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LET'S WORK TOGETHER

A Message from President Tonya

"It is one of the beautiful compensations of this life that no one can sincerely try to help another without helping himself." ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

Missouri Jaycees -- Recruiting should be at the forefront of your mind right now. Summer projects are the prime time to bring new members into your chapter. For most chapters, it's the time when you are most visible in your community. Recruiting more members means your chapter can run bigger projects and positively affect people's lives inside your chapter and communities. Take advantage of this opportunity to grow your chapters!

We saw some terrible flooding from the mighty Mississippi affect Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and Missouri in June. Iowa saw the most destruction, with Cedar Rapids mostly under water, including the Cedar Rapids Jaycee building. According to the U.S. Jaycees National President, Denise O'Neil, the Iowa Jaycees are coming together to work through this disaster and spirits remain high. In her monthly newsletter, President O'Neil appealed to Jaycees across America to help the flood victims. She states "The United

States Jaycee Foundation has agreed to assist by making the foundation available for this cause (contributions ARE TAX DEDUCTABLE). Please make your checks payable to The United States Jaycee Foundation and write "Flood Relief" in the memo line." You will need to mail your check to: The United States Jaycees Foundation, PO Box 7, Tulsa, OK, 74102, Attn: Finance Department - Flood Relief.

Our fellow Jaycees in Hannibal were the hardest hit among Missouri chapters, making it difficult for them to finalize their plans for their National Tom Sawyer Days. Working with the city, they have relocated some of their events and the celebration will go on as planned. Their determination and resiliency should be an inspiration to us all.

I heard the St. Charles Jaycees were more than eager to help a nearby flooded community. Members Chris and Nancy Hough traveled to Old Monroe, just south of Winfield, to help with sandbagging. President Martha Stodden also delivered cases of water and food to the Winfield

area. Not only did the St. Charles Jaycees get that heartwarming feeling of helping their fellow man, but I'm sure their help was very much appreciated by the Winfield community.

I'd like to encourage every Jaycee to take some time to help out another chapter this month. It's a great opportunity to help another community, make new friends and strengthen the Jaycee movement. Use the state directory on the www.mojc.org website to find the chapter president's number to let them know you are coming and would like to help. There are a lot of Jaycee events happening that are multi-day events, needing a lot of manpower to be successful. Hannibal's National Tom Sawyer Days runs July 2nd to 5th. O'Fallon has a beer booth July 3rd and 4th. St. Charles has a beer booth July 3rd to 5th. Union has a beer garden at the Franklin County Fair July 10th to 13th. Wentzville/Lake St. Louis has a hot dog stand at the St. Charles County Fair July 23rd to 26th. Monett has a carnival July 23rd to 26th. Jefferson City has their County Fair July 28th to August 2nd. Fulton has a beer booth at their fair July 29th to August 2nd. All of these chapters would love to see other chapters visiting and helping out. Let's work together to help each other run successful projects.



Tonya Benton
2008 State President

President Tonya

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87th President

RD/DD Incentive: Have you seen the state team jackets? You can have one just like it! Any DD completing an extension by the end of August will be presented with a state team jacket with their name embroidered on it at the September meeting in Kansas City. Any RD completing two (2) extensions by the end of August will be presented with a state team jacket with their name on it at the September meeting in Kansas City.

Presidential POC Incentives

- * 25 pts. to each chapter that is at growth of +5 or more in July.
- * 50 pts. to each chapter that completes a new chapter extension in the 2nd Trimester.
- * 25 pts. per \$100 donated for the *IMPACT* in the 2nd Trimester (make checks payable to Missouri Jaycees and put *IMPACT* in the memo line - mail to State Service Center).

Vice President Sandy Backes

WOW! Can you believe that half of this year has already past? It seems like yesterday that I was being sworn in as Vice President. It has been great seeing everyone out in our travels. I know there are some POC (parade of chapters) points being earned out there. Please collect those visitations, so you can send them to Ann in August.

I know that I did not get to pay off my debt in Macon of outfit at the Saturday night dance, so I will pay it off in Kansas City. I promise to do my best to not fill KC's emergency rooms. I know that they have more rooms to fill, but I think I will pass. I am glad to report that everyone is recuperating nicely.

Speaking of Kansas City and the Fall State meeting . . . PLEASE start selling the business card ads for the program book. I would love to see some of them to start rolling in now instead of all at the end of August and 1st part of September. If you were not able to attend the Spring State Meeting and did not receive a program, let me know. It turned out really well and I can send you one that you could use to sell ads with your local chapter members and local businesses. I heard someone mention that it would be nice to know if you needed a plumber (or any type of service) and you didn't know someone already, you could call on one of your fellow Jaycee members to give them a little business. As of right now, any net profit raised on the programs is scheduled to be used to bring in motivational speakers to our state meetings.

Don't forget to submit for *IMPACT*. It is still a working development, but it can't be worked on unless she receives the articles and pictures. Deadline is July 15th.

Everyone Travel Safe! And I hope to see you out there across the great State of Missouri!!!
Let's Work Together!!!

Sandy Backes

State Vice President 2008

Vice President James Danley

Congratulations Missouri Jaycees! Are you wondering what I am congratulating you for? What am I not congratulating you for? Are you an active Jaycee? That is enough in my book to warrant a hearty congrats. I was wondering what message I should convey to you this month. I always try to think of something that will move our members. Our organization is in need of a huge movement. Obviously a movement takes many people but it can start with only one and the excitement builds and then it is contagious and starts to spread like wildfire. Missouri Jaycees, I know Missouri needs a Jaycee movement for our communities.

I believe in our organization and I believe in each one of you. I know that we are the best group of young individuals in our country and together we can accomplish anything. I have many people tell me as I travel and visit that they are tired of hearing about membership. Frankly, I am tired of having to talk about it. Membership is a sign that our organization is alive and healthy. Those numbers tell us if things are working or not. It can be pretty scary when we consistently see our numbers decline and I personally wonder what that means for our organization in the years to come. Membership is the responsibility of each one of us. If we are excited about what we are doing then others will be too!

The thing that is so astonishing is that we serve a huge purpose in our communities. We serve our communities and our members. How is the service level in our individual chapters? Sometimes it is imperative that we go back to the basics and check to see if the ball has been dropped in basic customer service. I strongly depend on each one of you to continue to impact your communities. If I depend on you then I know they are depending on you. I get excited when I think about how many goals we can accomplish together. Working together makes it much easier to accomplish not just average but great things.

President Denice has made me a huge fan of the song PROUD by Heather Small. You can usually find this song anywhere you can find President Denice. The song asks "What have you done today to make you feel proud? We need a change, do it today". As the saying goes, "You should be the change that you want to see in the world today". Missouri Jaycees, the only thing that limits what we are capable of dreaming and accomplishing is the self made barriers we place on those dreams. I challenge you to dream big and with 0 limits.

As you complete your midyear reviews of your chapter plans, do not get discouraged if goals are not on track but rather work a little harder to persevere. I assure you that there is nothing that we can't accomplish together. Utilize your state team and make sure that we are aware of what resources you need to complete your goals. 2008 should and can be the year of impact for the Jaycees. There is plenty of time left for our communities to see our greatness. So ask yourself, "What have you done TODAY to make you feel proud?"

James Danley

State Vice President 2008

Vice President Paul Myers

Fellow Jaycees, I wanted to get out some information on the upcoming state and national meetings that are coming up in September. First we have the national meeting that is going to be in San Diego. Please go to <http://www.usjaycees.org/> and register for the upcoming meeting.

Second we have some exciting news for our state meeting in Kansas City. We have a nationally recognized speaker who will be our featured speaker at Hour of Power and it should be exciting. Will Bowen is the Lead Minister at Christ Church Unity in Kansas City, MO. In July 2006 he suggested his congregation use purple bracelets to monitor their success at eradicating complaining from their lives. His idea exploded around the world and nearly 5 million purple Complaint Free bracelets have been sent to people in more than 80 countries.

Bowen has been featured on Oprah, The Today Show, CBS Sunday Morning, The ABC Evening News, Fox News Channel and in hundreds of TV and radio interviews. Stories about him and the movement he created have been written about in over 100 newspapers, People magazine, "O" magazine and Chicken Soup for the Soul. In 2007, he was dubbed one of the most innovative Christian leaders in the U.S. by Church Solutions magazine. In 2008, the International New Thought Alliance (INTA) will present him with their Torchbearer award.

His first book, "A Complaint Free World," published in October, 2007 by Doubleday, is already in its ninth printing in the United States. The book also being published in more than a dozen foreign countries and is an audio book, read by Bowen, published by Random House Audio. He is going to talk about transforming your life. Here is a blurb from him to promote the upcoming meeting:

"Your thoughts create your world and your words indicate your thoughts. When you eliminate complaining from your life you will enjoy happier relationships, better health and greater prosperity. The Complaint Free program helps you set a trap for your own negativity and redirect your mind towards a more positive and rewarding life."

I know I can't wait for the meeting it should be a great event. Please go out to www.mojc.org and get registered this is not going to be a state meeting you are going to want to miss.

Paul Myers

State Vice President 2008

Vice President Lorie Thompson

EXCITEMENT IS BUILDING!!! Summer is upon us, Missouri Jaycees, and there are some exciting things happening around the state. If any of you get the chance, as I did a week and a half ago, to visit Wonderland Camp, there are some great changes taking place! First of all, a tree house is being built with the help of some great workers from around the state including some expert chisellers! The floor of the tree house is made out of a type of wood from Brazil called ipe and it is beautiful and supposedly very durable. Next, they are adding on to the game room to make space for 10-12

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computers that have been donated to camp. Every year Wonderland Camp becomes a better and better place for campers to experience more aspects of life.

Mark your calendars! Access Day is right around the corner—so get your donations in now! August 15, Missouri State Fair, be there for a little work, a lot of fun, and all of those warm fuzzy feelings us Jaycees love. It's worth taking a day off work for!

I just want to thank a couple of chapters that I visited recently. First of all, the Weston Jaycees have a great celebration coming up this weekend with a big fireworks display on the 4th and an ice cream social earlier in the evening. They are also considering hosting a Region 3 meeting later this summer. Great job Weston! Next I want to thank the Cameron Jaycees for their hospitality last Friday night at their hometown BBQ contest. It was great to meet some people and hear stories from years ago in Jaycees. Look out for their Crawfish Crawl that will be taking place Labor Day Weekend. Let's hope they don't get a monsoon like they had last weekend!

Thanks again for all the people I'm getting a chance to meet and I look forward to many more in the coming weeks!

Lorie Thompson

State Vice President 2008

National Program Spotlight - **CITIZEN CORPS**

According to the U.S. Jaycees website, "After September 11, 2001, America witnessed a wellspring of selflessness and heroism. People in every corner of the country asked, "What can I do?" and "How can I help?" Citizen Corps was created to help all Americans answer these questions through public education and outreach, training, and volunteer service."

The U.S. Jaycees have a partnership with Citizen Corps. There are many ways you can participate, including becoming a member of your local CERT (Community Emergency Response Team), educating the public about disaster preparedness and helping with disaster relief. Let us know if you are participating in any events that qualify for this program. It is part of Blue Chip National Parade and just another wonderful way we can impact our communities.

Access Day at the Fair

Hello Missouri Jaycees! It's July and it's almost time for Access Day at the Fair on August 15. Invitations have been sent and RSVPs are being received. Directions for Jaycees will be posted as soon as they are available. If you plan on attending, please email me at kgridley@thewholeperson.org so we can get a headcount of how many Jaycees are attending. Access Day is a great family event and a wonderful way to introduce new Jaycees to other Jaycees from across the state. There is no cost for entry to the fair or for parking.

As with everything, Access Day costs are growing each day. Since we pay for entry to the fair for the participants and Jaycees and for food, each and every dollar contributed from chapters takes on even more importance. I would like to recognize the Joplin Jaycees and Jefferson City Jaycees for their projects in support of Access Day. Joplin's whack-a-car and Jeff City's beer garden have helped tremendously. If your chapter has a project planned with the proceeds earmarked for Access Day, please let me know so I can attend and help.

As always, t-shirts are for sale and will be available at Access Day as well. If you have any questions regarding Access Day, please contact me at the above listed email. Remember...Access Day. It's the Jaycee Way!

Karen Gridley

2008 Access Day Program Manager

IMPACT Newspaper

The *IMPACT* due dates for 2008 are as follows...

- * **August 2008 Issue - July 15 THIS IS A HARD & FAST DEADLINE!**
- * **November 2008 Issue - October 15**

The *IMPACT* will be delivered electronically for the rest of 2008. If you would prefer to have it mail, please contact me for delivery rates.

I prefer to accept articles by email at bepple@downtownwashmo.org, but I will accept them by snail mail and fax. I also prefer digital pictures, but will accept regular photos as well. Your photos must be accompanied by a description - who, what, when and so on. If the photo does not come with that info it will NOT be used, nor will credit be given to the chapter. Also please keep in mind that this is a professional organization. Please do not send pictures that you wouldn't mind your boss or your mother seeing!



Event Listing Form

Event Name: _____

Date(s) of Event: _____

Time(s) of Event: Start: _____ (am/pm) To: _____ (am/pm)

Location of Event (Include Name of Location & Address): _____

Attire (i.e. Casual, Business, Cocktail, Black Tie): _____

Sponsoring Chapter/Region: _____

Cost: \$ _____ Cost for Non-Jaycees (if different): \$ _____

For Information Contact

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Website: _____

Brief Description of Event (50 Words Or Less):

When saving your articles and photos please save them in this format...

Article Example:

Region Chapter Author Title

5 Washington Bryan Bogue Upcoming Events

Photo Example:

Region Chapter Who & What

5 Washington Danielle and Kenny at the Demo Derby

If you have any questions, I can be reached at cell: 636-346-1444 or work: 636-239-1743.

Bridgette Epple

IMPACT Content Editor

OYM and OYF Awards Program

Hello Missouri Jaycees, I hope that this year is going great for you all, and that you remembered to submit your OYM/OYF nominations by the deadline.

I want to thank those chapters that submitted nominations. I know that those who have been nominated are truly deserving of the recognition, so on behalf of those nominees I thank you.

If you have not submitted a nominee, it may not be too late. The deadline was July 1, but if we do not have enough nominees then those that arrive postmarked after the deadline may be considered, but those that arrived on time will take first priority.

The nominations will be reviewed and the field narrowed down to the honorees that will be our guests at the black tie banquet to be held at our state convention, January 17, 2009, at Tan-Tar-A Resort at the Lake of the Ozarks, so start making your plans now to attend, you can find the registration form in future issues of the *MMM*. The awards banquet is always a good time.

Now that the deadline has arrived, my focus will shift to collection of items for gift baskets for the honorees. If you or anyone you know has the resources to get items donated for these baskets please contact me at mgntry@embarqmail.com or 573-338-0991 any help in compiling these baskets would be greatly appreciated.

Mike Freeman

2008 OYM/OYF Program Manager

Parade of Chapters

Hello Missouri Jaycees, I hope the summer has been and continues to be a great one for you. Just because one trimester is over doesn't mean that you should stop gathering information for POC. Keep getting that information and don't forget that the next POC postmarked deadline is Wednesday August 20th. Please don't forget those packing slips! I look forward to seeing all of you in my travels and in Kansas City at the fall meeting. Have an awesome month. If you are new at POC or just have questions about POC please feel free to send me an email at annkampeter@diamondpet.com or call me at 573-690-0779 and I will be glad to help you!

Ann Kampeter

2008 POC Program Manager

Wonderland Camp

Hello my friends! July is upon us and we have had some changes at our Camp. As many of you know, the tree house started around June 2, 2008. At this point the tree house is about 50% complete. I want to thank all of you who have come out and helped with the construction. I also want to make you aware that we are currently constructing the addition to our game room and installing a computer lab. As I understand it, we still need some help with both projects. Contact Marcela at (573) 392-1000 for availability.

We are still looking for any in-kind donations that the chapters may have. I also want to send a huge thank you again to Macon for their massive donations of cups and lids -- you all really helped out the budget this year. We are also looking for continued support and donations to help us reach our minimum goal of \$50,000 this year. We are getting there ,but have a little ways to go.

In closing, I want to thank you all for your support and helping me to continue to make our Camp a reality for so many deserving people. Without the efforts put forth by you, the member, so much would not be possible.

I hope to see you all at the all region work weekend October 17-19. I look forward to seeing you all soon. Keep your eyes open ... I just may be in your city next.

Stephen Coffey

2008 Wonderland Camp Program Manager

State Service Center News

JUNE 2008 MEMBERSHIP RESULTS

Here are the stats:

Total Billed in June 2008	=	230	
Total Renewals	=	140 (61%)	
Total New Members	=	41	
Total Extensions	=	0	☹
Net (+/-)	=	(-49)	☹

Congratulations to the following chapters, DDs and RDs who achieved membership growth in JUNE:

Top Growth Chapter for June:

➤ **Wentzville/Lake St. Louis Jaycees** **Beth Campbell, president** **+7**

Additional Growth Chapters for June:

Hannibal +3, Cape Girardeau +2, Joplin +2, Monett +2, Capital City +1, Sikeston +1, St. Clair +1, St. Louis +1

Growth District Director for June:

➤ none

Growth Region Director for June:

➤ **Cara Harms** **Region 2** **+2**

2nd Trimester CPG Book Judging - Sept. 7th

Chapters are encouraged to put CPG Books together and submit their most outstanding projects for statewide recognition! **All Single Project Entries must be received in the State Service Center by Tuesday, September 2, 2008 or the books will not be judged.**

Book Judging will then take place on Sunday, September 7, 2008 starting at 12 noon at the State Service Center in Jefferson City. **Any chapter that submits one, two or three CPG books for judging must also send at least one judge. An additional judge is required for every three (3) books submitted (i.e. 1-3 books = 1 judge; 4-6 books = 2 judges; 7-9 books = 3 judges; etc.).**

Senate judges will also be there to train the chapter members how to judge the books. This will be a great learning opportunity for every member to see how CPG Books should look to win the recognition your projects deserve.

There is no fee for submitting CPG Books for statewide judging. Winners will be announced at the Fall State Convention, September 12-14, 2008 in North Kansas City.

There are many resources available on the MO Jaycees and US Jaycees web sites to assist you with putting together these CPG books. Contact Joe Jerkins if you have any questions.

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 2008

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:

Month	Day	Close Out	Information Needed
July	Wednesday	July 30 th	Jul new members & Aug renewals
August	Thursday	August 28 th	Aug new members & Sep renewals
September	Monday	September 29 th	Sep new members & Oct renewals
October	Thursday	October 30 th	Oct new members & Nov renewals
November	Tuesday	November 25 th	Nov new members & Dec renewals
December	Tuesday	December 30 th	Dec new members & Jan (09) renewals

Chapter & Officers Directory

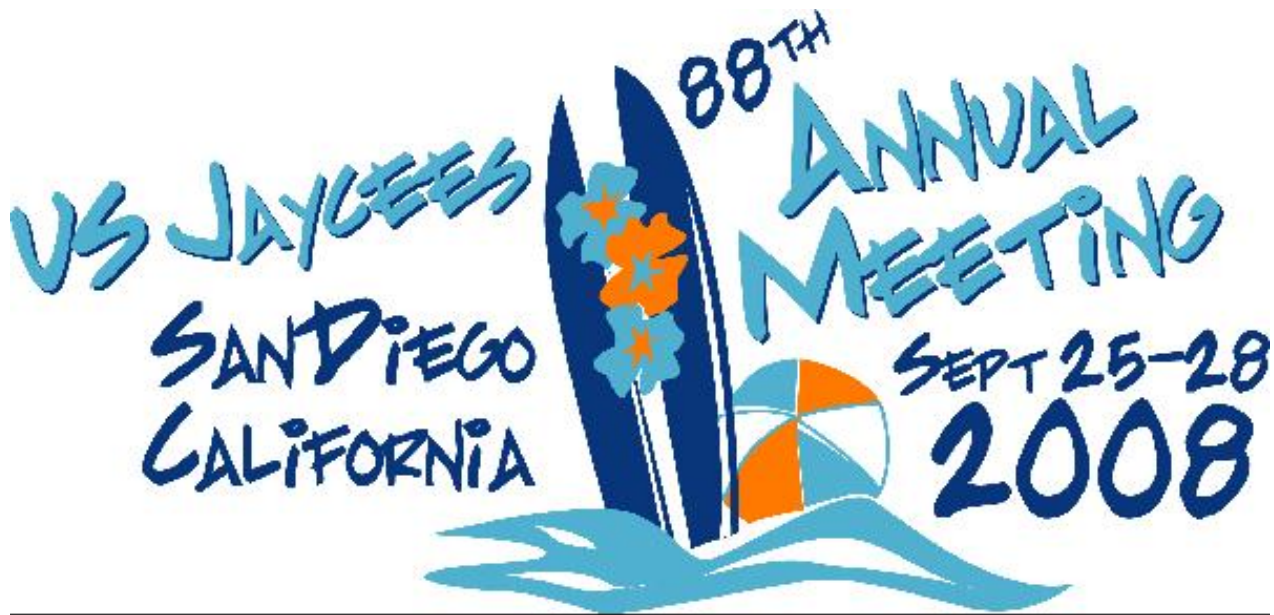
Please let me know if there are corrections for the [Chapter and Officer's Directory](#) and I'll update the version that's available for download from the website. Click the link above for the latest version. Check back often to ensure you have the most recent contact information for everyone.

EARLY RENEWAL DUES REBATE OFFERED!

Renewal Dues for 2008 are \$53.00, which is the same as dues for new members. 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.

Joe Jerkins

Executive Director





Missouri Jaycees
REQUEST FOR STATE GUEST

Please enter the requested information and send this document to the address below.

Date of Request: _____ **Chapter:** _____

Requested by: _____ **Title:** _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Phone (best to reach you): _____

E-mail: _____

State Guest Requested: _____

Function that State Guest will be attending: _____

Attire (circle one): Casual Business Formal Other _____

What is the date and approximate time that you would like them to arrive? _____

What is the date and approximate time that they will be departing? _____

Plan of how the State Guest will be utilized throughout the visit:

Day	Time of Activity	Activity (What will the State Guest be doing? training, speaking, recruiting, etc)	# of Members in Attendance

Send State Guest Request Form to:
Kristi Webb, Chief of Staff
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