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From the President's Desk

Adam Pieczynski, #57384

My Dear Senators,

The holidays will be fast upon us and I wish all of you Happy Holidays. I hope everyone takes the time to register for the Post Holiday Party and I look forward to seeing all of you there.

The US JCI Senate will be having their Winter Board Meeting in Mesa, Arizona. Isn't it time you got out of the cold? Let's all head out for some fun in the sun! You can all register at the website,

www.michiganjcisenate.org.

The Region V Bad Boys (Presidents of the Region) were out in force in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Region has been having a great time and please feel free to join in on the fun. Also, make plans to head to Indianapolis in March for Spring Fling. March will also have the election for the Michigan JCI Senate so be sure to get involved and run for office.

I have just recently returned from Indianapolis and I consider myself to be extremely fortunate. While the Michigan JCI Senate has had a good relationship with the Michigan Jaycees, many states do not have such a relationship. Worse yet, some states have no Jaycees whatsoever. So where is our future? Do your part to help out your local chapter.

Just a brief wrap up, the Renaissance Festival had 112 workers during the 2-day event and I would like to thank all those who came and braved the elements. We were also fortunate to have our National President, Calvin Baerveldt #36415, in attendance. I would like to thank Danny Acre #31344 and Mary Burden #62527, for a wonderful job.

I would also like to thank the MIJC President, Jeffery Paul Smith, for involving us during his year and we all wish him well in his future endeavors.

Adam Pieczynski

34th President

MI JCI Senate



COMPETITIONS UPDATE:

November's convention is right around the corner and we can definitely use your help again with judging competitions. If you are planning on attending August convention in Romulus, and have Friday night available, please contact me, Michael Cross, Competitions PM, at mikerc971@gmail.com or 269-420-0301. Prior competitions experience is not required, but is helpful. The key to success for this program is planning, so if you can please let me know if you are interested in judging ASAP, we can ensure a smooth competitions program for the quarter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask. Thank you!

RETURN THE FAVOR 2006-2007

*MI vs. US JCI Senate
Submissions*

Currently we recognize a Senator who remains active with their local chapter or the MI Jaycees using our own form. Forms are now available on the MI JCI Senate web site to will allow you to now submit for US recognition.

www.michiganjcisenator.org

Don't forget that the Michigan Jaycees Board of Directors for 2007 will be elected in
November!
Your help is needed!



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Don McDurmon #59099

What a crazy week, but I guess I can stay up late and write an article, it isn't like I really have much to do tomorrow. Retirement seems to be a great thing!

We've just returned from Indianapolis, and everyone seemed to have a good time, at least as much as I can remember. By the time you read this, we will be through with our November meeting in Midland and the Muskegon Open. Adam and I agreed to golf, so if you missed it, you missed the comedy show of the year. Not sure now if we'll ever be invited to golf again. And I'm using the term GOLF loosely.....but those gophers sure got a workout

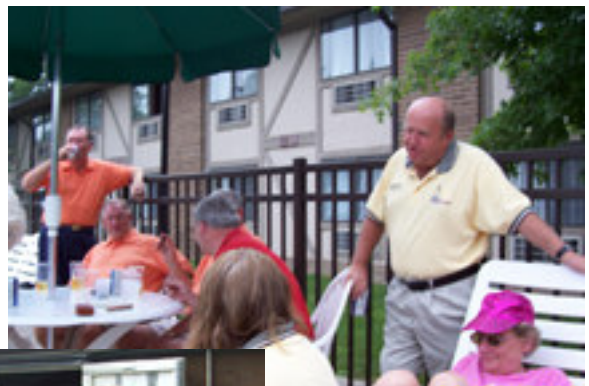
I guess the next big event on the calendar is the Post Holiday Party. If you haven't been to an event in a while, this is a good one to check out. I hope to see some new faces (or even some we haven't seen in some time)

If we can do anything to make our communications stronger, let me know! My new e-mail address is dmcdurmon1@comcast.net, new phone is (734) 765-9691.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday and I'll see you at the Post Holiday Party!

Don McDurmon

#59099



TOP: Golf Outing
LEFT: Ren Fest
BOTTOM: Ren. Fest



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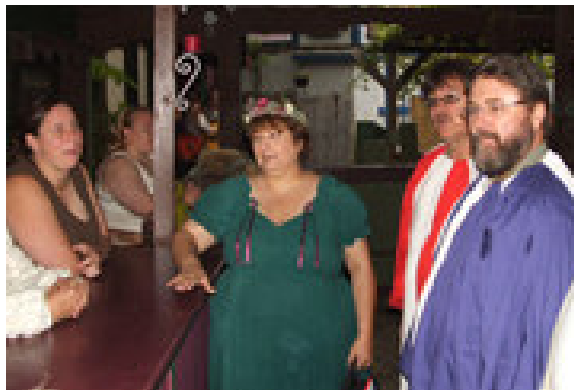
Susan Foltin, #63744

Hello Spooky-senators!!
Where did summer go? Oh well, Happy Halloween!

Thank you to everyone for all their help these last couple of months as we went through the major crunch-time of our calendar year. Between August to mid-October we have something every other week. I hope everyone who attended the Woodward Dream Cruise, the August golf-outing, Pontiac's Arts, Beats and Eats, the Renaissance Festival, National Convention in Indy, MI/OH Border Bash AND the October meeting in Muskegon (including the thoroughbred racing) found something fun to do. Special shout-outs to Mary Burden, Dennis Acre, Tim Sutton, Larry Davis, Ron Tyszkiewicz, Pat Malac, John Voshel, Patti Reitsma and Penny Passinaut for all their help in organizing these various events.

Speaking of projects, while Woodward Dream Cruise and Renaissance Festival are true projects in the since that they are our fund-raisers, all of our other projects are primarily socials. If we are not meeting **YOUR** needs (or drawing your attention to socialize with us) you must let me know. And more than just let me know, offer ideas that we can add that you **WOULD** participate in. Just like your Jaycee days, it is the active membership that drives the programming.

November is our last meeting for 2006 in Midland at the Michigan Jaycees convention. It is also our most interactive weekend with the Jaycees as we help with their 2007 Elections, quarterly competitions and year-end competitions. If you can help with any of these, please let either myself, Senator Dave Gordon (Elections Chair) or Mike Cross (Competition Statechair) know. Their information is available either online or through me. Also we will be running First Timers again and I understand the Hospitality Goddesses are working their magic again.



If I don't see you in November, then I'll see you in 2007 at the Post-Holiday Party (also available online)!

Special congrats to Don McDurmon upon his retirement AND to Gary Passinaut for being inducted as one of our newest Senators!

Sue Foltin
Senator #63744
2006-2007 MI JCI Senate
Programming VP



PS... PLEASE send me, Dennis Kester and Dave Dunville address changes when you move so that you will continue to receive the newsletter. I will also need to know when you switch email accounts if you wish to continue to receive the Senate ENEWS.

MIJCs Elections



Ah yes, another election year. Not for Governor or Representative or other government office but for the 2007 MIJC board of directors!

Michigan Jaycee elections are coming up this November, and the Elections Committee needs the Senate's help. We are looking for 6 Senators to help register delegates, and, barring any controversies, to help count ballots. And for those who have yet to exhaust out, we could use you on the MIJC Elections Committee, to help with the Meet The Candidates/Region elections in September.

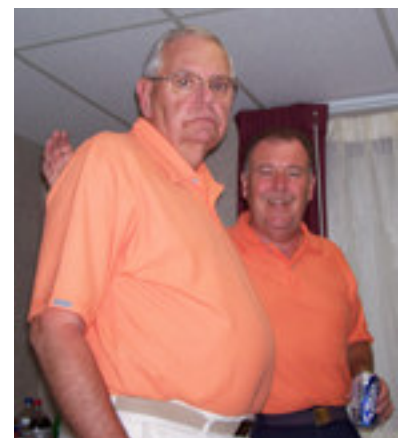
If interested in helping with MIJC Elections for 2007, please contact Dave Gordon, cell 269-598-1326, email: dagordon@umich.edu. The Senate's assistance in previous years was very appreciated.

Also, please encourage Jaycees in your area to run for MIJC office. One of my goals is to have every race be contested, even RD & DD positions!

-Dave Gordon

2006 MIJC Elections Committee
Chairperson

JCI Senator #65512



**Let us never forget
Dave Little,
Senator #60109**



Filibuster Editor

Dave Dunville #66300

In hopes of saving the MIJC Senate some money. I would like to know who would rather receive the Filibuster via email. This move would save the Senate the cost of postage.

For those wishing to place an article in the Filibuster, the dead line for the January/February issue, is December 1st.

This way I can enjoy the Holiday Season with my family.

From:

David William, Lisa, and myself, would like to wish you all, and your families, a very safe and Happy Holiday

Dave Dunville

**Mark your calendars:
Post-Holiday Party
Saturday
January 13th, 2007
Dom Polaski's
in Wyandot**

New Senate Shirts

Fred Eagle, #47946

I need to apologize for confusion regarding the Red, White & Blue Shirts. We need to place an order of at least a dozen. Payment need to be at the time orders are placed.

Sizes: Small to XL - \$27.00
2XL - \$28.75
3XL - \$29.60

Name and Senate Number is \$5.00 extra (price includes Senate logo)

Please submit your information to me at 47946@earthlink.net, regarding size and if you would like your name and number, on your shirt(s). Please make your payment out to Royal Stewart Enterprises. Please male them to me:

Fred Eagle
14728 Ronnie Lane
Livonia, Mi 48154

Thank You
Fred

West Side Coordintor

Patti Reitsma #55847

Greetings fellow Senators,

The rain and sun showers are a plenty these days, aren't they? I hope you have kept the rain off and felt the warm sun glowing on your face. I was just thinking about what we do and wish everyone could have the opportunity to look into the Jaycees and see what an organization can do if our motives are toward the same goal. I grew up appreciating the importance of activities outside the household and workplace, and understand that we can learn ways to become more effective in our efforts. Being an organization member I believe that some of society's needs are filled only if a volunteer fills them, and that many important changes will be made in the world only if people give their time freely to tackle problems. It's good to know that we have an place and group of people with the same goals in mind. Freely giving and freely judging only the good goal of any endeavor.

Hope you had a great time at our west side meeting. The meeting was great, and the horses fast. Don't forget Midland's convention Nov.4. Keep the faith and keep yourself safe.

With pride and commitment in keeping the Senate successful

Yours truly, Patti ##55847



Calendar of Events

Date	Event
Oct 13-14, '06	Shorty Open / Great Lakes Downs / MI JCI Senate Meeting, Muskegon, MI
Oct 20-21, '06	MI/OH JCI Senate Border Bash, Montpelier, OH
Nov 3-5, '06	Michigan Jaycees Fall Convention, Midland, MI
Nov 4, '06	MI JCI Senate Meeting, Midland, MI
Nov 10-12, '06	IL JCI Senate meeting at IL JC meeting, Lisle, IL
Jan 13, '07	MI JCI Senate Post-Holiday Party / Meeting, Wyandotte, MI
Jan 18-21, '07	US JCI Senate Meeting, Mesa, AZ
Jan 26-28, '07	IL JCI Senate Meeting, Decatur, IL
Mar 1-4, '07	Region VII Meeting / Mini-National, Gatlinburg, TN
Mar 10, '07	MI JCI Senate Annual Elections Meeting, Plymouth, MI
Mar 16-18, '07	Region V Spring Fling, Indianapolis, IN
Apr 14, '07	MI JCI Senate Meeting, Lansing, MI (<i>tentative</i>)
Jun 24-29, '07	US JCI 35th National Convention, Annapolis, Maryland
Sept 13-16, '07	US JCI Senate Fall Board Meeting, Springfield, IL

TREASURY NOTES

-Denny K

I would like to wish everyone the greatest of holiday season. The Post Holiday Party is fast approaching. January 13, 2006 is the day. When you read the flyer you will see that we are at the Dom Polski Hall again. It is \$28 per person.

Remember to bring just two items for the auction. The meeting will be at 5 P.M. It would really be terrific if each one of you that plan on coming would contact a few other Senators. Senators that you know but they don't normally attend senate functions. Possibly you know some B-list Senators (remember, they don't get filibusters) that you think would enjoy the function or seeing old acquaintances. Regardless of the reason, contact them. Keep in mind the more parties the more festive the evening. It does not appear on the flyer (I know it should) but there is a deadline. I have to give the hall a count the week before. Therefore, you must have your slip and check in to me by January 6th. If you would rather pay at the door, call me (734-284-8852) by the deadline with your reservation. If you do not show for what ever reason (other than alien abduction...YOURS) you will be billed for the dinners, as we will have already paid for them.

Senators, just a reminder to anyone owing dues from any billing period, please remember to send in your dues ASAP.

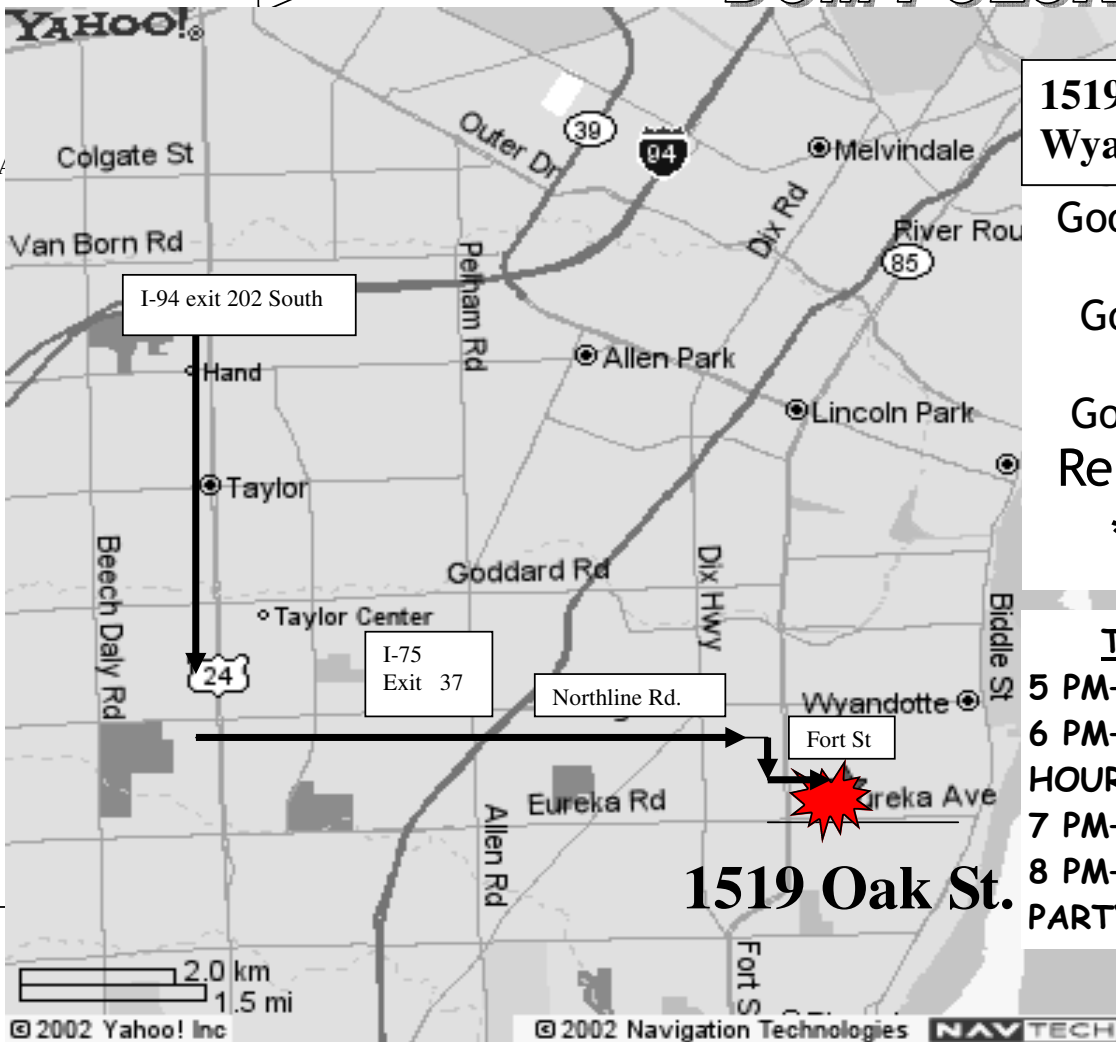
Always keep in mind you can send \$200 for a life member-

ship or send \$50 as 1st of four quarterly installments. The method you choose in taking care of your dues is up to you just please, **pick one**.

Denny K, 38041

POST HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday JAN. 13 DOM POLSKI HALL



**1519 Oak Street
Wyandotte, Mi**

Good Friends

Good Food

Good Times
Remember

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TENTATIVE

- 5 PM—MEETING**
- 6 PM—SOCIAL HOUR**
- 7 PM—DINNER**
- 8 PM—AUCTION PARTY TIME**

1519 Oak St.

NAME: _____ Sen # _____

Number of people _____ X \$28 = _____

Make checks payable to: Mi JCI Senate

Send to Dennis Kester, 13760 Westcott Ct, Southgate, Mi., 48195



Michigan JCI Senate Return The Favor



Name:	Home Chapter:	Age: <small>(Add 10 pts if over 40)</small>	JCI Senator Number:
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Do you currently hold a position on any Jaycees Board of Directors? Y N
 (Information purposes only. But may be used as a tie-breaker, unless over 40 years old)
 If so, what position? _____

New Members recruited for your home Jaycees chapter:

Name: _____	Name: _____	
Name: _____	Name: _____	
50 points each		_____

New members recruited for any other Jaycees chapter:

Name: _____	Chapter: _____	
Name: _____	Chapter: _____	
50 points each		_____

Referrals provided to any Jaycees chapter:

Name: _____	Chapter: _____	
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Name: _____	Chapter: _____	
30 points each		_____

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| Participation as a guest speaker at a local Jaycees GMM,
New Member Orientation, Or M-Night (substantiation required): | 25 points each | _____ |
| Participation as a guest speaker or Judge at a Jaycees District,
Region, or State Meeting or Competition (substantiation required): | 35 points each | _____ |
| Attend a local Jaycees GMM | 9.5 points each | _____ |
| Attend a local Jaycees Board of Directors Meeting: | 20 points each | _____ |
| Active participation at any local Jaycees project or event (once per project): | 10 points each | _____ |
| Active participation at any District, Region, or State Jaycees project or event
other than meetings or competitions (once per project): | 15 points each | _____ |
| “Just Being There” at any local Jaycees project or event (once per project): | 7.5 points each | _____ |
| Attendance at any Michigan JCI Senate event, project, or meeting | 15 points each | _____ |
| Mentoring a local Jaycee in a District, Region, or State competition | 15 points each | _____ |
| Serve on, or mentor, a local Jaycees Committee | 17 points each | _____ |
| Total Points | | _____ |

On a separate piece of paper, list the individual meetings, projects, events, committees, judging and mentor roles that you have taken points for. Keep it simple: names, project names, and dates are all that are required.

Submit to the MIJC Service Center in a separate envelope marked “JCI RTF” by the same deadline for which local Jaycee chapters are required to submit books for quarterly review.

Home Chapter President Signature: _____ Quarter: 1 2 3 4

The Filibuster

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The Jaycee Creed

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!!!!

— C. William Brownfield