

# MISSISSIPPI CHILD SUPPORT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## Plans for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual MCSA Conference

By Patti Hull

The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Mississippi Child Support Association Conference/Business Meeting will be held October 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> at the beautiful Hollywood Casino Resort in Bay St. Louis. In celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> year we would like to encourage and invite you to join us on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. We have a great conference planned and would love for you to join us for fun, fellowship and learning. Our conference will start on Wednesday and conclude on Friday. The theme for this year's conference is "Planting the Seeds for the Modern Family."

We will be having a President's reception on Wednesday evening for you to catch up with your co-workers. Thursday will be filled with informative workshops and CLEs for those of us striving to improve the lives of the children of Mississippi. The meeting will conclude on Friday after breakfast and a business meeting. For those of you that would like to come early or stay for the weekend, you can take advantage of The Bridges Golf Club, the Historic Depot District in downtown Bay St. Louis or take a road trip to Gulfport, Biloxi or New Orleans.

## Fundraising and Special Projects From MCSA Secretary Cynthia Brewer

By Cynthia Brewer

As a reminder, MCSA still has plenty of cookbooks for sale for \$20.00. Just contact any member of the MCSA Board to buy one. Also, don't forget each region is being asked to participate and sponsor a fundraiser. Each county within the region is being asked to raise a minimum of \$100.00. Get with your Regional Director with your ideas and let the fundraising begin. All proceeds will help benefit MCSA's 20<sup>th</sup> year celebration. We've got more surprises in store for you, so let's get busy, planning, preparing and being a part of MCSA's 20<sup>th</sup> year celebration!!!

Cynthia Brewer  
MCSA Secretary

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You can join the association for \$30.00 and enjoy all the benefits of a MCSA member which includes the President's reception, lunch on Thursday and breakfast on Friday while enjoying a two night stay (with a MCSA member) in the beautiful hotel at the Hollywood Casino Resort if you register to come to the conference.

If you have any questions or comments, please let me hear from you. You can contact me by connect at E16 or by mail at Kemper County Child Support, P O Box 326, Dekalb, MS 39328.

Thank you for your support in the past and I hope to see you in October.

Patti Hull  
MCSA President

## MCSA Membership

By Dora Johnson

Congratulations,

If you are reading this article, you have taken the first step to obtaining membership in one of the most respected, innovative, and informative organizations in the entire state of Mississippi. The next two steps are relatively simple: 1. Go to Worksite and download the MCSA Application, 2. Complete it and mail it along with the membership fee to the address listed on the application. Once this is done, you can join and let your voice be heard.

Please remember MCSA needs you! See you in Bay St. Louis!

Dora Johnson, Membership Chairman

## Sign Up For Early Bird Registration And Save Money!

By Sadie Gale

If you plan on attending the MCSA Conference in October, sign up by July 15, 2011 and receive a \$25.00 discount. For more information, contact me via connect at V08 or see the MCSA Registration Form attached to this newsletter. I hope to see you there!

Sadie Gale  
MCSA Vice President

## Nominations

By Susan Hales

We are getting closer to our 2011 Conference and it is now time to nominate our new Officers and Board Members for next year. Please consider individuals you think would be willing to step into these positions and do a great job for the Association.

The positions that will be vacant are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Board Members.

Place your nominations on the form attached to this newsletter and send them to the address of the form.



Hollywood Casino in Bay St. Louis, MS

Remember to serve as an officer, that person must have previously served as a Board Member.

Susan Hales, Nomination Chairperson

## **Entertainment/Hospitality**

By Etta Smith

We are looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at the Hollywood Casino. You will not want to miss a single moment and are sure to have a great time away from the office with fellow co-workers. MCSA needs your help in finding entertainment for the conference. Please provide suggestions to me by June 30, 2011. Please give phone numbers and any other contact information of any potential entertainment guests. Please contact me by connect at P98.

There will also be new games to entertain you.

You do not want to miss this event. Come to be rejuvenated. See you at the conference.

Etta Smith, Entertainment/Hospitality Chairperson

## **Door Prizes**

By Celeste Stanton

I know that October seems like a long time off, but it will be here before you know it. MCSA needs your help to collect door prizes and items for the goodie bags. MCSA would like to have a door prize for all those attending the conference. So start collecting now and get them to a board member or bring them with you to the conference. If possible, we would like to have any goodie bag items before the conference. Thank you for your help and support in the past and for all the help we know you will provide this year.

Celeste Stanton  
Door Prize Chairperson

## **An Update from the MCSA Treasurer**

by Ronnie Hudson

Our current financial health is good and with continued support from all of you, I know it will remain so. Your MCSA Board is committed to providing a special 20<sup>th</sup> MCSA training conference. For those who have never attended or not been with us for a while, this is the perfect opportunity.

Join us for great professional development, food, and fun on the Gulf Coast as we celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup>. You do not want to miss this!

Ronnie Hudson, MCSA Treasurer

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Date Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ Reg. Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Private Rm \_\_\_\_\_ Guest Reception \_\_\_\_\_

MISSISSIPPI CHILD SUPPORT ASSOCIATION  
20th ANNUAL CONFERENCE/BUSINESS MEETING  
OCTOBER 5 - 7, 2011  
HOLLYWOOD CASINO/HOTEL  
BAY ST. LOUIS, MS  
REGISTRATION FORM  
(Pre-Register by August 15, 2011)

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Please register me for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference/Business Meeting of MS Child Support Association

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ JOB TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY/REGION: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

METSS ID: \_\_\_\_\_ ROOMMATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ROOMMATE ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION FEE:** MCSA MEMBERS \$100 Early Bird through 7/15/11 (NON-REFUNDABLE)  
MCSA MEMBERS \$125 July 16 - August 15, 2011 (NON-REFUNDABLE)  
MCSA MEMBERS \$ 50 Day Attendance Only (NON-REFUNDABLE)

Registration fee may be paid in full at one time or in installments of \$25 each until paid in full, but final payment must be postmarked by August 15, 2011. Membership dues (\$30) and Registration fee must be paid to attend the conference/business meeting.

Please make check payable to: MCSA Mail check and registration form to: Desoto County DHS/CSE  
Attn: Sadie Gale P. O. Box 620  
HERNANDO, MS 38632

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS:** MCSA will pay the hotel room for you and a roommate. MCSA will make your room reservation as long as the pre-registration deadline is met. You are responsible for finding your own roommate. Be sure your registration form has the name of your roommate on it. *If you choose not to have a roommate or cannot find a roommate, you are responsible for one-half the room charge, which is \$75.00. This MUST be included with your registration fee.* IF YOUR PRIVATE ROOM FEE IS NOT INCLUDED WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FEE YOU WILL BE ASSIGNED A ROOMMATE. (MCSA WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING ANYONE A ROOMMATE) Hotel reservations will not be made until all registration forms are returned to the name and address above. ANYONE WHO REGISTERS AFTER AUGUST 15, 2011, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THEIR OWN RESERVATIONS AND PAYING ALL ROOM COSTS. To pre-register, send Registration Form and check or money orders postmarked no later than August 15, 2011, to the address shown above.

Please check the type of room you request:

Non-Smoking \_\_\_\_\_ Smoking \_\_\_\_\_ Double \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap \_\_\_\_\_ NO ROOMS NEEDED  
King \_\_\_\_\_ (Only if you are paying the private room fee.) \_\_\_\_\_

Please be sure your roommate's name and METSS ID is on this form. If you are requesting a private room, please write in the roommate blank and be sure to include the private room fee with your registration fee.



# ***NOMINATIONS FORM***

PLEASE PROVIDE NAME, TITLE AND COUNTY OF PERSON NOMINATED.  
PERSONS NOMINATED MUST BE MCSA MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING.

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

VICE PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

TREASURER \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE NOMINATE THREE INDIVIDUALS FOR BOARD MEMBER.

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Please return this nomination form by August 15<sup>th</sup> to:

Lee County Child Support  
Attn: MCSA  
P O Box 7187  
Tupelo, MS 38802