

North Star



North Columbus Jaycees Newsletter

December 2014

The Presidential Address Freer Hall, President

Dearest friends and members,

Our year is coming to a close and this will be my final article as your chapter president. It's been a fun ride and I'm very proud of all of our members. We have had a lot of new faces come to us this year and saw friends pursue new goals in faraway lands (I'm looking at you, Bryce Jans and Jonathan Epelbaum).

I want to call out Rich Galzarano, Desiree Evans, and Greg Thirtyacre (the younger one) for helping keep the board functioning this year. They have been elected to the top of the board for next year and I foresee great things to come from their leadership.

Thank you everyone for a fun-filled year. We've continued classic projects and started new ones. We've seen some great trainings and won our share of awards at the state level. I look forward to seeing you all at the end of year celebration in January!

Thanks again!
Freer Hall



Freer Hall, President

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



Greg Thirtyacre, III, COB

The View From the Chair

Greg Thirtyacre, III, Chairman of the Board

We're almost there, Only 30 more days until we cap off the year and then we are ready for it. 11/29 saw the end of the regular football season for Ohio State and the last of our parking events for the year as well. I would personally like to thank everyone that came out to help this year, without you this would not have been such a successful event. We have already been invited back next year plus CampusParc has asked to help park Ohio State Basketball games as well as a few other events, so keep your ears open for more announcements in this area.

With the Christmas parties just around the corner all involved with the resident Christmas parties are in high gear and preparing things every day! From planning and buying the menu, organizing Santa's visit, decorating the community rooms, and getting the trivia and karaoke ready everyone is busy and any more help you are able to lend would be a blessing both to the chapter and to the residents. This is a special time of year for everyone but for a lot of the residents the Christmas party will be the only outlet they will be able to express their joy and join with their Jaycee family in celebration as many of our residents do not have other family to share this wonderful time of year with. Please contact Rich or myself if you would like to be a part of this amazing event.

If you would like to contact me about an upcoming event or an idea for an event you can get ahold of me by phone or text at (614) 206-1394 or email me at Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org.

Past Presidents Dinner

Rich Galzarano, External VP

I have an idea that I would like to share with my Jaycee family. In 2015, I would like to have a Past President's Dinner. At this dinner, ideas can be shared, and advice can be given regarding the future of our chapter. They can share ideas that worked during their presidency, new projects, fundraisers, getting new members, etc. Also, it never hurts for our members to have a mentor to help them develop leadership skills and professionalism. If you are a past president, and interested in attending a past president's dinner, please email or call me.

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Rich Galzarano, External VP

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

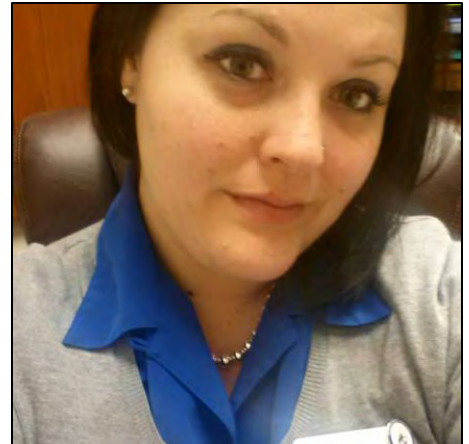
Desirée L. Evans, Director

While we started off a bit late in the planning of the Thanksgiving food baskets project it was as successful as ever (and under budget!) We were able to create a basket that contains everything for a hearty family feast for five needy families this year and all were very grateful and deserving.

One of these young ladies stood out to me more than the rest (bottom right photo). My last delivery took me to the intersection of Livingston and Brice. On the outside, the building seemed like it could be ok and safe for her to be. Walking in, the surroundings were less welcoming but still okay. She greeted Mike and me at the door with a beaming smile you could see from a mile away. She invited

us into her home and when I walked in I knew that she needed this. She needed us. There was nothing. No couch. No table. No chairs. Only a TV and TV stand were visible in her home. I knew her story but until that moment the gravity of her recent life experiences had never really sunk in.

A few short months ago her sister was murdered. Shortly thereafter, she and her mother lost their house. Up until the last few weeks they had been staying with different friends as they waited for a job and housing assistance. Throughout all of this she has been attending school and did not drop out. She has a steady job at the taco bell near her place and just moved into this apartment. She has the most warm and genuine smile on her face almost 24/7 even though her life has been hell. When we walked away from her door I've never felt more right about anything that I have done in my life. That moment truly brought that final line of our creed to light. "Service to Humanity is the BEST WORK OF LIFE"!



Desirée Evans, Director



External VP Report

Rich Galzarano, External VP

There is no better time than the holidays to show how much you care about your friends, family, and community. Our Christmas holiday party for the Jaycee residents is coming up on December 13th and 14th. This year's party will be unique from previous years. We are having a karaoke contest for the residents as well as a holiday movie trivia!! It will be a great time for all involved. Also, we expect the Grinch to make an appearance at this year's party. We need volunteers for this event, particularly with holiday decorations and cooking food. It is a great opportunity to invite people than can potentially become new members of the Jaycees.

Our first Christmas party is on December 13th from 12 – 1 pm and then 2-3 pm at the Jaycee Arms

[Jaycee Arms Apartments for Senior](#)

266 E Main St, Columbus, Ohio 43215

The second party is on December 14th from 12-2pm at the Jaycee Village. The village address is

Jaycee Village

5905 Beechcroft Rd.

Columbus, OH 43229

We also need someone to take the lead on our Christmas gift giving to families project. The Jaycee member that was heading this project is now in Orlando, so we need volunteers to help provide families gifts for Christmas. This is a great project that really makes an impact on families, especially if they are able to give gifts to their children. Please let me know if you are interested in leading this project.

I can be reached at rgalzarano@gmail.com or [\(614\) 534-1762](tel:6145341762).

Cheers

Rich



Rich Galzarano, External VP

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, weather 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

December

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- ❖ December 2 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm, Jaycee Village
- ❖ December 2 - Chapter meeting, 7:30pm, Jaycee Village
- ❖ December 13 – Christmas Dinners at Jaycee Arms (12:00pm & 2:00pm)
- ❖ December 14 - Christmas Dinners at Jaycee Village
- ❖ December 16 - Board Meeting, 6:30pm, Jaycee Village
- ❖ December 16 - Chapter meeting, 7:30pm, Jaycee Village

Who are the final 4 in college football?

Rich Galzarano, External VP

In its first year since the BCS system was replaced, the college football selection committee has a tough task in figuring out who are the 4 teams that will play for the championship this year.

The selection committee consists of 13 members

- 1) Condoleezza Rice - Former United States Secretary of State, Stanford University Professor and Provost
- 2) Jeff Long - Vice Chancellor and Director of Athletics, University of Arkansas-Fayetteville
- 3) Barry Alvarez - Director of Athletics, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 4) Lieutenant General Mike Gould - Former Superintendent of the United States Air Force Academy, Retired 3 star general
- 5) Pat Haden – Director of Athletics, Southern California University
- 6) Tom Jernstedt – Former NCAA Executive Vice President
- 7) Oliver Luck - Director of Athletics, West Virginia University
- 8) Archie Manning - Former University of Mississippi Quarterback, and NFL player
- 9) Tom Osborne - Former Nebraska Head Coach and Director of Athletics
- 10) Dan Radakovich - Director of Athletics, Clemson University
- 11) Mike Tranchese - Former Commissioner of the Big East Conference
- 12) Steve Wieberg - Former College Football Reporter, USA Today
- 13) Tyrone Willingham - Former Head Coach of Notre Dame, Stanford, and Washington

The committee must choose four teams based on strength of schedule, head to head results, comparison of results against common opponents, championships won, and other factors. The rankings are announced every Tuesday evening, starting on October 28th and ending on December 7th. This year, we have 6 teams that have a legitimate shot at making the playoffs. Below are some statistics for each team. NCAA Division I-A consists of 125 teams, which are ranked against each other based on performance. The strength of schedule numbers are as of 12/1/14.

| Team | Total Defense | Total Offense | Rush Defense | Pass Defense | Pass Offense | Rushing Offense | Strength of Schedule | Head-to-Head |
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| Alabama | 11 | 16 | 2 | 54 | 21 | 35 | 2 | |
| Oregon | 87 | 4 | 54 | 111 | 11 | 22 | 13 | |
| Florida State | 46 | 46 | 10 | 62 | 13 | 101 | 36 | |
| TCU | 45 | 5 | 18 | 92 | 8 | 34 | 9 | Lost to Baylor |
| Ohio State | 19 | 11 | 40 | 17 | 50 | 11 | 33 | |
| Baylor | 39 | 1 | 42 | 100 | 6 | 18 | 16 | |

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We will find out very soon who will be playing for the National Championship. All the teams listed above can make a great case for making it. Statistically, you can see why they are amongst the top teams in the country. One thing that I noticed was that there are several teams that struggle defending the pass. Look for this as an area that each team will try to exploit in the playoff matches. Of course, each team will have over a month to prepare for the opponent, so that gives the defense. Unfortunately, only 4 teams can go. The committee may leave Ohio State out because of the loss of J.T. Barrett, which would be unfortunate for the Buckeyes. If that happens, I think both Baylor and TCU get in. Alabama & Florida State will make it unless they lose in their Conference Title games. My prediction is that Florida State loses this weekend, and gives Baylor a spot in the playoffs. My four playoff predictions are as follows: I think that these are the 4 best teams in college football. TCU and Baylor are very close, but you have to give Baylor the edge for winning the head to head battle.

- 1) Alabama
- 2) Oregon
- 3) Baylor
- 4) Ohio State



Rich Galzarano, External VP



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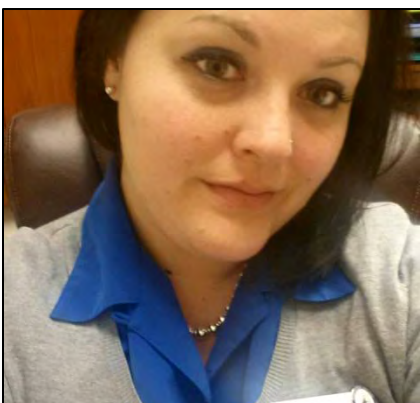
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