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President's Message

-Rich Galzarano, President



In 1989 the Jaycee organization had approximately 250k members.

As of 2014, the Jaycee organization had 25,000 members in the United States. So why has our membership dropped exponentially over the last 25 yrs? We can certainly make excuses that we are like many other non-profits, who are struggling with membership, but I don't have time for EXCUSES! I only have time for SOLUTIONS AND RESULTS!!!

Nobody knows the exact answer why these numbers have dropped, but I believe the number has fallen for 2 major reasons: not understanding why we joined the organization in the first place, and feeling too busy. The good news is that these two problems can be corrected when understood.

I first joined the Jaycees in March of 2014. I found out about the organization on the North Columbus Jaycee website. It seemed like a cool thing to do. I was thinking in my mind, "yeah, let's do some community service!" So, I decided to attend a chapter meeting to meet all the members. I met everyone in the chapter that night in March, and everyone made we feel welcome and part of the group as they went through their agenda and list of upcoming projects, so I decided to join.

My biggest obstacle was balancing my schedule. I was working full time as a manager, I am membership chair of the national association of financial advisors, I attend a church group every week, and I am a newlywed. How was I going to balance all of these things in my schedule? Did I have enough time for the Jaycees?

At first, I felt like I didn't have enough time for the Jaycees. I was too busy. Too many things going on with work and all other areas of my life. How could I take an active role with no time in the Jaycees? I think that many that join our organization feel the same way.

The real problem was that I didn't really know why in my heart I was joining this organization. Many of our members don't know why they joined In the first place? It seemed like a fun thing to do, right, but why the Jaycees? Why not some other organization?

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

But, what do we stand for? Does the Jaycee belief system align with mine? After being involved with the Jaycees for several months, it finally hit me. The Jaycee Creed is why I joined the organization. It is the belief system that our organization holds so strongly. Particularly, for me, the last line, which is "Service to Humanity is the best work of life". That was why I joined the chapter. Does your personal belief system align with our creed? It reminded me of the moment that I fed a Christmas dinner to a senior citizen that otherwise would of been unable to afford that. She told me that she really looked forward to our Christmas Dinner, and she didn't have any family left to spend it with. I felt so much joy as we hugged and she smiled at me. It is those moments when it truly hits home.

Because my belief system so strongly aligns with what we do for our community and the Creed, I prioritize time to be a Jaycee. I urge everyone to value every minute in their day, and to manage your time wisely. Prioritize your calendar daily, and don't neglect the things that you love. DON'T MAKE EXCUSES!!! If you love being a Jaycee, and you believe in our Creed, take time in your schedule to think about how you can be a better Jaycee. By simply investing more time in the things that you love, and sharing your personal story about the Jaycees with others, this will help get our membership numbers to grow. Lets get that number going in the right direction. This is too great of an organization to accept anything else.

A Fishing Lesson

-Freer Hall, Chairman of the Board



Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a life time. But what about giving a man a reason to fish? Some people already know they want something better and will work for it because they believe they can make it a reality. Those people should probably be our easiest recruits. They already have their purpose, we're just showing them how to accomplish their goals. What are we going to do about people who are satisfied with the status quo? How do we motivate them to participate in bettering themselves? We have to help them find a reason. We need to engage people at the motivational level, find their purpose, and then we can show them how to fish.

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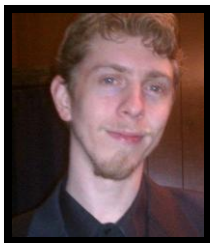
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Soap Box Derby

-Greg Moyer, State Director



What is it you ask???

Well you get a bunch of awesome little kids and a hill, you pave the hill and throw some wheels on a fiberglass “pod” and put the kids in the pod and they race down the hill for trophies and glory!!!!

The next one is going down the hill at 8 am on the 9th of May (the 10th for a rain make up day). The North Columbus Jaycees will be out in force making sure the kids are enjoying the race and get a ride with their rides back up to the top of the hill to do it all again. We are still looking for volunteers for ALL remaining dates, food, drink and FUN included!

The first race of the year we had our very own Junior Jaycee from North Columbus, Jade Miller, join the race and on her very first time EVER piloting a vehicle placed in TWO separate heats!!!! Congrats Jade and good luck on the next race.

The Soap Box Derby Association here in Columbus is looking for new racers to join in on the fun and they even have a few cars that they will loan if you don't have one of your own.

Two other dates to remember if you want to come out and enjoy the races, volunteer, or actually participate in the races: June 13th is the super kids race and September 19th and 20th, the fall rally a two-day event. And last but not least a VERY special thank you to the Venture Crew for all their hard work and to the Soap Box Derby Association for allowing North Columbus to be a part of their event again this year



Food For Thought

-Greg Moyer, State Director

In light of a tool North Columbus uses quite frequently to recruit unsuspecting new members and volunteers (come help we will provide food) we are going to try a new section with a recipe section Tzatziki Sauce!

(makes 3 cups)

Ingredients

- 2 cups plain Greek yogurt
- 2 cups diced cucumber
- 1/2 cup fresh dill minced
- 2 teaspoons fresh mint minced
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Directions

1. In a medium bowl, combine all the ingredients and stir until fully incorporated. Chill before serving.
2. Enjoy!

Recipe adapted from Two Peas and Their Pod

courtesy of www.12tomatos.com

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2015 in Full Swing

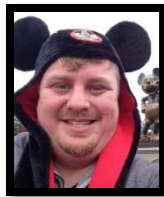
-Greg Thirtyacre, III, Internal Vice President



The second quarter is going to be a busy one here at the North Columbus Jaycees, we have a lot to accomplish. Thus far we have already had the Easter Egg Hunt, Driven Basketball game, and one of many Soapbox Derbies. It is important that we not only stay on task but that we learn and document both our successes and mistakes so that down the road we have this information to pull from. Some of the ID projects we are looking to run this quarter are a PMG/Chairman's training; we have many new members running projects for the first time and this will help them get things rolling smoothly. We will also be having a Time Management workshop to help us all divide our time efficiently and accomplish more with the time we have. As always we are open to any suggestions you may have or if you know a trainer that would be valuable to our chapter to hear from. Please contact me at Greg@NorthColumbusJaycees.org.

A Series of Success

*-Bryce Jans, a member with mouse ears
Due to length constraints this will be a
4 part series. Make sure you watch for
Your next issue!*



Safety, Courtesy, Show, Efficiency. These words have been planted in my brain since arriving at Disney. Disney calls these things the "four keys to success". I didn't quite understand the importance of them till having the chance to really put them in action. I thought I would share.













How does this help an organization like the Jaycees? Well a lot actually. Just as planning events require a PMG, or as when I started a CPG (Chairman's Planning Guide), everything must have a purpose to see something great occur. Next time you're planning event try adding in these "keys" or "Techniques" and I bet you will see your event just got even easier, and will run smoother than the event before.

But what is success. It is different to everyone. For the chapter it might be making the goal of receiving two new members this month or more. It might be raising a certain amount of money at an event. It might mean bringing out a certain number of people to an event, or to helping a certain number of people in the community this week.

We can learn from other organizations, and businesses using what they teach to make our chapter, and what we do better down the road. You may think what does show have to do with anything?

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- May 1-3: All State, Crowne Plaza North
- May 5, 19: Chapter meeting, Jaycee Village 7:30pm
- May 9: Soap Box Derby, Big Run Park 8:00am
- May 12: Board Meeting: Location (TBD) Time (TBD)
- May 17: Dragon Boat Races, Scioto Audubon Park, 9:00am
- May 21-22: Asian Festival Set-Up, Franklin Park 1:00pm
- May 23-24: Asian Festival, Franklin Park 7:00am

May Birthdays

May 1 Chris Welch
 May 2 Randy Murphy
 May 8 Tim Liebhaber
 May 11 Jonathan Epelbaum
 May 12 Brent Shaw
 May 14 Bryce Jans
 May 14 Connie Skaggs
 May 19 Alan McDermott
 May 29 H. Glenn Spangler



Why is courtesy important? Safety, does this mean we have to wear goggles to the next chapter meeting? Or, not everything is efficient all the time (This event doesn't seem to be running smoothly at all). This is probably true, but it doesn't mean we can't strive to always be the best we can be. After all don't we learn from mistakes, and doesn't that make us stronger too. But are there things we can think about ahead of time to perhaps prevent those mistakes from happening as we pen our planning guides. Absolutely. The box is only as big as you make it. Take time to think outside it, and use other tools too. Here I hope I can provide you some new tools, and techniques that you can potentially use. Learning new techniques isn't always easy- so let's just start with the basics in order.

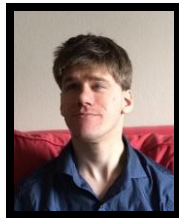
Safety:

What is Safety? How do you implement it? Safety is defined as the condition of being protected from- or unlikely to cause danger, risk, or injury. Or if you're a football fan, and I know most of you are- it's a position you can play on the field to support your team. Why is this important? Well when we plan events, we don't want anyone to get hurt, we want to make sure that we are in good spaces, and we want to make sure no one has a chance of being in danger. It is a simple concept. Sometimes we lack in following it. It is never too late to start doing practical things to ensure Safety. Everyone has a pretty good idea of what is safe and what isn't- So in terms of how to use this as a Jaycee think of it this way. Helping prevent things that might have people on your team, or in your chapter at a risk is beneficial- speaking up for your safety, or the safety of others is the best way to implement it, and how to be a team player.

Stay tuned for next month's key to success: Courtsy!

East Meets West In Columbus

-Matthew Burger, Director



We are still in need of Volunteers for the Asian Festival Festivities. This year, the festival is May 23 & 24 (10am-8pm) in Franklin Park and the Dragon Boat Race is May 17 (8am-4pm) in Scioto Audubon Metro Park. For more information on the festival and boat race, including directions and activities please visit the web site at WWW.asian-festival.org or follow us on Facebook by going to www.facebook.com/asianfest or you can contact me at (740) 993-9491.

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Congratulations to our Award Winners!

Ohio Jaycees 1st Quarter Awards

- Ohio Jaycees #1 Parade of Chapters – Overall
- Ohio Jaycees #1 Parade of Chapters - Programing
- Ohio Jaycees Most Excited First Timer - Matt Burger
- Ohio Jaycees Most Outstanding First Timer - Matt Burger
- Ohio Jaycees New Jaycee of the Quarter - Matt Burger
- Ohio Jaycee PR Director of the Quarter - Desiree Evans
- Ohio Jaycees Outstanding Local Officer - Desiree Evans
- Ohio Jaycees Most Outstanding Newsletter
- Ohio Jaycees Outstanding Local Website
- Ohio Jaycees Outstanding Local President - Rich Galzarano
- Ohio Jaycees Most Outstanding ID Project of the Quarter - Creed Contest
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- Ohio Jaycees Junior Jaycee of the Quarter - Jade Miller
- Ohio Jaycees Outstanding MVP - Matt Burger

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!