



NOTES and NEWS

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2018 Casino Night

You'll take a chance on the games but you'll be a guaranteed winner when you support JPA's work with traumatized kids and families! Join JPA's Associate Board as they host their fifth annual "All in for Kids" Casino Night event, Saturday, February 10, 2018. Proceeds from the night will go towards JPA's award winning programs helping vulnerable children in Chicago, including our 9th Gear Mentoring Program.

The games take place at the Chicago Cultural Center's Preston Bradley Hall from 7p.m. to midnight. Our 2017 event sold out, so purchase your ticket today! Can't attend? Please consider making a donation. You'll be a winner no matter what.

Calming Bottles Donated

Staff members assembled and presented calming "sensory bottles" to Kindergarten teachers we work with in our Connect to Kindergarten (C2K) program in schools throughout Chicago. The bottles contain colored water with glitter and beads that float around, creating a sparkling, eye-catching effect.

C2K enhances teachers' skills and their understanding of young children entering Kindergarten, especially those with no pre-school experience or exhibiting challenging behaviors.



2017 JPA Anniversaries

JPA recently celebrated the work anniversaries of 13 of our dedicated staff members with a total of nearly 95 years of service. Thank you to all for your tireless work supporting our mission to improve the social and emotional well-being and functioning of vulnerable children.



JPA Partner — St. George Greek Orthodox Church

We are thankful to have a special partnership with the St. George Greek Orthodox Church. This month, we received a generous contribution from proceeds of the June 2017 Lincoln Park Greek Fest. Along with many of our staff, also pictured for the check presentation are members of the Church, including Parish Priest, Father

Chrysanthos Kerkeres, Parish Council President James Metropolis, and Chairpersons of the Fest Mary & Dino Diamantakos. **JPA**

To learn more about JPA and find out how you can help us continue our work with vulnerable children and families, please contact Derrick Buckingham, Juvenile Protective Association, Chief Development Director, at 312-698-6937, derrickb@jpachicago.org or at 1707 North Halsted, Chicago IL 60614.