

**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 Chamber of Commerce 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.

2019 DIPLOMATS CLUB SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January	
10	Diplomats Club
12	Annual Banquet
17	Leadership Retreat
24	Business After Hours
February	
12	Speical Business After Hours
14	Diplomats Club
28	Business After Hours
March	
14	Diplomats Club
28	Business After Hours
April	
11	Diplomats Club
11	Primetime/New Member Welcome
25	Business After Hours
May	
9	Diplomats Club
9	Parties on the Parkway
23	Business After Hours
June	
13	Diplomats Club
13	Parties on the Parkway
26	Chamber Classic
27	Business After Hours
July	
11	Diplomats Club
11	Parties on the Parkway
25	Business After Hours
August	
8	Diplomats Club
8	Parties on the Parkway
22	Business After Hours
September	
12	Diplomats Club
12	Parties on the Parkway
TBD	New Executives Welcome
26	Business After Hours
October	
10	Diplomats Club
19	Donut Dash
24	Business After Hours
November	
6	Shop St. Joeseph Starts
14	Diplomats Club
21	Business After Hours
December	
3	Holiday Party
12	Diplomats Club
16	Shop St. Joseph Ends
19	Business After Hours

Foodie Fridays
First Fridays starting in February

DIPLOMATS Club

THE CLUB THAT SHINES!



2019 APPLICATION

presented by Mosaic Life Care

2019 Diplomats Club Officers

CHAIR
Tony Luke, News Press Media Group

VICE-CHAIR
Todd Joe, John Joe Insurance

CHAMBER STAFF LIAISONS
Natalie Redmond, Vice President, Membership
816/364-4107 or redmond@saintjoseph.com

Mary Brown, Programs Coordinator
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Details

DUES
Annual dues are \$20.

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 \$7. Members can prepay for all breakfasts in advance (\$70) 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
- Assist with Diplomats Community Relations

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

Updated information 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 \$20.

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.

2019 Diplomats Club Committees & Chairs

ANNUAL BANQUET COMMITTEE
CHAIR: Brandi Abbott, Stoney Creek Hotel & Conf. Center
VICE-CHAIR: Lori Wilson, Ellison-Auxier Architects
This committee will plan the Chamber's Annual Banquet. Participation involves a number of meetings beginning in April and continuing until the January event. There are several sub-committees to serve on: Dinner, Decorating, Entertainment and Coat Check.

BUSINESS MIXERS COMMITTEE
CHAIR: Tammy O'Meara-Chambers, Keller Williams
VICE-CHAIR: Carolynn Sollars, IMKO Workforce Solutions
This committee is responsible for coordinating networking events for the Chamber, assisting with set-up, registration and check-in at each event. Also, members make sure attendees are welcomed and introduced to others.

EVENTS COMMITTEE
CHAIR: Brian Shewell, Citizens Bank & Trust
VICE-CHAIR: Cristie Johns, First American Title
This committee is responsible for coordinating the New Executives Welcome (Fall), Primetime, (Spring), Chamber Classic (Summer), along with other special events as assigned.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE
CHAIR: Kylee Strough, United Way
VICE-CHAIR: Sarah Weaver, Commerce Bank
Committee members serve as greeters for the following Chamber events: Diplomats Club meetings, Chairman's Breakfast, Public Affairs Coffee, Business Mixers and other events throughout the year.

MEMBER RETENTION COMMITTEE
CHAIR: Daniel Johnson, St. Joseph Historical Society
VICE-CHAIR: Steve Marquardt, 4M Promotions
This Committee provides outreach to members to assist with retention efforts and stay in touch with how member businesses are doing.

NEW MEMBER CONTACT COMMITTEE
CHAIR: Jenny Cathcart, Colman Insurance
VICE-CHAIR: Debbie Mahoney, Fairway Independent Mortgage
Committee members serve as "partners" to new Chamber members in order to get them acquainted with events and current members. As members join the Chamber, they are assigned to a committee member who keeps in contact with them, inviting them to attend events and introduce them to others. Committee members also deliver New Member Mugs.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE**
CHAIR: Zach Moore, Conveyance Solutions by Continental
VICE-CHAIR: Angela Williams-Crane, Candlewood Suites
This committee will be responsible for assisting with ribbon cuttings. Coordinating community relations activities. Recruiting new Diplomats and spreading Chamber news. This committee will also work to boost the Chamber's social media profile by liking, commenting and sharing Chamber posts on Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram and Twitter.
****First time Diplomats are put on this committee for their first year.**

2019 Diplomats Club Member Application

Gold Sponsor: St. Jo Frontier Casino

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____

Birthdate (Month & Day only): _____

Please add me to the following committee(s):

- ANNUAL BANQUET
- BUSINESS MIXERS MEMBER RETENTION
- EVENTS NEW MEMBER CONTACT
- HOSPITALITY PUBLIC RELATIONS

Enclosed is payment for:
 Annual Dues \$20 (Required) Prepaid breakfasts \$70 (optional)

Name badge \$20 (Required for new members)

- With company name Without company name
- Logo Golf Shirt (\$25) ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___XXL (optional)

\$ _____ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

Payment:
 Check (payable to St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce) Please Invoice

Civic Membership (Diplomats Club dues included with membership)

VISA Mastercard Discover American Express

Card # _____ Exp. _____ Security Code _____

Card Billing Address _____
(if different than above)

Signature _____

Return application and payment to:
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