

## NORT# STAR

North Columbus Jaycees Newsletter

### President's Address

#### Freer Hall, President

First, please join me in welcoming to the board two new members: Desiree Evans, Director and Carrie Evans, Secretary. These fine young women will be assisting us in their official capacity for the remainder of the year.

We will be holding M-Nights every other month beginning May 20<sup>th</sup>. We have this first one covered; however, I am asking for members to step up and help plan future M-Nights. It's an easy and fun first project to get your feet wet if you've never run one before. Let a board member know if you're interested!

A special thanks to Rich Galzarano for putting together a poker night fundraiser! It's great to see new members with big ideas taking the initiative. I know everyone wants to do something, so don't be afraid to come to us with any project ideas you have!

We have a lot of projects coming up – the Asian festival, M-Night, movie night, pig roast, and poker night... I'm overjoyed at the level of participation we're receiving. If we're not doing something that interests you, let us know! It is our intention to run projects that keep everyone involved.

Freer Hall, Chapter President

May 2014

*"It's great to see new members with big ideas taking the initiative."* 

Thank you to everyone!



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

All-State Awards Ceremony

#### Chairman of the Board Report

#### -Greg Thirtyacre, III COB

Here we are coming into the busy time of year for us, and I could not be more excited. In the past few months we have grown by leaps and bounds both in leadership and in members. We have committed to many events this summer both hosted by us and some we are working in unison with other organizations and chapters. We have already worked a couple pretty demanding events and the chapter has responded very well to the challenge. We still have some of our more challenging events to come and it is surely going to be a busy summer, but I know I am committed to doing whatever it takes to make everything we are involved in successful, and I feel the rest of the chapter is too. So here is to the summer, let's hope it is a pleasant one and that we see you at a lot of our events. If you have any questions about upcoming events please contact me at <u>Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org</u>.



Please welcome the two newest members to the Board of Directors Carrie Evans, Secretary and Desirée Evans, Director (No relation)





Noah Walsh, State Director

#### State Director's Report

#### -Noah Walsh, State Director

On April 26th we visited the Portsmouth Jaycess and took part in their annual trout derby. A big thanks to Joe Orsbon for bringing his father and brother to the event. Other members that participated were Desirée Evans, David Singleton, Karissa Shableshy, Kevin Kowalsky, Freer Hall, and Noah Walsh. Although no fish were caught, we caught the fever and are all planning to go again. Maybe next time we will be more lucky.

On the near horizon we have two chapter visitations scheduled. We plan to help the Barberton Jaycees with their annual Cherry Blossom Festival the weekend of May 16th. We have also been invited to visit the Kent Jaycees for a weekend of fun and frivolity. If you are interested in participating in either visitation, please email me at noahwalsh31279@yahoo.com.



#### Internal VP Report

As your Internal Vice President - I want to make sure we are doing Individual Development projects (Trainings) on things that you want to learn about. I also want to make sure that your Jaycee Degrees are being worked on, and that you are becoming а successful member in our chapter. If you don't know about the degrees, or trainings - please don't hesitate to contact me. If you have suggestions for trainings, want to know what you need to do to move up in your degrees, please feel free to contact me. I know myself and some of your other officers are really trying to get things in gear to make sure the chapter is meeting your needs, and that we are coming up with projects, trainings, and other events that you guys will like, and want to be a part of. This is very important to us, and myself. I can be reached at BryceJans@me.com anytime, or feel free to call me using the number on your rosters.



#### **Dragon Boat Races**

#### -Greg Thirthyacre, III, COB

The Dragon Boat Race is here again! If you were out with us last year you know what a fun event this is to work and all the wonderful people you get to meet. This event is part of the Asian Festival and will be held on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Come join us and watch teams from NBC 4, ABC 6, Time Warner, and many other businesses and organizations around Columbus battle it out on the water for rights to this year's trophy. Visit the food truck food court for your fill of some local street food and then settle in by the water to enjoy what is sure to be an amazing afternoon of races and entertainment. Due to some construction on the river downtown, this year's race will be held at Scioto Audubon Park (400 West Whittier Street, Columbus, OH 43215). There will be public parking but we still need some volunteers to help park in the VIP lot as well as some dock marshals and boat holders. This is a fun event for all ages and if you're coming to volunteer, or just coming to enjoy the race you are sure to have a great time. For more information about this event or if you have any questions please refer to Asian-Festival.org or contact me at Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org.



#### May All-State

#### -Noah Walsh, State Director

Thanks to all the North Columbus Jaycees that came to the All-State. Many awards and degrees were won by our chapter! Those who came to All-State were Joe Orsbon, David Singleton, Karissa Shablesky, Kevin Kowalsky, Freer Hall, Greg Thirtyacre,III, Elizabeth Pagano, Desirée Evams, Bryce Jans, and Noah Walsh. Carrie Evans received her 1st and 2nd degrees. Joe Orsbon received his 3rd degree. Kevin Kowalsky , Greg Thirtyacre III, and Noah Walsh received their 5th degrees. Noah Walsh won the Presidential Recognition Medal. Liz Pagano won Treasurer of the 1st Quarter. Desirée Evans won an award for Most Enthusiastic First Timer. Greg Thirtyacre, III took home the commendable honor of Jaycee of the 1st Quarter. The chapter also won 2nd place overall in the state! Congratulations to all of our winners! Remember, it truly is THE BEST WORK OF LIFE!



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#### Easter Egg Hunt

-Elizabeth Pagano, Treasurer

The Easter Egg Hunt went well, even considering we prepared for 80 participants and well over 300 showed up. We had plenty of eggs and (after picking up more the day of), hot dogs. The community of Obetz was a pleasure to work with and I hope to see future projects with them.





#### The Best-Paid Job

#### -Freer Hall, President

A little over a year ago, I was turned on to a career opportunity. It came unexpectedly, in an area I love and I knew it would be a life-changing move. I'm speaking, of course, of the North Columbus Junior Chamber. I've received more than a little flak for taking on a job that provides no monetary compensation for my time. I reject those small notions.



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I've made my living off of the experiences I've gained, rolling lessons learned from job to job, often in unrelated industries. The Junior Chamber offers me a new experience while leveling up my life and enhancing my education. I can propose a project in any area; I can assist another in undertaking their own; I can lead the pack or play the follower; all of this serves to sustain an environment of edification unlike any other.

We are known to say that you get out of it what you put in to it. I give it everything I have and in return I gain everything the Junior Chamber has to offer. Leadership, organization, sacrifice, community, industry, ingenuity - as a platform to perform any function I can dream up, I can expand my own horizons at my own pace.

This is my real job. What I do during the day to make money is simply a means to an end. I don't have to cash a check to know that I am paid more in

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- \* May 6th-Chapter Meeting (Jaycee Village)
  - \* May 11th-Dragon Boat Races
    - \* May 13th-Board Meeting
  - \* May 20th-Chapter Meeting and M-Night
    - \* May 24th-25th-Asian Festival
      - \* May 30th-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, weather it's a reimbursement or advance should fill out a check request form. Thank you.



Elizabeth Pagano, Treasurer



Big and Little Thirtyacre prepping the grill

#### **Pig Roast**

#### -Greg Thirtyacre, III, COB

One question we get year around at the Village and Arms is "When is the next pig roast?". It has been made clear to us many times over that the seniors in our buildings look forward to this event each and every year. This year June 14th will be our 32<sup>nd</sup> annual Pig Roast to be held at the Jaycee Village (5905 Beechcroft Road Columbus, OH 43229).

So far everything is on track and this is looking to be one of our best ever. This year's menu will feature lots of naked pulled pork with your choice of sauce, slow smoked apple and cherry wood beef brisket, marinated and roasted chicken, slow smoked and smothered ribs, homemade country style macaroni and cheese, succulent ham and beans with sweet fluffy cornbread, country style hash brown casserole, fresh and crisp salad, and other wonderful items including drinks and dessert. Event preparations will begin at 7:00 am with food being served at noon.

Please keep in mind this is an event to celebrate our senior citizen community and please try and limit your party size accordingly. We are still looking for people to help serve food and to help clean up after the event so if you are able, please come and help pitch in to make this a very memorable event for our senior citizen community. For more information or to offer your support please contact me at <u>Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org</u>.

#### **Asian Festival**

#### -Greg Thirtyacre, III, COB

It's almost time! Get a pair of shorts, your favorite polo and your appetite ready because in less than a month Asian Festival will be upon us. This year the North Columbus Jaycees are not only serving as co-chairs on two different committee's for the festival, but as a chapter we have also pledged a minimum of 200 volunteer hours to the event and expect to exceed that pledge.

This will be the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Asian festival here in Columbus and this event boast over 100,000 visitors in the two days span of the main festival. This year the organizing committee has really turned the event up a notch to celebrate their 20<sup>th</sup> year by flying in dancers, martial artist, story tellers, musicians, and many others from all over the world to pack both event stages as well as some displays that will be around the grounds. With more food and marketplace vendors than ever before you will want to come hungry and with a large vehicle to get all the amazing things you will find home. The event and entertainment is free to attend and everyone is welcome.

Mark May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> off on your calendar and come on over to Franklin Park to not only support your North Columbus Jaycees and all the other hundreds of volunteers that make this event possible, but also to come and enjoy with us one of the best festivals that Columbus Ohio has to offer. For more information about this event or if you have any questions please refer to Asian-Festival.org or contact me at <u>Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org</u>, and we really look forward to seeing you there!



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