

The Difference



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Presidential Thought

**Happy New Year
Virginia Jaycees!**

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and Holiday season and a safe New Year's. It's hard to believe that 2010 is already here and that we have a whole year ahead of us. This year is full of possibilities. As we are finishing up or starting our Plan of the Year, there's just so much that we can do.

Thanks to President Chuck for a great year in 2009 helping all of us "Pursue our Passion." He helped lead

us into finding out what our passions were and discovering new passions along the way. This year, I ask everyone to "Make a Difference."

We all can make a difference whether we think that we can or not. We may not see the difference that we make in a person right away, but making a difference is similar to a mustard seed. When the mustard seed starts out, it's very small and tiny and very hard to see, but with time it grows into a mighty tree. That's the way it is when we make a difference in someone's life. We can help them find their potential and help them become more than they thought they ever could become.

I look forward to working with everyone this year as I serve you as your 76th President as we "Make a Difference" in our chapters, communities and the great Commonwealth of Virginia. I hope that everyone has a great 2010 and look forward to seeing everyone at the Year End Celebration in Virginia Beach January 29 - 31.

In the Jaycee Spirit,

Lin Martin
76th President
Virginia Jaycees

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Individual Development in Action

I hope you all had a great holiday season and a warm welcome into 2010. Did you make any New Year's Resolutions? Maybe you could increase their chance of success by turning them into new projects for your chapter's ID programming next year! Get support for your resolution and help someone out with theirs.

I am looking forward to a packed 2010. In addition to competitions and degrees I would like to do a statewide ID project each quarter. I am looking for chapters who would like to "sponsor" these projects. What does that entail? The project chair should come from your chapter and they will organize the event. The benefit of making them statewide events is that we will be able to

take advantage of group rates and leverage the membership size of the state organization. Some suggestions that were made included ski trips, wine tours, a beach trip, sky diving, paintball, ice skating, a day at an amusement park, and a NYC trip.

Many of you may have these events planned for your chapter already. Why not leverage the membership size of the state and get some great discounts to help your members out by turning it into a statewide event? Get to know other chapters, make your project larger, and show your prospects just how much we all come together as Jaycees.

Also, I am still in need of a program manager for both the Degrees and the Competitions programs. We will work on these programs together so it is a fantastic way to "sample" being more active in the state without a huge commitment and with a "safety net".

If you are interested in being a program manager or sponsoring one of the quarterly ID events please contact Valerie Harte directly at Valerie@loveoflifephoto.com.

Looking for something to do this winter...

Why not do a chapter visitation...



For more details check out the Google calendar on the Virginia Jaycee Website

Wanting to pursue more horizons beyond your local chapter...



For more details on how to serve on the 2010 State Executive Board, contact President Lin or COB Chuck Nelson



Chairman of Board Thoughts

Happy New Year Fellow Jaycees,

I hope to see everyone at our year end celebration in Virginia Beach at the end of the month. It will be a time to reflect on our successes of the past year and look forward to the awesome 2010 year ahead.

Leading in any aspect of our organization is a gift. Even helping in a small way has a big impact overall. I especially want to congratulate President Lin for embarking on a great 2010. I will see you all soon.

Chuck Nelson
Chairman of the Board

I woke up this morning to a beautiful day. It is a day full of promise, hope, and sunlight. Happy new year everyone! New Year's Day seems to be a day of regaining the senses for many. We had a lot of fun last year and now we have a new chance to make a difference in a new year.

I want to thank all of you who have made 2009 a truly memorable year for me. It was an experience I will treasure. I want to congratulate all of you who are stepping up to lead in 2010.

Book Judging - January 16th

Begins at 12:00 noon
Central Rappahannock Library
1201 Caroline Street
Fredericksburg VA 22401

Bring your chapter project books to be judged or attend to judge the entries. Turn your chapter project of the quarter submission into a book at submit it.

What is a "Book"? A Book is a document made up for a Jaycee project and consists of the CPG and supporting items. It summarizes the project in a handy single booklet. Anyone who wants to see what it takes to do that project can simply look at that book. Imagine telling your boss that you "wrote the book" on a golf tournament, mountaineering expedition, or Christmas parade for your Jaycee chapter.

State and National Recognition - 1st and 2nd Place State CPGs will be be judged on a national level and could win recognition.

To enter a book, just finalize a project CPG, gather up the various receipts, flyers, etc, and bind them together. Separately tab each of the following sections:

- (TABS)
- The CPG Document
- Financial Items
- Planning/Training
- Communication
- Personnel Management
- Public Relations
- Photos

For more information contact Chuck Nelson at president@va-jaycees.org

Or read more at the following link:
http://usjaycees.org/index.php?option=com_docman&task=search_result&Itemid=166



Regional Notes:

Capital Region

Hey CapRegion!

I hope everyone is looking forward to an exciting year in the Virginia Jaycees and the Capital Region!

My name is **Patrick Knightly** and I am the Capital Region Regional Director for 2010. For those of you who have not yet met me, I have spent the past year serving as President of the Richmond Jaycees, and with the help of a great board, was able to allow the chapter to flourish. During my time as president, I have traveled throughout the region and the state with my chapter's State Director, Rogers Motley, and I have enjoyed meeting Jaycees from different chapters and learning more about what Jaycees are up to in the Capital Region.

I would like to say that it is indeed an honor to serve as your 2010 Regional Director, and I look forward to spending time with every chapter in our region. So, whether you have met me

before or not, rest assured, you probably will by the end of the year.

I look forward to helping and assisting you and your chapter to meet the challenges you face and will face in the coming year. I am more than happy to help/assist you in whatever ways I can, whenever and wherever I am needed. In order to do that, I will need to hear from you and your chapters and I am looking forward to hearing from you all.

Remember, all chapters are required to pay dues to the state for every member on their rosters, it's your responsibility as members and chapter officers to make your state and regional officers earn that money by putting us to good use.

If you need or want to contact me for any reason, my new official e-mail address is capitalrd@gmail.com. Of course, I can also be reached at my personal e-mail address pjknightly@yahoo.com. E-mail might be the best way to reach me, but you should

also feel free to call me (804-687-3868) or friend me/contact me on Facebook, etc.

I have a lot of plans for this year and am looking forward to hearing yours. I know that there are a lot of good people and good leaders in the Capital Region Jaycees, and I'm hoping that we will once again retain our most-spirited title that we won in 2009 while Sara was RD.

The Regional Calendar will still be available to chapters this year, just like it was while Sara was RD. Be on the lookout for the Capital Region Facebook site, and possibly the re-launching of the regional website.

I certainly hope that everyone in the Capital Region is ready to get off to a fast start so that Jaycees will 'Make a Difference' in 2010.

VIRGINIA JAYCEES 2009 Year-End CONVENTION

January 29-31, 2010

Holiday Inn – SunSpree Resort Oceanfront – Virginia Beach, Virginia

Photo ID
required
at
registration

Name: _____

Address, City, State & Zip: _____

Home Phone: () - E-mail: _____

Chapter: _____ Region/Banquet Seating: _____

MARK IF APPLICABLE:

FIRST TIME ATTENDEE EXHAUSTED JCI SENATOR EXHAUSTED LIFE MEMBER 10th DEGREE JAYCEE

REGISTRATION

TYPE	# of Tickets	EARLY by Jan 8	LATE	TOTAL
Minimum Registration (Exhausted = no charge)		\$10	\$15	
Friday Night Social – offsite @ “Waterman’s”; includes transportation and live band . . . <div style="text-align: center; color: blue; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">“Cheap Thrills”</div> Drink specials: ~ Signature Drink <i>“Orange Crush”</i> \$3.50 ~ Bottle Beer \$3.00 ~ House Wines @ \$3.50		\$7 Wristband required to enter club	\$10	
Saturday Night Year End Awards and Installation Banquet		\$33	\$36	
“Pursue Your Passion Party” Get your passion on at the Saturday Evening Social / Dance – includes open bar (beer, wine & soda) & DJ		\$15	\$18	
FULL REGISTRATION		\$65	\$79	
Child Banquet – chicken finger platter		\$12	\$15	

Cash, personal checks, chapter checks, and credit cards (Visa, MasterCard, and American Express) will be accepted for registration. Make checks payable to: **Virginia Jaycees**

Credit Card #: _____ Exp Date: _____ CVV Code #: _____

Name on Card: _____ (back of card)

Completed registration form **and** payment **must be** postmarked by **January 8th** to:

Lin Martin
 Virginia Jaycees 2009 State Convention
 1025-C East Spiller Street
 Wytheville, VA 24382

If you have any questions, please contact Lin at (540) 577-1197.

On line registrations should go to: registration@va-jaycees.org

All requests for refunds must be received no later than January 15, 2010.

Accommodations / Deadline: January 8

Holiday Inn – SunSpree Resort 3900 Atlantic Avenue Virginia Beach, VA 23451 \$69 room rate + 13% tax	On Line Reservations: <div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; color: blue; text-decoration: underline;">Book A Room</div>	Reservations by Phone: (757) 428-1711 Identifying Group: “Virginia Jaycees”
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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



Have a business or a special interest in one of the programs that Jaycees do?

Why not consider program sponsorships?

Currently seeking sponsorships at various levels for the following programs:

- Competitions
 - OYV
- Camp VA Jaycee

For more details: contact President Lin or Valerie Harte, IDVP

2010 Executive Committee

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Save the Date

Virginia Jaycees End of Year Meeting

January 29-31st

Holiday Inn Sunspree

Virginia Beach, VA

Virginia Cup Membership Due Dates:

Happy Hour Estimates January 10th

Final Membership Turn in January 24th

Monthly Submission February 1st

Virginia Jaycees Program Dates

LOTS– Local Officer Training Feb 2010

Camp Work Party TBD

Dare to Dream Day TBD