

NORTH STAR

North Columbus Jaycees Newsletter

August 2014

Chairman of the Board Report

-Greg Thirtyacre, III COB

I want to start this report by thanking everyone for their hard work thus far this year. Due to the hard work of the members of the chapter this truly is a banner year for the Jaycees. That being said I would like to make sure that we do not let our passion and enthusiasm falter down the home stretch here. We are coming into a very important part of the year for the chapter; this is the time of the year when we make most of our capital that allows us to run our other projects throughout the year. Obviously this needs to happen from the top all the way down to the bottom for us to be as successful as we can possibly be. Now I have heard some of your complaints about the Board of Directors and I will be pulling them aside one by one to talk to them about these things, but we need to be sure to stay positive and make these next few months as successful as possible.



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We have a great opportunity with the Ohio State games to get more people involved in helping the community all while offering good food, great friends, and a ticket into every home game. My challenge to everyone reading this is not only to show up to as many games as you can, but to bring friends! Our Thanksgiving Food Basket, Christmas for the Needy, Easter Egg Hunt, and pretty much all the other projects we do in and around the community are mostly funded by our turnout to these games... The more people we provide to work the game the bigger the donation that is made to the chapter by CampusParc. This means the time you spend helping with this project is putting turkey in a hungry mother's belly, putting a new bike under the Christmas tree for an under privileged child, putting candy in the egg of a 2 year old that is going to make her day amazing. All these things are possible because of your hard work, and don't fool yourself, you are responsible for putting a smile on each and every one of these people's faces, you can own that and feel good about it since you helped make it possible by working Ohio State parking with us... You will be working right? For more information from the Chairman of the Board, please contact Greg at Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org or at 614-206-1394.



North Columbus, Gahanna, and Baberton Jaycees working together

Meetings are held every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month @ the Jaycee Village (address on back)



Bryce Jans, Internal VP

Serving the Community

-Bryce Jans, Internal Vice President

COMMUNITY, VOLUNTEERING, TEAMWORK– Why do we do the things that we do? The tune “America” from Tori Amos’s new album “Unrepentant Geraldines” plays in the background why I write this month’s article. For a few days, I had struggled to find a topic, or a fresh idea. Then it hit me, most people in our chapter joined because we, as a chapter, wanted to take part of something, and reach our hands out, do something IN THE NOW– and make a difference in our community, and the world around us. We do this by VOLUNTEERING, by being a TEAM, a CHAPTER, and taking part in events, coming up with fresh bright ideas that would improve our community, fundraising to keep our chapter able to do those things.

We also recruit fresh new faces to have the man power to carry out those ideas, and fundraisers, as well as train new leaders in our community. It seems important to note here that the song “America” is about few in a community that are “Awake”, why the rest of the world is “Asleep” to what is going on around them.

We have the ability to show the people around us how to make a difference in the places they call home. We have the chance to be leaders in a movement greater than ourselves. It is an opportunity that we should utilize to the fullest of our potential. We should want to bring new people in and show them what it is we do. Why we do it? Etc. This will help not only chapter, but also current members we already have, because we will be learning to network and to lead. This helps us build up ourselves as a greater Community. Community is defined as follows- “A feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals.” You could by that very definition say that our chapter is just that- we have goals, we want to teach, learn, help people, change things, organize things, create goals, share interest, etc.

As part of our Community, or chapter we accomplish goals by reaching out to the community as volunteers, and by organizing events. Volunteers are important because it is a way to give back. Volunteers are defined as: “a person who freely offers to take part in an enterprise or undertake a task.” Without people willing to help out, and do things from time to time there are certain jobs and task that would never get done, and there are many opportunities, and areas of interest to volunteer in. Giving back is what brings us closer to our Communities, as well as shows that we are passionate about things. It allows to feel good helping out around the things we say we care about. You can volunteer as an individual by going to the pound and offering to walk the dogs, or perhaps at a festival with this chapter as a team. No matter how you do it, every little bit of giving back counts, and never fails to go unrecognized. Even if you think no one has noticed. Someone has, and you made a difference to someone, or to a cause. Bring your friends out, and ask them participate with you, or the chapter- make it a fun time for everyone. The more people, the faster work can get done sometimes. Work hard, and play hard. There is nothing wrong with that sentiment. Whatever it is, we are glad that you are here with us, and we love to see you involved. It is important. You will feel better for it, and also be among one of the productive members of our chapter. Thank you for being part of our community, you members have already taken some of the first steps in making a difference in the world. For more information from the Internal VP, please email BryceJans@Me.com.

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-Greg Thirtyacre, III, COB

It's almost that time of year again when Saturdays only mean one thing... Ohio State Football! We will be working parking for all home games again this year. Anyone who comes out and works parking with us from 4am to kickoff (85% of you time is spent standing with friends telling lies and eating tailgate food) will get a free ticket into the game that day. OSU vs that team up north is a home game this year too! We ask that if you are planning on helping with the team up north game that you work one other game of your choice prior to that.

I know 4am to kick off sounds like a lot of work, but really it's not. Fans don't generally start to park until about 2 hours before the game, so most of the day is spent eating and sharing stories to your friends working with you. We will provide tailgate food at every game again this year meaning Breakfast and lunch will not cost you anything (which is much cheaper than any of the other vendors) Contact me for more info at Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org or call/text me at (614) 206-1394



State Director's Report

-Noah Walsh, State Director

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- ★ August 5th, 19th—Board Meetings 6:30 @ Village
- ★ August 5th, 19th—Chapter Meetings 7:30 @ Village
 - ★ August 15th-16th—All-State
- ★ August 23rd—Drive In Movie Night

Treasurer's Report

-Elizabeth Pagano,
Treasurer

Just a reminder to project chairs, collect all receipts from committee members and turn them in. Also, anyone requesting funds, whether it's a reimbursement or advance should fill out a check request form. Thank you. If you have any questions about the Treasury for the chapter, please contact Liz at lizphone3@gmail.com.



Elizabeth Pagano, Treasurer

Professionalism 101: The Introduction

-Desirée L. Evans, Director

Miriam-Webster defines professionalism as the **conduct**, aims, or qualities that characterize or mark a **profession** or a **professional** person. As a leadership training organization this is one thing we should strive for both individually and as a group. We are the face of our organization. We are who the community sees and decides to support or attend our functions. We are our advertising. I could create 100 different flyers that say we are a group of young professionals that train community leaders but if they show up to a meeting and we lack a professional appearance and behaviours how can we expect them to return?

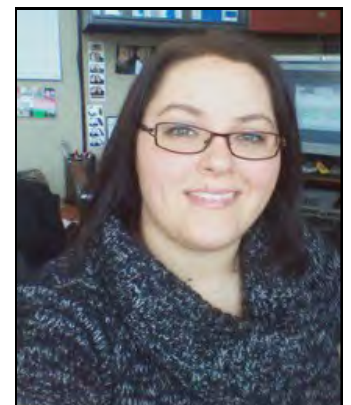
There are certain points of etiquette we should be practicing when networking and presenting our chapter to the community:

- ★ The best introduction is a solid handshake. A firm handshake makes you seem confident and interested. Ladies, this tends to be a weak point for us, don't be afraid to shake with a bit of pressure.
- ★ While a suit isn't necessary at every function you should be neat and clean in appearance. We don't want to believe that people make snap decisions based on appearance but they do. Use it as an opportunity to impress.
- ★ While we are all adults and are permitted to speak freely we should be conscious of profanity and slang terminology, especially around children.

These are three basic rules that can make a world of difference in the way we, as a group and as individuals, are perceived by potential employers, sponsors, and the community. We want to be seen as a reliable, professional group of young adults but we must act the part.

"In business 'professionalism' is not a tactic but a moral value." - Amit Kalantri

We should hold professionalism as high as we hold our own moral standards. That is the only way you will succeed and thrive the way you should. For more information on professionalism training please email me at Desiree.Evans82@gmail.com.



Desirée Evans, Director

What the Jaycees Have Taught Me

-Greg Thirtyacre, III COB

The Jaycees have taught me so much throughout the course of my life I don't even know where to start.... So let's start at the beginning. I was literally born into this chapter; I was born during one of our chapters very successful haunted house projects here in Columbus. My father showed up to the hospital dressed as Dracula even, so I have had a lifetime of experience around the Jaycees. Growing up my dad owned his own businesses just as many members and past members do today, and I'm sure it is not news to you that when you run your own business you are working 12+ hours a day. In spite of working 12 hours+ every day of the week my parents always made time for Jaycee meetings, events, and gatherings. From a young age this taught me while physical things and money are nice, really it is your community and friends that matter the most. Today I work the normal 40 hour a week job just like everyone else, have family events to attend to and the normal things we all like to do like concerts, festivals etc. But no matter what I always make time for the Jaycees, because this is a group of friends that is truly doing what is important and making a difference in the community we all live in.

One of the best ways to describe the skills I picked up in the chapter, most of which I learned without even realizing I was learning them, is to describe my catering/planning skills. 10 years ago if you had come to me and said "I need you to plan and pull off a dinner for 30 people in one month." I would have spent 29 days stressed out and running around with no direction, 1 day trying to get everything done, and three days in the hospital recovering from a nervous breakdown. During my time with the Jaycees I have had the opportunity to work and chair events like Ohio State concessions inside the stadium, working food booths at fairs and carnivals, selling beverages at concerts and large events, planning festivals of my own, training people how to cook and serve for large amounts of people, and even catering a couple weddings and parties.

Now I did not set out with the intention to learn how to plan and host parties or events, I did not set out to learn how to put together a festival or how to manage traffic or safety, but just by participating in Jaycee events and helping where I could I picked up all of these skills. Today if you came up and asked me, the same guy that used to struggle to put together a meal for 5 people, to plan and facilitate an event for 600 people in 3 days not only could I do it, I could do it pretty stress free. This is by volunteering with the Jaycees I have "been there and done that", so I know how to do it. That knowledge has not just allowed me to put together some events that impress even me (I am my harshest critic), but have allowed me to step outside of the Jaycees and take on some pretty big challenges. I have been able to assume the chairman position with the Asian Festival (which is a 130,000+ person event) on the organizing committee as head of parking, traffic, safety, and security. I have made such a name for myself in the festival world here in Columbus that the Art's Festival has approached me and asked me if I would take control of parking for their event. All of the skills for organization, recruiting, managing, negotiating, and even how to conduct myself in high pressure meetings with city and state officials has all come from what the Jaycees have taught me, and the majority of it I was unaware I was even learning, I was just having a good time with my friends and trying to help the community at the same time. There are many other things the Jaycees have taught me like self-control, fiscal and fiduciary responsibility, and time management just to name a few. But the most important thing the Jaycees have given me is the confidence to know that I can do anything I want to. For more information from the Chairman of the Board, please contact Greg at Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org or at 614-206-1394.

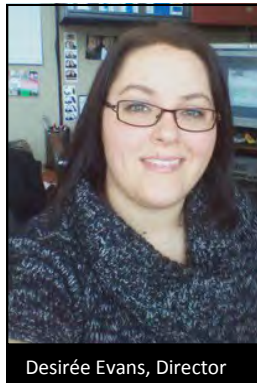


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August Birthdays

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Muriel Crawford
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Eddie Hard
Elliott Clark



Desirée Evans, Director

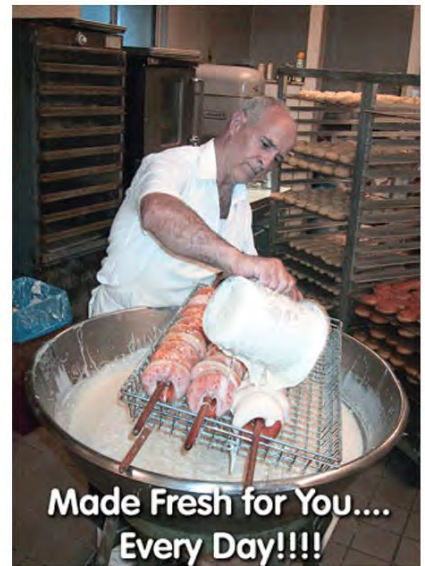
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The North Columbus Junior Chamber is a chapter of Junior Chamber International (JCI), a worldwide federation of young Leaders and Entrepreneurs. We have over 200,000 members in over 130 countries worldwide. Since 1920 the Junior Chamber has been developing 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!

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