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A Message from President Tonya

***"Your future depends on many things,
but mostly on you." ~ Frank Tyger***

Missouri Jaycees ~ What is the future of your chapter? Do you see it as strong and well-rounded with a good name in your community? The future of your chapter is being decided right now with the actions you take (or don't take) within your local chapter. The members you recruit right now will be the one's guiding your chapters a few years down the road. What are you doing to ensure a bright future for your chapter?

I want you to think about this as you go to your general membership meetings this month and work your projects. Do you see the same people running all the projects and showing up to meetings? Take responsibility for the future of your chapter. Bring some new recruits and new ideas into your local chapter. Don't stop there! Once you have recruited those members, be sure to activate them. This means getting them involved. Getting a person involved really can be as simple as giving them a personal phone call before each meeting and project. Get your entire board involved by setting up a call list and make it a point to call every member before each meeting and project. Before you know it, you will see an increase in membership participation. I know in this age of modern technology it is easy to send off an e-mail blast, but nothing beats a personal connection.

The Missouri Jaycees are headed in the right direction. The state organization fared much better in February than we did in January. We ended the month at (-33). I must tell you...we would have ended the month at (-18) if we had received all promised information and dues from chapters. I can't stress to you enough the importance of getting your membership information in on time. No information from you means no members renewed or added for your chapter. That being said...the future looks bright for the Missouri Jaycees and I'm anticipating our growth every month for the rest of 2008!

I know my fellow state executive team members will likely cringe when they read this, but I AM BRINGING BACK THE PIES! We had so much fun with the pies in Macon last year, I just couldn't resist. For every 5 new member adds a chapter has in March, they will be eligible to throw a pie at any of the state executive team members at the May meeting in



Tonya Benton
2008 State President

Macon. This includes your RD's, DD's, Treasurer, Chaplain, Chairperson of the Board, Chief of Staff, VP's, President, our Executive Director (always a favorite) or our National Membership Director. For any chapter completing a new chapter extension in March or April, they will be eligible to throw 10 pies!!!

President Tonya

Tonya Benton
87th President

RD/DD Incentive: Have you seen the state team jackets? You can have one just like it! Any DD completing an extension by the end of April will be presented with a state team jacket with their name embroidered on it at the May meeting in Macon. Any RD completing two (2) extensions by the end of April will be presented with a state team jacket with their name on it at the May meeting in Macon

Presidential POC Incentives

- * 50 pts. to each chapter that is at growth of +5 or more in March.
- * 100 pts. to each chapter that has their March renewal, March new members and April early renewal information in (and paid) by Monday, March 24th.
- * 100 pts. to each chapter that completes a new chapter extension in the 1st Trimester.
- * 25 pts. per \$100 donated for the *IMPACT* in the 1st Trimester (make checks payable to Missouri Jaycees and put *IMPACT* in the memo line - mail to State Service Center).

Vice President Sandy Backes

I recently experienced my first night of closeout where we sit at the state office. It was great to see how the whole state was working as a team trying to get Missouri to growth for the month. At the time that I am writing this article, I do not have the final figures, but I can say that I am proud to be a Missouri Jaycee.

I would like to say "thank you" to all who helped in my successfulness of the challenge for the articles for the 1st *IMPACT* issue of 2008. Sad to report, but there was no chicken suit at the wing ding, so I am looking for ideas and/or costumes for the Saturday night dance at the spring state meeting in Macon. If you have a suggestion or a costume, please email me. I am sure

that Bridgette will make sure what I pick is worthy of the challenge. I did have someone ask me if the articles for the *IMPACT* have to be Jaycee related. No, they do not. So if you have an article about something that may or does affect our membership, send it in. Please make sure you don't plagiarize.

How are things going with your projects, CPG's, visitations, etc.? Remember all this work you are already doing earns you Parade of Chapter (POC) points. I would love to see a packet sent in from every chapter in the state. Even if you only have a few points, please turn them in. You might surprise yourself and your chapter of what all you really have accomplished. Let Ann or myself know if you would like us to come to your chapter to train your members on what all counts for POC. At this time I would like to send out Kudos to Danielle Epple on her Region 5 POC training. She did an excellent job.

National Convention is coming soon. I hope that Missouri shines and we make the walk to the stage many times. Has your chapter been nominated for an award in Memphis? Would you like to see them receive a nomination for one in New York? That is where the 2008 year end national convention will be held. If yes, start working on your projects, turn in POC packets, and help with spreading the wealth of Jaycee experiences with your friends, family, enemies and people you don't know. If you have any questions about Memphis or San Diego, let me know.

Last, but not least, please keep sending me your meeting dates and your event dates for the calendar. I look forward to my upcoming travels in March. See you soon!

Sandy Backes

State Vice President 2008

Vice President James Danley

Welcome to March, Missouri Jaycees! I get so excited as the weather gets warmer because it means that we will be running more projects. I have been doing a considerable amount of traveling and am enjoying getting to know each of you better. Please communicate with the state team regarding your projects so that we can come and support you.

Membership for our state took a disappointing hit in February. We were so close to growth yet failed to get there despite much effort trying. I just want to let you know that the state team is dedicated to your individual chapters and we want to recruit for you at your events. I know that many chapters are working on extensions in various cities and that is excellent news. Let us know when your planning meetings are and we will be there. We are eager to help you in any way that we can as you extend the Jaycee opportunity to these new communities.

I would like to encourage you to make visitations to other chapters. This is an excellent way to network while helping your fellow chapters out. New project ideas also come from these visitations.

Check the State Calendar regularly on the website for more information on visitation possibilities. I look forward to seeing you as I am out and about.

James Danley

State Vice President 2008

Vice President Paul Myers

Hello, Missouri Jaycees! Is your chapter struggling with membership or are you a thriving chapter, full of people doing fun projects, fulfilling needs in the community that no one else is? If you disappeared tomorrow would anyone in your community notice?

No matter what your answers were above, maybe it's time to sit down and re-evaluate what the purpose of YOUR chapter is. I challenge you to write a mission statement that fits your chapter. As we go out and recruit, we talk about the fact that the Jaycees are the one group that fulfills all three aspects of what people really need: Social Development, Community Development, and of course, why we were created in the first place, Leadership Development. If we are talking the talk for all three, and recruiting members off of it, and then once they are in we don't deliver, those folks walk away. It really can be that easy to lose a new good member. You go out, you do the work, you get them interested in what you do and then you don't do what you say you do.

I look around the state and we have great chapter's everywhere, but you can categorize some of them into Social, Community, or Leadership chapters. If this is your niche, then run with it, make a mission statement and grow your chapter based on who you are. If you want to take the challenge of being a great chapter, look at our international mission statement and see if you fit the mold. You don't? Why not? Could you be if you tried? What are you missing? You see, I think our biggest problem right now is that we have lost our way. We, as members, don't really know what we are or what we do.

Our international mission statement is this: *"To contribute to the advancement of the global community by providing the opportunity for young people to develop the leadership skills, social responsibility, entrepreneurship, and fellowship necessary to create positive change."*

That's a lot of words isn't it? Does your chapter fulfill the international mission of our organization? What could you do better to achieve that mission? It is very hard for us to go out and brand ourselves to individuals and ask them to join us when we ourselves are so confused about who we are and what we do. If we want to grow, it is time for us to take control of our own destiny. We need to decide where we, as leaders, and go from here. I challenge each chapter out there to write its own mission statement. Send them to me via email.

If we get more than 10 of them submitted I personally will get the top 5 turned into plaques that you can hang in your hall or meeting room. If you are like my home chapter and meet in a

restaurant, take it with you there. Make sure all of your members know about it and what you stand for. If there are less than 10, I will get one made from the best mission statement we as a state team see come in.

I look forward to seeing how we, as Missouri Jaycees, see ourselves; how we fit into the global community, and what we are willing to commit to in our own mission statements.

I also want to remind you that if you are looking for ways for your chapter to improve its leadership skills, for your chapter and also in the workplace; there is still time to sign up to JCI Presenter. This course will be given on Thursday May 15th at noon sharp and will go thru Friday May 16th at 6pm right when registration for the May meeting starts. This course teaches you the beginnings of presenting to a group. This is a good work skills training that can help both in your chapter and in your presenting skills at work. By taking this course you do not have to move on to become a trainer, although this is a pre-requisite for the JCI Trainer course; which we will be offering before the September meeting.

To sign up for either of these classes you need to go out to www.jci.cc and register. Once you create a username and password you go under the JCI University Tab and click My University. Once there you will see a list of courses. Find the course on the dates we talked about and register for the course. This part is critical to get you credit for taking the course so we can get you registered as a JCI Trainer. If you have any difficulties in getting this done by all means call me or send me an email and I'll help walk you thru it.

Paul Myers

State Vice President 2008

Parade of Chapters

Hello Missouri Jaycees, I hope March is off to a great start for you! I hope all the chapters out there are putting their Parade of Chapters (POC) packets together. There are so many opportunities for POC points out there, please take advantage of those. If you don't feel that your chapter is getting the credit it deserves for the projects you do, then play the POC game. If you are new at POC or just have questions about POC please feel free to shoot me an email at annkampeter@diamondpet.com or call me at (573) 690-0779 and I will be glad to help you! Don't forget the 1st trimester deadline is April 20th. Have an awesome March and Happy Easter!

Ann Kampeter

2008 POC Program Manager

State Service Center News

FEBRUARY 2008 MEMBERSHIP RESULTS

Here are the stats:

Total Billed in February 2008	=	263	
Total Renewals	=	164	(62%)
Total New Members	=	66	
Total Extensions	=	0	☹
Net (+/-)	=	(-33)	☹

Congratulations to the following chapters, DDs and RDs who achieved membership growth in FEBRUARY:

Top Growth Chapters for February:

➤ St. Clair Jaycees	Stephanie Smith, president	+7
➤ MU Jaycees	Ronnie Mills, president	+7

Additional Growth Chapters for February:

Eureka +2, Macon +2, Olean +2, Webb City +2, Boonville +1, Cottleville/Weldon Spring +1, Hannibal +1, Union +1, Warrenton +1, Wentzville/LSL +1

Top Growth District Directors for February:

➤ Alex Heldt	Region 9, District 1	+6
➤ Bryan Bogue	Region 5, District 2	+5
➤ Holly Kosick	Region 5, District 3	+1

Top Growth Region Directors for February:

➤ Danielle Epple	Region 5	+4
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New members are vital to the success of your local chapters, districts, regions and the state! Please share the Jaycees with someone new and ask them to join today!!!

Chapter & Officers Directory

Please let me know if there are corrections for the [Chapter and Officer's Directory](#) and I'll update the version that's available for download from the website. Click the link above for the latest version. Check back often to ensure you have the most recent contact information for everyone.

Membership Call-In Deadlines for 2008

By the posted Call-In Deadline, we need to know who is renewing for the following month AND we need information on all new members (name, address and DOB). Chapters should forward that information to their District Director, Region Director, assigned Vice President and Executive Director Joe Jerkins by the following deadlines:

Month	Day	Close Out	Information Needed
March	Thursday	March 27 th	Mar new members & Apr renewals
April	Thursday	April 24 th	Apr new members & May renewals
May	Thursday	May 29 th	May new members & Jun renewals
June	Thursday	June 26 th	Jun new members & Jul renewals
July	Wednesday	July 30 th	Jul new members & Aug renewals
August	Thursday	August 28 th	Aug new members & Sep renewals
September	Monday	September 29 th	Sep new members & Oct renewals
October	Thursday	October 30 th	Oct new members & Nov renewals
November	Tuesday	November 25 th	Nov new members & Dec renewals
December	Tuesday	December 30 th	Dec new members & Jan (09) renewals

EARLY RENEWAL DUES REBATE OFFERED!

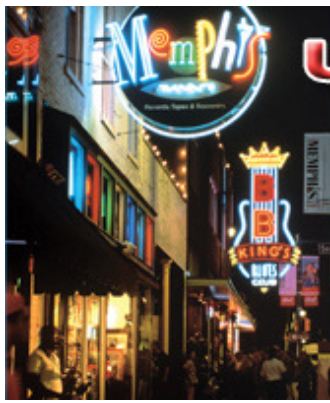
Renewal Dues for 2008 are \$53.00, which is the same as dues for new members. HOWEVER...chapters who submit their renewals (with payment or open check on file) by the posted closeout deadlines will receive a rebate credit of \$5 per renewal. If you have any questions, please contact Executive Director Joe Jerkins or any state officer.

Open Check Policy for Monthly Membership Dues

Hopefully, your chapter is participating in the open check program for membership closeouts! If not, please contact [Joe Jerkins](#) at (573) 634-2321 for more details. It is really helpful when it comes to membership closeout when we must have a payment in hand before we can turn in your membership to the national organization.

Joe Jerkins

Executive Director



USJC Year-End Celebration

MEMPHIS

March 18-21, 2008



Tentative Agenda

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2008

01:00pm – 10:00pm Notebook Judging

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2008

08:00am – 10:00pm Notebook Judging

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2008

REGISTRATION HOURS:

05:00pm – 09:00pm *Delegate Registration – Competitors & Judges ONLY – Marriott Meeting Area*

08:00am – 12:00pm Notebook Judging
05:00pm – 09:00pm Individual Competition & Judges Registration
06:00pm – 07:00pm Judges Orientation (and Debate Competitors)
07:00pm – 10:00pm ID Resume Competition Judging
09:00pm – 11:00pm Competitions
Debate Prep Room
Debate

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2008

REGISTRATION HOURS:

07:30am – 10:30am

01:00pm – 03:30pm

05:30pm – 08:30pm

08:00am – 08:00pm Competitors' Holding Room
08:00am – 12:00pm Individual Competitions
Mungenast
Armbruster
Brownfield
Howes Speak-Up
Master Speak-Up
Debate Prep Room
Debate
Jeopardy/Write-Up
02:00pm – 02:30pm Competition Callbacks

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2008 (con't)

03:00pm – 08:00pm	Final Competitions Mungenast Armbruster Brownfield Howes Speak-Up Master Speak-Up Debate Prep Room Debate Write-Up Jeopardy
05:00pm – 9:00pm	2008 Executive Committee Meeting
09:00pm – 10:30pm	First Timers' Orientation

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2008

REGISTRATION HOURS:

08:00am – 10:30am
12:00pm – 02:30pm
04:30pm – 06:00pm

09:00am – 05:30pm	Exhibits
09:00am – 12:00pm	Opening Ceremony
02:00pm – 06:00pm	Awards Ceremony
07:00pm – 08:00pm	Take Trolleys to Welcome to Memphis Party
08:00pm – 10:30pm	Welcome to Memphis Party
10:45pm – 11:30pm	Trolleys available to return to Marriott

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2008

REGISTRATION HOURS:

08:00am – 10:30am
12:00pm – 02:00pm
03:30pm – 05:00pm
08:00pm – 09:30pm

08:00am – 03:30pm	Exhibits
08:00am – 06:00pm	US Jaycee Foundation Work Session
09:00am – 12:30pm	Awards Ceremony
12:30pm – 01:30pm	Metro Training - Working Lunch
12:30pm – 01:30pm	Delegate Lunches
01:40pm – 03:30pm	General Delegate Training
	• Diversity in Your Chapter Ariel Jones
	• Leadership for Your Chapter/Community Matt Booth
04:00pm – 06:30pm	Board of Director's Meeting
06:30pm – 09:00pm	State Team Dinners (on your own)
09:00pm – 11:30pm	2007 Farewell Ceremony (Semi-Formal)

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2008

REGISTRATION HOURS:

07:30am – 09:30am
12:00pm – 02:00pm
07:00pm – 09:00pm

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09:00am – 11:00am	Session 1: Hours of Power (4 Speakers)
11:15am – 12:00noon	Session 2
	• The 2008 Plan of Action O'Neil
	• Effective Membership Plans Reinhard
	• State Presidents' Training Weber
	• Citizens Corps Jorif

12:00pm – 01:30pm Delegate Lunches

FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2008 (con't)

01:45pm – 02:30pm

Session 3

- Technology Town Hall Smith
- Planning for Successful Conventions Howerton/Moddie
- State Presidents' Training Weber
- Take Your Chapter from Good to Great DiLeonardo

02:45pm – 03:30pm

Session 4

- How to Do Extensions Chandler
- State Presidents' Training Weber
- RD/DD Training Kingsley
- Vision Quest Koch

03:45pm – 04:30pm

Session 5

- Governmental Involvement: GOTV Peterson
- State Presidents' Training Weber
- RD/DD Training Kingsley
- Vision Quest Koch

08:00pm – 10:30pm

Closing Ceremony/Inauguration (Formal)

10:30pm – 11:00pm

2008 Presidential Reception

(An invitation-only event honoring the 2008 State Presidents and the 2008 USJC Executive Team)

11:00pm – 02:00am

Inaugural Party

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2008

National Team & Staff Depart

MISSOURI JAYCEES SPRING STATE MEETING



HOSTED BY THE MACON JAYCEES

May 16-18, 2008
Macon Comfort Inn
Macon, Missouri
Just north of Hwy 36 on Hwy 63

Room rate: \$72/night
Call 660-395-8000 - identify yourself as a Missouri Jaycee
Room block released 4/15 - min. 2 night stay required for Jaycee rate

Early registration: \$70 (postmarked by April 15)
Late registration: \$82

Partial registration fees:
Friday night mixer - \$15

Saturday lunch - \$25

Saturday dinner - \$35

Saturday night mixer - \$15

For more information contact:
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