



# MARE Focus

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FROM THE DESK OF MR. KEVIN SANDLIN, MARE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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American Fidelity Assurance Co.

Benefits 360 LLC

Claim Care, Inc.

CTS Group

Forrest T. Jones & Co.

IMS Technology

L.J. Hart & Company

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MEUHP

Mike Keith Insurance

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Pro Energy Solutions, LLC

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## MARE PARTNERSHIPS

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- EDPLUS
- AMERICAN LEGION BOYS STATE
- GIRLS STATE
- MISSOURI ADMIN. JOB POSTING

## MARE Membership

- Our organization simply could not exist or provide the services, products and benefits to our member school districts without the support of both our 383 member school districts ([2020-2021 MARE District Membership](#)) and our generous MARE Associate Members ([2020-2021 Associate Members](#)). **Invoices for our school district members were mailed on June 18th. If you did not receive an invoice, please contact me.** If you do not see your name on the attached membership list and would like to become a member of MARE, please email me at [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com) or call the office at (660) 747-8050. Access this link ([MARE Membership Benefits](#)) to see a flyer that shares some of the many benefits that your MARE membership provides for the affordable cost of \$400.00 per year for K-8 districts or \$500.00 per year for K-12 districts!

## NREA - T-Mobile Opportunity

**Please share with your members. We have early access. T-Mobile is allowing our members to reserve spots first.**

### Project 10Million

There are 35 million households in this country with children, and of those, about 15% have no home internet. At the same time, seven in ten teachers assign online homework. Where education should be a leveler, students without connectivity are at a disadvantage when they're unable to complete assignments or even simply communicate with teachers and peers. Studies show that those students without home internet access have a consistent pattern of lower scores in reading, math and science. This is the homework gap — and it's just not right.

The New T-Mobile's Project 10Million aims to eradicate the U.S. homework gap through an unprecedented \$10 billion commitment that will deliver free internet access over the next five years and another \$700 million commitment in hardware to 10 million households. Eligible families in the U.S. and Puerto Rico will receive up to 100GB of FREE internet access each year, one FREE Mobile Wi-Fi enabled hotspot and the option to purchase select Wi-Fi enabled devices at the company's cost. And like all New T-Mobile customers, Project 10Million recipients will benefit from the New T-Mobile's expanded 5G capabilities.

<https://www.t-mobile.com/business/education/project-10-million>

## MCE Policy Updates Available

The August 2020 updates are currently available on the MCE website <http://www.moconed.com>. For your convenience, access to the updates is located on the homepage under the "Updates" section on the left hand side of the page. Simply select "View All Updates" to view or download current and past updates.

If you have any questions concerning these revisions or their implementation, please feel free to call Tom Mickes or Bill Ray.

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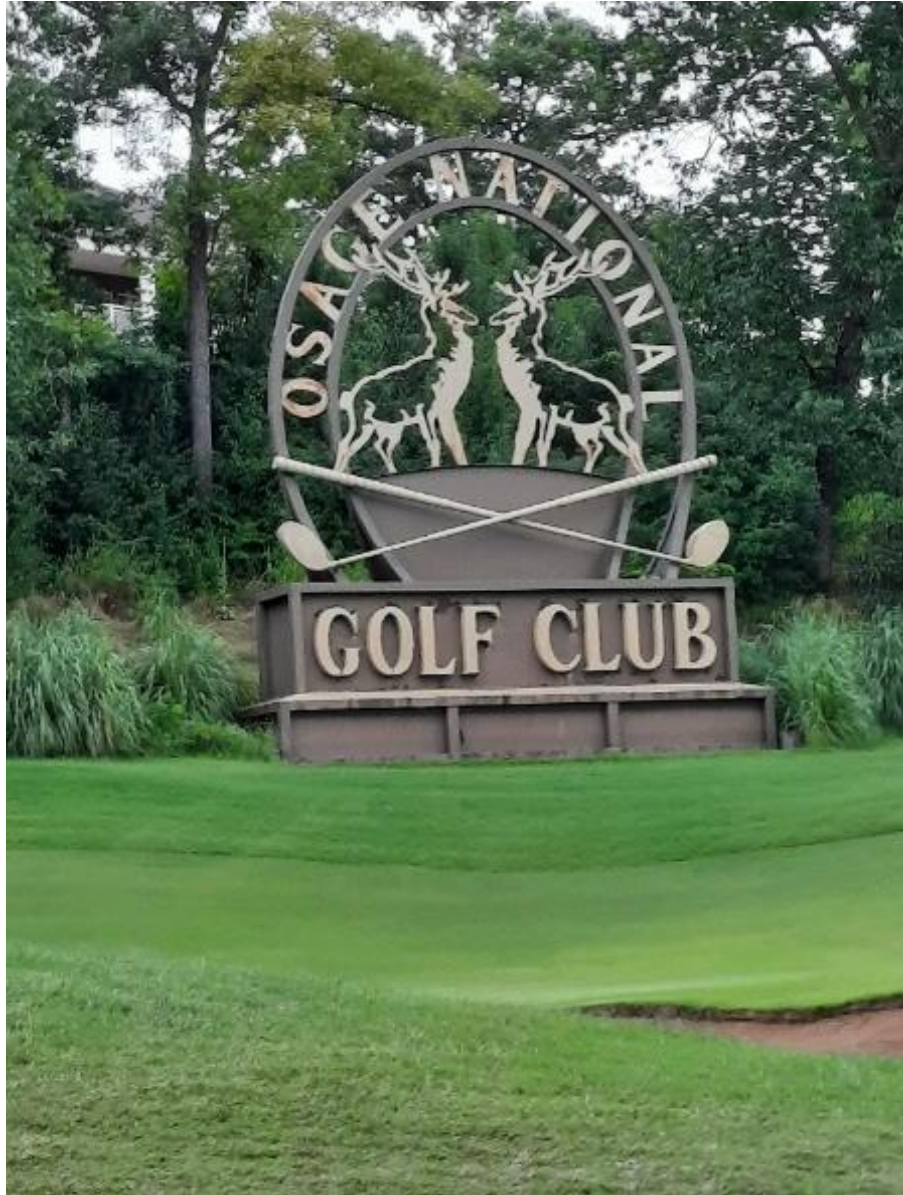
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# 10th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament

July 22, 2020



The 10th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament was held on Monday, July 20th at the awesome Osage National Golf Course in Lake Ozark, Missouri. Thirty-one (31) teams with 119 golfers participated, making this our biggest and best ever event. The weather cooperated, although we had a few scares, and as usual Larry, Ryan and the entire team at Osage National were on their game to make our event a huge success. Proceeds from this annual event are dedicated to providing scholarship funds for students who attend Missouri colleges and universities and plan to teach in Missouri schools upon graduation. Over the past three years, with the generous support of our corporate sponsors, hole sponsors, players and other patrons, MARE has provided \$82,500 in scholarship funds.

## **Corporate Sponsors for the 10th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament include:**

CTS Group - Founding Collaborator Sponsor

L.J. Hart & Company - Gold Flight Sponsor

PMA Financial Network, LLC - Gold Flight Sponsor (New Sponsor)

Mickes O'Toole, LLC - Bronze Sponsor

Guin Mundorf, LLC - Bronze Sponsor

Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt, P.C. - Bronze Sponsor

Forrest T. Jones & Company - Bronze Sponsor

MEUHP - Bronze Sponsor

American Fidelity Assurance Company - Bronze Sponsor

Missouri Education Health Group (Valentine Insurance) - Bronze Sponsor

Kemper Health - Benefits 360 LLC - Bronze Sponsor

**Hole Sponsors for the 10th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament include:**

EdCounsel, LLC, MRTA, MUSIC, EduOptimus, GRP Mechanical, Stifel, Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt, P.C., Reynolds Construction & Commercial Roofing, Pro Energy Solutions, NREA, The Garland Company, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., Mike Keith Insurance, Apple Bus Company, McKinstry, Central States Bus, Navitas (New Sponsor), Universal Construction (New Sponsor), K12itc (New Sponsor), McCownGordon Construction (New Sponsor), Performance Services (New Sponsor), Sunshine Dental Associates (New Sponsor) and Gator Graphics (New Sponsor)

**Team Sponsors for the 10th Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament include:**

CTS (3), L.J. Hart & Company (2), The Garland Company (4), MEHG (2), MASA (1), St. Clair School District (1), Nabholz (2), K12itc (1), IMS Technology Group (1), Navitas (1) Performance Services (1) Boehne Financial Group (2), Guin Mundorf, LLC (1), EduOptimus (1), PMA Financial Network, LLC (1), Forrest T. Jones (2), McKinstry (1), GRP Wegman (2), American Fidelity (1)

**Closest to Pin Sponsors** - Mike Keith Insurance and Universal Construction

**Long Drive Sponsor** - GRP Mechanical

**Additional door prizes provided by** - L.J. Hart & Company, Forrest T. Jones & Company, Osage National Golf Course, Performance Services, PMA Financial Network, IMS Technology Group

**Flight Winners**

Flight A Winner - L.J. Hart Team 2 - Neil Branham, Ritchie Kracht, Gabe Edgar & John French

Flight A Runner Up - Navitas Team - Ryan Terry, Scott Archibald, Bryan Copple & Tanner Werle

Flight B Winner - FTJ Team 2 - Marty Albertson, Rod Weaver, Bob Ottman & Korey Miles

Flight B Runner Up - Matt Unger Team - Matt Unger, Scott Gemes & Kenny Norris

Flight C Winner - American Fidelity Team - Rick Scholten, Tom Merriott, Brian Robinson & David Rapp

Flight C Runner Up - IMS Technology Team - Vince Fuemmeler, Dave Wilkinson, Josh Monk & Annie Monk

Closest To Pin Winners - Matt Unger, Brian Hinson, Mark Stanton and Dave Wilkinson

Long Drive Winner - Josh Monk

Please make plans now to join us for this growing event next year on Monday, July 19th at Osage National Golf Course in Lake Ozark, Missouri. **Thanks to all who made the event this year the best ever!**

## **Mickes O'Toole Title IX Training Opportunity**

# **Title IX Training**

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Title IX Coordinators, investigators, decision makers, and district advisors under the New Regulations are responsible for understanding and ensuring compliance with a complex set of federal laws. Beginning August 14, 2020 new Title IX regulations regarding sexual harassment will go into place. These new rules add extra responsibilities and modify many common practices. Mickes O'Toole will provide attendees with targeted training and guidance on how to monitor compliance, implement policies, evaluate complaints, conduct investigations, enforce disciplinary actions, and maintain proper documentation.

**August 21, 2020**  
Webinar

Please use the link below to register.

If you have any questions please direct them to Heather Lawson at [hlawson@mickesotoole.com](mailto:hlawson@mickesotoole.com)

**[Title IX Registration and More Info](#)**

**[MARE Board Training Program Update](#)** - Please note the scheduled training opportunities below:

**Lake Ozark, MO – The Lodge of the Four Seasons (Conference)**

- **Wednesday, October 21, 2020 (12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m.)**
- **Thursday, October 22, 2020 (8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.)**

**\*\*\*PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH ANY NEW BOARD MEMBER(S) NEEDING THE EIGHTEEN AND ONE-HALF (18.5) HOURS OF REQUIRED TRAINING.**

To register, please complete the form found on our website and fax to (660) 747-8160, scan and email to [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com), or go online ([www.moare.com](http://www.moare.com)) and complete the electronic form found under Board Training.

**Dates and locations may change due to unforeseen circumstances!!!**

**[Board Refresher Training - New Videos Coming](#)** - We are in the early phases of planning to produce a new Board Refresher Training video for the 2020-2021 school year. Along with information on the prevention of sexual abuse of children, the video will contain other useful information for current Board members. If you have suggestions for topics to be covered in the new video, please share that information with me by calling (660) 747-8050 or emailing me at [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com). **A link to the video will be shared with all MARE member school districts by mid-September!**

## **Superintendent Boot Camp - Hosted by Mickes O'Toole, LLC**

Mickes O'Toole will be hosting the annual Superintendent Boot Camp on Thursday, September 16th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Due to COVID 19 issues, limited in-person seating is available. A virtual participation opportunity is also available. For more information or to register for this informative event, please go to <http://www.mickesotoole.com> and access Superintendent Boot Camp.

**2020 MARE/MO K-8 Conference** - Scheduled on October 21-23, 2020 at the Lodge of Four Seasons. **Please make plans now to attend this growing event!** We will have five legal sessions, a Legal Panel, presentations from Dr. Margie Vandeven, Dr. Kari Monsees, Dr. Chris Neale, DESE Special Education, Federal Programs, "Outstanding Rural Awards" Luncheon, two receptions, great food, vendor hall, and many other opportunities to grow, learn and collaborate.

**Please access the links for Conference Registration, Exhibitor Registration, Call for Presentations and Outstanding Rural Education Awards found on the cover of this MARE Focus article!**

**NREA News** - For all of the latest news from our national affiliate, please click on this link: [NREA News](#)

**MARE Superintendent Searches** - One of the many services that MARE provides is a quality, yet affordable Superintendent Search Program. If you are retiring this year or making plans to move, we would welcome the opportunity to work with your district to find the next leader. Contact Kevin Sandlin, MARE Executive Director, at (660) 747-8050 or [ksandlin@moare.com](mailto:ksandlin@moare.com) for more information.

## **Quote of the Week**



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