

# Connecticut JCI Senate Senatopics

June 2008

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## President John's Message

*"No one, when he has lit a lamp, covers it with a container, or puts it under a bed; but puts it on a stand, that those who enter in may see the light. For nothing is hidden, that will not be revealed; or anything secret, that will not be known and come to light." Luke 8:16-17*

As I write this, I'm about nine hours away from singing at the funeral for John McAuliffe's wife Betsy. I often do this for friends as a gift of sorts, although I must admit this is the first funeral for which I've done this. I've done three or four weddings over the years. It's just my way of sharing what I do and maybe have a positive effect on someone's life.

I don't often quote scripture, but I thought the above passage from Luke applied here. The way I look at it, I've been given the gift of music to use to the benefit of others. There's no sense in hiding that gift and not sharing it with others. I certainly don't leave my light under a basket. At least I try not to.

The same can be said for what we do as the Senate organization. In many ways we are indeed a social organization, and if that what you want it to be for you, that's fine. But I also think we have an obligation to pay forward what we have been given in our Jaycees years and pass along to the Jaycee organization the light from our lamps that we may have tucked away under a basket (or in a box in the basement) long ago.

Some would say that what we have to teach is out of date, and that some of us are out of touch with what the Jaycees of today are all about. Please don't believe this. Yes, the national organization may have changed the way they do things, but in the final analysis, what we know and what we can teach is universal. A CPG is *still* a CPG and leadership development is *still* leadership development, no matter how you slice it. Please don't hesitate to help the Jaycees whenever possible. If you're looking for opportunities to help, Sue Zetoff forwards the Jaycee events email to those senators who have email addresses. If you do not have an email address and would like this information, please contact me (203.265.4836) and I will point you in a direction. There are many great summer projects happening, and I'm sure your help would be greatly appreciated!

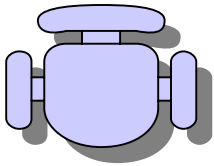
Speaking of sharing our gifts, I've volunteered to participate in ID College in September, and I believe Alison Forsythe is still looking for trainers for this event. Let me know if you're interested and I will put you in contact with Alison. This is a great opportunity to share your Jaycee experience with the current crop of Jaycees. They are incredibly eager to absorb what we have to teach them.

The annual Senate Picnic is on Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at Brenda DiCarlo's home in Harwinton. Jeff Kass and his committee have been working hard to make this year's picnic a success. Please mark your calendars and plan on being at the picnic. There's more info on this event in this newsletter.

Mary Stokosa (Senator #54381) recently gave me some videotape of chapter events from twenty years ago. She also gave me three (yeah, *THREE*) boxes of photo albums of past Jaycee events. My plan is to either bring these to the picnic or have a separate social to pour over these videos and albums. To be honest, I haven't even had a chance to look at this material, but I look forward to sharing it with whoever's interested in taking a walk down memory lane. A big thanks to Mary for passing this along to us.

As always, thank you for all you do and remember.....we are Bridging Generations!!

John Swingler  
CT JCI Senate President 2008-9  
Senator #64599



COB CORNER

Welcome to the new Senate year. The times they are a changin' and the Senate is changing with them. I won't spoil any of John's news as he prepares to present the calendar of events but you can expect to see more socials and less business! We'll be moving away from the hotel based quarterly meetings to more casual home and community hall and activity based events. It simply opens up more opportunities and flexibility for our group. Please watch your emails and newsletters for a big event as we participate with the CT Jaycees at the annual Senate weekend/banquet in November.

Our Return the Favor area is off to a promising start. Deb Gogliettino conducted a training session on resume writing for the Cheshire Jaycees in July. The CT Jaycees are planning an ID College for the fall and last I heard Linda Stonoha, Jeff Shoneck and John Swingler have signed on to train. If you have a specific topic you like to present to the Jaycees let me know and I'll spread the word.

I hope to see you all at the picnic!

Brenda DiCarlo  
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PREVIEW OF EVENTS TO COME.....



August 16      PICNIC      Contact Jeff Kass at [jeffkass2@charter.net](mailto:jeffkass2@charter.net)



September      CT JC ID College      Contact



September      Social      Maybe a Brunch? Watch for upcoming info!

(Full Calendar of Events coming soon!!)

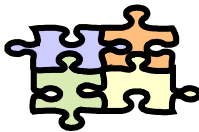


## CT JCI Senate Website

REMINDER TO VISIT the CT Senate web site ([www.ctjcisenate.org](http://www.ctjcisenate.org))! You can see information about upcoming events, view the latest newsletter, read the bylaws (Yawn), or view pictures from recent/past Senate events.

There's also a history page, and I continue attempts to complete the list of past presidents of the CT JCI, as well as add other interesting historical information. If you can fill in any blanks or offer any other historical info or photos, send me an email ([tomjablonowski@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tomjablonowski@sbcglobal.net)).

Tom Jablonowski #54450  
CT Webmaster



This months puzzle page: MOVIES, MOVIES, MOVIES

Rearrange these letters to give the title of a 1970 movie:

**BILL MET GIANT**

Rearrange the following letters to give the name of a popular movie:

**IF TUNES DO SO MUCH**

Rearrange the letters of the following phrase to give the title of a 1975 movie.

**EIGHTEEN ACTORS IN**

Rearrange the following letters to give the title of a 1979 movie.

**OWN COSY APPEAL**

Rearrange the letters of the following phrase to give the title of a classic western movie:

**MAIN EVENT: FIGHT SCENE**

Rearrange these letters to form the title of a Clint Eastwood movie:

**MAYOR'S FILM TYPE**

Rearrange the following letters to form the title of a 1980 movie.

**VAMPIRE IN JET BAN**

The Connecticut JCI Senate Organization goes *GREEN*



Yes, it's true!! The Connecticut JCI Senate is going "green" effective September, 2008. We are proud to join the efforts in reducing, reusing, and recycling – making the world a better, safer, healthier place for your children, your grandchildren and all the generations to come.

So. How does this effect you? Beginning in July, 2008, we will publish and distribute our newsletter in *electronic* format almost exclusively. To continue to receive your quarterly Connecticut JCI Senatopics, please send your e-mail address to [srlock@juno.com](mailto:srlock@juno.com). Just put "Senatopics" *and your name* in the subject line and we'll know what to do!

If you wish to continue to receive your newsletter via snail mail (aka US Postal Service – not saying they are slow, they can get an envelope across country in 2 days, just not as fast as e-mail) please call me at 203-639-0820. Leave your name and address and we'll continue to send your newsletter the old fashioned way! (this will **not** be the preferred delivery method and may result in some delay)

**PLEASE NOTE:** In completely revamping and updating our roster and distribution methods, your name may be lost. To ensure your continued subscription and receipt of the quarterly Connecticut JCI Senatopics, you *must* respond. Please take a moment now and update your e-mail address to us!! (please, even if we have your current e-mail, please be kind enough to send it again to confirm our records!)

The most recent issues of the Connecticut JCI Senatopics will continue to be posted on the website ([www.ctjcisenate.org](http://www.ctjcisenate.org)) as soon as practicable

#### **TREASURER'S NOTES from Jack Pasquale, Senator 32806**

Just a reminder if you haven't paid your 2007-2008 dues, please do so now while you are thinking about it.

Congratulations to Sue Pasquale for being awarded **FRIENDSHIP 017** by the US JCI Senate at the Annual Meeting in Charleston, WV.

The year end financial report will be available at the picnic and published in the next issue of SENATOPICS.



#### **SAD NEWS...**

It is with sadness that we inform you of the passing of Betsy McAuliffe in June. Beloved wife of John and friend to us all. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

We sadly inform you that Gloria Horbaty lost her mother early this spring after a courageous battle with cancer. Thoughts and prayers are will you.

# Connecticut Senate Picnic August 16<sup>th</sup> Noon – 5 PM

Where: At the home of Brenda and John DiCarlo, 165 Laurel Road, Harwinton, CT.

Directions: Will be e-mailed to respondents.

What to bring: Lawnchairs

Last Name: A- N: Appetizers  
O-Z: Desserts

Menu: Steak OR Lobster, Hamburgers and Hot Dogs, Salads, Munchies, Desserts, Beverages.

Cost: \$25 pp, indicate your choice of steak or lobster. Children 5 and under – no charge. Children 6 -16, hamburgers and hot dogs only - \$5 pp.

Send checks to Jeff Kass, 5 Silvermine Manor, Brookfield, CT 06804. (Checks payable to CT JCI Senate). DUE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 7<sup>th</sup>.

Questions? Jeff Kass 203-775-0826

**Name (s)** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Lobster**            \_\_\_\_\_    **X \$25 =** \_\_\_\_\_

**Steak**             \_\_\_\_\_    **X \$25 =** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children (over 5)** \_\_\_\_\_ **X \$ 5 =** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total**                                    \_\_\_\_\_

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**HAPPY SUMMER !!**

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