



NORTHLAND NEWS

November 2005

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

- 16 – Building Dinner Meeting
- 19 – Immacolata Manor decorating
- 21 – Adopt-A-Family
- 24 – *Thanksgiving*

DECEMBER

- 3 – Region 2 Meeting in Macon
- 6 – General Membership Meeting
- 6 – Chapter Elections
- 10 – Nursing Home Christmas Caroling
- 20 – Winter Convention early deadline
- 25 – *Christmas*

Dinner Meetings

The Board of Director's will host a dinner meeting November 16th at 6:30 PM at the Corner Café in Riverside. The topic of discussion will be the feasibility of establishing a chapter building. All past and present members are encouraged to attend.

December Meeting / Elections

Our next General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 6, at 7:00pm at a place to be announced. The 2006 Chapter Officers will be elected immediately following that meeting. Those appointed to the Election Committee (in addition to Judy, Chairman) are Amy, Dona & Scott. In the event that we have multiple persons seeking the same office, they will count the paper ballots. All interested in holding an office are asked to contact a member of the nominating committee (Lori, Terry or Mike G.) and to submit a bio. to Pattie for distribution to the members.

Christmas is Coming

November 19 beginning at 10 AM, the chapter will decorate Immacolata Manor (a residential facility for "Challenged" ladies in the Liberty / Pleasant Valley area) for the winter holidays. We intend to take down the decorations after the first of the year.

Adopt-A-Family

The chapter will deliver groceries for Thanksgiving to needy families in the Clay / Platte County area. Suzanne is the Chairperson of this event. We are seeking donations from the community for this project. We anticipate making deliveries to the families on Monday, November 21.

Region Meeting

Macon President, and dual member, Karen has invited us to attend the Region 2 Meeting on Saturday, December 3 in Macon with Lewis Ash providing training on Blue Chip (see flyer). It looks like a road trip is in order!

THE JAYCEE CREED

WE BELIEVE:

THAT FAITH IN GOD GIVES MEANING AND PURPOSE TO HUMAN LIFE; THAT THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN TRANSCENDS THE SOVEREIGNTY OF NATIONS; THAT ECONOMIC JUSTICE CAN BEST BE WON BY FREE MEN THROUGH FREE ENTERPRISE; THAT GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE OF LAWS RATHER THAN OF MEN; THAT EARTH'S GREAT TREASURE LIES IN HUMAN PERSONALITY; AND THAT SERVICE TO HUMANITY IS THE BEST WORK OF LIFE.

NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick

Submitted by: Pattie, Chairperson

We hosted the 2005 NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick Sectional Competition on Sunday, October 9. One hundred and nine participants, consisting of the first place winners from all local competitions in northwestern Missouri, competed. The top three finishers in each division stood atop a podium and received an Olympic style medal. The scores of each first place winner will be pooled with the other Sectionals in our team area for a chance to advance to the KC Chiefs Team Championship (scheduled for November 27th). Although chapter support was low, we were done about 3 and off eating pizza. Thanks to those who worked hard, especially Amanda, Lori, Robert, Joe and Mom and our volunteers to made this a successful well-run event. It is with pleasure that I pass on to you an excerpt from an e-mail, *"I just wanted to let you know that Jennifer Burnette age 14 made it to the finals at Arrowhead. Thank you for allowing her to participate and giving us this opportunity. We are excited to represent the north part of Kansas City. Thanks again. Jackie Burnette (proud mom)"* This is why we do it!

Benefit Show 2005

Submitted by: Amanda, Chairperson

The chapter held a Halloween Benefit Show for the children of Synergy House on October 22. We all had a great time with the children. We walked in and the children had been in their costumes for most of the morning in anticipation for our arrival. The children were so excited to have us there. We had activities such as face painting, treasure dig, candy corn relay, toss-n-the-pumpkin, and pumpkin decoration. We also left each child with a goody bag for after the show. In a follow-up call to the house we were told that the children talked about the event for weeks after. They talked about all the costumes and games. The member who attended were: Lee Ann (the cat), Suzanne (the witch), Pattie (the princess), Anthony (the cowboy), and Amanda (mail girl). Anthony was such a help by bringing his parents (the cowman and princess) who were such a help with the children.

Brownfield / Armbruster

We held Brownfield / Armbruster Interviews on WEDNESDAY, November 9 (NOT the 10th as previously announced) beginning at 5:30 PM at the KCP&L Building preceding the New Member Orientation.

Brownfield / Armbruster is a resume and interview competition based on ones Jaycee career. Brownfield is for new members (those who joined in 2004 or 2005) that compete using their first year activities in the chapter and Armbruster is for person who have been in the Jaycees longer with the competition based on their most recent 12 months chapter activities. Ordinarily, Chapter Presidents, Senators and those serving at State or National levels are ineligible to compete; however, we will offer a special Championship Division so that no one is left out.

Although a mix-up was created, we thank Dave, Dan, Jim, Mark, Jeff and Jerry for providing judges and conducting this event for us. **Congratulations to Amanda, our Brownfield winner and to Lee Ann for taking 2nd place!** (There were no entries for other categories.) Those who participated learned a great deal from the experience and will, no doubt, do even better with another opportunity.

New Member Orientation

Stephanie, Mike, Amanda, Suzanne and Anthony, in addition to Foundation members, Dave, Dan and Pattie were in attendance at the New Member Orientation on November 9 to share the knowledge of the Jaycee chapter and how newer members can become more involved.

Foundation News

The Northland JC Foundation received a quantity of new and used books to donate to appropriate entities in the community (such as nursing homes, the VA hospital, correctional facilities, shelters, etc.). Pattie and her mother, Robert, Amanda and a friend, Lee Ann, Dave, Faye and Dan spent many hours categorizing and boxing the books. There are still books to be distributed. Anyone able to assist may contact Dave at (816) 436-1555.

50th Anniversary Gala

The chapter held its 50th Anniversary Gala the evening of Saturday, October 15. The event kicked off with a social hour, an invocation by Rev. Coonce and the Pledge of Allegiance led by former NKC Mayor Elizabeth Short. After dinner, introductions of distinguished guests which included Lewis Ash, a Past Missouri Jaycee State President and current JCI Senate National VP, as well as sixteen of our Past Chapter / Wives Club Presidents. A special welcome was extended to Victor Hogstrom, President and CEO of KCPT TV-19 and his wife who are new to the area were made. Bruce Rector, the 58th JCI World President and author of *Monday Morning Messages* was our keynote speaker and swore in new members Lee Ann, Amanda, Stephanie and Mike. (During the dance he happily autographed books for anyone who wished to purchase one.) Remarks were made by Chairperson Judy regarding Share the Gift, pass on the JC opportunity to others as appreciation for what you have gained and President Pattie made a presentation regarding the Northland JC Foundation and a brief speech about Reflecting on Our Past as Inspiration for Our Future. Cake, donated by Judi's Bakery, was served and the dance with DJs Larry and Lorna Miller followed. Photographers, coordinated by Anne were on hand throughout the evening. Several Past President scrapbooks and other memorabilia, a DVD of our chapter's history created by Robert, and a Memorial table were available for people to reminisce over in the outer room. Thanks to the Committee for the many months of hard work to make this happen and to all of the people who attended to make it a success!

Share the Gift

The chapter's membership goal is 50 for our 50th and we are still seeking a few more people. Men and women age 18 - 40 are eligible for membership. Our chapter dues are still an economical \$45/yr. Name, address, phone number, e-mail [if available] and date of birth are needed. For a membership form see our web site at www.nkcjc.org.

A Bit of History

The Jaycee organization was founded on October 13, 1915, by Henry Giessenbier (not Glassenbier as one new member thought; in spite of the fact that several former members figured that Glass of beer might be a good Jaycee name), at Mission Inn in St. Louis, Missouri. But even closer to home, our chapter was founded on March 24, 1955, as the North Kansas City Junior Chamber of Commerce with Roy Speer as the Charter President. Roy had intended to join the Kansas City Chapter, but half way across the ASB Bridge with an application in hand it occurred to him that there should be a chapter North of the river. Upon his arrival at the President's Hotel, he asked Dixie Lynch about how that might be done. Dixie informed Roy that he was the Extension Chairman (i.e. person in charge of starting new chapters) and asked when they might be able to get started. They decided to "meet a week from Thursday" and Roy got a handful of guys together for that first meeting, then became the "fastest growing club in the US." Since then the chapter has changed its name a couple of times, but has stood the test of time and is ready to focus on the next 50 years – be a part of it!

Christmas Caroling

The chapter, in conjunction with the Foundation, will visit area nursing homes where they will Christmas Carol on Saturday, December 10. Lee Ann will be coordinating with the Foundation and acting as the chapter's Chairperson for this event.

Looking Ahead

The Missouri Jaycee Local Officers Training School will be held on January 7 at Lincoln University in Jefferson City. The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce Year – End Celebration is slated for March 9-12, 2006, in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina (can you say Spring Break?!). The 86th Annual Meeting of the USJCC is scheduled for September 28 – October 1, 2006, in Indianapolis, Indiana. So, start saving your pennies and get ready to pack your bags...

Member Moments

WELCOME

- Stephanie
- Mike

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Amy
- Anthony

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Amy and Kris

CONGRATULATIONS

- Amanda for winning Brownfield
- Scott, who became a member of the Ararat Shrine and a 2006 State Officer in DeMolay
- Pat and Dr. Julie on their engagement

CARE AND CONCERN

- Dean, of the Weston Jaycees, who is undergoing chemotherapy for cancer

Wedding Bells to Ring at Camp

Our very own Mike and Karen have announced their plans to marry on the afternoon of April 8, 2006, at Wonderland Camp. This will be DURING the Spring Work Weekend. So, plan now to attend and help prepare the Camp for a wonderful summer camp experience for some challenged people in the morning, and wish our members a lifetime of happiness in the afternoon. They have requested that items off the "wish list" be donated to the Camp in lieu of gifts. Congratulations Mike and Karen!

More Wedding Bells

Submitted by MO JC Pres. Pat
(Regarding the US JC Pres. Julie)

Missouri Jaycees,

I would like to announce my engagement to Dr. Julie Metzger. The event occurred while in Vienna, Austria for the Jaycees World Congress. We are looking at a June 2006 wedding date. Yes, I did the proper gentlemanly proposal with all the traditional steps included - got her fathers permission, had dinner at a nice restaurant, an evening carriage ride around the city followed by proposing on one knee in front of a very historical cathedral in the center of the city with many passer-bys witnessing and applauding. What a spectacle it was. Yes, I had a ring and yes, she said yes.

Pat

State Convention

The Missouri Jaycee State Convention will be held January 20-22 at Tan-Tar-A at the Lake of the Ozarks. The registration cost is \$80 (by December 20) and room rates are \$80/per room per night + tax. The chapter will vote at our December meeting regarding chapter reimbursement for this event. The trip to the Lake (yes, even in the middle of winter) is always a good time and there is much to experience at this convention. There are parties, training, the opportunity to meet Jaycees across the state; the Outstanding Young Missourians & Outstanding Young Farmer are presented, in addition to the installation of our State Officers.

Welcome to NKC

The chapter is discussing plans to erect a "Welcome to NKC" fenced wall to hold the signs of the various organizations and churches at Ozark and Armour (near the Wendy's restaurant) where the signs are currently displayed on individual posts (some of which are hidden from view by bushes). There are presently twelve organizations or churches represented - each of which will need to be contacted for their permission to move their signs, in addition to getting approval from City Hall. Pattie made this suggestion and hopes to accomplish this as part of the chapter's year-long 50th Anniversary celebration to commence next spring.

2006 INAUGURATION

Plans are underway for the 2006 Chapter Inaugural to be held early next year. Amanda is the Chairperson for this event. We intend to resume our Annual Inauguration Banquet and hope that all past and present members of the chapter will come together for this event. More details coming soon.

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