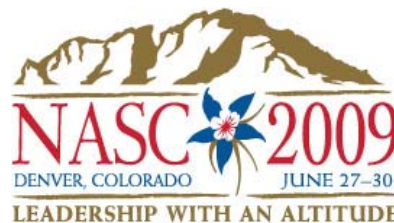
All delegates must register with the state delegation—each state is allowed a minimum number of spots—no outside registration is allowed.

Each Missouri School is **LIMITED to EIGHT** delegates—this includes the advisor!

Terri has applications for discussion

groups—call her for information—postmark deadline to have application to NASC, February 6 or THEY CAN BE FOUND ON THE NASC WEBSITE.

All students are expected to travel with their advisors to the National Convention. **ALL** delegates will be housed in hotels. The convention host will provide transportation to all events. **Terri has a block of rooms ready for the Missouri Delegation—you will not need to call the hotels to make room reservations!**



This convention will be an outstanding opportunity for students and advisors to learn and grow as a leaders. Special highlights include enlightening speakers and workshops, a service learning project and many area attractions.

Remember, if you plan to attend the National Convention, you must register through MASC. This is a wonderful conference and lots of fun!

While we are at the convention each state delegation wears special state shirts to distinguish their group. **AND** we trade items throughout the convention with other delegates. This of course, includes our Missouri Duck. Our trading items have included, pins, necklaces, magic wands, hats, key-chains, and shirts. The trading package is \$75 per person and is payable upon arriving at the convention. This makes the convention tons of fun and is a great ice-breaker for everyone to meet and get to know each other.

CONVENTION COSTS INCLUDE:

Registration—\$415

Trading package—\$75

Airfare—We will attempt to get a group rate for each side of the state.

Hotel —\$129 (plus tax) per night Which can be split with others. I have reserved a block for Missouri.

