



August 16, 2016

## **President's Notes**

Hello fellow MO JCI Senators,

I hope your summer is going well! Sorry the "Fun at the Lake" event didn't happen ( who would have thought you needed to reserve a shelter house 2 or more months in advance). I'm looking forward to representing Missouri at all the meetings and conventions. We started the year off with a trip to Greensboro, NC. Had a Great time and got to meet a lot of new friends!

Congratulations to all of our award winners!

We have our summer meeting on the weekend of August 27th in Springfield. On Saturday morning we will have our first meeting of this new year, starting at 10:00 AM. Afterward, we will have a food experience at Hemingway's in Bass Pro, and then onto the Springfield Cardinals Game. A BIG THANK YOU to Mary Holden for setting this all up!

Another opportunity to help out the Jaycees this fall is at the Wonderland Camp Work Weekends. Over the course of these few days, we help out in any way we can to winterize the camp in Rocky Mount. All Region Work Weekend is September 30-October 2 and Muleskinner/Show Me Corps Weekend is November 4-6.

I just want to say "Thanks" for this opportunity to serve as your President for the 2016-17 year! I look forward to getting out and helping with Jaycee events all over the State and, most of all, making new friends! My theme is "Family is Forever" because that is what I feel our Missouri Senate group is, A Family!

Yours in Jaycees,

**Jerry Thompson, #56957**  
**2016-17 MO JCI Senate President**

## Chairman of The Board's Report

Hello fellow Senators,

What a wonderful summer so far, I hope everyone is spending time with family and friends! The year is starting off with a lot of fun projects. On the weekend of August 27, the first Senate meeting will be led by our new President Jerry Thompson. I encourage all to attend the meeting as we celebrate Missouri JCI Senate's 40<sup>th</sup> year.

The new year is here and we are in celebration mode. This is the time to spread the news to your fellow Jaycees how wonderful this organization is. When you are at Wonderland camp or at the Sikeston Rodeo or at the local chapters let the Jaycees know that they have a friend in deed. We are family and we are here to support and encourage them.

One last thank you to all of you that supported me and my board last year! What an exciting year it was. Now let's keep up the great team work and enjoy the next 40 years of fun

**Karen O'Hearn # 52200**  
**COB 2016-17**

## Vice President's Report

Hello Senate Family!

Past President Karen #52200 did a great job and was recognized with a Presidential award of merit from US JCI Senate Past President Carol "CJ" Jordan. Many thanks to Karen's team, all her program managers, and all of YOU who participated or contributed to OUR amazing year!

I also need to take a moment to let everyone know that our newly elected Secretary Chris Deen #73300 was recognized as last year's 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester Outstanding Return the Favor Senator! Missouri is one of the top 5 states for Return the Favor on a National level. Way to go!!

As we begin this year in the Missouri JCI Senate, we have many activities, meetings, and other events planned and we're looking forward to another awesome year! The Summer Meeting which will be held in conjunction with the Springfield Cardinals Baseball Game is on Saturday, August 27th. Ken Risley #32905 is already sending out Eblasts on this meeting & social. For more information on this fun filled event, please contact Mary Holden #57825 at (417) 693-3723 or mholden@trackermarine.com.

I encourage all program/project managers to utilize all resources and tools available to promote the event(s) you are chairing by attending meetings, participating/contributing in events, writing newsletter articles, and preparing messages for Eblasts and Facebook posts. Also as your elected Vice President this year, I'm here to help as well! Don't hesitate to let me know what is going on.

Also mark on your calendars NOW for the weekend of April 21-23, 2017 when the Missouri JCI Senate will host the Spring Region 6 Meeting in Branson. For more information on this Region Meeting, please contact Susan Hatcher #58143 or Karen O'Hearn #52200. It's going to be an event you won't want to miss!

The Missouri JCI 40 th Anniversary Celebration will be another event you won't want to miss! It will be in May 2017. In a recent Eblast message...Planning has started, but we are open to suggestions.

To voice your opinion, please contact:

- Donna DeLaney #55560 at mojcmom@centurylink.net
- Tim Vincent #54020 at tlvin412@sbcglobal.net
- Mary Sawyer #43930 at maryearl@swbell.net

As they gather information to help with the celebration, you may be contacted by:

- Ed Hart #28991 (jci28991@aol.com) or
- Dave DeLaney #41203 (wabash77@aol.com)

As always, I look forward to seeing YOU at our upcoming meetings, events and socials. We are family and "Family is Forever"!

**Kristen Johnson #72859**  
**MO JCI Senate Vice President 2016-17**

## **Treasurer's Report**

Hello! My name is Tonya Benton, Senator #66622. I look forward to getting more involved with the Senate this year serving as Treasurer. I have served the Missouri Jaycees as District Director, Wonderland Camp Program Manager, Vice President and then President in 2008. I received my senatorship from the Columbia Jaycees in 2006. I have served the Senate as Newsletter Editor, Super Bowl Party for Wonderland Camp Chairperson and Sergeant-At-Arms. On a personal level, I live in St. Charles and work as an Accountant for a commercial real estate company.

My primary duty this year is membership, so you will be receiving your yearly dues billings from me. Bills are sent quarterly and they have been sent for September renewals. If you expect to receive a billing and do not, please contact me. Since there is a deadline with the U.S. JCI Senate involved, please try to return your dues promptly so follow-up is not required. I would encourage you to consider becoming a Life Member. Instead of paying \$25 a year, there is a one-time payment of \$250.00 and you are a member for life. If you know of anyone who is not currently a member of the Missouri JCI Senate but has been in the past, let me know and I will try to reach out to them to get them to join again.

I look forward to seeing you all at upcoming events. Thanks again for electing me to be your Treasurer this year!

**Tonya Benton #66222**  
**Treasurer, 2016-17**

## **It is Springfield Cardinal Baseball Time Again!**

This year the annual Springfield Cardinals Baseball game is on August 27, 2016, which is on the weekend of the last home games. The last regular schedule home game is August 29, 2016. The Cardinals are playing the Tulsa Drillers, which is the Double A affiliate of the Los Angeles Dodgers. **Access Day at the Fair is not on this weekend.**

We will have the Missouri JCI business meeting on Saturday morning. Then lunch at Hemingway's in Bass Pro Shops, the Granddaddy of all stores. The ballgame starts at 6:10 with the gates opening an hour before the start of the game. We have an Adam Wainwright and Yadier Molina "Final Out" Dual Bobblehead Giveaway for the first 2,000 guests.

We will be seated in the Expedia Redbird Roost, which features all-you-can-eat concession stand, featuring the following food items: hot dogs, bratwurst, nachos, chips, cookies, salad bar and Coca-Cola products. There are also private restrooms for the Expedia Redbird Roost ticket holders.

There is a special room rate at the Best Western Plus Coach House Inn for Missouri JCI Senators. When I last spoke to them there were only 5 rooms left in the block.

Please see flyer for pricing, phone numbers and more details.

See you soon,

**Mary Holden #57825**

## **Spring Region VI Meeting – Branson, MO**

Before we know it, Missouri JCI Senate will be hosting the Spring Region VI Meeting in Branson MO – April 21-23, 2017. We will need all hands on deck that weekend and many hands make it easier so please plan to be there. The registration form should be included in the newsletter.

Some things going on now ... we will have a committee meeting at the summer meeting in Springfield. We will gather about 2 on Saturday. I'd like to decide on a theme if we want to have one! You are welcome to join us and I promise we'll give you involved. We hope to get a show planned for that Saturday night soon for entertainment.

Karen O'Hearn is registration chairman, Kristie/Ernie Lea are food chairmen, Earl Sawyer will be bar chairman and Mary Holden will be tour chairman. We could still use chairmen for Welcome Bags, Golf outing and Decorations.

I will try to communicate what's going on as we go along this year but do not hesitate to call me if you have a question. Meanwhile please register and make your hotel registrations soon.

Thank you,

**Susan Hatcher #58143**

**Chairman – Spring 2017 Region VI Meeting**

## Region VI Support

It was certainly an exciting time in Greensboro for the Missouri JCI Senators, Region VI senators and all of the US JCI Senate. Immediate Past President Karen and all of Missouri JCI Senate shined! I want to congratulate all those individuals and Missouri JCI Senate recognized there! I owe a special thanks to Lorie #69333 and Jerry Thompson #57957 for the work they did on the car and set up of our Region VI booth at the party. Also, thanks to Dave Delaney (Hy) #41203 for stepping up to the plate and Kristin Johnson #72859 for agreeing to chair the Regions booth. Missouri JCI Senate along with the other six states in our region really came together for an award winning booth. Thank you.

Last year was fantastic and I will never be able to thank you enough for the experience -Missouri JCI Senate for all of your support! Have fun and continue to **"Make it Matter"** in years to come! MO CI Senate, you're the best team a baseball fan could ask for!

**Susan Hatcher #58143**  
**Immediate Past Vice President**  
**Region VI**  
**US JCI Senate**

## REGION VI IS GOING TO THE LAKE FOR A FALL ESCAPE!

The MN JCI Senate is ecstatic about hosting our Region VI family the weekend of October 7-9 at Cragun's Resort in Brainerd on beautiful and exquisite Gull Lake. We have put together some exciting and stimulating plans for a fabulous fun-filled weekend. Included in your registration you have an opportunity to gather with fellow senators and partake in a round of golf on the Par 3 Legacy golf course; (we are incorporating a little tournament with cash prizes) take a calming pontoon boat ride around Gull Lake; or enjoy the 'clip-clop' of the horses feet as you take a scenic horse-drawn trolley ride. These activities are all on Cragun's property.

Our infamous Swedish Chef's - Jueery & Greeg have continued their training at the culinary school in Sweden. They are planning to serve you for your Friday evening dinner, the **slow boat to China** hotdish. Saturday morning they are planning **sausage gravy & biscuits**. Saturday for your evening dinner, they have recruited and are training sous chefs to **grill steaks** to your liking. Of course, they are planning delectable accompaniments to all these meals. Saturday for lunch the chefs at Cragun's Resort will feature for you, a **soup, salads, and build your own sandwich buffet, with dessert and a beverage**.

Don't concern yourself about not having enough **cold beverages** in our hospitality room as Ole' & Lena have again secured plenty of your favorites from Sven. Sven's wife, Olga has expressed her willingness to ensure that there will be all types of snacks (hot and cold) for you to savor there also. We know your desires to be 'nourished' as you enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow senators, and we are planning to ensure there is plenty available.

The guest sleeping rooms at Cragun's feature fireplace rooms with one king size bed or two queen beds, refrigerator, wet bar, microwave, coffeemaker, television, and a balcony on the lakeside. The poolside rooms feature two double beds, refrigerator, microwave, coffeemaker, television, and a view of the pool. **(These poolside rooms would be considered closest to the hospitality area)**. Handicapped accessible rooms are also available. Room rates are \$109.00 per night plus 6.875% tax. Rooms are guaranteed through September 9. **Please use either the on-line room reservations instructions OR the form that can be snail-mailed to Cragun's to reserve your personal sleeping rooms.**

Our registration rate for this fabulous and incredible weekend is \$70.00 per person, postmarked by September 9. \$80.00 per person after that date **OR** at the door. Children/grandchildren registration rate is \$35.00 per child (under age 18) for the full weekend. (this will include **all** meals and activities) Place the name(s) of the child/children on the form and send in the appropriate funds, as this is **not** a separate line item on the registration form.

Looking forward to seeing you at Cragun's for our '**Going to the Lake for a Fall Escape**' weekend. Plan to have a pleasurable weekend with your fellow MN JCI Senators as well as senators from across Region VI, and beyond. Oh, by the way - we were told NVP, Brian Trautman #61774, plans to have an invigorating meeting there also!

If you have any questions/concerns, please contact:

**Sharon Leppla #44742**  
smleppla@newulmtel.net  
1625 North Garden Street  
New Ulm, MN 56073

## **Missouri's Ruby Anniversary!**

Congratulations MO JCI Senate - our group is made up of winners as demonstrated at the annual meeting in Greensboro: MO JCI Senate - #1 in RTF; Karen O'Hearn - Presidential Award of Merit; Susan Hatcher - Outstanding Region Vice President to name a few!!! Look elsewhere in the newsletter for all the names and categories. Congratulations to the past present and future winners!!!!

We are currently celebrating our 40th year of camaraderie. Come out and be a part of it in Springfield, at the Lake or in St. Louis. We have special events planned all year long.

There are special commemorative pins available for purchase also. Only #3 each or 2 for \$5. There are only 80 available. I will give you another clue - all attendees at the 40th anniversary dinner will get a matching off color one for FREE. So if you are looking to keep up all your Missouri pins you need to shop now.

Suggestions welcome,

**The 40th Anniversary Committee**

## **...And now a word from the peanut gallery...**

Hello everyone!

I want to thank you all for submitting your articles and flyers to me before the deadline. Please remember this is a work in progress, so if anyone would like to submit an article for the next newsletter, or have any suggestions or ideas on how to improve the newsletter, please email me at [karen.d.gridley@gmail.com](mailto:karen.d.gridley@gmail.com) I am working with President Jerry and hope to have a schedule sent out for the year as soon as possible.

Karen Gridley #70350,  
Newsletter Editor 2016-2017

## **Special documents following this page...**

Please note the various registration forms and reservation instructions:

- 1.) **Registration Form for the US JCI Senate Region VI 2017 Spring Meeting** to be held April 21-23, 2017 in Branson, MO hosted by Missouri JCI Senate.
- 2.) **Registration Form for “Going to the Lake for a Fall Escape”** to be held October 7 – 9 hosted by the Minnesota Senate at Cragun’s Resort on Gull Lake Brainerd Minnesota.
- 3.) **Reservation Form for Cragun’s Resort for “Going to the Lake for a Fall Escape”** to be held October 7 – 9.
- 4.) **Instructions for Online reservations for Cragun’s Resort for “Going to the Lake for a Fall Escape”** to be held October 7 – 9.



US JCI Senate Region VI  
 2017 Spring Meeting  
 April 21-23, 2017  
 Branson, MO  
 Hosted by Missouri JCI Senate



## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Senate Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_ Senate/Friendship Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

	Quantity	Postmarked by 3/21/2017	Postmarked after 3/21/2017	Total
Full Registration		\$70.00	\$80.00	
Saturday Only		\$60.00	\$70.00	
Daily Off-Site Fee *		\$25.00	\$30.00	
<b>Total</b>				

\*Per Person, if not staying in Hotel Room Block

Are you interested in Golf on Friday morning: \_\_\_\_\_?  
 Full registration includes Friday-Saturday hospitality and Saturday dinner

Make checks payable to: **Missouri JCI Senate**

Mail registration to: Karen O'Hearn #52200  
 587 Summer Winds  
 St. Peters, MO 63376

### **Camden Hotel & Conference Center 275 Tanger Boulevard ~ Branson, MO 65616**

- Room rate is based on Single or Double Adult occupancy. All rooms are Non-Smoking & No Pets are allowed. **Rate: \$85.00** **Block Release Date: March 21, 2017**
  - Above rates do not include tax. Tax rate is 11.6%. (State tax 7.6% + city tax 4%.)
  - Please call **Groups Office at 800-335-2555, MONDAY – FRIDAY, 8am-5pm Central Time**, to reserve room(s) with credit card. **Ask for Renee!**
  - \$8.00 + tax per night charge will apply for additional adults in same room
  - Room rate is good for three days before and three days after weekend.
- Other questions, please contact Susan Hatcher, Chairman #58143 at 636-391-0787 or 314-570-0482





## REGION VI GOING TO THE LAKE FOR A FALL ESCAPE

October 7-9, 2016  
Hosted by the MN JCI Senate



**Cragun's Resort on Gull Lake — 11000 Cragun's Drive, Brainerd MN 56401**  
800-272-4867 [www.Craguns.com](http://www.Craguns.com)

**Room Rate:** \$109 per night plus 6.875% tax. Request the MN JCI Senate room block.

Room rates are guaranteed through **September 9, 2016.**

The guest sleeping rooms feature fireplace rooms with 1 king size bed or 2 queen beds.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ JCI Senate # \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ JCI Senate or Friendship # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home/Work/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

ITEM	Qty	Postmarked by 9/9/16	Postmarked after 9/9/16	TOTAL
Full Registration		US \$ 70.00	US \$ 80.00	\$
Child Registration 5-15 years (4 and under free)		US \$ 40.00	US \$ 45.00	\$
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				\$

**\*\* Full registration includes:**

Hospitality: Friday, starting at 4pm and all day Saturday. Hospitality includes beverages and snacks.

Friday Dinner will feature a luscious MN hotdish, snicker apple salad and fruit parfaits.

Saturday Breakfast will include sausage gravy & biscuits, bagels, Danish, bananas, juice and coffee.

Saturday Lunch will be soup, build your own sandwich, assorted salads & assorted bars served by Cragun's.

Saturday Dinner will offer a juicy grilled steak, baked potato, lettuce salad and homemade pie ala mode.

Sunday Breakfast will consist of cold cereal, bagels, Danish, bananas, milk, juice and coffee.

**Activities:**

- Saturday afternoon: Par 3 Golf tournament, Pontoon boat rides, Horse drawn trolley rides.
- Saturday night we will have an old fashioned camp fire on the beach so bring a chair or blanket to sit on.

*Due to financial commitments to hotel, no refunds after 9/26/16*

Make Checks Payable to "MINNESOTA JCI SENATE"

Mail Registration Forms and payment to:

Sharon Leppla, #44742 1625 North Garden Street, New Ulm, MN 56073-1533

Questions: call 507-359-9345 or email: [smleppla@newulmtel.net](mailto:smleppla@newulmtel.net)



**CRAGUN'S LODGING RESERVATION**  
MN JCI Senate – October 7– 9, 2016

**ONE-NIGHT RATE INCLUDES**

- Friday and/or Saturday nights' lodging
- MN sales tax

\$116.49 single/double per room per night

**SELECT NIGHT(S)**

Friday and/or  Saturday

**SELECT LODGING TYPE**

Place 1 by 1<sup>st</sup> choice and 2 by 2<sup>nd</sup> choice. Rooms assigned first come, first served. If the type you choose is not available, you will be placed in the next available type.

         **Lakeview Fireplace Room:** 1 king, 2 queen or 2 double beds, coffeemaker, refrigerator, microwave, TV, iron & ironing board, fireplace, and balcony on the lake side.

         **Poolside Room:** 2 double beds, coffeemaker, refrigerator, microwave, TV, iron & ironing board and patio or balcony level overlooks indoor pool (poolside are closest to the meeting rooms).

All Rooms are Non-Smoking - \$300.00 charge for smoking in a non-smoking room. Any additional cleaning or damage to rooms will be charged accordingly.

**SPECIAL REQUESTS**

(i.e. room accessibility, dietary needs, etc.)

Please Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**PREFERRED LODGING HELD UNTIL**

**September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

(Room Rates and availability after September 7<sup>th</sup> is NOT GUARANTEED)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Arrive /Depart Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Used for CONFIRMATION - Please print clearly  
Your e-mail address will not be given to any other party for any purpose.

Please check here if we may send you special Craguns offers  
Craguns Special Offers  Yes Please  No Thanks

**PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION WITHIN 2 WEEKS FROM THE TIME YOU SENT US THE FORM**

**ROOMMATE(S)**

List first and last names of ALL roommate(s)

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

For safety and security reasons, Cragun's will not assign roommates

**CRAGUNS HAS A NO PET POLICY  
PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF CERTIFIED SERVICE ANIMALS  
REQUIRED**

**INDICATE DEPOSIT METHOD OF PAYMENT**

**\$116.49 deposit required with reservation**  
(Reservation will not be processed without deposit)  
No deposit required with Voucher or Purchase Order

Check (Send with form - Payable to Cragun's)

Credit/Debit Card (Card charged upon receipt of form)

Upon check-in, the debit card will be charged for the remainder of your stay.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Deposit amount to be charged to:

**Visa / Mastercard / Discover / American**

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Signature/Card Holder: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of a miscalculation, I authorize Cragun's to charge to my credit card an amount Cragun's reasonably deems to be accurate.

**MAIL OR FAX FORM (No phone reservations)**

Cragun's Resort & Hotel on Gull Lake

11000 Craguns Drive, Brainerd, MN 56401

Fax Number: (218) 825-2727

Website: www.craguns.com

Questions or to email forms: [jbourassa@craguns.com](mailto:jbourassa@craguns.com)

(please note email is not secure and we DO NOT recommend sending credit card information via email)

**Cancellation/Refund/No Show Policy**

Less than 30 days prior to arrival – No Deposit Refund;

At 30 days or more prior to arrival – Refund less \$40

processing fee; No show (arrival night) – No Deposit Refund

(Room will be held until 12 noon the following day)

You are responsible for all nights selected.

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Complete 1 Form Per Room.  
Make A Copy Of This Form For Your Records.  
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**MN JCI Senate Fall Region VI Meeting October 7-9, 2016**

**Craguns Online Reservations**

We have setup the online reservation for your group. Online may only be used by people paying with credit cards.

One Night Rate includes MN sales tax NO Meals included Friday and/or Saturday night \$116.49 per room per night single or double occupancy

**Here are the steps to using our Online Registration**

1. Click on link – some browsers direct you to a group login page, if so use the following.  
Group Access: Group ID: 17323 Password: 37007917
2. Click on “Make Reservation” under group options on the left side of the screen
3. Select dates of stay – available dates underlined
4. Select room type
5. Click Primary Guest Information link – enter contact information, in the Special Requests/comments box note any dietary needs, names of everyone sharing with you or any other requests/questions.
6. Click Continue Reservation
7. Review Reservation Summary on left side of screen
8. Agree to terms and conditions
9. Enter payment information – card is not charged at this time, once the reservation is reviewed by Craguns it will be charged and another confirmation sent out.
10. Click Make Reservation – Confirmation email will be sent out

We will check the reservation when we receive it and at that time run the credit card for the deposit and send out another confirmation.

Questions please email Lorie at [lbouassa@craguns.com](mailto:lbouassa@craguns.com)

**CLICK ON LINK BELOW TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM AT CRAGUNS**

Group Name: [MN JCI Senate](#)

Meeting: Friday, October 07, 2016 - Sunday, October 09, 2016

If you are experiencing problems with the link please navigate your browser to:

<https://reservations.craguns.com/V1WebControls/Availability.asp?WCI=Groups&WCE=GroupSelect&BookID=17323&GroupPassword=37007917>