



MARE Focus

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Welcome to a New School Year

Best wishes to all Missouri School Districts for an exciting and successful school year. Please do not hesitate to contact us at MARE as we work together to make this a GREAT YEAR for your students, staff and community.

On behalf of the association, we welcome Mr. Kevin Sandlin on board. He will be serving as Assistant Executive Director for 2016-17 and will be assuming the role of Executive Director for the 2017-18 school year. Dr. Jerry Cochran will continue as the other Assistant Executive Director. The three of us stand ready to provide assistance to you and your school district. Please do not hesitate to contact us for any questions you might have.

Joint MARE/K-8 Conference – October 20-22, 2016 at the Lodge of 4 Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO

We encourage you and members of your district staff and board members to attend the second joint Fall Conference of MARE and the MoK-8 Associations.

Dates: Thursday afternoon – October 20, Friday all day – October 21, and Saturday morning, October 22.

Location: The Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO.

Registration: Go to the *MARE website* –www.moare.com - and download the registration form. You can fax or mail to the MARE office.

Program Schedule: (Draft)

- **Thursday Afternoon – October 20**
 - Conference Opens with Commissioner Vandeven
 - Keynote Speaker – Mr. Kent Stock
 - Small group sessions
 - Exhibitors including an evening reception
- **Friday All Day – October 21**
 - Small group sessions, and general sessions
 - Luncheon – invitations have been sent to the candidates for governor as well as some special award recognitions
 - Annual MARE & MoK-8 Business Meetings
 - Evening banquet to recognize Outstanding Rural Education Award recipients.
- **Saturday Morning – October 22**
 - General sessions
 - Conference conclusion
- **Call for Presentation:** Proposals for presentations are being taken now. This would be a great opportunity for you and/or members of your staff to showcase innovative programs of your school district with other school district personnel. To submit, go to MARE website – www.moare.com – and click on CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS. **Deadline is Sept. 16, 2016.**
- **Outstanding Rural Education Awards:** This link is currently open on the MARE website. The final date for nominations is **September 16**. The awards will be presented at the annual Awards Banquet on Friday evening, October 21. Please consider nominating representatives from your school district to be considered for one of these awards:
 - Outstanding Rural Elementary Teacher
 - Outstanding Rural Middle/Jr. High Teacher
 - Outstanding Rural Secondary Teacher
 - Outstanding Rural Secondary Student (Junior or Senior)
 - Outstanding Rural Building Administrator
 - Outstanding Rural District Administrator
 - Outstanding Rural Support Staff Member
 - Outstanding Rural School Board Member
 - Outstanding Rural School District.

Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at the COVE in Lake Ozark, MO.

Registration for the Golf Tournament is on the MARE website – www.moare.com – just download and mail or fax to the MARE office.

Cost: \$60 per player or \$240 per 4 person team.

Start Time: On-site check-in will be available beginning at 12:00 Noon with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. We expect the course to fill up fast, so early registration is encouraged. A meal will be provided at the conclusion of the tournament.

Deadline for Registration: **Monday, October 3**

School Board Training Dates:

- **Lake Ozark, MO – October 20 – 22 – Lodge of 4 Seasons (part of MARE/MoK-8 Conference)**

Registration may be found on MARE website: www.moare.com

MARE Superintendent Search Services:

The MARE Association provides this service as part of its continued commitment to foster strong board/superintendent relationships and to enhance school district leadership in Missouri. Should your school district be in the early stages of a superintendent search for the 2017-2018 school year, the MARE search consultants would be happy to provide a search proposal.

The board of education will receive a customized service through collaborative work with the search consultant as well as designing the timeline to embrace the complete commitment to the search including, but not limited to: recruitment, screening, reference checks, scheduling and protocol for candidate interviews, planning meetings with the board and onsite visits.

For additional information, please contact the MARE office (660) 747-8050. Our team of search consultants this year are Dr. Mike Jinks, Dr. Paul Ricker, and Dr. Craig Eaton.

Updated Email Addresses Needed:

As several individuals have taken new Superintendents positions, we ask that any changes in email addressed be provided to the MARE office. We would also welcome adding board members to the MARE Focus listing. Just forward us an email with the new addresses.

MARE Scholarship Awards Recipients:

Because of the success of the 2015 MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament, 13 individuals received MARE Scholarship Awards at the annual MARE Executive Board summer meeting. They included:

- Taylor Hernandez of Garden City – UCM – L.J. Hart Scholarship
- Seth Schenck of New Haven – Columbia College – Howard Heidbrink Scholarship
- McKinzie Cooper of Neosho – MSU – David M Cooper Scholarship
- Kayla Mierisch of Belle – MO Baptist Univ. – Phil C Dorth Scholarship
- Hayley L Carroll of Clarence – Central Methodist – William G Peter Scholarship
- Jessica M Worth of Benton – SE MO State –Ray Doerhoff Scholarship
- Rylyn W K Small of East Prairie – SE MO State – CTS Group Scholarship
- Tiffany Johnson of Warsaw – SW Baptist Univ. – American Fidelity Scholarship
- Lauren O Shafer of Columbia – Univ. of MO – FTJ Scholarship
- Calab Ian Kauffman of Weaubleau – Evangel Univ. – MEUHP Scholarship
- Morgann E. Gregory of Houston – UCM – Mickes O’Toole Scholarship
- Jessica Ann Mercer of Sikeston – SE MO State – Guin Mundorf Scholarship
- Taylor Miller of Smithville – Univ. of MO – Frank “Dean” Cone Scholarship

Quote of the Week:

“You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he/she will continue the learning process as long as he/she lives.”

--Clay P Bedford

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