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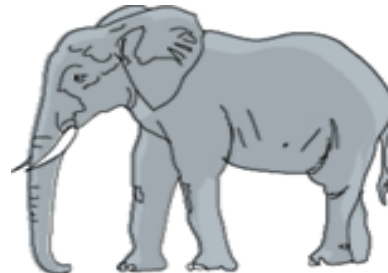
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A Message From Our 36th President



SENATORS NEVER FORGET UP TO MY EARS IN ELEPHANT DUNG

That's my excuse - what's yours. We all have excuses for not meeting our commitments, not attending meetings and often being late. But, they are often just excuses because we have so many daily pressures on our lives that it's often easier to do nothing.

We're lucky in Michigan that we have a core of dedicated Senators who meet their commitments and turn up at all events, so without much effort, Michigan usually has successful participation and continues to be one of the most active Senate groups.

Just think, however, how much better we could be if people said "I will attend" rather than finding excuses to be somewhere else. I wish I could motivate those Senators who live in Michigan, but don't join the Michigan Senate. Often, however, the excuse I hear is no one asked me to join. That's why Russ' Call Girls have been so successful, because we make personal contact and provide encouragement and get great response.

In the coming months, many of you could help by making a call to a Senate friend and encourage them to join. Please don't make excuses.

Yours in the Senate Spirit,
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Freshman Senator Orientation

Calling all new JCI Senators! A Freshman Senator Orientation has been scheduled just for you! Come one, come all! Especially any Senators who have never attended an orientation!

You will learn all kinds of interesting things about your organization including (but not limited to): Programs, Events, Scholarships, and the Life Member Fund.

The one-hour (very informative) session will be held on **Friday, November 7, 2008 from 7pm – 8pm Midland**. The orientation will be held in the Hospitality Suite and it will be FREE!

If you are interested in attending this very important and very informative orientation, please contact one of us as soon as possible.

Dianna Raquepaw – 989-624-9557 – diraq@charter.net

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We might have candy and we might have specialty beverages, one just never knows!

We hope to see you there for fun, fellowship and lots of great information!

**MICHIGAN JCI SENATE
BUDGET 2008/09**

	Proposed Income	Proposed Expense
DUES		
Renewals	\$ 2,000.00	
New	\$ 250.00	
Life Membership	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,750.00
National (# members x \$5)		\$ 2,100.00
WAYS & MEANS		
Renaissance Festival	\$ 36,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
Woodward Dream Cruise	\$ 4,500.00	
Misc. Income	nil	
HOSPITALITY		
Beverages		\$ 1,500.00
Hospitality Rooms		\$ 1,500.00
Hospitality Fees	\$ 1,200.00	
Hospitality Supplies		\$ 500.00
National Officers/Guests		\$ 500.00
SOCIALS		
Annual Meeting (Elections)		\$ 150.00
Border Bash & Picnic		nil
Golf Tournament		
Post Holiday Party	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 1,800.00
COMMUNICATIONS		
Printing / Postage / Filibuster		\$ 3,825.00
Web Site Management		\$ 400.00
Printing / Postage / Filibuster		\$ 600.00
Misc.		\$ 100.00
OPERATIONS		
USJCI Foundation		\$ 1,000.00
Speakers Bureau		
Corporation Filing Fee		\$ 40.00
Jaycee Awards (Giessenbier, others)		\$ 800.00
MI JCI Scholarships		\$ 2,000.00
Name Badges		\$ 310.00
Sponsored Senatorship		\$ 375.00
New Senator Orientation		
First Timers		\$ 300.00
Misc.		\$ 600.00
OFFICERS		
President		\$ 2,200.00
VP Programming		\$ 200.00
VP Communications		\$ 200.00
Treasurer		\$ 200.00
Secretary		\$ 200.00
Chaplain		\$ 50.00
Eastside Coordinator		\$ 50.00
Membership Coordinator		\$ 200.00
Delegate Registration		\$ 300.00
TOTALS	\$ 47,750.00	\$ 47,750.00

MICHIGAN JCI SENATE IN YPSILANTI
MINUTES June 12, 2008

IN ATTENDANCE: : Russ Cooper, #4638 and Marilyn (guest); Wendy Klinge #60219; Jerry Wendelken #23161 and Jocelyne Wendelken #66200; Rich Lindow #40108; Jack Ryan #28446 and guest Karen Ryan; Patti Reitsma #55847; Don McDurmon #59099; Art Abbott #23795; Dianna Raquepaw #64679; Deb Fewless #58565; Ron Tyszkiewicz #20553 and guest Mille Tyszkiewicz; Louis Blatnik #42494; Tim Ford #37072; Robert Taylor #23796; Dennis Kester #38041 and guest Ellen Kester; Tammey Inman #65923; Michael DiGiamberardino #61965; and Dave Dugger #16568.

Meeting was Called to Order by President, Russ Cooper @ 7:45 pm (It was noted that Jack Ryan was late).

Approval of the Agenda; Motion to approve as amended by Art Abbot, Seconded by Rich Lindow. Motion carried.

Invocation by Dianna Raquepaw

Secretary's Report: Additions were made to the Agenda, minutes were read. Motion to approve by Ron Tyszkiewicz, Seconded by Patti Reitsma. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Motion to approve May Report by Tammey Inman, seconded by Patti Reitsma. Motion carried.

Communication Vice President's Report Deb Fewless #58565

Filibuster - Patti apologized for the "A" list not getting their Filibuster on time. Printer only sent to new list. Newsletter deadline is July 25.

Web-site – Deb spoke to Sue Foltin who mentioned that she has only been getting sad news. If anyone has good news please send that to her.

Hospitality – Last hospitality was really good. Everyone had a good time.

Border Bash – Don reported that there was not any good news. Need to find a hotel – One held in Coldwater is now an apartment building.

Scholarship – Nothing to report. The applications are the same as last year.

Motion to approve by Ron Tyszkiewicz, seconded by Tammey Inman. Motion carried.

Program Vice-President Report Dianna Raquepaw #64679

Golf Tournament - Dave Dugger reported that it will be held in Brighton. The hotel is just off the highway and within walking distance to the course.

Return the Favor – last one went to a Bay City Senator.

Renaissance Festival – E-mail to Mary Burden if you would like to work.

Woodward Dream Cruise – Same spot to sell t-shirts and products at the Phoenix Center

Speaker's Bureau – no information

First Timers – 13 participants at the last convention

Motion to approve by Mike DiGiamaberardino, seconded by Lou Batnik. Motion carried.

East Side Coordinator's Report- Nothing to report

Membership Coordinator's Report - Art Abbott

Renewals – new attitude about the B list

B List Mailing – found some deceased members from the mailing and some members glad to receive the Filibuster. Deb Fewless received a card looking for exhausted rosters in Grand Haven. We may put a "Hit List" in the Filibuster.

Motion to approve by Tammey Inman, seconded by Robert Taylor. Motion carried.

On-To Chairman Jack Ryan #28446

National Convention Charleston, WV, June 16-19 – some people were leaving Friday and some were leaving on Saturday.

Ohio Pig Roast – July 19 - Many Michigan Senators will be going, always a good time.

Illinois Summer Picnic - July 26 – Morton, IL (East Peoria). Put on a feed – you never run out of food (pork chops, corn)

Kentucky Bourbon Bash - August 1- 2 – same date as our meeting. Some will attend. Held at a cottage on a pond. Wonderful time.

Indiana Summer Picnic - August 8-9 – Will be held in Jasper, Indiana

Motion to approve by Lou Blatnik, seconded by Dave Dugger. Motion carried.

Old Business

Alaskan Raffle – project approved at Boyne. Tickets are for Canadian Cruise. Russ sold \$540.00 in tickets before they were even printed and \$100.00 at the London Golf outing. Russ handed out tickets to Board members to sell. We need to sell \$2,500 to break even. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. JCI Foundation will assist in selling when they are able. Anyone can go on the cruise or they can take the cash. Drawing will be in Houston, mid January.

New Business

New Member Orientation - Dianna Raquepaw was approached at the last meeting about starting quarterly New Member Orientations. She is working on putting a packet together.

Salt Fines - \$26.00 was collected

Adjournment with the Creed at 8:46 pm led by Rich Lindow.



Hey Everyone

Programming VP

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer, before we know it the leaves will be changing their colors and we will be well into fall. We have a few events to take place before the snow starts flying:

Pat Malac and Tim LaBarge are working diligently for August 15 & 16th "Woodward Dream Cruise." We are at the same spot as previous years at the Phoenix Center. If interested in participating contact Pat at Patmalac@comcast.net or 248-489-1144 or Tim at 24-682-6971.

Dave Dugger is chairing the Michigan JCI Senate 29th Annual Golf Outing set for Saturday, August 23rd at the Jackal Golf Club in Brighton. The golf package is \$75 which includes 18 holes with a cart, dinner buffet, hospitality Friday and Saturday, and goodie bag & prizes. Individual prices are Dinner and hospitality Saturday only \$35; Friday or Saturday hospitality only \$10. Contact Dave at daviddugger@sbcglobal.net by August 15th to register.

Mary Burden and Dave Dunville are chairing the Renaissance Festival September 6 & 7th in Holly. They are in need of volunteers for that weekend. As volunteers for the Michigan JCI Senate, we will receive parking passes and free admission into the festival for the day during which we are working. It is a requirement to dress in costume. To sign up contact Mary at 231-690-2020 or "Robmary90@gmail.com".

Deb Mogdis and Tammy Grossenbacher are doing an awesome job with the First Timers Program. They had 13 participants that Boyne convention.

Judy Hunsinger is promoting the Return the Favor and currently has nominations in for August MIJC convention. If you know of a senator that is giving back to their chapter and would like to nominate them, send your nomination to JandJhunsinger@netzero.com.

Jen Hughes is working on the Speaker Bureau. If interested in having your name within the speaker bureau contact Jen at Jenandtroy2005@verizon.net.

Finally Deb Fewless and myself have been working to put together a "Freshman/New Senator Orientation" for our newer Senators to learn all kinds of interesting things about our organization including (but not limited to): Programs, Events, Scholarships, and the Life Member Fund. The first orientation is slated for August 1st in Troy at the MIJC Summer Convention. **The next orientation is slated for the November 8th at the MIJC Fall Assembly in Midland.**

Looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and meetings.

Yours in Jaycees
Dianna Raquepaw, #64679
Programming V.P.

MICHIGAN JAYCESS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 9-11	Michigan Senate and Jaycee Meeting - Boyne, Michigan
May 16-18	Canadian Senate Meeting - Burlington, Ontario
June 4	Toronto Senate Luncheon - Toronto, Ontario
June 7	London Senate Annual Golf – London, Ontario
June 12	Michigan Senate Dinner meeting - Ypsilanti, Michigan
June 15-19	US JCI National Convention - Charleston, West Virginia
June 28	Illinois Golf – Bubba Bash
July 5 or 12	Michigan Senate Picnic TBA
July 18-19	Ohio Pig Roast – Convoy, Ohio
July 25-26	Illinois Picnic and Golf – Morton, Illinois
Aug. 2-3	Michigan Senate and Jaycee meeting – Troy, Michigan
Aug. 22-23	Michigan Senate Golf – Howell, Michigan
Sept. 6-7	Renaissance Festival - Holly, Michigan
Sept. 11	Michigan Senate Dinner & Race Night – Hazel Park, MI
Sept. 25-28	US JCI Senate Fall Board meeting – Seattle, Washington
Oct. 9	Michigan Senate Dinner meeting – Waterford, Michigan
Oct. 17	Toronto Senate Annual Gourmet Dinner – Toronto Ontario
Oct. 24	Border Bash - TBA
Oct.31-Nov.1	Region1 Fall Frolic, Rhode Island
Nov. 8-9	Michigan Senate and Jaycee Meeting – Midland, Michigan
Dec.	No Meetings
Jan. 10	Michigan Senate Post Holiday Party, Wyandotte, Michigan
Jan.22-25	US JCI Senate Winter Board Meeting – Houston , Texas
Feb.	Michigan Senate and Jaycee Meeting - TBA
March	Michigan Senate Election Meeting - TBA

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Calendar, Registration Forms, ETC.

EASTSIDE COORDINATOR

Summer is in full swing and that means great things for the Michigan JCI Senate! As a Jaycee and now a Senate member, I have always loved summer. For most of us, this is when our hometowns come to life! It is street fairs and festivals, car shows and music in the park. Organizations of all kinds hold outdoor events to take advantage of the weather and meet the demand to entertain the out-of-school children. For many of the organizations we all belong to, including the Senate, this is a time to be truly involved in our community and it is our one golden opportunity to make some moolah!

In August, the Michigan JCI Senate will once again be participating in the Woodward Dream Cruise and in September we will visit Grand Blanc to work the infamous Renaissance Festival. These two events are our main fundraisers of the year but they are more than just great money-makers. They are a way to fulfill the core objectives of why the Senate was founded. Without volunteers these events, and many others like them, would simply cease to exist. We contribute to the greater community by participating in these events and we have a great time doing it!

I hope that while you enjoy all that the season has to offer you find a little time to play with your Senate buddies at any of our upcoming events. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Jen Hughes, #67544

Eastside Coordinator
Michigan JCI Senate



Doug & JoEllen

REGION 5 JEAN SHIRTS

Karen Voshel at KYKOPP@APEX.NET OR Rich Lindow at RCLINDOW@YAHOO.COM are the ones to contact if you are interested in purchasing one of these.

You can purchase either dark or light Denim.

You can purchase either long sleeve or short.

You can purchase 2XL and 3 XLs.

You can have lettered stitching or not.

You can have women's or men's sizes.

Don't hesitate with this one, they have found a good price for us.

It cost \$25.00 for the shirt, both long or short sleeve.

2XL add \$2.50

3XL add \$3.00

Your name, senate number, etc. at no additional cost.

Don't wait to long for this, the orders are going in soon.

Renaissance Festival
September 6th and 7th, 2008 Holly, Michigan

Good day, me ladies and me lords! The time has begun to think of Renaissance entertainment, festivities, attire, merriment, and ale. For the past twenty-eight years, the Michigan JCI Senate has been manning the eleven beer booths throughout the village one weekend during each season as a major fundraiser. This project is very important for the Michigan JCI Senate, as it raises most of the funds each year to do what we do.

The hours of serving are from 10 am – 7 pm on Saturday, Sept. 6 and from noon – 7 pm on Sunday, Sept. 7. So things go smoothly, fifty workers a day are needed. The more people who volunteer, the less hours each person has to work. Depending on the type and location of the booth, three to five workers are usually needed during each shift. Other volunteers would be able to enjoy the festival when they are not on shift. The hours and repeat of shifts depend on how many volunteers we can bring. We do ask you to be available for the entire day you volunteer.

As volunteers for the Michigan JCI Senate, we will receive parking passes and free admission into the festival for the day in which we are working. Plus, while working a shift or shifts, any tips received can be kept or donated by the worker. In regard to the tip jars placed on the counters, the amount in those jars at the end of a shift is equally shared by the workers of that booth or donated to a cause to which the workers have chosen. Some senators expressed an interest in donating their tips to the campaign expenses of some future US JCI Senate Officers.

It is a requirement by the Michigan Renaissance Festival Board that all workers throughout the village should be in garb (costume). The Senate has some costumes. When you sign up, let us know if you are in need of some costuming. Also, all workers in the beer/wine booths MUST be at least 21 years old and CANNOT consume alcohol while in the booth area (neither up front nor in back). Our liquor license could be pulled from us if we are in violation of these rules.

A block of two double bed nonsmoking hotel rooms at the Comfort Inn (formerly Amerihost) on Holly Rd within a half mile off the expressway have been set aside for the Michigan JCI Senate until August 4 for Friday evening, Sept. 5 and Saturday, Sept. 6 at \$99 a night + tax. This hotel is only one exit northwest from the Renaissance Festival exit. When you call for reservations (1-810-694-0000), make sure you book it in the “Michigan JCI Senate” block. The rates per room increase after August 4. You need to use your credit card to make your reservation.

So to recap – if you volunteer, you get free admission to the festival, are able to partake in all the fun and frolicking of an awesome Renaissance Festival, help the Michigan Jaycees Senate raise money, and make some tip money for yourself or your cause. It sounds like a win, win, win, win situation. Dave Dunville and I will again be working together to plan, organize the workers, help things run smoothly, and attend the Michigan JCI Senate-run weekend of the beer/wine booths. In the past, on the average, each senator has brought around two to three family members and friends to help out. Could you please consider working one or both days and bringing helpers with you? Please call me at 231-690-2020 or email me at robmary90@gmail.com to volunteer as soon as possible or for any additional questions or information.

Mary Burden
Senate # 62527

GET IN THE SPIRIT OF IT ALL AND HAVE FUN

Please send updated or new email addresses to Sue Foltin: mijci@yahoo.com.

UNSCRAMBLE THE WORDS BELOW

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“Hear or There”

I know they say what happens at convention stays at convention, but how did Pres. Russ end up with someone else's pillow when it came time to come home. Who is this mystery woman?

Guess what lucky Past Pres. had 3 woman to himself in a hotel room for the whole week of National Convention in WV ?

Who was that cute little boy with the dark hair at Region 5's booth at the States Party? Oh boy can he lick a lolly pop, do I need to say more!

No one seemed to look twice when Jack Ryan wore his Village Idiot T-shirt.

Seems President Russ found 20 golf balls on his “scenic tours” of the out of bound areas during the Krekorian. Golf cart partner Past President Ed Hart seriously considered abandoning Russ on several occasions.

A certain senator from Kentucky (John V) brought more clothes than a beauty pageant contestant.

Huge Kudos go to JoEllen Hinchker for a record breaking year for the Krekorian Golf Outing.

The Addams Family was a hoot at West Virginia convention. Region V won the competition at the states party. Guess who was Pugsley & Uncle Fester? Way to Go!



All Articles to submit for The Filibuster please send to: thefilibusternews@gmail.com

Treasury Notes

August '08 denny k, 38041

June dues renewals were ok, but there are still a handful of folks that still need to send theirs in. You probably got a reminder a few weeks before this article. The August billing went out the first week of the month. Please try to get your dues by August 26th. I want to thank those that responded to the dues notice early depending on when this article comes out. Again, for those who don't want to send in dues each year, a life membership would remedy that. We need to think back to some of the senators that were active in the past and try to find a way to spark new interest in them. I don't think it's enough to say "well, we can do just fine without them". Why did they go inactive. Did something drive them out? Maybe things have changed enough that they might return. We need they seasoned blood as well as the new. I do believe that everyone knows someone like this. There are some 800 names on the B list. Give someone a call. Just takes a minute. Give me a call, 734-284-8852. I can give you a portion of the B-List, your city, your area, a letter group, A's, B's etc. I'll help any way I can





COMMUNICATIONS VICE PRESIDENT

It doesn't seem possible, but it is!

We have already seen the first quarter of President Russ's year past by.

It has been a busy couple of months, but very productive.

The best is to come, the next quarter is when we raise most of the the funds for the year. If each of us step up to volunteer even if for just a few hours for just one of them or both of them, then they are sure to be a success.

I had the opportunity to attend National Convention in WV with several of our Michigan Senators and of course others from all over. Not even the major floods could keep them away. I can't even begin to tell you who all I met, you know as they say "you build it, they will come".

One thing for sure is "Oh my those Canadians"! I have to say that is one of the best thing I did for the week was to meet their wives, and the stories we shared. Oh my! Then of course the rest created history. Yes, ya heard right I picked the winning number for Canada's game board. Bringing home to dress length zip up vest, a hat, along with some pins on it.

Then I managed to purchase enough pull tabs for the 2 quarts of moonshine, yes this meant that I had the winning number for it. All I have to say is that is is going to be a great time at my son's Bachelor Party.

Because what ever the Army hasn't done to him by then, I'm sure the moonshine will.

Congrats to Region 5 on having the winning booth at the States Party, they were the Adams family. Look for the pics in this newsletter. Way to go ya did it again!

One last tid bit, who was that "WONDER WOMAN"? I believe she set a new record in raising funds by just having people go golfing. Great job Jo Ellen! I believe that is Jo Ellen Hinchler to the rest of us. You be the woman!

A little update, and another opportunity to say thank you again to my chair people.

Sue Foltin- Ya know, there is not to many woman that get told "great job" when they are the one who repeats information given to them by others, LOL.

Patti Reitsma- I believe you do the same, but your silly enough to put it in writing. Thank you for all that you do, you go girl!

Deb and Tammy team- You are definitely the Hostesses with the Mostesses! I think everyone loves you two the most. For what reason could that be? That is okay, because this means your doing a great job!

Julie Carter- Your position is just about to begin. What a great opportunity to read about some of the most outstanding students in the state of Michigan. Pesonally I can't wait to hear the results.

Art Abbott- He has stepped up to do a job that many talk about doing. This is to locate, activate, correct any contact numbers of those that we lost contact with and yes to inform us of any of our fellow senators that we may have loss. Talk about a big job, but I believe if it can be done he is the one to make it happen. Hey, maybe he is doing it to work with his own personally picked team to work with him that just happens to be a group of woman. What was that you call them?

Don Mc Durmon- Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

For stepping up to chair the Boarder Bash, we are still looking for a place to hold this event. Of course it should take place within distance of all for convince, so if ya have any ideas give him a call. Personally, I am looking forward to this event, it will be my first attendance of a Boarder Bash. Hey, I wonder what crazy competition Don will come up with.

As for the rest of ya- Your job is to be sure that you remind all of the Senators that stepped up to bring this year to a success and how much they are appreciated. As we all know, from our Jaycee careers that brought us to being Senators, your Chair people are the most important of all.

They are the ones that keep us all together as a team working. Deb Fewless #58565

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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.

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