

Friends of Jefferson Barracks Park
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February 1, 2016

Open Letter To All Members of Friends of Jefferson Barracks

Dear Member:

At the end of 2011 Glenda Stockton retired as President of the Friends of Jefferson Barracks. Since that time the Friends transitioned and operated successfully with a new group of officers and a few new members to the Board of Directors. Over the past four years we have encountered some attrition on the board and among the officers. On April 13, 2016 we will be electing a new slate of officers and filling a board vacancy. We will have two vacant officer positions, Vice-President and Secretary, and one vacant board position. The purpose of this letter is to inform our membership about the vacancies and ask for members to step forward and serve as an officer or a board member.

As an Officer you would be serving in a leadership role for the Friends performing the duties that are outlined in our by-laws. As a Board Member you are asked to attend and provide input at board meetings that are held on the Second Tuesday of each month at 3:15 PM at the Visitors Center. Both Officers and Board Members are expected to participate in our fundraising activities and projects that we undertake at the park. Each activity or project has a responsible person in charge and these individuals usually come from the members of the Board.

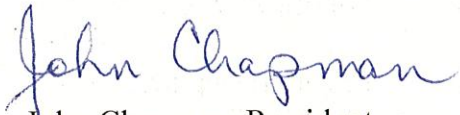
We know that a number of our members participate regularly in our fundraising activities and we acknowledge and appreciate that participation and know it will continue. But over the past few years we have increasingly relied on help outside of the ranks of our membership relying on friends and family of board members to successfully complete our fundraising activities. To sustain any organization such as the Friends of Jefferson Barracks, on a regular basis new leadership should transition on and off the board. We ask that you give serious consideration to increasing your involvement in Friends activities in 2016. Our Board needs additional members who are able and willing to serve as officers, indeed, our entire organization is in need of a rejuvenation of its commitment to Jefferson Barracks Park. Without members stepping forward to serve on the Board we may be forced to exercise Article XV of our By-Laws-Dissolution.

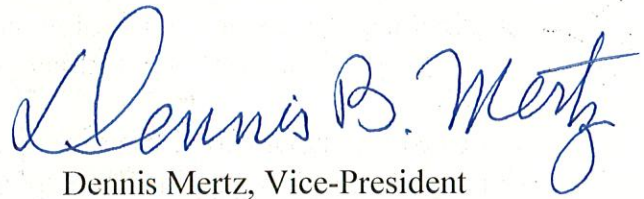
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If we have piqued your interest to serve, all members are welcome to attend any Board meeting. The board meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 3:15 PM at the Visitor's Center. The next three meetings are February 9, March 8 and April 12. The meetings are informative, productive and congenial in nature. You do not have to give notice you will be attending one or more of the meetings, however if you desire to be introduced please contact our President.


If you have questions or responding to the request made in this letter, contact John Chapman, our President, at 636-230-9257 or by email at jwchap866@yahoo.com. Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend our General Meeting, it is important and will be worth your time, on April 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Visitors Center at the park. There will be more information about this important meeting in coming weeks.

Board of Directors, Friends of Jefferson Barracks


John Chapman, President
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Dennis Mertz, Vice-President


Patty Crocker, Secretary


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