



A Message from President Pat

""This is hard!"

*"Of course it is hard -- if it were easy,
everyone would be doing it."*

~ A League of Their Own

Missouri Jaycees, you are part of a select group of individuals - a person who wants to help their community and/or themselves. To be a Jaycee takes a desire to step up and help out. You have done that already. That is the biggest step a person can take. There is still work to do thereafter.

The year started off with a bang! The excitement can be felt everywhere. Members asking questions, participation in competitions and at LOTS and Winter Meeting was great! Local chapter projects have started for some. Hopefully the other chapters will be having a project or two starting up soon.

Be proud of yourself and your chapter. Let everyone know about what you are doing. Let them visit you and in turn, you can visit them. We are here to help the community (near and far), the chapter, and the individual. What you have done in the past does not get you very far tomorrow. Everyone is on a clean slate and it is what you do today, RIGHT HERE...RIGHT NOW that will affect your tomorrows. To accomplish our goals and mission, it will take everyone's assistance in some shape or form. As a team, we can AND WILL accomplish all that we set out to do!

President Pat

Pat Aubuchon
84th President

"Right Here ... Right Now"



Presidential Incentives for February

The following incentives have been issued for the month of February by President Pat:

- ❖ 200 bonus POC points for completing **external extensions** in the month of February (NO MAXIMUM).
- ❖ 100 bonus POC points for all **internal extensions** submitted in the month of February (NO MAXIMUM).
- ❖ Missouri Jaycees Jacket for completing an **external extension with 30 members or more** submitted in February.
- ❖ "Right Here...Right Now" T-shirt for **every four (4) new members** submitted in February.

EXTENSIONS

I have been checking out the Missouri map and traveling the state in search of locations which, I feel, would benefit from having a local Jaycee chapter. After all, unless you are a member of the St. Louis chapter, your chapter was at one time, an extension. Someone else felt the need and desire to share the opportunities which the Jaycees offer with your community.

The greatest gift you can give anyone is the opportunity to participate in this great organization. Below is a list of cities/towns in which I'd like to see us start a new Jaycee chapter. If your chapter would like to assist with any of them, please just let me know. Also, if you have other cities in mind or of interest, just let me know. By no means is this list the only places we can do extensions in:

Bloomfield	Freeburg / Vienna	Maryville
Brookfield / Marceline	Grain Valley	Neosho
Boliver	High Ridge	Nevada
Chesterfield	Holcomb	Oregon
Chillicothe	Independence	Ozark
Clinton	Kearney	Piedmont
Doniphan	Kirksville	Poplar Bluff
El Dorado Springs	Kirkwood	Savannah

Seneca
 South St. Louis County
 St. Joseph

Trenton
 Warrenton
 West Plains

Windsor

Membership Vice President

Missouri Jaycees ... What a way to start off the year! We had one of the biggest turnouts at a state meeting for as far back as I can remember. Thank you to all of those that came to training and learned some great things that I hope they can take back to their chapter.

The state team went to closeout in January and we were very surprised as to how smooth that night went. You all worked hard to get your info into us and helped the Missouri Jaycees to shine once more as a state that follows deadlines and works till the end.

Congratulations to the following chapters, DDs and RDs on their outstanding membership growth achievements for January:

Top Growth Chapter for January:

- Cape Girardeau Jr. Chamber Lydia Dewees, president +10

Additional Growth Chapters for January:

Hannibal +3, Arnold +2, Eureka +2, Fulton +2, Northland +2, Branson +1, Mid County +1, St. Charles +1, St. Peters +1, Wentzville/LSL +1, Weston +1, Zell Area +1

Top Growth District Directors for January:

- none

Top Growth Region Directors for January:

- none

We are looking forward to growth in February! Please remember to have your info on your new members ready and as soon as you get a new member please email Joe Jerkins and cc your assigned VP. The whole goal of the new close out schedule is to help you grow your chapter. At February close out, please remember to get us your new member adds and renewals for March. In doing this you will know March 1 where you stand that month and

will be able to work to get to growth. Please remember President Pat's incentives and I look forward to seeing you in my travels!

Joe Chandler

2005 Membership VP

VERY IMPORTANT!!!!!!! Please remember to fill out the paperwork to get your incentives for recruitment recognized at the state and national levels. See the website for the [Member Recruiter Form](#).

Individual Vice President

Impressed and ecstatic would understate how I felt when I saw how many people signed up to participate in the Write Up, Speak Up and First Timers competitions during the Winter Meeting at Tan-Tar-A last month. First of all, I want to extend a huge, heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated. In the six years that I've been attending state conventions, I can't recall when we had so many participants in competitions. Additionally, (and I said this Sunday morning at the General Membership Meeting), when the number of participants in the competitions is up, the overall quality of the competitions improves exponentially. Hopefully, we'll see a similar turnout in May and again in September. Thank you also to Jerry Thompson, the competitions program manager for the Missouri JCI Senate, and the other senators who helped judge CPG books and the individual competitions.

Secondly, on behalf of myself, the 2005 State Executive Team and the Missouri JCI Senate, I would like to congratulate everyone who participated either in First Timers, Write Up or Speak Up. A total of 28 individuals signed up for the various competitions. There were seven people in Speak Up, 14 in Write Up and 15 First Timers, respectively. (When Joe Jerkins, the Missouri Jaycees' executive director, walked into the room where the Write Up competition was taking place, he remarked that it appeared as though the press corps was hard at work. Personally, I took that as a huge compliment.)

The winner of the Write Up competition was Jill Pavlik, of the St. Peters Jaycees. Martha Stodden, St. Charles, placed second and Susanne McKinney of Greater Northland took third. By the way, here is the question our competitors were given: "Since the Jaycees are an international organization, should we consider amending our Creed by

removing the first line, which states "that faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life?"

Taylor Hill, who is from the Blue Springs Jaycees, finished first in the Speak Up competition. Kellie Hausner, St. Peters, finished second and Greg Miller, West St. Louis County, was the third-place finisher. The topic for Speak Up was: "Should professional athletes be regarded as role models?"

Amy Schuster, a member of the St. Charles Jaycees, won the First Timers competition. Congratulations, Amy!

During the General Membership Meeting, I offered a challenge to the state. The challenge is as follows: If any chapter completes a new individual development project during the first trimester (and sends me a copy of the chairman's planning guide, or CPG) and has three people participate in the Write Up, Speak Up and/or First Timers competitions during the Spring State Meeting in May at Wentzville, I will provide the chapter with champagne and strawberries during that weekend (and if champagne really doesn't interest your chapter's members, I'll accommodate your chapter with a different adult beverage).

Missouri Jaycees, we set the bar on a high level in January, as far as competitions are concerned. Let's have another strong turnout in May. Speaking of competitions ... "Jaycee Idol" was a huge success last year, and we're going to do it again at the state convention in May. Here's how it will work: Participants will choose a song and sing it acapella (without musical accompaniment), and then our judges will choose the winner. Please be tasteful with your song selection. Each region can send up to three (3) competitors to participate, so we could have up to 18 singers compete. Regions can select their representatives in any manner they wish, but it's probably best if the participants are chosen during a competition held at a region meeting. If all the available spaces are not filled (say, for example, a given region only has one or two competitors), then additional participants from other regions may enter the competition. Warm up your voices vocalists and let's have some fun with this and make it successful again, right here, right now!

Chris Waltz

2005 Individual VP

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Wonderland Camp Work Weekends Announced

- ❖ April 8-10 Muleskinners & Show-Me Corp
- ❖ April 15-17 All Regions
- ❖ Sept 30 - Oct 2 Muleskinners & Show-Me Corp
- ❖ Oct 7-9 All Regions

If you have any questions about the work weekends, please contact Program Manager Jackie Langley at (417) 669-1435 or email jjshorse34@yahoo.com.

Wonderland Camp and Access Day Shirts For Sale

We have Wonderland Camp and Access Day shirts available for purchase. I will have the Access Day shirts with me in my travels and Jackie Langley (Camp Program Manager) has the Wonderland Camp shirts and sweatshirts with her.

If your chapter has many people wanting to purchase these shirts, please be sure to let me know so we can have them at one of your events coming up soon! We have a limited number so be sure to purchase them as soon as you can if you want one!

- ❖ Wonderland Camp & Access Day shirts: M-XL - \$10.00 2XL - 5XL - \$15.00
- ❖ Wonderland Camp sweatshirts: M-XL - \$20.00 2XL - 5XL - \$25.00

Access Day is on Friday, August 19th. Please let Joe Jerkins and I know how many people will be attending from your chapter. Thanks!

Please be sure to let me know if you are having a fundraiser for Camp or Access Day so we can come help promote the event and sell shirts. Jackie and I want to help in any way we can!

Kristi Webb

2005 Community Vice President

Challenges Issued at State Convention

The following challenges were made at the January 16, 2005 General Membership Meeting:

Challenger: DD Rachel Hood

Accepting: DD Allen Coil, DD Terry Rowland, DD Kelly Crutchfield

Challenge: District will compete to raise the most money for Wonderland Camp in the 1st trimester. Losers will dress like Top Gun characters and sing "You've Lost That Loving Felling" at the May state meeting.

Challenger: RD Lorie Thompson

Accepting: RD Keri Jupa, RD Jennifer Boggs

Challenge: Region Directors must make visitations to at least 3 other regions in the 1st trimester. Losers will wear orange wigs at the Saturday night dance at the May state meeting.

Challenger: Individual VP Chris Waltz

Challenge: Any chapters that completed a new ID project during the first trimester and has at least three people participate in the Write Up, Speak Up and/or First Timers competitions during the Spring State Meeting, Chris will provide the chapter with champagne and strawberries during that weekend.

Challenger: Membership VP Joe Chandler

Challenge: If there are at least four (4) extensions completed statewide in the 1st trimester, the Executive Team will dress in drag at the Saturday Luncheon at the May state meeting.

Challenger: President Pat Aubuchon

Accepting: Todd Sauter, Lorie Thompson, Beth Cox, Danielle Epple, Karen Kobal, Spencer, John Thurman, Joe Chandler, Glenn Crowell, Chris Waltz, Jennifer Boggs, Matt Schaefer, Kristi Webb, Jeff Bell, Kevin Hite, James Danley, Jeff Risley, Terry Rowland, Allen Coil, Keri Jupka, Kelly Crutchfield, Jason DeSalvo, Richard Reardon

Challenge: Everyone put \$5 in a pot for a membership drawing to be held at the May state meeting. Top individual recruiter for the 1st trimester will win half the pot, and the other half will be donated to the state program of the winner's choice.

Parade of Chapters

Hello Chapter Presidents, I want to congratulate all of you on your presidency for 2005. It is a great honor and privilege to take this role on for your members, your chapter, and the state. This year, I am the program manager for POC (Parade of Chapter). What is POC? Well, some think POC is a numbers game; some think POC is a waste of time and not beneficial to the chapter; some have no clue what POC is; and some don't give a thought about POC. As a past chapter president, POC is **more** than just numbers, it is **not** a waste of time, it is beneficial for the chapter, but most importantly, **most chapters are already doing the items that make up POC.**

POC is a way to give credit for those chapters who are performing. You can't tell me any of you or your chapters do not want to be recognized at a state or region meeting or would turn down an award if given the opportunity. POC helps keep chapters on top of their projects by submitting Chapter Planning Guides for each area of opportunity. How many of you complete these when doing a project for your chapter? If you're doing it, submit it, if you're not doing it, you should because it helps give the chapter guidelines on how projects are run, outlines financials, and evaluates what went wrong.

How many of you do visitations? If you go visit a chapter, get something signed. It takes only 3 members of your chapter to complete a visitation. How many of you attend state or region meetings? If you do, get something signed. How many of you participate in training at LOTS, state or region meetings? Again, if you do, get something signed. How many of you submit open checks, chapter newsletters, impact articles, M-Nights, state and national programs? All of these are part of POC! So if you're doing these things already, why not get credit for it and be recognized for what your chapter has accomplished. If you ask me, this is one of the easiest programs for your chapter to be recognized because many of you are already doing it. Best of all, you only have to submit 3 times per year, with a deadline for the first trimester being April 20, 2005. So if you have not started, there is still time to gather your paperwork.

In addition to what your chapter can receive from your state and region, I am offering a once in a lifetime exclusive award. This award is not only special to the St. Charles Chapter, but is a symbol of a past leader. I give you the P.O.C.



Award - Piss On Chandler Award. For those of you who were not able to make it to the state meeting in January, I have included a photo of this award. The picture does not do it justice, but it is truly priceless and memorializes your Membership VP Joe Chandler more than you will ever know.

The packing slips and POC guidelines can be accessed at www.mojc.org under the 2005 LOTS information. If anyone has questions, please let me know. Thanks and I look forward to seeing submissions from everyone!

Denice McKeown

POC Program Manager

State Service Center News

JANUARY MEMBERSHIP RESULTS

Here are the stats:

Total Billed in January =	264
Total Renewals =	160 (61%)
Total New Members =	68
Total Extensions =	0 ☹
Net (+/-) =	(-36) ☹

"Right Here...Right Now" Team Shirts Now Available

We still have team polo shirts available. These are the red and black colored polo shirts with the 2005 "Right Here...Right Now" logo embroidered over the left chest. If anyone would like a team shirt OR if anyone would like to order additional shirts, just let me know. The costs for the polo shirts:

S-XL = \$22 ea. 2XL = \$23 ea. 3XL = \$24 ea. 4XL = \$25 ea.

This year, we also have a very sharp looking black, twill, long sleeve shirt with the 2005 logo embroidered in red over the left chest. Let me know if you'd like me to order one of these shirts for you. Costs for the long-sleeve twill shirts are as follows:

S-XL = \$24 ea. 2XL = \$26 ea. 3XL = \$28 ea. 4XL = \$30 ea.

Open Check Policy for Monthly Membership Dues

Hopefully, your chapter is participating in the open check program for membership closeouts! If not, please contact [Joe Jerkins](#) at (573) 634-2321 for more details. It is really helpful when it comes to membership closeout when we must have a payment in hand before we can turn in your membership to the national organization.

Membership Call-In Deadlines for 2005

By the posted Call-In Deadline, we need to know who is renewing for the following month AND we need information on all new members (name, address and DOB). Chapters should forward that information to their District Director, Region Director, assigned Vice President and Executive Director Joe Jerkins by the following deadlines:

2005 Membership Call-Inn Deadlines

Month	Day	Close Out	Information Needed
February	Thursday	February 24th	Feb new members & Mar renewals
March	Thursday	March 31st	Mar new members & Apr renewals
April	Thursday	April 28th	Apr new members & May renewals
May	Thursday	May 26th	May new members & Jun renewals
June	Thursday	June 30th	Jun new members & Jul renewals
July	Thursday	July 28th	Jul new members & Aug renewals
August	Thursday	August 25th	Aug new members & Sep renewals
September	Thursday	September 29th	Sep new members & Oct renewals
October	Thursday	October 27th	Oct new members & Nov renewals
November	Thursday	December 1st	Nov new members & Dec renewals
December	Thursday	December 29th	Dec new members & Jan (06) renewals

EARLY RENEWAL DUES REBATE OFFERED!

Renewal Dues for 2005 have increased to \$53.00, which is the same as dues for new members. This rate went into effect for January renewals. **HOWEVER...** chapters who submit their renewals (with payment or open check on file) by the posted closeout deadlines will receive a rebate credit of \$5 per renewal. If you have any questions, please contact Executive Director Joe Jerkins or any state officer.

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Nominations Due for Outstanding Local Officers & Members

Do you have a local member of officer that was a PERFORMER for your chapter this past month? Maybe someone who recruited some new members to help you get to growth? Maybe someone who went "above and beyond" to make a chapter project successful? If so, please consider nominating them for special recognition by President Beth and her Team at the upcoming state meeting.

Chapter Presidents are encouraged to submit nominations each month. Print off a copy of the nomination form at http://www.mojc.org/Member_Award_Form.pdf. Complete the form, including a summary of the nominee's specific contributions that were outstanding and worthy of special, statewide recognition. After signing the nomination form, fax to Executive Director Joe Jerkins at the State Service Center at (573) 634-4859.

DEADLINE: Nominations are due by the 10th of each month. For example, nominations for February outstandings are due by March 10th.

Chapter & Officers Directory

Please let me know if there are corrections for the [Chapter and Officer's Directory](#) and I'll update the version that's available for download from the website. Click the link above for the latest version. Check back often to ensure you have the most recent contact information for everyone.

Blue Chip First Submissions

Congratulations to all the chapters that have submitted their 1st Blue Chip packets:

Boonville	Mid County	St. Peters
Bridgeton/M.Hghts	Mission Inn	Washington
Capital City	Northland	Wentzville/LSL
Florissant Valley	O'Fallon	West St. Louis Co.
Jefferson City	Rolla	DD Kelly Crutchfield
Joplin	Sikeston	
Macon	St. Charles	

Joe Jerkins

Executive Director

MO JAYCEES' 2005 SPRING MEETING

"HAPPY 85TH BIRTHDAY JAYCEES!"

HOSTED BY THE WENTZVILLE/LAKE ST. LOUIS JAYCEES

May 13 - 15, 2005

Holiday Inn, Wentzville, Missouri

Room Rates: \$69.95 per night plus taxes

For Room Reservations, call (636) 327-7001

(Please mention Missouri Jaycees for the group discounted rate)

Early Registration (postmarked by 05/01/05) - \$65.00

On-Site Registration will be \$75.00

Registration Form is Available On-Line at www.mojc.org

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