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It is truly my honor to serve as your 53rd president of the US JCI Senate. Thank you for the support, the friendship and the prayers. I look forward to seeing many of you as I travel throughout the country visiting state and region activities.

I am looking forward to working with an outstanding group of leaders on the Executive Committee. I am impressed with each of the gentlemen elected to serve as officers on the board. Each region has elected an individual who will be a great contributor to the Executive Board. In addition to these individuals, there is a great group of state presidents leading the states.

I am excited about the group of Senators who accepted an appointment this year. These individuals possess leadership skills that will strengthen our or-

ganization. I encourage you to employ their services whenever possible.

Two of my priority programs this year are relatively new to the Senate – Wreaths Across America and Wheelchairs 4 Kids. Since our involvement in Wreaths Across America has increased each year of existence, I have changed the management of this program to broaden our involvement. Liz Young #47759 from South Carolina will be the program manager and she will be supported by area coordinators to help promote the program. They are Jaci Newmark #56368 of Florida for Regions I, II, III and IV, Cheryl Davis-Sauerbrei #44003 of Iowa for Regions V, VI and VII, and DeLisa Anderson #54310 of Oklahoma for Regions VIII, IX and X. This outstanding team will do an excellent job. Wheelchairs 4 Kids will be continued under the chairmanship of Cindy Brandel #54928 of Florida. Please remember that these are not US JCI Senate programs. They belong to other organizations. We are simply supporting these programs through financial and manpower means.

A couple of internal programs are also on my priority list. First is Return the Favor. We must continue to provide service and assistance to the Jaycees. They need our assistance now more than ever. Return The Favor Program Manager Tracy Culler

#64534 will be working with the states to accomplish positive results for both organizations.

My final priority program is Senate Outreach, Activation and Retention, commonly referred to as SOAR. The biggest challenge we have to overcome is the loss of our members through death. The means of replacing these members is, of course, through new Senatorships and getting Senators who are not members to become members. Program Manager Joan Travis #76201 will lead this program.

I am going to implement a racing theme for this year to go along with building legacies. I am using NASCAR as an example of using my theme. I encourage you to have fun with this. My theme in "Destination Legacy." We will be referred to as the Pitt Racing Team. The Executive Committee will be the Pitt Crew. They provide the leadership in preparing our team to reach the finish line. The NVPs will serve as car owners. Each owner will have several cars and drivers on the team. The state presidents are the drivers. It is up to them to lead their cars to the finish line successfully. None of these results can happen without jackmen, gas men and tire changers. The jack men are represented by the project chairmen. The program managers will provide the fuel and



means to the drivers so they are, therefore, the gas men. The committees who are responsible for making various changes for the organization will be the tire changers. You, as members, are the race fans who support their favorite driver. Like any race, the ultimate goal is to reach the finish line first. When you reach the finish line numerous times and win championships, you establish your legacy.

So drivers, Start Your Engines! Keep in mind as you drive toward the finish line, "The Life you live is the Legacy you Leave."

Let's Go Racing!!!!

Below: US JCI Senate President Gary Pittenger #24804 and JCI USA President Vanessa Birchler #74430



Destination Legacy Leadership Team

Front: Region X Lynne Hansen #68753, Region IX Susan Manthey #68777, Region VIII Leisa Peebles #56001, Region VI Dan Badger #67974, Region V Kim Hubbell #68729, Region IV Carla Bailey #62624, Region II Krista Myers-Shafer #77862, Region I Dana Hall

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The start of the "Destination Legacy" year has begun. I want to thank you for the honor of being your Administrative Vice President for this exciting year ahead. I look forward to serving you this year as part of President Gary's Pit Crew with the National Vice Presidents, Ambassadors, Committee Chairs and Program Managers that were approved at the Tampa meeting

in June. I look forward to visiting as many Senators and places as my schedule will allow.

Look for the articles from all the people listed above in this Mentors to read about their programs and plans for the year. The supporting documents you will need will be on the website for each program.

I would like to recommend that states consider having program managers for the Wreaths Across America and Wheelchairs for Kids programs.

I look forward to seeing you at the Fall Board meeting in Tulsa.

TREASURER

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Let's give a big shoutout to the Florida JCI Senate for a fantastic National Convention in Tampa. It was a well-run convention where everyone seemed to have a great time. There was plenty to see and do!

I appreciate your confidence by electing me your 2024-2025 treasurer. This year's theme of Destination Legacy makes me think back to my early days in the Millersville (Pennsylvania) Jaycees and an early decision, once I joined, that I would be an active member of our chapter and, a short while later, of our district, region and state.

Let me also give a huge shoutout to last year's communication team. You were an awesome team and I appreciate everything you do for the US JCI Senate.

This year's financial team, once again, is made up of experienced and new members who have varying responsibilities

regarding safeguarding the finances of our organization. Leading our Sweepstakes team is veteran sweepstakes committee member and Chair Ron Kimmel #43520. Assisting him is Assistant Chair Kristen Johnson #72859, Ticket Chair Letha Grimes #63946, Party Chair Angie Scherff Taylor #71600 and Prize Chairs Ann Harrison #75822 (Regions I – V) and Phyllis Bowers #51430 (Regions VI – X). Expect to see them out and about at many of our events throughout this Destination Legacy year. Also on the fund-raising side, in her second year, is Mentors Business Manager, Christianna Gilliam #78844. She will guide you through Mentors sign-in sheets and Mentor's ads. With this Mentors issue under our belts, it is never too early to plan your December issue ads.

Our Membership Information Services team will once again be led by Program Manager Dawna Norfleet #61999. Yes, I said team. Joining her will be Assistant Membership Information Program Manager Lisa Badger #67973, who is no stranger to our national organization. These two will be responsible to track our membership. Recently Dawna

SECRETARY

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Hello fellow senators! Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your secretary for the 2024-25 year.

I am excited and looking forward to a great year. Fortunately, I have a great team to work with this year with Photographer Eldon Bowers #45999, E-News Guru Kim Bode #62467, Social Media Queen Jess Kling #78271, Webmaster Lowell Vahl #40315, Assistant Webmaster Allison Geddes #74777 – all working to keep me straight!

And, of course, you are reading this fabulous Mentors publication brought to you by the team of Chief Editor Angie Jelinek #60570, Assistant Editor Dawne Sutherland #68900, Assistant Editor Bob Cairns #59815, Empty Chair Editor Mary Allred #46602 and

added a column to the drop/add/change form for states to include email addresses of their members. Please utilize this add/change feature when updating your rosters. Exploring ways to enhance your membership reporting experience will be a goal of this year's team. Remember that your first dues kits are due no later than Sept. 1.

Susan Hatcher #58143 will provide direction to our Finance Committee, which includes COB Hal Williams #43912, Future Directions member Lori Tomlin #62797, Michigan state President Tanya Quakenbush #78291, Legal Counsel John Badeen #73089 and myself as a non-voting member. This team will regularly review items such as bank statements, budget reports, account balances, income, expenditures and investments. Reporting to them will be the Audit Committee – Chair Randy Young #46420, Jim France #44665 and Brad Blain #39993.

We have assembled a fantastic team to oversee your finances. I look forward to serving you as your treasurer this year, emphasis always on serve! What will your journey to Destination Legacy look like this year? Have a fun time racing to the finish line!

Business Manager Christianna Gilliam #78844.

As for the team's goals for the year, we plan to work hard to increase our Facebook presence and expand the E-News to reach more Senators, continue to produce a high-quality Mentors and make sure our website is as user-friendly as possible. Again, thank you for this opportunity and I look forward to meeting all of you throughout the year.

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filings with the IRS. Often, this is the relatively simple informational return – called the 990. Depending on the annual revenue your state has, this is generally a matter of a few minutes of your (or your treasurer's) time. Again, a failure to make the required filings can result in a loss of your not-for-profit status and a requirement that you pay taxes.

If you suffer from both situations, this can personally impact your board of directors, so diligence is key. While the "paperwork" is never the fun part of this organization, this paperwork serves to protect you and your organization from personal liability.

In either situation, the precise steps you need to take depend upon the state you are in. For this, the help of a lawyer can make the process as simple and painless as possible. So, it behooves you to hook one up with your Senate for this and other matters. Most lawyer members that I know are more than willing to occasionally help out free of charge, especially if you'll listen to them speak for a while (which I will admit may seem like a steep bill, but certainly the fiscally responsible decision). Remember, lawyers need love too.

Also:

"The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers."

Henry the 6th, part 2, Act 4, Scene 2.



CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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Greetings to all as we start the Destination Legacy year! Congratulations to President Gary Pittinger, his staff, and to all newly elected and appointed officers. I, for one, am looking forward to great things this year, and look forward to working with all of you as your National Legal Counsel.

Congratulations, also, to all the newly elected state organization presidents and their teams (as you will see below, I hope those teams will include a state organization legal counsel). The beginning of your year is an excellent time to make sure your official state's status and organization are in proper order. The two most important matters to review in this endeavor include confirming your corporate status and your standing with the Internal Revenue Service.

Most, if not all, states require periodic filings from non-profit corporations in order to maintain corporate status. This may involve something as simple as a one-page State of Continued Existence document to a more complex renewal application. The timetable for such filings varies from state to state and may require annual or every so many years. The result of ignoring such filing requirements can be the loss of your organization's corporate status or existence. Re-establishing that existence can be more problematic than the original incorporation. So, make sure your state is up to date. This can usually be done by checking the website of the appropriate office in your state government. In many states, this is the Secretary of State or Department of Commerce.

Likewise, you should check on your non-profit status with the IRS. Just because your state Senate is "non-profit" does not mean that you do not have to make periodic

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The chaplain program has grown and improved for the last three or four years. It is my goal to continue to promote the chaplaincy program in the US JCI Senate organization to the fullest. I was very honored to be appointed to serve as your 2024-2025 national chaplain.

This year we will continue to use the bi-monthly editions of E-News to communicate important news for our membership. The E-News will consist of news of passing Senators, so we may celebrate their service throughout their volunteering careers. We will also share good news and congratulations and/or milestones in our members' lives. Last, but never least, is prayer concerns of our Senators. Any regions or states wanting information to be in the E-News have a deadline of the 12th and 27th of each month so I have time to get it submitted. Please include detailed and specific information as well as a contact email.

As our 'Destination Legacy' theme reads, we will continue to honor our members who have passed in the Empty Chair section in the Senate's Mentors magazine. Those who will be honored are

those members who passed from June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025 at our year end memorial service in Northbrook, Illinois. Please send a non-social media photo of the Senator who passed along with the obituary link.

We will continue working with both state and regional chaplains to promote the US JCI Senate's Destination Legacy. We will provide support through our faith and prayers. We believe faith and communication are key to provide a solid support base for our membership. We, as your 2024-2025 chaplain team, are here to help support in any capacity we can. We believe prayer is key for success, comfort and peace. We pray for a successful year for all Senators. Please feel free to contact any member of the chaplain team or myself for any support you may need this year.

Wow! That was a great year-end celebration we had in Tampa. "Best Party Ever!"

Thank you to Co-Chairs Cindy Brandel #54928 and Caryn "CC" Ackerman #62039 and the Tampa 2024 committee for all your planning and hard work. It certainly paid off! A big thank you to all the Region IV folks who helped out and assisted with manpower. Thank you also to the Illinois JCI Senate for manning the bar and hospitality Saturday night after the banquet so all the Florida folks could have a celebration party. Also, a thank you to the Mango Brothers for playing Friday night. I could not have asked for a better way to end the year of "Keeping the Faith."

Congratulations to all the award winners. I have heard past presidents say how

tough it was to select the award winners at the end of the year, and they are certainly right. There were many tough calls and decisions made. Some were very close. In the end I think we all had a great year.

I am looking forward to working with President Gary and his board this year. We had a great team-building activity after the convention, racing go-carts! The year of "Destination Legacy" is going to be a great one!

I would like to close by saying this past year has been the experience of a lifetime for me, traveling all around the country and getting to meet you all and know you better – even staying in some of your homes. Thank you for your hospitality and friendship.

JCI Senate World



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Don't miss out on the highlight of our year! Let's come together, collaborate, and create a brighter future. See you in Toronto!

For more information, please contact Karen MacCannell, Ambassador to Canada.



**AMBASSADOR TO EUROPE
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Acting as your ambassador brings me and Maxine some wonderful experiences, but none greater than the Association of Senators in Europe meeting in Wales.

There was the pre-tour across Northern Wales with Senators from across Europe, exploring the history and beauty of their historic part of the United Kingdom. More important was the opportunity to participate in a Harry Potter weekend with 126 Senators from over 25 countries, all dressed as characters from the series. We went to classes on magical animals, secret potions, archery and more. We ended the conference with a banquet in the dining hall where the film was made. This trip, a month

long, took us then to Germany (Munich, Augsburg and Berlin) and finally the German Senate meeting in Berlin.

A number of Senators have asked me to compare European Senate meetings to ours, which I will try to do.

British Senate meetings are basically social. They leave most business to the Executive and therefore the meetings are for fellowship and brief updates, but mainly opportunities for attending theatre, enjoying skits and taking part in activities and tours. They are concerned about aiding their JCI organizations, but do not meet with them. Their registration fees for meetings are high, but tours and events are usually included and their meals are spectacular. Most British Senators who attended our meetings think we are just old Jaycees doing projects and endless meetings rather than enjoying ourselves and being a social organization.

European meetings do not have hospitality rooms. If you want to meet Senators, you go to the bar and buy your own drinks. European meetings usually have a Saturday banquet where the dress is black tie and more than 90% wear that attire.

In my next article, I will discuss German Senate meetings, which are quite different.

NEW SENATORS



Carlos Cabrera, #83087, New York, grew up in the Philippines with active Jaycee parents, who are also Senators. He joined his fathers chapter, Oro Jaycees, in 1999 helping them host a successful National Convention. When he left for New York in 2004, he was fortunate to find and joined the JCI Philippine-New York chapter, becoming the Chapters President in 2018.

The Youth Ambassadorship Program was one of this favorite projects, because of it's positive impact with children who were involved.



Codie Wilson, #82284, Nebraska, was an active member of the Kearney Jaycees. Her first project was 'Putting on the Bricks', an 18 hole mini golf bar crawl, where she was 'voluntold' to help by her boss, who was in a Leadership Program of the Jaycees. Immediately she love it.

Codie's favorite local project was 'The Cottontail Scramble', an Easter egg hunt. Her favorite state convention memory is leading a training called 'Speed Date with a Senator', where an ice breaker questions were supplied to bring current Jaycees into conversations with State Senators.



Colleen Witman, #82772, Pennsylvania, was a very active member of the Hamburg Jaycees for many years. She has held the roles of President, Hamburg Family Festival Chair, and chair of their hugely successful King Frost Parade.

Colleen has served as Past President of the Pennsylvania Jaycees, Secretary, Chief of Staff and is currently an Advisor.

Colleen and her husband, Ryan, and children Jaydon and Kamryn, regularly host foreign exchange students on their beautiful farm along with their fur babies, horses and chickens.



Terri Kotik, #82724, Iowa joined the Newton Jaycees in the mid-90s, Terri became an active member of the local chapter, holding several positions on the board, including Chapter President. During her year as President, she was recognized as a nominee for the Charles Kulp Jr. Memorial Award as a Top Chapter President by the Iowa Jaycees. She went on to holding positions at the Regional and State level, including

Iowa Jaycee Chaplain.

Terri resides in Newton, Iowa and is employed as the Office Manager for Hamilton Glass in Newton



Randy Shank, #82828, Kansas, was a member of the Manhattan Jaycees for many years. His love for the Jaycees was visible through his commitment to the organization.

Randy served on many committees on the local and state level. Randy and is wife, Tami, served as Family Life Program Managers from 1993-1994. He continued to help with the Kansas JCI Senate Golf

Tournaments, when he could.



Dan Runneals, #82822, Iowa was a member of the Nevada Jaycees in the late 1970's and 1980's. He served his local chapter as State Director and Local Chapter President. He served the Nevada Jaycees as District Director. He chaired many local projects.

When Dan completed his service to the Jaycees, he took his drive and knowledge and finished his college degree, and worked for and retired from the Department of Agriculture.

Dan found himself working on a committee with old Senators, that was planning a Region J 'Reunion', with the sole purpose of awarding Dan his long overdue Senatorship.



Margaret Quimosing, #82671, New York, joined the JCI Philippine-New York chapter in June 2011. She was a very active member all the way through her Jaycee career, The highest office she served in was that of the JCI New York State Vice President.



Megan Vallely, #82771, Pennsylvania, was a very active member of the DuBois Jaycees for over 15 years. She held the positions of President, Community Development Vice President, Treasurer and Parliamentarian. She was active in the Pennsylvania Jaycees, holding the titles of Treasurer and Regional Director.

Megan has chaired the following big projects for the DuBois Jaycees; Thanksgiving Dinners, Scholarships, Kids Fair, and Bowl for Kids' Sake with great success.



Jeff McClanahan #82858, Donnie Glueck #82859, and Brent Wills #82860 are Missouri's newest JCI Senators were in the Jackson (MO) Jaycees back in the day. Each was a local President and active in their chapter and Region as well.

NEW SENATORS



Gina Miller Williams, #82879, Iowa, jumped into Jaycees & got involved immediately. She chaired many projects as well as worked on most chapter projects. Gina enjoyed meeting & getting to know people. She became a great Jaycee recruiter. Gina was awarded a national award twice for recruiting 100 Jaycees. Gina held several offices including local president, state director, district director & other regional offices. She was involved

in regional & state events as well as attending local, regional & state meetings & training sessions. As a District Director Gina completed 5 extensions and was awarded an Upson for her work.



Patrick Cooper, #83031, Tennessee, was a longtime member of the Paris-Henry County Jaycees. He has held every local office in his chapter. He has been the general manager of their signature project "The Worlds Biggest Fish Fry"!

Patrick has also served on the Tennessee State Jaycees board and is a Past Commander of the Tennessee Jaycee Old Hickory's Brigade, the recruiting arm of the state organization.

Patrick and his wife Stephanie #81617 are always willing to help in anyway they can and are always giving back to their local community.

JCI USA



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Summer brings opportunities to travel, participate in amazing Jaycee projects, meet new friends and connect with old ones. From virtual opportunities to in-person ones, Jaycees are serving their communities and developing

leadership skills. To date we have added more than 800 new members to our organization. I think that speaks volumes about the amazing efforts of our dedicated members, inspiring leaders and motivated Executive Committee members!

Thank you all for your warm hospitality in Tampa! Thank you, President Hal Williams, for the invitation! I enjoyed my first Senate event and am looking forward to attending more in the future. I had many conversations with Senators about the state of the Jaycee organization, how the organization operates today and what young people are looking to gain from their Jaycee membership. JCI USA Liaison Heather Danley and I are working on putting together some resources for all of you to help you better understand the

Jaycee acronyms of today and our programs. We hope this is the first step in bridging the gap between our organizations.

I would love to see many of you at the JCI USA Annual Meeting in Cleveland, Ohio from Sept. 12 through 15. This is a great opportunity to meet, motivate and encourage our Jaycees and celebrate our TOYA honorees. I have said many times that encouraging Senators were pivotal in my Jaycee journey. Do not underestimate your power when you give a simple compliment or encouraging word.

I am looking forward to working with President Gary over the next six months. It was such an honor to share the stage with him in Tampa as two people from Illinois who are now leading our respective organizations. I am looking forward to finishing out my year strong and continuing to push our Jaycees to EVOLVE in 2024!



FRIENDSHIP AWARD



Rob Mawson, FR #118, Pennsylvania, is a past member of the Upper Perk Jaycees. He has attended numerous Pennsylvania Jaycee Conventions over the years. He was presented with a US JCI Senate Friendship Award and joined our family.

Rob has gone above & beyond to help anywhere needed for the Pennsylvania JCI Senate, as he is the husband of Jean Mawson

#66086. As a couple they are serving as the Pennsylvania JCI Senate Chaplains this year.



Todd Gianetti, #120, Connecticut, enjoys the 'behind the scenes' work: doing the cooking for the July meeting and social, working on crafts for the Region booth, and helping at other Region I events. His first visitation was MAI, where he showed off his dancing skills and earned \$1 from Former First Lady Linda Andrews, earning his his nickname 'Dollar Bill Todd'.

Todd has many activities that keeps him busy, such as working with the Scouts troop in town. He works in Environmental Health and Safety at the University of Connecticut. He will always support his wife, Nancy, #69463, in any Senate activities.

US JCI Senate Annual Board of Directors Meeting

June 21, 2024

Tampa, FL

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Allen Dale	78962	KS	Peter Jordan	54684	ME	Allison Geddes	74777	OH	Bob McDonald	58286	PA
Stephanie Prewitt	75200	OK	Dee Stone	59531	FL	Susan Geddes	81581	OH	Marsha Phillips	47528	FL
Tony Prewitt	FR107	OK	Kathleen "Kat" Collins	64926	FL	Matt Sernan	72678	MI	Mike Phillips	50063	FL
Jerre Taylor	66554	OK	MaryAnn Hilleary	64615	IL	Ray Ainslie	44136	IL	Amelia Harrison	62082	FL
Rocky Taylor	60941	OK	Greg Hilleary	43305	IL	Melodie Ainslie	69200	IL	Elizabeth Sautler	66673	SC
Karen MacConnell	49497	OK	Carolyn Smith	64564	AZ,NC,FL	Jim Daugherty	51172	AZ/KY	Crispin Bottomley	78201	Canada
Rob Cronkwright	54515	Canada	Judson Devore	65005	IL	Janie Daugherty	65320	TN/KY	Gloria Albers	79536	OK
Sheri Menedez	47839	OK	Marsha Devore	67330	IL	Wayne MacDonald	36519	NH	Newton Standridge	29407	IA
Soraya Cronkwright	Guest	Canada	Herb Koelner, Jr	28607	SD	Michele Tarantino	63380	CT	Carol Standridge	80700	IA
Cindy Empting	65595	OK	Tom Hendrix	37317	MO/NE/IA	Rick Rutter	53977	WV	Ron Kimmet	43520	OH
Jim Harmon	63902	OK	Jim Pendleton, Jr	40286	MO	Sheri Polychrones	78710	VA	Sara Kimmet	77909	OH
Sissie Harmon	63903	OK	Chuck McFarlin	47910	IL	Karen Gage	78980	VA/MD/PA	Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei	44003	IA
Matt Boyer	76878	PA	Karen Helms	57838	IL	Ariel Jones	65423	VA	Woody Sauerbrei	FR111	IA
Jeff Kozak	63411	PA	Nick Woods	62735	NC	Joy Bruthwaite	70476		Jaci Newmark	56368	FL
Janet Kozak	61574	PA	Marge Miller	52948	MN			Trinidad & Tobago	Keith Adams	FR105	FL
Joan Travis	76201	NJ+5	Kim Bode	62467	SC/NC	Donda Yenney	64283	VA	Jimmy Lewis	78887	TX
Chris Travis	55435	NJ+5	Terry Jones	52694	NC/SC	Peggy McHugh	62466	VA	Leisa Peebles	56001	TX
Ria Serrano	76566	NJ	Scott Link	51911	FL/NJ	Art Esenberg	26704	VA/FL	Greg Peebles	56000	TX
Krista Shafer-Myers	77862	NY	Stacy Link	64477	FL	Judy Nussle	62267	MD	Chris Curtis	35440	IL
Anne Ryan	81987	FL	Letha Grimes	63946	MD	Melissa Urge	59854	MD	Susie Colbert-Curtis	73137	IL
Irene Shanley	65316	FL/NC	Ron Stair	71373	KS	Jennifer Ray	68957	MD	John Price	36383	WV/FL
Don Duffy	78415	FL	Caryn "CC" Ackerman	62039	FL	Cheryl Carlson	70371	NC	Deb Price	71777	WV/FL
Patrick Allison	64624	FL/MD	Lora Lawton	66156	IA/TN	Lisa Badger	67973	IA	Gary Pittenger	24804	IL
Carol "C.J." Jordan	45857	NC/FL	Lisa Lawton	Guest	IA/TN	Dan Badger	67974	IA	Clark Wilcox	79977	GA
Andy Childress	62743	NC/SC	Sam Hamblen	44355	TN/IA	Jay Edmondson	41977	FL	Lloyd Mueller	57186	NE
Ray Culler	64452	NC	John Tyo	66381	NY	Patsy Edmondson	FR003	FL	Christianna Gilliam	78844	SC/GA
Tracy Culler	64534	NC	Bill Duncan	81565	VA	Thomas Michael	75612	GA	Bill Patterson	47979	IL
Ann Engle	71560	CO	Miriam Wetter	67070	MO	Wayde Burkhart	63877	IA	Terry Kolaz	68698	PA
Jumper Davis	38376	TX	Tom Brickbauer	32287	WI	Dale Blaisdell	Guest	CT	Jess Kling	78271	MD
Hilda Davis	71500	TX	Walter Cahoon	27223	MA	Bonnie Blaisdell	69956	CT	Lisa Pickett	72247	GA
Scott Kingsley	67932	NY/PA/WV	Cathy Cahoon	FR45	MA/DC	Amanda Turner	65613	OH	Ken Fischer	43036	SD
Stephanie Kingsley	72949	NY/PA/WV	Lori Tomlin	62797	IN	Melissa Sleeth	69220	VA	Carole Harlan	44468	SD
Marlin Sanny	13967	NE	Laura McDivitt	65755	IN	Ronald Sleeth	79099	VA	Peter Jordan	54684	ME
Nancy Cardwell	54264	TN	Liz Young	47759	SC	Phyllis Bowers	51430	IA	John Badeen	73089	MI
Jeff Cardwell	54265	TN	Larry Bohn	37024	SC	Eldon Bowers	45999	IA	Kristen Johnson	72859	MO
Doc McCarty	14783	TN	Ronnie Bohn	66024	MD	Lori Palo	66475	GA+8	Randy Johnson	56636	MO
Margo Dirkson	78760	TN	Jackie Julien	74251	MD	Bianca Deal	71182	FL/DC/WV	Julie Morff	71917	MO
Shelley Bates	78813	IN	Sabitha VonKelsh	71858	VA	Logan Giesie	51120	TX	Jason Morff	73983	MO
Alex "Hitman" Willis	34236	GA	Sally Traczuk	68943	VA	Ann Harrison	75822	DE	Rosaire Longe	28290	VT
John Wodarczyk	62078	OK/TX	Tom King	59642	VA	Anne Johnson	49625	VA	Irene Longe	FR114	VT
Randy Willhoite	47435	WV	Kathleen King	68704	VA	Joe A. Suouza	27511	CA	Kim Melachrinous	66672	PA
Gary Duell	48384	PA	Julie Rieckman	60573	SD	Margaret Souza	48490	CA	Katy Lemmer	73037	PA
Diane Duell	74147	PA	Chuck Caron	FR82	SD	Bob Cairns	59815	NY/PA	Kay Faries	70346	VA
David Teachout	68700	MO	James Rupard	41615	NC	Kim Cairns	62807	NY/PA	John Dahl	42828	SD
Kathy Teachout	FR108	MO	Teressa Jernigan	Guest	NC/FL	Charlie Dick	39434	RI/CT	Marsha Dahl	47936	SD
Randy Sursa	49485	OK	Vanessa Kingsley	70985	NC	Carrie Newman	79601	CO	Rose Steen	57178	SD
Beth Muir	65479	PA	Cindy Brandel	54928	VA+3	John Robinson	55768	PA/FL	Gary Steen	56403	SD
Krista Muir	73181	PA	Mark Brandel	49789	FL	Doreen Andrew	65067	IA	Lillian Cheug	72962	VA
Lowell Vahl	40315	AZ	Madeline Robinson	50844	FL	Row Oakland	67100	IA	Pat Hoelker	45893	IA
Karen Thomason	52424	CT	Lynn Whalen	44712	FL	Michael Sawyer	36403	FL/OH	Skip Hoelker	FR10	SD
Angie Jelinek	60570	ND	Catherine McMunos	81988	FL	Cathy Dempsey	67625	CT/DC/NY	Mike Andrews	58312	IN/FL
Melissa Sanny	66967	NE	Marianne Romano	52885	FL	Kelly Koch	69508	DC+3	Linda Andrews	71434	IN/FL
Stephanie Pittenger	59999	IL	Karen M Cave	52860	NY	Calvin Baerveldt	36419	MA/DE	Vette Sutton	69414	MI
Larry Norfleet	60771	TN	Kay Elliott	61747	FL	Diane Baerveldt	48476	MA/DE	Roxanne Astry	57295	NY/KS
Dawna Norfleet	61999	TN	Cheryl Hyman	53544	FL	Greg Leverton	62762	MD	Barb Speich	62764	KS/NY
Linda Miller	49755	WV	Bill Hossman	41293	FL/MS/IN	Cheryl France	57391	MD	Nancy Salopek	47610	PA
E.J. Miller	50983	WV	Jim Hampshire	38626	AZ	Jim France	44665	MD	Joe Sabella	26077	PA
Pat Fields	FR85	PA	Pat Holbert	55454	AZ/MO	Sam Young	37972	MD	Nancy Nash	Guest	PA
George R Fields	46096	PA/DE/NY	Denise Lyons Conrad	53219	CA	Marilyn Young	45664	MD	Steve Sutherland	27073	FL
Eurika Ellison	80798	WV	Greg Conrad	48695	CA	Ed Hart	28991	MO	Dawne Sutherland	68900	FL
Cori Erbacher	68752	WV	Susan Manthey	68777	ID	Boni Hart	59553	MO	Rick Sutherland	79600	FL
Larry MacQuirter	67377	GA	Lynne Hansen	68753	CA	Randy Windham	58263	FL	Alexander Sutherland	Guest	FL
Wayne Huelsmann	30592	IL	Maureen Niedenthal	67669	IL	JR Clark	63916	GA	Mel Fickas	28320	FL/NJ
Kathryn Collins	51469	RI/MA	Mark Niedenthal	39701	IL	DeLisa Anderson	54310	OK	Melanie Fickas	77281	FL/NJ
Kent Singular	64562	KS	Tom Quackenbush	78225	MI	Lawrence Pittman	53932	NC	Will Hansen	49086	ID
Jeanette Singular	64563	KS	Tanya Quackenbush	78291	MI	Karol Pittman	FR55	NC	Bill Madding	28920	TX
Candace Hollis	65572	TX	Deb Mogdis	62260	MI	Phillip Padgett	49363	NC/FL/AL	Candy Madding	FR58	TX
Earl Sawyer	28243	MO	Russ Cooper	4638	MI/IL	Pam Padgett	51341	NC	Brodford Blain	39993	KY
Mary Sawyer	43930	MO	Maxine Wallisch Cooper	68012	MI/MI	Amy Moore	78686	NC	Mary Pruitt	77821	NC/CO
Janet Van Beek	54520	IA	Kim Hubbell	68729	IL	Angela Sweeney	69453	NC	Andrew Moos	58261	FL
Jon Bruner	58932	OH	Sharon Rice	71524	OH	Larry J Graham	60609	AL	Mary Roberts	Guest	FL
Jenny Bruner	64688	OH	E.J. Rice	47046	OH	Carla Bailey	62624	AL	Skylla Sutherland	Guest	FL
Lisa Geier	78779	MD	Ruby Weymouth	67303	OH	Mattie "Tooter" Gray	58203	AL	Michael Traczuk	52181	PA
Daryl McNair	63633	NC/SC/FL	Paul Weymouth	69653	OH	BJ Craft	45900	NC	Ronald Hepburn	31343	NJ
Suzanne Gill	67891	NC/SC	Mitch Schoonover	59758	OH	Bill Craft	36216	NC			

US JCI SENATE FEATURE EVENTS



FALL BOARDS SEPTEMBER 19-22, 2024 TULSA, OKLAHOMA

The Oklahoma JCI Senate looks forward to hosting the US JCI Senate Fall Board Meeting in September, 2024. We hope you plan to have some fun "Living on Tulsa Time" as we journey with President Gary on his "Destination Legacy." The early registration deadline may have passed when you read this, but please feel free to complete the updated registration form available on the websites listed below and email it to our Registration Chairperson.

Our host hotel is the Renaissance Tulsa Hotel and Convention Center at the rate of \$129 plus tax per night. Take a look around the hotel before you arrive:

<https://www.weselfwalk.com/atrium-renaissance-tulsa>

Remember that the parking fee is waived for our meeting guests and should not appear on your final hotel bill.

Our committee has worked hard to provide an enjoyable experience for everyone. Our Facebook page - Fall Meeting 2024 - has a preview of interesting places you might want to visit in the Tulsa area. We also have a print-friendly list of those places and restaurants

in the area. Dates and details for the golf outing and the tour of Tulsa are also available on the websites. And if you are driving, try Route 66; we have a travel packet available to guide you through some memorable sites.

Don Williams originally recorded our theme song, and it was written by his guitarist Danny Flowers. The song is about a guy who leaves Oklahoma heading west for the big time but discovers that he is much happier back home. So, like the guy in the song, we invite you to set your watch to Tulsa Time and let things happen at a much slower pace at Fall Board 2024 hosted by the Oklahoma JCI Senate.

We look forward to seeing you in Tulsa.

On behalf of the Oklahoma JCI Senate,

Pat Reffett #77848

Fall Meeting Coordinator 2024

Website: <https://www.oklahomajcisenate.org>.

<https://www.usjcsenate.org>

Facebook pages: Fall Meeting 2024 and Oklahoma JCI Senate Club

VENDOR SHOWCASE

If you were in Tampa and stopped by the Vendor Showcase, Thank You so very much. The Vendors that set up are small business owners whom appreciate you looking at the items and perhaps even purchasing items. If you are looking to contact any of those vendors, let me know and I will get you their contact information to you.

We are planning at being at all

the three National meetings. If you a vendor and want to set up at any of the meetings, please email me.

MaryAnn Hilleary #64615

maryannh63@yahoo.com



Have you made your room reservation and sent in your registration for the US JCI Senate Winter BOD in Kenner, LA?

We are so excited to offer an opportunity for two individuals to win 2 free nights at the Airport Hilton in Kenner. What do you have to do to have a chance to win this fantastic opportunity? Anyone whose registration for a full registration has been received by the Registration Chair, Carol Standridge #80700 by September 15, 2024 AND made your room reservations will be entered for the chance to win 2 free room nights in Kenner to be used in Kenner between January 9-12, 2025. If you have already registered and reserved your room, don't worry, you are already in the drawing! Reservations can be made directly with the hotel at: 504-469-5000 and use code JCI25. When you hear the automated directory, be sure to push '0' to stay with the hotel to make your reservation. If you prefer to make your reservations online you can use the following link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=MSYAHHH&groupCode=->



Nestled deep in the White Mountains of northern New Hampshire, you will find the JCI Senators enjoying the scenic views created by fall foliage October 18-20 in Shelburne, NH. We are delighted with the current hotel registrations and have several back up lodging facilities to host our JCI Senators. Shelburne is a wonderful location to renew friendships and make new friends in our country inn setting. A copy of the registration form can be found at www.usjcsenate.org. It

WINTER BOARDS JANUARY 9-12, 2025 KENNER, LOUISIANA

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The dates will default to January 4 – 14, so be sure to change the dates to match your dates for your stay when reserving your room online.

A copy of the registration form include in this edition of the Mentors or you can access a fillable version of the registration form on the US JCI Senate website at: <https://www.usjcsenate.org/index.php/registration-forms/fall-bod-meeting/winter-bod-2025/download>



Keep an eye on our Facebook page 2025 US JCI Senate Winter Board for updates on the Winter BOD 2025.

Lisa Badger #67973

Iowa JCI Senate

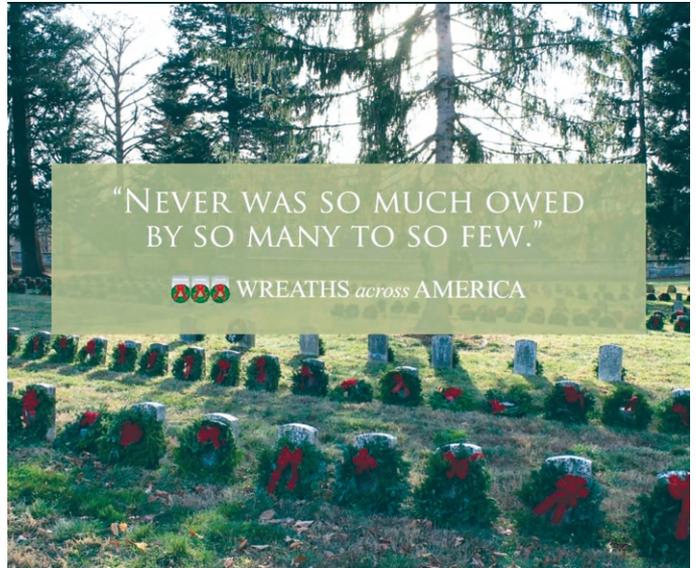
Winter BOD Meeting Coordinator

is strongly encouraged that you book a room now for all the room rates will increase significantly after Labor Day weekend due to the foliage season.

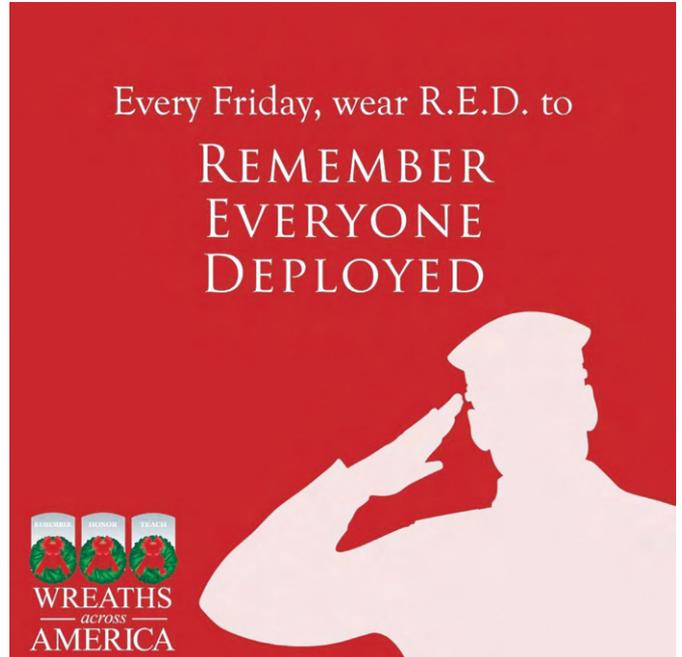
If you are planning to fly to Fall Frolic, the festivities are about two hours north of the closest airports (Manchester NH or Portland, ME). (Boston's Logan Airport is 3.5 hours south of Shelburne.) If you are coming from mid-America and driving, you might want to look at the routes coming through Quebec (i.e. Montreal is 3.5 hours north west) assuming you have a passport.

On behalf of the Fall Frolic '24 Committee and JC Moose, we look forward to a fun-filled weekend.

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4. Their **HONESTY** & integrity
5. Their **HUMILITY**, selflessness, & modesty
6. Their **AMBITIONS** & aspirations
7. Their **OPTIMISM** for America
8. Their **CONCERN** for the future
9. Their **PRIDE** in their duties
10. Their **HOPES & DREAMS** that didn't always come true, but left them with no regrets



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LONGEVITY & ENDURANCE



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GREAT SACRIFICE



Forest Scent =
PURITY & SIMPLICITY



Circular Shape =
ETERNITY

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HONOR those who serve.
TEACH the next generation the value of freedom.
This is the mission of **Wreaths Across America.**

Your Wreaths Across American team
Liz Young, Program #47759 Chair, Jaci Newmark #56368 Regions I - IV,
Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei #44003 Regions V - VII and DeLisa Anderson #54310 Regions VIII - X

2024

US JCI Senate Fall Board Meeting

Hosted by the Oklahoma JCI Senate

September 19-22, 2024

Tulsa, Oklahoma



LIVING ON TULSA TIME



Name: _____ JCI Senate #: _____
 2024-2025 Senate Office Held: _____ Friendship #: _____
 Spouse/Guest: _____ JCI Senate #: _____
 2024-2025 Senate Office Held: _____ Friendship #: _____
 Address/City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Contact Phone #: _____ Email: _____ Region #: _____
 Rooming with? _____

*** YOU ***

*** GUEST / SPOUSE ***

Please Check...	Between the ages of 40 - 55?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Between the ages of 40 - 55?	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1st US JCI Senate Meeting?	<input type="checkbox"/>	1st US JCI Senate Meeting?	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Military Veteran?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military Veteran?	<input type="checkbox"/>

		Quantity	Total Due
Full Registration*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75 <i>Postmarked by 8/26/24</i>	_____	\$ 0
* Includes Hospitality Friday and Saturday, and Saturday banquet **	<input type="checkbox"/> \$90 <i>Postmarked after 8/26/24</i>	_____	\$ 0
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <i>On-Site</i>	_____	\$ 0
** Saturday banquet meal restrictions	<input type="checkbox"/> Gluten-Free <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian		
Thursday Early Hospitality	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20 <i>Postmarked by 8/26/24</i>	_____	\$ 0
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <i>Postmarked after 8/26/24</i>	_____	0
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30 <i>On-Site</i>	_____	0
Daily Hospitality Only	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Friday	_____	\$ 0
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Saturday	_____	\$ 0
Off-Site Fee <i>Applies if not registered at Senate Hotel</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <i>per person per day</i>	_____	\$ 0
TOTAL DUE			\$ 0
Golf (TBD)			
Would you be interested? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
Tour (TBD)			
I want to pay by Credit Card <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>When registration is received, you will receive an emailed invoice which includes a link to pay online. Total will include a 4% Convenience fee.</i>		

<p>Renaissance Hotel & Convention Center</p> <p>(888) 604-6471</p> <p>Room Block Name: JCI Senate 2024</p> <p>Room Rate: \$129 + taxes</p> <p><i>For reservations made by August 26, 2024.</i></p> <p><i>Rate valid for 3 days pre and post, based on availability.</i></p>		<p>Make Checks Payable To: Oklahoma JCI Senate</p> <p><i>Mail form & check to:</i> Sandy Crouch, Treasurer 6800 S. Granite Ave, #420 Tulsa, OK 74136</p> <p><i>For Credit Card Registrations or Questions:</i> Email okjcitreasurer@gmail.com</p> <p>For additional information contact: Chairperson Pat Reffett (580) 585-2394 lpmm@sbcglobal.net</p>
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US JCI Senate Winter Board Meeting

Iowa Spice

January 9 through January 12, 2025

Hosted by the Iowa JCI Senate Events in Kenner, LA



Name _____ JCI Senate/Friendship # _____ Age Under 55 Y__ N__

Name Spouse/Guest _____ JCI Senate/Friendship # _____ Age Under 55 Y__ N__

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

Email Address _____

Current Office Title _____ Rooming with: _____

Check here if this is your first JCI National Meeting. Check here if you're a military veteran.

Item	Qty	Postmarked by 12/10/2024	Postmarked After 12/10/2024	On-Site	TOTAL
Full Registration*		\$75.00	\$85.00	\$95.00	
Saturday Lunch Banquet					
Thursday Early Hospitality (6 pm to 1 am)		\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	
Daily Off-Site Fee (if not staying within the event room block)		\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	
GRAND TOTAL					

* Full Registration includes Hospitality Friday and Saturday, Lunch Banquet on Saturday.

Region to sit with for Lunch Banquet? _____

Make a Choice(s) for Saturday Luncheon Banquet (enter Quantity): ___ Fish ___ Chicken ___ Vegetarian

Vegetarian or Religious/Dietary Restrictions _____

Make Checks payable to IA JCI Senate Events & Mail check and registration form to:

**Carol Standridge #80700
9315 Lakewood Pointe Drive . Norwalk, Iowa 50211**

**Must be Postmarked by
December 10, 2024**

All hotel reservations should be made directly with the hotel at Hilton New Orleans Airport 504-469-5000

Registration Code: JCI25 - Available after March 1, 2024

Free airport shuttle service just call the hotel at 504-469-5000.

Room Rate is \$139.00 plus Taxes per night.

Room rate is good for 4 nights before and after the meeting dates. **Based on availability.**

Parking at the hotel is FREE

Cut-off date for room block is December 29, 2024. The hotel address is 901 Airline Drive, Kenner, Louisiana 70062

Chairs: Lisa Badger: 641-275-0988 or thebadgers91@gmail.com and Newton Standridge 515-229-5310

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SCAN ME



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REGION I

Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont



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"STILL THE ONE"

Region I is still the one willing to get the job done!

The State Presidents of the six New England JCI Senate State Organizations make up an experienced group of dedicated Senators with each of them having previously served their state or another state as President. I am extremely grateful to have Bonnie Blaisdell #69956 leading the Connecticut JCI Senate, Peter Jordan #54684 steering the Maine JCI Senate, Elizabeth McInnis #54219 piloting the Massachusetts JCI Senate, Dick St Jean #38089 guiding the New Hampshire JCI Senate, Kathryn Collins #54169 heading the Rhode Island JCI Senate, and Bob King #36581 directing the Vermont JCI Senate – they are all off to a great start!

The Connecticut JCI Senate hosted Budget/Plan Year Social



BONNIE BLAISDELL
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PRESIDENT
CONNECTICUT
blaisboj@aol.com

Hello from CT,

I am honored to be the 2024-2025 President for Connecticut; we have a lot of fun events/socials planned to reactivate our Senators. We are planning on doing a Wine

on July 20th. It was a day of terrific food and great fellowship. On August 3rd, the Vermont JCI Senate hosted its Annual Picnic at the Rotary Shelter in Randolph with Vermont JCI Senators enjoying great food and fellowship with several Senators from other Region I States and beyond Region I. On the next day, August 4th, the New Hampshire JCI Senate hosted a Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the New Hampshire JCI Senate at its Annual Steak and Lobster Social. Massachusetts JCI Senators assisted the Foxboro Jaycees with their Founders Day Events. Maine will be hosting a Bowling Social in September. A few Region I JCI Senators will join Cyndi Hall #48252 and I in Tulsa, Oklahoma for the US JCI Senate Fall BOD Meeting.

I know that Region I is looking forward to a wonderful time at Fall Frolic in Shelburn, New Hampshire October 18 – 22, 2024. If you haven't done so yet, register for the Fall Frolic today!

Region I is "Still the One" for great fellowship!

Social in September, an Oktoberfest dinner, a Hockey Social in November and our Annual Holiday Social in December.

We will be doing Wreaths across America and are helping our Jaycees with their Fried Dough booth in October.

I had a wonderful time at the Vermont picnic and New Hampshire 50th Anniversary Picnic in August and saw lots of my Senate friends that I only see once or twice a year. Looking forward to Region One Fall Frolic in New Hampshire October 18-20th. Also looking forward to National Fall Board Meeting in Tulsa, as we race our way to our Destination of becoming a Legacy.

In Connecticut "We are Better Together"



ROBERT KING #36581
PRESIDENT
VERMONT
robertking1947@gmail.com

Greetings, Senators and Friends:
 The Vermont Executive Board met at the home of COB Steve Edgerley #28971 and Secretary Ann Edgerley #86199 on the shores of beautiful Lake Memphremagog to lay out plans for the 2024-2025 Vermont JCI Senate year, including a Mystery Tour and lunch in mid/late September, participation in Fall Frolic, Wreaths Across America and a holiday social in December. Those newly elected officers and appointees in attendance were VP Rosaire Longe #28290, Treasurer Steve Rowe #40470, Newsletter Editor JoAnn Rowe FR 73, Chaplain Stephen England #79587, and Scholarship Chair Karen Dowling #51450, as well as yours truly and Carol FR 93.

The Vermont JCI Senate held its annual picnic at the scenic Rotary Shelter in Randolph Vermont on Saturday, August 3rd. The Vermont Senate has held its picnic at this park for over 20 years; it's been a great partnership with the Randolph Rotary Club. Over 50 Senators and friends were in attendance, some travelled from as far as Pennsylvania to attend. Our NVP Dana Hall #41552 and Past NVP Cyndi Hall #48152 were also in attendance as well as other New England Senators and friends.

Yours in the Senate!



KATHRYN COLLINS #51469
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Hello from The Ocean State!
 RI JCI Senator Charlie Dick #39434 and I represented Rhode Island JCI Senate in Tampa at the 2024 Annual Meeting. We had an outstanding time with everyone. We are looking forward to the Region I Fall Frolic, our annual regional meeting, very much. It will be hosted by the New Hampshire JCI Senate in beautiful Shelburne, NH this year on October 18-20. Rhode Island JCI Senate Treasurer Dave Roderick #21608 and I will be there with Dave's wife Marilyn. Shelburne is in northern New Hampshire in the White Mountains and the area is near state parks that we want to visit with our Region I friends.

We held the Rhode Island summer luncheon at the Cowesett Inn in West Warwick in July. The date was changing at Mentors deadline. The restaurant is a favorite one for our Senate meetings over the years. It was great to see our members again after our difficult time losing President Arthur Plitt #22075 unexpectedly last spring. Arthur is missed.

Wishing everyone a very enjoyable fall!

CT JCI Senate Annual Meeting and Social Derby, CT 5/17/2024

Bonnie Blaisdell	69956	CT
Cathy Dempsey	67625	CT
Karen Thompson	52424	CT
Marybeth Kaczynski	67636	CT
Michele Tarantino	63380	CT
Jeff Kass	32300	CT
Fran Kass	60798	CT
Don Horbaty	31250	CT
Gloria Horbaty	Guest	CT
Jack Pasquale	32806	CT
Sue Pasquale	FR #17	CT



DICK ST. JEAN #38089
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Dear Senators and Friends:

As we bid farewell to the last JCI Senate year, thank you to Wayne MacDonald #36519 and Colette and Charlie Welch for representing NH at the National Convention. Thank you to our outgoing Region One NVP, Peter Jordan #54684 for his leadership and innovative ways to support the JCI Senate. Congratulations to Dana Hall on his election to serve as the Region I National Vice President. We look forward to working with Dana and his team.

Our members are busy preparing for the NH JCI Senate 50th An-

niversary in conjunction with the Annual Steak or Lobster Social to be held August 4 at the American Legion in Londonderry, NH. If you want a registration form, please e-mail *bjgstjean@gmail.com* and a copy will be emailed to you.

In addition, we are looking forward to hosting the Region One Fall Frolic in Shelburne NH in the great north woods of the White Mountains of New Hampshire October 18-20, 2024. Fall foliage will be in its prime if mother nature is supportive! A copy of the registration form and related information can be found on the *usjcsenate.org* website. Please book your hotel accommodations so we get the nicer conference room space. Updates will be provided on the Region I face book page (family by choice). There are lots of activities enroute to the Frolic: Mountain Notch(es), fall foliage scenery, hiking trails, aerial views, shopping outlets, winery, casino, historical sites, and the 45th parallel. If you haven't met JC Moose, this is a good reason to attend Fall Frolic '24 as well.

Looking forward to a great year and hoping to see you at the above events being hosted by NH JCI Senate.



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Greetings from the Bay State. We're well into tourist/beach season, so our life is different for a couple of months. The town I live in triples in size from mid-June through Labor Day. Many Senators know me from my West Coast time. I received my Senatorship in California and was president of the California Senate a few years ago. When I arrived in Massachusetts/Region 1 two years ago, Senators were welcoming and made me feel like I belonged. Thank you to all.

Massachusetts has a small but active Senate. We're meeting

monthly via Zoom, a practice started during the pandemic and continued. It's easier to get our Senators together virtually. We do meet in-person at year end, which gives an opportunity to present scholarship checks to winners in person. We have a few in-person socials yearly, including the fantastic Holiday party.

Massachusetts has a robust scholarship program and this last year we added a 'toolship' for vocational students. Massachusetts has great vocational training at the high school level, but in many trades the tools to start working can be expensive. The Massachusetts Senate supports our one active Jaycee chapter, Foxboro, in their extensive community programming. One of the fun things about being in a small state is that other states are close enough to visit regularly. I'm planning to attend Connecticut, Vermont and New Hampshire's picnics.

Fall Frolic rotates among the Region 1 states. New Hampshire is planning a great event in October 2024. Massachusetts is next up. We have secured a venue for the weekend of October 9-12, 2025, on Cape Cod. Mark your calendars now, you won't want to miss it.



PETER J. JORDAN #54684
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Greetings from the great Lobster state of Maine!

I would like to introduce myself. I am Peter Jordan #54684. I have the great honor and privilege to be the 59th President of the Maine JCI Senate for 2024-2025. I want to thank President Hal Williams #43912 for "Keeping The Faith" for 2023-2024, and the co-chairs for the Tampa National Convention Cindy Brandel #54928 & CC Ackerman #62039 and the Florida

JCI Senate for the most amazing National Convention. Together you were able to check off all the boxes for fun & hospitality & tours and everything else. Thank You again.

Looking forward to working with President Gary Pittinger #24804 and his incredible team in making "Destination Legacy" an important goal & process in making the Maine JCI Senate that more beneficial for all of our Senators.

For 2024-2025 the Maine JCI Senate has the following officers: Vice President Irene Single #49260, Treasurer Cyndi Hall #48152, COB Joyce St Pierre #44818, Newsletter Editor Dick Darling #40167, and Historian Merrill Pottle #23412. Maine's theme for 2024-2025 is "Family By Choice". It is the same theme that I utilized for the past two years as Region I NVP (New England). It is something that I believe in and live by every day.

Tentatively these are my Presidential goals/travels for the year. I am looking to support and travel to our fellow states in Region I (New England).

Meetings/Socials/Zoom

I have divided our state into four regions (North-South-East-West), and we will be having a meeting/social in each of these regions

- 1) July 20, 2024 - Niantic (Connecticut)
- 2) July 27, 2024 - Bangor (Eastern Maine)
- 3) August 3, 2024 - Randolph, (Vermont)
- 4) August 4, 2024 - Londonderry, (New Hampshire)
- 5) August 27, 2024 - Zoom (Maine Senate)
- 6) September 28, 2024 - Lewiston, (Central Maine))
- 7) October 18-20, 2024 - Fall Frolic Shelburne, (New Hampshire)
- 8) November 19, 2024 - Zoom (Maine Senate)
- 9) December 14, 2024 - Christmas (Maine Senate)

More information will be coming regarding all these dates.

Membership

My goal is to be +1 for the year. We lost nine Senators this past year. We are starting the year -3 because of their quarterly billing. We will not be covering Senators

dues during my year. If you are having financial difficulties please let me know.

Forgotten Senatorships - we will be presenting one-two Senatorships for the year.

Yours in Jaycee & Senate Spirit, "Family By Choice"

**ME JCI Senate Year-End Meeting
 Lyman, Maine
 6/1/2024**

Joyce St Pierre	44818	ME
Mike St Pierre	FR #100	ME
Peter Jordan, NVP	54681	ME
Bill Gibson	19961	ME
Merrill Pottle	23412	ME
Joy Pottle	FR #59	ME
Paul Ouellette	31070	ME
Dick Darling	40167	ME
Dana Hall	41552	ME
Rick James	43089	ME
Cyndi Hall	48152	ME
Irene Single	49260	ME
Paula Valliere	49710	ME
Patricia Gammon	49280	ME
Bill Reagan	57390	ME
Mariette Reagan	58462	ME
Dawn Crabtree	63305	ME
Karen Ouellette	71651	ME
Ed Plourde	74175	ME
Robert Gammon	80701	ME
Marguerite Cannon	81765	ME
Tom Cannon	81766	ME

REGION II

Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania

Region II NVP

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"LIVE, LEARN, LOVE"



Happy end of Summer and here's to an exciting beginning to the 24-25 year. I'm very excited to be the National Vice President for Region II. It's a true honor to serve this organization that has given so much.

This summer has been busy with socials and getting the new teams ready to go. Looking forward to the New York State meeting in October and the Apple festival in Pennsylvania. New Jersey and Delaware will be hosting a variety of socials in the next few months. We have our Region II/III social on Saturday, August 24th starting at 1:00pm at the home of Jeff #63411

and Janet #61574 Kozak. The address is 2250 Foulkes Mill Road, Quakertown, PA 18951. If you are interested in attending, reach out to either Region III NVP or me.

As we live by the Creed and support our mission in the upcoming season, we as Senators look for ways to support the Jaycees movement. In Region II, we are attending zooms and joining them at their events and conferences. We learn the new ways of the Jaycees of today. Lastly, in Region II, we love the organization and the people in it. We continue to make new relationships and treasure the ones we have made along the way. As we continue with the race to Destination Legacy, our states are pushing the pedal to the metal to show how we Live, Learn, Love in Region II.



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Let the Adventure Begin!

We are looking forward to many adventures in the PA JCI Senate this year with meetings, socials and events. Our Meetings are the first full weekends of August, November, February and May. Socials are announced on Facebook and via email. All are welcome to the National Apple Harvest Festival the first two weekends in October at the South Mountain Fairgrounds in Biglerville, PA. The PA Senate will be scooping ice cream again and can always use extra help.

The PA JCI Senate officers this year are - President Sally Traczuk #68943, Vice President Matthew Boyer #76778, Treasurer Amy L Newton #68529, Secretary Beth Muir #65479, COB Katy Lemmer #73037. Happy travels everyone!



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The Delaware Senators are wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable summer and fall with family and fellow Senators.

Delaware once again helped out at the 60th DFCR Blue/Gold ALL-STAR football game. 60th plus years of helping this great Delaware tradition .

Events for Delaware this summer /fall - Blue Rocks baseball - local concerts and festivals - our off months dinner socials - one up state /one down state . August 10 at Boondocks restaurant our summer social --.August 24 the Region 2/3 annual social .

Fall/ winter -- Wreaths Across America.

Delaware JCI Senators will have a winter social – time and date to be determined. Be Safe!



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At the time of this writing, the NJ JCI Senate has not had their elections, but will do so very shortly and by distribution there will be a full Board of Directors sworn in. Our Summer Social is set for August 17th.

On June 18-23 the NJ JCI Senate contingent attended the US JCI Senate Annual Meeting in Tampa, FL. Region II (DE, NJ, NY, PA) participated in the Regions Booth

Party and was awarded Second Place. Thank you to Booth Chair Bob Cairns #59815. It was awarded based on Margaritaville Theme and our Jimmy Buffett Song was "The Oldest Surfer on the Beach".

The week was also the culmination of our Chairman of the Board, Joan Travis #76201 who ended her term of USJCI Senate National Vice President for Region II. We also welcomed our 53rd President, Gary Pittenger, #24804 and his Board.

NJ JCI in conjunction with our Senate continues the SHARE YOUR Story program which airs via Facebook. The program showcases a Senator who shares their story when they were in the Jaycees and a new Jaycee member who has been in the organization between one to ten years. The Jaycees run this program on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. This is done via FB Live (est)

You can get more information via our FB page NJ JCI Senate both the public and the private page.

Region One Spring Caucus
So Portland, ME 5/4/2024

Peter Jordan, NVP	54684	ME	Mike St Pierre	FR #100	ME
Hal Williams, US JCI	43912	FL/NC/DC	Cyndi Hall	48152	ME
			Gary Duell	48384	PA
Dave Roderick	21608	RI	Irene Single	49260	ME
Marilyn Roderick	Guest	RI	Paula Valliere	49710	ME
Merrill Pottle	23412	ME	Logan Giesie	51120	TX
Joy Pottle	FR #59	ME	Kathryn Collins	51469	RI/MA
Walter Cahoon	27223	MA	Bruce Sostak	52655	TX +3
Cathy Cahoon	FR #45	MA	Elizabeth McInnis	54219	MA
Rosaire Longe	28290	VT	Bill Reagan	57390	ME
Irene Longe	FR #59	VT	Mariette Reagan	58462	ME
Jeff Kass	32300	CT	Holly Boom	59489	ME
Bill Potuchek	35278	CT	Donald Boom	Guest	ME
Elaine Potuchek	FR #32	CT	Fran Kass	60798	MA
Wayne MacDonald	36519	NH	Dawn Crabtree	63305	ME
Bob King	36581	VT	Debra Daley	67167	MA
Carol King	FR #93	VT	Cathy Dempsey	67625	CT/NY/DC
Dick St Jean	38089	NH	Nancy Gianetti	69463	CT/DC
Mark Reisman	39926	NH	Todd Gianetti	FR #120	CT
Charlie Dick	39434	RI/CT	Bonnie Blaisdell	69956	CT/NY
Steve Rowe	40470	VT	Dale Blaisdell	Guest	CT
Dana Hall	41552	ME	Karen Kilby	71713	ME
Bonnie St Jean	42864	NH	Lucy Heroux	71753	MA
Rick James	43089	ME	Maria Teixeira	71754	MA
Joyce St Pierre	44818	ME	Bob Gammon	80701	ME



CRISPIN BOTTOMLEY #78201
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Hello Senators and friends, it is with great pride that I submit my first Mentors article. I have just returned from Tampa and wow, did New York State ever have a great delegation. Thanks to all who were able to attend. Congratulations to our own Krista Myers-Shafer #77862 who was recognized as an Outstanding

State President for 2023-2024. She is now our Region II National Vice President.

I would also like to introduce my team, who were elected in Binghamton at our 60th Anniversary - Treasurer Michelle Loveria #71744, West VP Cathy Preston #81985, Central VP Mark Napierkowski #75023 and South VP Jocelyn Bernal #64518. The theme for our year will be "Keep the Momentum." I selected this team because I want to see the Senate thrive and grow. We will SOAR in 2024-2025. We are looking into dates for our fall convention in Western New York with future meetings to take place in New York City and in Central New York during my term.

I would also like to introduce New York's newest Senators to the readers: Margaret Quimosing #82679 and Carlos Inocencio Cabrera #83037.

**PIE Meeting
 Tampa, FL
 6/22/2024**

Kathy Lemmer	73037	PA
Ria Serrano	76566	NJ
Michael Sawyer	36403	FL
Peter J Jordan	54684	ME
Jim Pendleton, Jr	40286	MO
Judson DeVore	65005	IL
Kathryn Collins	51469	RI
Bonnie Blaisdell	69956	CT
Crispin Bottomley	78201	NY
Sally Traczuk	68943	PA
Chris Hardee	66036	NC
Randy Sursa	49485	OK
Tom Cramer	61957	VA
Lillian Cheng	72962	DC
Melissa Unger	59854	MD
Allen Dale	78962	KS
Tanya Quackenbush	78291	MI
Allison Geddes	74777	OH
Laura McDivitt	65755	SC
Carrie Newman	79601	CO

**Massachusetts JCI Senate
 Annual Meeting & Elections
 5/11/2024**

Walter Cahoon	27223	MA
Cathy Cahoon	FR 45	MA
Elizabeth McInnis	54219	MA
Denise Paiva	71752	MA
Debra Daley	67167	MA
Maria Teixeira	71754	MA
Martha Fraser	FR 5	MA
Ward Fraser	GUEST	MA
Kristin Fraser	GUEST	MA
Marilyn Lariviere	FR 53	MA
Paul Carney	10861	MA
Paul Johnson	41002	MA
John Souza	16202	MA
Pat Souza	FR 39	MA
Kathryn Collins	51469	RI/MA
Dana Hall	41552	ME
Cyndi Hall	48152	ME
Pam Warren	77877	MA/NY

PAST PRESIDENTS IN TAMPA

2020-21 Ariel Jones #65423,
 2008-09 Pat Hoelker #45893,
 2005-06 Ed Hart #28991, 2015-16
 Carol CJ Jordan #45857,
 2022-23 Susan Hatcher #58143,
 2006-07 Calvin Baerveldt #36419



2013-14 Larry Bohn #37024,
 2011-12 Steve Sutherland #27073,
 2017-18 John Robinson #55768,
 2023-24 Hal Williams #43912,
 2003-04 John Price #36383,
 2019-20 Lawrence Pittman #53932

1990-91 David Habershaw #17879,
 2014-15 Randy Young #46420,
 53rd US JCI President Gary Pittinger #24804,
 1998-99 Mary Sawyer #43930,
 2012-13 Bruce Geddes #35527,
 2021-22 Mike Andrews #58312,
 2007-08 H.T. Jumper Davis #38376,
 2004-05 Joe A Souza #27511



US JCI SENATE FOUNDATION



PRESIDENT
WAYNE KIEFER #36498
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As we look forward to the Fall Board Meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma, let's reflect a bit on a sensational national meeting in hot and humid Tampa, Florida. Special thanks to Cindy Brandel #54928, Caryn Cleary Ackerman #62039 and their wonderful committee, Irene Shanley #65316, the Florida JCI Senate and all of Region IV. Due to their great assistance and cooperation, your US JCI Senate Foundation had a great Foundation Day.

We had great attendance with many sponsors for the golf event during year two of the Hincker Open. We had 56 golfers play at the Rocky Point Golf Club. Great group, great sponsors, great support.

Very special thanks to golf chairman Bill Patterson #47979 and to our sponsorship chairperson, Trustee Karen Voshel #62305. I also want to thank the Michigan lady volunteers who continue to help with the golf outing. We did miss Jo Ellen Hincker who we keep in memory.

Likewise, our Thursday auction was also an outstanding event; we had more than 200 items in our live, silent and brown bag auction. Thanks to our gracious volunteer auctioneer, past president Calvin Baerveldt #36419, for his excellent work and to our valuable trustees, region reps and volunteers, including President Hal Williams #43912, Ambassador to Canada, Karen MacCannell #49497 and past US JCI Senate president Mary Sawyer #43930 which made it all possible and very successful.

We continue to add new members and look for more.

We recognized many individuals who have achieved different levels of contribution. Thank you to our newest named scholarship recipient, The Rieckman Family. The special gifts presented during the Saturday banquet were just phenomenal.

We had a successful business meeting, during which we discussed plans for the year in scholarships and recognition. We have made a small change to our number of scholarships. We will now select 50 recipients at \$1,500 and up to 10 vocational recipients at \$1,000 each. That brings our total scholarship recipients to \$85,000 for 2024-2025.

We also held elections for the coming year. Our elections, held in Tampa find yours truly to be honored to serve as president, with Julie Rieckman #60573 as Vice President, Earl Sawyer #28243 as Treasurer and Sheri Menendez #47839 as Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.

Earl Rice #47046 will serve as legal counsel; Trustee Nancy Salopek #47610 will take over the duties as our scholarship chairperson. Joe Sabella #26077 will continue to coordinate our regional reps and our Trustee Board is: Marge Miller #52948, Walter Cahoon #27223, Steve Sutherland #27073, Karen Voshel #62305, Nancy Salopek #47610, Jim Harmon #63902 and Kelly Koch #69508. Our region reps will be Elizabeth McInnis #54219, Beth Muir #65479, Judy Nuessle #62267, Cheryl Carlson #70371, Susie-Colbert Curtis #73137, Donna Delaney #55560, Larry Norfleet #60771, Greg Peebles #56000, Kathy Miller #74168 and Beth Fujishige #69219.

Continue to remain humble and kind. See you in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"Assisting Education through Scholarships"



VICE PRESIDENT
JULIE RIECKMAN #60573
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Greetings,

Hope this finds everyone well and had safe travels home. Thank you to Cindy Brandel and her team of Florida Senators on a tremendous National Convention. Good times were had by everyone.

Thank you to everyone who brought items for the Foundation Day. You are very appreciated!!! Also, big shout out to those who purchased, whether it was silent auction, live auction, tickets for brown bags or 500 Club tickets.

The scholarships are our main goal. For us to continue and increase the amount of the scholarship or the number we give out all depends on all of your generosity and you always there for the challenge. This next year we are adding 10 more scholarships for Vocational schools. The trends of students are changing and we are there for the students.

We will be starting the new year of 500 Club the 20th of July. If you were missed with tickets or would like some, please let me know, I would very happy to help you with a purchase.

Our next time to be together will be in Tulsa, Ok in September. If there is any information regarding your account and how to join the Foundation please contact us, we would be happy to help.

Until then.....

Mattie "Tooter" Gray #58203
Carla Bailey #62624



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
NANCY SALOPEK #47610
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The scholarship program for the US JCI Senate Foundation will open for the new 2024-2025 scholastic year at the beginning of September. The postmarked deadline for the students to submit to the state chairperson is January 17, 2025. The national deadline date to submit state applications to me will be February 14, 2025.

In 1987 the Foundation scholarship program began with two students receiving grants. In 2025 we will award fifty \$1500 grants to students furthering their education at a college or university. We will also award ten \$1000 grants to students who will attend a vocational or technical school. Please contact me if you have any questions or need more information regarding the application process or judging.

Sheri Menendez #47839 has done an outstanding job chairing this scholarship program for many years. I am honored to be appointed as the new scholarship chair and will do my best to meet the high standards set forth by Sheri.

As always, we appreciate everything you do to support our efforts in raising money to make these scholarships possible.



US JCI SENATE FOUNDATION



**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
THANK YOU
SHERI MENENDEZ #47839**

For over a decade it has been my privilege and honor to serve as the scholarship chairman for the US JCI Senate Foundation. I have enjoyed meeting and working

with each of you as we provided thousands of dollars to hundreds of students so they could further their education. I appreciate all the support, encouragement, and promotion that everyone always provides to this worthwhile program.

As I move to a new position within the Foundation, I'm very excited to leave this important program in the capable hands of our new chairman, Nancy Salopek. I urge each of you to show her the same commitment and dedication to the program that you gave to me. You can reach Nancy at scholarship@usjcisenate.org.

Thank you again for your support to our program. You are what makes us successful.

Sheri Menendez #47839
US JCI Senate Foundation
Secretary / Asst. Treasurer



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FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS OF REGION REPRESENTATIVES

There are many changes in the lineup of the US JCI Senate Foundation region representatives for 2024-2025, with some veteran members returning, some joining the group for the first time and one returning after a brief hiatus! But no matter how they arrived, the Foundation board of trustees is excited to welcome all and has approved their appointments at the Foundation's recent year-end meeting held on June 19, 2024 in Tampa, Florida

The new roster of region representatives for 2024-2025 is as follows:

Region I – Elizabeth McInnis #54219, Massachusetts – Returning
Region II – Beth Muir #65479, Pennsylvania - Returning
Region III – Judy Nuessle #62267, Maryland/Delaware - Returning
Region IV – Cheryl Carlson, #70371, North Carolina – Newly Appointed

Region V – Susie Colbert-Curtis #73137, Illinois – Returning
Region VI – Donna DeLaney #55560, Missouri - Returning

Region VII – Larry Norfleet #60771, Tennessee – Returning
Region VIII – Greg Peebles #56000, Texas – Newly Appointed

Region IX – Kathy Miller #74168, Washington – Newly Appointed
Region X – Beth Fujishige #69219, California – Returning after a brief hiatus

A huge “thank you” and “job well done” to the following individuals who have served as reps for the past few years but will be stepping aside: Bill Craft #36216, North Carolina, representing Region IV; Jim Harmon #63903, Oklahoma, representing Region VIII, who has been elected to a position on the Foundation's board of trustees; and Lynne Hansen #68753, California, representing Region X. Lynne will be serving as the national vice president for Region X in the coming year. They have given so much effort and we are truly grateful to them for all they've done to represent our Foundation.

We welcome these newly appointed reps: Cheryl Carlson, North Carolina, who will represent Region IV; Greg Peebles, Texas, who will represent Region VIII; and, Kathy Miller, Washington, who is stepping in to fill the vacancy left in Region IX after the passing of our dear friend, Sonny Jones #24376 of Oregon. And, a big “welcome back” to Beth Fujishige, California, as she returns as rep for Region X after taking time away the last few years.

As you attend your state and region Senate functions in the coming year and you meet one of these fine individuals, please, introduce yourself. Allow them the opportunity to share information with you about the good work that the Foundation is doing by providing scholarships to high school seniors. And, by all means, open up your hearts, wallets and pocketbooks. Be generous when they are trying to raise funds at your functions. Remember, the foundation is a 501c(3) organization and your contributions qualify as charitable deductions on your federal income tax returns.

Newest Named Scholarship \$ 20,000

**Julie Rieckman #60573,
US JCI Senate Foundation
President Wayne Keifer
#36498**



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Name: (Ms. Mrs. Mr.) _____
JCI Senate No. (if Applicable) _____
Address: _____
City, State, ZIP: _____
Phone Number: () _____
E-mail Address: _____
My Membership will be paid as follows:

- Enclosed is my full payment (\$150.00 min.)
 Enclosed is my first payment (\$50.00)
I will pay the balance in annual payments
 Contact me about planned giving opportunities.

Make check payable to: U.S. JCI Senate Foundation

Please mail this form and check to:

Treasurer: U. S. JCI Senate Foundation
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Ballwin, MO 63021



REGION III

District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia



Region III NVP
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"CIRCLE OF FRIENDS"

Region III certainly had a very social summer! I want to thank the Maryland Senate's John #41511 and Pam Cotter #43030 for the wonderful Summer Social and meeting at their home in July. It's always a lot of fun. The meeting was well run by Melissa Unger #59854, despite lots of distractions for its members (in other words, the usual!).

August really heated up with three travel weekends in a row. First up was Virginia's Summer Outing in Fredericksburg hosted by John Mosesso #71551, which included their summer meeting led by President Tom Cramer #61957, followed by fun exploring Fredericksburg and a cookout before the Fredericksburg Nats baseball team. Everyone did a great job!

The following weekend was the



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Aloha from Virginia,

As I step into the role of VA JCI Senate State President, I find myself reflecting deeply on the concept of 'Ohana Koho'—the chosen family that uplifts and supports us through life's journeys. For me, this journey has been one of growth, challenge, and unwav-

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West Virginia. Steak Fry hosted by past NVP Randy Willhoite #47435 in Vienna. The steaks were wonderful and the basket auction fun! Many thanks to Randy for his and his committee's work. At the end of August, Region II/III had our Sixth Annual Social at the home of Janet #61574 and Jeff #63411 Kozak in Quakertown, PA. Thank you to NVP Krista Myers #77862 for hosting this with the Kozaks! You could sure tell all the hard work that went into it.

September will find us at the home of Jimmy Harris' #62279 for our annual Crab Feed which always draws Senators from all over! Looking for a great job again, Jimmy!

I'm looking forward to heading to Tulsa in September. We haven't been out there in a very long time! I can't believe we are already heading for fall. Where did the summer go? It will soon be time for Maryland's meeting November 1 in Ocean City and Virginia's meeting November 9!

ering support from my Senate Family, without whom I would not be where I am today.

In Hawaiian culture, 'Ohana' means family, encompassing not only blood relatives but also those who are brought together by a common bond of love, respect, and shared values. 'Koho' adds a layer of choice and intentionality, emphasizing the act of selecting or electing individuals to be part of one's extended family. This concept beautifully encapsulates how we can build meaningful connections beyond biological ties, forming a network of support that transcends traditional boundaries.

Throughout my Jaycee career, I have been fortunate to be surrounded by a diverse and inspiring Ohana Koho. You have been my mentors, my sounding boards, and my cheerleaders. Your guidance has shaped my leadership style. I want to say a special Thanks



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Welcome to summer! I hope everyone is enjoying themselves as it continues to stay very warm. I heard it was warmer up here in WV than it was in Tampa.

Even though I was unable to attend the national convention, I know that West Virginia was well represented. I want to thank Rick Rutter #53977 for attending the presidents' training and getting the paperwork I will need. As a printer, I LOVE paper forms.

I very much enjoyed seeing Cori Erbacher #68752 and Eurika Ellison #80788 doing their "Frogger" travels across the streets in Tampa. It was posted on Facebook, and it was fun to watch. Cori is my AVP, and

to Sheri Polychrones #78710 for her leadership and guidance and say congratulations on her successful year. I also want to thank John Mosesso #71551 for all of his hard work organizing our Summer Meeting.

Please Join us for our Summer Outing on Saturday August 10th in Fredericksburg, VA. The VA JCI Senate Meeting will begin at 1 PM, followed by a summer picnic with all the fixin's and then topped off with a night of baseball with the FredNats. For those staying the night we will have our hospitality suite open for fun and socializing. On Sunday, Skip will lead us in a devotional and then we are off to the famous Carl's Frozen Custard before heading home.

I am excited to embark on this new adventure alongside my Ohana Koho. Together, we will work to make this the best year ever!

Eurika is my secretary. With them on my board there will never be a dull moment!

We are working to get national President Gary Pittenger to attend our Steak Fry.

I plan to invite all of the national officers that I can contact. I would like everyone that will be attending to invite someone to attend. They do not even have to be a Senator to attend AND have a great time.

My goal is to have at least 50 in attendance at the Steak Fry on August 9 and 10. My predecessor Rick Rutter #53977 set the bar high last year. I want to top his number of 48.

I do plan to attend many events in the coming year and make new friends.

I plan to not only attend new events this year. I plan to have new events in West Virginia.

The most important thing this year is to have fun, and together we can "Make it Happen"

WV JCI Senate Meeting
Parkersburg, WV
5/18/2024

E.J. Miller	50983	WV
Linda Miller	49755	WV
Randy Willhoite	47435	WV
Eurika Ellison	80798	WV
Gary Brooke	58420	WV/OH
Tracy Brooke	69445	WV/OH
Rick Rutter	53977	WV
Sherry Dugan	54475	WV
Cindy Sharp	81902	WV
Scooter Sharp	57425	WV
Craig Erbacher	75678	WV
Cori Erbacher	68752	WV
Ruth Hopkins	79632	WV
Chris Hufford	63736	WV
Ruby Weymouth	67303	WV/OH
Paul Weymouth	69653	WV/OH

Silver Foxes
Region VI Meeting
Des Moines, IA
4/20/2024

Ron Kimmet	43520	OH
Jerry Will	24873	MN
Mike Libby	40511	MN
Gary Steen	56503	SD
Ken Fischer	43036	SD
Carole Harlan	44468	DE/SD
Jim Pendleton, Jr	40286	MO
Tom Hendrix	37317	MO/NE/IA
Lloyd Mueller	57186	NE
John Dahl	42828	SD+4
Marsha Dahl	47936	SD+4
Eldon Bowers	45999	IA
Phyllis Bowers	51430	IA
Larry Schlapkohl	32716	IA/MN



MELISSA UNGER #59854
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Wow! What a great time I had at my first National Year End convention. Thank you to the Florida JCI Senate for the amazing job they did.

Our delegation came back from Tampa excited and off we went. The 24-25 Board of Directors held our planning and budget meeting in June with the budget being approved at our Summer meeting on July 13. This meeting was also our annual summer social where we celebrated the new Senate year and summer. Attendees enjoyed great food, catching up with/ making new friends, the pool and the view of the Severn River. Thank you to Pam #43030, John #41511 and Beau Cotter for opening their home to us.

From there, on August 24, we raced up to Pennsylvania for the Region II/III social, where a great time was had by all. Thank you to the Kozaks for hosting this event.

Looking ahead, we have our 22nd Annual Crab Feed on September 7 at Jimmy Harris' #62279 in Westminster, MD.

September 28 and 29 we are having a beer/wine tasting and tour in and around Hagerstown, MD where all Senators are invited to join us for all or part of the weekend.

We end the fall season with our Fall meeting as we head "Back to the Beach" from November 1-3 in Ocean City, MD.

What a wonderful 1st Quarter the Maryland JCI Senate has been having so far and I look forward to it continuing throughout the year as we continue to build our friendships and have our "Friends = Family."

Lori Palo #66475, Lillian Cheng #72692, Letha Grimes #63946

Far Right: Piate Randy Willhoite #47435



LILLIAN CHENG #72692
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Hello Senators!

The DC JCI Senate is alive and well and looking forward to welcoming members home. In the spring, a new slate of officers was elected. In addition to myself, here's your leadership team for 2024-2025:

Vice President - Ole Orset #72270

Treasury - Peter Scholl #82603

Secretary - Pam Cotter #43030

It's so exciting to report that Ole and Peter are native District of Columbia members, having participated and led the Downtown Jaycees in various roles in their days!

This year, we're hoping to re-ground the DC Senate in its roots and renew a direction for the future that takes its inspiration

from the past -- the tremendous accomplishments and proud heritage of the Jaycee chapters that once thrived within the District. All are welcome to help us build our new vision - if you're interested, please subscribe or renew your membership.

And if you haven't already, please check out our new Facebook page (not the non-profit one) and keep an eye out for our regular newsletters.

We're also planning to hold some in-person events in or near the District, including a Celebration of Downtown Jaycees' 90th anniversary (1934) and, in conjunction with International Women's Day in March 2025, commemorating the Downtown Jaycees' ground-breaking move as the first chapter nationwide to admit women among its membership, even before the Supreme Court's decision.

Also, look for more updates as we revamp our general membership (Board of Directors) meeting schedule, trying to mix up some online meetings with in-person meetings. Oh, and we might throw in a social or two throughout the year.

Lots of great things happening in the DC Senate. Hope you can join us!

Welcome Home to the DC Senate!

Silver Foxes					
Year-end Meeting			Tampa FL 6/20/24		
John Dahl	42828	SD+4	Charles Caron	FR82	SD
Marsha Dahl	47936	SD+4	Tom Brickbauer	32287	WI
Dana Hall	41552	ME	Ron Stair	71373	KS
Pat Hoelker	45893	IA	Rosaire Longe	28290	VT
Skip Hoelker	FR10	SD	Clark Wilcox	79977	GA
Pat Fields	FR85	PA	Thomas Michael	75612	GA
George Fields	46096	PA+2	Alex "Hitman" Willis	34236	GA/IA
Ken Fischer	43036	SD+3	James Harmon	63903	OK
Carole Harlan	44468	DE+4	Tom Hendrix	37317	MO
Walter Cahoon	27223	MA/DC	Jim Pendleton	40286	MO
Eldon Bowers	45999	IA			



VA JCI Senate March Meeting
3/9/2024

Karen Gage	78980	VA,MD,PA
Anne Johnson	49625	VA
Kay Faries	70346	VA
Peggy Mchugh	62466	VA
Sabitha Venkatesh	71858	VA
Troy Anderson	67983	VA
Jennifer Rebbly	75071	VA
Debbie Agee	69687	VA
Brenda Yankey	49720	VA
Paula See	49621	VA
Stephen See	48068	VA
Sandy Fulgham	65607	VA
Melissa Sleeth	69220	VA
Tracy Bishop	73106	VA
Bill Duncan	81565	VA
Lillian Cheng	72962	VA
Cathy Ralston	79504	VA
Linda Silleker	81564	VA
Vanessa Kinsley	70985	VA
Art Esenberg	26704	VA/FL
Beth Fujishige	69219	VA/CA
Kenny Loyal	63743	VA
Donna Yenney	64283	VA
Ariel Jones	65432	VA
Chris Williamson	57020	VA
Monica Loving	81562	VA
Elissa Grantham	81782	VA
Brian Morris	82701	VA
Jackie Julien	74251	VA
Sheri Polycrones	78710	VA
Michael Polycrones	78709	VA
Linda Carter	81781	VA
Tom Cramer	61957	VA+3
Skip Bentley	80472	VA
Lee Wolfe	73613	VA
Stu Shatz	53044	VA
Mark Agee	69688	VA

Maryland JCI Spring Meeting
Hanover MD

Lisa Geier	78779	MD
Judy Nuessle	62267	MD
Marilyn Young	45664	MD
Sam Young	37972	MD
Anne McGrath	58574	MD
Letha Grimes	63946	MD
Ronnie Bohn	66024	MD
Sandy Kolodner	37024	MD
Harry Kolodner	52468	MD
Karen Gage	34400	VA/MD/PA
Anne Johnson	78980	VA
Mary Ann Rohr	49625	MD
Tom Rohr	47918	MD
Barbara Ransom	44119	MD
Sue Woelpper	65352	MD
Linwood Row	73490	MD
Jess Kling	78271	MD
Gail Spence	49687	MD
Laura Jones	67320	MD
Calvin Baerveldt	36419	MD/DE
Diane Baerveldt	48476	MD/DE
Larry Richmond	46511	MD+3
Melissa Unger	59854	MD



REGION IV

Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina



Region IV NVP
CARLA BAILLEY #62624
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"WHEN WE BELIEVE"

Hello Everyone!
 What a great honor to be elected as Region IV NVP. I'm Carla Bailey #62624 from Alabama. I'm excited to be working with President Gary Pittenger #24804 and his team this year.

Let me introduce you to a great group of Region IV presidents for 2024-2025: Alabama President Lisa Townsend #55999, Georgia President Alex "Hitman" Willis #34236, Florida President Michael Sawyer #36403, South Carolina President Laura McDivitt #65755 and North Carolina President Chris Hardee #66036.

I'm pleased to announce my team: Mattie "Tooter" Gray #58203 chief of staff, James Danley #68600 chaplain, Angela Sweeney #69453 communicationswebsite, and Christianna Gilliam #78844 newsletter



LAURA McDIVITT #65755
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Hello from the great state of South Carolina! Our team came into this year energetic and focused. After attending the fantastic celebration in Tampa for the year-end celebration, we are excited about the new opportunities this year will bring with President Gary Pittenger and his team.

editor. I have strong support from Region IV, and we are ready to support "Destination Legacy".

My first visit will be to Camp Hope in South Carolina, then to Georgia. Alabama is scheduled for Gulf Shores, and Florida's 55th Anniversary is in the Orlando area and I can't wait to get everything scheduled.

I enjoyed our team building at K1 Speed. Wasn't sure about a Go-Kart track, but when the flag dropped, I thought about Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt. That's when my adrenaline kicked in and I said, here I come.

My theme this year is "When We Believe". I believe in the Jaycee Creed, US JCI Senate, Region IV and each other. I'm following some outstanding Region IV NVP's, and I "Believe" we will have a great year moving forward with getting to our "Destination Legacy".

Alabama JCI Senate 1/27/2024		
Carla Bailey	62624	AL
Larry Garham	60619	AL
Michael Gray	55051	AL
Tooter Gray	58203	AL
Elizabeth Martin-Young	47759	AL+2
Cheryl Carlson	70371	NC+2
Cindy Boswel	81780	AL

Our first convention and project were held July 19th through the 21st in conjunction with JCI South Carolina. This is a yearly event that we wholeheartedly embrace as the states' Jaycee priority project and we were welcomed with smiling faces and hugs while attending Camp Hope Sunday, which our NVP Carla Bailey, got to experience as well.

This year we are pleased to bring in "All in the Senate Family" which is our focus to reactivate and re-excite our membership base. We have many ideas and plans for the coming year, and we hope that you will join us in our journey if you are able - you are certainly welcome!



CHRIS HARDEE #66036
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Hello from the "Olde North State." By way of introduction, I'm Chris Hardee #66036 and I am pleased to serve as the 50th president of the North Carolina JCI Senate. That's right North Carolina has been leading the way for the last 50 years. We've had multiple national presidents, several awesome NVPs over the years, and recently in Tampa, North Carolina brought home significant awards for the 2023-24 year. Congratulations to Outstanding State Chaplin Suzanne Gill, Outstanding Regional Chaplain Daryl McNair, the Ron Robinson Memorial Award – Outstanding Appointed National Officer Chaplain James Rupard, the Nolan Terrill Memorial Award – Outstanding Communication / Newsletter team North Carolina, the Michael Bearon Memorial Award – Return the Favor Individual Pam Padgett, and our team was led by the Thomas Humphrey Memorial Award – Outstanding State President Cheryl Carlson.

While we will celebrate and look back on our fabulous history next Spring as the 50th Anniversary Celebration, my theme for this year is to Focus on the Future. As we look to the next 50 years, what can we do to connect with more Senators, strengthen our organization, support the growth of the NC Jaycees, and prepare more Senate leaders? We have a proud history, and it will show across our golden anniversary. While we continue many of those traditions that brought us here, we Focus on the Future to leave a stronger Senate for the next generation of

Senators. Come join us in North Carolina (you'll see our events in the e-News). For now, let's Hit the B.A.R. for Sparking Joy as our Perfect Vision is Reconnecting to Embrace the Journey, because Together We Can Focus on the Future to prepare a Destination of Legacy!



ALEX "HITMAN" WILLIS
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What a time we had at the year-end meeting in Tampa for President Hal. Region IV and the Florida Senate led by President Jaci and Chairman Cindy and her staff showed the world how to put on a national convention. Congratulations to NVP Mark for being named the #1 Regional Vice President in the country. A big congrats to all the winners from Region IV, too numerous to call by names and states.

The Georgia delegation had 11 Senators in the house including First Lady Latasha and guest Larry. I was very proud for Keeping the Faith award presented by President Hal to Senator Denise Bauer and Senator Lisa Pickett, the final two of the year.

The Georgia Senate travelled to Swainsboro Georgia on July 5th through July 7th, to assist with their third annual fireworks celebration and parade. Also, in July a couple of Georgia Senators travelled to the Iowa Senate picnic located in Fort Madison, Iowa. By the time this issue of Mentors is being read, the Georgia Senate will have had their summer meeting in Woodstock, Georgia at the Comfort Suites. Looking forward to lots of travel this year.



MICHAEL SAWYER #36403
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I am honored but humbled to serve as the 55th president. I was privileged to be sworn in by our charter president, Randy Avon #8283. The theme for my year is "Engaging Senators...Assisting JCI Florida." While it is important to ask Senators to participate in the Senate, it is equally important to assist JCI Florida. JCI Florida is at a crossroads as it has only 26 members, a far cry from the membership of over 22,000 Jaycees in 1979.

The year began with a bang with board training in Daytona Beach. Thanks to Kay Elliott #61747 for lending her condo for our training. On my birthday, I went to the Wheelchairs 4 Kids waterskiing in Winter Haven. It was the first event I attended as the new president. It was a treat to watch them have the thrill of their lives waterskiing in the wheelchair.

The oldest Jaycee chapter, the Hollywood Jaycees, celebrated their 80th anniversary on August 2nd. I was pleased to have attended the celebration and to meet former Jaycees that were part of the organization's history.

The first quarter conference was held in Altamonte Springs which had a '70s theme. The Florida JCI Senate Club started in May 1970. As usual, our "fine" money was collected for our pet project, Redeaver Boys Ranch, which will be presented on December 7 when we will make our annual visit. I presented the first 15 medallions of the year at the banquet. They were to acknowledge their contributions to the FL JCI Senate. There are only 55 medallions to correspond with our 55th anniversary. Thanks to our AVP Patrick Allison #64624 and his crew for doing a fantastic job with the hospitality room.

Our annual Florida Bash is coming up on Oct 3-6 in Daytona Beach Shores. This is special as we are celebrating our 40th anniversary. Debra Jeanne Gronvold #52883, Bash chairperson has many things planned for this event. If you are in the neighborhood, plan to stop by.

Finally, **SAVE THE DATE:** February 14-16, 2025. We will be celebrating the 55th anniversary of the Florida JCI Senate. It will be at the Holiday Inn in Kissimmee. Jaci Newmark #56368 is chairing this event.



LISA TOWNSEND #55999
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Happy Greetings from the state of Alabama!

One way to describe our weather at a 103 heat index is HOT!

I would like to first congratulate our COB Larry Graham #60619 and his team for two successful years and specifically for Larry's

Outstanding State President Award.

To introduce myself, I am Lisa Townsend #55999 and I live in Lincoln AL with my husband Ray Townsend. We have both been Senators for many years and have both served in the past as Senate president. Prior to that I was a member of the Alabama Jaycees and was state president and went on to serve the US Jaycees as national vice president. I was also honored to be Commander C-030 of the Bama Brigade.

I look forward to this next year to carry on the traditions and good works established by the Alabama JCI Senate. Our upcoming meetings are:

October 18-20, 2024 Region IV and Alabama Senate Huntsville, AL

January 17-19 Gulf Shores, AL
 May 30-June 1 Oxford, AL

I hope to see many more Senate friends throughout the next year.

SC JCI Senate End of Year and Elections
Charlotte, NC
5/4/2024

Dale Henslee-Smith	55917	SC
Sunny Riffle	50651	SC
Melanie Coble Paschal	70372	NC/SC
Allan Paschal	Guest	NC
April Readett	76223	SC
Rhe Adams	75440	SC
Mark Brandel	49789	FL
Paula Law	47531	FL/SC
Jimmy Law	56787	SC
Christianna Gilliam	78844	SC
Elizabeth Sautler	66673	SC
James Rupard	41615	NC/FL
Matt Readett	72988	SC

Alabama JCI Senate June Meeting
Birmingham, AL
6/1/2024

Larry Garham	60619	AL
Carla Bailey	62624	AL
Christianna Gilliam	78844	SC
Michael V. Gray	55051	AL
Ken Davis	49452	AL
Lisa Townsend	55999	AL
Diane Burns	63356	AL
Tooter Gray	58203	AL
Steve Sutherland	27073	FL
Dawne Sutherland	68900	FL
Mark Brandel	49789	FL
Jeff Cardwell	54265	TN
Jana Schoenfeld	74899	AL
JR Clark	63916	GA/AL/SC



Some of Region IV in Tampa

24-25 Region IV NVPCarla Bailey #62624, 23-24 Region IV Mark Brandel #49789, Pam Padgett #51341, Larry MacQuirter #67377, Daryl McNair #63633, US JCI 52nd Senate President Hal Williams #43912, Denise Bauer #61276, Mattie "Tooter" Gray #58203, Mike Phillips #50063, Carol "CJ" Jordan #45857, Marsha Phillips #47528, Jay Edmondson #41977

REGION V

Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio

Region V NVP

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"MAKING AN IMPACT & SHINING TOGETHER"



Congratulations and now we can say Past Region V NVP Jon Bruner # 58932 and his Presidents Team, you guys did a great job. My Team has some BIG Shoes to fill, and we are going to do our best to make you proud. I am so excited to be Stepping Up and servicing on the 2024/2025 Destination Legacy Team with President Gary Pittenger # 24804.

So here we go, the Region V Making an Impact & Shining Together is in full force already. I want to thank my State Presidents for my Stepping Up and making an Impact in their states this year. As everyone knows we start our Senate year with the Region V Summer Tour and we started out this year in Michigan at their Yearend Celebration and swearing in of their new president Tanya Quackenbush # 78291, then we headed to Ohio for the Annual

Pig Roast, this state being led this year by Allison Geddes #74777, then onto Illinois for their Summer Picnic and this state is now led by Judson DeVore #65005 and the last of the Summer Tour was Indiana's Picnic and this state is led by Shelley Bates #78813.

Now as we get ready for the fall months, the Region is still going strong, I am looking forward to travelling to Tulsa, Oklahoma for Fall Boards. When we get back from there, we will be heading to Kentucky lead by JeNie Altman # 56150 for their Fall Frenzy and then on to the Michigan Jeans and Jewels on November 16th.

In closing I want to thank all my team members for Stepping up and Making an Impact & Shining Together.

Keep Smiling



ALLISON GEDDES #74777
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Hello from the great state of Ohio, home of The Ohio State Buckeyes, the Cleveland Browns, the Cleveland Guardians and a few other sports teams. I have the pleasure of representing this great state as the 57th president, along with my board VP Mitch Schoonover #59758, Secretary Janice Carino #72307, Treasurer Tammy

Snapp #79574, and COB Karen Schoonover #57305.

This year my theme is Friendship: Past, Present and Future. I would like to thank everyone who attended our annual Pig Roast in beautiful Kent OH. A special thank you to Jeff #79697 and Janice Carino #72307, the Chairmen of the event.

We look forward to assisting JCI Ohio as they host the JCI USA Annual Meeting and TOYA Ceremony in Cleveland, OH, September 12-15, 2024. In conjunction with the JCI Ohio event, we will be hosting our first Ohio JCI Senate Social on Sunday Sep 15th, with an outing to a Cleveland Guardians Game.

Fall brings about the spooky season in Ohio, with visits to the haunted houses created by our Jaycees. Our next meeting will be held in November, in the Columbus Area, in conjunction with JCI Ohio's meeting.

happen this year with family, friends and fellow Senators at all of the National, Regional and Michigan happenings, I'm going to make sure to take it all in while I can.

I want to invite everyone to come and enjoy some Michigan hospitality this year. We will be celebrating the summer with our Senate BBQ and first meeting of the year in August. November brings what has become our signature event with the Jeans & Jewels Gala to raise funds for scholarships. January will see the previous Post Holiday Party revamped as the Snowball Soirée. Lastly, Michigan is happy to be the host for the Region V Spring Fling in March of 2025 and can't wait to see all of our friends from around the region and country.

Follow the Michigan JCI Senate on Facebook, check out our website at michiganjcisenate.org or sign up to receive our newsletter and eblasts at shorturl.at/ajaTA to stay up to date on happenings in the Great Lakes State!

I want to remind everyone this year to take the time to Enjoy the Moment as we race towards Destination Legacy in 2024-2025. Prost!



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Greetings from Michigan. I am honored and excited to be serving as the 52nd President of the Michigan JCI Senate. My theme this year is "Enjoy the Moment." Looking back at my Jaycee career, like so many of us, I find that it was really kind of a blur with all the commitments that you have a hard time saying no. As a Senator, a wife and a mother of a teenage daughter, I realize that I don't want to miss the important moments that pass us by so quickly. So, with all the moments that are bound to

Ohio JCI Senate Year End Banquet Oregon, Ohio May 3-4-5, 2024

Ruby Weymouth	67303	OH/IL
Paul Weymouth	69653	OH/IL
Jon Bruner	58932	OH
Jenny Bruner	64688	OH
Keith Steiner	36446	OH
Sara Kimmet	77909	OH
Ron Kimmet	43520	OH
Stu O'hara	39768	OH
Amanda Turner	65613	OH
Karen Schoonover	57305	OH
Mitch Schoonover	59758	OH
Shelley Knight-Bourn	81030	OH
Zach Bourn	GUEST	OH
Pamela Bozica	80298	OH
Bruce Geddes	35527	OH
Jean Geddes	68886	OH
Allison Geddes	74777	OH
Jane Hider	47491	OH/DC
Tammy Snapp	79574	OH
Jerry Wright	55005	OH/IN
Rockne Clarke	38035	OH
Alison Clarke	GUEST	OH
Susan Geddes	81581	OH
Charlie Eberhardt	54887	OH/DC
Sharon Rice	71524	OH
Ej Rice	47046	OH
Dave Conklin	54029	OH

Ohio JCI Year End Medina, Ohio FEB 9-10-11, 2024

Ruby Weymouth	67303	OH/IL
Paul Weymouth	69653	OH/IL
Jon Bruner	58932	OH
Jenny Bruner	64688	OH
Keith Steiner	36446	OH
Sara Kimmet	77909	OH
Ron Kimmet	43520	OH
Stu O'hara	39768	OH
Amanda Turner	65613	OH
Karen Schoonover	57305	OH
Mitch Schoonover	59758	OH
Shelley Knight-Bourn	81030	OH
Zach Bourn	GUEST	OH
Pamela Bozica	80298	OH
Bruce Geddes	35527	OH
Jean Geddes	68886	OH
Allison Geddes	74777	OH
Jane Hider	47491	OH/DC
Tammy Snapp	79574	OH

CT JCI Senate Social East Side Restaurant New Britain, CT 6/30/2024

Eileen Perlot	69394	CT
David Perlot	65857	CT
Marybeth Kaczynski	67636	CT
Sue Zetoff	61461	CT
Jeff Kass	32300	CT
Fran Kass	60798	CT
Bill Potuchek	35278	CT
Elaine Potuchek	FR #032	CT
Jack Pasquale	32806	CT
Sue Pasquale	FR #017	CT
Lou Blumenfeld	49713	CT
Jackie Isaacson	Guest	CT



**JeNIE ALTMAN #56150
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Greetings from KY! I'm JeNIE Altman #56150, KY's newest president. Yes, Brad Blain retired and I'm at it again. I have a fantastic board to work with (Will Chester, Donna Cassell, Jim Dulin, and COB Brad) and am looking forward to a great year!

We have Fall Frenzy planned for October 18-20 and trips scheduled for travel. I hope to see you somewhere along the way.

Still believing!



**SHELLEY BATES #78813
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Hello JCI Senators! I Love this American Ride. I am thrilled to serve the Hoosier state as President for 2024/2025.

I joined the Mt. Vernon Jaycees shortly after my move there in hopes of meeting new people and making new friends. I never imagined what I would learn or where it would take me.

I now own two businesses, manage concessions for the Indianapolis Speedrome, & recently started my first 501c-3 DIY (Developing Indiana Youth) geared towards helping central Indiana Youth find career paths through sweat equity and gain financial independence.

August 16-18 is our Summer board in beautiful French Lick. There are so many great things to do! Hemlock cliffs is a beautiful hidden hiking spot where you can walk under a waterfall. You can pet and feed animals at Wilsterm. The winery is always great! I enjoy walking around West Baden & French Lick Springs. There's also a casino, or you can take a scenic train ride.

I'm looking forward to attending the Illinois picnic, Tulsa, my first Fall Frenzy, New Orleans, and helping at the Sikeston Rodeo!

Hopefully over the year I can share why I Love this American Ride with fellow Senators!



**JUDSON DeVORE #65005
PRESIDENT ILLINOIS
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Greetings, Fellow Senators! My name is Judson DeVore, the 58th president of the Illinois JCI Senate. My theme is "A Light Unto the World". Every Senator, while a Jaycee, has acquired a storehouse full of knowledge and experiences. My goal and the meaning to my theme is to facilitate the exchange of that storehouse from Senators to local Jaycee chapters and communities. Using what we have learned can shine a light on the many problems of today.

I want to congratulate President MaryAnn Hilleary #64615 and her board on an outstanding year, especially on her winning an Outstanding

State President award! I also want to thank those individuals who have stepped forward to be members of my board and serve the Illinois JCI Senate.

My Presidential tour began by traveling down to National Convention in Tampa, Florida. Thank you to Florida JCI Senate for the fantastic event. Next, we travelled to Kent, Ohio for their Pig Roast. Being my first time, I got to kiss the pig! From there, we journeyed to the east side of Illinois to the Illinois Picnic held in Danville, where we finished off President MaryAnn's year and began my year. We then traveled to French Lick, Indiana to attend Indiana's Summer Meeting. In September I will travel to Tulsa, Oklahoma for the US JCI Fall Board Meeting. Then back to Illinois for the Illinois Jaycees Fall GA in early October. Later in October, I will be heading to Kentucky and their Fall Frenzy. Rounding out the calendar year with a trip to Michigan for the Michigan JCI Senate's Jeans and Jewels event.

Hope to see many of you during my travels this summer and fall. If you plan on visiting Illinois this year, let me know. Remember to become the Light in your community!

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**IN JCI Senate – Annual Mtg,
Elections & Jaycee Reunion
Corydon, IN
April 12-14, 2024**

David Hussung	41391	IN
Mike Shipe	48008	IN
Johnny Caldwell	73985	IN
Lori Tomlin	62797	IN
Mike Pouch	77787	IN
Tracie Pouch	72126	IN
Jerry Wright	55005	IN
Shelley Bates	78813	IN
Keith Schnell	43086	KY/IN
Cyndi Thornburg-Schnell	61668	KY/IN
Jim Jordan	39729	IN
Suzie Jordan	64709	IN
Jeff Hahn	59382	IN
Judson DeVore	65005	IL
Marsha DeVore	67330	IL
Julie Westerhoff	53020	IN
Bill Westerhoff	50825	IN
Sherry Jones	63163	IN
Doyle Jones	FR83	IN
Ed Darringer	47492	IN
Keith Sellmer	67414	IN
Steve Bowen	54013	IN
Mike Boots	59687	IN
Joseph Shaw	41308	AK/IN



**TOP: Jenny Bruner #64688, Kristen Johnson #72859,
Region V NVP John Bruner #58932**

**Far Left: Jay Edmondson #41977,
Christianna Gilliam #78844,
Patsy Edmondson FR 003,
Larry MacQuirter #67377,
Liz Young #47759**

**Left: Region V NVP John Bruner
#58932**



**Region VI Spring Meeting
April 20, 2024
Des Moines IA**

Lisa Badger	67973	IA	Gary Steen	56503	SD
Lori Oakland	67100	IA	Rose Steen	57178	SD
Doreen Andrew	65067	IA	Toon Bauman	67855	Region 6
Jason Hancock	75970	IA	Pam Robinson	61888	IA
Lynn Stoffregen	55876	IA	Nancy Carlisle	47897	IA
Jim Kirchoff	Guest	IA	Ed Hart	28991	MO
Joanne Schwab	71117	IA	Boni Hart	59553	MO
Pam Lipkowitz	56195	IA	Charmaine Sinley	Guest	IA
Louie Allers	45976	IA	Amanda Birch	79777	IA
Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei	44003	IA	Wayne Kiefer	36498	IL
Woody Sauerbrei	FR111	IA	Margie Kiefer	FR 29	IL
Janet Van Beek	45420	IA	Mary Ann Hilleary	64615	IL
Wayde Burkhardt	63877	IA	Greg Hilleary	43305	IL
Phyllis Bowers	51430	IA	Jim Johnsen	44719	SD
Eldon Bowers	45999	IA	Linda Alexander	82180	WI
Carol Standridge	80700	FR18 IA	Emily Vaughn	77301	IA
Dan Badger	67974	IA	Adrienne Hancock	80480	IA
Newton Standridge	29407	IA/AR	Paul Crawford	72198	IA
Pat Hoelker	45893	IA/SD	Kathleen King	68704	VA
Randy Young	46420	MN	Tom King	59642	VA
Marge Miller	52948	MN	Ann Engle	71560	CO
Jerry Will	24873	MN	DeLisa Anderson	54310	OK
Jim Pendleton, JR	40286	MO	Bruce Sostack	52655	TX+3
Michele Burnett-Emmerich	60635	MO	Brian Cox	61635	MO
David Teachout	68700	MO	Wendy Cox	Guest	MO
Tonya Myers	66222	MO	John Parsons	74674	IA
Paul Myers	72173	MO	John Sprole	35504	IA
Julie Morff	71917	MO	Dianne Casto	43283	IA
Randy Johnson	56636	MO	Doreen Lietzau	64069	MN
Kristen Johnson	72859	MO	Bill Beck	45182	MN
Mary Sawyer	43930	MO	Brian Levandoski	80227	MN
Earl Sawyer	28243	MO	Cindy Cook	55834	SD
Susan Hatcher	58143	MO	Vonita Gardner	63629	SD
Dave DeLaney	41203	MO/IA/SD	Scott Judas	49791	IA
Donna DeLaney	55560	MO/IA/SD	John Anderson	60163	ND
Tom Hendrix	37317	MO/NE	Michelle Mosher	61744	ND
Melissa Sanny	66967	NE/IA	Angie Jelinek	60570	ND
Marlin Sanny	13967	NE/IA	Ron Kimmet	43520	OH
Lloyd Mueller	57186	NE	Sara Kimmet	77909	OH
DJ Leppla	44743	Region 6	Herb Koeiner Jr	28607	SD
Skip Hoelker	FR 10	SD	Dale TenEyck	57237	NE/IA
Julie Rieckman	60573	SD	Susan Nagle	51114	NE
Ken Fischer	43036	SD	Mike Nagle	44377	NE
Marsha Dahl	47936	SD+4	Sara Borders	71544	MN
John Dahl	42828	SD+4	Kris Wilke	72950	MN
Bill Flease	64179	WI	Teri Wilson	Guest	MO
Tom "Mooch" Barrington	42859	WI	Miriam Wetter	67070	MO
Judi Barrington	49802	WI	Marsha Phillips	47528	FL/NC/DC
Kelly Trautman	FR 51	WI/MN	Larry Schlapkohl	32716	IA
Brian Trautman	61774	WI/MN	Janet Schlapkohl	FR 11	IA
Dr. Tom Molstd	63304	IA	Janitda Muller	68949	ND
Angie Taylor	71600	IA/SC/NC	Mike Libby	40511	MN
Cheryl Carlson	70371	NC	Rachael Libby	FR 41	MN
Hal Williams	43912	FL/NC/DC	Sharon Rowan	52711	NE
Carole Harlan	44468	DE+4	Klinton Finley	70384	SD
Gary Pittenger	24804	IL	Nancy Stidde	63623	MN
Stephanie Pittenger	59999	IL	Gary R Duel	48384	PA
Karen Lage	FR 67	IA			

**Minnesota JCI Senate
Membership Meeting
5/4/2024**

PJ Zimmerman	81431	MN	Annie Klouse	76847	MN
Stephanie Zimmerman	81432	MN	Nancy Stidde	63623	MN
Josh Regan	75407	MN	Mike Libby	40511	MN
Elyssa Weber	80696	MN	Racheal Libby	FR41	MN
Anne Regan	76974	MN	Susan Adams-Eriksen	65312	MN
Ketti Green	68281	MN	Stacey Bakn	82497	MN
Brian Levanski	80227	MN	Don Heinonen	62610	MN
Tracey Biegert	76076	MN	Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei	44003	IA
Juliana Durie	80217	WI	Woody Sauerbrei	FR111	IA
Pete Colarich	80224	MN	Wayde Burkhardt	63877	IA
Jim Fish	30890	MN	Gwan Laberwitsch	80218	MN
Jim Swartout	58178	MN	Chad Carlson	76972	MN
DJ Leppla	44742	Region 6	Dan Jay Cox	77882	MN
Kris Wield	72950	MN	Char Blashill	68880	MN
Greg Green	65761	MN	Randy Young	46420	MN
Doreen Lietzan	64069	MN	Juanita Beachamp	74247	MN
Dan Badger	67974	IA	Russell Beachamp	74887	MN
Lisa Badger	67973	IA	Mark Everett	55453	MN
Bill Beck	45182	MN	Toon Bauman	67855	Region 6
Brian Klouse	76425	MN			

**ND JCI Senate Schlorship Judging
Feb 3, 2024
Jamestown ND**

Janitda Muller	68949	ND
Connie Olson	72670	ND
Leif Olsen	72669	ND
John Anderson	60163	ND
Dennis Burdolski	68703	ND
Becky Burdolski	79553	ND
Angie Jelinek	60570	ND

**ND JCI Senate Membership
Meeting
April 20, 2024
Des Moines IA**

Angie Jelinek	60570	ND
John Anderson	60163	ND
Janitda Muller	68949	ND
Michelle Mosher	61744	ND
Dave Teachout Reg VI	NVP 68700	MO
Toon Bauman	67855	Region VI
Ken Fischer	43036	SD

**Missouri JCI Senate Spring Meeting
Independence MO**

Kami Harsell	77656	MO	Donna Dalaney	55560	MO
Lori Moore	75955	MO	Dawanye Cartee	62218	MO
Terry Rowland	67003	MO	Patricia Cullon	62702	MO
Dan Badger	67974	IA/MO	Chris Harsell	75944	MO
Lisa Badger	67973	IA/MO	Barb Pelikaan	57247	MO
Michele Burnett-Emmerich	60635	MO	Allen Coil	76850	MO
Toon Bauman	68755	Region 6	Holly Coil	76849	MO
Marge Miller	52948	MN/MO	Wendy Cox	69246	MO
Cindy Cromer	64995	MO	Brian Cox	61635	MO
Tom Hendrix	37317	MO	Kristen Johnson	72859	MO
Vince Saladino	34324	MO/NE/IA	Nicholas Johnson	56636	MO
Kathy Saladino	47618	MO	Mary Sawyer	Guest	MO
Barbara Polette	42975	MO	Earl Sawyer	43930	MO
David Page	29226	MO	Boni Hart	28243	MO
Pattie Underwood	62895	MO	Ed Hart	59553	MO
Ron Stair	71373	KS	Paul Meyers	72173	MO
Allen Dale	78962	KS	Tonya Meyers	66922	MO
Julie Rieckman	60573	SD/MO	Dave Teachout	68200	MO
Chuck Caron	FR82	SD	Jim Pendleton	40286	MO
Ken Fisher	46036	SD/MO	Julie Morff	71917	MO
Dave Dalaney	41203	MO	Becky Horton	Guest	MO

**Iowa JCI Senate
Dubuque IA 2/17/2024**

DJ Leppla	44743	IA	Carol Standridge	80700	IA
Larry Schlapkohl	32716	IA/MN	Jason Hancock	75970	IA
Janet Schlapkohl	FR11	IA	Chris Demmer	78909	IA
John Prins	79782	IA	Vicki Judas	60289	IA
Peg Fuller	Guest	IA	Dianne Casto	43283	IA
Jerry Josa	38818	IA	Scott Judas	49791	IA
Phyllis Bowers	51430	IA	Brian Fuller	47899	IA
Eldon Bowers	45999	IA	Cheryl Fuller	49792	IA
Pat Hoelker	45893	IA	Deb Puto	55516	IA
Skip Hoelker	FR10	SD	Jenny Even	78713	IA
Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei	44003	IA	Brian Witte	68535	IA
Woody Sauerbrei	FR111	IA	Joshua Masson	77273	IA
Dan Badger	67974	IA	Chris Rick	78649	IA
Lisa Badger	67973	IA	Robert Walker	57422	IA
Wayde Burkhardt	63877	IA	Adrienne Hancock	80480	IA
Pam Robinson	61888	IA	Louise Allers	45976	IA
Nancy Carlisle	47897	IA	Agnes Kress	75744	IA
Nikki Scharl	81530	IA	Amanda Birch	79777	IA
Joanne Schwab	71117	IA	Paul Crawford	72199	IA
John Parsons	74674	IA	Lori Oakland	67100	IA
Pam Lipkowitz	56195	IA	Emily Vaughn	77301	IA
Newton Standridge	29407	IA/AR			

**SD JCI Senate Winter Meeting
Watertown SD**

Jim Johnson	44719	SD
Jill Johnson	78110	SD
David Teachout	68700	MO
Doug Kranz	61730	SD
Gary Steen	56503	SD
Toon Bauman	67855	Reg VI
Vonita Gardner	63629	SD
Donna Hamre	78687	SD
Ken Fischer	43036	SD
Charles Caron	FR82	SD
Julie Rieckman	60573	SD
Marsha Dahl	47936	SD
John Dahl	42928	SD
DJ Leppla	44743	Reg VI
Bernard Thompson	52497	MO
Wayde Burkhardt	63877	IA
Ellen Shaner	68746	SD
Cindy Crook	55834	SD
Rose Steen	57178	SD

**Alabama JCI Senate
Gulf Shores, AL 9/29-10/1/24**

Lori Palo	66475	GA+8
Mike Andrews	58312	IN/FL
Linda Andrews	71434	IN/FL
Mike T. Phillips	50065	FL
Marsha Phillips	47528	FL
Steve Sutherland	27073	FL
Dawne Sutherland	68900	FL
Jaci Newmark	56368	FL
Keith Adams	FR105	FL
Hal Williams	43912	FL+2
Lamar Smith	27217	AL
John Robinson	55768	PA/FL
Debra James	48001	AL
Jeff Cardwell	54245	TN
Nancy Cardwell	54264	TN
Rich Little	42307	GA
Gail Little	FR97	GA

REGION VI

Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin



Region VI NVP
DAN BADGER #67974
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"LOONEY TIMES"

What's up, US JCI Senate?
 In my travels over the past few months, conversations among senators have often turned to something about Looney Tunes cartoons, and I knew that my theme 'Loony Times' was right on track. When life has thrown me a curve ball, I often found myself remembering how the characters of Looney Tunes taught me the importance of being myself, that sometimes life just isn't fair, but the key is to never give up on your goal. So, Region VI is ready for some 'Loony Times' for the 2024-25 JCI Senate year. We have set our goals and will remain focused on achieving those goals while being ourselves and remembering that if at first, we don't succeed try, try again.

Lisa #67973 and I are so excited for the year to come. The year has already started off with a bang. Beginning with some Go Kart racing with my fellow NVPs and the Exec Team. After the first race everyone asked how I was able to drive so fast. Honestly... I got my foot stuck between the accelerator and brake and could not slow down, so I just held on

and channeled my wife, Lisa (AKA Daisy Duke as nicknamed by her co-workers). Congratulations to my fellow racers John Badeen #73089 and Tom King #59642 who came in first and 3rd respectively in the final race.

Thank you to the MN and IA JCI Senate for the great hospitality in July. July 5th saw Lisa and I visiting the MN JCI Senate in Delano, MN for the 4th of July festivities, and ending the evening with some amazing fireworks, special thanks to Chair Toon Bauman #67855 and President Juanita Beauchamp #74247. Talk about starting the year with a BANG! The following weekend we had the pleasure of getting together with President Joanne Schwab #71117 and the Iowa JCI Senate for the Summer Picnic and the traditional handoff of the 'hat' from the 2023-24 Region VI NVP David Teachout #68700 to myself. And a special shoutout to Region V for your great hospitality at the Hog Roast and Illinois Picnic for the great memories.

What's up next? I have a busy schedule planned through the rest of the summer attending events across Region VI that will take us right into the US JCI Senate Fall BOD meeting in Tulsa, OK, September 19-22 and Region VI JCI Senate Fall Regional Meeting in Bismarck, ND.

Lisa and I live in Newton, Iowa with our 2 dogs, Carli and Scarlett and work from home as a Business/Quality Assurance Analyst for GDIT. I am blessed to have the support of my family and great friends to lead Region VI through the 2024-25 year with a 'Can Do' attitude and just knowing that while we may experience loony times in our lives, we will persevere with the support of each other.



BOB LAYTON #65778
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Greetings Fellow Senators
 As a new Senate year begins I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself.

I am Bob Layton #65778 I will be leading the Troops here in Wisconsin as President.

Alongside myself, I have Jason Rosenau #76858 vice president, Brian Troutman #61774 treasurer, Bill Fleece #64179 secretary, Judy Barrington 49802 chaplain and two directors, Doug Reed # 68647 and Jen Layton #82181.

Jason, Doug and Jen are new members to the board this year, so I am really looking forward to their input and the direction in which they see the Wisconsin Senate going this year. I have been a Senator for almost 20 years so with my leadership skills combined with my board's vast knowledge and experience of the JCI Senate, we should surely be a force to be reckoned with.

Some of us will see you in Bismarck, ND for the Region VI fall regional, so until then may God bless you and keep you in the palm of his hand.



CHAD ALBERS #68747
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Hello from the South Dakota JCI Senate!!

Happy summer everyone. I hope you have all been able to schedule time with family and much needed vacations.

I am serving as president for the South Dakota Senate this year and look forward to meeting with everyone and participating in activities. I live in Sioux Falls, SD along with my sons Colton and Landon and our beloved fur babies (altogether it makes our house the Chaos Corral!!).

We had a great turnout at our annual meeting in Sioux Falls, SD in June. Thank you to Region VI NVP elect Dan Badger and First Lady elect Lisa Badger, for attending. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at upcoming meetings.

The SD Senate will be busy again this year with Return the Favor activities; participating in Wreath's Across America; the Senate Scholarship program; Presidential Sweepstakes and S.O.A.R.

Congratulations to our 2023 US JCI Senate Foundation scholarship winners: Rachel Koeppe – Rosholt High School, attending Minnesota State University Moorhead and Haley Nelson Viborg – Hurley High School, attending Augustana University. Best of luck to you in your educational journey.

I am looking forward to the upcoming year!

Celebrating the Senate....Past, Present and Future

ND JCI Senate Campout July 20, 2024 Litchville ND		
Greg Rohner	81912	ND
Angie Jelinek	60570	ND
James Hatzenbuehler	50856	ND
Stan Hansen	43165	ND
Tim Holdahl	50956	ND
Perry Anderson	52781	ND
Michelle Mosher	61744	ND
John Anderson	60163	ND
Debra Hatzenbuehler	55953	ND
Curtis Gehrtz	76222	ND
Bev Holdahl	52518	ND
Myra Helm	73353	ND
Darrell Helm	73354	ND
Mark Briese	54519	ND
Lauri Andersn	72668	ND
Connie Olson	72670	ND
Leif Olson	72669	ND
Kathy Feist	69030	ND

Nebraska June Meeting Norfolk NE 6/8/24		
Kendra Werth	71361	NE
Ruth Ventris	64569	NE
Deb Ventris	64035	NE
Lori Anderson-Stowe	69223	NE
Susan Nagle	51114	NE
Mike Nagle	44377	NE
Steve Steward	58558	NE
Wayde Burkhardt	63877	IA
Marlin Sanny	13967	NE
Lynn Weiland	69824	NE
Geneva Armburst	72535	NE



CONNIE OLSON #72670
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Hello fellow Senators!

Hope this finds everyone well!
It's so hard to believe 2024 is half over!

The ND Senate held our annual "Old Timers Reunion" held in July. The Helms opened their doors and invited any past or present Jaycee and Jaycee Senator to their farm for the weekend! It was a great time!

The Region VI Fall Meeting will be held October 4-6 at the Quality Inn and Suites in Bismarck, ND. We are excited to be hosting this year and look forward to seeing everyone! Mark your calendar and plan to join Region VI at our Fall Board Meeting in Bismarck! You can reach out to any of us in North Dakota for more information! We hope to see you there!!

We are also excited for the Rugby, ND Jaycees!! They are the only active Jaycee chapter in the state of North Dakota, and they are thriving! They do so many wonderful things for their community and continue to have the support of the community to stay strong! They recently announced the construction of a Splash Pad for their community and will begin construction soon! The North Dakota Senate is very excited for them and will be there to support them during their grand opening!

Have a safe and happy summer!



GENEVA BROOMFIELD
ARMBRUST #72535
PRESIDENT NEBRASKA
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Greetings United States JCI Senate! Our Annual Meeting in Norfolk was on June 1st, however our elections were not able to take place. We were honored to have in attendance from Iowa Wayne Burkhart #63877, Dan Badger #67974 and Lisa Bader# 67973. Thankfully, elections were rescheduled for June 15th in Lincoln. This special meeting also included a Senatorship presentation, congratulations Codie Wilson #82284. The 2024-2025 board of directors are President: Geneva Broomfield Armbrust #72535, Chairman of the Board: Sharon Rowan #52711, Vice President: Daryl Steinman #59574, Secretary: Lori Anderson-Stowe #69223 and Historian: Ruben Ventris #64569. We are looking forward to a fabulous year and spending time with our Senate friends when the opportunity presents itself.

Gathering with friends is just a bonus of being part of this organization. United States JCI Senate there is no better time to jump in and help out. It is a great time to show our youth and country for that matter that volunteering is such a rewarding experience. I am excited that I have great nieces and nephews with whom I can share stories of my time in the organization. I hope that they have the same chances that I did and of course the fun!!

Ohhhhh, I know that life is hectic and sometimes volunteering is just not the thing we WANT to do. I also know that the memories of fabulous times and the friends make it worth it!!!!!!

My question is..... where would YOU be if not for the Jaycees and Senate? I mean REALLY be. I have been so blessed by the friends and experiences that I

gained through my time with the Jaycees and Senate.

Everyone please reach into your mind and heart.....remember why you are a Senator! At one point in your life, you were extremely active and crucial to the Jaycees, and you were rewarded for that, NOW pass it forward! That is exactly what several of us did on June 29th as we helped the Nebraska City Jaycees with their 4th of July celebration.

If you gnome me, then you gnome what this organization means to me. My theme for the 2024/2025 year is GNOMES: Great Nebraskans Out Making Everyday Spectacular! Join us for our 1st quarter meeting followed by a gnome hunt on August 24th in Sidney.

Meeting in Tulsa in Sept, and our Fall Region VI Meeting in Bismarck, ND in early October. For many of us who attended Jaycee events in Tulsa over the years, this will be a homecoming of sorts for many, and I, for one, am excited about going to Tulsa again, this time for a Senate event! Wreaths Across America will be big in our state again this year!

We have an outstanding group of Senators leading our board this year - Vice President Kami Harsell #77656. Treasurer Tonya Myers #66222. Secretary Jessica Heard #80300, COB Miriam Wetter #67070. We look forward to working with everyone this year, and all are welcome to attend any of our great Missouri activities.



JIM PENDLETON, JR
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A new Senate year is underway! Missouri was well represented at the Tampa year end national meeting. We had a few Sweepstakes winners, and congrats to our own David Teachout #68700 for being recognized as one of three Outstanding NVP's! We also had 25 attendees at our Food Experience Dinner at Yuengling's (ask a Missouri Senator how you can be a part of this always fun group).

Start of the new year found a number of our Senators assisting at Jaycee 4th of July activities in St Charles and Hannibal. A number of Missouri Senators attended the Iowa Picnic the following weekend in Fort Madison, IA.

August has also been a big month with Senators from many locales helping out at the Sikeston Jaycee Bootheel Rodeo (7th-10th). Many Senators will be assisting the Jaycees at Access Day at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia on Fri, Aug 16th

We are looking forward to attending National Fall Board



JUANITA BEACHAMP
#74247

PRESIDENT MINNESOTA
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I have been married to Russell for 25 years, and we have a daughter, Sophia, who is 13. I have worked for the Benton/Mille Lacs Farm Service Agency-USDA for 25 years and in my spare time I volunteer for several organizations and attend school activities. I received my Senatorship when I was the JCI MN state president in May 2015.

I am very excited to be getting geared up for this year as the MN senate president. My theme, "Share Your Spark" is intended to keep strong mentorship, connections and passion going throughout the year.

To kick things off, in July we had our summer planning meeting to go through goals and aspirations for 2024/25 year and attended our first fundraiser, the Beer Pour in Delano.

Some of the events coming up are the Pennock Days Beer Tent in August and our meeting at the JCI MN Fall Convention, September 6-8th in New Ulm, MN. Hope you can join us!

WARNING

DEADLINES ARE MUCH CLOSER THAN THEY APPEAR

MENTORS Due
September 25, 2024

REGION VI



**JOANNE SCHWAB #71117
PRESIDENT IOWA**

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For those that do not know me, my name is Joanne Schwab #71117, and I am truly honored to serve as the IA JCI Senate's 53rd state president. I am usually the one who enjoys being behind the scenes doing things or quietly sitting in the back of the room. As I venture out on this new journey my slogan is "Be Gnomed." What that means is, what is something for which you are known? Are you the go to person for advice, are you the baker of the group,

are you the one who likes taking photos? Whatever it is, it makes you special and you should let it "Be Gnomed."

Iowa has some great events in 2024-2025. Along with my board Secretary Jason Hancock #75970 and Treasurer Carol Standridge #80700, we kicked off the Senate year with holding our annual picnic July 12-14 in Fort Madison, IA. Then this fall we will be holding our meeting in conjunction with JCI Iowa. We have some socials scheduled throughout the year as well. I am also looking forward to working with JCI Iowa and attending some chapter events to see how the Senate can help our local Jaycees.

I look forward to attending some Regional and National events. Talking about National events, the IA JCI Senate is hosting Winter Boards down in Kenner, LA Jan 9-12, 2025. Hope to see you all there!

Let us all "Be Gnomed" for the amazing things we do for not only this organization but for our communities, states, regions, and across the country!

Below:

*Newton Standridge #29407, Carol Standridge #80700,
Lisa Badger #67973, Dan Badger #67974,
DeLisa Anderson #54310*



*Left: Paul Meyers #72173,
Susan Hatcher #58143,
Soraya Cronkwright from
Canada, Tonya Meyers #66922*

REGION VII



**STEVE RUTLAND #46771
PRESIDENT
MISSISSIPPI**

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Greetings from the Hospitality State of Mississippi!

Big things are happening in JCI Mississippi - We are so excited and proud to have TWO candidates running for the 2025 JCI USA Executive Committee 75th State President and current Deputy National President Bethanie Miller is our candidate for 105th national president of JCI USA.

The current state president, Danyella Terrell is running for 2025 national vice president. We are honored to be represented so well on the JCI USA national level.

The JCI Petal Jaycees had a busy summer. On Sunday, July 7th, the chapter hosted a blood

drive through Vitalant. Throughout July and August, they also hosted a series of professional development training sessions titled "You're Hired!" The series is designed to boost confidence and set attendees up for success in the job market. The chapter is also gearing up to host their second Veterans Day Chili Cook-Off. This event was started last year and was a huge success for the chapter, raising money for local disabled veterans.

The JCI Hattiesburg Jaycees chapter is busy preparing for the 4th Annual Taste of the South Food Truck Festival, a local economic development project. I have had the great pleasure of attending and working at the first 3 festivals, and cannot wait until the 4th one this coming October. If you haven't been to this event, I highly recommend you make the trip to Mississippi in October to join us. This vibrant event celebrates community, culture, and culinary excellence nestled in the heart of downtown Hattiesburg. Every year this event gets bigger and better!

On August 24th, JCI Mississippi will be hosting their state Mid-Year Convention. This year's theme is "Leaders Creating Community Impact." It will be held on the beautiful campus of William Carey University in Hattiesburg. Come join us for an impactful convention!

Special thanks to Dee Lumpkin, #81618, who is 2024 Chief of Staff at JCI USA and was the 76th state president of JCI Mississippi Jaycees. Dee is the systems and reference librarian at William Carey University in Hattiesburg, MS, and is my go-to person on what's happening in the JCI Mississippi and is responsible for the majority of the info in this article.

On a sad note the Mississippi Jaycees and Senate lost one of its finest members ever. On May 30, 2024, Mark Keller Senator #46466, and Mississippi Jaycee Governor #358, died following a long battle with cancer. He was also an outstanding state president of the Mississippi Jaycees during the 1986-1987 Jaycee year. Please keep Mark's family, and many friends in your prayers.

Hope to see you at a future US JCI Senate Board Meeting. HOY!!!

REGION VII

Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee



Region VII NVP
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"BE THE SPARK THAT
IGNITES THE FLAME!"

Greetings Senators,
 Our Region VII Senators came back from Tampa full of rum and the senate spirit. We want to thank Senator Dawna Norfleet for all her work on the region's booth!
 We are excited to move into this year and see what our senators in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee do in 2024-2025!
 The theme for our Region is "Be the SPARK that ignites the FLAME!" It only takes one SPARK to make things happen and I feel the states in Region VII can start a

fire. Arkansas will be led by Jimmy Wallace #17919, Louisiana will be led by Mary Henry #58491, Mississippi will be led by Steve Rutland #46771 and Tennessee will be led by Paul Ottinger #72999!!

The region has been busy with Mississippi having a meeting in Hattiesburg and Tennessee having a meeting at their Camp Discovery. Arkansas and Mississippi are working on meetings.

In closing, I want to thank Jeff Cardwell for his leadership last year and I look forward to working with the Destination Legacy team and President Gary this year.
 "Be the SPARK!"



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Greetings from the Great Volunteer State!! It is an honor to serve as the president of the Tennessee JCI Senate this year. I hope to be of assistance to the many members of our great state and to President Gary and his national team as we strive to achieve "Destination Legacy." I look forward to the opportunity to learn and grow within this role and to help make a difference within the organization. I am proud of the team we have here and look forward to working with each of them.

The Tennessee Senate has been busy holding our first meeting in conjunction with the Tennessee Jaycees in early August at our beautiful Camp Discovery. The theme of "Family Reunion" resonated with the Jaycees both young and old as a great time was had by all. The fun and fellowship were heightened by being at such a wonderful location. If you have never been to Camp Discovery, I suggest you try to do so, especially during the summer and see the camp shine as host for their prized clientele: the many mentally and physically challenged kids and adults that love to attend camp.

Plans for the rest of the year are in early stages, with a Fall social being worked on, but details are not available at this time. We will keep you posted through E-news once everything is worked out.

One date that is locked in is the Mini-National Convention / Region VII Meeting held in Pigeon Forge each year in February. Go ahead and save the dates of February 20-23, 2025, for a grand time in the Smokies!! The theme for the weekend will be decided at a committee meeting soon, but I'm sure it will be something you all will enjoy.

Congratulations to our newest Senator, Patrick Cooper from the Paris-Henry County Jaycees #83031. I am proud to see you achieve this honor and look forward to what you will contribute to the organization.

My theme for this year is "Rekindle the Pride." It is an adaptation on my theme from my state Jaycee presidency, playing on the double meaning of the word "pride". As Senators and Jaycees alike, we ARE a pride, a family. We teach and nurture the newer Jaycees just like parents teach their children. It is up to us Senators to share that knowledge and experience to the younger generation to help both organizations survive. Our personal pride in our Jaycee accomplishments can be that voice to express those teachings. When we show our pride in what our generation did for the Jaycees, we light a spark in them to accomplish their goals. Keep that Jaycee pride alive and bright regardless of how far we are removed from active Jaycee age. They deserve to know our experiences to help light their way!

In Senate and Jaycee spirit.



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Hello from Louisiana!!
 Well, we are certainly looking forward to the new year and seeing where it takes the LA Senate. As we head into 2024-2025 we are working on getting a social together so we can rekindle the relationships we built over the years. Currently there isn't any information to share but we will keep everyone updated when we finalize it and will make sure it is posted on the Region 7 Facebook. We are looking forward to hosting all of you in the great state of Louisiana very soon and hope you will come down early and

enjoy all our state has to offer!!
 In closing we hope that all of you are safe and enjoying life and as we say in LA

"Laissez les bons temps rouler"
 Let the good times roll as we head into this Destination Legacy year!!



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Greetings from the Great State of Arkansas!!

Currently Arkansas is working on getting a meeting scheduled but no set date, time or location has been determined. Our members Ben Traylor, Ray Gilbert, Patrick Tate and Newton Standridge have been talking with NVP Dewayne

about different ideas for 2024. We want to thank Newton Standridge for representing us at what looks like a great time in Tampa!

If you've never been to Arkansas we hope you will come visit because our state has lots of things to offer from horse racing in Hot Springs where you can also

enjoy the hot spring baths to Little Rock where you can spend some time at the Clinton Library or you can just enjoy the natural beauty of our state!

Looking forward to getting our membership more active this year.

Yours in the Senate,
 The Arkansas JCI Senate

REGION VIII

Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas



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"PREPARED AND GREAT IN REGION VIII"

Fellow Senators,
 Congratulations to everyone at Tampa, FL. We had a wonderful time in Tampa, and I enjoyed meeting so many new friends. I am looking forward to this new year and to serving the Senators in Region VIII. My theme for this year is "Prepared and Great in Region VIII."

I kicked off the year attending the Linn Picnic hosted by the Kansas JCI Senate. I have a time to relax, play golf, and enjoy the friendships for life we forge ahead.

Later we travelled to west Texas (Midland) to attend a great social called "Summer Mummies." We had the chance to meet up with Senators that don't usually travel, and it was a great time.

The Oklahoma JCI Senate is working on and finalizing the planning details for a great time in Tulsa, OK for the 2024 US JCI Fall Board-Living on Tulsa Time,

September 19-22nd. Send in your registration and let's have a great time.

The Colorado JCI Senate is planning their year as we speak. I can't wait to travel there because it's been a couple of years since I was there.

Prepared and Great in Region VIII emphasizes the need that all of us need to be prepared for whatever Mother Nature may send our way. As a licensed EMT, and C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team) instructor/leader, the need to teach everyone how to be ready for natural disasters is important. I will be sharing information on resources available to help families stay ready, no matter what comes their way. It is also a great way for our Senators to reach out in their communities to educate, train and "Return the Favor" to our Jaycees, and our community.

As we meet and travel throughout this Senate year, we will be "Prepared and Great in Region VIII" to forge ahead and race to our "Destination Legacy!!"



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I am filled with a profound sense of honor and excitement as I step into the role of President of the Texas JCI Senate. This organization has a rich history of fostering leadership, camaraderie, and community service, and I am eager to continue this legacy under the banner of our theme for the year: "TOGETHER WE STAND" of which I have the honor to work with the following officers: Jimmy Lewis #78887, administrative vice president, George Abernathy #40528, membership vice president, Tom Smith #35187, secretary, David Castle #49358, treasurer, Candace Hollis #65572, chairman of the board.

One of our primary goals this year will be to enhance our

outreach on growth and retention. By partnering with the Texas Jaycees and leveraging our collective expertise, we can address pressing issues within our communities and drive positive change. We will introduce new platforms for member interaction, including online forums, regular newsletters etc. These initiatives will ensure that we stay connected, share ideas, and work together towards our common goals.

As we embark on this journey together, I am reminded of the words of Helen Keller: "Alone we can do so little; Together we can do so much" It is through our collective efforts and shared passion that we will achieve great things. We are confident that with the dedication and support of our incredible members, the Texas JCI Senate will continue to thrive and make a lasting impact.

In closing, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all those who have supported me and believed in our vision. Your encouragement and guidance have been invaluable, and I am truly grateful. We are embracing this new chapter with enthusiasm and determination, and together, we will build a brighter future for the Texas JCI Senate and US JCI Senate.

"TOGETHER WE STAND"

IA JCI Senate Picnic Ft. Madison, IA 7/12-14/2024						
Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei 44003	IA	Janet Schlapkohl	FR11	IA	Jon Bruner	58932 OH
Woody Sauervbrei FR 111	IA	Carol Standridge	80700	IA	Jenny Bruner	64688 OH
Louie Albers 45976	IA	Robert Delare	Guest	IA	Ron Kimmet	43520 OH
Phyllis Bowers 51430	IA	Scott Judas	49791	IA	Sara Kimmet	77909 OH
Eldon Bowers 45999	IA	Vicki Judas	60289	IA	David Teachout	68700 MO
Pat Hoelker 45893	IA	Garry Sievers	26471	IA	Kathy Teachout	FR108 MO
Skip Hoelker FR 10	SD	Donna Sievers	Guest	IA	Nancy Carlisle	47897 IA
Janet Van Beek 45420	IA	Ken Fiskcer	43036	SD	Gina Williams	Guest IA
Gary Steer 56503	SD/IA	Carole Harlan	44468	DE/SD	Newton Standridge	29407 IA/AR
Rose Steer 57178	SD/IA	Tom Hendrix	37317	MO/NE/IA	Lora Lawton	66156 IA/TN
Karen Page FR 67	IA	Kami Harsell	77656	MO	Sam Hambleton	44355 IA/TN
Ken Holvenstat	Guest	Dave DeLaney	41203	MO/IA/SD	Lisa Lawton	Guest IA/TN
Jim Pendleton, Jr 40286	MO	Donna DeLaney	55560	MO/IA/SD	Chris Deer	73300 MO
Doreen Andrew 65067	IA	Wayde Burkhardt	63877	IA	DJ Leppla	44743 IA/MN
Pam Robinson 61888	IA	Lynn Stoffregen	55876	IA	John Parsons	74674 IA
Lisa Badger 67973	IA	Jim Kirchoff	FR 119	IA	Joanne Schwab	71117 IA
Dan Badger, NVP VI 67974	IA	Gary Pittenger	24804	President	Marge Miller	52948 MN/IA
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Ray Ainslie 44146	IL	Nancy Stredde	63623	MN	Kristen Johnson	72856 MO
Melodie Ainslie 69200	IL	Marsha Dahl	47936	SD	Nicholas Johnson	Grandson MO
Teri R. Wilson 63828	IA	John Dahl	42828	SD	Amanda Birch	79777 IA
Marlin Sanny 13967	NE	Julie Rieckman	60573	SD	Melissa Sanny	66967 IA/NE
Dianne Casto 43283	IA	Darrell Watts	9776	IA	Valerie Pell	81531 IA
Wayne Huelsman 30592	IL	Chris Curtis	35440	IL	Joshua Masson	77273 IA
Karen Voshel 62305	OH	Susie Colber-Curtis	73137	IL	John Prins	79782 IA
Noah Christian	Guest	Wayne Kiefer	36498	IL	Paul Myers	72173 MO/IA
Larry Schlapkohl 32716	IA	Margie Kiefer	FR29	IL		

SC JCI Senate Camp Hope weekend Clemson, SC July 18-20, 2024		
Elizabeth Saulter	66673	SC
Maria Ferranti	56955	SC
Rita Bowles	59336	SC
Janet Paccione	59585	SC/FL
Lori Palo	66475	GA+8
Liz Young	47759	SC
Michelle "Q" Kramer	75439	SC
Chris Hardee	66036	NC
Melanie Paschal	70372	NC/SC
Danny Ford	58831	SC
David Griffin	54882	SC
Gene Shanks	68688	NC
Christianna Gilliam	78844	SC
Lauren Folk	81935	SC/AL
JR Clark	63916	GA+5
Tooter Gray	58203	AL+3
Carla Bailey	62624	AL/SC/FL
Dale Henslee-Smith	55917	SC+3
Mary Pruitt	77821	NC,CO
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Greetings from Colorful Colorado!
 I had so much fun last year...
 traveled to states I had never been
 to and formed new friendships.

I decided to serve a second term
 as Colorado JCI Senate President.

As we start a new year, I am
 energized by the incredible US JCI
 Senate Year-End National Con-
 vention that was held in Tampa,
 Florida. THANK YOU, Florida JCI
 Senate for your hospitality!!

It is with pleasure; that I would
 like to welcome the 2024-2025
 Colorado JCI Senate board:

Chuck Reilly #45217 as treasurer,
 Trisha Sands #61301 as North VP,
 Neil Klocker #69157 as South VP,
 Stan Allen #69100 as West VP,
 Jerry Gooding #32436 as Central
 VP, and Sue Zimbleman #63539
 as secretary.

September looks to be a fun
 month as we join the Arvada
 Jaycees in their 3-day event of
 hosting the 99th Annual Arvada
 Harvest Festival. September 6-8
 Fri-Sat-Sun Wheelchair 4 Kids
 fundraising/social - TBD

December 14th Wreath's Across
 America and JCI Colorado Senate
 & Jaycee Holiday Party

December 20th Operation
 Poinsettia If you happen to be in
 Colorado let me know and we will
 set up a social!

I'm sure there will be more great
 things happening in Colorado, so
 stay tuned.

Arizona JCI Senate Phoenix AZ 5/11/24		
Tanis Jimeno Friedman 70297	AZ/NE	
Phil Friedman 61455	AZ/NE	
Lowell Vahl 40315	AZ	
Debbie Vahl FR#42	AZ	
Jim Hampshire 38626	AZ	
Carolyn Smith 64566	AZ	
Debbie Brandt 57298	AZ	
Art Shane 27322	AZ	
Cindy Naylor 62476	AZ	
Mike Schmitt 39725	AZ	
Teddy Clarke 37167	AZ	
Bill Wagner 55287	AZ	



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Hello from Oklahoma.
 What a wonderful time had by all
 in Tampa for the US JCI National
 meeting. Getting to see so many
 friends and making new ones. The
 Florida JCI Senate did a fantastic
 job with the convention, and we
 thank them for everything they
 did. September will be the US JCI
 Fall Board here in Oklahoma and
 we are working hard to make sure
 that the board meeting exceeds
 everyone's expectations.

The OK JCI Senate board has
 come together, and we have made
 a few changes that I believe will
 make us stronger and better. We
 are appointing a few Senators to
 help us move forward while using
 their skills and knowledge to benefit
 the OK JCI Senate. I am so excited
 to see this board set up goals and
 then exceed them. Our main goal
 is to increase the number of active
 Senators with the second goal
 to bring Senators in to help with
 areas important to the people of
 our state. This year is going to be
 "Family and Friends with a Focus."
 Let's get this party started! Who's
 ready?

CT JCI Senate-Annual Picnic & Budget Meeting Niantic, CT 7/20/2024		
Bonnie Blaisdell 69956	CT	
Dale Blaisdell Guest	CT	
Todd Gianetti FR #120	CT	
Nancy Gianetti 69463	CT	
Sandra Samoncik 61448	CT	
Ralph Lockman 59605	CT	
Jeff Kass 32300	CT	
Fran Kass 60798	CT	
Peter Jordan 54684	ME	
Sue Zetoff 61461	CT	
Jack Pasquale 32806	CT	
Sue Pasquale FR 017	CT	
David DeFlumeri 25965	CT	
Bill Potuchek 35278	CT	
Elaine Potuchek FR 032	CT	
Kathy Doherty 52919	CT/CO	
Paul Doherty 46397	CT/CO	
John Souza 16202	MA	
Pat Souza FR 039	MA	
Marybeth Kaczynski 67636	CT	

**Region VIII Annual Meeting
 April 27, 2024 Oklahoma City, OK**

Gary Pittenger 24804	IL	
Stephanie Pittenger 59999	IL	
Logan Giesie 51120	TX	
Phyllis Bowers 51430	IA	
Eldon Bowers 45999	IA	
Susan Hatcher 58143	MO	
Ron Holzer 56549	TX	
Nan Holzer 63882	TX	
Allen Dale 78962	KS	
Jimmy Lewis 78887	TX	
Bill Madding 28920	TX	
Candy Madding FR58	TX	
Stephanie Prewitt 75200	OK	
Tony Prewitt FR107	OK	
John Wodarczyk 62078	OK/TX	
Ann Engle 71560	CO	
Lisa Badger 67973	IA	
Dan Badger 67974	IA	
David Teachout 68700	MO	
Kent Singular 64562	KS	
Jeanette Singular 64563	KS	
Ron Stair 71373	KS	
Hilda Davis 71500	TX	
Jumper Davis 38376	TX	
Anita R. Cummings 69380	KS	
Pat McLaughlin 51208	TX	
George Abernathy 40528	TX	
Gary Duell 48384	PA	
Karen MacCannell 49497	OK	
Noel Sumpter 73189	OK	
Barb Speich 62764	KS/NY	
Cindy Empting 65595	OK	
Gloria Albers 79536	OK	
Nancy Cloud 52750	OK	
Randy Sursa 49485	OK	
Sheri Menendez 47839	OK	
Teri Long 57104	OK	
Pat Reffett 77848	OK	
Sandy Crouch 71504	OK	
Dale Crouch 77010	OK	
Rocky Taylor 60941	OK	
Jerre Taylor 66554	OK	
Sissie Harmon 63902	OK	
Jim Harmon 63903	OK	
Pam Peters 79538	OK	
Leslie Talbott 58292	OK	
Pat Reffett 77848	OK	

**Oklahoma JCI Senate
 Annual Membership Meeting &
 Elections
 April 28, 2024 Oklahoma City, OK**

Gary Pittenger 24804	IL	
Gary Duell 48384	PA	
Cindy Empting 65595	OK	
Gloria Albers 79536	OK	
Randy Sursa 49485	OK	
Sheri Menendez 47839	OK	
Teri Long 57104	OK	
Sandy Crouch 71504	OK	
Dale Crouch 77010	OK	
Rocky Taylor 60941	OK	
Jerre Taylor 66554	OK	
Sissie Harmon 63902	OK	
Jim Harmon 63903	OK	
Pam Peters 79538	OK	
Vic Menendez 34815	OK	
Stephanie Prewitt 75200	OK	
Tony Prewitt FR107	OK	
Fred Williams 51340	OK	
John Wodarczyk 62078	OK/TX	
Noel Sumpter 73189	OK	
Nancy Cloud 52750	OK	
Karen MacCannell 49497	OK	

**RI JCI Senate Year-End Meeting
 Cowesett Inn, W Warwick,
 RI/25/2024**

Kathryn Collins, President 51469	RI/MA	
Dana Hall, NVP 41552	ME/RI	
Cyndi Hall 48152	ME/RI	
Ed Bishop 9801	RI	
Herb Jeschke 16540	RI	
Leonard Denommee 19718	RI	
David Roderick 21608	RI	
Andy Riley 25521	RI	
Bob Pouliot 30990	RI	
Walter Cahoon 27223	MA	
Cathy Cahoon FR #45	MA	
Bill Potuchek 35278	CT	
Elaine Potuchek FR #32CT	CT	
Elizabeth McInnis 54219	MA	
Dwight Colin Guest	RI	



**Iowa Grillout/Game Day/ Social
 Waverly, Iowa
 6/29-6/30/2024**

Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei 44003	IA	
Woody Sauervbrei FR 11	IA	
Karen Page FR 67	IA	
DJ Leppla 44743	IA	
Scott Judas 49791	IA	
Vicki Judas 60289	IA	
Louie Allers 45976	IA	
Janet Van Beek 45420	IA	
Robert Van Beek FR 49	IA	
Pam Lipkowitz 56195	IA	
Mike Arndorfer 50441	IA	
Jill Conlon 52175	IA	

*The surfers and pirates were
 well represented in Tampa.*

*Top: US JCI Senate
 President Hal Williams
 #43912*

*Bottom: Pirate John
 aka: Past US JCI Senate
 President John Price
 #36383*



REGION IX

Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming



Region IX NVP
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"RIPPLES OF KINDNESS:
A LOCAL RESPONSE TO
GLOBAL CHALLENGES"

Hello JCI Senators,
Susan Manthey here, your fellow Region IX JCI Senate resident. Like many of you, I've been feeling the weight of the world lately. From national politics to personal struggles, it's easy to get bogged down by negativity. I realized: the path to healing, both for myself and for our communities, lies in kindness.

I'm a second generation JCI Senator from Idaho. I just returned from an uplifting convention in Tampa and I'm excited to start the year with Gary Pittenger and the rest of the Executive Team on a Destination of Legacy. By the time you are reading this I hope to have met most of you at campouts or other JCI functions. If I haven't met you and you are in North Idaho on I-90, message me and I will meet you for a drink of your choice.

For a while, I found myself disillusioned with national news. It felt overwhelming and out of my control. But then, I remembered the wisdom of "Think Global, Act Local." National problems can have local solutions, and the same principle applies to kindness.

So, I began a personal experiment in "Random Acts of Kindness with a Local Focus." Imagine dropping a pebble in a pond – the ripples spread outward, even from a small action. That's the power of kindness I'm aiming for.

This idea came to mind after a particularly upsetting conversation about a recent tragedy. Someone said, "You have a right to be angry." While I understand that sentiment, anger alone doesn't create solutions. It made me wonder: what if we shifted our focus to kindness?

What if the person involved in that tragedy had been shown more compassion in their daily life? What if a simple gesture - like a friendly greeting or a patient driver letting them change lanes - had made a difference? We might never know, but it's a question worth considering.

Think about it: we have laws against violence, yet tragedies still happen. What if the answer lies not in stricter legislation, but in a cultural shift towards kindness?

Here's the beauty of it all: kindness is a choice we can all make, every single day. It doesn't require grand gestures, just a willingness to see the good in others and offer a helping hand, a listening ear, or even just a smile.



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Greetings from the Apple State, We had a very small number at our May meeting and elections. A big thanks to NVP Will Hansen for coming in from Boise, ID.

Our 2024-25 officers will be mostly the same. Angie Stanchfield as COB, me, Les Miller, as president, VP - open, Bob Havens continues as treasurer, Bev Briskey is assuming secretary, and Linda Kurij continues in her role as chaplain. Although Washington had no US JCI Foundation winners this Spring, we were happy to gift \$200 to each of our two applicants that we had forwarded to

the US JCI Foundation for consideration.

We were also able to give two \$1500 scholarships from our very own Washington Senate Scholarship account. One to a member, the other to a granddaughter of one of our Washington Senators.

For this summer, we had a social night at the Seattle Mariners, June 29 vs the Twins. The 30th Annual Dayton Craze was held August 2-4 at Tucannon River Park. Dale and Linda Gehrke, Ernie & Chris Patzkowski, and Barry and Mary Lou Jenkins did a great job of hosting yet again. Thank you so much solid former Walla Walla Jaycees and great Washington JCI Senators!

Hopefully by the time you read this article, we will have set up a September meeting.

Lastly, on a personal note the next 8 to 10 months may be very interesting for wife Kathy and I as we are very seriously considering a move to South Carolina by next Spring. Obviously more to report in my December article. When we make that move, I am very certain Region IV and South Carolina will warmly welcome us. I know for certain Southern hospitality is alive and well.



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Greetings from Montana JCI Senate. We held our annual Senate business meeting & elections in May. As a second time around president for the MT Senate, I look forward to helping keep our senators active with the local Jaycee chapters. We gave two scholarship from our Foundation to two very deserving high school students. Had an awesome prime rib dinner served up by the O'Hare

Motel in Great Falls. We had our annual campout, July 12th-14th. We are looking forward to meeting our new Region IX VP, Suzy (Que) Manthey.

For those of you who may not know, our beloved JCI Senator, Walt Rucinski passed away recently. If you were, or are, a Jaycee pin collector you most definitely knew Walt for his passion for Jaycees and his massive pin collection! We have sorted the pins by state and will take bids for the entire collection. You would pay shipping costs. It was Walt's desire to sell his collection with all proceeds going to the Montana Senate Foundation. Bidding at this point will end on July 18 and can take place by sending an email to: gpbarta@qwestoffice.net

Hope you all are enjoying your summer & have a great time sharing your Jaycee experiences with those that want to make a difference in their communities.



REGION PARTY BOOTHS



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Region II 2nd place



Region I



Region VI 3rd place



Region X



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REGION X

Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Utah



Region X NVP
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**"WHEN ONE GIVES,
TWO GET HAPPY"**

I hope to see some of you there: California Senate joins the Crescent City Jaycees at the annual Salmon Feed. Nevada Senate will be having the annual get together (though a little differently this year) at Nevada Days in October, Arizona is hosting their annual Holiday party just to name a few.

Hello my friends! We are off to another exciting year having fun, rekindling old friendships, making new ones, and giving back.

I am excited to have this opportunity to be the Region X vice president and look forward to traveling my states and maybe some others too. There are fun things happening in Region X and

When one gives, two get happy! This is my theme this year and I hope to see the exponential happiness and fun this year. See you all soon!



TANIS JIMENO-FRIEDMAN #70297
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2023-2024 went by fast. Another fun year in the books!

I would like to thank my 2023-2024 Board, Chairs & members for all their support - Dianne von Borstel #55954 as my COB for the 4th time. Cindy Naylor #62479 as our interminable treasurer. She's trying to retire, but she always does such a great job and Debbie Brandt #67289 as secretary who is always one of my go to people.

It was a great year for travelling, socials, meetings and volunteering at quite a few service projects. Hopefully, we can keep that up for the coming year.

We had our Year End Meeting this last May 11th where we

elected our new Board for 2024-2025: Dianne von Borstel as COB, Tanis Jimeno-Friedman #70297 as president, Cindy Naylor as treasurer and Debbie Brandt #67289 as secretary.

Sorry Phil & I didn't make it to Year-End in Tampa. We had just returned from a 9-day Cruise that took us from Venice, Italy to Athens, Greece. It was such a great experience with great friends.

AZ was well represented in Tampa with Dianne von Borstel, Pat Holbert #55454, Lowell Vahl #40315, Carolyn Smith #65465, James Hampshire #38626 & Jim Daugherty #51172 along with Janie. Thank you all!

Upcoming AZ dates:
• Aug. 10th, 2024 - AZ 1st Quarter Meeting, Prescott, AZ - This will be our audit of last year's books, planning session & meeting. Phil & Tanis will be hosting

• Oct. 2024 - Adopt - A- Street. 1 mile stretch in Tempe, AZ that we clean twice a year

• Dec. 13th - 15th, 2024 - AZ Holiday Social, Phoenix, AZ. This will coincide with Wreaths Across America. More info. to come.

If you happen to fly into AZ, please let us know & we can set up a social. We would love to see you!



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This past year started off strong, but personal health issues made much of it challenging. The year did end with a high note as JCI Honolulu and JCI Hawaii welcomed the National JCI US Year End Convention.

Immediate Past JCI Senate Region X Vice President Yvette Lee Nakashima #68707 hosted the Region X Meeting in conjunction with this event and scheduled a Talk Story session between JCI Senators and active members that really was enjoyed by all, and brought together Senators and active members for the first time in too long at a Jaycees National event.

Senators were also treated to a lu'au including a visit by our JCI International President Kaveen Kumar Kumaravel #80900 and his lovely wife, Uja. Senators also participated in a walking tour of the downtown Honolulu civic center.

All in all, it was a wonderful close to an otherwise challenging year. The JCI Hawaii Senate is looking forward to a more active year with a return of our annual Senate Recognition Banquet this Spring as well as a few other plans in the works. But more on that later.

SERVICE WITH ALOHA

Editor note: Article was submitted before President Mark's passing in July.



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I would like to take this opportunity for the chance to run a second time for the California Senate president. I chose to run again because I feel that I did not have the chance to really do the job the first time around. When COVID hit we were on lock down for the whole Senate year. It became our new normal.

ZOOM was a useful tool during COVID, but that time is now over. We are able to meet in person now. We can see each other in person. I am hoping to get California Senators out from behind the computer screen and see each other. I want to get people motivated to socialize in person. My theme for the year is Growing Friendships New and Old. I look forward to being an in-person President and seeing everybody during the year.

**California Year End/
Santa Clara, CA
5/4/24**

Denise LyonsConrad	53219	CA
Greg Conrad	48695	CA
Frank Casias	67545	CA
Wendy Bell	45198	CA
Joe A Souza	27511	CA
Margaret M Souza	48490	CA
Judy Keating	67403	CA
Doug Meyers	21511	CA
Lynne Hansen	68753	CA
Henrik Helgesen	75358	CA
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Ron Andrade	67402	CA
Rip Arias	65086	CA
Arch Bishop Frank Ignacio	78693	CA
Louis Arzadon	43270	CA
Jess Castillo	36689	CA

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**MENTORS ASSISTANT
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I would like to say a big thank you to President Gary Pittenger #24804 for allowing me to continue to serve on the Mentors staff for another year. I know we will have a super year with the Destination Legacy theme.

With the Mentors staff, my areas are the Empty Chairs, new Senators and the Friendship recipients. All of these are important areas and I

would like to see articles in all three. I know we have new Senators in each issue, but I know there are more out there that have been awarded. You are reporting in your newsletters and Facebook accounts, that you have new Senatorships being awarded. Please send their biographies along with a picture so we can include them in each issue.

Friendship Recipients are included in the Mentors. Please send in their biographies and pictures. We want to recognize them for all their hard work.

The biggest area I have is the Empty Chairs. I learn so much about our Senators who have passed away. The involvement in their local chapters and communities tells me why they were awarded such a big honor. Please send information for these Senators along with a picture.

If you have any questions, give me a call 931-510-0672. I will do my best to answer them. Remember, the next deadline is Sept. 25.



**MENTORS BUSINESS MGR
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I want to thank President Gary Pittenger #24804 for the opportunity to serve as your Mentors Business Manager during the Destination Legacy year.

I have set goals for myself. I want to be the best that I can be for the 2024 – 2025 year. My goals this year are to receive your Mentors Sponsor sheets, to deposit any checks in a timely manner, notify you with an email by the weekend that I have received your payment, and to create ads for the Christmas issue.

My email is mentorsbusmgr@usjcisenate.org. All payments for your sponsor sheets and advertisements will be mailed to me at:

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unless you make an electronic payment through Zelle to Treasurer Gary Duell #48384. If you make an electronic payment, please include the confirmation number with your emailed sponsor sheet. I look forward to getting your sponsor sheets and ads for this year. Let's start our engines and I will see you in Tulsa!!!



**E-NEWS
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Send all items for the chaplain's report to national Chaplain Ruby Weymouth #67303 at jci67303@yahoo.com by the 12th and 27th of each month at 6 p.m. EST.



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It is an honor to continue to work with the staff of the Mentors Magazine of the US JCI Senate and all those who have written articles about their states and their programs. Congratulations to all the new Senators who are reading their first Mentors.

We all have stories to tell about our experiences in the JCI organization, whether as Jaycees or Senators. Some of these stories will be about our experiences with our local chapters, our home states, our national organization, or our travels abroad where we meet

Jaycees and Senators from around the world. No matter where we go or what we do, we are building our DESTINATION LEGACY.

My most recent Pit Stop in reaching my Destination Legacy was to Reykjavik, Iceland. A JCI Senator friend from Italy/Switzerland sent an e-mail to Senators in Iceland that I was coming to Iceland. They reached out to me via Facebook and followed my journey and then on my last day in Iceland, I had the opportunity to meet them. So, be sure that your engines are always ready to go as you travel towards your DESTINATION LEGACY. You never know where it will take you!



Dawne Sutherland #68900, Loftur Mar Sigurdsson #68068, Arna Bjork Gunnarsdottir #65290, Chairman of the Iceland JCI Senate, Lilja Vidarsdottir #49076, Skull Magnusson #57289, Steve Sutherland #27073



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PRESIDENT INFORMATION EXCHANGE (P.I.E.)
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I am honored that President Gary Pittenger #24804 has asked me to be his PIE chair for the 2024-2025 Senate year and we kicked things off with a colorful bang in Tampa!

We had more than 20 new state presidents attend our first PIE meeting in Tampa who received a welcome message from President Pitt and an overview on dues billing from Dawna Norfleet # #61999.

We then moved into a very colorful exercise on working with different thinking styles and how to best work with our boards to become a productive, collaborative Senate family. Were you a Blue, Green Red, or Yellow? The majority of the presidents in attendance were split between blue and red. I am 75% red with

a little yellow added in for variety! We also discussed setting some goals for your presidential year and in keeping with the colors theme (and being a PA gal) we had to have M&M's as a snack!

As PIE chair I want to keep some of my prior PIE chair mentors' fantastic ideas including monthly Zoom meetings, Facebook group updates and our PIE mascot. Meet "Chi" our deep-dish pizza PIE that will be making the "rounds" to all meetings this year!

But my main goal this year is to start a Presidents Mentor/Buddy program. We have many repeating presidents who are going to be paired up with first-time state presidents to share tips and tricks or give assistance. Thank you to the repeat presidents who have already volunteered to be a buddy.

Looking forward to a great year of making more memories and friendships with our very important state presidents.



WEBMASTER
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It was a great time in Tampa and the website is prepped for another year. I am looking forward to working with the elected national officers and program managers.

I would like to see more state events listed on our calendar.

If you are having a meeting or social event, send me the date and location to add to the calendar. Many people travel around the country, and it is always nice to have visitors from other states at your event. Also, if you have a flyer, remind us to send the link to add to the E-News. It is a good way to promote your events.

Congratulations to Assistant Webmaster Allison Geddes #71777 who will be helping where she can between her duties as Ohio State President.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me. We want to make YOUR website easy for you to use and get the information that you need.



PROTOCOL OFFICER
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Greetings Fellow Senators:

I am pleased to be serving as your National Protocol Officer for the 2024-2025 Destination Legacy Senate Year! I have been a Senator since 2008 and a part of the Jaycee movement since 1995. With state meetings happening during the first part of this Senate year with new administrations, I thought I would use my column space for the order of introductions of dignitaries for a state meeting.

The order should be:

- Past Jaycees state presidents.
- Past Senate state presidents
- Past in-region Senate NVPs
- Current visiting state senate presidents
- Visting international officers
- Visting national Senate program

- managers and staff
- Visting JCI USA officers
- Visting out- of-region Senate NVPs
- Current elected state Senate officers (excluding president)
- Current in-region Senate NVP
- Current elected national officers (including legal counsel and COB)
- Current national Senate president
- Current state Senate president.

I hope this list helps and I do realize that not every category will be present at every one of your meetings. You can be as formal or informal as your event requires. If you have any feedback, please let me know!

Alabama JCI Senate Gulf Shores, AL 9/29 - 10/1/23

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Linda Andrews	71434	IN/FL
Mike T. Phillips	50065	FL
Marsha Phillips	47528	FL
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Jaci Newmark	56368	FL
Keith Adams	FR105	FL
Hal Williams	43912	FL/NC/DC
Lamar Smith	27217	AL
John Robinson	55768	PA/FL
Debra James	48001	AL
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HISTORIAN
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Hello Senators,

The JCI Senate's rich history is a testament to the enduring power of leadership, service, and community. From its origins as a recognition of exceptional JCI members to our status as a global network of experienced leaders it is our responsibility to make sure we

continue the mentorship and leadership of our younger Jaycees. This can be best achieved by sharing our knowledge and history with those around us. We need to keep and curate that knowledge. To that end if you have anything that would be part of a historical nature that we should not be losing to time you can get that sent over to myself or Melissa Sleeth #69220.

My address is still 27 Bridgeport Dr St Charles MO 63304. You can reach me via phone at 636-699-5599. Mellissa or I can arrange to have items shifted around the country if needed if it is too large to ship via normal methods. It will be the goal to have all this historical documentation also in a digital format for you to view through our website. Details coming soon.

Thanks for all your submissions, Historical Pitt Crew 2024-2025

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ENHANCED MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS
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It was great to see and meet so many of you in Tampa! I heard from several people that they used the Enhanced Membership Benefit program to book flights and rental cars – I'm so happy that Senators are taking advantage of the savings!

Enhanced Membership Benefits are free and voluntary. There are six choices for discounts, including Avis, Lenovo, GE Appliances, Budget Rental, UPS and a Travel Savings Center. You may choose one or all, depending on your needs. Once you sign up, you will get emails with updates and sales from that company. You may unsubscribe at any time.

To get started, go to the US JCI Senate website and click on quick

links. When you choose "Enhanced Membership Benefits" it will bring you to an electronic flyer with the six choices. There is a link next to each. Simply click on the link and begin saving!

The EMB program is another way you are rewarded for doing what you do. Look for updates about sales on the eNews, Mentors if the timing works, and I will be in touch with states and regions as well.

There are some goals I have for this year which include: 1. add one or two benefits to the list of six; 2. Increase communication of great deals; 3. Get some feedback from those who have used the program to evaluate if changes need to be made and; 4. Find someone to mentor to take over the program next year.

It has been quite a journey finding this company and getting the program up and running. My hope is that you will see and use the discounts and deals that are available. Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions, concerns or accolades!

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them and helping on projects, I finally ran my first project, an Easter egg hunt. I actually had to do part from a hospital bed, but was able to complete it in person. I was so thrilled and filled with joy watching the kids running around having a wonderful time!

From then on, I was fired up, excited, had the Jaycee heart, mind, and desire to put others first, and help wherever and whenever I could. To this day, I still get reinvigorated every time I go to a state, regional or national event. The fellowship, comradery, support and all therein keeps pushing me forward to want to keep helping our fellow Jaycees.

I would like for you to look back,



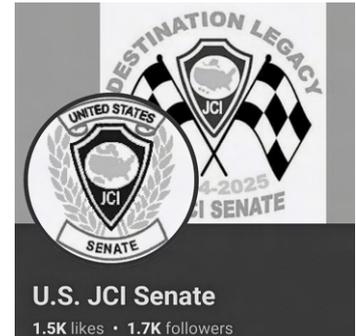
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I want to thank President Gary for asking me to continue to serve as your Social Media program manager.

My goal this year is to continue to build upon the work of my predecessors and continue to grow our social media presence. If you haven't liked/followed our official US JCI Senate page yet, I encourage you to do so. The page can be found at www.facebook.com/us-jcisenate and the cover picture is President Gary's logo. We will continue to have featured days on the Facebook page and videos as well. We also have an Instagram account, so please follow us there, too.

I encourage you to like and share our posts and please send me your photos and events for us to feature and share. Throughout the year you will see participation requests in the E-News as well

as in person at our national and regional meetings. I look forward to interacting with as many of you as I can, both online and in person, as we race our way through the year of Destination Legacy.



FUTURE DIRECTIONS
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Hello Senators!

I am thrilled to serve as chair for Future Directions from Region III. Per the Bylaws, the even number region representatives have completed their two commitment and have made way for new individuals. Your representatives: Nancy Gianetti #69463, Region I, Jeff Kozak #63411, Region II, Larry J. Graham #60619 Region IV, Lori Tomlin #62797, Region V, David Teachout #68700, Region VI, Ray Gilbert 45438, Region VII, Ron Holzer 56549, Region VIII and Tanis Friedman #79297, Region X.

The purpose of the committee is to explore areas of opportunity to move the organization forward. The committee had a great first meeting and we look forward to sending some suggestion to the Executive Committee. If any member has questions or something they would like the committee to discuss, please feel free to reach out to myself or any member of the committee.



RETURN THE FAVOR
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 Do you remember?

When I think back to my first Jaycee experience, as I'm sure most of you feel, it held a special place in my heart. I first visited the Sanford Jaycees (North Carolina) back in October 1994. After joining

remember your experience and why you became a Jaycee. Then, I want to challenge you to reach out to your local Jaycee chapter or state organization and see what's going on, and what you can do to help them. As you all know, our U.S. Jaycees are dwindling dangerously low. Some states don't even have chapters anymore. This does mean a part of your challenge, should you choose to accept it, is to help start another one in your community. Be the light our Jaycees need to help bolster and lead them to do wonderful things, small or large, to help others.

Our Jaycees, and I need you to Return the Favor to end the losses and start gaining new ground in our 10 great U.S. JCI Senate regions.

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PRESIDENTIAL SWEEPSTAKES
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It is my pleasure to introduce you to the 2024-25 Presidential Sweepstakes team:

Assistant Chair/Region VI – Kristen Johnson #72859

Ticket Chair/Region III – Letha Grimes #63946

Prize Chair/Region I – V – Ann Harrison #75822

Prize Chair/Region VI – X – Phyllis Bowers #51430

Region Party Chair – Angie Taylor #71600

Chair – Ron Kimmet #43520

The Presidential Sweepstakes program is the largest fundraiser for the US JCI Senate outside of membership dues.

Each member will receive a mailing with a letter from our national president, six sweep-

stakes tickets and a pre-addressed return envelope. Tickets note a \$10 suggested donation for one ticket or a \$50 donation for six tickets. All tickets received are included in the year-end drawing for the \$2,000 grand prize.

All ticket stubs and money should be mailed to Ticket Chair Letha Grimes. Please include the state or region meeting or event in your submission along with an email that you have mailed your submission and what is included. State and region totals will be tracked throughout the year. More tickets can be requested, if needed, from Letha Grimes at LethaGrimes@myactv.net.

Each Region is assigned to one of two Sweepstakes Committee teams. They will be your focal point for tickets and prize donations for the respective regions and states. Our goal is to have 100 other prizes in addition to the grand \$2,000 cash prize.

The grand prize winner, along with other donated prizes valued at a minimum of \$100 each, will be drawn at our annual meeting on Sweepstakes Day, Monday June 16, 2025, in Northbrook, Illinois. Ticket holders need not be present to win. Angie Taylor is the Region Party chair and details of the event will be announced at the Fall BOD in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Thank you for your support of the Presidential Sweepstakes program!



MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION SERVICES
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It was great meeting several treasurers during the Treasurers Information Exchange (TIE) at the annual meeting in Tampa. I believe Treasurer Gary Duell #48384, Assistant MIS Program Manager Lisa Badger #67973 and I have a fantastic group to work with this year!

We start the "Destination Legacy" year with 8,072 members. First quarter has 1,894 members due. September dues kits were sent to the NVPs, state treasurers and presidents on July 15. Dues kits are due to me by Sept. 1. Checks, with cover sheet and A/D/C form are due to Treasurer Gary by Sept. 1. Second Quarter has 1,831 members due. December dues kits will be sent out by Oct. 15

and are due Dec. 1. Please submit by the deadlines. We appreciate your promptness.

The complete membership results by state/region for each quarter/year-end can be viewed on the US JCI Senate website under Resources/Reports and Forms/BOD Reports/Membership.

Reminder if you need an address change or request an electronic Mentors, these changes can be made through the US JCI Senate website or reach out to me by email or mail.

Also, if you are receiving more than one Mentors and only need one per household, reach out to me and I can take care of that for you.

The next TIE meeting will be in Tulsa, Oklahoma on Friday, Sept. 20. If a treasurer is not able to attend, please feel free to send a representative.

I look forward to serving another year as your membership information service program manager and working along with Lisa as my assistant. A major focus we have this year is to add email addresses to our membership database. Hopefully, this will be a great benefit to our organization.

Remember, we are here to assist individuals involved with membership. Please reach out to us so we can assist you.



JCI USA LIAISON
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Greetings. I'm Heather Danley and very proud to have served as the 101st JCI USA National President in 2021. I'm excited to serve this year as the liaison between these two organizations

we all are passionate about. I know the importance of having a relationship with JCI Senators. This year I plan to serve as a bridge between JCI Senate and JCI USA, ensuring effective communication and collaboration. I want to encourage the exchange of experiences, skills, and knowledge between Senators and Jaycees. I encourage you all to attend Jaycees events, provide encouragement, and celebrate their success. As Senators we need to empower young Jaycees to grow, develop, and create positive change in their communities. If you need any assistance connecting with your local JCI / Jaycee chapter please don't hesitate to reach out. I look forward to building a strong relationship with JCI USA.

In Jaycee Spirit



YEAR END VIDEO
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Congratulations to everyone for a great year with President Hal! I really appreciated hearing from so many people with their photos. It made a huge difference in the success of the slideshows!

I will be continuing this year as

the "Slideshow Guy," so I hope to hear from you with your pictures from national meetings, your projects, meetings and socials! Our Senators do so much to make a positive impact on the lives of others - let's show our friends what we've been up to!

Please, send your pics to me at jci.senate.news@gmail.com so I will be able to get them into the next slideshow. Keep in mind that your texting app and Facebook shrink them to fit smaller screens, so send originals to me or they may not make the cut. Also, to sort them better, please include the date(s) of the events. I appreciate it!

I look forward to another great year with President Gary. I hope to see you down the road!

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**SENATE OUTREACH
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Welcome to a new year in the US JCI Senate S.O.A.R. Program with our "Destination Legacy."

My theme is "WE CAN" as I know WE CAN SOAR with membership this year. We need to focus on sustainability. This is everyone's responsibility, just as a Jaycee you were encouraged to "ask a friend." You can't just ask a friend to be a Senator, but you can look back on those days and think about who might be worthy but was never chosen, and bring those names to your state organizations. We should also be an inspiration to the JCI to want to be a part of this Senate organization.

I will help you to orient your new Senators, reach out to activate the current, re-activate those who have fallen by the wayside and help with retention. I will work closely with First Timers Chair Cheryl Carlson # 70371. She will make sure the new Senators will make it off the starting line to ensure a

long, steady race in building their own legacies.

The program is packed with incentives and is currently uploaded to the website and the S.O.A.R. Senate Outreach Activation Retention Facebook page. If you are not currently a part of this group, please search it out and join. If you have a problem getting to the page, message me and I will be glad to send you a friend request.

I also encourage you to take along the President Pittenger's Pitt Stop Paddle while visiting other states and regions. If you would like a paddle please send me a message and I will send one out to you. I hope we can continue to build this organization's future together and the Destination is OUR Legacy because together WE CAN.



**FRIENDSHIP PROGRAM
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It was nice to see eight Friendship recipients at the national convention. I know there were more but



**FIRST TIMERS
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Welcome to the 2024-25 year of 'Destination Legacy'! I am excited to be the First Timers & Freshman Senators Program Manager, welcoming everyone new to National Conventions and the US JCI Senate. I will be working closely with Joan Choltco-Travis #76201 who is the manager of the S.O.A.R. (Senate Outreach Activation & Retention) . program, as first timers and freshman Senators are a special sub-set of this larger program.

I would like to encourage you, if you have never been to a national convention, whether you have been a Senator for several decades or only a few months, to please consider coming to one of the three gathering destinations planned this year. They will be in Tulsa, Oklahoma (Fall Boards), Kenner Louisiana (Winter Boards) or Northbrook, Illinois (Year End Convention). The national gatherings and meetings are lots of fun and a great way to meet your larger Senate family spanning the United States. There will also be a First Timers program to provide you a unique and fun way to participate and meet the national officers.

If you have questions on why or if you should get involved and attend the national program, please feel free to contact me. I will be happy to chat with you as well as recommend others in your region and state who were once first timers and will welcome you with open arms. They'll be able to step forward as mentors and ultimately share the legacies of those who came before us.

with tours and golf and generally relaxing, we may have missed each other.

As we start the next year of Destination Legacy, we are going to have fun with the theme and everything President Gary has planned out for this year. Look for more details on the Friendship Group page that we have on Facebook.

I am going to try to keep up the

legacy that Marilyn had doing this program. It was so nice to hear that we are keeping the program going.

I am planning on doing another reception at the national convention in Northbrook (Chicago).

I am also building a spreadsheet of birthdays, spouse's birthdays and anniversaries.

Please get them to me so I can complete this project.



FIRST TIMERS PROGRAM AT TAMPA, FL JUNE 2024

First timers PM Nancy Cardwell #54264, US JCI Senate President Hal Williams #43912, Bill Duncan #81565 (VA), Anne Ryan #81987 (FL), 1st Place Catherine McManus #81988 (FL), 3rd Place Eurika Ellison #80798 (WV), 2nd Place Cori Orbacher #68752 (WV), Amelia Harrison #62082 (FL), SOAR PM Kim Hubbell #68729

Program Managers & Committee Chairs Reports



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
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Wreaths Across America has a new look. We have a team of four dynamic people to serve our Senate organization. Serving Regions I – IV is Jaci Newmark from Florida. Serving Regions V – VII is Cheryl Davis Sauerbrei from Iowa and DeLisa Davis Anderson from Oklahoma is serving VIII - X.

Our theme this year is Live with Purpose. Let us make it our passion to honor veterans within our organization and family.

Remember. Honor. Teach. Remember by sponsoring a wreath in honor of or in memory of a loved one who served in our armed forces. Honor by volunteering. Teach your network of friends, family, coworkers and other organizations to join us. Wreaths cost \$17 and, if you buy two, you will get the third one for free. Wreaths Across America Day will take place on Dec. 14. On that day, more than two million wreaths will be placed across local, national and military cemeteries as well as veterans' memorials and historic sites.

Something New:

The Mobile Education Exhibit is a rolling interactive museum sharing the organization's mission.

When the MEE pulls into an area, all veterans, active-duty military personnel, their families, and local community members are invited and encouraged to visit, take a tour, and speak with WAA representatives and volunteers. Be on the lookout for the schedule for MEE.

Coming soon:

A new website will host interviews with veterans, a self-reporting database of our members who have



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
Coordinator Regions I -- IV
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I'm reporting for duty as a regional coordinator for Wreaths Across America.

My assignments are:

Region I – Dana Hall (NVP): Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island

Region II – Krista Myers (NVP): New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware

Region III – Mary Ann Rohr (NVP): Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D.C.

Region IV – Carla Bailey (NVP): North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and, Alabama.

Please forward me your regional and state contacts. Events and information from WAA will be forwarded to those contacts.

Wreath this year are \$17 each. Buy two, get a third (for a limited time).

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 US JCI Senate: FL1122



served or are currently serving in the military, and interesting facts about our different branches of the military just to name a few.

Each NVP and state president is encouraged to appoint a coordinator/liaison to work with our team to increase awareness, boost participation and promote their state.



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
Coordinator Regions V -- VII
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I will be the Wreaths Across America program manager for Regions V, VI and VII, including the states of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee. I plan to visit each region that I am assigned to.

As special as the Wreaths Across America program is in placing wreaths on veterans' graves, it is much more than that. Its mission is "Remember the fallen, Honor those who serve. Teach our children the value of freedom." Lesson plans for K-12 students on teaching respect for veterans and the freedom they have are available online.



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
Coordinator Regions VIII -- X
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Hello. I am DeLisa Anderson #54310, Wreaths Across America program coordinator for Region VIII – Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas; Region IX – Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming; and Region X – Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada and Utah.

I will contact, inform and encourage each region liaison and state representative to make sure all are aware and educated with the Wreaths Across America website and programs. We're working to increase participation in the annual wreath sponsorship and wreath placement on Dec. 14. I'm excited and honored to be a part of this amazing program.



THE EMPTY CHAIR



Jack Cornutt, #50185, Texas, passed away on April 3, 2024, at the age of 76. He served in the US Navy and served during the Vietnam War, earning an honorable discharge.

Jack was an active member of the Jaycees. He was a past Commander of the Texas Jaycees Rattlesnake Corps. He was a past Region VIII national vice president for the US JCI Senate. He was a kind and generous man, who never met a stranger.

Jack is survived by his wife, Judy, one daughter, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.



Mark Nakashima, #63596, Hawaii, passed away on July 11, 2024, at the age of 61. He was an educator and HSTA staff member. He remained a strong member of the HSTA 'ohana. He still remembered what it was like to be a teacher and was very supportive of educators and our keiki.

Mark was a state representative for the State of Hawaii. He represented Hamakua and portions of Hilo on Hawaii Island.

Mark was an active Jaycees from the State of Hawaii. He had a legacy of service and contributions to his community and state.

Mark is survived by his wife, Yvette.



James Baine, #22959, Arkansas, passed away on July 3, 2024, at the age of 82. He graduated from the University of Mississippi School of Law. He was an Assistant Professor of Finance before practicing law in Raymond, Mississippi. He then joined the law department at Murphy Oil Corporation in El Dorado, Arkansas, where he became the general attorney of the company.

James was an active member of the Arkansas Jaycees, where he served as district vice president.

James is survived by his wife, Charlotte, one son, two step daughters, two step sons, four grandchildren, two great grandchildren, one sister, and two brothers.



Rickey Lee Ingalls, #22710, Arkansas, passed away on June 3, 2024, at the age of 78. He grew up in Grand Rapids, Michigan and is a veteran of the US Air Force. He had a love of sports and enjoyed fishing and golf.

Rick was an active member of the Jaycee and served as president of the North Hills Jaycees. He was also included in the publication of "Outstanding Young Men of America."

Rick is survived by his wife 'Queenie', Donna, two daughters, one son, one grandchild, and four great grandchildren.



William 'Bill' Schrader, #37376, Arizona, passed away on May 18, at the age of 93. He graduated from Scottsdale High School. He served on the Scottsdale City Council and later as mayor. After his term as mayor, Bill was elected to the Salt River Project Board of Directors, vice president and then he was elected president.

Bill was a past president of the Scottsdale Jaycees and the Scottsdale Charros. He was the first chairman of the Scottsdale Rodeo and the Parada del Sol. Bill was named Scottsdale's Citizen of the Year.

Bill is survived by two sons, 12 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.



Dennis Johnson, #30823, Colorado, passed away on May 15, 2024, at the age of 77. He graduated from St. John's Military School and attended Colorado State University. He served in the United States Air Force. He was a military aircraft mechanic. He worked for Mutual of Omaha as an insurance salesman.

Dennis was an active member of the Colorado Jaycees. He was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose, where he served in several offices, including president.

Dennis is survived by two daughters, three grandsons, and one brother.



Robert 'Bob' Vannelli, #33902, Vermont, passed away on April 29, 2024, at the age of 75. He graduated from Somers High School and college earning a BA in Economics. He worked at Windham College in Vermont, and later at SUNY in New York, as the athletic director. He later worked in selling insurance and financial products.

Bob was an active member of the Jaycees in three different states, Vermont, New York, and Connecticut. He enjoyed spending time with his family and becoming 'Nonno' to his four grandchildren.

Bob is survived by one daughter, one son, four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and two sisters.



Jack McGovern, #59818, Minnesota, passed away on July 19, 2024, at the age of 60. He graduated from Shakopee High School. He attended Vo Tech School. He earned a certificate, as an ASE certified technician. He worked with his father at McGovern's Garage until his father's retirement. Jack took the business over and kept it running.

Jack was a proud member of the Shakopee Jaycees. He served as Leader of the Jaycees, state president of the Minnesota Jaycees. He chaired the Renaissance festival beer sales, and for 18 years he was president of the Shakopee Derby Days committee.

Jack is survived by two daughters, one step son, and four sisters.

THE EMPTY CHAIR



Richard Drane, #40336, Georgia, passed away on April 16, 2024, at the age of 88. He graduated from Sterling High School and the University of Illinois. He worked for Whirlpool Corporation in Michigan and was transferred to Atlanta, Georgia. He was hired by Coca Cola Company as an industrial engineer.

Richard was involved with the Georgia Jaycees, where he rose to be a Senator. He was a member of the Lions Club. He collected Coca Cola memorabilia, cookbooks, and salt and pepper shakers.

Richard is survived by his wife, Louise, one daughter, two sons, four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and one brother.



Robert 'Bob' Clark, #22095, Vermont, passed away on March 28, 2024, at the age of 81. He graduated from Bristol High School and Champlain College. He worked for Fonda Container as accounting manager. He was the co-owner with his wife, Barbara, of Barbara's Bouquets.

Bob was a long time member and president of the Jaycees, where he and Barbara were former 'Couple of the Year', recognized for their civic contributions to the community. He was proud of his 'Homemade Jaycee Chicken Marinade', served for years at the Vermont Maple Festival.

Bob is survived by three sons, nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and one brother.



Norman Arthur Bivins, #42467, Illinois, passed away on June 21, 2024, at the age of 77. He was a US Navy veteran, who valiantly served in the Vietnam War. After his military time he went to work for Norfolk Southern Railroad as a carman for 35 years and was a lifetime union member.

Norman was a very active member with the Jaycees. He held several positions including Illinois State co-chair for Muscular Dystrophy. He was an avid Chicago Cubs baseball fan. He loved fishing and building crafts with his grandchildren.

Norman is survived by one son, four grandchildren, two sisters, and one brother.



Zultan Bermudez, #80503, New York, passed away on May 31, 2024, at the age of 42. He attended San Beda College, and middle school at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs. He graduated from Regis High School. He graduated cum laude with a dual degree in economics and international studies from Fairfield University. He worked as a financial/investment adviser.

Zultan has made great relationships and deep connections with the community he served. He was a proud member with leadership roles in numerous organizations including Jaycees, Order of the Knights of Rizal, and FAHSI.

Zultan is survived by his parents, Alan and Chil, and two sisters



David Brindamour, #7713, Rhode Island, passed away on May 3, 2024, at the age of 86. He served in the US Army. He dedicated 36 years to the National Guard Reserves. He was the general manager of the family-owned business, Brindamour's Oil Service.

David was an active member of the West Warwick Jaycees. He was a past Region I national vice president of the US JCI Senate. He was an active member of the American Legion Post 2, the Elks, and Junior Achievement.

David is survived by three daughters, four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and one brother.



Gordon True, #23946, Maine, passed away on July 4, 2024, at the age of 80. He graduated from East Corinth Academy. He studied agriculture at UMO. He first job was on the road selling eggs from the family farm until he began his own commercial vegetable growing business. He was a master gardener, he refused to grow vegetables he didn't like (onions, kale, broccoli).

Gordon was an active member of the Jaycees. He enjoyed his years in Jaycees, where he made lifelong friendships.

Gordon is survived by his wife, Barbara, four sons, nine grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and one brother.



Carl Harris, #61018, Illinois, passed away on May 8, 2024, at the age of 61. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He loved his dog Daisy.

Carl was an active member of the Jaycees. He was a member of Sons of The American Legion and Farm Bureau. He enjoyed going to tractor pulls with his John Deere and attending the American

Thresherman Association.

Carl is survived by his daughter, Grace, and one sister

List of Non Active Empty Chairs

Connecticut: Raymond Sack #39485
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MENTORS CHIEF EDITOR
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Greetings US JCI Senate, Welcome to the "Destination Legacy" year. I am back at it putting together each issue of the "Mentors". Mary Allred #46602 is back as the editor of the People area (New Senators, Empty Chair, Friendships and Featured Senators). Along with Mary, Dawne Sutherland #68900 has returned as an assistant editor. Our new assistant is Bob Cairns #59815 from New York who brings his newspaper editing skills to the team. They all did a terrific job editing all the articles that you, the membership, sent in. Thank you for everyone sending in articles because without you there would not be an issue.

Christianna Gilliam #78844 is back to raise funds by collection money for the Mentors sign-in sheets and the Christmas ads. Please see her article with her

address to send the ads and money.

Her email is mentorsbusmgr@usjcisenate.org. Reminder, the next issue deadline is September 25, 2024. This is the Christmas issue so be sure to contact Christianna to place those Christmas wishes ads.

Please review the training file at <https://www.usjcisenate.org/index.php/programs>.



You will find the info on the word count for articles for each issue and some tips for writing up your articles. Reminder - photos need to be actual pictures not those from social media as they cause too much pixelation of the photos. Thank you

"Racing to your Destination"



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R: Ruby Weymouth #67303 Ohio



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Suzanne Gill #67891 North Carolina
Not Present: Nicole Dapp #74656 Pennsylvania,
Peggy Rider #58293 Oklahoma
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