



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Family is Forever!

Hello Fellow Senators,

I hope you all had a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I'm sorry I was unable to make the Missouri/Illinois Basketball game, but I want to thank Gerry Moore for chairing the event for us. From what I've heard, it was a great time! I just wish Mizzou could have pulled out a win too. I want to thank all of the Senators who were able to help at Access Day! It always makes me proud to see all of you that come out year after year to help the Missouri Jaycees with this long running project. Also, I wanted to say a BIG "Thank You!" to those that came to the Casino night on December 3rd. We can always use more help, so *please* put this project on your calendars as soon as the date for next year is published! It is a lot of fun and is a good fundraiser for the Senate.

We apologize that the newsletter is late, life happens sometimes so we will just update everyone in this addition. I want to thank Ed Hart for chairing the Un Super Bowl party. I believe around \$400 was raised for the two Jaycee projects of Wonderland Camp And Access Day. Great Job! We had a good turnout for Winter Meeting at the Lake. I want to say a Special Thank You to Donna and Dave Delaney for stepping up to run the Hospitality room. Kristie and Ernie did a great job getting everything ready but were unable to be there because of the weekend date change. I'd like to welcome our newest Missouri JCI Senate members who were awarded their senatorships on Saturday night. Congratulations go out to Laura McCully #75943, Chris Harsell #75944, Rhonda Stevenson #75945, Tom Batenhorst #75946, Emily Mueller #75947 and Lori Moore #75955.

Finally, I want to ask everyone to please come down to Branson in April and show the rest of Region VI how great the Missouri JCI Senate is and have a good time doing it! There is sure to be plenty of good fellowship with both old and new friends from around the region! I look forward to seeing everyone at the Region VI meeting in Branson on April 21-23.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Thompson #56957
2016-17 President Missouri JCI Senate



VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First I'd like to thank Ken Risley #32905 for his many, many years of his dedication to our Eblast Communications. He deserves tremendous recognition for his great work! I'm happy to transition into this roll on an interim basis. Thank you Ken and God Bless!! All Eblast communications can be sent to me at kj72859@gmail.com.

The MO JCI Senate has been very busy and having lots of fun. Recent programs/events that were all successes were:

- The MO JCI Senate was well represented at Access Day at the Fair gathering many RTF hours.
- Summer Meeting/Springfield Cardinals Game chaired by Mary Holden #57825. Special guests Region VI Vice President Brian Trautman #61774 and his lovely wife, Kelly FR#51 made their official visit to Missouri.
- MO JCI Senate partnered with the Jefferson City Jaycees to host the 2016 Casino Night with proceeds benefiting Wonderland Camp and MO JCI Senate Scholarship Foundation.
- Annual Bragging Rights game between University of Missouri and the University of Illinois chaired by Gerry Moore #26604 was a great time! This annual event is an awesome opportunity with fellowship with the Illinois Senators.
- Another successful year of Letters from Santa chaired by Karen O'Hearn #52200 with proceeds benefiting the MO JCI Senate Scholarship Foundation.
- 2017 Winterland Extravaganza was hosted by the Jefferson City Jaycees on January 20-22 at Old Kinderhook in Camdenton.
- St. Louis Blues vs. Edmonton Oilers hockey game took place on February 28th at the Scottrade Center. Proceeds benefits Wonderland Camp.
- Super Bowl Un-Parties II chaired by Ed Hart #28991. Let's help the Jaycees raise funds for our two favorite projects!! Proceeds benefit Wonderland Camp and Access Day.

There's also a couple major upcoming events that you will want to get on your calendars now and not miss!

- The MO JCI Senate is hosting this year's Region VI Meeting, April 21-23 in Branson. You do not want to miss out on this one! We will need lots of help with ensuring this meeting is the greatest Region VI Meeting!!
- Elections are right around the corner and don't forget that this is when we will be celebrating our 40th Anniversary, May 19-20th in St. Louis. The committee has been working very hard and I'm sure it will be a blast!

As always, I look forward seeing you at these upcoming meetings, events and socials. We are family and...FAMILY IS FOREVER!

Kristen Johnson #72859
 MO JCI Senate Vice President
 Interim Eblast Communications



SCHOLARSHIPS

Hello fellow Senators! I am proud to report that we had another year of outstanding scholarship applicants. Our prestigious judges this year were Barb Pellikaan #57247, Mary Sawyer #43930, Karen O'Hearn #52200, Susan Hatcher #58143, Carol Martin #43922 and Ed Hart #28991. Earl Sawyer #28243 was gracious in allowing us to again judge at JCI Headquarters. Thank you to Brian Cox #61635 for going on a coffee run for us. Plan to be a part of the judging team next year! While the judging is taken very seriously, we have fun and laugh a lot during the project (and sometimes disagree). I am so appreciative of all the Missouri JCI Senators passion for scholarships whether raising funds or judging applications.

We had 165 outstanding applicants this year. Our award winners going on for national judging are Avery Drake who is going to Missouri State University for Agriculture and Jackson Barry

who is going to Missouri University of Science & Technology for Engineering. Certificates have been sent to their schools to be presented at Senior Awards Ceremonies.

In the past, we awarded 4 scholarships with two additional awards with consideration for academics, community service, leadership, need and legacy. Since we have \$160 remaining from projects earmarked for scholarships, we would like to award at least one additional scholarship so look forward to such being brought forward at the May membership meeting.

Scholarships are a way for us to recognize hard work, community service and supporting young men and women in achieving their dreams. What comes to mind when I think of the MO JCI Senate is family and this project helps other families. I believe it is our privilege to show High School Seniors that we believe in them and their dreams by awarding them a MO JCI Senate Scholarship. To all the applicants, the \$250 scholarship means so much!

Thank you President Jerry #56957 for allowing me to serve as the MO JCI Senate Scholarship Chairman this year. It is a labor of love and I feel truly honored. Thank you to everyone who has a hand in making scholarships a reality!

Yours in Jaycees,

Wendy Cox #69246



Notes from the Peanut Gallery

Hello everyone.

A short note from your not-so-great newsletter editor...First, I want to thank Jerry and his executive team for their patience. Life does sometimes get in the way of your best intentions and I appreciate the love and understanding I received when I wasn't able to produce the newsletter in a timely manner. This year's motto, Family is Forever!, really struck home at this time and, even though, like family, we sometimes annoy and confound each other, the Senate has become my family as well. My mother taught me a very good lesson a long time ago...I won't always like you, but I will always love you. That is what family is...someone who will always love you through the bad times, even when you aren't so likeable.

Thank you my Senate family,

Karen Gridley



Spring 2017 Region VI Meeting
45th Anniversary of Region VI

April 21 – 23, 2017

Branson Missouri

THE BIG PROJECT IS COMING IN APRIL

Well we are only a little over a month away until we, the Missouri JCI Senate, will host the Spring Region VI in Branson, MO! I can't wait to see each of you there and continue pleading for your help! We will be filling welcome bags and setting up the bar and prepping food on Friday, April 21. We will need your help all weekend tending bar and helping our hospitality chairmen with the food.

So if you have not, please

- **Make your room reservations** at our host hotel at the Camden Hotel & Conference Center 275 Tanger Boulevard Branson, MO 65616. Contact: The room rate is only \$75 per night! There are extra charges for extra folks in the room (>2); Please call Groups Office at 800-335-2555, MONDAY – FRIDAY, 8am-5pm Central Time, to reserve room(s) with credit card. *Ask for Renee!*
- **Register** for the Region Meeting and pay early registration fee by the first deadline, March 21, 2017. The registration form is included separately in this newsletter. If you have any questions about registration, please contact Karen O'Hearn (see below for contact info)
- **Donations**...Can you get something donated for the Welcome Bags or food or drinks or prizes for the weekend? As Jaycees, you had contacts? Just ask your contacts and let us know ...so the committee can plan accordingly.
- **Fun** – Plan and get ready for a fun weekend in April. The committee has lots planned. An Early registration includes – Legends show Saturday afternoon at 3:00 pm at the Dick Clark's American Grandstand Theatre - The Legends show includes the music of George Strait,

Elvis, Temptations, Blues Brothers and Adele! <http://www.legendsinconcert.com/branson>. Besides plenty of great food and drink, you will see/visiting your senate friends and make new senate friends! I know there will be plenty of time to play games (yes, quarters – left, right, center with quarters involved)! Finally, 2017 is the 45th anniversary of the Region VI! We will be celebrating that during the luncheon.

Light dinner and snacks will be served Friday evening! Breakfast will be served each morning and a dessert bar will be served each evening at 9 pm. A golf outing will be planned Friday if there is enough interest. There will be plenty to do in and around the Branson area – wineries, shopping, shows, and Table Rock Lake is relatively close for fishing. Please join us! For any questions, feel free to call or email me. Also, you can contact one of the following for specific committee areas!

Karen O'Hearn #52200, Registration 314-753-8109 or Karen.OHearn@nisc.coop
Kristy Lea #62494 and Ernie Lea #60650, Food Hospitality eklea@cvalley.net
Earl Sawyer #28243, Bar 636-861-1547 maryearl@sbcglobal.net
Randy Johnson #56636, Golf rj56636@gmail.com
Mary Holden #57825, Area Attractions maryholden@trackermarine.com

Speaking of the committee, the Missouri JCI Senate and I have a great committee putting together this meeting – thanks to each of them! With your help, we will be able to possibly raise some monies for JCI senate organization in Missouri and our favorite charities!

Please join us for the great celebration of 45 years of Region VI!

Please be sure to pay close attention to the attached registration form and register now. Make your room reservation soon!

Best Regards
Susan
Susan Hatcher #58143
Region VI Spring Meeting Chairman
MO JCI Senate
s-hatcher@sbcglobal.net
314-570-0482

LIFE MEMBER INVITATION
TO: ALL LIFE MEMBERS
FROM: MARY SAWYER, LIFE MEMBER TRUSTEE
WHEN: MAY 20, 2017 - fifteen minutes after the close
of the Election Meeting

WHERE: HOLIDAY INN ROUTE 66

RE: \$\$\$\$\$\$ - discussions regarding the funds.

Life Members 1 to 259, you are all invited to share your thoughts regarding the Life Member funds. Please come to a short meeting immediately following the election meeting of the MO JCI Senate. If you are unable to attend give me a call if you have questions or comments.

Mary Sawyer
TRUSTEE
MO JCI Senate
Life Member Fund

OTHER LIFE MEMBER NEWS

Greetings Senators,

I receive several newsletters from other states and it is always interesting to see what they are doing different from Missouri. Today I received the PA Image and was intrigued by their annual dues billing of \$35 annually or they have this lifetime membership option:

Lifetime Membership

- Age 49 & Under - One-time payment of \$550 or you may divide your payment into 4 quarterly installments over one calendar year. The first quarterly payment would be \$175 and three additional payments of \$125 each.
- Age 50-55 - One-time payment of \$450 or you may divide your payment into 4 quarterly installments over one calendar year. The first quarterly payment would be \$1 with three additional payment of \$100.
- Age 56-60 - One-time payment of \$375 or you may divide your payment into 4 quarterly installments over one

calendar year. The first quarterly payment would be \$150 with three additional payment of \$75.

- Age 61-65 - One-time payment of \$300 or you may divide your payment into 4 quarterly installments over one calendar year. The first quarterly payment would be \$150 with three additional payments of \$50.

- Age 66 and over - One-time payment of \$250 or you may divide your payment into 4 quarterly installments over one calendar year. The first quarterly payment would be \$100 with three additional payments of \$50.

I can only say that Missouri JCI Senate has by far one of the lowest annual dues of \$25 and lifetime membership of ten times the annual amount regardless of age. I paid my life member dues in 1989 when I received my senatorship, obviously a wise financial choice for me. If you are contemplating paying your life member dues now would be the time. The life member dues can be paid over one calendar year so get started now.

Contact Treasurer Tonya or Life Member Chair Mary for more details or to arrange your payments.

Mary Sawyer
Life Member Chair
maryearl@swbell.net
636-861-1547

40TH ANNIVERSARY

Tax day is fast approaching. April 15 is also the room block deadline and the early registration deadline for the 2017 party of the year. PLEASE don't wait until that day to book your room. We are very close to filling the room block and I would rather ask for more rooms now than after the deadline.

We the MO JCI Senate are 40 years old and will be gathering at the Holiday Inn Route 66 (old Viking hotel on Watson Rd) on May 19 and 20 to share stories and memories, see old friends, renew friendships and make new ones. Don't miss the opportunity to spend some time with

Jaycee friends. We aren't getting any younger and can't read what the future holds for each of us.

Friday evening, a group of forty will be attending the Cardinals/Giants baseball game. If you don't have a ticket that's okay, you can hang out in the hospitality room with the rest of us until those attending the game return. Just means you get first choice of the seating available.

Saturday will a busy day starting with the MO Jaycees Foundation meeting in the morning, the MO JCI Senate business/election meeting at 1PM followed by the Life Member meeting and hospitality. Saturday evening we will gather for the banquet. This location has always served a great banquet meal and we believe this time will be no different.

Tim Vincent is working very hard to put together an entertaining video of past activities. PLEASE help!!! Share the pictures you have taken at Strassenfest, MO food experiences, Trivia Night for the Troops, Fall retreat at the Lake, Access Day at the Fair, Region meetings and National meetings that we have hosted or just attended, Wonderland Camp work weekends, wine tastings, Springfield baseball and all the other great events we have held in the last forty years. Send them digitally to tlvin42@sbcglobal.net or hard copies and memory sticks can be mailed to 412 Palermo, Ballwin, MO 63021. Tim would really appreciate having them by April 25 but will accept them until May 12. Let's put all the memories together and have a great video showcasing the fun events we have shared as Senators.

A special 40th Anniversary pin has been produced and available since May 2016 when we kicked off the celebration. If you haven't purchased yours yet contact Donna DeLaney at mojcmom@centurylink.net to reserve yours. Cost is \$3 each or two for \$5.

Look for the registration form elsewhere in the newsletter. Fill it out, write the check and drop it in

the mail. Why wait for Tax Day? You know you want to see friends you haven't seen in forever and share the good times again. Remember, don't wait on the hotel until then do that now!!

Any questions? Give me a call 636-861-1547!!

Looking forward to seeing all of you May 19 & 20, 2017,

Mary Sawyer
Co-Chair
40th Anniversary
MO JCI Senate

MISSOURI JCI SENATE
40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION and
MAY BUSINESS/ELECTION MEETING
MAY 19-20, 2017
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

NAME _____

SENATE # _____

GUEST _____

SENATE # _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER ____ - ____ - _____

EMAIL _____

Event	Attendees	By 4/15	By 5/1	By 5/15	Total
Business & Election Meeting Only		\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$
Saturday Hospitality Only		\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$
Meeting & Hospitality		\$13.00	\$13.00	\$13.00	\$
Complete Event*		\$55.00	\$65.00	\$75.00	\$
* Complete Event includes: Meeting, Hospitality, Banquet, and Entertainment				GRAND TOTAL	\$

Choose Banquet Meal: # CHICKEN _____ # BEEF _____

Hotel Rooms available for \$94.00 plus tax per night. Please call the hotel direct to make reservations. Rate is available until April 15 or until block filled.

HOTEL – Holiday Inn Route 66; 10709 Watson Road; St. Louis, MO 63127

Call direct for room reservations call 314-821-6600 or 800-465-4329 and request the Missouri JCI Senate rate

REGISTRATION – Make check payable to Missouri JCI Senate and mail to:
Mary Sawyer #43930; 747 Oak Hall Lane; Ballwin, MO 63021-7574

QUESTIONS or PROBLEMS – Call Mary at 636-861-1547



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 _____

*Per Person, if not staying in Hotel Room Block

Note: Early Registration includes Saturday Show (3:00 PM)

<http://www.legendsinconcert.com/branson>

Full registration includes Friday-Saturday hospitality, Breakfasts, Saturday Lunch, Saturday Dinner & Fri/Sat Evening Dessert Bars

Are you interested in Golf on Friday morning: _____?

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.

Reduced Rate: \$ 75.00 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



Springfield Cardinals Ballgame

***“Take Me Out to the Ballgame,
If They Don’t Win It’s a Shame!!!”***

Springfield Cardinals vs Corpus Christi Hooks

Hammons Field - Springfield, Missouri

Saturday, August 19, 2017 First Pitch at 6:10 PM

Price \$28.00 a ticket with all you can eat ballpark food
(Beer not included, darnit, but we can buy it for a little extra!)

Seating in the Expedia Redbird Roost

Staying: **Best Western Plus Coach House Inn**

For reservations, call the hotel at (417)862-0701 before

August 10th

Mention “Missouri JCI Senate” to get the rate of \$72 plus tax

Fellowship around the pool area before and after the game
A “Food Experience” sometime over the weekend I am sure!

For Ballgame Tickets, Contact Mary Holden #57825 before

August 20th

Cell (417)693-3723 or send to Mary Holden, 2131 W. Republic
Road, Box 241, Springfield, MO 65807 or

mholden@trackermarine.com

Checks payable to Missouri

JCI Senate

See you there with

“Peanuts and Cracker Jack”

Mary Holden # 57825

Mike Gilbert # 43355

Co-Chairman

Co-Chairman

This is a proposal only—subject to vote!—yes, this is the fine print.....

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 21-23 REGION 6 MEETING BRANSON MO

MAY 19-20 MO JCI SENATE 40TH ANNIVERSARY
ST. LOUIS

JUNE 19-22 US JCI SENATE ANNUAL MEETING
NORTH PARK IL

AUGUST 18 MO JC ACCESS DAY AT THE FAIR
JEFFERSON CITY MO

AUGUST 19 MO JCI SENATE MEETING AND
BASEBALL GAME – SPRINGFIELD MO

MO JCI SENATE
747 OAK HALL LANE
BALLWIN MO 63021