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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Consider the B.A.R. Raised

It's hard to believe that my year as President is almost over and that this is my final Senate Floor newsletter article. We just returned from a great weekend in Myrtle Beach at the Calabash Beach Bash. The weather was a little wet Friday, but it cleared up nicely for the Jim Ollie/Bobby Saunders Memorial Golf Tournament.

Next month, on May 18, we'll come together for the Senate reunion cookout at the NC Boys and Girls Home. We'll have a nice meal together with the girls from our cottage, and we'll have a time of sharing in memory of Senator Peggy Lewis #58375, who we lost earlier this year. Mark your calendars!



You don't want to miss it. After that, we'll hold our year-end meeting in Pinehurst on June 1st where we'll elect your new President, and my year will be over.

All in all, it's been a great year. My Daddy used to say, "I have everything I want. It just took me a while to know what to want." Well, I had a pretty good idea of what I wanted from this year as NC JCI Senate President, and I feel like I got everything I wanted!

One thing I wanted was a sense of purpose, the feeling that what we're doing makes a difference. This year, I got that and more! Every year, our sweepstakes/silent auction event allows us to make contributions to the Jaycees and the priority projects. This year was no different thanks to the hard work of Vice President Shannon Foster #67038 and donations from all of you. But then in September, a hurricane caused damage to the NC Boys & Girls Home. A group of past Jaycee Presidents and Senators banded together and raised over \$10,000 in a matter of weeks! Wow! Talk about Believe-Achieve-Receive!

The other thing I wanted was something I've had since Day One in this organization—the love and support of my fellow Senators. Within hours of my father's death, so many of you had reached out to me to share the burden of my grief. Our January meeting was held a little over a week later, and again, many of you helped out in so many ways. We don't call this our Senate family for nothing. We are truly there for each other, in good times and in bad. That means a lot.

When I chose my theme for this year--Raise the B.A.R. (Believe. Achieve. Receive.), I chose it because of the double-meaning.

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Presidential Advisors

As Senators, we do love the bar. But as the events of this year have unfolded, they have served to reaffirm the truth of the underlying message for me. I "believe" that faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life, that the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations, that economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise, that government should be of laws rather than of men, that earths' great treasure lies in human personality and that service to humanity is the best work of life. I look at what we've "achieved" this year, and I gratefully "receive" the fellowship, friendship, love and support that comes with it all. I hope this year has done that for you as well.

Aimee Scotton #69448 2018-2019 NC JCI Senate President







Vice President's Comments

Fellow Senators,

If you would like to be involved with the board in a leadership role, please let us know. There are two options for those who want to help guide the Senate in a positive direction: elected or appointed positions.

Elected positions include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Regional Director. **Nominations were made for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, West Regional Director and East Regional Director.** However, nominations will remain open until the Senate Year-End meeting on June 1. Open Regional Director positions include the Triad, Triangle and Sandhills.

Appointed positions include the following: First Timers, Return the Favor, Kyle Byrd Memorial Scholarship, Legal Counsel, Photographer, Life Members, Sergeant at Arms and Hospitality. These are appointed by the incoming president.

Here are descriptions and responsibilities of positions with the greatest need in the NC Senate:

Senate **Regional Directors** serve essentially the same function as the NC Jaycees RD's. They reach out to local chapters to gather information and assess their needs. They report back to the Senate at board meetings, through newsletter articles and the Yahoo group. There are currently five regions and 20 Jaycee chapters in North Carolina:

- * Triad: Greensboro, High Point, Winston-Salem
- * Sandhills: Central Carolina, Crede et Vincent, Mount Olive
- * Triangle: Cary, Durham, Raleigh, Roxboro
- * West: Charlotte, Elkin, Faith, Gaston County, Hickory, Spencer
- * East: Craven County, Greenville, Jacksonville, Rocky Mount

First Timers Program Manager runs the First Timers program at the Mid-Year and Year-End NC Jaycees Convention. It is for Jaycees attending convention for the first time.

Return the Favor Program Manager compiles paperwork documenting Senate participation and submits it to the national office.

Kyle Byrd Memorial Scholarship Program Manager promotes the scholarship program across the state and submits winners to the national program.

Legal Counsel provides legal counsel.

Photographer takes pictures at all events.

Life Members Program Manager maintains the data regarding Life Members.

Hospitality (usually 2-3 members) coordinates a hospitality room at each NC Jaycees convention.

Sergeant at Arms keeps order during meetings. The role also involves being responsible for presentation of the American flag and Jaycee Creed at meetings.

Thank you for helping serve the NC Jaycees and NC JCI Senate!

Shannon Foster, #67038, Vice President

Treasurer's Report

Hello Senators!

Spring is finally here! It's almost renewal time (for some of you)! If I have sent you a recent dues invoice, please take time to fill it out and send your \$25 check (or \$250 for life dues). If this is you, please send yours in NOW, so I don't have to bug you to get yours in. Many of us lead busy lives and it is all too easy to lay things aside. **Your June renewal is due to me by May 20.**

There are some Senators that, during the course of the year, didn't renew. **We want you back!** There are some people that we weren't able to reach through mail, phone, or social media. If you are reading this, and you fall in this category, please reach out to me at 828-381-8786, or at hickory_nick@yahoo.com, and I will send you an invoice. You can also go to nejcisenate.org and renew online through PayPal. As stated earlier, we want you back in the fold!

I have enjoyed being Treasurer this year! Yes, really! I also look forward to seeing you at the Year End meeting in Pinehurst on June 1.

Nick Woods #62735
2018 Treasurer





Return The Favor

The Return the Favor (RTF) Program was designed to encourage JCI Senators to help give back to the organization that helped them become the leaders they are today.

For non-active age Jaycees, we track time spent with our Jaycee chapters to encourage others to join in and support our future leaders.

Third Trimester RTF forms are due May 31, 2019 to cover the period of Dec 1, 2018 through May 31, 2019. **So,** please submit your forms to me no later than Friday, May 24, 2019 (we can discuss if you have hours that last week to submit). The form can be found here: http://www.ncjcisenate.org/Forms.aspx

You can contact me at sreiss7676@gmail.com or call me at 336-403-7676 if you have questions. Thank you for your support!

Sharon Reiss #74082

RTF Chair





Chaplain's Prayer

Greetings fellow Senators,

Spring is here!!! According to <u>LJWorld.com</u> the season of Spring symbolizes several things:

- 1. Easter- Which is celebrated during nature's season of spring and like the season of spring
- 2. New life-Trees, plants, fields are beginning to turn green; across Kansas new life is emerging from the ground
 Spring is a symbol of rejuvenation

As a Senator, our purpose is to continue to breathe new life into our current Jaycee members across the State. I know at times we let life's daily pressures take over, but please remember to stop, breathe, rejuvenate and ultimately help our dear Jaycees "Spring into Action".

My goal as Chaplain this year, is to continue to have us thinking outside of the box. Remembering that service to humanity is always the best work of life even as a Senator. As we move into this new season please let me know if there are any Special Congratulations and Good News (weddings, special anniversaries & milestone birthdays, birth announcements - major life accomplishments)****Reminder, this is the area I would love to have you send me news on.

Continue to remember our theme for this year #thankfulgratefulblessed. You never know what your fellow Senators are going through so please send love and warm Jaycee spirit thoughts their way.

Your Senate Chaplin, Maria Hicks-Few Senator #70376





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Triangle

Stacy Hanna, #74881

Sandhills

Angela Sweeney, #69453

Tar River/Down East

Peggy Lewis, #58375

Sandhills—Central Carolina

Central Carolina Jaycees:

Their membership meetings are on the third Monday of the month (6:30pm) usually at the Enrichment Center in Sanford.

They didn't have any upcoming events or requests for help to share at this time. Please continue to follow them online at their website to get the latest info:

<u>centralcarolinajcs.org</u> or on Facebook at: <u>facebook.com/centralcarolinajaycees</u>

Angela Sweeney, #69453

Save the Date

North Carolina Senators mark your calendars, 2020 National Convention is going to be in Greensboro June 21-26. We presented the bid in New Orleans and are now on our way. Anyone interested in serving on a committee please let us know. We will be at the Embassy Suites again, rooms won't be available till the end of June, and we will begin accepting registrations in June in Portland,

Oregon. Much more to come. We will be meeting in August at the Senate/Jaycee meeting.

Thanks!

Crissie Lewis & Pam Padgett



Newsletter Articles

Suzanne Gill, #67891

Newsletter Editor

Hi Everyone! It has been my pleasure to serve as the NC Senate newsletter editor this past year. Thank you to everyone who submitted articles and pictures throughout the year!

Please find our most up-to-date information on our webpage at:

www.ncjcisenate.org or on our Facebook group at:

Facebook.com/NC JCI Senate



Important Upcoming Dates

May 1
US JCI Senate Memorial Award Submissions Due

May 18

NC Boys and Girls Home Gathering

June 1

Senate Year-End meeting





