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Vann Sparrow

41st NC JCI Senate President
Senator #67885

WORK HARD, PLAY HARD

Hello, North Carolina Senators

I can't believe it's already been a year since I started serving as your President, and what a year it's been. There's been lots of travel, lots of meetings and most importantly – lots of fun and fellowship. We've worked hard and we've played hard. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did.

There's been a lot of activity during the last couple of months. On Saturday, April 1, over 65 Senators, family and friends gathered on the campus of the Boys & Girls Home in Lake Waccamaw to dedicate the **Gary Jones Outdoor Cook Station and Pavilion**. This project got started last year at the May meeting in Pinehurst. After announcing the details of the project, YOU went to work raising money in order to make this a reality. We met our fundraising goal in less than three months. **Mr. Gary Faircloth** and the staff of the Boys & Girls Home went to work, getting the facility built in less than a year. They did a great job.

The cook station and picnic shelter are first class. Thanks to NVP **Daryl McNair** and **Terry Jones** for breaking in the grill. Thanks to the staff of the Home for preparing the sides and thanks to the girls in the Jaycee Cottage for making all of the desserts. There were lots of laughs, a few tears and lots of good memories shared about a man who gave so much to help so many. The cook station and picnic shelter will serve as a permanent reminder of all that Gary did for the Boys & Girls Home and the residents.

In late April, several NC Senators joined our friends from Region IV at the NC/SC Calabash Beach Bash in Myrtle Beach. On Saturday morning, 40 golfers played in the Annual Jim Ollis Golf Tournament, one of our largest fundraisers of the year. Thanks to **Marty Wase, Bill and BJ Craft** and **Peggy Lewis** for all their hard work to put together a great day of golf. While the weather and most of the golf was great, the weekend got off to a somber start as we learned of the passing of **Bobby Saunders**, longtime NC Senator and founder of the Ollis Tournament. I know **Bobby** is proud of the

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2017-18 Year Is Here

Jennifer E. Salmon #71393

As hard as it may be for us to believe, in less than 1 week we will be meeting in Pinehurst to elect our 2017-2018 officers, as well as to celebrate the achievements of President **Vann Sparrow** and the 2016-2017 year. Wow! I look forward to seeing so many of you in a few short days. I also hope that I can count on your support in my candidacy for President of the NCJCI Senate. I can truly think of no greater honor than to be allowed to serve our members in such a position.

As a quick reminder, the slate of officers for 2017-2018 is listed in this newsletter. I do want to mention that we had a change in candidates for one position. **Stacey Hanna** was originally nominated for the Senate Secretary's position but has withdrawn that nomination since she was elected in April to complete the year as the State's President after the current President resigned. While we are disappointed that she will not be on this team, we applaud her desire to continue to serve and look forward to working with her in the months to come.

However, I am proud to announce that **Myra Gaddy** has put her name in for the Secretary position. I was excited when **Myra** said she would run for the position. She will be a great asset to the team!

My theme this year is "Together We Can." This is the same theme I used in 2012 as the NC Jaycees State President. I will point out that, as a team, we can do ANYTHING we set our minds to. We are not bound by limitations from anyone and have the ability to achieve whatever we believe. This is why I am so grateful that we'll be taking this journey together. Thank you. I look forward to seeing you all very soon and appreciate your support.

Hugs!

Jennifer E. Salmon
2016-17 NC JCI Senate Vice President



A Word (or more) From Our Chaplain

Shannon Foster #67038

It's hard to believe we are coming to the end of the JCI Senate year. I have to admit, when I was asked to serve as Chaplain by President **Vann**, I had some reservations. The title implies a lot. I'm certainly not qualified to tend to anyone's spiritual needs. However, that is not what is required and I've spent the year trying to keep everyone informed of all sorts of announcements. There have been joyous ones like the news of a pregnancy and the healing of the sick. Unfortunately, there have been sad ones as well, including illness and even the passing of loved ones.

Most of the time, I ask that you keep each other in your thoughts and prayers. For those of you on Facebook, you often see that phrase in response to bad news. My hope is that we haven't used it so much that it has become rote. If you are a praying person, I hope that you truly are communicating your wishes for other people's well-being and strength and putting your trust in **His** power. If you are not a praying person, keeping someone in your thoughts and reaching out to them can be a wonderful gesture.

I know it's hard to stay positive when it feels like things are falling apart and it's hard to feel gratitude when things are not going the way you think they should, but the world is alive with blessings and if you slow down and look, you can find them anywhere.

It's been my privilege to serve as Chaplain this year and I hope we all continue to live healthy and happy lives!

Shannon Foster
2016-17 NC JCI Senate Chaplain



Vann's Article (cont.)

job **Marty** and his team are doing to carry on this legacy.

We were fortunate to have President **Jim Mammen** and First Lady **Cindy** and Administrative VP **John Robinson** with us for the whole weekend. Thanks to President **Jim** for shouldering the load for the NC golf team during the tournament Saturday. Thanks again to **Hal** and **Rita Bowles** for all their hard work to make this weekend a huge success.

Again, I can't believe how fast this year has gone by. I can't say Thanks enough to all the people who have worked so hard to make this year a success. I'm sure with the slate of officers nominated for next year, the success will continue. Please plan on joining us in Pinehurst on May 20th as we wrap up this year and kick off 2017-2018.

Vann
Vann Sparrow
2016-17 NC JCI Senate President

A Word From Your Chairman of the Board

Nick Woods # 62735

I have enjoyed having the opportunity to serve the last several years on an informal 3 year track of Vice President, President, and culminating this year in serving as Chairman of the Board. My how the time has flown! Great times indeed!

I would like to congratulate President **Vann** on a great year as President, as this Jaycee year is coming to a close. We worked hard and played hard for sure! I want to wish Team 2017-2018 much success as they are getting ready to get their year started!

See you around!

Nick Woods
2016-17 NC JCI Senate Chairman of the Board



14th Annual Jim Ollis Memorial Golf Tournament Saturday April 22, 2017

Marty Wase # 53142

The 14th annual Jim Ollis Memorial Golf Tournament was a huge success with 39 golfers, 45 sponsors, beautiful weather, and a profit of **\$5078.83**. However, we entered April 22 with heavy hearts as just two days earlier the founder and architect of the Jim Ollis Memorial Golf Tournament, **Bobby Saunders**, passed away. **Bobby** was responsible for building this tournament and leading it to high levels of success. **Bobby** was a great man and a great friend and we will dearly miss him. I'm sure that he was with us in spirit that day and was pleased with the results.

The committee wishes to sincerely thank all our players and sponsors for your participation and for your generosity. We want to especially give a shout out to the following Senators who worked the day of the tournament: **Bill & BJ Craft; Peggy Lewis; Al & Debbie Mills; Cheryl Carlson; Carolyn Smith; and John & Deb Price**. We also want to thank the following Senators for their in-kind donations: **Terry Jones** for the best snacks in golfer goody bags; **Crissie Lewis** for the calendar magnets; and **Linda Reid Oldham** for the coozies. Finally, we want to thank Treasurer **Pam Padgett**, Vice-President **Jennifer E. Salmon**, and President **Vann Sparrow** for all your support and for keeping us on task. Forgive us if we left anyone off this list.

This was truly a TEAM effort and a TEAM success and we are very appreciative of all Senators who stepped up to help make this project a success.

Marty Wase
Bill Craft
BJ Craft
2016-17 NC JCI Senate Jim Ollis Golf Tournament Committee



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Angela Sweeney # 69453

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Be watching for new information, updates, and changes from the 2017-2018 team soon.



2016-17 NC JCI Senate Webpage Chairman

Winston-Salem Jaycees Need Help

Sharon Reiss # 74082

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JCI Senate National Convention Update

C.J. Jordan # 45857

The Hilton Chicago/Northbrook is full! The back up hotel is the Crowne Plaza Chicago-Northbrook. It is also \$139.50 per night. It is just across a quiet street from the Hilton. You can make reservations by:
Calling: 847-493-6929

On Line: www.crowneplaza.com/northbrookchi

Email: reservations@bayshospitality.com

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If you have any problems please call Kate at 708-284-5125. Should you be cancelling a room at the Hilton for any reason please call Kate and let her know first.

Thanks for your support of this fantastic event!



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**RETURN THE FAVOR
OUTSTANDING JCI SENATOR NOMINATION
2016 - 2017**



JCI Senator's Name: JCI Senate #:
State:

THE OUTSTANDING JCI SENATOR NOMINATION PACKET SHOULD INCLUDE:

1. Completed "RTF Activity Log"
2. A brief description of how the nominated JCI Senator has been a mentor and/or resource for the Jaycees
3. A brief description of why the nominee should be recognized as an Outstanding JCI Senator for Return the Favor
4. Statement(s) from the Jaycee leaders supporting the nominee and how the individual has contributed to their organization's projects, activities or training programs.

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Deadlines:

September 1, 2016

December 18, 2016

June 1, 2017

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS ARE ENCOURAGED AND ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE IN-HAND BY THE DEADLINE DATES.

NOTE: This form is ONLY required if you are submitting the JCI Senator for recognition as Outstanding JCI Senator. The JCI Senator's "RTF Activity Form" IS required as backup for the Outstanding JCI Senator in addition to this form.

