

The Pursuit



July 2009



Fellow Jaycees,

This month we celebrate our independence day as a nation. We will watch fireworks and gather with family and friends at backyard barbeques and public events. Somewhere between conversations about facebook, finances, and summer vacations, we will stop to reflect on our patriotic past. We will remember with pride how our nation came to be.

Many battles forged our nation's spirit. What's more, many battles were lost in the struggle. People endured a war that lasted years. And a long struggle for a lasting government took still more time. And still, the struggle for an even more perfect union would take even more time. So what kept these pioneers of freedom going? What lead them through the lost battles and setbacks? Were they simply conditioned differently? Or did they see the idea that they were pursuing as

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something big enough to drive them on? Despite setbacks, in the end, the war was won.

Today some struggles still wage. Many pursue causes while victory seems hidden by setbacks. Those who struggle can seek solace in the lessons of the past. You may lose a battle and still win the war.

The Jaycees began in the heart of this country as a group designed to bridge a gap between unrealized potential of the young and advanced citizenship. Since our birth, we have grown into a global organization.

Today we strive to be the organization of choice for young leaders. This July 4th, as many of us celebrate the heritage of our country, let us also celebrate what a great time it is to be a Jaycee. The brave new world in which we live is full of opportunities for us.

The Jaycees fight cancer by partnering with the American Cancer Society both locally and nationally. Just ask the Warrenton Fauquier Jaycees who were mentioned on the national website last month for this program. The Jaycees recognize outstanding young citizens from the local chapter level Distinguished Service Award (DSA) program, to the statewide

Outstanding Young Virginians (OYV) program, to the national Ten Outstanding Young Americans (TOYA) program, to the international Ten Outstanding Young People of the World (TOYP) program. The Jaycees provide government education programs like the Virginia Jaycees Model General Assembly (MGA), and the US Jaycees Government Affairs Leadership Seminar (GALS), and the JCI UN General Assembly. And there are more options. Where does your passion lie?

Enjoy the many Jaycee 4th of July events going on locally this month and celebrate the wars won. Read on to find out more about opportunities coming up beyond the backyard. Pursue your passion and share it with others. We are always extending the value of Jaycee membership to young people looking for something more.

Chuck Nelson
75th President
Virginia Jaycees

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Pursuit of Management

Hello Virginia Jaycees!!

I hope that everyone is enjoy summer so far. It's hard to believe that we are already half way done with 2009. In some ways it's hard to believe that we are already done with half the year, in others it's amazing to know that we still have six more months to be able to reach the goals we set at the beginning of the year.

Summer Boards will be taking place in August at Camp Virginia Jaycee. It will be the weekend of Aug 21 - 23. The weekend has changed so be sure to let everyone know. It will be a weekend of great fun with surprises and events for everyone. Keep your eyes open for the agenda heading your way.

With summer here, there are many chapters doing activities outdoors. Don't forget to check out the state calendar for activities. If you go to www.va-jaycees.org and click on Events Page, you will be amazed with how much there is to do. You can travel to just about any part of Virginia you would like to travel to visit a chapter.

I've been here working on my newsletter article with the TV going in the background listening to the news media talk about the death's of Ed McMan, Michael Jackson and Farrah Fawcett. Hearing about these three icons deaths has gotten me thinking how these three people and how they made their living by pursuing their passion. In both the good time and even with the difficulties that they had, they never stopped doing

what they love. And I think that's how we are with the way we are with Jaycees. We have our good times and our bad times, yet we continue to do what we love to do. We may never become the icons that they were or make the money they did, but we can make our differences on the local level which you never know, it could lead to someone else doing something on the national or international level.

I hope that everyone has a great month and stay safe!!

Jaycee Spirit,
Lin Martin
2009 Management Development
Vice President



Pursuit of Community Involvement

Are you behind in Virginia Cup points, could you use a few more to boost your standing?? I can help you with that... if you return your form by July 1st I will give your chapter 250 points towards your Virginia Cup points. I would love to see lots of forms come in, showcasing all the great accomplishments of those around us.

Be sure to check out www.usjaycees.org. There you will find our very own Warrenton/Fauquier Jaycees spotlighted as a Chapter In Action. The US Jaycee or-

ganization recognized the Warrenton/Fauquier Jaycees for their outstanding work for Relay for Life. So guys which one of you one the Womanless Beauty Pageant tiera??

I know I've talked about Quarles in the last couple newsletter articles, but there is a darn good reason for that...their apples sales raised a grand total of \$71,432.95 for Camp Virginia Jaycee. Don't forget to buy gas at Quarles, and go in and say a big THANK YOU!!

For more information of Community

Development's many exciting programs, please contact me at adkinsclan@gmail.com or on my cell at 540.840.7785.

Jen Adkins
Community Development
Vice President

PSST!!!

TIPS Training (Training for Intervention Procedures)
coming to Richmond in September

For More information contact Lillibet Miller - CFO





Chief of Staff Pursuits

Hello Virginia Jaycees!

About a year ago, one of my favorite restaurants closed because the owners just wanted a break from the hustle and bustle of the business. It reopened several months ago under new ownership, but I never went to try it because I heard it simply stunk. As a result it closed in less than two months. Now, it's back open, again under new ownership, and this time it's different. The people that own and manage the business are acquaintances of mine, and they actually know what they are doing and are succeeding greatly. They are highly dedicated and spend anywhere from 12 to 15 hours a day at the restaurant, and only take Sundays off to recover from their busy weeks. They are passionate about the business and want out town to have a decent place to come eat with a large variety of menu items (the desserts, by the way, are mostly home-made, and all are to die for!).

So, I go in to have lunch at this favorite place of mine this past Monday, and

before I can even sit down at the counter, the waitress already knows what I want to eat (yes, I go there that often), and also, one of the owners tells the cook he'll fix my food; he knows exactly how I like it.

While I'm waiting, the other owner (Sandy, the wife) brings over this 3"-high chocolate-coated, cherry chocolate pound cake and asks me if I want to try a piece. Now, everyone knows how I like my sweets, but Mike and I made a deal (long story), so I decline, but I tell her maybe another time. So the guy sitting beside me asks how can I turn down such a scrumptious dessert, and I gave him the details of our deal, and Sandy (the wife owner) tells him she's proud of me for living up to my end of the deal; she's not so sure she would have what it takes to turn down something she loves so much.

That's kinda how our Jaycee life should be lived: there are other things out there tempting to take our time away from the organization we are so passionate about, but we have to stick to our guns,

and be strong. We need to support one another, and push one another to succeed in every way possible in this organization. If it's something we are truly passionate about, we make the time to see that we succeed, just like the owners of this restaurant do, and just as they commend me for not being tempted, even if that fantastic dessert made my mouth water so much I had to get a napkin!

Joke for the month:
(from Reader's Digest, June 2009, pg. 56, "Off Base", submitted by James Hiram)

I was at my desk at our Coast Guard base while another guardsman waited for a fax to come in. Once it arrived, he stared incredulously at the blank piece of paper.

"Can I borrow your phone?" he asked me. "I need to call these people and let them know their fax machine is out of ink."

Lee Wolfe
Chief of Staff, 2009
Virginia Jaycees

OUTSTANDING YOUNG VIRGINIAN FORMS AVAILABLE ON VA JAYCEES WEBSITE...

Categories included:

- Outstanding EMS
- Outstanding Future Leader
- Outstanding Young Virginian
- Outstanding Young Farmer

Any questions contact Jen Adkins CDVP

Jaycee Tube Competition

Any group of Jaycees (chapter, region, state) can put together an amateur video and compete against other Jaycees from across the nation. See the competition quick guide at the below link for details. The topic is "Why Jaycees". There is a catch – it is required to have at least one new member from the chapter from 2009 in the video. There is a guide to all of the Virginia Jaycees Competitions. It is on the state website at the following link:

http://va-jaycees.org/downloads/Individual_Development/CompetitionQuickGlance09.pdf

President Chuck is awarding 100 Virginia Cup points to any chapter involved in a Jaycee Tube video.

Regional Pursuits



Capital Region

Hey CapRegion!

Six months down, six months to go in the year, and I can't believe how time is flying. June was so fabulous! Chesterfield carried out the maiden voyage of their Mid-Week Concert Series, Hopewell hosted a night with National VP Joanie Cramer, Tuckahoe took charge again with their White Water Rafting trip... so many cool things!!! I can't wait to see what the second half of the year has in store.

Fredericksburg will be pouring beer at Celebrate VA live concert several times through the summer.

Chesterfield continues with their Mid-Week Concert Series the last Wednesdays of July and August, with Kings of Swing this month - definitely need volunteers for this one!!

Another event looking for lots of volunteers is Hopewell's Punt, Pass, & Kick on July 18. Continuing through the summer and then some, Richmond and Tuckahoe have Project WARM wood splits on Tuesday evenings starting at 5:30. I encourage all chapters to host a Chapter Night with Project WARM to help get volunteers to the wood lot and share the load.

West End is looking into hosting a night with National VP Joanie Cramer this month, this time for CPG training. Unconfirmed date as of now is July 22. Hope to see a lot of people out for this one! Colonial Heights is doing a Pub Crawl on July 25. Lastly, Fredericksburg will be working a food booth at the Fredericksburg Fair from June 25 to Aug 2.

Check the calendar on the VA Jaycees website. Cap Region shows up in **PURPLE!**

“Purse the Passion”

Sara Via, RDH

2009 Capital Regional Director

Atlantic Region

Hey Atlantic!!!

Virginia Beach – ECSC = East Coast Surfing Championships. President Ryan and made a Challenge to the ECSC board that he can bring in 40 Jaycees to help. Let's Make it happen, they really need the help!
Aug 20-24 Contact Ryan for more info trbrown783@yahoo.com

Norfolk -

Pub Crawl - 7th Annual **Norfolk Jaycees** Pub Crawl is October 3rd. A great night for all! Invite your friends!!! Enjoy Downtown Norfolk's Hottest Night Spots - NO cover charge! Prizes, Door Prizes, Snacks, Flashing Mugs & Pins, & Fun all! Contact Terry@NorfolkJaycees.com for more info!

Peninsula – Beer Pours at the Mariners Museum every Thursday in July. 5 – 10/ Great line up of bands. Contact Jon at spaldo07@yahoo.com.



Highland Region

Hey Highland!!!

Lexington-Rockbridge Jaycees will be hosting their “Friday's Alive” concert series this month. They will be hosting two concerts. The first one is July 7th with the Pop Rivets and on July 24th they will be hosting Stone Canyon.

The Roanoke Jaycees will be having their 2nd Annual Summer Open House Picnic at Fishburn Park on Brambleton Ave on Tuesday, July 14th, starting at 6:30pm. They will have a giant sub from Subway, snacks and dessert. They are also planning games of wiffle ball and kick ball, so if you are able to make it, dress appropriately. The evening will wind down with S'mores! If you are able to make it, please RSVP to Zak Moore.

BINGO!!!

The most famous words at the New River Valley Fair will be yelled July 20 - 25th. Each evening BINGO will begin about 5:30 pm and go till about 10 pm, on Saturday they will playing from 2pm - 10:30 pm. If you are able to come down any nights, please contact Lorrie Williams.

Have a great summer!!

Elissa Grantham

Highland Regional Director



Camp Wish List

Critical Needs!

- Sheet sets for twin beds: one flat sheet, one fitted sheet, one pillow case.
- Blankets for twin beds.
- Standard size pillows.
- Books for library: books appropriate for children ages 3-18

Other Needs

- Videos and DVD's: G and PG rated.
- Halloween costumes for all ages and sizes.
- Life jackets: coast guard approved.
- Sleeping bags.
- Musical instruments.
- CD's for music program.
- Rain ponchos or umbrellas.
- Supplies for arts and crafts: foam sheets or shapes, macaroni noodles, beads and string, paintbrushes, and plaster of Paris.
- Water balloons
- Standard white pillow cases
- Laptop
- **SWIMMING POOL:** Life jackets and water guns.
- **MUSIC & DRAMA:** Musical instruments, costumes, CDs (contemporary music), CD players, Karaoke machines, scarves
- **BARN:** Riding Helmets, (S, M, L, XL), Bridles, Saddles.
- **SPORTS:** Softballs, nerf balls, bandanas, board & card games.
- **SAFETY & FIRST AID:** Motorola Two-Way Radios, Band-aids, Ziploc Bags, Small Paper Cups for meds, Wheelchair w/ Thick Tires, Large Toolboxes for First Aid Kits, Blankets.
- **MISC:** PA System, DVD player, VCR, Locks, rain ponchos/jackets, rain hats, children's/teenager's books.
- Presentations from artists: Magicians, artists, musical performers, dancers, DJs.



Ongoing Camp Virginia Jaycee

Fundraisers

- **Apples Butter for the Camp: Quarles Convenience Stores**

<http://www.quarlesinc.com/corporate-information/convenience-stores>

- **Kroger Gift Card Program: See any Kroger store or contact Sean Neff to get more details at seanneff@gmail.com**

VIRGINIA JAYCEES 2009 SUMMER CONFERENCE
August 21-23, 2009
Camp Virginia Jaycee, Bedford County, VA



Name: _____
Address: _____
Home Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____
Chapter: _____ Region: _____
Current State Executive Committee Member & Position: _____

MARK IF APPLICABLE: (If Exhausted--no Minimum Registration, there will be a \$10 charge for Saturday Night Feast)
() EMT or RN () FIRST TIME ATTENDEE () EXHAUSTED JCI SENATOR () EXHAUSTED LIFE MEMBER () 10th DEGREE

Type	# of Tickets	Early	Late	Total
Jaycee Minimum Registration & Saturday Night Feast <i>NOTES: (1) All attendees must pay minimum registration; (2) The Saturday feast features BBQ pork. If you have dietary restrictions on pork, please include a note with your registration.</i>		\$25	\$30	
Non-Jaycee Minimum Registration & Saturday Night Feast		\$15	\$20	
Friday Evening Event		\$7	\$10	
Saturday Dance--Music and Beverages		\$10	\$12	
Meals Saturday Breakfast and Lunch, Sunday Breakfast PLEASE REGISTER BY AUGUST 15				
Adult Meal Plan (3 Meals Listed Above)		\$18	\$18	
Junior Jaycee Meal Plan (3 Meals Listed Above)		\$10	\$10	
Saturday Lunch Only (No Other Meals) (Adult or Junior)		\$6	\$6	
Cabins				
Full Cabin (8 cabins available, 19 beds each)		\$ 375	\$ 400	
Beds in a Cabin Specify: () Male () Female () Family		\$ 30	\$ 40	
Camping -- Limited electric/water hookups available Tent Site for Weekend – Specify: _____ Regular _____ Family Adjoining Campsites Needed: Yes / No Tent and gear must be contained in 15' x 15' space.		\$ 30	\$ 40	
RV/Pop-Up/Truck or Van		\$ 40	\$ 50	
Total				\$

On line registration should be e-mailed to both Debra Patrick (vajaycees1@aol.com) and Jeff Bobich at (jmbobich@yahoo.com). Online registration must be accompanied by credit card information.

Credit Card #: _____ Exp Date: _____ CVV Code # _____ (3 digits on back of card)
Name on Card: _____

Make check payable to: Virginia Jaycees LMA
Mail to: c/o Jeff Bobich
2333 North Early Street
Alexandria, VA 22302

Phone for Questions: (703) 606-5045
E-mail: jmbobich@yahoo.com

All requests for refunds must be received no later than August 15, 2009.

Deadline for early registration is postmarked by August 8, 2009.

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Save the Date

Virginia Jaycees Summer Conference

August 21-23rd

Camp Virginia Jaycee

Blue Ridge, VA

Virginia Cup Membership Due Dates:

Happy Hour Estimates July 10th

Final Membership Turn in July 25th

Monthly Submission August 1st