



LET'S WORK TOGETHER

A Message from President Tonya

"The greatest enemy of best is "good". If you're willing to accept "good" you'll never be the "best"."

~ Charles Kaiser, Jr.

Missouri Jaycees - Can you believe we are already to May? We have finished the 1st Trimester and will be celebrating "the best" in Macon at the State Meeting. I hope to see many of you there. We have a very special guest for this meeting -- U.S. Jaycees President Denice O'Neil will be joining us! Other highlights of the weekend include Hour of Power, Wacky Olympics and some outstanding training opportunities. Speaking of training, Certified National Trainer, Gunther Meyer, will be in Macon to lead the JCI Presenter course being offered immediately before state meeting. Be sure to register for the course online at www.jci.cc before space runs out.

We ended the month of April at (-24). It wasn't our worst month, but we have the potential to do so much better! I had some growth incentives out there for April. Macon won the 1st prize incentive with the completion of the Chillicothe extension. They received a free registration and room for the May meeting. Southern Boone came in 2nd with +5 growth for April. They received a free registration for May meeting. We had challenges issued in March and April to add 5 new members each month and throw a pie at any of the state executive team members at the May Meeting in Macon. Those chapters that rose to the challenge are: Cape Girardeau (1 pie), Chillicothe (4 pies), Jefferson City (1 pie), Kennett (1 pie), Southern Boone (1 pie), St. Charles (1 pie) and St. Louis (1 pie). One chapter met my challenge of extending a new chapter in April, so Macon earned 10 pies! Way to go Macon!!!

I recently spoke with a newer member of our organization and they asked me why we (the state organization) focus so much on membership and recruitment. The state organization is responsible for turning membership information into the national organization by certain deadlines. We cannot submit any information that isn't received by the deadline. This means if we don't hear from the local chapter about renewals and new members...those members will not be renewed or added. That's why there is a sense of urgency when we call on chapters for this information. The future of your local chapter, the state organization, the national organization and international organization depends on membership



Tonya Benton
2008 State President

recruitment. Introducing a new chapter into a community is just one way of expanding the Jaycee movement. While new chapter extensions are very important, your chapter's health is just as vital to the organization. We just aren't like other community service clubs. We have to take into account the people that will age out of our organization...those that will take a job in another town...those that have children and priorities change. Some of our chapters have half of their membership due in one month. What if none of them renewed? We have to continually look at the growth of our organization to ensure the best future possible.

With the end of the first trimester behind us, we should be reviewing and evaluating the goals we made for the year. If you haven't set any goals, it isn't too late. There is always room for improvement. Think about the projects you completed in the 1st trimester. How did they measure up to your expectations? Where could you have improved the project or its planning? What would you have done differently? Use this evaluation to help you improve your projects that are planned for the rest of the year. How many members did you gain or lose in the 1st Trimester? Are you on track for meeting your membership goals for the year? If you said yes, perhaps you should make your goals more challenging and push your chapter to be better! If you said no, it's time to regroup and redouble your efforts to catch up! Either way, I'm looking for every chapter to be their "best" in the 2nd Trimester. Missouri Jaycees, don't settle for "good," we ARE the "BEST!"

President Tonya

Tonya Benton
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 May.
- * 10 pts. for every member that attends the Hour of Power at the May meeting in Macon
- * 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).

COB Jennifer Boggs

Greetings Missouri Jaycees! I think Spring has finally sprung, and it feels great! The summer projects will soon take over your chapters and I want to encourage chapters to remember the importance of good customer service to your chapter members. Remember, they are your life blood for all of the great projects you run. Make sure you schedule some social activities for your members and reward them for all of their hard work. Think about a pizza party at your next chapter meeting, humorous paper awards given to those crazy members, or a Friday night social at your favorite drinking establishment.

Summer is a great time to add new members to our organization! Setting up a membership table at all of your projects can greatly increase your exposure to the community. It doesn't take a lot of extra time or manpower and just a hint, state team members LOVE to man these tables for you. What better way to add new members than for those prospects to see you in action at a great project?

President Tonya's theme for this year is Let's Work Together. As I have traveled around, I hear chapters that have ideas for huge, community changing, money making projects, but they are afraid to attempt these projects due to lack of resources and manpower. I challenge every chapter that wants to take that next step from an average project to something spectacular to just do it. The time has come that all of us should be helping not only our own chapters, but others as well. This organization should be the organization that is building skyscrapers, not maintaining one story buildings. By working together, we will accomplish anything we want to!

Last, but not least, remember to have fun and dream big! Don't let fear or lack of resources stop you and your chapter from becoming the organization of choice in your community for young people. Reach out and ask the state team members, other chapters in your region, and your community to help.

Jennifer Boggs

Chairman of the Board

Vice President Paul Myers

Fellow Jaycees, Missouri is hosting the JCI Presenter training May 15th & 16th in Macon, Missouri. The cost of \$40 includes lunch both days and course material. The course will start on Thursday, May 15th at noon sharp and it will go thru Friday, May 16th at 6pm.

If you are planning to take the JCI Presenter course in May, PLEASE READ THROUGH THIS ENTIRE MESSAGE. To sign up for this class you need to go to www.jci.cc and register.

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Once you create a username and password you go under the JCI University Tab and click My University. Once there you will see a list of courses. Find the course listed as JCI Presenter (English) Macon, MO USA May 15, 2008 and register for the course. This part is critical to make sure we have enough training materials for you and to get you credit for taking the course.

You need to sign up online by May 9th and send a \$40 check made payable to the Missouri Jaycees, 222 E. Dunklin, Ste. 100, Jefferson City, MO, 65101. To ensure your space in the class, payment must be received no later than May 12th.

From the JCI website: "JCI Presenter the JCI Effective Presentations Course is a course designed to help those who want to enhance their skills as a presenter. This course may be used as a one-time presentation course or the first step in becoming a JCI University Trainer. JCI Presenter is designed for the more experienced speaker who wants to expand their presentation skills. This course focuses on the concepts of creating and delivering an effective presentation utilizing visual aids and strong delivery methods, while keeping in mind the needs of the audience."

If you have any questions or difficulties with registration, e-mail Missouri Jaycees Vice President, Paul Myers at paul.myers@cardinal.com

Region 5 will be providing other training opportunities for your chapters this year. The 4th Tuesday of every month starting in May at JCI Headquarters they will be putting on a training that can be used in both your Jaycee Career and your life outside of the Jaycees. The first training will be on the "Colors of our Personality" the June topic will be Networking. The event will start at 7pm and should be a great way for you to introduce new friends into the Jaycee experience. Once the training is complete they will be hosting a networking social at a local establishment.

Paul Myers

State Vice President 2008

Vice President Lorie Thompson

Missouri Jaycees please give a warm welcome to the new chapter of the Chillicothe Jaycees. They held their organizational meeting in April and had 18 excited individuals join the chapter with four volunteering to serve on the board. The person slated to be president is Crystal Narr and she has already made contacts with other Jaycees around the state. Hopefully we will see the Chillicothe Jaycees in Macon where everyone can meet and get to know these great people!

I want to thank everyone who is doing such a great job working together to make the Jaycees and their communities great. Please don't forget your state and national focus programs as go through this year though! Access Day is right around the corner and needs your donations TODAY to make it

happen! Wonderland Camp is starting the Camps for Kids program again and will get more benefit from the program if you contribute TODAY rather than waiting for the deadline. On the national level there are the programs of Support Our Troops, Citizen Corps and American Cancer Society among others. Please include as many of these programs as you can in your summer plans and see how many people can benefit from your efforts. Come on Missouri Jaycees show your stuff and Let's Work Together to make our communities, our state and our nation a better place.

Lorie Thompson

State Vice President 2008

National Program Spotlight - **FAMILY TALK**

"Today's kids face a different world than the one their parents faced. Family life is different. Parents and children seem to spend less time together and have more distractions. But family values have never been more important . . . and neither has open communication. Children need to know the facts about drinking, and they need to benefit from your experience. They need to know how to apply your values - and theirs - to the choices they will face.

Family Talk About Drinking is designed to encourage communication between parents and children about this difficult subject. Many parents don't realize that the best time to have conversations with their children about drinking is between the ages of nine and 11."

Program materials can be obtained from your local Budweiser distributor by simply contacting them. This is a FREE program you can run to benefit your local communities. Let us know if you are running this program. It is part of Blue Chip and is vital to the Jaycees, as Budweiser is a National Sponsor.

Parade of Chapters

Hello Missouri Jaycees, I hope May is off to a great start for you! Thanks to all the chapters who submitted packets. Just because one trimester is over doesn't mean that you should stop gathering information for POC. Keep getting that information and submit it in August for the next trimester. I look forward to seeing all of you in Macon and 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

IMPACT Newspaper

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

August 2008 Issue - July 15
November 2008 Issue - October 15

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.

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 & 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

Wonderland Camp

Hello Missouri Jaycees! It's hard to believe May is here already and so much has happened for Wonderland Camp in such a short time. I first have to start out by correcting myself from last month's *Monday Morning Memo* article. I mistakenly mentioned that the O'Fallon Jaycees had been helping me with our cable show project in the St. Louis area. In fact, I owe a huge thank you to the Florissant Valley Jaycees for their Jaycee T.V. program.

Christina Johnson and the Florissant Valley Jaycees approached me a few months ago and had this great idea for an informative cable mini series about Wonderland Camp and naturally I was completely on board. In our first session, we talked about the history of Wonderland Camp and where we are now and some future plans. Some of you may have seen them at our all region work weekend filming for our second installment. They plan to return during the summer session and finish up with Jaycees actually working with some of our camping participants. I hope that all of the chapters out there will contact the Florissant Valley Jaycees and take advantage of this great resource we have available right here in our own state.

Moving right along, I want you all to know that I am deeply grateful and owe you all a huge show of gratitude and thanks. So many of the chapters have run successful projects for Camp already this year. I am looking forward to the rest of the year to see what else is possible. I want to thank the Muleskinners and Show-Me Corps for their outstanding turnout and all the work they

Growth Region Director for April:

➤ Cara Harms

Region 2

+19

CONGRATULATIONS to the **MACON JAYCEES** for completing an **EXTENSION** in April!
WELCOME to the **CHILLICOTHE JAYCEES!!!**

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.

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.

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
May	Thursday	May 29 th	May new members & Jun renewals
June	Thursday	June 26 th	Jun new members & Jul renewals
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

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.

Joe Jerkins
Executive Director



MISSOURI JAYCEES SPRING STATE MEETING



HOSTED BY THE MACON JAYCEES

May 16-18, 2008
Macon Comfort Inn
Macon, Missouri
Just north of Hwy 36 on Hwy 63

Room rate: \$72/night

Call 660-395-8000 - identify yourself as a Missouri Jaycee
Room block released 4/15 - min. 2 night stay required for Jaycee rate

Early registration: \$70 (postmarked by April 15)
Late registration: \$82

Partial registration fees:
Friday night mixer - \$15

Saturday lunch - \$25

Saturday dinner - \$35

Saturday night mixer - \$15

For more information contact:
Jerry Thompson at 660-349-8167

Or mail info and check to
Jerry Thompson
731 Ray Rd.
Brookfield, MO 64628

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Come for fun in Macon...
...it should be illegal!!!

Missouri Jaycees Spring Board Meeting

& Mid-Year Local Officer's Training School



Comfort Inn - Macon, Missouri
Hosted by the Macon Jaycees
May 15-18, 2008



OVERALL AGENDA

THURSDAY, May 15, 2008

11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.	JCI Presenter Registration Table Open	Foyer
12:00 p.m. -11:00 p.m.	JCI Presenter Course (<i>Business Casual Attire</i>)	Salon A

FRIDAY, May 16, 2008

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	JCI Presenter Course (<i>Business Casual Attire</i>)	Salon A
6:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m.	Registration Table Open	Foyer
	Individual Competition Registration	Foyer
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	PERSONAL SKILLS: "Trivia Night"	Salon A
8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	TRAINING: "Jaycees 101"	Salon A
9:00 p.m. - ___???	Missouri JCI Senate Hospitality Room (<i>Senators & Invited Guests only</i>)	Room 104
9:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m.	Future Directions Committee Meeting	Salon B
9:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.	Friday Night Mixer & Dance	Salon A
10:00 p.m. -10:30 p.m.	Competitor's Welcome & Orientation (<i>hosted by the Missouri JCI Senate</i>)	Salon B
10:30 p.m. -11:30 p.m.	Write-Up Competition	Room 102
10:30 p.m. -11:30 p.m.	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (<i>Business Casual Attire</i>)	Salon B

SATURDAY, May 17, 2008 – MYLOTS (*Business Attire for all Trainings & Luncheon*)

6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Breakfast Room
8:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.	Registration Table Open	Foyer
ALL DAY & EVENING	Missouri JCI Senate Hospitality Room (<i>Senators & Invited Guests only</i>)	Room 104
8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Speak-Up & Master Speak-Up Competition	Salon A
8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Jaycee Jeopardy Competition	Room 102
8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Missouri Jaycees Foundation Meeting	Breakfast Room
8:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.	TRAINING: <i>Local Presidents</i>	Salon B
9:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.	TRAINING: <i>District Directors & Region Directors</i>	Breakfast Room
9:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.	TRAINING: <i>Program Managers</i>	Room 102
9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.	Missouri JCI Senate Meeting	OFF-SITE
10:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.	TRAINING: "Mortgages 101"	Salon A
10:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.	TRAINING: "Beyond the ABC's of Sign Language"	Salon B
10:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.	TRAINING: "CPG Program Books"	Room 102
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	AWARDS LUNCHEON (<i>Business Attire</i>)	Salon A & B

Missouri Jaycees Spring Board Meeting

May 15-18, 2008

OVERALL AGENDA

SATURDAY, May 17, 2008 (continued)

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	TRAINING: "The Hour of Power"	Salon A & B
2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Credentials & Elections Committee Meeting	Breakfast Room
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	TRAINING: "Beyond the ABC's of Sign Language"	Room 102
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	TRAINING: "Conflict Management"	Salon B
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	WACKY OLYMPICS (hosted by the Missouri JCI Senate)	Parking Lot
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	AWARDS BANQUET (Business Attire)	Salon A & B
9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Muleskinners Business Meeting	Breakfast Room
9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.	Dance (Casual Attire)	Salon A & B

SUNDAY, May 18, 2008

6:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast	Breakfast Room
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (Business Attire)	Salon A & B
11:00 a.m.	Adjournment	



SPRING BOARD MEETING **TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**



Personal Skills – "Trivia Night"

Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Salon A

(Trainers: **Lorie Thompson** – 2008 State VP & **Sandy Backes** – 2008 State VP)

"Jaycees 101"

Friday at 8:00 p.m.

Salon A

POC - CPG - DD - RD - WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN??? IF this is you, then this training session is for you. Not only will you learn the answers to what all those acronyms mean but all the other questions you have about the greatest organization for young people today. More importantly you will learn about what your role and your contributions provide to the Jaycees and the full spectrum of benefits available to you as a member. So we look forward to seeing you for what surely will be an hour to remember. (Trainers: **Lesley Immekus** – 2008 President, Jefferson City Jaycees, PRIME Graduate & **Holly Kosick** – 2008 District Director)

Local Presidents Training

Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

Salon B

How is the year going so far? Is your chapter plan in need of some revisions? You as presidents are the face of your chapter! Bring your questions, concerns and achievements to class and let's make the 2nd trimester a success for your chapter! (Trainers: **Tonya Benton**, Senator #66222, MOJC President, PRIME Graduate & **Denice O'Neil**, USJC National President)



SPRING BOARD MEETING **TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**



District & Region Directors Training

Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast Room

Now that you have the basics down, what's next? This session teaches DD's and RD's to effectively communicate with their assigned chapters, how to encourage healthy chapters, and why your role is so important to a chapter's success. Tips and suggestions will be offered on how to encourage your team and keep yourself motivated to succeed. Anyone who is interested in becoming a future district director or region director is encouraged to attend this exciting training! (**Trainers: Kristi Webb**, Senator #65298, 2008 Chief of Staff, PRIME Graduate; **Jennifer Boggs**, Senator #67050, 2008 State COB, PRIME Graduate, State President 2007)

Program Managers Training

Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

Room 102

This session will focus on the coordination, promotion and fundraising for state programs. It is intended for 2008 Program Managers. (**Trainer: Patricia Yates**, Senator #62702, 2008 Program Managers Coach)

"Mortgages 101"

Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

Salon A

This session is an overview of mortgages and tips for homebuyers to make informed decisions about obtaining mortgages and applying for credit. Topics include down payment, closing costs, good credit & bad credit loans, credit scores, mortgage insurance, escrows, and 100% financing. (**Trainer: Lee McDaniel**, Technical Editor of *The Pocket Idiot's Guide to Repairing Your Credit*, (Penguin 2005), Mortgage Sales Manager at Mid Nation Mortgage Corporation)

"Beyond the ABC's of Sign Language"

Saturday at 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Room 102

This class will give participants a better understanding of this common second language. We will cover some of the basic pleasantries to help you should you encounter a hearing impaired individual in public. This is also an opportunity to look at our own listening skills from a different angle. (**Trainer: Stephen Coffey**, 2008 Wonderland Camp Program Manager, PRIME Graduate, Professional Horse Trainer, Sign Language Interpreter)

"CPG Program Books"

Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

Room 102

This course will teach project chairpersons the importance of CPG Books and how to create a well documented project book that meets national criteria for book judging. If you have ran successful projects and have wanted to find a way to teach others how to do the same, this class is definitely for you. Participants will be given a sample CPG Book to take back to their chapters and use as a reference guide. (**Trainer: James Danley**, 2008 State VP, PRIME Graduate, CLT, National Book Judge)

"The Hour of Power"

Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

Salon A & B

Come to this session and get fired up! This Hour of Power features motivational talks by Jaycee leaders past and present. (**Speakers: Joe Chandler** – Senator #66999, USJC Membership Director, and Missouri Jaycee President 2006; **Brian Buchholz** - Senator #55715, Past State VP, 10th Degree Jaycee; **Denice O'Neil** – USJC National President 2008)

"Conflict Management"

Saturday at 2:30 p.m.

Salon B

Does dealing with confronting someone make you uncomfortable? Do you want to learn effective ways to deal with conflicts in our organization and in your personal life? If you answered yes to either of these two questions, come join us to learn how to deal with conflicts so that they become productive instead of destructive to you both personally and professionally and also for our organization! (**Trainer: Denice O'Neil**, USJC National President)



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