



MARE Focus

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ENDORSEMENTS

- American Fidelity Assurance Co.
- Claim Care, Inc.
- CTS Group
- Erate Program, LLC
- Forrest T. Jones & Co.
- IMS
- L.J. Hart & Company
- MEUHP
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Joint MARE/K-8 Conference – October 20-22, 2016 at the Lodge of 4 Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO

It is not too late to register for the Annual MARE/MoK-8 Conference. An outstanding program has been put together especially for school administrators and school board members. We encourage all to attend.

FIND ATTACHED THE PROGRAM.

Registrations will be accepted on site however, to help with the meal count we prefer the registration be received prior to the conference. Faxed registrations will be accepted up through Tuesday, October 18.

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

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

Hotel Reservations may be made with the Lodge Hotel Reservations Department by calling toll free – 888-265-5500. The group rate is \$109 per night (Single/Double). Reservations at this rate will be taken up until September 19, 2016. Hotel shares that there are still plenty of rooms available.

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: Attached is program schedule.

**Annual MARE Scholarship Golf Tournament
scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, 2016
at the COVE in Lake Ozark, MO. Still looking
for a few more individual players.**

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: **Friday, October 14.**

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

Still room for interested school board members that are in need of completing the required 16 hours.

Tarkio R-I Superintendent Search Announcement

The Missouri Association of Rural Education has been retained by the Tarkio R-I Board of Education to conduct a search for their next Superintendent.

If you or you know of someone that might be interested in completing the application process, please refer to the announcement and the application that can be found on the MARE website: www.moare.com Click on the application for Superintendent.

The deadline for receipt of the application and supporting materials is **Wednesday November 2, 2016**. Should you have questions, contact Dr. Mike Jinks (MARE Search Consultant) – Phone: (660) 441-7473 or Email: 19mj46@charter.net.

Bowling Green R-I Superintendent Search Announcement

The Missouri Association of Rural Education has been retained by the Bowling Green R-I Board of Education to conduct a search for their next Superintendent.

If you or you know of someone that might be interested in completing the application process, please refer to the announcement and the application that can be found on the MARE website: www.moare.com Click on the application for Superintendent.

The deadline for receipt of the application and supporting materials is **Friday, October 28, 2016**. Should you have questions, contact Dr. Paul Ricker (MARE Search Consultant) – Phone: (573) 365-4703 or Email: paulricker1@charter.net

Other Administrative Openings on MARE Website:

Higbee R-VIII School District – Superintendent – located in Randolph County. For questions, contact current Supt. Darrell Treece at (660) 456-7277. Deadline for applications is October 28, 2016

Missouri School Directory 2016-2017:

As was indicated in the annual membership renewal, MARE is making a copy of the Missouri School Directory (last one published 2010-2011) available to each MARE member school district and associate member. The directories have arrived and as a MARE Representative visits each of the regional administrators meetings please plan to pick up your copy (or copies if you ordered more)

from that Representative. Copies will also be available for pickup at the annual Conference.

“RYH4K”

The MARE Executive Board is one of several organizations in Missouri that are opposed to the passage of the initiative – “Raise Your Hands for Kids.” The MARE organization very much supports the need for Early Childhood Education but has some serious concerns about some of the language found within this ballot issue and the effect its passage would have on rural school districts in Missouri.

Amendment 3 is a Smoke Screen that uses Kids to Sell Cigarettes. The Missouri Ethics Commission records show that an affiliate of RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company has provided over \$3.5 Million in funding for three front groups pushing a tax increase that uses kids as pawns to sell more cigarettes. And, a recent newspaper article quotes Reynolds spokesman saying that they will spend \$5 Million more for the campaign. Front groups include:]

- **Raise Your Hands 4-Kids -- \$2,776,361.49**
- **Early Childhood Education Initiative -- \$471,500.00**
- **Yes on Amendment 3 for Kids -- \$2,090,654.15**

In a press release on Monday, September 19, a large bipartisan coalition of state representatives (91) and senators (19) from across Missouri are encouraging voters to vote “NO” on this controversial constitutional amendment that contacts several troubling provisions. To see the position of your representative or senator, the press release may be found on the MARE website. In addition, both candidates for Governor have come out in opposition to this Amendment.

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.

Quote of the Week:

“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart.”

--Helen Keller

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