



Missouri Addiction Counselors Association

The MACA Newsletter

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From The MACA Office

By Ronnie Beaver, Executive Secretary

Welcome to the new year of 2018. It looks like it will be an exciting year for MACA with lots of new ideas and projects.

Our first meeting for the year was held on January 19, 2018 in Columbia, MO. We have two members who are new to the Board, Melanie Train for the Central region, and Dee Manning from the western region. They both will be a wonderful addition. I was excited by the level of energy and enthusiasm at the meeting and expect great things from this Boar.

The Board voted to add two At-Large positions which will be filled by Terry Miksell from the Southwest region, and A'ndrea Hyde from the Northern region. Elaine Campbell assigned committee chairs and committee members. Training & Education; Chair; Tracy Sovar with Kelly Payton, Mae Lansford and Terry Miksell as committee members. Membership; Chair; Melanie Train with Dee Manning, Kelly Payton and Ronnie Beaver as committee members. Ethics; Chair is Linda Christian Dinwiddie. Constitution & By-Laws Chair is Elaine Campbell with Mae Lansford as committee member. Newsletter; Chair is Lavern Blackorby with assistance from Ronnie Beaver. Fundraising; Chair is Jim Gillum with A'ndrea Hyde and Randall Bacon as committee members. A new committee was added for Marketing which will be chaired by Jim Koen, with Jim Gillum and Kelly Payton as members. If you are interested in helping with any of the committee goals and/or tasks, please contact the committee chair.

MACA will have a vendor booth at the upcoming MATCP conference which will run March 28-30, 2018 in Branson, Mo. We hope you will stop by with any thoughts or questions you may have. Hope to see you there.

Please consider becoming a MACA member. The more people involved, the better we can serve you. If you are considering coining MACA, contact your regional rep, or call me at 427-554-1412 for information.

I also hope to see you at our Spring 2018 conference. It will be April 20-22 at the Inn at Grand Glaize, Lake Ozark, MO. MACA offers many relevant topics, dynamic speakers, networking opportunities, and lots of fun at our conferences.

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President's Corner

By Elaine Campbell, MACA President

40 Day's until Spring! I'm ready, how about you?!

Hi! I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year! We had our first meeting with our newly elected Regional Reps on January 19, 2018. They are Melanie Train, Jim Gillum, Dee Manning, Terry Miksel and our returning reps are Kelly Payton, Al Crandal, Andrea Hyde and Lavern Blackorby.

We are excited about the upcoming year and have some new things in the works. We have formed a new committee which is Marketing in hopes of getting new members to join. We will be having a booth at the Drug Court Conference in March. We are always open to suggestions for better conferences.

We have a fantastic line up for the Spring Conference. If you would like to be a speaker at a conference, please feel free to let Tracy Sovar or Ronnie Beaver know or for that matter any board member. We hope to see you there.

All board members will be on hand at the Conference to greet you and assist you in any way we can!

Sadly we have lost one of our members, and two family members of current or past MACA members. We wish to extend our deepest sympathy and we have you all in our prayers.

Hope to see you there, April 20-22 at Inn of Grand Glaze at Osage Beach.

See you in the Spring.

Elaine Campbell, MACA President

INTRODUCTION

POWER PRESENTER: JEAN KRISLE

The MACA Education Committee is pleased to introduce Jean Krisle, our Sunday Morning Power Speaker for the 2018 Spring Conference.

Enjoying a relatively calm life as a semi-retired executive, and popular consultant and speaker in 2013, Jean's future changed dramatically in one split-second of inspiration as she was driving south on I-405 in Southern California.

In that split-second, Jean recognized an opportunity, drafted a solution, connected the dots, and birthed her 8th child – 10,000 Beds. (Jean and her husband Hal are a combined family of 11 children and 20 grandchildren, to date)

After two years of building her organization from the ground up, she ultimately sold her home to hit the road (as reported by Forbes) and left her family and friends behind to lead the 501C3 nonprofit 10,000 Beds on a nationwide campaign to change perceptions around addiction and recovery, and create partnerships with treatment programs to provide scholarship opportunities to those without resources seeking help for addiction.

Noted for ethical practices a commitment to excellence and a true philanthropic spirit, 10,000 Beds (and Je3an) has been featured by ABC, Forbes, nearly every industry periodical, and many more media outlets.

In addiction treatment industry, Jean inspires excellence and hope by sharing lessons learned from life's challenges, including the effects of addiction, within her family. Her personal mission is to defend an addict's rights to treatment, to be a catalyst for elevation awareness of this nationwide epidemic of addiction, to share personal experiences that will inspire others to a higher level of resilience, and to train industry leaders in ethical, effective methodologies for success.

Visit our Booth at The Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals Conference in Branson!

MACA will have a booth this year at the Missouri Association of Treatment Court Professionals Conference in Branson, MO on March 28 through March 30, 2018, at the Hilton Branson Convention Center. This is our first time to attend this great conference and we look forward to seeing a large group of Missouri counselors at this event.

Make sure you stop by the booth, say hello and enter our raffle! We plan to raffle off a free MACA annual membership and a free MACA conference attendance for our Spring MACA conference this year at the Inn at Grand Glaze in Lake Ozark, MO on April 20 through April 22, 2018.

In Memory Of

By Lavern Blackorby

In Memory Of

December 2018 saw the loss of several members of the MACA Family. We are sad to announce the following;

December 10, 2018: Richard Hyde – brother to Clay Hyde and brother-in-law to A'ndrea Hyde. Clay described Richard as “the best of the Hyde boys”. He will be greatly missed by family and friends. Out condolences go to Clay and A'ndrea, and the Hyde family.

December 23, 2018: Stephanie McElwee – daughter of Dian Banks, past MACA President. Stephanie came to several conferences and Board Meetings at which she assisted her mother with duties as MACA President. Stephanie was always willing to help others. Out condolences are sent to Dian.

December 30, 2018: Robert Olivarez. Robert was a long time member and support of MACA. He and his wife Spike were familiar faces at all of our conferences. He was a speaker at our conference, and showed his knowledge, compassion, and love to all he met. He was a good friend to me and will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Our condolences and love are sent to his wife Spike, and family.

Hope to see you all at the Spring Conference
Lavern Blackorby CRAADC, SQP-R
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You Are Invited to Send in Articles

Individuals wishing to write and have their article posted in the MACA newsletter are welcome to send your article to myself lblackorby@pfh.org and cc the same article to Ronnie Beaver at maca@socket.net. We also welcome articles on Wellness relating to physical and or Mental Health issues. All articles will need to be submitted prior to the 15th of the month ending the quarter. All articles will be considered and screened for appropriateness.

Thank you,
Lavern Blackorby

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Should You Give the Gift Of A Personal Breathalyzer!

Submitted by; Jim Koen – Guardian Interlock

Should You Give The Gift Of A Personal Breathalyzer?

Posted on December 13, 2017 by Shelly Wutke [Leave a Comment](#)



It's that time of the year again: the season of holiday parties, spiked egg nog, and mulled wine is upon us, and what can often go hand and hand with alcohol during the holidays? Drunk driving rates will spike during the festive holiday season, and that's why so many people are giving the gift of a personal breathalyzer this year.

There are a number of reasons why you might want to have a personal breathalyzer with you or why you would want to give a friend one this holiday.

Knowing your BAC can keep you safe

Many drunk driving arrest stories start with a few drinks and end with that person deciding he or she is fine to get behind the wheel of a car. With a personal breathalyzer, the guess work of whether or not you're fine to drive is gone. You'll know what your blood alcohol concentration (BAC) is, and that should help eliminate the choice to drink and drive.

It can save you a lot of money

The cost of a personal breathalyzer is minimal, especially when you compare it to what it will cost you if you drive drunk and are convicted on that charge. Some states can charge as much as \$1,000 in fines for a first drunk driving conviction, and that doesn't include lawyer fees, insurance premiums, driver's license reinstatement fees, and ignition interlock fees.

A personal breathalyzer can change your perception of drunk driving

Just the very act of carrying a personal breathalyzer can make you think twice about drunk driving. When you know you'll have to test your blood before you get in the car, you'll be much less likely to drive drunk at all.

There's one thing to keep in mind when using a personal breathalyzer during the holidays or any other day of the year: just because you don't blow over the legal limit, doesn't mean you should drive. The legal blood limit is a legal limit at which you can be charged for drunk driving, but anti-drunk driving advocates like Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) recommend that you avoid driving after drinking any amount of alcohol.

Whether you wrap one up and put it under the tree or you stuff it in a loved one's stocking, the gift of a personal breathalyzer is one that will help keep your loved ones safe all year long.