

SAINT THOMAS ACADEMY MOTHERS' CLUB & VISITATION PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Minutes for Tuesday October 20, 2009

Opening:

Susie Housh and Mark Houge welcomed all parents and students to the evening sponsored by the Saint Thomas Academy Mothers' Club and the Visitation Parents' Association. Both Housh and Houge expressed excitement about the presenter's topic and over the collaboration of the two schools. **Dawn Nichols**, Visitation Head of School also welcomed everyone and introduced the guest speaker nationally known personal finance expert Nathan Dungan.

Over 180 Visitation and Saint Thomas Academy parents and students learned the first steps toward 'money sanity.' Dungan offered five steps toward "Healthy Money Habits." Audience members were asked to examine needs vs. wants, think about what role values play when making spending choices and to personally implement one to two changes in the next 72 hours. Dungan believes we need to 'raise the bar' for our kids, indicating that we are not teaching kids how to share and donate resources. Dungan's interactive presentation is likely to have ignited much contemplation and conversation.

If you were unable to attend the talk, you can download Nathan's handouts at [http://www.visitation.net/files/visitation/files/Parents Association/DunganHandouts.pdf](http://www.visitation.net/files/visitation/files/Parents%20Association/DunganHandouts.pdf) and you can subscribe to his free monthly e-newsletter at www.sharesavespend.com

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