

Connecticut JCI Senate Senatopics

DECEMBER 2007



President Brenda's Message

Hello Fellow Senators,

We had a great couple of months! **Fall Frolic** was simply outstanding. Jack, Bill, Kathy, Jeff and Fran were the primary organizers and with the help of several Senators throughout the weekend put on a terrific party. Region One voted to change the hosting structure of the event from being hosted by a single state to be being run by a committee comprised of 2 members from each state. Our representatives are Jack Pasquale and Jerry Zetoff. The committee will be creating policies, setting appointment terms etc, info to follow.

The **CT Jaycees Senate weekend** was a good time. There were many Senators at the banquet and 10 new Senatorships were presented! It was such an honor to introduce each of the presenters as they were/are all noteworthy Jaycees in their own right. And to hear the accomplishments of these new Senators and the funny stories made for a memorable night. Our dinner rolls (*rocks*) were pretty funny too!

Our future awaits – on to 2008!

Deb and John Gogliettino have volunteered to manage our **scholarship** program this year with Ed Gorzelany as Director. Applications for a 12/31 deadline are gradually coming in. If you would like to help with the judging please let them or I know.

In keeping with our plan to meet with the Jaycees, **our winter meeting has been rescheduled to Friday, January 25**. Unfortunately this conflicts with our national winter meeting in Daytona Beach. I don't think that anyone attending the Daytona meeting was planning on attending our originally planned February 1 meeting (snowbirds) so hopefully the date change won't inconvenience anyone. The Jaycees are still ironing out the final details and I will communicate them via email through Sue Zetoff. If you aren't on Sue's distribution list please email me at brendadicalro@sbcglobal.net and I'll have you added.

One thing does look certain regarding future meetings. To continue our tradition of putting on our own hospitality (versus purchasing food and beverage from the hotels) we will need to pay for a suite. Many years ago the Jaycees had much more negotiating power for free or low cost rooms because of the revenue the hotel earned on the overnight rooms and banquet volume. The Senators were a beneficiary. Couple that change with the hotels tightening policy (as our Fall Frolic committee can tell you) and here we are. At the last couple of meetings the price of a suite (albeit a small suite) was a minimal charge above a regular room so I just used the suite as my overnight room and the Senate paid the small difference. Two changes for the January meeting – The extra charge could be around \$100 (they seem to be much bigger suites though) and I won't be staying overnight. Can anyone help out? This will be discussed at the January board meeting; anyone with advice or input on suitable alternatives please contact me. We'll work it out!

Happy Holidays to all, and to all a Good Night. I'll see you in January.

Brenda DiCarlo

President

brendadicalro@sbcglobal.net or 860-485-1503

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\$ Note\$ from the Trea\$urer

Congratulations to our newest JCI Senators! We wish them continue success in their respective Jaycee and JCI Senate endeavors. We look forward to their joining the Connecticut JCI Senate. Dues are \$35 per year; Life membership dues are \$150 if paid within the first year after receiving a JCI Senatorship or aging out of the Jaycees, \$250 after that. For further information call President Brenda DiCarlo or me.

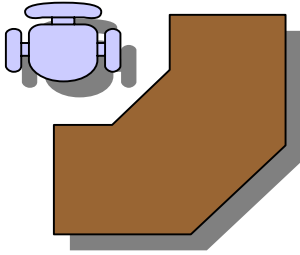
We had a great time at the Senate meeting in Danbury. President Brenda arranged hospitality for our meeting Friday evening and for the pre-senate banquet on Saturday.

Thanks again to all who helped with the Fall Frolic in New London. The preliminary numbers show we made about \$2000.00 income.

We renewed 38 members in December. The March dues billing letters will go out in January. If you know a senator that is not a member of the Connecticut JCI Senate, please ask them why and let us know so we can contact them..

Finally, Sue and I wish everyone Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, and a Happy, Healthy, Prosperous New Year.

Yours in the Senate,
Jack Pasquale, Senator 32806
CT JCI Senate Trea\$urer 2007-2008



FROM THE DESK OF
Ed Lariviere
Region ONE NVP

Confucius said that if things can go wrong they will. He might as well have had me in mind when he said it. I took great pains in setting up a conference call for the Frolic Committee for the evening of November 27th. I typed out instructions on how to access the call and included a print out that came to me when I signed up for this free conference call access. Then to make absolutely sure that everyone would get the information I snailed mailed it to all 12 members. At ten minutes to eight I signed on and waited to be joined by the committee members. When only two people signed on I was disturbed to say the least. But the three of us talked about what we thought was doable for forty minutes. At one point I called one absentee member's home phone and she told me that she and three others had discussed some aspects of the committee and duties etc and wondered where in the Sam Hill I was. As we were speaking another member joined in and we spoke for a while. When I inquired as to how this group of four had accomplished this feat of meeting on another conference setting I was told that they followed my typed instructions. I was taken aback. I surely didn't make any mistakes in my instructions, else how did the three of us meet at the appointed time. Much to my chagrin I learned that my not so nimble fingers had changed one solitary digit on the access code and the other four had use that number while our four had used the number on the instructions provided by the service company. As I was apologizing profusely for my error I received an email from one who was on the "other" call and informed me the service worked great and that they had agreed to follow up at the MA Holiday Social this weekend. How strange, we also came to that understanding. So we will be holding a short, I hope, meeting on Saturday December 1st at 11:00 AM. Just goes to show you that Confucius knew what he was talking about.

The states in Region ONE have been busy with their activities. Not the least of which is CT. I applaud the efforts that you have taken to be active in the "Return the Favor" wit the CT Jaycees. I hope that you have sent Phyllis Bowers the necessary forms to get credit for the hours that you have spent. The presentation of ten new Senatorships was outstanding. How soon will they be on the list of the National organization? Or are they all already signed up? The Fall Frolic was an excellent weekend. The representation from outside of the region and the country attests to the efforts expended by all of your committee members. I am certain that your Senate dues package was sent in before the deadline as they always are.

As NVP I thank all of the members of the CT Senate BOD for all they do and wish them and all of the CT Senators a happy and healthy holiday season. Keep me in the loop and let me know when your next meeting/event is I always enjoy visiting you "We Are Family".

Ed # 13028

Region ONE Caucus -Sunday May 4,2008.
Tentatively a luncheon meeting at the Holiday Inn in Marlboro MA
Please let me know if you plan to attend, I need a head count!



CT JCI Senate Website

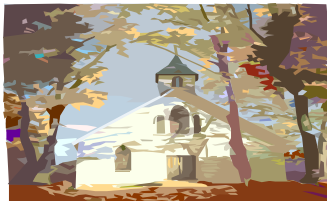
Reminder to visit the CT Senate web site (www.ctjcisenate.org)! You can see information about upcoming events; view the latest newsletter; read the bylaws (snore!), or view pictures from recent Senate events.

Also, there's a history page, where a start of the past presidents of the CT JCI Senate is shown. Please, if you can fill in the blanks, or offer any other historical info, send me an email (tomjablonowski@sbcglobal.net).

I'm also adding some pictures to the photo gallery, so let me know if you have any pictures that you think would be good (though I can't promise all photos will make the site).

Thanks,
Tom Jablowski #54450
Webmaster

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SAD NEWS

It is with deep sadness that we inform you all that Kim Kavanaugh, Senator # 44487, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, November 21st 2007. Kim was a beloved member of the Jaycee and Senate organizations, she will be deeply missed. Services were held on Monday, December 3rd at Church of the Assumption in Ansonia, CT.

Donations can be made on Kim's behalf to the Bennett Cancer Center, Stamford Health Foundation, 9 West Broad Street, Stamford CT, 06902. The Bennett Cancer Center is affiliated with Stamford Hospital where Kim worked for many years.

PLEASE MAKE NOTE that our next general membership meeting is FRIDAY, JANUARY 25th (see Brenda's message). At the time of printing, details were unavailable. We'll be notifying you via e-mail as soon as we have information.

Updated CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Place	Info
Tuesday, January 8th	Board Meeting	7:00	Sandy & Ralph's in Meriden	Brenda DiCarlo, brendadicalo@sbcglobal.net , 860-485-1503
Thurs. 1/24 – Sun. 1/27	US JCI Senate Winter Board Meeting	See event schedule	Daytona Beach, FL	John Russ 860-889-3594
***** Fri, 1/25 *****	***** Meeting/Social *****	***** 7:00 *****	***** **Details to follow via e-mail***	Brenda DiCarlo, brendadicalo@sbcglobal.net 860-485-1503
Mon, 4/21	Board Meeting	7:00	TBA	Brenda DiCarlo, brendadicalo@sbcglobal.net 860-485-1503
Fri, 5/9	Membership Meeting/Social ELECTIONS	7:00	TBA	Brenda DiCarlo, brendadicalo@sbcglobal.net 860-485-1503
Sun, 5/4	Region 1 caucus	Noon-ish?	Marlboro, MA	John Russ 860-889-3594
Sun 6/15 – Thurs 6/19	US JCI Senate Annual Convention	See Event Schedule	Charleston, WV	John Russ 860-889-3594

PLEASE feel free to organize a dinner out or other social to add to our calendar!

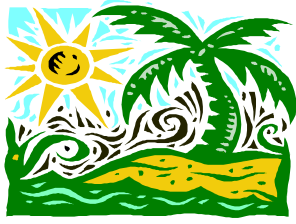
*****HAPPY HOLIDAYS*****
(from your editor!)



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Florida JCI Senate

Floribbean Carnival on the Beach

US JCI WINTER BOARD MEETING

DAYTONA BEACH FLORIDA

January 24 – 27 2008

Registration Form

*****PLEASE NOTE: Deadline for Early Registration 12/21/07!!*****

NAME: _____ SENATE #: _____

SPOUSE/GUEST: _____ SENATE #: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

All costs are on a per person basis

	EARLY	LATE
Full registration: includes Hospitality open Friday - Sunday Saturday Lunch and Dinner	_____ \$65.00	_____ \$85.00
Cash Discount	_____ \$60.00	_____ \$80.00
Thursday hospitality room only option	_____ \$20.00	_____ \$25.00
Thursday Casino & Scenic Cruise	_____ \$15.00	_____ \$20.00
Friday Museum of Arts & Science Tour	_____ \$20.00	_____ \$25.00
Friday Daytona 500 Experience	_____ \$28.00	_____ \$35.00
Off Site Fee	_____ \$25.00	_____ \$25.00
TOTAL	_____	_____

Make checks payable to: **FL JCI Senate National Board Meeting**

Mail form to: Registration Chairman – Don Ebbitt, Senator # 58601

P.O. Box 991 Key West, FL 33041

For Questions call – **305-849-9393** or e-mail JCI58601@aol.com

Hotel Reservations to be made with the hotel – **DEADLINE Dec. 24, 2007**

The Plaza Resort & Spa, 600 N. Atlantic Av., Daytona Beach, Fl. 800-329-8662

Rooms range \$119.00 The Hotel will charge 1 night room rate as deposit

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL DOUBLE/DOUBLE ROOMS ARE BOOKED. If you would like a double/double, request a king room with sleeper sofa and ask to be put on a waiting list for doubles.



See if you recognize the following popular holiday songs:

Vehicular homicide was committed on Dad's mom by a precipitous darling

Wanted in December: top forward incisors

The apartment of two psychiatrists

The Lad is a diminutive percussionist

Sir Lancelot with laryngitis

Decorate the entryways

Do you perceive the same vibrations which stimulate my auditory sense?

Parent was observed osculating a red-coated unshaven teamster

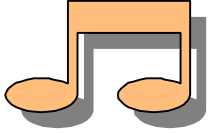
Jubilation to the entire terrestrial globe



On the 25th of Kislev are the days of Chanukkah, which are eight... these were appointed a Festival with Hallel [prayers of praise] and thanksgiving. -Shabbat 21b, Babylonian Talmud

A Tradition of the Chanakkah holiday is playing dreidel, a gambling game (sound like fun!)
A dreidel (square spinning top) is marked with four Hebrew letters: Nun, Gimel, Hei and Shin, also standing for the Yiddish words nit (nothing), gantz (all), halb (half) and shtell (put). Which incidently are the rules of the game! There are some variations in the way people play the game, but basically, everyone puts in one coin. A person spins the dreidel. If it lands on Nun, nothing happens; on Gimel (or, as called by kids, "gimme!"), you get the *whole* pot; on Hei, you get half of the pot; and on Shin, you put one in. When the pot is empty, everybody puts one in. Keep playing until one person has everything. Ok, so you can then redivide it, because nobody likes a poor winner.

Answers to above: Gramma Got Run Over by a Reindeer; All I Want For Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth; The Nutcracker Suite; Little Drummer Boy; Silent Night; Deck The Halls; Do You Hear What I Hear; I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Clause; Joy to the World



Directors Report

Having just returned from the Southington Jaycees Prayer Breakfast, I have pause to think about this report. Everyone has busy schedules this time of year and so I believe brief is best. It's not what you do, or what you give, or what you get. It's family and friends that matter most. With that in mind, Sandy and I wish you and your families all the best this holiday season.

Looking forward to seeing you, our friends, in the new year.

Ralph Lockman
Director, Senator #59605



STAND UP AND CHEER !!

I would like to thank *JACK PASQUALE* for graciously donating all the copy services for the past two newsletters. Thanks to Jack's "in kind" donation/sponsorship, I estimate we have saved approximately \$110 (\$55 per issue) off the newsletter budget so far this year.

Thank You, Jack!!



*HAPPY
HOLIDAYS!*



December 2007

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(details to follow via e-mail)

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