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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Raising the B.A.R. (Believe/Achieve/Receive)

It's hard to believe that my year as President of the NC JCI Senate is half-over. What a year it's been so far! In September, a small delegation of NC Jaycees attended the Fall National Meeting in Des Moines, Iowa. At that meeting, the NC JCI Senate was recognized as a top state in the Return the Favor program. That's quite an accomplishment and is a testament to the NC Senate's history of supporting the Jaycees and a testament to the hard work of program manager Sharon Reiss in assembling and submitting the paperwork to national. Way to go, everyone!

While we were in Des Moines, Hurricane Florence swept through North Carolina, followed swiftly by Hurricane Michael. Upon learning of the damage to the Jaycee cottage at the Boys and Girls Home of North Carolina, a group of NC JCI Senators banded together to

raise money for repairs to the cottage while honoring one of our own, John Lowery, a past NC Jaycees State President and current NC JCI Senator who is battling cancer. At the time of the submission of this article for publication, this group had raised almost \$10,000.00. Consider the B.A.R. raised!



As I write this article, we are just days away from one of the NC JCI Senate's annual fundraisers. On Saturday, November 3, a group of Senators will man the Cary Jaycees concessions booth at the NC State Football game. This helps raise money for the Senate but also helps the Cary Jaycees in providing manpower for the booth. If you've never worked this event, I encourage you to do so next year. It is great fun and a great way to help out the Cary Jaycees.

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And just next weekend (November 8-11), North Carolina is hosting the Region IV Fall Meeting in Hendersonville. This promises to be a fantastic weekend as we bond with Senators from the other states in our region. Plus, it's Hendersonville in the fall! What could be better?

After that, the holidays are right around the corner. If you haven't already put it on your calendar, please make plans to attend the NC JCI Senate Christmas Party at the Comfort Inn in Pinehurst on Saturday, December 8th at 6:00 p.m. We'll have lots of food, fellowship and fun as we eat and drink and engage in a rousing game of Dirty Santa. It's also a good time to reflect on how much the Jaycees and the Senate have meant to you and how lucky we all are that we found these organizations and each other. It's the most wonderful time of the year—let's spend part of it together!

January will bring the Winter National Board Meeting. This year, it's being held in . . . wait for it . . . New Orleans, Louisiana! You're not going to want to miss this one. The registration form is included in this newsletter. Use it! If you've been to a national meeting, then you know how great it is to meet and hang out with Senators from all over. If you haven't, then this will be a great one to start with. Meetings are few and opportunities for sightseeing abound.

In conclusion, as we enter the holiday season, we enter a season where our focus shifts to family and friends and to giving and receiving. Let us always be mindful of how blessed we are to have such a large and loving Senate family, and let us always remember how much we receive when we give.

Aimee Scotton, #69448

2018-2019 NC JCI Senate President

Vice President's Comments

Fellow Senators,

Fall is in the air and Christmas is around the corner. It truly is a time of gratitude and thanksgiving! In addition to the blessings I have in my life, I also have to give thanks to everyone who supported the Senate Sweepstakes and Silent Auction.

On August 3, we gathered at the NC Jaycees Mid-Year Convention in Raleigh to support the Jaycee chapters in our state. Senators from all over sold (and bought) sweepstakes tickets in the weeks leading up to convention. That night we also held a silent auction. During bidding, President Aimee Scotton conducted a fun trivia game and we drew door prizes throughout the evening. The grand prize drawing was held and the winner of the \$500 grand prize was Diane Upshaw, #68685!

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After all was said and done, we made donations to the NC Jaycees and their priority projects. Sweepstakes ticket sales were \$3095. The silent auction raised \$1273. We made donations of \$1100 each to the Boys & Girls Home, the Jaycee Burn Center and Duke Cancer. We also donated \$400 to the NC Jaycees. The remaining amount was retained by the Senate per NC JCI Senate policy.

Thank you to everyone who purchased sweepstakes tickets! Thank you to the Senators who donated items to the silent auction: Kim Bode, Dr. Cheryl Carlson, Debbie Deal, Gary Faircloth, Stacy Hanna, Mike Harris, Dupre Jones, Carol "CJ" Jordan, Diane Kavanaugh, Crissie Lewis, Peggy Lewis, Pam Padgett, Melanie Paschal, Jennifer E. Salmon, Aimee Scotton and Melissa Spivey. Apologies to anyone I may have missed. If I did leave your name off the list, please let me know and I will correct my notes.

A huge "Thank You" also goes to Gerald Joyce and Melanie Paschal for their help with tickets, auction items and accounting during the event.

The NC Jaycees helped as well. Their administration made arrangements for the room and Robert Cook of the Raleigh Jaycees was the DJ.

It was a wonderful evening, not just because we were able to show support for the NC Jaycees, but also because we were able to come together as a Jaycee family. Old friends came out to support the event and it was great catching up. New friends were made with the next generation of Jaycees.

I look forward to seeing you at more local chapter events as we continue to serve the Jaycees and at the upcoming Senate Christmas Party!

Shannon Foster, #67038

Vice President



Treasurer's Comments

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 (or \$250 for life dues) ASAP because I have to have December renewals in to National by December 1. (ASAP also because Thanksgiving week is coming up and our minds will be on friends and family then, as they should be)

On that note, Happy Thanksgiving and I look forward to seeing you at the Senate Christmas Party in Pinehurst!



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.

The RTF Program concentrates on (1) TAKING ACTION with the new Jaycees and officers to help support them in everything they do, (2) Making a POSITIVE IMPACT by spending time with our Jaycees and providing them examples of what was done in the past and (3) MENTOR the future leaders, don't do the work, but show them. Take their hand as someone did in the past for us.

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

Second Trimester RTF forms are due Nov 30, 2018 to cover the period of Sept 1, 2018 through Nov 30, 2018. **So, please submit your forms to me no later than Friday, Nov 23, 2018 (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



... people will forget what you say
... people will forget what you do
... people will never forget how you made
them feel!

(Maya Angelou)

Chaplain's Prayer

Fellow Senators,

"Thankful for my Blessings"— by Maria Hicks-Few, NCJCI Senate Chaplain, Senate No. 70376

Given everything that we have going on in the world today it is a time for us to be in a Thankful mode. Thanksgiving is not just a time for family, food, and friends. It is also a time for us to be reminded of all of our blessings in our lives each day. As NCJCI Senators we have spent most of our adult lives living and breathing the Jaycee Creed. Living the Jaycee Creed entailed giving to others in our chapters as well as our communities. If your life is as hectic as mine right now, you may have forgotten those times we once shared when that feeling of thankfulness was in the air. Close your eyes and think back, do you remember? It was a great feeling.

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Now many of our lives still involve giving back but its different. If you are ever in doubt of how blessed you are and how thankful you should be please remember this poem:

The Best Thanksgiving, by Joanna Fuchs:

Thanksgiving is here, so our minds have turned
To what time has taught us, to what we've learned:
We often focus all our thought
On shiny things we've shopped and bought.
We take our pleasure in material things,
Forgetting the pleasure that friendship brings.
If a lot of our stuff just vanished today,
We'd see the foundation of each happy day
Is special relationships, constant and true,
And that's when our thoughts go directly to you.
We wish you a Thanksgiving you'll never forget,
Full of love and joy—your best one yet!

During this season of Thanksgiving lets challenge each other to take at least one day and post on social media and or call/email/text another Senator and let them know how thankful and blessed you are.

#thankfulgreatfulblessed

Maria Hicks-Few, #70376

NCJCI Senate Chaplain



Maria Hicks-Few

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Sandhills—Central Carolina

As weather permitted, the Central Carolina Jaycees recently continued their outdoor movie event with Movies in the Park fall series this past month; unfortunately the weather was uncooperative many weeks.

Central Carolina Jaycees will be having their Turkey Shoot starting the 3rd Friday of November, running through the 1st Friday of December beginning at 7pm each night.

They have the Sanford Christmas Parade scheduled for Monday, December 3rd at 7pm in downtown Sanford. Information about the parade is available at centralcarolinajcs.org/events/parade and on Facebook (facebook.com/sanfordparade).

Their membership meetings are on the third Monday of the month (6:30pm) usually at the Enrichment Center in Sanford. Their next meeting is November 19th. The Central Carolina Jaycees can be found online at centralcarolinajcs.org and facebook.com/centralcarolinajaycees; they do a great job communicating through these sites.

Angela Sweeney, #69453



Newsletter Articles

Suzanne Gill, #67891
Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter will be coming out four times a year. Please feel free to submit your article to me before the deadline.

For future reference, here are the dates when articles will be due:

- February 1, 2019
- April 1, 2019

Happy Holidays!





NC JCI Senate Christmas Party

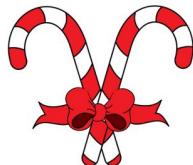
When? Saturday, Dec. 8th, 6:00 p.m.

Where? Comfort Inn, 9801 US 15-501, Pinehurst, NC

A limited number of rooms are available under the NC JCI SENATE room block for \$86 per night. Contact the hotel directly to make reservations.

Please bring a snack or holiday goody to share. Fun and fellowship will abound as we share the joy of the holidays together!

We'll hold our annual Dirty Santa game, as well. Please bring a wrapped gift valued at \$10 or more in order to participate.





US JCI Senate Winter Board Meeting



Midwest Cajun

January 24 through January 26, 2019

Hosted by the Louisiana and Iowa JCI Senate in Kenner, LA

Name _____ JCI Senate # _____

Spouse/Guest Name _____ JCI Senate/Friendship # _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email Address _____ Fax _____

Current Office Title _____ Rooming with: _____

Check here if this is your first JCI National Meeting.

Check here if you're a military veteran.

Item	Qty	Postmarked by 12/21/2018	Postmarked After 12/21/2018	On-Site	TOTAL
Full Registration* Saturday Lunch Banquet		\$75.00	\$85.00	\$95.00	
Thursday Early Hospitality (6 pm to 1 am)		\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	
Daily Off-Site Fee (if not staying within the event room block)		\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	
Thursday Golf		TBA	TBA	TBA	
Casino Tour		TBA	TBA	TBA	
GRAND TOTAL					

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

- Vegetarian/Dietary Restrictions _____

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

Travis Boatright #40008

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Paradis, LA 70080

Phone: 985-758-2392 Email: TSBoat@BellSouth.net

Must be Postmarked by December 21, 2018

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to hotel link

All hotel reservations should be made directly with the hotel: [Hilton New Orleans Airport](#) or

504-469-5000. Reservation Code # **JCI**

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

Room Rate is \$124.00 plus taxes per night.

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

Parking at the hotel is free.

Cut-off date for room block is January 3, 2019

- The hotel address is 901 Airline Drive, Kenner, Louisiana 70062