



NORTHLAND NEWS

October 2005

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

- 6 – Political initiative
- 7-8 – Wonderland Camp Work Weekend
- 9 – PPK Sectionals
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- 15 – 50th Anniversary Gala
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NOVEMBER

- 1 – General Membership Meeting
- 9 – New Member Orientation
- 16 – Board of Director's Dinner Meeting
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- TBA – Immacolata Manor decorating

50th Anniversary Gala

The chapter will be hosting a 50th Anniversary Gala the evening of Saturday, October 15 at the Kansas City Airport Marriott. This landmark event will feature a social hour with a cash bar beginning at 6pm, a banquet at 7pm with presentations and a dance with DJs Larry and Lorna Miller to follow. Our guest speaker will be Bruce Rector, the 58th JCI World President and author of *Monday Morning Messages*. All are encouraged to buy a copy of his book. There is a choice of entrée ranging from Iron Seared Beef with BBQ Sauce, Chicken Napa Valley to a vegetarian plate. Cost is only \$20 for this much anticipated evening. Attire requested is Business or Better / Black Tie Optional. Hotel rooms may still be available at \$74+ tax by contacting the hotel directly. Plan now to be a part of history in the making as we commemorate the first 50 years of our Jaycee Chapter.

NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick

The NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick program is for 8-15 year olds (age as of December 31) to showcase their ability in the elements of football with scores based on a combination of distance and accuracy. We will host the 2005 Sectional competition on Sunday, October 9 at the North Kansas City High School *practice* field (located just south of Macken Park at Howell & Clark Ferguson Drive). Participants will consist of the first place winners from all local competitions in northwestern Missouri. The top three finishers in each division (two year age brackets for each gender) will receive an award. 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 (expected to be in conjunction with their November 27th game) and beyond. This event is usually completed within the 3 o'clock hour and it is customary that the chapter will treat all volunteers to dinner at Pizza Hut immediately following.

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.

Political Initiative

You are invited to attend a fund raising reception to oppose the proposed Clay County Constitution at Chappell's Restaurant from 5-7:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 6. Even if you are unable to make a donation, if you are a resident of Clay County, you are urged to attend in order to learn more about this proposal and what it could mean to you and our community.

Wonderland Camp

Help is needed to winterize Wonderland Camp at the Fall Work Weekend on October 7-8. The Macon Chapter will provide Friday night dinner, Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner and Sunday breakfast for the low price of just \$15. Kids age ten and under cost \$5. Or you can purchase individual meals at \$5 each. Please send a message to Kristie Lea (eklea@cvalley.net) of the Macon chapter to let her know how many people from your chapter should be attending so she can plan accordingly. All are invited. Remember to provide your own beverages and bedding materials.

Dinner Meetings

The Board of Director's will host a dinner meeting on October 19 at Chappell's Restaurant on Armour Road in North Kansas City. We are seeking an alternative site for our November 16 meeting where a Thanksgiving style meal may be available. The topic of discussion for the November meeting will be the feasibility of establishing a chapter building. All members are welcome to attend. These are informal meetings where committee work may be done.

Benefit Show 2005

We are planning to hold the Benefit Show 2005 as our "Make A Difference Day" event on Saturday, October 22nd beginning at 10:30am. We aim to create a fun day for youth in crisis. All volunteers will be required to sign a confidentiality statement. New member Amanda is chairing this project.

November Meeting

Our next General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 1, at 7:00pm at the KCP&L Building in Conference Room A. This is located on N. Platte Purchase Drive just south of Barry Road and about a half mile west of 169 Highway. We must enter through the doors on the south side near the guard shack.

New Member Orientation

For new and prospective members to learn more about the Jaycees and our chapter, plan to attend the new member orientation on November 9 from 7:00-8:00pm at the KCP&L Building (the same place that we hold our meetings).

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.

Adopt-A-Family

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

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas...

This fall, the chapter plans to 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.

Christmas Projects

The chapter is seeking ideas for hands-on projects to remember those during the holiday season whom might otherwise be overlooked. Let your ideas be heard!

State Fall Meeting

The Missouri Jaycee Fall Meeting was held on September 23-25 in Columbia. Mike and Karen represented our chapter. Unfortunately the change of venue from the Kansas City area caused many of our members to be unable to attend.

Senate Party

The Missouri JCI Senate will hold a holiday party at Stoney Creek in Columbia the weekend of December 10. Rooms are currently available at a rate of \$70+tax/night in the MO JCI Senate block and should be reserved by calling 1 (800) 659-2220. Due to an MU men's basketball home game on the 10th, hotel rooms may be hard to come by if reservations are not made early.

Member Moments

WELCOME

- Amanda

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Judy and Bob
- Jim and Donna

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Dona and her husband Ryan with several health issues.
- Lee Ann with pneumonia.
- Mike Matson, son of Missouri JCI Senator Jeff Matson #54202, is serving our country in Iraq. Mike's unit is stationed around the Baghdad Airport. He is the driver on an M-1 Abrams tank. He is scheduled to return Stateside in February.

Local PPK a Success

The Local NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick competition was held the 25th of September. 34 youth participated in this event. Thanks to Suzanne for chairing this project and to all of those who helped out.

National Meeting Update

Missouri Jaycees,

As many of you may know, the National Jaycee Convention and TOYA Ceremony were held in Boston a couple of weeks ago. At that convention, Missouri got a lot of recognition. I was so proud to be there and let everyone know that I was representing Missouri. I would like to congratulate the following persons and chapters who were recognized there:

1) We have two chapters in the top 10 in the Nation! St. Charles - #3 and St. Peters - #8.

2) We have three local chapter presidents in the 100 To Watch. Karen Kobal - St. Charles, Brian Spencer - St. Peters, Missy Wilson - Jefferson City.

3) We have the 2005 Jaycee Challenge winner - John Thurman from Joplin. *(As you may recall, he visited our chapter in the spring to meet a challenge.)*

4) We have one of the ten Jaycee Idol finalist - Spencer from St. Peters.

5) A 50 member recruiter - Spencer of St. Peters.

6) A 25 member recruiter - John Thurman of Joplin.

7) Missouri had a TOYA submission winner - Gov. Matt Blunt nominated by Joplin.

8) Missouri is currently ranked #20 in the National Parade of States. Here is a timeline of Missouri growing in the ranking this year: In March, we were # 34 out of 35 states. In May, we jumped up to #25. Currently, we are #20. This is just outstanding that we keep working and climbing our way to better positioning. Breaking into the Top 20 is a great milestone to have achieved. If we all keep working like we say we are, we should and will bust into the top 10!

Everyone has been doing such a great job! You should be proud of yourselves. Lets keep working the programs and projects and finish the best that I know we can.

Proud to be a Missouri Jaycee,

Pat Aubuchon, 85th President Missouri Jaycees
Right Here, Right Now!

St. Louis Chapter Turns 90

The St. Louis Jaycees (formerly known as the Herculeum Dance Club, Young Men's Progressive Civic Association, Junior Citizens, St. Louis Junior Chamber of Commerce and Jaycees) will hold a 90th Anniversary Banquet on Friday, October 14, 2005 from 7pm-midnight at the Starlight Ballroom of the Chase Park Plaza Hotel. The cost is \$55 per person for this Black-Tie Optional event . To make your reservation, contact Diana Knapp at 1541 Grant Road, St. Louis, MO 63119.

Recognize a Stroke

Here is some valuable information about how to detect when someone is having a stroke. It is worth reading and sharing with your loved ones...it could save a life. John Wittenberg, Senator #22424, shared this with us. "A neurologist says that if he can get to a stroke victim within 3 hours he can reverse the effects of stroke...totally. He said the trick is getting a stroke recognized, diagnosed and getting to the patient within 3 hours which is tough.

RECOGNIZING A STROKE - A true story Susie is recouping at an incredible pace for someone with a massive stroke all because Sherry saw Susie stumble - - that is the key that isn't mentioned below - and then she asked Susie the 3 questions. So simple - - this literally saved Susie's life - - Some angel sent it to Suzie's friend and they did just what it said to do. Suzie failed all three tests, so 9-1-1 was called. Even though she had normal blood pressure readings and did not appear to be having a stroke as she could converse to some extent with the Paramedics, they took her to the hospital right away. Thank God for the sense to remember the "3" steps. Read and Learn!

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer brain damage when people nearby fail to recognize the symptoms of a stroke. Now doctors say a bystander can recognize a stroke by asking three simple questions:

1. Ask the individual to SMILE.
2. Ask him or her to RAISE BOTH ARMS.

3. Ask the person to SPEAK A SIMPLE SENTENCE (Coherently) (such as, "It is sunny out today.").

If he or she has trouble with any of these tasks, call 9-1-1 immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher. After discovering that a group of non-medical volunteers could identify facial weakness, arm weakness and speech problems, researchers urged the general public to learn the three questions. They presented their conclusions at the American Stroke Association's annual meeting last February. Widespread use of this test could result in prompt diagnosis and treatment of the stroke and prevent brain damage. A cardiologist says if everyone who gets this e-mail sends it to 10 people, you can bet that at least one life will be saved."

2006 Chapter Officers

If you would be interested in sharing your time and talents for the betterment of yourself and your community, consider seeking an office in our Jaycee Chapter. Our Board is comprised of a Chairman of the Board (usually the Jr. Past President); President; Vice Presidents of: (Chapter) Management, Community (outreach), Individual (member training) and Membership (recruitment and retention) Development; Treasurer; Secretary; State Director (the liaison between the chapter and higher levels of the JC organization) and two (or more if needed) Personnel Directors (the link between the general members of the chapter and the Board of Directors). Our nominating committee is comprised of Mike, Terry and Lori. Please contact one of them if you are interested in holding an office in the chapter for 2006. (Lori is available by e-mail through the chapter web site.) Elections will be held on Tuesday, December 6.

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