

THE JAYCEE SPIRIT

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PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

GOODBYE WINTER. HELLO SPRING! This month will definitely be a busy one for the Bismarck Jaycees. We will be cleaning up our “adopted highway” portion on the 14th and I hope we can get a lot of people out there to help. The more, the merrier (and the faster we can get done). What a great way to show that we care about our community and the environment.

Jaycee Growth week is the 15th through the 21st. We will be offering half price dues (\$25) during that week. If you would happen to recruit a new member – for them to get that deal, make sure you have the cash in hand. New members will not be submitted unless we have their dues paid. All we need from them – is name, address, phone, and birthdate. This is a great opportunity to promote our chapter – and get new members. Who doesn’t like half price deals? I know I sure do. April 16th we will be having a CPG (Chairperson Planning Guide) training with the state CPG Program Manager Crysta Parkinson. Check out Melissa’s article for more information. We are also going to be trying to hold a casino night one of those nights and to finish up the week will be holding the Pitch, Hit & Run competition on the 21st of April (weather permitting) for Bismarck kids. What a great way to finish up the week.

The final weekend in April is the OYND convention in Fargo. So far we have 9 people attending. Wow. That is awesome. I will be stealing the minivan from my parents so any one who works ‘til 4 or 5 on the 27th (and those crazy enough to put their life in my hands) is more than welcome to hitch a ride with me (for a small cost for gas). I can fit 5 passengers with luggage. Make sure you get your reservations made soon. Registration for convention – if paid by April 13 – is \$60. Room Reservations need to be made by March 30th. (Doublewood Inn – 1-800-433-3235 – room rate is \$67 and make sure you tell them you are with the ND Jaycees).

Once again – you guys rock. Keep up the good work. If anyone has any questions or ideas for projects, please give the exec board a call so we can discuss it at the meetings. We’re always looking for new things to do.

PRESIDENT’S CHALLENGE:

The person who recruits the most new members during growth week, can throw **ONE PIE PER EACH NEW MEMBER THEY RECRUIT** in my face at the May meeting. I’m sure there are several people who would like to do that, so **BRING IT ON.**

Peace Out~
 Jill Simpfenderfer
 2007 president

INDIVIDUAL VP

It's Spring—technically speaking—and that means it's time to plant stuff. For those of you not blessed with an abundance of land, fear not! You can still grow some crap in pots. Here's a few tips for container gardening:

1. Not all containers are suitable. Some are prone to failure or may even be harmful to plants. Terracotta pots are prone to breakage during cold weather and plastic ones become brittle with continuous exposure to ultraviolet radiation. Untreated redwood or cedar are the best choices for wooden containers (other woods are prone to rot and many sealants contain toxins); glazed ceramic pots with adequate drainage are another excellent choice. Containers can range in size from 15-120 quarts.
2. Containers should have drainage holes to prevent root rot, fungal growths, and salt burn. Holes should be 1/2 inch in diameter. If your holes are too big, you can cover them with curved pot shards or metal screens. Set containers on bricks or blocks to facilitate free drainage.
3. Don't forget to feed your plants! Some soil mixes come with fertilizer, which will tide your little fellas over for as long as a month and a half. Potted plants tend not to retain fertilizer as well as those in proper gardens (the nutrients drain out, too), so you may wish to routinely augment waterings with some dilute liquid fertilizer. Container plants also lose moisture more quickly than those in the "Big Earth" so some may need daily watering.
4. Recommended flowers for container planting vary from source to source, but here's some to consider: alyssums, astilbes, azaleas, begonias, bougainvilleas, browallias, calendulas, camellias, campanulas, chrysanthemums, coleuses, coreopsis, cosmoses, daisies, dianthus, dwarf junipers, foxgloves, fuchias, geraniums, hostas, impatiens, irises, latanas, lenten

roses, lobelias, marigolds, myrtles, narcissuses, nasturtiums, pansies, parrot feathers, periwinkle, petunias, phlox, primroses, rockcresses, roses, salvias, saxifrages, snapdragons, star jasmines, thunbergias, and zinnias. Some grow bigger than others so remember to tailor your container size to what will live in it.

5. Consider how your plants will look together (their heights, colors, and textures) and their relative needs when considering which plants will cohabitate a container.

COMMUNITY VP

No Article Submitted by Chris Ziegler this month.

MEMBERSHIP VP

No Article Submitted by Leif Olson this month

SECRETARY

I just want to say we had an awesome time at the St. Patricks Day party held at the Jaycee Hall. We had an awesome potluck supper. A few of the members brought out gambling equipment. The Luck of the Irish hit Al as he was our Leparchaun mascot of the evening. Chris entertained us with a Diet Coke and Mentos experiment.

A recent project that we have been doing is the Prayer Bears. Chris works for a local church in the Bismarck/Mandan area and some of the ladies make bears out Military clothing and blankets and attach a prayer around the bear's neck. The ladies give each troop from ND going over seas one of these bears. We have started working on this project and will continue until we have all of the bears cut out for the ladies. Please come and help in the future when we set a date and time again. The ladies are asking that if we do know of anyone willing to donate Army Blankets if they could get them. They are running low on them.

Management VP/Treasurer

No article submitted by Lori Jepson this month

Amy

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

None

ANNIVERSARIES

None

**YEARLY RENEWAL
REMINDERS**

April: None

May: Derek Judt

BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL

Angela Klein
Amy Barwicki
Jason Schneider
Anne Polasky

WANTED:	A FEW GOOD SINGERS
FOR:	JAYCEE IDOL
COMPETITION	
WHEN:	SATURDAY, APRIL 28 TH
WHERE:	OYND CONVENTION IN FARGO
MORE INFO:	CONTACT PRESIDENT JILL (JC IDOL PM)

BRAIN TEASERS

1. Why is it against the law for a man living in North Carolina to be buried in South Carolina?
2. yyy u r, yyy u b, i c u r y + y 4 ?
3. What do you get when you cross Sponge Bob with Albert Einstein?
4. What do you get when you cross a chicken and the Easter Bunny?

BISMARCK JAYCEES CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY 2007

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
8. HAPPY EASTER	9.	10. Jaycee Meeting 7:30pm @ Jaycee Hall	11.	12.	13.	14. Adopt a Highway Cleanup Day 8:00am meet @ Jaycee Hall
15. Jaycee Growth Week-----	16. CPG Training with Crysta Parkinson @Jaycee Hall	17.	18.	19.	20.	21. Pitch, Hit, and Run ----->
22.	23.	24.	25.	26.	27. Jaycee Convention in Fargo	28. Jaycee Convention in Fargo
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General Membership Meeting**Tuesday March 13, 2007**

12 Members Present

1 Guest

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda Change Requests
3. Springboard & Degrees-Pat
 - i) Pat hadned out Springboard Forms and explained what the program is about
4. Old Business
 1. Review of Previous Meeting Notes
 2. Review of Chapter Finances
 - i) Lori is going to transfer the money from the Christmas fund check book into the regular checking account. She will leave the 2nd checking account open.
 3. Review of Recent Projects & Events
 1. Website Host Update - Leif

Leif found a website 2 get 2yrs of service for \$140.00 or \$90 for 1 year.

ii) Chris made a motion to ammend the previous motion of \$120.00 . The motiono was 2nd by Lori. No Discussion was needed. A new motion was made to up the budget to \$150.00. The motion passed without any discussion.

2. Fitterer Twins Fundraiser - Amy

d) Chaired Upcoming Projects & Events

- i) August 2007 Convention Entertainment (Melissa, Chris, Shawn & Amy B)

Missy found a DJ service in town that charges \$300 for 4hrs and \$75/hr after that. There was talk about renting games like sumo wrestling, Dunk Tank. The committee is going to meet again and have everthing finalized in April.

- ii) Not So Saintly PatLouis Party - March 17 (Melissa)

5:00pm Jaycee Hall. Bring Games. BYOB. Potluck Supper. Everybody come that can. It will be fun.

- iii) Pitch, Hit & Run (Shawn)

Bismarck is April 21st & 22nd Washburn is May 5th and 6th

Shawn is going to start the publicizing this week for

- iv) Relay for Life (Melissa)

Friday June 2nd

Need people to start raising money for this. Missy has envelopes to do this and she will explain everything

v) Sporting Chance Fishing Tournament - June 2 & 3 (Tiffany)

Nothing to Report at this time. She is going to call and found out how many volunteers are needed.

vi) Sporting Chance Water Skiing at Lake Nelson - June 9 (Janitda)

No news to report due to She was at St.Louis National Convention

vii) CPG Training with Crysta - April 16th 7 pm (Melissa)

Chairman Planning Guide training at the Jaycee Hall.

Chapter will be paying for Crysta's supper that evening

viii) Adopt a Highway - April 14

Meet at 8:00am at the Jaycee Hall

Chris stated we will need a total of 4 cars

Wear your old shoes and clothes

Chris will bring latex gloves for us

5. New Business

1. Projects & Events in Need of Chair

1. Growth Week - April 15 - 21

1. $\frac{1}{2}$ priced dues for the week

2. Las Vegas Casino Night

Talk was done to advertise on the community billboard on t.v., paper, and radio

2. Summer Sand Volleyball Tournament

Talk was done about this idea at the Exec Board meeting to do something like this as a way to make money for the chapter. Plus, get the community involved and recruit new members out of it.

3. Lincoln Demolition Derby -Pat and Lori Co-chairing

The Derby is usually the end of August. These 2 will get back to us with more details about and officially when it is.

b) Projects On an As-Need Basis

1. Civic Center Staffing

Full for the winter. Everybody please be ready to work if you get a phone call.

2. Prayer Bears

Chris works at local church and the elderly church ladies make bears and put a prayer on them for every new troop going over see. The ladies need help tracing the bears and cutting them out. Chris is going to talk to the ladies to see when they would like some help.

c) Other Items of Interest

i) MAR 17: Garrison Jaycees Riblet Supper & Mohall Jaycees Chili Cook-Off

ii) MAR 24: Fargo Texas Hold 'Em Tourney (West Fargo VFW - Fargo President Karen Burke 701-277-1119) and Devils Lake Spring Fling Dance 8pm and Mandan Alumni Social at Mandan Moose Lodge

iii) APR 27 - 29: State Convention in Fargo

Early Bird Registration is until April 13th. The cost is \$60.00 after April 13th the cost goes to \$80.00Early Registration at the hotel is until March 30th at the Doublewood INN in Fargo. The cost is 67.00

6. Adjourn with Creed

Answers to Brain Teasers:

1. Because he is still living
2. Wise you are, wise you be, I see you are too wise for:ME
3. Sponge Bob Smarty Pants
4. A good Easter

The great gift of Easter is hope - Christian hope which makes us have that confidence in God, in his ultimate triumph, and in his goodness and love, which nothing can shake.

Basil C. Hume

