



The
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President's Report

What a busy month the chapter has had! Many thanks go out to Stefan Northrop and his committee for the excellent job on the Spring Flings. The residents enjoyed their selves and our members had a good time with them. This was Stefan's first project and he did a great job.

Also in April we attended the meeting for the 161 Flower Boxes. The meeting was held at the Columbus Square Bowling Palace. Attending this meeting was Mike Wanchick, Steve Kowalsky and I. The Northland Community Council has a new chairman that has come up with some great ideas. If you are interested in helping out, please contact me for more information.

On April 25th, three of our JCI Senators attended the Ohio JCI Senates 40th Anniversary. Sharon Eason, Kelly Kassor and Steve Kowalsky, Senators, along with Jeff Eason took in the festivities. Congratulations to the Ohio Senate on 40 years.

The Spring Soap Box Derby Rally took place the weekend of May 3rd and 4th. This project is currently our largest fund raiser of the year. Project Chairman, Mike Wanchick, did an outstanding job of organizing and getting members out to work. There were many of tired Jaycees from lifting the cars and many THANKS go out to everyone who helped. The next race will be in June so make your plans to attend.

As you can see we have many things to get involved with. Now would be a great time to ask that person to join. Bring them in and get them involved. I hope to see all of you at an upcoming meeting or project and don't forget to bring a friend! Please feel free to contact me with any questions, C/(614) 679-2499 or H/(614) 268-6161

Kevin Kowalsky
2008 President

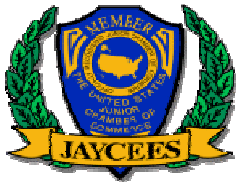
"Attitude Makes a Difference"

Membership

Membership is without a doubt the most important part of any Jaycee organization and the North Columbus Jaycees are no exception. By keeping the goal of recruiting, retaining and activating members a priority for our organization, we will make North Columbus a leader in the Jaycee organization and community.

Every year the North Columbus Jaycees take on many new projects and the challenges that go with those projects, as well as continue many of the projects that have been around awhile and we continually strive to make our chapter one of the top chapters in the State of Ohio.

If you or someone you know is interested in the North Columbus Jaycees, whether it's becoming a member or just talking to someone about what we do and see if this is for you, please feel free to send an email to: information@northcolumbusjaycees.org and someone will get in touch. As an incentive for May, anyone bringing a prospective member to a meeting or project will receive an instant lottery ticket, along with the guest. If they join (dues paid) each will get 5 tickets.



Individual and Business Development News!

The Individual Development Area of Jaycees is important in the growth of our members. To celebrate this area we will have the Summer Speak-up Challenge! Every member who gives a speak-up during the meetings in June, July, and the first meeting in August will have their name put in a hat for a prize package drawing. Prize package includes registration to August All-State, a gas card, movie tickets and much more. To enter you must give a speech that is 4 minutes or longer at the meeting. You can sign up at the meeting to speak or call Greg Davis Internal VP at 614-532-0170 to get on the meeting agenda. Speak-up Challenge is open to all regular and associate members. In the Management Area of Development we had a very successful project with the Soap Box Derby which raised over \$900. We are also trying to put together another beer bash festival at the Ohio State home football games. If you would like to be on that committee please call Mike Wanchick at 614-532-0170 to help out. Our chapter has many exciting programs for our members and our community and these projects cost money. We need your help in running fundraisers for our chapter so we can keep up our commitment.

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

Greg Davis
Internal Vice President

Soap Box Derby

The North Columbus Junior Chamber helped out with the Columbus Soap Box Derby On May 3 and May 4 and had a wonderful time. The weather was rainy on Saturday and Sunny on Sunday. The races were fun and the kids were awesome. That weekend we made over \$900 for the chapter! Great Job North Columbus!!! Thank you Kelly, Zack, Steve, Kevin, Eric, Scott, Jeff, Jason, Jake, Mike, Brent, Kym and everyone else for all of your hard work! If you missed out on this fun project, you will have the opportunity to participate again. We will be helping out with the Soap Box Derby later in the year. As an incentive for you to help, **everyone who diligently works the project will get their dues paid** at renewal time and get **free lunch** and drinks. If you have a potential member you would like to introduce to the Jaycees or if you know a Jaycee from another chapter that would like to have a duel membership (or just help out), this is a great project to bring them to. If they work the project, they will get their dues paid!!!! If you would like to learn more about the Soap Box Derby, visit their web site at www.columbussoapboxderby.com



Mike Wanchick
Chairman

Junior Jaycee News



April Activities

Pen's and More Pens

On April 1st, Sharon Eason led the kids in a pen making project. The kids worked with modeling clay and made one-of-a-kind writing pens. About ten kids participated in the project and all who did really had a great time. A special thanks to Sharon for running the project and shopping for the supplies!

What is a Journal?

At the meeting held April 15th, the kids completed a journal project where they created their own unique journals with tablets, fabric, foam letters and trims. They talked about how they would be using their journals. It was enlightening to say the least.

A special treat was provided by Elisa Skaggs as it was her friend Codden's 4th birthday. Elisa personally made the cake and provided the candles.

Mucho Fiesta!

Corrine Yoas will be chairing the Cinco de Mayo Celebration at the first meeting in May and has really got the enthusiasm going. She sent around a sign up sheet for specific items at the last meeting but also passed out flyers asking people to come dressed in their finest Hispanic attire. I hope you can join us as she has really put a lot of work into making the evening a "night to remember".

Thanks Corrine - You Rock!

Who's in the Kitchen?

May 20th, 2008 the kids will be doing science experiments in the Kitchen. So bring all the kids out for a fun filled night!

Pancakes and Sausage All Around!

Hello my name is Tyler Shaw and I am running the pancake breakfast on June 7 at 9 am-12 pm it will be 5 dollars for every person 3 dollars for the residents. We need help so come and help if you can. Thanks!

Heartfelt Thanks!

A special heartfelt thanks to President Kevin for assembling the basketball hoop for the kids. Now that the weather is warm we will really be making use of it. Thanks again for taking such good care of us Kev!

Upcoming Junior Jaycee Events:

May 6th, 2008 - Cinco de Mayo Celebration
May 20th, 2008 - Science Experiments in the Kitchen
June 3rd, 2008 - Movie Night at the Village
June 17th, 2008 - Basketball Tournament

Kelly Kassor
Junior Jaycee Director



Pancake Breakfast

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Web-Site Update

Have you been out to the chapter's web-site lately? Many things have been going on with the site. We have added a couple of new pages and the "Members Only Area". The first page was comments from our Junior Jaycees. The Junior Jaycees wrote comments on how they felt about our organization. An awards page was added to list our awards that we receive. We will be adding to this as the year goes on.

Finally, our "Members Only Area" is out there now. In this area you will find Roster's, C.P.G.'s and many forms and manuals. To access it, you must first register. To register go to the Members Area on the Home page. On the drop down menu, click on the Register Link. Fill out the short form and we will give you your access.

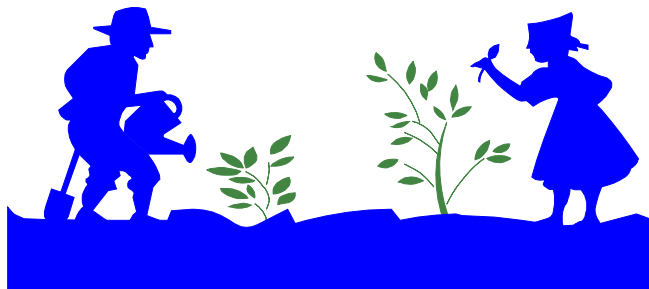
Enjoy the site and let me know if you have any ideas or suggestions for it.

Steve Kowalsky
Webmaster

Flower Box

Our Flower Box project is ready to get going here in the next couple of weeks. The flowers have been ordered and will be delivered on either May 23rd or 24th. This year all the flowers were ordered together. They will also be providing mulch if the funding goes thru. Judging will be sometime down the road and everyone will receive notice of it. There will be more information at the May 20th meeting.

Kevin Kowalsky
Chairman



The North Columbus Junior Chamber is a chapter of Junior Chamber International (JCI), a worldwide federation of young Leaders and Entrepreneurs. We have over 200,000 members in over 130 countries worldwide. Since 1920 the Junior Chamber has been developing worldwide Leaders and Entrepreneurs and since 1963 the North Columbus Junior Chamber has been developing leaders in the Columbus Area. We have a proven system of Leadership Training that can benefit YOU! Meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Jaycee Village Community Room. Below is our creed which was written by C. William Brownfield in Columbus, Ohio. This creed is recited worldwide at JCI meetings and events!

JCI (Jaycee) Creed - C. William Brownfield, Author

We Believe:

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life,
That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations,
That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise,
That government should be of laws rather than of men,
That earth's great treasure lies in human personality, and
That service to humanity is the best work of life!

Our Officers:

Kevin Kowalsky - President
Greg Davis - Internal Vice President
Brent Shaw - External Vice President
Open - State Director
Kym Shaw - Treasurer
Scott Kucinski - Secretary

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