

The Jaycee Spirit

Bismarck Jaycees April 1, 2006

From the President....

Howdy, Jaycees!

I am happy to announce that all Bismarck Jaycees that went to Myrtle Beach for the National Year-end Convention made it back home with all senses intact. I have been assured that the same can indeed be said for those that attended the Un-Myrtle Beach party.

Both events were great successes in March. Thanks to Janitda Muller, Pat Groce and Leif Olson from our chapter for making the trek to the national convention, and thanks to Jill Simpfenderfer for hosting the big party 'back home.'

I am very excited for Jaycee Growth Week project this year - we are holding another "**Membership Rush**" **April 16-22, 2006**. Our last Rush was held in January, and it was pretty successful with seven new members added.

For this upcoming event, our chapter is offering **1/2 price** membership dues for those that sign up (and pay, of course) that week. Everyone should know someone interested, so please help out and start talking to them NOW so they are ready to sign up that week.

Additionally, for each I have prizes to offer for current members that bring new people into our organization during that week. State President Tami left some items for us to give out including backpacks, can koozies, and pizza cutters.

For each new member you recruit, I'll add your name into a drawing to receive a little sompin' sompin' from our organization. But, I hope you recognize along with me that the primary goal for our Membership Rush is to spread the word of the experiences gained through the Jaycees.

Have a great April - no fooling!

Jim "Bonsai!" Mueller, 2006 President

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Bismarck Jaycees – Meeting notes from 3/14/06

- I. Call to order – members present: Marty, Shawn, Chris Z, Jen, Paul, Melissa, Lori, Pat, Leif, Jill, Janitda, Al & Jim (wow what attendance we've had at meetings this year!!!!!!)
- II. **Special Guest Introductions** – ND Jaycee President Tami Briese ~ President Tami did some training on Springboard and Degrees. We should all be able to participate in these programs – they are good for individual development as well as good for our chapter to get us points for the parade, and since Bismarck wants to be #1, we better get busy!!! She also did some training on CPGS.
- III. Agenda Change Requests
- IV. Open Items
 - a. Review of previous meeting notes – President Jim read thru the notes from the February meeting
 - b. Review of Chapter Finances – income from speed dating and 1 renewal, no bills were turned in during that month. If you purchase something and need to be reimbursed, please be sure to give your receipts to Jill
 - c. Review of recent projects and events
 - i. Speed Dating – (Al & Shawn) 20 people participated, with 15 of them paying. Shawn donated the beverages. (Thanx Shawn, you rock!) Proceeds of \$150 will be donated to the Emergency Food Bank.
 - ii. Saturday After Sundown Bowling – (Melissa) good turnout, new members attended. Will try to go earlier next time as that way 2 games can be played.
 - iii. Un-Myrtle Beach Party – (Jill) Fun – need I say more?!
 - iv. National Convention – (Jim, Janitda, Pat & Leif) - **ND finished 2nd in the Parade of States.**
 - d. Chaired Upcoming Projects
 - i. **Saturday After Sundown April Fools Party** – Janitda will be doing lasagna
 - ii. **JAYS** – (Chris J) was not at the meeting ~ please let us know what is happening with this.
 - iii. **Pitch, Hit & Run** – (Janitda, Chris Z & Shawn) will be getting together to decide when this will be. This is a fun event to help out with, so please try to attend.
 - iv. **CPR Training** - (Janitda) is still trying to find some one that has the equipment we can use. Will find out more soon with the help of Jen Vetter.
 - v. **Relay for Life** – (Lori) is on June 3rd beginning at 4pm until June 4th at 6am. Team fee is \$100 (which will be funded by Lori, Jill, Paul & Janitda) and we need to have about 8 – 12 people on the team. We need to think of a theme, so anyone that has an idea talk to Lori as she is the team captain.
 - vi. **Highway Adoption** – (Chris Z) the closest area to adopt is 150 miles away, so we will not do it
 - vii. **New Member Orientation** – (Al) will be on the 29th of April, hopefully at the Jaycee Hall. We want to get as many people there as possible so we can utilize the degree and springboard programs.
 - viii. **OYND & OYF** – (Janitda) we have a candidate for OYND– need to turn in paperwork before April 5.
- V. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. **Projects and Events in Need of Chairperson**
 - i. **Lincoln Demolition Derby** – is in August. We are getting more and more involved each year and this is a huge responsibility. We need to make sure we have a lot of people helping out this year as last year we needed more workers. The chairperson of this project will work with the Lincoln group to get things organized.
 - ii. **Tracy's Sanctuary House Gazebo** – sometime this spring or summer. Chris Z and Melissa will work on this as Melissa is in contact with Bruce and Chris has some awesome ideas to try to work with Lowe's on getting donated supplies to build the gazebo. If anyone would like to know more information on the house, here is the website: <http://www.tracyssanctuary.com>
 - iii. **Dakota Zoo Projects** – Jim was informed of a couple of different opportunities available at the zoo – some of which are helping with some cleanup, planting and maintaining a flower bed, helping out when they have large groups of children. If we plant a flower bed, they will have a sign similar to that of the girl scout sign.
 - iv. **Williston JC Easter Egg Hunt** – is on April 15. Melissa will be in Williston for Easter, so if anyone else is up in that neck of the woods give her a call. It's always nice to meet other JC groups and attend functions to show your support and if we have 3 or more people we can get points for the parade.
 - v. **Mandan 4th of July Parade** – Pat and Al were planning on attending the meeting March 18
 - vi. **Nettleton Family** – Members of this family belong to the DLB Jaycees and recently lost their



daughter/sister. They have been long time supporters of the Jaycees and Jeff Dean of the Williston chapter is taking donations to send to the family. We voted to send a donation of \$50.

- i. Arbor Day Sponsorship – the city of Bismarck was wondering if we would like to donate money for sponsorship. A minimum donation was required to get recognition, so the chapter passed on the sponsorship at this time.

II. Other Items

- a. Chili Cook-off in Mohall will be held on March 25. Al volunteered to start up a team. Entrance fee is \$20 and teams will consist of 2 to 4 members. If you would like to participate or even just go along for a visitation or a show of support for our chili team, contact Al.
- b. Angie K birthday at Cross Ranch cabin – will be the weekend of April 7-8. She would like to rent a cabin and have a group of people go up to just have fun. If you would like to go, please contact Angie ASAP so she can get the cabin reserved.
- c. **Next meeting will be April 11 at the Jaycee Hall at 7:30.** Please plan on attending.

III. Adjourn with Jaycees Creed

DUES

Past

Roberta Heinert

Leif Olson

May

Derek Jundt

Reminder: Your dues are payable on the 20th of the month before you are due.

Pepsi Pitch, Hit, & Run

We will be hosting the annual Pepsi Pitch, Hit and Run contest on April 22 at Solheim Baseball Diamond (325 Munich - which is on South Washington Street). Registration will begin at 10:00 am. Please bring your baseball gloves and be ready for some fun. In case of rain, the competition will be held on May 13. We would appreciate all the help we can get, so if you have any questions, please call the chairpersons...
Chris @ 391-6189, Janitda @ 770-1140 , or
Shawn @ 471-4826.



Management VP

Hey all - Secretary/Treasurer/MGMT VP Jill here.....we are totally rocking on attendance at meetings this year ~ let's see if we can keep it up.

We finally got our bank account switched to a bank that is soo awesome and we have pretty much been guaranteed we won't be charged any fees. We will be going back to see if we can get a few members from the bank as well.

Our OYND candidate has been submitted. I will bring some information about her to the meeting so you can all see who she is and why I chose to nominate her. Coming up in the middle of the month we will have another rush week, so think of all of the people you can....half price memberships during Jaycee Growth Week. Let's see if we can double what we did in January. The more members we can get, the more awesome ideas we will have for projects and the more we can help out others.

Also, convention is going to be coming up soon, so please think about registering. Competitions are fun and a neat way to learn about the Jaycees ~ there is Speak Up, Write Up, Jaycee Jeopardy, & Idol.

I would like to offer up a challenge...to the member (exec board is not included in this challenge) who recruits the most members during rush week. That person can throw a pie in my face (and I will even supply the pie) at the May meeting. I'm pretty sure that is some good incentive as I'm sure a lot of you would like to throw things at me.

Peace~
:o) JKS



Hey everyone! Please submit anything you would like in the newsletter to me by the last Sunday of the month! Any article or just a note about a project you are working on would be great to keep us all informed. Publish date will be as close to the 1st as possible.

A new feature you will see is Dues....if you have not submitted your 2006 membership dues of \$50, you will see your name along with when you need to pay. If you are past due, please get the money into Jill ASAP or make payment arrangements.

Thanks
Melissa



Thanks go to Jill
Simpfenderfer, our
new State Family
Life Program
Manager.

We're sooo proud of
you Jill!

- Dates to Remember:**
- ★ April 11 7:30 Mtg @ Jaycee Hall
 - ★ April 15 Williston Easter Egg Hunt
 - ★ April 20 May Renewals Due
Registration for OYND Convention Due
 - ★ April 22 Pepsi Pitch Hit & Run

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