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Norcross, Georgia - a sleepy little suburb of Atlanta, Georgia came to life as we conducted our 2012 Mid-Year Board Meeting. The Senate filled the Hotel with over 260 participants. Friday night hospitality bubbled enthusiastically including a casino night which raised over \$1,300 for the US JCI Senate Foundation in the name of the late Ken James. All of your elected officers and most chairpersons and committee members were present to conduct your business. Kudos to Chairs Herbie Spears and Ken Joyner as well as the Georgia JCI Senate and Region 4 Senate.

The weekend prior I attended the US Jaycee Leadership Academy in St. Louis, Missouri before heading to the Lake of the Ozarks for a Missouri Senate/Jaycee Meeting. I am encouraged by the progress the Jaycees are making and am sure there will be a great organization for my grandchildren to join.

The weekend after the Board Meeting I spent with the Hawaii Senate/Old Timers/ Mongooses (or Mongeese)/Jaycees as they celebrated their recognition banquet attended by the Governor and several Representatives. Hawaii may be some distance away, but they have their organization in order! Thanks President Bill, Barb, Fats, Big Al, Mike, Kathryn and others for the great hospitality.

I am looking forward to this weekend (Feb. 3-5) to working with and addressing the Pennsylvania Jaycees and fellowshiping with the Pennsylvania Senate.

Travels in February to the Florida Meeting in New Port Richey and the Region 7 Meeting in Pigeon Forge.

Some items you need to be aware of:

1) Future Senators Program: We have set aside funds to help financially the cost of Senatorships for those individuals 45 years of age or older who should have been recognized for a senatorship but were not. This is a matching fund type of financial aid. The forms are available from your National Vice President, State President, or online. Deadline for this year is April 1, 2012.

2) We want to do a military picture spread in Mentors recognizing our Senator Veterans. Please send your photo with you in uniform to our Mentors Editor Marsha Phillips before March 13, 2012.

3) Please don't forget to physically contact your Senators whose dues are up this period! As John Dahl, NVP Region 6, so aptly states: "Renew, Re-activate, and Recruit our Senators!"

Looking forward to seeing you in my travels and thanks for a great year so far!

Steve Sutherland, #27073  
40<sup>th</sup> President  
US JCI Senate 2011-2012

**Administrative Vice President**  
**Bruce Geddes #35527**  
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The winter Board of Directors meeting in Norcross has come and gone. The Georgia JCI Senate did a great job and my thanks to the entire committee. The attendance was one of the highest we have had and everyone looked like they were having a good time.

As I reported at the Norcross BOD the new website is up at [www.site.usjcisenate.org](http://www.site.usjcisenate.org). Please take a look. Beta testing is underway and we will go live soon. Any comments, please e-mail them to Carrie Spenser #70478 at [carrie@carrienspencer.com](mailto:carrie@carrienspencer.com) and copy me at [jci35527@msn.com](mailto:jci35527@msn.com). We really want to make this a user friendly website and your feedback good or bad is very important. We are sorry it has taken so long; please bear with us.

This past weekend I had the opportunity to attend the Virginia JCI Senate meeting in Va. Beach. What a fantastic time! Many thanks to President Tom King #59642 and his wife Kathy for their excellent hospitality. The VA JCI Senate and VA Jaycees know how to get the job done by adding new members and expanding the Jaycee family. I had the honor to assist in presenting two (2) new senators.

Vice Presidents, as you organize your spring region meetings and the plans for 2013, keep in mind to check with me for available dates so we can avoid any issues. At this time April 4-7, 2013 has been set for MAI (Region 2&3) 2013.

My travels in Feb. will take me to the Ohio JCI Senate meeting on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> and the Tennessee/Region 7 meeting in Pigeon Forge Feb. 23-26<sup>th</sup>.

As we go forward, please continue to support our Jaycees through the return the favor program, keep looking for our lost Senators and bring a new senator to Atlanta so they too can enjoy our fantastic fellowship. Let us tell all how great our organization and friendships are:

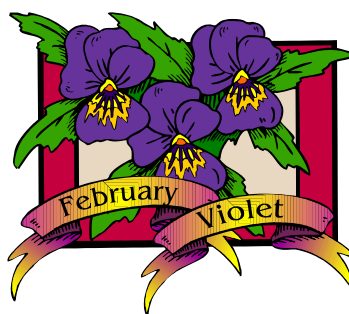
### **WHERE THE STARS AND STRIPES AND EAGLES FLY**

**Secretary**  
**Larry Bohn #37024**  
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Last weekend (January 27-29) Ronnie and I enjoyed the incredible hospitality of the North Carolina JCI Senate at their Winter meeting. I had the opportunity to be a part of the induction of six new Senators in a very impressive and exciting ceremony!

Right now I am in temporary Directory mode as I begin working on the interim Directory for the 2012-13 year. The State Officers Directory form is included as an attachment and can be completed electronically and emailed to me or copied and mailed to me. A copy of the form will also be available on the website.

As soon as your new officers are elected, please complete the form and return it to me. The earlier I get the information, the more time I have to proof the directory and produce the most accurate product. Thanks for your cooperation!



**Treasurer**  
**Randy Young #46420**  
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We had a great time in Norcross even though Debbie didn't leave the room until Saturday afternoon. Herbie Spears #51306 and the GA JCI Senate did an outstanding job. Thanks for the hospitality.

The March dues kits have been sent and to be on time Larry Ferguson #45060 must receive all membership information and all \$\$ in hand by March 1<sup>st</sup>. We grew last quarter, so I hope everyone works hard to grow again. Please reach out to those lost Senators and invite them back to our organization.

The Presidential Sweepstakes Committee has been doing a tremendous job promoting ticket sales. Please continue to buy and sell the tickets and don't forget to do the \$5.00 raffle at all Senate events.



**Chairman of the Board**  
**Mike O'Connell #40225**  
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Congratulations to the Senators who announced at the Mid-Year Board meeting in Norcross, GA, their intention to run for national office this year. Those of us who have done so previously understand the significant commitment of time, effort and resources this decision entails. For those of you who are considering running you have until May 5, 2012 to get your

application form, letter of intent and filing fee to Secretary Larry Bohn #37024, with a copy of the application and letter to me.

In other action at the BOD meeting President Steve, in accordance with the by-laws and with the concurrence of the Executive Committee, appointed US JCI Past Presidents Mary Sawyer #43930 and Jack Pasquale #32806 to serve with me on the Nominations and Elections Committee. If you have any questions concerning the nomination or election process please contact any of the committee members.

As of the Mid-Year BOD meeting the following US JCI Senators have officially filed to serve the US JCI Senate in the 2012-13 program year:

President – Bruce Geddes  
#35527, Ohio

Administrative Vice President –  
Larry Bohn #37024, Maryland

Secretary – Brian Trautman  
#61774, Wisconsin

Treasurer – Randy Young  
#46420, Minnesota

National Vice Presidents:  
Region 1 – no filing  
Region 2 – no filing  
Region 3 – no filing  
Region 4 – Rita Bowles #59335,  
South Carolina  
Region 5 – Gary Pittenger  
#24804, Illinois  
Region 6 – Donna Delaney  
#55560, Missouri  
Region 7 – no filing  
Region 8 – no filing  
Region 9 – no filing  
Region 10 – no filing

If candidates have filed for a position prior to May 6, 2012 nominations from the floor will not be allowed.

In the interim, don't forget that there are five more months in

the “**Where the Stars & Stripes and the Eagle Fly**” year. Let's continue to progress towards those goals we set at the start of the year.

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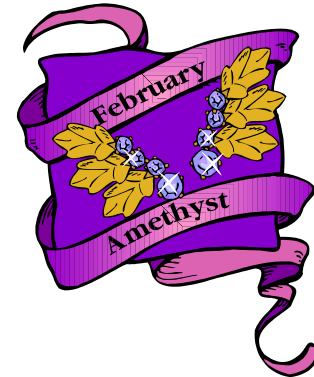
SCHOLARSHIPS: Great to see that each Region I State organization sent in their two nominees for National Scholarship judging. Feedback reveals that the level of quality of the nominees, within each State, is unparalleled. Judging has never been as difficult and one point separates many applications considered. Additionally, judges, who range from former teachers to business executives, also voiced their pleasant surprise at the high quality of the nominees and their personal joy at being involved in our Scholarships Program.

MEETINGS: New Hampshire JCI Senate proudly accepted the challenges and is actively working on a Region I gathering combined with a Caucus Meeting, for the first weekend in May. More information shall be forthcoming.

Additionally, the arrangements for the 2012 Fall Frolic and Region I Meeting appear complete, with registration forms already being made available. I'm attaching that form and a NH JCI Senate announcement letter as attachments.

IMMEDIATE EVENTS: As announced previously, the Vermont JCI Senate is holding a fellowship gathering, a Brunch, on Sunday February 12. Contact me or any NH Senator for directions if you might be in the area. Additionally, at least one Region I Senator is going to share in the fellowship and fun at the mini-States gathering in Pigeon Forge.

GROWTH: Great to see three Region I States experiencing growth for year-to-date or at least the second tri-mester. All six Region I States are no more than a few member adds from creating a total region growth result.



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Winter Board in Norcross, Georgia, was my last stop on the way back to Delaware after being away since December 26. Thanks to the Georgia Senate for making my last stop a great one! Despite the rain and the threat of tornadoes my Senate family never ceases to amaze me with their energy and can-do attitude to make any gathering a wonderful experience no matter what's going on.

Congratulations to my Region 2 for being plus in membership for December with the NJ Senate leading the way. Because of all my states' efforts, I was honored to receive a Presidential Award from President Steve Sutherland at the Saturday dinner. I'll be contacting all my state presidents with information about a by-law change that will be discussed at National Convention, and the future senators program.

I was also honored to be asked to attend the Delaware Jaycees

State Convention on January 28, not only to repeat a speech that I had given to one of their local chapters a few months back, but also to help judge write up, and even had the opportunity to present the awards to the winners. Some of the Senators attending also participated in a debate competition with the topic being the pros and cons of aging out of Jaycees at 41. I was on the cons side, and gave some pretty good arguments, but the pros won anyway, probably because Patrick was on their side! President Abby Uhler did a wonderful job and the day was a great success. I also had the opportunity to meet their National Vice President, Jennifer Gracey from Iowa.

Next stop for me will be Reading, Pennsylvania, on February 4 to meet with the PA Senate since President Steve will be in town to talk with their Jaycees. Lastly, it's hard to believe that the Mid-Atlantic Institute Meeting is less than two months away. Check the E-Blast and the NJ Senate website (<http://www.njcsenate.com/>) for registration forms and I'll be carrying them with me too. Don't forget to contact Terry Seeley ([seeleytm@comcast.net](mailto:seeleytm@comcast.net)) about donations for the Foundation Auction at MAI.



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Hi everyone,

Many thanks to the Georgia JCI Senate for hosting a simply Rockin' and Rollin' Winter Board meeting. All 24 members of the Region had a wonderful time and we can't thank you

enough! We're also very proud to support the candidate announcement of our very own **Larry Bohn, #37024** as 2012-2013 USJCI Senate Administrative Vice President. We're soooo very buzzy happy for you, Larry!

Hopefully you've had a chance to check out our official website re-launch! This approach to regional information and beyond will serve as a first stop resource in gaining the latest information on all of the states in our region. Check us out at [www.USJCISenate-Region3.org](http://www.USJCISenate-Region3.org)

DC Senate President, Marilyn Mueller, #51429, and her team are still going strong after their meeting in Norcross. The meeting came with the highest number of attendees to date, 28 and with 5 new members and a visit from our President Steve! As a reminder, we're enticing you to join the DC Senate NOW as the \$5 membership dues will increase in July. We're also very proud that the DC Senate continues to interact with the Washington DC Downtown Jaycees and Senate members who are in the DC area have been invited to their chapter meetings. As always contact President Marilyn at [jci51429@gmail.com](mailto:jci51429@gmail.com) (who was also received the Presidential Award of Merit in Norcross, if you want further information as this group continues to celebrate freedom in a major way.

President Bob and the Maryland team just finished supporting the Maryland Jaycees at their Officer Training School at the end of January in Frederick which included CPG, Blue chip and membership training for local officers, and manpower and hospitality services. They continue the ongoing Return the Favor initiatives with help on new chapter extensions with use of the Green Chip program and chapter saves with use of the

Red Chip Program – and it's proven to be a success with those established processes. Next up is the Wine and Beer tasting with International flare event on March 24<sup>th</sup> hosted by Sam and Marilyn Young. The Buzz is that it's going to be the HOT ticket event of the year – so mark your calendar and contact Bob at [rkountz@qc-properties.com](mailto:rkountz@qc-properties.com) for more information regarding this and other exciting Maryland activities.

The Leader of the G.A.N.G., Tom King, #59642, [tom.king2@verizon.net](mailto:tom.king2@verizon.net) continues to be beezeing away as his team is celebrating another successful meeting with the Jaycees that was held on in Va. Beach on January 27-29<sup>th</sup>, where they welcomed 2 new Senators and had a great visit with AVP Bruce Geddes, #35527. In addition, they also hosted the First Timers program for the Jaycees (they had 10), reviewed CPG's for the VA JC's Foundation and hosting the end of year Performers' Reception for the top chapters and individuals for the Virginia Jaycees. The hospitality was great with visitors from MD and DE to share in the excitement and with President Tom giving kudos to Treasurer Kim Williams for reaching out with different methods to entice members to renew and to Liaison Dawana Harris-Bey for communicating with the Jaycees and Senators on getting new members into our organization! They also had candidate announcements including Art Esenberg as the candidate for 2012-2013 President. They're also very busy preparing for the next social 'the Jefferson Experience in April. Way to go, GANG --- you sure are positively making the clubhouse the place to be!

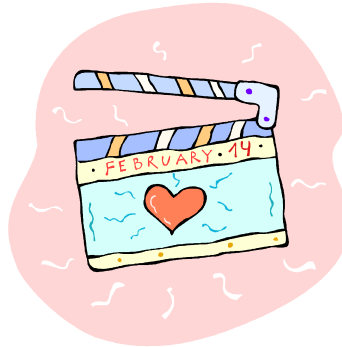
And of course, our honey delight, West Virginia President,

Chris Hufford, #63736, is feeling good these days since her team just celebrated their honor of being named the Return the Favor State of the Quarter in Norcross! They were honored for their collaborative efforts with the WV Jaycees to the extent that the Jaycee President not only has articles in the Senate newsletter, but regularly writes the Senate organization detailing the impact of the support that the Senate has made on the Jaycees. At the January meeting that was held in Charleston (January 27-29), they were honored to help with supporting 11 First Timers, judge the Competitions Program and host the hospitality room for the Jaycees. Jaycee President Jen Staley, personally thanked them for their help during the weekend and in their ongoing support for the newly extended chapters. West Virginia also held their officer elections in all members of the current board are dedicated and committed to serving a second term. So be on the lookout for more great information and let President Chris know ([ceh63736@suddenlink.net](mailto:ceh63736@suddenlink.net)). She'll be a *honey* about it and make sure you enjoy some West Virginia hospitality.

Finally, on behalf of Region III, we extend a hearty invite to attend our **Mid-Atlantic Institute Meeting (MAI)** for Regions II and III on **March 29-April 1** hosted by the New Jersey JCI Senate. We'll have a great time, but we'll have a better time if you're there to celebrate with us! Early registration ends on March 1, 2012! Check out the NJ website for more information. <http://njsenate.tripod.com/id43.htm> Looking forward to the next time; as we believe that in order to understand our creed and know where the stars and stripes and the eagle fly – you must be inspired by those that have helped you and the opportunity

to 'BE' the positive sting for all those that you can help!

Buzzin' around in 2012!



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Greetings Senators,

**HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!**

The new year is in full swing and all are busy I'm sure. The Winter Board Meeting was a huge success and of course Region IV showed their Southern hospitality to the fullest. Georgia JCI Senators and Region IV, you ALL did an excellent job. The Casino Night for the Ken James Memorial Scholarship was awesome. Everyone there continued to talk the rest of the weekend about how much fun they had. I know that Ken was looking down on us and smiling. All your hard work and planning paid off.

**CONGRATULATIONS FOR A JOB WELL DONE!!!!!!!!!!!!**

I was unable to attend the North Carolina Year-end Jaycee/Senate conference in High Point, NC. As many of you are aware, I am on "new granddaughter" watch. My son and daughter-in-law are expecting their third baby and she is due any day. I have spent EVERY day since I got home

from Atlanta at their house either babysitting Marley and Fischer or helping to get things ready for baby three. My plans were set to travel to NC but after a great deal of soul searching, I decided it was best for my family if I stayed home. My trip this next weekend to SC's meeting is up in the air right now but hopefully she will have our baby girl in the next couple of days and I will be on the road again.

The Region IV Calendar of Events for the month of February are listed below. Be sure to mark your calendars and we hope that some of you will be able to come visit us.

**February 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**SOUTH CAROLINA** – The SC Senate will have their next meeting at the Hilton Garden Inn (I-77 and Farrow Road) in Columbia, SC.

**February 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**ALABAMA** – The Alabama JCI Senate will host their Winter Meeting with the Alabama Jaycees at the Fairfield Inn in Oxford, AL.

**February 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**FLORIDA** – Florida invites all Senators, especially the Snowbird Senators that will be enjoying Florida, at that time to attend this meeting. It will be held at the Quality Inn & Suites, 5316 US Highway 19 in New Port Richey, Florida and Saturday night will feature a woman-less fashion show starring President Steve.

As we go through these next few months, remember that we are truly blessed to live in this great United States. Each and every day there is a soldier that puts his/her life on the line to protect our freedom and democracy for all in the United

States, and for that we should always be thankful. Remember these soldiers and their families daily in your prayers. I leave you with this quote by Walt Disney.....

**"Somehow I can't believe that there are any heights that can't be scaled by a man who knows the secrets of making dreams come true. This special secret, it seems to me, can be summarized in four C s. They are curiosity, confidence, courage, and constancy, and the greatest of all is confidence. When you believe in a thing, believe in it all the way, implicitly and unquestionable."**

**Debra**

***"Soar with Region IV"***

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Hello Fellow Senators,

I started off this year by heading off to Indianapolis for Indiana's Jaycee & Senators meeting. Everyone seemed to have a really good time. This meeting was held at the same venue where Region V's Spring Fling will be held in March. I am looking forward to heading back there to meet up with all my fellow Senators and friends from Region V and share in some great camaraderie. I know of some of the things that have been planned for that weekend and it should be a really great time for all.

We had a really great time in Atlanta. The Georgia Senators put on a great event and offered up some wonderful hospitality. With the busy holiday season, I hadn't seen some people in quite a while so it was nice to catch up with good friends.

Upcoming Region V events include:

Ohio Jaycees Year-End Convention: February 10th -11<sup>th</sup>  
Region V Spring Fling: March 16<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup>  
Thames River Crew Meeting, London, Ontario: May 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>

For further information please refer to the following websites: Illinois:

[www.illinoisjcisenate.org](http://www.illinoisjcisenate.org)  
Indiana: [www.injcisenate.org](http://www.injcisenate.org)  
Michigan: [www.michiganjcisenate.org](http://www.michiganjcisenate.org)  
Ohio: [www.ohiojcisenate.org](http://www.ohiojcisenate.org)  
Region V: [www.usjcisenate-regionfive.org](http://www.usjcisenate-regionfive.org)

***"We believe in paying it forward to our future"***



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The Georgia senate and Region IV senators hosted a fantastic board meeting on 20th- 22nd. The hospitality was awesome and friendships renewed.

On January 13th-15th the Missouri senate met with the Jaycees at the Country Club Hotel in Jefferson City MO. President Steve was able to attend their Outstanding Young Missourians awards banquet.

While we were in Atlanta, two of my states held their meetings the same weekend . The Nebraska Senate met at the Holiday Inn in York, Neb. They had 28 senators at the convention. The Jaycees had 3

newtimers in attendance way to go. The Iowa senate met at the Sheraton Hotel in Iowa City, IA. Lori Oakland was elected the new President of the Iowa senate.

The Wisconsin senate met with the Jaycees in Waukesha Wi.on Jan 28th.They are looking forward to their next meeting on April 28th in New London WI. for the election of officers.

The Minn. Senators met with the Jaycees on Jan. 27th-29th. at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Brooklyn Park, Minn. I would like to congratulate the Minn. Jaycees for all the hard work they put in this past quarter. They had over 20 newtimers at their convention and they finished at plus 2 for the year. They also have the 2 largest chapters in the nation. It was very promising to see all the excitement back and it carried on all weekend.

The North Dakota Senate will be meeting with the Jaycees on Feb. 3rd and 4th in Mandan at the Seven Seas Hotel They will be giving out 3 Senatorships at this meeting.

The South Dakota Senate will be meeting with the Jaycees at the Days Inn on Feb. 3rd and 4th in North Sioux City, SD. They are planning to serve supper to the Jaycees on Friday evening..

The Region 6 meeting is coming up very soon. It is the 40th Anniversary of Region 6. The location is at the Holiday Inn and Suites in Des Moines Ia. The phone # is 515-278-4755. This is also the 40th Anniversary of the Iowa Senate. Wow two celebrations at the same time! Registration is only \$65.00 for both events. The hospitality will be more than you would expect.

**Experience Counts—Spread It Around**

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## TOGETHER WE CAN SOAR

Colorado-Kansas-New  
Mexico-Oklahoma-  
Texas

Judy and I just returned from Atlanta and the US JCI Winter Board of Directors Meeting. We had a wonderful time and it is always great to see friends, old and new. Pete Reinecker, 11777, Region IX NVP and his wife Lynn, 66295, Judy, 70522, and I spent Friday visiting the World of Coca-Cola in downtown Atlanta. On Saturday we visited the Apartment of Margaret Mitchell, the author of *Gone With The Wind*. In between we had some good old fashioned Southern hospitality and a great Board of Director's Meeting. On Friday at the US JCI Foundation meeting, our very own Sheri Menendez, Oklahoma Senator #47839, went from being our Region VIII representative on the Foundation Board to US JCI Foundation Trustee. Congratulations Sheri.

Great news from Susan Allard, #65399, president of the Colorado Senate, Colorado Senator Brad Rowan, #44427, will be running for the 2012-2013 Region VIII NVP. Thanks Brad, I know you will have a great time.

Kansas President Anita Cummings (620-490-0210), #69380, of Kansas. Reminds me that the Kansas Senate will be holding a Bowling Night at the Playdium Bowl in Russell, KS on March 31, 2012. The Kansas Senate will also be hosting the Region VIII Meeting at the Holiday Inn Holidome (785-272-8040), April 26, 2012 in Topeka, KS. The chairman Rob Wiley (785-542-1958), #56033, is planning a great event; make sure to attend.

From Oklahoma Senate President James Harmon (405-222-3800), #63903, The Oklahoma Senate will be holding their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting in May. For more information about this meeting, contact James.

President Logan Giesie (979-479-3888), #51120, and the Texas Senate are holding their Elections along with the Texas Jaycees Year End Meeting in Dallas, TX at the Le Meridien Dallas by the Galleria (972-503-8700), February 3-5, 2012.

The US JCI National Convention in Altamonte Springs, FL June 20-23, 2012 is fast approaching. Judy Cornutt, #70522, has consented to be the Region VIII Party Chairman at National Convention. Please bring ideas to the Region Meeting in April in Topeka, KS. Do not forget to ask your state to donate money or items to the party fund. If you plan on attending National Convention, please email me at [jacornutt@yahoo.com](mailto:jacornutt@yahoo.com).

Remember to support the US JCI Foundation, push you Presidential Sweepstakes Tickets, Support the Jaycees and together "We can SOAR."



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### "EVERYTHING IS FINE IN REGION 9"

What a fabulous month January was. Besides the fact that I had another birthday, everything else was fine. We had a great Winter Board Meeting in Atlanta in January. We had a great turnout-in fact more than they had expected. The meetings were excellent and the fellowship was wonderful as we again had time to renew acquaintances and form new friendships. The other thing that made January special was the fact that we were able to reactivate the Alaska JCI Senate. They have had one meeting, elected officers and paid their dues. They are planning a big summer social the second week of August. We will have several National Officers in attendance and you are all invited. Just contact me for further details.

The other four state organizations have been busy planning the balance of this year and starting on plans for next year. The Washington JCI Senate is having a meeting on February 4 in Tukwilla to complete the plans for their summer activities and the election of new officers. Oregon is having a meeting on February 18 in Albany to finalize the plans for their 50th Anniversary and the Region 9 meeting. Registrations are coming in, but we would still like for more of you to visit us

in the great northwest. The Idaho JCI Senate is going to have their election meeting in Riggins on April 27, 28 and 29 and their campout on July 20, 21 and 22 near Lowell. They are going to increase the number of scholarships this year to two \$1,000 grants. The Montana JCI Senate will be having their elections in May with the date to be announced. Their campout will be July 13, 14 and 15. They will also be having another meeting with the Montana Jaycees in May.

The last bit of good news is that the Wyoming JCI Senate Committee is having a meeting on February 18 in Riverton, Wyoming along with the Jaycees. They will be completing the list of potential members and making plans to contact them. We should have more good news in the near future about the Wyoming Senate.

Yours in the Senate Spirit

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Aloha....

I really enjoyed seeing so many of you in Norcross, GA at our US JCI Senate Winter Board Meeting held from January 19 – 22, 2012. It was a great meeting and I'm grateful for the interactions with everyone overall, but especially my assigned states of CA and AZ. Special thanks to my dear friend, Herbie Spears, and the GA Senate for their hospitality and the fine job that they did of putting on a great meeting.

My travels during January also took me to the island paradise of Hawaii from January 25 – 29, 2012 for their annual HI JCI Senate / Oldtimers Weekend.

Upon arrival at the gate at the Honolulu airport, we were greeted by HI JCI Senate Past President George Kodama #37136. I'd like to thank George for taking time out of his busy day to meet and provide us with a personal escort. Upon arrival at the baggage claim area, we were met by Bill Petti #38860, HI JCI Senate President, who had leis in hand for me and my family. President Bill was the consummate host and took care of us throughout the weekend.

Our weekend was highlighted by touring the sites of Honolulu and the time spent with the HI JCI Senate. I had the honor of attending the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual HI JCI Senate / Oldtimers Recognition Banquet on Friday night, which was held at the Japanese Cultural Center – Manoa Ballroom. Numerous dignitaries were in attendance, but most noteworthy was our own President Steve Sutherland and First Lady Dawne. HI Governor Neil Abercrombie attended the banquet and made special presentations to Ben Makaea and Edward Hasegawa, who were recognized as "Outstanding Oldtimers of the Year". Congratulations again Ben and Ed.

On Saturday evening, the HI JCI Senate / Oldtimers hosted a Japanese dinner and the cuisine was awesome. They topped the weekend off with a Sunday brunch, which was our last event before heading to the airport for our departure from paradise. President Bill, his Board of Directors, and the Recognition Weekend Committee are commended for hosting such a memorable weekend. New friendships were forged and many others were solidified. I extend a heartfelt - Mahalo nui - to all my HI JCI Senate brethren and sisters.

President Bill states that the Oldtimers Weekend was the most successful in recent history. He was saddened by the fact that Steve McGarrett had to express his regrets in not being able to make an appearance at any of the weekend events. The HI JCI Senate will be providing speakers, judges, and trainers for the upcoming HI Jaycees Convention to be held from February 17 – 19, 2012. The HI JCI Senate and Oldtimers will be holding their Las Vegas Reunion from March 1 – 3, 2012. Anyone interested in attending, especially members of the NV JCI Senate and Oldtimers, should contact President Bill at [wsp@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:wsp@hawaii.rr.com). The HI JCI Senate and Oldtimers are giving the Energizer Bunny a run for his money with all of their planned events and continuing support of their HI Jaycees.

Special thanks to US Jaycees NVP Stan Fichtman for making time to take me on a private guided tour of his island paradise.

President Lorraine Neal #66196, CA JCI Senate, invites everyone to attend the upcoming CA JCI Senate 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Board Meeting which will be held the weekend of February 10 – 12, 2012 in Norwalk, CA. The room block has been extended to February 3, 2012 and should be made at the DoubleTree Hotel, Los Angeles – Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, (562) 863-5555. The group code is XCJ and their group name is CA JCI Senate Meeting. The room rate is \$109 and President Lorraine looks forward to seeing you there.

Our upcoming Region X Meeting is scheduled for March 23 – 25, 2012 and will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel Anaheim Resort Area, located at 1915 S Manchester Avenue, Anaheim,

CA 92802, (714) 489-4002. Book your room by February 15, 2012 by requesting the "JCI Senate" room rate of \$109 plus tax. Please RSVP to Kris Julin, Region X Meeting Chair, at [dktd@ymail.com](mailto:dktd@ymail.com) or by mailing your check made payable to "CA JCI Senate" to: Kris Julin, 20140 Village Green Drive, Lakewood, CA 90715, (562) 274-3874. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you so that we can extend our Southern California hospitality.

Even though Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow today, it's a good possibility that an early spring is still right around the corner. Make the best of the waning days of winter and enjoy the Region VII, US JCI Senate and TN JCI Senate Mini-National Meeting being held at Pigeon Forge, TN from February 23 – 26, 2012. I won't be able to join you, but look forward to seeing all of you real soon. Just think, our US JCI Senate National Meeting to be held in Altamonte Springs, FL from June 20 – 23, 2012 is right around the corner.

"Coming Together"

#### Membership Information

##### Services

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March dues kits were sent to state treasurers on January 17. State Presidents, please verify that your treasurer has received your states dues kit.

The USJCI Senate is down 10 members for the year with current membership being 7,733 members. Have you asked a senator to join your state this year? It might just take someone to ask them. There is no harm in asking. Try it. See what happens.

December Membership reports by States and Regions are

available on the USJCI Senate website.

Thanks to everyone that attended the TIE session at the Mid Year BOD meeting in Norcross.



#### Constitution and By-Laws

##### Committee

Rob Wiley

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Hello fellow senators,

The constitution & bylaws committee met in Atlanta during the Winter BOD meeting. Two proposals were discussed and unanimously passed with recommendation to take before the executive board of directors.

The 1st issue.

Art. XII, Sec.7

#### **Current bylaw**

E. The treasurer shall surrender the original books and records, copies of tax returns and other financial reports of the Corporation to the incoming Treasurer, no later than July 1st of the year he/she leaves office or when a successor is qualified.

#### Proposed by-law change

E. The treasure shall surrender the original books and records, copies of tax returns and other financial reports of the Corporation to the incoming Treasurer, no later than August 1st of the year he/she leaves office or when a successor is qualified.

**This proposal was passed by the executive board of directors with recommendation to take before the general membership for passage at the annual meeting in Orlando Florida. Pursuant to the Constitution & Bylaws this issue will be published in the next Mentors for all membership to review and be voted on in Orlando.**

The 2nd issue

#### **Article IV - Membership**

##### Add

##### Section 5

Any individual awarded a JCI Senatorship who resides in a state without an SOM affiliated with this corporation pursuant to Article V, or who relocates his/her residence to a state with an affiliated SOM that does not extend full membership to such relocated individual, shall be eligible for membership in this corporation as a Non-Affiliated State Member (NASM). No individual who is a member of any SOM affiliated with this corporation shall be eligible to become or remain a NASM.

##### Section 6

Non-Affiliated State members shall not be eligible to run for or hold any elected office in this corporation. NASMs may hold appointed office and, subject to Section 7, otherwise enjoy all rights and privileges of membership in this corporation.

#### Section 7

Participation in USJCI Senate Region activities by NASMs may be limited by each region. A SOM is not required to offer or accept membership of an NASM except in compliance with such SOM's constitution or by-laws.

### **Article V - State Organization Membership**

Add

#### Section 5

At such time as the number of NASMs in any state without a SOM affiliated with this corporation reaches twenty (20), additional applications for memberships as an NASM in such state shall be denied. The corporation shall notify each NASM within said state that within one hundred eighty (180) days the twenty NASMs shall take all necessary steps to become an affiliated SOM chartered with this corporation in accordance with Article VI. The failure of said twenty NASMs to comply with this Section shall result in the non-renewal of their individual memberships as NASMs in this corporation.

### **Article VI - Dues**

Add

#### Section 8

The amount of dues assessed to and collected from NASMs shall be two dollars (\$2.00) in excess of the yearly dues assessed for individual members of SOMs under Article VI, Section 1. Dues for NASMs shall be billed annually on an individual basis to each NASM and shall be due on January 1. First year dues for NASMs shall be prorated based upon the calendar date of membership.

**This issue was brought before the executive board of directors in Atlanta and recommended for review for the executive board of directors to take to all spring region meetings for membership review and discussion. The executive board of directors will review this issue in Orlando prior to the annual meeting. If this issue is passed by the executive board of directors, it will then be published in the next mentors, pursuant to the constitution and bylaws for all membership to review and be voted on in Charleston, West Virginia at the fall board of directors meeting.**

If you have any questions contact your National Vice-President or any senator currently on the constitution and bylaws committee.

I wish to thank all senators that have worked tirelessly on this issue over the past 3 years.

**Thank-you**

**Future Directions**  
**Kim Bode #62467**  
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The Future Directions Committee recommended and received approval for a Future Senators Program to the Executive Committee in Atlanta. So what is a Future Senator and how does this program work?

We have many deserving individuals who did not receive a Senatorship, some because the chapter folded before they could be recognized and some because the chapter could not afford the entire cost of a Senatorship. This is an opportunity to put forth a nomination for a new Senator! The nominee should be at least 45 years of age and meet the criteria established by the US Jaycee and JCI International Senatorship qualifications.

This year, the US JCI Senate will select up to 5 nominees and pay \$200 towards their Senatorship. Complete both the Future Senator Application and the JCI Application for Senatorship. If there is a State Senate application, please complete this as well. Since the US JCI Senate will pay \$200 towards a Senatorship, please include a check for \$75 to the US Jaycees and a check made out to Junior Chamber International for \$100. Mail the applications and checks to the National Vice President in your region by April 1, 2012.

The Executive Committee will review the applications and select up to 5 individuals to propose for a Senatorship!

This is a great opportunity to propose a Senatorship for those who were missed!

**First Timers**  
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Greetings Fellow Senators,

What a great time I had in Georgia, and what a wonderful surprise. I left home thinking I was going to have maybe only one First Timer; to my surprise I had a total of six! I had invited some Senators that were not First Timers also, so the room was pretty full.

I sent them on my version of "The Amazing Race." I had them do a leg where they had to meet some new people, had to figure out who some officers and appointed positions were and an exercise to learn a little bit more about the whole theme of the weekend.

I truly believe that everyone had a great time. Our winner was a woman who has been around for a few years; however, she just received her Senatorship in November. That was Ruth Nefflen #70907 of Virginia. She was the first one finished.

I hope to have many First Timers in Florida. I believe I have 3 for sure just from Ohio. I will probably plan something similar for Florida with it lasting more than an afternoon and introducing them to the different activities that happen at a Year End Convention, such as the Regions Party etc.

If you know of someone from your state or region that you know is going to Florida, please let me know so that I can send them an invite and make the necessary preparations.

Hope to see you down the road somewhere!

Still ROLLING (Reach Out Live, Laugh, Love Life)



**Presidential Sweepstakes**  
**Carol "CJ" Jordan #45857**  
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Thank you Georgia JCI Senate for a great convention in Norcross. I could have done without getting sick when I got back, but that's the breaks. A really great convention.

We had a successful \$5.00 drawing on Saturday morning. We had two ticket drawings on Saturday night. First from the group of tickets that were sold at convention. Winners were Walter Cahoon #27223 from MA, winning a gift basket donated by Kay Buchanan #58499 from GA. & Doug White #52995 from FL, winning a beautiful handmade blanket donated by Angie Struttmann #64531 from WA.

Second from the overall tickets sold, Glen Compton from ID, won a \$25.00 gift card to Cracker Barrel donated by John Robinson #55768 from PA & Daniel Clinger from OH won a \$25.00 gift card to Bath & Body works donated by Lori Oakland #67100 from IA.

Congratulations to these winners.

Our prize chairmen, Lori Oakland & Angie Struttmann have sent letters to all State Presidents, National officers, past presidents, asking for prizes. Just fill out your post card and return to either Lori or Angie with your commitment to donate a \$100.00 prize. This sweepstakes can only be successful if we have lots of prizes to give away. We greatly appreciate all the commitments

we have received so far & are looking forward to lots more.

Region Party Chairman Denise has been in contact with each National VP and has gotten the room layout from the Florida Convention chairman. This is really going to be a great party. America- Land of the free, home of the brave.

We left GA with over \$23,000 in hand raised so far. We still have a long way to go, but we can do this with your help.

We have made some changes to the Presidential Sweepstakes Committee. Assistant Chairman Mike Sawyer had to resign, so Angie Struttmann has been appointed Assistant Chairman & will be wearing both the assistant chairman/Prize chairman hats for the rest of the year. From now until convention in June, tickets are buy 2 for \$25.00 & get 1 ticket free. If you have any questions, or need more tickets, please contact ticket chairman Pam Padgett.

Again, thank you for your support of this program.

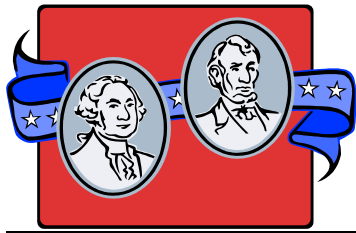
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PEACE State Presidents!

What an amazing time we had in Georgia! Thanks to all who made that convention a success! At the PIE meeting, we had a handout on the various awards that are presented at the annual meeting. (I've included that information on the PIE newsletter in case you missed it). There were 18 enthusiastic state presidents in attendance; we discussed problems and potential solutions.

I would like to encourage the National VPs to write letters of recommendations for the state presidents that have done an outstanding job this year. The presidents have been doing a phenomenal job this year and deserve the recognition.

Until we meet again, enjoy your "peace" of the PIE!



### **Return the Favor**

**John Robinson#55768**

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The month of February and Valentine's Day often make one think about those who are important. What a great time to Return The Favor as a symbol of the love that you have for the Jaycees!

Congratulations to those recognized at the USJCI Senate Winter Board for the impact that they have been making by Returning The Favor over the past few months:

- Certificate of Merit – Tracy Brown (#54773) from Indiana
- Outstanding Return The Favor State – West Virginia JCI Senate

The Winter Board Meeting Return The Favor Award recipient and other recipients of a Certificate of Merit will be announced at their upcoming regional meetings and included in future editions of the Senate Scene.

This month's Return The Favor spotlight – Virginia JCI Senate. Throughout the past several

months, members of the Virginia JCI Senate have been making an impact through their mentorship of local and state officers for the Virginia Jaycees. They have offered advice and support to local chapters looking to establish a charitable foundation and aiding them in maintaining consistency through leadership transitions. Senators were, also, involved with providing training to many Jaycees throughout their region. Congratulations on all of your service!

At the Fall USJCI Senate Board Meeting, President Steve announced an additional opportunity for Senators to Return The Favor by identifying potential new members for the Jaycees. Senators simply need to provide the names and contact information for potential members to the US Jaycees, through the Executive Director, Joel Harper ([ExecDirector@usjaycees.org](mailto:ExecDirector@usjaycees.org)), and follow-up contact will be coordinated for all submitted by the Jaycees.

This is part of a renewed commitment on the part of the US Jaycees to follow-up on prospective members. As a small incentive to encourage you to be part of this new initiative, the first Senator who includes me on an e-mail with the names and contact information for at least six (6) prospective members will receive a vintage US Jaycees Presidential Award Recruiter Patch [graciously provided by Region I Vice President John McAuliffe (#28656)]. So think about your co-workers, neighbors or others who could benefit from being a member of the Greatest Young Person's Organization In The World and forward their name and contact information today!

Please remember that the next submission deadline is June 1,

2012. This is an "in-hand" deadline and electronic submissions are encouraged! This is the final submission for the year and you can submit from past months if you missed earlier submission deadlines.

If you have any questions about the 2011 – 2012 Return The Favor Program, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks for all of those who are making an impact by Returning The Favor!

### **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

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### **40<sup>th</sup> is Coming**

The big 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration luncheon will be here in just a few months. This anniversary year has passed quickly, as have those which preceded it. We continue to ask for stories and photos to include in the program.

The celebration luncheon will be held on Friday, June 22, 2012 at the US JCI Senate National Convention in Altamonte Springs, Florida. While it will be held at the convention, it is a separate item on the registration form. The cost is only \$10 per person. It is important to make your reservation for this luncheon when you complete your registration for convention. Please be aware that there will not be any separate lunch or hospitality provided during this time by the host.

We hope to see all of you at the celebration luncheon. We still have some 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary commemorative coasters for sale. Proceeds help cover the costs of the event. You can order these through products, or by contacting Pat Hoelker at [skipat2@msn.com](mailto:skipat2@msn.com) or Calvin Baerveldt at [jci36419@gmail.com](mailto:jci36419@gmail.com). Note that I have a new mailing address for

8440 Ice Crystal Drive #C,  
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questions, please let me know.  
Look forward to seeing  
everyone in Florida.

**Mentors Editor**  
**Marsha Phillips #47528**  
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Happy Valentine's to all our  
Senate family!

Just a reminder or two. Deadline  
for May Mentors is March 15th.  
Also remember we are doing a  
salute to our veterans. Please  
send me a picture of you in your  
uniform, yes a picture from the  
past. We are not asking you to  
put on your uniform one more  
time !! If you cannot scan a  
picture to send, you can mail it  
to me and I will return it.  
Thanks for your help with this  
special project.

Send articles and pictures to  
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Thanks

**Canada JCI Senate**  
**Ambassador to the U.S. JCI**  
**Senate Vik Farrugia 59813**  
**Chairman 2012 Canadian**  
**Crew Meeting May 18-20**  
**London, Ontario**

HERE IS THE LATEST FROM  
" WHAT DO WE KNOW FOR  
SURE " ABOUT THE 2012  
CREW MEETING :

1) Anyone interested in  
experiencing some of the finest  
theatre this side of the Atlantic  
needs to contact  
[stratfordshakespearefestival.com](http://stratfordshakespearefestival.com)  
to order tickets. Stratford, home  
of Justin Beiber, is 40 minutes  
from London and the season  
opens in April. Our committee  
will help you plan a visit to the  
stage that has seen such  
Canadian notables as Donald  
Sutherland and Christopher  
Plummer act their way to  
success.

2) People have been wondering  
about our cancellation policy in  
case they have to cancel their  
visit to the convention. If you  
need to cancel you will be  
charged ten percent if you have  
paid by cheque or credit card up  
to May 01 / '12. After May01 /  
'12 there will be no refunds  
allowed. We thank you for your  
co-operation in this matter but  
we know that everyone will be  
there anyways.

3) Registration sits at 88 and the  
present cost is \$155.00 until  
March 31st / '12. The committee  
is hoping to put on a big push  
with our visit to Region 5 Spring  
Fling and with our fellow  
Senators from New York and  
surrounding environs.

4) The tour of the John Labatts  
Centre has been cancelled due to  
the fact that they do not run  
Saturday tours any longer.

5) We have planned a very  
special entertainment portion for  
the Saturday evening banquet  
that will please everyone. Full  
details have yet to be finalized  
so let the suspense and drama  
begin !!

Til next time - stay tuned.



## DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

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First of all, a great big thank you to  
all of you who attended the Winter  
Board Meeting in Norcross. I  
passed around 2 very successful  
sponsor sheets this past week.

If you don't know by now, let  
me inform you that there will be  
some additional color pages  
available in each issue from now  
on. We are talking about 4  
additional color pages at this  
time. Because of the cost of  
color pages, this means that we  
will have a price increase  
effective immediately. This is  
ONLY for the color ads. The  
cost of black and white ads will  
remain the same. Again,  
**BLACK AND WHITE ADS  
ARE THE SAME AS  
BEFORE. There is no change  
in price rates.**

Political Ads must be paid for in  
advance, whether black and  
white or color. They will not be  
printed unless they are paid for.  
The deadline for all ads is:  
March 15. Please plan  
accordingly.

Lastly, a great big thank you to  
the Georgia JCI Senate for a  
fabulous fun-filled weekend. I  
look forward to seeing many of  
you in Florida in June.

Here are the new color ad rates:

## MENTOR COLOR ADS

SPACE	WIDTH/DEPTH	RATE
Back Cover	7" x 10"	\$575.00
Inside Back Cover	7" x 10"	\$395.00
Inside Front Cover	7" x 10"	\$395.00
Full Page (Inside)	7" x 10"	\$260.00
2/3 Page V	4 ½" x 10"	\$205.00
2/3 Page H	7" x 6 ½"	\$205.00
½ Page H	7" x 5"	\$175.00
1/3 Page V	2 ¼" x 10"	\$115.00
1/3 Page H	7" x 3 ½"	\$115.00
¼ Page H	7" x 2 ½"	\$ 95.00
1/8 Page V	2 ¼ x 5"	\$ 85.00
Double Business Card	3" x 4"	\$ 75.00
Business Card	3" x 2"	\$ 45.

**Attachments to this Scene mailing:**

Reg 7 Mini National Form  
 Reg 7 Tours and schedule  
 Reg 8 Spring Mtng Form  
 Reg 9 Annual Mtng Form  
 Reg 10 Spring Mtng Form

Montana Mtng Form  
 State Officers Directory  
 FormFuture Senators Form  
 MAI Form  
 Reg 4 Calabash Bash Form  
 Reg 5 Spring Fling Form  
 Reg 6 Spring Meeting Form

Canadian Crew Meeting  
 European Conference Form  
 European Pre-Tour Info  
 National Convention Form  
 Fall Board 2012 Form  
 2012 Fall Frolic Form

## US JCI SENATE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

4	North Dakota Winter Senate Meeting	TBA	ND
23-26	Region VII Meeting/TN Senate Mini National	Pigeon Forge	TN

### MARCH

16-18	Region V Spring Fling	Indianapolis	IN
23-25	Region X	Anaheim	CA
29-Apr 1	MAI – Region II and III Meeting	Somerset	NJ

### APRIL

13-15	Region IV Calabash Beach Bash	Myrtle Beach	SC
14	Jim Ollis Memorial Golf Tournament	TBA	NC
20-22	Oregon Annual Meeting/50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	Clackamas	OR
20-22	Region VI Spring Meeting	Des Moines	IA
20-22	Region IX Annual Meeting	Clackamas	OR
27-29	Region VIII Spring Meeting	Topeka	KS
27-29	Idaho Annual Meeting	Riggins	ID

### MAY

14	NC JCI Senate Meeting	TBA	NC
TBA	OK JCI Senate 40 <sup>th</sup> Reunion	TBA	OK

### JUNE

2	OK Annual Shrimp/Ribfest	Tulsa	OK
19-23	<u>US JCI Senate National Convention</u> -Altamonte Springs (Orlando)	<u>FL</u>	