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Perfect Vision for 2020 – Getting Back to The Basics

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Hello Fellow Senators,

This year has been a little different from any that we've known so far. Even though COVID-19 has changed things for all of us and we have had to quarantine at times, this year has flown by. It's hard to believe that the Holiday season is upon us. As it approaches, it means that holiday movies will be on Hallmark, that Christmas music plays in stores, and that people begin to decorate their homes. Many people will get together with family and friends for Thanksgiving dinner or Christmas lunch. These are times that people cherish and make lasting memories. It reminds me of my theme this year: "Perfect Vision for 2020 - getting back to the basics". The basics to me are people showing compassion for one another, people showing kindness to strangers, and hanging out with friends and family to make lasting memories.

Because of COVID, many in-person activities and gatherings have been cancelled. However, this has not stopped our Jaycees from having events and helping others. They have figured out ways to have on-line events and raise money. We (the NC JCI Senate) are having to do the same thing. We are having meetings via Zoom. This will be the case for our Senate Christmas Party this year. We will be having two opportunities to attend zoom meetings and see each other over the computer/phone. There will be a Friendsgiving zoom social on Monday, November 30th and our Christmas Party in December. More details will be coming out on these events so please make sure to check your emails.

There are currently 4 girls living in the Jaycee Cottage at the Lake Waccamaw Boys and Girls Homes of NC. I am in the process of getting their wish list for Christmas and we will work with the NC Jaycees to purchase those items. I spoke with Mason Smith, the Director of Church and Civic Club Relations, who suggested that if we wanted to do something extra, that we could sponsor a nice meal in the cottage (something catered that feels special). That experience could include gift cards or even gift bags with a few beauty products in them. I think this is a great idea and I will provide more information in the coming weeks.

I encourage every Senator to make a connection with the Jaycees. This can be done in a variety of ways. You can help a Jaycees chapter with one of their events or work with the Cary Jaycees with the NC State football concessions. They need help at the November 21st or December 5th game. You can also be involved in the Return the Favor Program. One of the opportunities is the Jaycee Story: Provide a 250-word write-up about your Jaycee Story (Why did you join? Why did you stay? What is the greatest impact the Jaycees had on your life? What words of encouragement/empowerment do you have to offer the Jaycees of today?) or provide a 90-second video of you giving your Jaycee story.

I hope everyone is in good health and staying safe. It is important to stay connected to others during this time of isolationism. Please check-in on one another from time to time. Remember that your Senate family loves & supports you. We are always here if you need us.

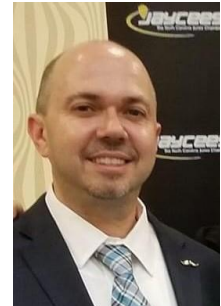
Happy Holidays,
Suzanne Gill, #67891, NC JCI Senate President



**Chairman of the Board
Shannon Foster #67038**

Fellow Senators,

It seems like forever since we've been able to see each other in person! The bright side of things is that we have been able to stay safe and healthy. It is also encouraging that the NC Jaycees are finding ways to stay active, whether in person or virtually. It's not surprising that NC JCI Senators are continuing to support the Jaycees.



In fact, I would like to acknowledge Senator #70382 Carmen Miller for her continued support of the JCI organization as a whole. She has made friends with Jaycees all over the country and has remained active, even after her year as NC Jaycees President ended. She has attended virtual meetings and provides input and assistance when needed.

She continues to be active with our local chapters as well. I attended a Winston-Salem outing at Divine Llama Winery with Carmen and she is truly a champion for the JCI organization!

I want to thank all NC JCI Senators who continue to support the mission of the JCI Senate as we persevere through trying times.

In Senate Spirit,
Shannon Foster #67038

When 2 [North Carolina Jaycees](#) Past State Presidents walk into a Jaycee event 💕



Vice President**Angela Sweeney #69453**

As this continues to be a crazy and unusual year, like many others I'm continuing to spend more time at home, socializing less and in smaller groups. I've missed seeing you all and being able to meet in person; I'm looking forward to our next gathering and catching up with everyone. In the meantime, you can reach me at AngelaNCJCI@gmail.com or 828-358-4122.

**Treasurer****Nick Woods #62735**

Hello Senators! 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 ASAP because I have to have December renewals in to National by December 1. (ASAP because Thanksgiving week is coming up and our minds will be on friends and family then, as they should be)

If you wish to update a mailing address, please go the USJCI Senate website, at www.usjcisenate.org, click the Address link, and enter your updated information. I will get an updated roster the following quarter with the new information, from the Member Services National Program Manager. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving, and I look forward to seeing you sometime soon!

**Freshman Senators****Gerald Joyce #62687**

Hello NC JCI Senators!

2020 has been the year that has challenged us to operate differently, and we have risen to the challenge! I want to remind everyone that now is the time to think about New Senatorships. There are many deserving JCI members in our chapters and we want to get them involved with the NC JCI Senate as well! If you haven't started talking to your local chapters about those deserving individuals, I would urge you to start now. If you know of someone but don't know who to contact, please reach out to me at geraldjoyce1@gmail.com. I will be happy to help get their information to the local chapter for nomination. Also, if you know of a deserving former JCI member, someone who has moved and lost touch with our NC JCI chapters, or was a member of another state's JCI chapter all are welcome, so send them our way!

As things are different this year and has taught us change is the constant in our life. Currently, we are planning on welcoming our new senators in Gastonia during the NC JCI year-end convention February 5 to February 7, 2021. As things change based on what the NCJCI we will adjust to accommodate how we celebrate our new senators. Thank you for your patience and I am welcome to ideas if we do this virtually so that we are able to provide a special experience for the new senators! We will also adjust our New Senator Orientation as necessary in coordination with NC JCI.

Looking forward to seeing all of you (in person or virtually) and our new Senators in February!

Gerald Joyce #68687



Chaplain

James Rupard #41615



As I write this article, Tim Bryan has just returned from Texas after speaking at Gary Wallace's Celebration of Life. Cheryl Carlson is on her way home from Greenville, South Carolina after spending the weekend with friends who had previously planned to get together during the Region IV meeting that was cancelled due to Covid-19. On Friday, a Winston-Salem Jaycee called me trying to get a floral arrangement to a Senator who had recently lost a family member. I was recently honored to have a conversation with A.J. Morton who related his friendship with the author of our Creed, William Brownfield. As a result of that friendship, A.J. maintains dual membership in the Ohio Senate.

I mention these events because they are prime examples of relationships developed through Jaycees. Some are newer relationships, many go back years, even decades. These are relationships forged over time at state conventions, district and regional meetings - especially those regional swings. Relationships forged through membership meetings, projects, socials, visits to other chapters and to our priority projects, and on and on and on.

These relationships have stood solid despite varied backgrounds and careers, economic status, social status, and even political ideology. We came together and formed friendships that last a life time with one common thread - our love for our Jaycee organization and the vision we all shared.

This year, as we gather during the coming holidays, however we choose to gather, I encourage us all to remember what is most important in our lives: Friends and family, relationships, love, caring and sharing, giving more than we receive - especially emotionally. These are the things that will create memories and strengthen the ties that bind us.

Thank you for loving on each other this year. Thank you for sharing your time and effort with fellow Senators who may need a word of encouragement.

May God watch over and protect you, may He cause his face to shine upon you, and may He bring you peace during these seasons of Giving Thanks, and reflecting on the gift of his son.

Chaplain James
910-315-3310

NC Senate Christmas Party

With the recent governor COVID updates for NC, we are cancelling the in-person Christmas Party. It is hard for us to meet if you can only have 10 people in a room together. If you made a room reservation, you will need to call the hotel & cancel it. We are going to have a zoom Christmas Party in December and more information will be coming out on that. I would love to see everyone in person but we need to do what is best for our members.

Please let me know if you have any questions or any ideas for the zoom Christmas party. You can contact Suzanne at zangill2006@yahoo.com or (910) 297-4621.

Return the Favor Melanie Paschal #70372



It is almost that time again!! It is time on December 1st to turn in your Return The Favor Nominations. It has been a very different year for the Jaycees and the JCI Senate but that doesn't change the fact that the NC JCI Senators support their NC Jaycee organization. Please Nominate a JCI Senator or Senators who have shown support for their local or state Jaycee organization. Senators can participate in one of seven programs which makes it so much easier to make a difference for the Jaycee chapter. Tell your **Jaycee Story** through word or video so that others know the benefits you have experienced as a result of being a part of the Jaycee organization and to give encouragement to the current Jaycees. Provide your information to the **Database** showing that you are willing to help a local or state Jaycee organization to complete their mission. Have **Coffee Talk** with a Jaycee over coffee, be a part of a panel or podcast at a state or national level to help promote the Jaycee organization. Promote **Friending** an individual Jaycee, chapter or state organization in order to help them with a learning/educational project. Help them organize a PMG, provide Senators to attend and facilitate a question and answer session to help educate them. Promote a Mentoring relationship between Senators and Jaycees in your organization. Provide **Life Skills training** or match a Senator to a Jaycee chapter that needs a training. Provide **General Assistance** to a Jaycee chapter and help them to evaluate what other resources they need to be successful.

Nomination Forms can be found on the NC JCI Senate or US JCI Senate Website and the next ones are due December 1. Thank you in advance for your participation in the outstanding program. NC JCI Senators have routinely been recognized in the Return to Favor Program lets make sure that this year is no different.

Nominations need to include:

Section 1: Nominee's Information

Section 2: Check which programs nominee has participated in

Section 3: Provide a BRIEF write-up as the nominator of what this individual has done to be nominated for Return the Favor

Attachments: No more than two letters of reference from Jaycee members / leaders identifying what the individual has done

Kyle Byrd Memorial Scholarship Karen Bograd #74882



Do you have or know of a graduating high school senior looking for scholarship opportunities? Please let them know that the NC JCI Senate and has such an opportunity! It's the Kyle Byrd Memorial Scholarship. Each year, the NC JCI Senate Kyle Byrd Memorial Scholarship program selects two applicants and awards them a \$500 scholarship each. In addition, the NC JCI Senate Scholarship program will also select two applicants to submit for the US JCI Senate Scholarship program which awards several \$1000 scholarships.

Scholarship form can be found at: Foundation Scholarship Application (<http://ncjcisenate.org/KyleByrdMemorialScholarship.html>) The application must be postmarked no later than January 22, 2021. For your convenience, the chairman for NC this year and mailing information is: NC JCI Senate Scholarship Program c/o Karen Bograd 2525 Big Sky Ln Raleigh, NC 27615

For questions or additional information, please contact Karen Bograd at karenbograd@yahoo.com

Karen Bograd
Kyle Byrd Memorial Scholarship Chair
NC JCI Senate

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Tar River / Down East**Amy Moore #78686**mykay22@hotmail.com (252) 917-0545**Greenville Jaycees Upcoming Events**

On October 20, the Greenville Jaycees prepared and fed over 100 dinners and distributed them at the Joy Soup Kitchen.

We made an outdoor movie theatre and watched Hocus Pocus on October 30th complete with homemade popcorn and s'mores to celebrate Halloween.

On December 5th at 5pm, The Greenville Jaycees will host The Greenville Jaycees Christmas Parade. It will be a little backwards this year to assure social distancing and safety. The parade floats will be stationary and community members can drive through the see the floats.

Shuck and Pluck is tentatively planned for February 28th, 2021.

Jacksonville Jaycees

The Jacksonville Jaycees hosted a night golf tournament on October 23, 2020 and raised \$6690.00 for the PEERS Family Development Center.

Jacksonville will be adopting two families this year to provide a very Merry Christmas for them!

Craven County

The Craven County Jaycees have been VERY busy! They hosted the Rocky Horror Picture Show on October 30 and Bingo on November 7th at the Jaycees Fair Grounds.

On December 5th at 3pm, the Craven County Jaycees will host the New Bern/Jaycees Christmas Parade.

Independent Pro-wrestling is returning to the Craven County Jaycee's Fairgrounds on January 16th, 2021 at 6pm.

Greenville Jaycees volunteer at the Joy Soup Kitchen.



Field trip to Craven County Jaycees for Bingo Night!

Senate RD Amy Moore, Jaycee RD Kyle Moore and incoming Jaycee RD John Kay.



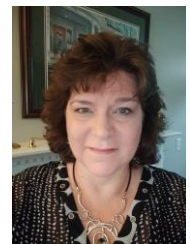
Jacksonville Jaycees present check to Peers from golf tournament.



**Piedmont Triad
Kim Bode #62467**

Greensboro Jaycees

The Greensboro Jaycees have found creative ways to stay engaged with the community and the chapter in recent months. There were a variety of unique events! A virtual candidate forum was held in partnership with other community organizations in early October for the county commissioners, school board, and the NC General Assembly and US House of Representatives for triad districts. Voters could view these in real time or watch the videos from their Facebook page. The Cava and Canvas event provided a socially distant painting event for the chapter where members could socialize and be creative. For Halloween, the Greensboro Jaycees held the Haunted Driveway. This event provided a safe event where parents could schedule a time for kids ages 5 to 12 to attend the Spooktacular Haunted Driveway for trick or treating. An alternative the traditional Halloween Party was the Halloween Mural Scavenger Hunt.



High Point Jaycees

The High Point Jaycees joined with Relay for Life of Guilford County to support the Neighbors Unite - Drive Thru Luminaria Experience in support of everyone who has faced a cancer diagnosis. Luminary bags were sold in memory of both those who have lost their battle to cancer, but in honor of survivors!

Winston-Salem Jaycees

In honor of Halloween, the Winston-Salem Jaycees hosted a virtual baking competition to raise funds for their Outstanding Young Leaders Scholarship. Plan to attend the Winston-Salem Jaycees Drive-Thru Holiday Parade on December 5. This is a unique twist for a socially distanced holiday parade. Instead of bands, twirlers and floats marching down a road lined with spectator, the spectators will drive down the streets with the "parade" lined up to entertain! Collection locations will be set up for an Annual Toy Drive too! To top it off, as you drive away from the Parade, you can head towards the Fairgrounds for a special viewing of a holiday movie.

Carter-Finley Concession Stand with Cary Jaycees

This year, instead of the NC Senate working one specific date for the NC State concession stand, the Cary Jaycees have requested that Senators sign-up to work one of two games left this season through Sign-up Genius: [Carter-Finley Concessions 2020](#). At this time, it isn't certain whether the Cary Jaycees will be one of 2 groups operating concession stands at these games or not. It is based on which groups reply first! So, if you are interested in helping the Cary Jaycees, please sign-up ASAP! The Cary Jaycees will contact Senators who sign-up through Sign-up Genius directly with game details. Volunteers will be required to wear proper PPE and follow new protocols for safety. More details will be shared if/when the Cary Jaycees are selected for a game.

Senate Floor, NC Senate Newsletter Kim Bode #62467

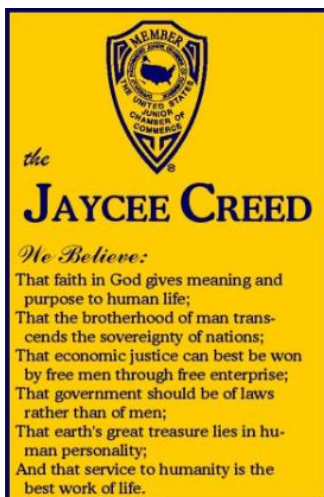
We hope you have enjoyed the updates from NC in this newsletter! If you have any news you would like to share with the NC JCI Senate, please send an email and/or pictures to KimBode62@gmail.com by the deadlines below.



Deadlines for upcoming issues of the Senate Floor are as follows:
February 5, 2021
April 2, 2021

Calendar of Events

November 30, 2020	Friendsgiving zoom social	Zoom
December, 2020 date TBD	NC Senate Christmas Party	Zoom
January 21 - 24, 2021	US JCI Senate Winter BOD Meeting	Mesa, AZ
February 5 - 7, 2021	NC Jaycees Year End Convention & NC Senate Meeting	Gastonia, NC
June 13 - 18, 2021	US JCI Senate National Convention	Virginia Beach, VA



Links to Registration / Forms:

2021 US JCI Senate Winter BOD	http://usjcisenate.org/registration-forms/2021-winter-bod-registration/viewdocument
2021 US JCI Senate National Convention	http://usjcisenate.org/registration-forms/2021-national-convention/viewdocument