

The North Star

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The North Columbus Jaycees

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President's Report — Mathew Burger

During the month of January, the North Columbus Jaycees held many events that couldn't have been as successful without the help of many people and organizations.

First of all, I would like to thank Roy Hall for giving a great talk on the first line of the Jaycee Creed, and Greg Thirtyacre, Sr. for giving a speech on how "Service to humanity is the best work of life" at the 2015 North Columbus Jaycees End of the Year Banquet. I would also like to thank Marshall's for letting us use their establishment for Noah's memorial dinner, and the Jaycee Village for letting us host the End of the Year Banquet.

Additionally, there were many notable guests at these events I would also like to acknowledge. I would like to thank our

State President, Jamie Chesser from Vinton County, Melissa Salamon, who represented the Gahanna chapter and Annie Yoder, who represented the North Canton chapter for coming to Noah's memorial dinner. I would also like to thank Ernie Larger, Dave, and Cathy Levy, from Pedal for Pete, Roy Hall from Driven Foundation and Jamie Keller from Habitat for Humanity for attending our End of the Year Banquet, as well as, Stephanie Sweeny, who represented the Ohio Jaycees state board and Eric Smer for representing North Canton. I would also like to thank Charlie Eberhardt, and Jane Hider, as well as Connie and John Skaggs for attending the banquet.

Lastly, I would like to thank last year's North Columbus Jaycees presi-

dent and this year's North Columbus Jaycees Chairman of the Board, Rich Galzarano, for doing such a fantastic job for the chapter. Through all of his hard work and dedication as chapter president, we are one of the largest chapters in the state based on members, and we formed valuable partnerships with Habitat For Humanity, Pedal with Pete, and Driven, as well as grew closer to the Corn festival, Soap Box Derby, and the Columbus Asian Festival. Under his leadership, we also started an Easter Egg Hunt in Grove City, and helped out with the Haunted Corn Maze.

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Chairman of the Board — Rich Galzarano

On January 16th, we celebrated our year end party. The event was a wonderful way to cap off what was a great year for the Jaycees. Our chapter membership grew by 17, we developed several new key partnerships in the community, and we impacted even more people than the year before through our community service. Over 30 people attended, including several of our partner organizations. The partners that made the event were Pedal for Pete, Habitat for Humanity, and the Driven Foundation. Thank you for your partnership and contributions to our mutual success this year.

We had two guest speakers, Roy Hall Jr, who is the President of the Driven Foundation, and Greg Thirtyacre, owner of Thirtyacre towing. Both speeches emphasized how the Jaycee creed have personally impacted their lives, and the lives of others. Roy especially challenged our members and partners to really commit their lives to the service of others. "Service to humanity is not a sometime thing, it is an all the time thing." It should be ingrained in our daily lives. Roy also talked about how his faith in God is the driving force behind why he is so passionate about serving & loving others. I came out of each speech with even more enthusiasm and a stronger resolve to continue to share the Jaycee creed and story with others.

Several of our chapter members won awards. They will be posted on this newsletter. I would like to thank all our chapter members for their valuable contributions this year. It was through teamwork that we were able to achieve extraordinary results.

We also had the opportunity to swear in some of our new members and officers. Our 2016 President, Matthew Burger, did a great job of laying out his vision for 2016. Let's help Matt take our chapter to even greater heights.

Also, a thanks to everyone that helped plan and execute the party. Without your contributions, it would of been difficult to have the type of success and attendance that we had. If I missed someone on this list, I apologize.

Food Preparers & Servers

- Greg Thirtyacre III
- Greg Thirtyacre and Cheryl Thirtyacre
- Ashley Gose
- Andrea Andrade
- Amanda Higby
- Matthew Burger

Table Setup & Clean Up

- Connie Skaggs, John Skaggs, and family
- Kevin Kowalsky
- Hollie Galzarano
- Ashley Gose
- Greg Thirtyacre III

Picture Slideshow

- Steve Kowalsky



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Schedule Change for the Month of March

There will be a slight alteration to our meeting schedule for the month of March. Our first meeting, which will still be held on March the first, will start at 7 P.M. instead of our normal time of 7:30 P.M. The reason for this change is to make room for the Jaycees Housing Corporation, which will be using the Jaycee Village Community Room at 8 P.M. for their Annual Meeting.

Our second meeting of the month, will meet as normal on March 15, 2016 at 7.30 P.M.



Greg Thirtyacre — State Director

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So this month is going to be a pretty active month with some great training and fellowship within our own state and with JCI USA. We will have members attending the JCI Leadership Training University (LTU) in St. Louis on February 13, 2016 for 3 days. This event brings together incoming leaders from across the country for an intensive multi-state conference to learn everything they need to know to run their chapters in the coming year. Session topics will include understanding what constitutes a healthy chapter, keeping chapters legally and financially compliant, building strong chapter boards, effective communication with members, potential members, and civic leaders, and understanding the membership database, the website, and other tools and resources. Attendees will meet with National Officers and review plans of action. A highlight of the conference will be the inauguration of chapter officers.

February also plays host to the Ohio Jaycees Year End Convention. This will be held on February 19th – 21st at Embassy Suites Dublin. This year’s event will include trainings, competitions, and the fourth quarter and year end awards banquet. Please watch the Ohio Jaycees Facebook page for more updates on this event.

The 2016 National Meeting will be in Detroit, Michigan from September 22nd – 25th. The National Meeting is a conference of fellowship, friendship, education, and fun. At this meeting the association honors Ten Outstanding Young Americans (which is the Jaycees' signature event and highlight of the conference). The Jaycees also recognize previous year's outstanding members, chapters, leaders and programs. Members will have the opportunity to reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and benefit from dozens of classes, trainings and

general sessions, you can find more on this event at www.detroit2016.org



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Weather Emergency

If a meeting or event needs to be canceled due to a weather emergency, power outage, or Velociraptor zombie attack, a notice of cancelation will be on our Facebook page and the home page of our website.



FEBRUARY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Chapter Meeting	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Leadership Training University
14	15	16 Chapter Meeting	17	18	19 Ohio Jaycees Year-End	20 Ohio Jaycees Year-End
21 Ohio Jaycees Year-End	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29					

Birthdays



- February 15 — Carrie Evans
- February 20 — Bobby Fisher
- February 22 — Leah McPherson
- February 23 — Arthur Morgan
- February 23 — Clifford Morgan

