

## YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN THE CHAMBER'S TEAM OF ALL-STARS!

The mission of the Diplomats Club is to promote general membership services and to enhance goodwill for the St. Joseph Metro Chamber in the community.

Members of the Diplomats Club serve as the Chamber's public relations team and are very active and visible within the Chamber and the business community.

With monthly breakfast meetings and seven subcommittees, membership in the Diplomats Club provides you with a number of opportunities to promote your business and serve as a vital link between the Chamber and the St. Joseph community.

Membership in the Diplomats Club is open to all Chamber members and is included in the Civic Membership category.

# 2012 DIPLOMATS CLUB SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## January

- 12 Diplomats Club
- 14 Annual Banquet
- 17 Business Mixer

## February

- 9 Diplomats Club
- 21 Business Mixer

## March

- 8 Diplomats Club
- 20 Business Mixer

## April

- 11 New Member Luncheon
- 12 Diplomats Club
- 17 Business Mixer

## May

- 5 Apple Blossom Parade
- 10 Diplomats Club
- 10 Parties on the Parkway
- 15 Business Mixer

## June

- 14 Diplomats Club
- 14 Parties on the Parkway
- 19 Business Mixer
- 20 The Chamber Classic

## July

- 12 Diplomats Club
- 12 Parties on the Parkway
- 17 Business Mixer

## August

- 9 Diplomats Club
- 9 Parties on the Parkway
- 16 New Member Luncheon
- 21 Business Mixer

## September

- 13 Diplomats Club
- 13 Parties on the Parkway
- 18 Business Mixer
- 25 New Executives Luncheon
- TBD Primetime

## October

- 6 Rockin' on the River
- 11 Diplomats Club
- 16 Business Mixer

## November

- 8 Diplomats Club
- 20 Business Mixer

## December

- 4 New Member Luncheon
- 13 Holiday Party
- 13 Diplomats Club



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CHAMBER

# DIPLOMATS Club

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THE CLUB THAT SHINES!



# 2012

# APPLICATION

# 2012 Diplomats Club Officers

## CHAIR

Pat Brown, Ventura Foods, LLC

## VICE-CHAIR

Janice Keith, Holiday Inn Conference Center

## CHAMBER STAFF LIAISONS

Natalie Redmond, Vice President, Member Relations  
816/364-4107 or redmond@saintjoseph.com

Keisha Holtman, Administrative Assistant, Membership  
816/364-4101 or holtman@saintjoseph.com

## Details

### DUES

Annual dues are \$15.

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

A breakfast meeting is held the second Thursday of each month (February-December) at 7:15 a.m. Locations vary. The January meeting is held the Thursday prior to the Annual Banquet at the St. Joseph Civic Arena.

The cost for breakfast is \$5. Members can prepay for all breakfasts in advance (\$50) or pay at each meeting. Diplomats are encouraged to bring a guest and/or potential member to monthly meetings.

### REQUIREMENTS

All Diplomats Club members should plan to do the following things:

- Attend ribbon cuttings/award ceremonies
- Attend monthly Diplomats Club meetings
- Serve on one Diplomats committee
- Help decorate for the Annual Banquet
- Attend Chamber membership events

### UPDATES

Diplomats will receive E-mailed updates, meeting notices and reminders on a regular basis.

Updated information and events are also available on the Diplomats Club section of the Chamber's website, www.saintjoseph.com.

### NAME BADGES

Each member is required to purchase a Diplomats name badge. The badge is to be worn when hosting, greeting or attending a ribbon cutting ceremony. Name badges are an additional \$15.

## DIPLOMAT of the YEAR

At the November Diplomats meeting any Diplomat will have the opportunity to nominate another Diplomat to be considered for Diplomat of the Year. From the list of nominees Diplomats will be given a ballot at the December meeting to vote on the Diplomat of the Year. Those nominated will be considered Chamber Stars. The Diplomat of the Year award will be presented at the Annual Banquet in January.

# 2012 Diplomats Club Committees & Chairs

## ANNUAL BANQUET COMMITTEE

**CHAIR:** Anna Goolsby, Northwest Health Services, Inc.

**VICE-CHAIR:** Jessica Diederich, Heartland Health

This committee will plan the Chamber's 93rd Annual Banquet. Participation involves a number of meetings beginning in April and continuing until the January event. This is the Chamber's social event of the year when retiring officers are honored and new leaders introduced. It's a fun committee which offers contact with more than 850 guests.

## AWARDS COMMITTEE

**CHAIR:** Paul Stickler, Midwest Mobile Radio

**VICE-CHAIR:** Jason Chase, Tech Team

This action group is responsible for presenting awards to businesses at ground breakings, grand openings and ribbon cuttings throughout the year. Participation offers excellent opportunities to meet new business owners and to be a part of grand opening celebrations. They also plan the member anniversary program.

## BUSINESS MIXERS COMMITTEE

**CHAIR:** Jeff Gray, Al J. Mueller Construction Co.

**VICE-CHAIR:** James Fisher, Pregnancy Resource Center

This committee is responsible for coordinating and hosting Member Receptions and Business Mixers.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

**CHAIR:** Kari Harper, Serenity Salon & Spa

**VICE-CHAIR:** Kathy Decker, Apple Market

Committee members actively participate in community projects and events to promote and increase the visibility of the Chamber.

## HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

**CHAIR:** Joe Vigliaturo, Suddenlink

**VICE-CHAIR:** Trish Heath, Forte Marketing & PR

This committee greets everyone with a smile! Committee members personally welcome everyone who attends a Chamber event.

## NEW EXECUTIVES LUNCHEON COMMITTEE

**CHAIR:** Mike Decker, Apple Market

**VICE-CHAIR:** Jill Geiger, Tilton, Thomas and Morgan Inc.

The New Executives Luncheon serves as a special welcome and introduction of new management persons to the business community. The 2012 event will mark the 40th year of this highly-praised Chamber event. The luncheon is the fourth Tuesday in September and entails meetings and assignments prior to the date.

## NEW MEMBER CONTACT COMMITTEE

**CHAIR:** Dana Plowman, St. Joseph News-Press

**VICE-CHAIR:** Cindy Kennedy, Evans Realty, LLC

This group invites new Chamber members to attend a Dips breakfast compliments of the Club and welcomes them to New Member Luncheons/Breakfasts. They also deliver New Member Mugs and plan the annual new member table top trade show, an after hours event, -- Primetime!

# 2012 Diplomats Club Member Application

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

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Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Birthday -- Day and Month \_\_\_\_\_

Please add me to the following committee(s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ANNUAL BANQUET      | <input type="checkbox"/> HOSPITALITY             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AWARDS              | <input type="checkbox"/> NEW EXECUTIVES LUNCHEON |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS MIXERS     | <input type="checkbox"/> NEW MEMBER CONTACT      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY RELATIONS |  |

Enclosed is payment for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Dues (\$15) (required)                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepaid breakfasts (\$50) (optional) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Name badge (\$15) (required)                                  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Logo Golf Shirt (\$25) ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___XXL (optional) |   |

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED

Payment:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Check (payable to St. Joseph Metro Chamber)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Please Invoice   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Membership (Diplomats Club dues included with membership) |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VISA  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discover  | <input type="checkbox"/> American Express |

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Return application and payment to:

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