

# JOE'S PLACE NEWS



## A Letter from the Mapp's



The fall of 2016 has gotten off to a great start here at *Joe's Place*. We have our four boys as usual, however, only three of them are high schoolers and one is not even a year old yet. Yes, this past April we welcomed our son, Harris Miller Mapp, into our family and the *Joe's Place* family. He has loved being around his brothers. They love little Harris too and are learning a lot from having him around. Our JP boys participated in the fall 2016 theater production of *Elephant's Graveyard*, were a part of MRH's 2016 2nd place (state) soccer team, and are preparing for the 2016-2017 basketball season. They are keeping these already busy parents of an infant, engaged with the active teenager life as well. We have been blessed with so much support from this amazing community in MRH and through our partnerships with local churches and organizations throughout the St. Louis area. All of your efforts have gone to make this start to the year, a great one! Thank you, thank you, thank you for your help. We wish you a safe and wonderful holiday season!

House parents Jeremy and Rachel with their son Harris, born in April 2016

## Maplewood Shuffle 2016

The 2016 Maplewood Shuffle was a great success! Thank you to all who participated as a shuffler, volunteer, sponsor or venue. We could not do the work we do without the support of all of you!

A big thanks to this year's venues and hosts, including: Crossroads Presbyterian Church, Schlafly Bottleworks, Airedale Antics, Crow's Nest, The Post, Traveling Tea, The Side Project Cellar, The Maya Café, and Orbit Pinball Lounge. Special thanks to our post-shuffle venue Live Juke Joint for stepping in on short notice and making us feel very welcome!

We are looking forward to adding even more venues to our Spring 2017 Maplewood Shuffle. Watch your inbox for details!



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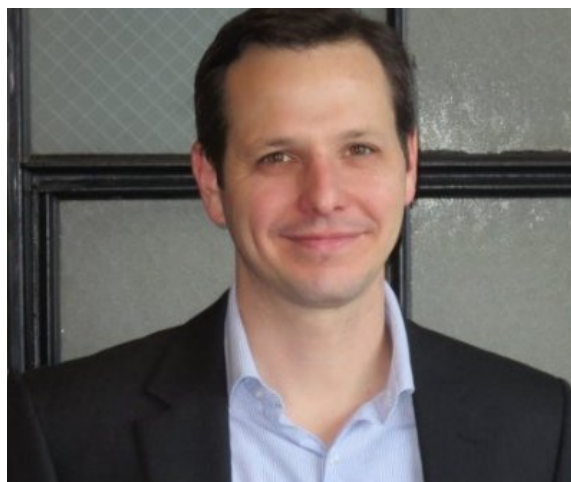
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## An Update from Board President Heath Moylan

May 20, 2016 was a great day for Joe's Place as we celebrated the graduation of another resident, Davion Howard. We are so proud of Davion and all of the young men who have been a part of Joe's Place, and we are excited and hopeful for what the future may bring for each of them. As we close in on 10 years of operation, we are also excited and hopeful for the future of Joe's Place as an organization.

We have engaged in a great deal of reflection and discussion about what Joe's Place has accomplished since its inception and where we should go from here. How do we ensure another 10 years of successful service? What else could we be doing to look beyond the horizon of high school graduation, to better prepare these young men for the rest of their adult lives?

One thing is clear: our mission would not be possible without the support of many individuals and groups. We are grateful to receive significant ongoing support from local congregations such as *Crossroads*



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*Presbyterian and Maplewood United Methodist Church*, as well as several groups who have recently engaged with *Joe's Place* including *Next Generation Fellowship*, *Good Shepherd Lutheran Church*, and *Congregation Shaare Emeth*. We are also thankful to have received generous grants from foundations such as *Roblee Foundation*, *Margaret Mudd Fletcher Charitable Foundation*, *Jewish Fund for Human Needs*, *100 Women Who Care STL*, *Keystone of St. Louis*, *Professional Firefighters of Maplewood Association* and the *International Charitable Foundation*.

And of course, *Joe's Place* would not exist without the generosity of so many individuals and businesses within our community, including support for events like the *Maplewood Shuffle*.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to a decade of success for *Joe's Place*, and I hope you will join us in ensuring another decade of success and beyond.



## Donor Spotlight



**Ronald and Jeanne Yegge**

Ronald and Jeanne Yegge moved from snowy Wisconsin into the milder Maplewood Richmond Heights area in 2008. After attending the 2011 premiere of the *Joe's Place Documentary*, the Yegge's became intrigued by the service the home was providing in their new community. Previously, Ronald and Jeanne had made donations to a different charity each month but they saw that *Joe's Place* was an organization where they wanted to show a greater commitment. "We love

that Joe's Place goes 'all in' for the boys in the home. They aren't just providing a 'band-aid' by focusing on one need, instead the boys receive comprehensive support in a family-centered setting," Jeanne shared. Jeanne is also a member of the St. Louis chapter of the association, *100 Women Who Care*. After presenting *Joe's Place* to the group, they came together to raise \$7,000 to support the home. The board and the entire *Joe's Place* family is grateful for their dedication and support.

## How to Get Involved

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