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Greetings Region V,

My name is Holly Kosick and I am so excited and happy to be serving over the GREATEST Region in the whole land, Region 5! For those of you who do not know me I hail from Florissant Valley and have had the pleasure of serving as a District Director for the past 2 years - 2007 as DD in District 1 and in 2008 as DD in District 3. In the coming year I look forward to meeting each and every one of you and participating in your chapter's events!

In 2009, together we are going to build our Region through more communication amongst our chapters, more interaction and visibility with our communities, and more planning within our individual chapters.

One of the most important goals for any business or organization should be to improve communication. The Jaycees are no exception! Each of us should look forward to visiting each other and sharing our ideas and our experiences with each other, thus making projects easier and more fun for all involved. In order to help Region 5 chapters do more visitations and communicate more, the Region 5 team encourages every chapter to use the yahoo group, yahoo calendar, Region 5 Facebook page, the Region 5 website, attend President's meetings and submit information to the newsletter.

Another important goal we should strive for is to increase our interaction and visibility with our surrounding community. Times are hard. Each of us knows individuals that have been affected. People in the areas we serve have been hit. Our chapters are needed now more than ever to help our fellow citizens. However, it is often hard for us to "get visible" in our cities and to get the word out about our good deeds to the citizens and that is why I suggest you attend the "Your Map to Promoting" training on March 14th (see flyer enclosed in this issue). If we are willing to step up and people in our communities know we are willing to step up, they will support us!

Although our last goal is important for any organization at any given time, it is especially important now at this time - having a plan! Each chapter should create a plan and overall increase planning. The U. S. Jaycees offer a template for chapters to use to create a chapter plan and a template for the chairman's planning guide (aka CPG). I strongly encourage each and every one of you to utilize these great guides. All of us are busy and these two tools can help us stay focused and on track when planning our events. These tools can help decrease the likelihood of surprises and can give us a reality check. A CPG can also make the seemingly impossible possible. This is especially true if you have a small chapter. The task of running a 2 or 3 day project can be overwhelming without a plan but a solid planning guide can overcome even the most daunting obstacles.

By building our Region through these goals of more communication amongst our chapters, more interaction and visibility with our communities, and more planning within our individual chapters we will inevitably leave our legacy!

To submit articles, updates, pictures, etc. for future editions, please contact Jeff Rogers at jrog74@gmail.com



Region V Officers sworn in by past Region Director Allen Coil at the Region Meeting

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www.region5jayces.org



Beth, Keri and Rhonda share a laugh at the Region Meeting in St. Clair.

Region Five Rolls Out New POC Program

The Parade of Chapters (POC) program at the region level has a new name and a new look. The Region 5 Toolbox has been developed to make POC at the region level easier, more helpful, and more fun. We have eliminated the stack of papers that need to be sent at the end of a trimester as you can now submit your points via email. The Toolbox focuses on what your chapter needs to be strong and healthy. Your chapter can get points for communication as well as things that chapters do every day to improve recognition within their communities like purchasing chapter T-shirts or having banners at chapter events. Don't forget that our toolbox program is also meant to inspire friendly competition within the chapters. Who doesn't want to be able to say their chapter is number one. You can find the POC materials on the Region Website as well as by contacting Keri Jupka at jupkaka@slu.edu. Anything that you would like to submit for toolbox points should also be emailed to Jupkaka@slu.edu. Come join in the fun.

Keri Jupka
Toolbox Program Manager

Greetings from District 3,

I can't believe we are already almost halfway through the 1st Trimester of 2009! We have enjoyed some great trainings at the Region and State Meetings, as well as some that chapter have run at their individual meetings! These trainings provide you with a wonderful opportunity to share with others and use this knowledge to better yourself for your job or in your personal life! Don't forget that our first all Region Training will take place on Saturday, March 14 at JCI.

I would like to thank all the chapters that submitted Blue Chip and congrats to St. Peters for winning the gift card! It's kind of like the "Hamburger Stand Theory". You are setting your chapter up for success for the year and outlining things you want to accomplish through reflection of last year and setting goals for this year. Will your plan stay the same all year? I hope not! As new projects arise and old projects are evaluated, take the time and change your plans and do what will make your chapters stronger! I know we have some strong chapters in Region 5 and doing a little bit of planning will make everyone even better!

If there is anything that I can help your chapters with, please don't hesitate to let me know! If I don't know, I can always ask our "fearless" leader Holly and I'm sure she will point us both in the right direction.

Good Luck in 2009!

Martha Stodden
Region 5 District 3 Director

Region V Training!!!!

Your Map to Promoting Your Chapter and Events

**Saturday, March 14th,
10:30am**

**JCI World Headquarters
15645 Olive Blvd
Chesterfield, MO 63017**

**Followed by a Region Social
at Harpo's Bar and Grill**

The training will cover...

**What does the media want
to hear?**

Legal & Insurance Issues

Advertising & Publicity

**Special Events &
Sponsorships**

**Image Development and
Why Your Chapter Needs
it!**

Region Communication! Hey, Listen Up....

Communication is a priority this year and the region team wants to use as many means of communication as possible. Two electronic means of communication I am in charge of are the Yahoo! Group and Facebook Group Page.

As defined on the webpage, "Yahoo! Group is where people with shared interest meet, get to know each other, and stay informed. The group gives you instant access to shared messages, photos, group event calendars, and member polls. Yahoo! Groups is making it even easier for people to meet others and make a difference together."

We have an e-mail group built into our group which helps spread the word about projects and helps the region & state team communicate in a timely manner. There is also a calendar function which I will be updating frequently. Anyone can be part of the Yahoo! Group by just sending me your e-mail address for an invitation or following the group link to find Region 5 Yahoo Group. Just a reminder you do have to be part of our group to send e-mails and attachments are not permitted for security reasons unless by special request.

As for Facebook it's defined as giving people "the power to share and makes the world more open and connected. Millions of people use Facebook everyday to keep up with friends, upload an unlimited number of photos, share links and videos, and learn20more about the people they meet." While less formal than the e-mail group because of its personal nature, Facebook has become a popular way for the region to share project information. Right now we have at least 5 chapters with group pages and other chapters who post events. All these can be linked to the region group page.

For more information about these and other forms of communication or if you have ideas on how to make these better, just e-mail me at rsusieq130@aol.com.

Rhonda Schaaqe, Region V Administrative Coordinator

Region Treasurer's Report

Hello Region V, my name is Melanie Wetter and I'm from the St. Charles Jaycees. I will be serving as the 2009 Treasurer for Region V. If you have not already received your chapter's invoice for 2009 region dues, they are in the mail.

Your dues need to be paid by the May region meeting on Saturday, May 9th, 2009. If you have not paid by then, your chapter will not be eligible to vote or receive any awards. Please contact me if you have any questions at wett113@hotmail.com or 314-494-6421. You can mail your region dues to

Region V Jaycees
c/o Melanie Wetter
748 Hyde Dr.
O' Fallon, MO 63366

I look forward to serving the region and meeting everyone out at your events.

Thanks - Melanie

Save the date...

**Spring 2009 Region
Meeting**

Saturday, May 9th, 5:30

Hosted by Mission Inn

Casino Royale

**\$20 before April 25th, \$25
after. Includes dinner,
beer, soda and "play"
money to gamble with
after the meeting.**

**American Legion Post
103**

**3212 Sutton Maplewood,
MO 63143**

**RSVP and questions to
Keri Jupka at 314-809-
0624 or jupkaka@slu.edu**

What Is the Value of a Jaycee Membership?

The decision to increase the base Jaycee annual membership dues by \$12 -- from \$53 to \$65 -- has resulted in mixed reactions from individual members and chapters. Let's face it, with the possible exception of producers and suppliers, few people like seeing prices go up, be it for fuel, clothing, food or membership dues paid to a Jaycees chapter.

Unfortunately, in light of declining membership numbers at the state, national and international levels, it was all but inevitable that a membership dues increase was going to occur.

What needs to be emphasized is the value of a membership in the Jaycees. "People join the Jaycees for different reasons," remarked Kelly Crutchfield (Florissant Valley), a member of the Region 5 Steering Committee.

"I joined the Jaycees for social reasons, and while that's still important to me, I've also been able to take advantage of some business and professional networking opportunities, as well as achieve personal growth," said Chris Waltz (Mid-County), another member of the Region 5 Steering Committee.

Basically, it all comes down to value. We all want to get the most for our hard-earned dollars, so we must strive to exhibit that to our members.

As previously noted, the Jaycees provide a variety of social and networking possibilities, as well as opportunities for leadership training and advancement. In addition, the \$65 annual dues covers membership in four organizations -- a person's local chapter, the Missouri Jaycees, the U.S. Junior Chamber and Junior Chamber International. There are few similar organizations which can make such a claim.

Will everyone agree? It would be naive to think so, but we face a losing battle without putting forth the effort to educate our members on the value of a Jaycee membership.

Chris Waltz, Mid-County Jaycees



Missouri Jaycees pose with 2009 US Jaycees President John Weber at the National Service Center in Tulsa, OK.

Save the date...

2009 Spring State Meeting

May 15-17th

Hosted by the Macon Jaycees

Cost is \$72 until April 15th, \$85 after that

Rooms are \$72 at the Comfort Inn, 660-395-8000

For more info, contact 660-385-2904 or email adjutant29@yahoo.com

JCI International Opportunities: Uniting for Global Impact



Today, our world is trying to understand the complex realities of globalization. From Wall Street to the West Bank, from Beijing to Brussels, actions taken locally now echo around the world. Nations and citizens alike struggle with the unexpected effects of a globalized market. In JCI, young people have been collaborating internationally and living the value "the brotherhood of man

transcends the sovereignty of nations" since 1944. As a member of the Jaycees, we are all part of the dynamic global network that forms Junior Chamber International (JCI). This brings not only an opportunity for us to meet and to understand other cultures, but also a unique forum to express our sense of responsibility to the global community and display our respect for others through international cooperation.

This year, the international opportunities that come with being a member are closer than ever with the 2009 JCI Conference of the Americas May 6-9 in San Juan, Puerto Rico. JCI members from more than 20 countries including the USA will come together to conduct trainings, participate in speaking and debating competitions, discuss the international issue of climate change and share ideas for creating positive change in our communities. No visas or passports are required for US citizens to enter Puerto Rico from the United States and flights are around \$300, so it's easy to connect internationally and magnify the positive impact of the JCI movement. Visit www.jcisanjuan2009.com to find all the conference details. With this international perspective, Jaycees can be equipped to make globalization a positive force.

JCI Metro Spreads International Spirit in St. Louis

JCI Metro members will host a booth at the International Business Career Conference February 27, 2009 at UMSL to inform the students about leadership and international opportunities available through JCI. Organized by The International Business Honor Society (IBHS), Epsilon Eta Pi (EEP) and AIESEC at UM-St. Louis, the conference will attract the region's top students under the theme "Launching Tomorrow's Leaders" and link them with the international business community.

JCI Metro will also participate in Global Village on March 4, 2009 hosted by AIESEC St. Louis and UMSL's International Business Club to share the international perspective of JCI with the students. This event is a way for students of diverse backgrounds to share their culture and educate the student population about intercultural cooperation. JCI Metro will be there to talk about the international opportunities and experiences available through our organization.

Laura Tabat
JCI Metro

Want to know what's going on throughout the region?

Check out these options...

www.region5jaycees.org

Look for Region 5 Jaycees from your Facebook page

Contact Rhonda Schaake at rsusieq130@aol.com for further details.

What's Coming Up???

Missouri Jaycees

February Closeout / March Renewals
Thursday, February 26

Wentzville / Lake St. Louis Jaycees

Guitar Hero Tournament Benefitting Earth Angels Medical Flight Team

Saturday, February 28, 2009
Registration 8:00 PM
Tournament Begins 9:00 PM

St. Charles Jaycees

Jaycee Wine Party

Martha's House
Friday, March 6

St. Peters Jaycees

Trivia Night

Saturday, March 7, 2009
7:00 PM Start Time
6:30 PM Registration
Borromeo Catholic Church
601 N. Fourth Street
St. Charles, MO

Mission Inn Jaycees

SLU Basketball Game

Saturday, March 7

Region 5 Jaycees

Region 5 Training

Your Map to Promoting Your Chapter & Events

JCI World Headquarters
15645 Olive Blvd.
Chesterfield, MO 63017
Saturday, March 14, 2009 10:30 AM
Region Social at Harpo's after at About Noon

St. Clair Jaycees

Annual Trivia Night

March 14, 2009
Doors Open 6:30 PM 7:00 PM
St. Clair American Legion

Cottleville/Weldon Spring Jaycees

Trivia Night benefiting Friends of Kids with Cancer

Saturday, March 21, 2009
St. Charles VFW Hall - Post 2866
66 VFW Lane

Missouri Jaycees

March Closeout / April Renewals
Thursday, March 26

Eureka Jaycees

Spring Trivia Night

Friday, April 3, 2008

Doors Open 6:30 PM

trivia Begins 7:30 PM

Silent Auction sponsored by the Fenton Jaycees

Washington Jaycees

Pre-Easter Dance

Saturday, April 11

Washington Jaycees

Main Street BBQ & Bluesfest

Friday, April 17 - Saturday, April 18

Missouri Jaycees

April Closeout / May Renewals

Thursday, April 23

Missouri Jaycees

Spring Missouri Jaycees State Meeting

Friday, May 15 - Sunday, May 17

Macon, MO

Missouri Jaycees

May Closeout / June Renewals

Thursday, May 28

Region 5 Winter Meeting Award Winners

January 31, 2009

Outstanding Region 5 Jaycees

Angela Bailey of St. Clair Jaycees
Nathan Barger of Mid-County Jaycees
Jamey Biegener of Cottleville/Weldon Spring Jaycees
Sarah Brenker of Cottleville/Weldon Spring Jaycees
Scott Dieckhaus of Washington Jaycees
Sam Smith of Warren County Jaycees
Joe Fogg of Bridgeton/Maryland Heights Jaycees
Erica Graham of O'Fallon Jaycees
Crystal Jennings of Union Jaycees
Adam McCarthy of St. Charles Jaycees
Brian Pickard of Union Jaycees
Andy Rowe of Cottleville/Weldon Spring Jaycees
Dan Dieckman of Warren County Jaycees
Todd Sauter of Eureka Jaycees
Rhonda Schaaque of Bridgeton/Maryland Heights Jaycees
Jessica Smith of Mission Inn Jaycees
Stephanie Smith of St. Clair Jaycees
Stacey Whitaker of O'Fallon Jaycees

Region 5 Speak Up Competition Winners

1st - Josh Garrett of St. Clair
2nd - Josh Perkins of St. Clair
3rd- Stephanie Smith of St. Clair

Region 5 Write Up Competition Winners

1st- Trisha O'Cheltree of St. Charles
2nd- Tarlie Beck of St. Clair
3rd- Melanie Wetter of St. Charles

Congratulations to St. Peters Jaycees for winning the drawing for the \$50 gift card for Bluechip paperwork!

Congratulations to the following chapters for taking home the hardware at the Missouri Jaycees Winter Meeting at Tan Tar A January 16-18th...

Top Growth Chapter of the Year

- 9th Place - Warren County Jaycees (+5), Dan Dieckmann, president
- 8th Place - St. Louis Jaycees (+6), Jack Dabrowski, president
- 4th Place - St. Clair Jaycees (+12), Stephanie Smith, president

Top Fundraising Chapter - Wonderland Camp

- 2nd Place - O'Fallon Jaycees, Missy Niedenfuehr, president

Top Fundraising Chapter - Access Day

- 1st Place - Washington Jaycees, Bridgette Eple, president

Travel Award

- "Missouri Jaycees Chapter Travel Award" - ST. CHARLES

Excitement Award

- "Missouri Jaycees Region Excitement Award" - REGION 5

Parade of Chapters - 3rd Period Top Five

- 5th Place - Mission Inn Jaycees, Lisa Cotner, president
- 4th Place - St. Clair Jaycees, Stephanie Smith, president
- 3rd Place - Cottleville-Weldon Spring Jaycees, Jeff Rogers, president

Parade of Chapters - Year-End Top Ten

- 8th Place - O'Fallon Jaycees, Missy Niedenfuehr, president
- 6th Place - St. Clair Jaycees, Stephanie Smith, president
- 5th Place - Mission Inn Jaycees, Lisa Cotner, president
- 3rd Place - Cottleville-Weldon Spring Jaycees, Jeff Rogers, president