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FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hello Connecticut JCI
Senators!

I have one word for you...
"MOMENTUM"! I am so excited
with all that we are doing and all that is
planned in the next few months. Days
are starting to stay lighter longer, snow is
melting, and the CT JCI Senate is really
giving everyone something to talk about!

I had an amazing time at our Winter
Meeting in Melbourne, Florida. CT had a
great turn out and Region One took the

place by storm. I learned a lot from the
room full of Presidents in our "PIE"
meeting and I came home excited to
finish out the year strong!

It has been so nice to see so many out at
events, especially after my first year of
doing everything virtually. We have a lot
of events coming up and I'm excited that
CT Senators are stepping up to run them!
It is so important for everyone to reach
out to Senators who are not active and
invite them to an event! If there is a
project or social that you would like to
take on, let me know! I'm willing to give it
a shot!

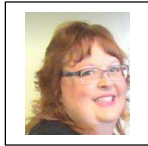
Tom and Val Jablonowski are coming
home to CT for a visit and would love to
see everyone. We are planning a dinner
on the 18th to catch up. Please RSVP to
me (cheleot@yahoo.com) if you want to
attend so I have a number. I'm looking
forward to catching up! **Friendships Full
Circle!**

Don't forget to spread the word about our
end of the Senate-year banquet on May
14th! We will have some surprise guests
to MC and present some recognitions.
Our very-own Chad Betz, Senator 61891
who just published his second book, will
be speaking. We will be awarding some
new Senatorships, and we will have a
great time! Look for the details coming
soon!

Thank you to those who have stepped up to join committees and judge scholarships. I appreciate what everyone is doing to help and keep the "MOMENTUM" with a capital M! Please plan to attend our Spring Meeting on March 19 (on zoom) to learn more about our plans to host a national event in Fall 2023, as well as to hear about everything we have going on!

Keep – **"Give 'em Something to Talk About"**! I really feel like the more great things we do, the more people will talk about it. So, let's spread the word... We can get more people involved if we **just keep 'em talking!**

Michele Tarantino, Senator #63380



SECRETARY

Hello Connecticut Senators



Happy Valentine's Day

As I am writing this as we just had a Nor'easter and our NEFLA Senators were in a (crazy) cold spell of 30 degrees or lower. I hope temperatures get back to normal.

Reminder our upcoming Spring ZOOM Meeting is March 19, 2022 @ 4pm

If you missed the Melbourne, FL National Meeting, you missed a great time with great Friendships.

While I was in Florida, I went to the four Disney parks for the 50th Anniversary prior to the meeting. What a great time. I also was able to go with some Senators to see the Satellite Launch from Cape Canaveral.

I pray All Senators are staying Happy and Healthy and enjoying the ending of Winter



and
have a



will

wonderful Spring

**In Senate and Friendship,
Bonnie Blaisdell #69956**

CONGRATULATIONS

Birthdays for February and March:

Elaine Potuchek	February 4 th
Barbara Westendorff	February 11 th
Mike Naughton	February 11 th
Al Chapman	February 15 th
Charlie Dick	February 15 th
John Purdy	March 12 th
Margarita Rios Lentini	March 22 nd
Jack Pasquale	March 26 th

FROM THE TREASURER



Thank you to all who are continuing to support the CT JCI Senate by making online purchases using the Smile

Amazon charitable giving program. For the period July 1, 2021 through October 31, 2021 we received \$22.97 from Amazon. Have you **"SMILED LATELY"**?

Thank you to Life Members who have donated to the Connecticut JCI Senate to bolster the Life Fund, General Fund, Scholarship Fund, and Forgotten Senators Fund. As a 501(c)(3) organization your donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Checks can be sent to the CT JCI SENATE, c/o Jack Pasquale. Treasurer, 655 Los Altos, North Port, FL 34287.

Thank you to the following Life Fund Contributors:

- David Perlot, Senator #65857;

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Kudo's to Allison Forsythe, Senator #61452 for the donation of the Tastfully Simple proceeds, (\$220.00) to the Forgotten Senators Fund and to all those who participated.

Our membership currently stands at 117 with 112 Life Members and 5 Annual Members.

Jack Pasquale, Senator #32806

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ *February 18, 2022*, Dinner with the Jablonowski's
- ❖ *February 26, 2022*, Social at Crystal Winery Glastonbury
- ❖ *March 12, 2022*, Lara's Labyrinth Escape Room, 1 PM
- ❖ *March 19, 2022*, Connecticut Winter Meeting (ZOOM)
- ❖ *April 2022*, Axe Throwing, Date and details to follow.
- ❖ *April/May, 2022*, Hiking with Sandy and Ralph. Date and details to follow.

- ❖ *May 14, 2022*, Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner. Spartans II, Plantsville
- ❖ *May 20-21, 2022*, Region ONE Spring Caucus, Sturbridge, MA
- ❖ *June 26 – July 1, 2022*, US JCI Senate 50th Anniversary and Annual Meeting Louisville, Kentucky
- ❖ *July 2022*, Connecticut Picnic Social and Budget Meeting



SCHOLARSHIP NEWS



It is that time of year, scholarship time!! The purpose of the US JCI Senate Foundation is to give scholarships to high school seniors. They raise the money from our membership, and they use the interest from the money to give scholarships to High School Seniors. This year they are giving out fifty, \$1,000 scholarships, an increase of 15 from last year! Also, this year they are giving out scholarships to students that plan on attending a vocational school instead of a traditional college. Very exciting!

Our judging session got delayed by one week due to the recent blizzard, but the judges met Sunday, February 6th, to review the 16 applications that we received. I want to say a HUGE THANK YOU to our judges: Marybeth Kaczynski, Senator #67636; Kathy Doherty, Senator #52919; Sandy Samoncik, Senator

#61448 and Allyson Forsythe, Senator #61452. Some of us met at my house and we also included one judge remotely! We spent entirely too much time chatting but when it came time to pick our winners we were in complete agreement!

The Connecticut JCI Senate gives out two \$500 Scholarships and then we send our winners onto the national level to compete for the fifty \$1,000 scholarships. So potentially our winners could be awarded \$1,500 each! Not bad!

Let me tell you a little about our winners: Sierra Doyle and Emily Laput

Sierra Doyle is from Torrington and currently attends Oliver Wolcott Technical High School. She has been accepted at Southern Florida College and will be majoring in computers and cyber security. She is a well-rounded young lady who is the Student Council President; plays on three varsity sports teams; has a part-time job at Eblens; volunteers at her church; is ranked #1 of her graduating class and is a member of the Class Act Club. The Class Act Club runs projects like Breakfast with Santa, kids' marathon, Christmas parade and they wrote letters to families in nursing homes during COVID. She sounds like a Jaycee in the making.

Emily Laput is from Beacon Falls and currently attends Woodland Regional High School. She has applied to Boston College and is still waiting to hear if she has been accepted. She will be a marketing major in college. She is also a very impressive young lady who is the President of her Student Council; a member of the National, Math, World Language, Fine Arts and Science Honor Societies; has a part-time job as a fitting assistance a ZarMi Bra Boutique; and

has completed five internships all to do with marketing and communications. She started a business Bark by Emily as a fundraiser in conjunction with Toys of Tots, she sold out of chocolate bark and was able to buy even more toys. She has been involved with Woodland Worldwide and Empower Her CT which are both woman empowerment organizations. They help woman find success in the workplace. She is another Jaycee in the making.

I would like to Thank President Michele for the opportunity to stay on as the Scholarship Chairperson for 2021-2022. Reading these applications is always so much fun.

Cathy Dempsey
Senator #67625
2020-2021 CT Scholarship Chair

REGION ONE NVP NANCY GIANETTI #69463



Greetings Senators from Connecticut. I am so proud and honored to be serving as your National Vice President for the 50th Anniversary of the U.S. JCI Senate. It has been an exciting year of **Friendships Full Circle** under National President Mike Andrews #58312. My theme for the year is **“Believe to Achieve”**, I know anything can be accomplished when you believe you can.

In Senate and friendship,

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“Believe to Achieve”

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Kathy, Nancy, Warren Sullivan and Jeff Shoneck at the holiday party

Jessica Kling our newest member



Holiday Party Wood N' Tap

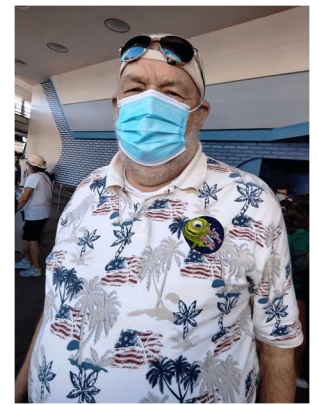
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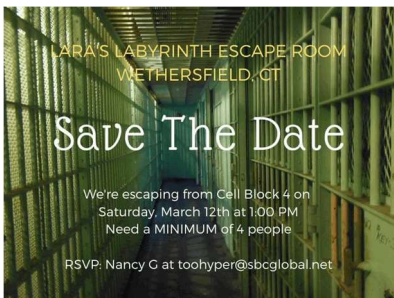
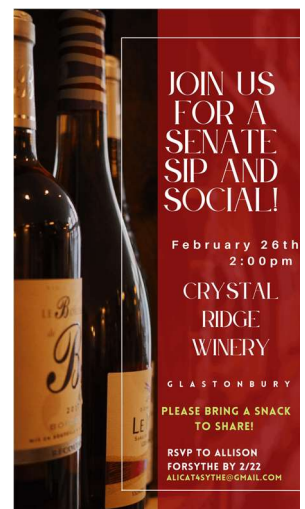
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Left-Right Gift Swap Holiday
Party



LARA'S LABYRINTH ESCAPE ROOM
WETHERSFIELD, CT

Save The Date

We're escaping from Cell Block 4 on
Saturday, March 12th at 1:00 PM
Need a MINIMUM of 4 people

RSVP: Nancy G at toohyper@sbcglobal.net

Pete Rice, Senator #21308 responded to the save the date email; "Ever been in prison"?

"You ask "ever been in prison" - when I was an active Jaycee we had chapters in most of the prisons in Connecticut including the federal at Danbury.

One time the Executive committee and wives (Prior to the court order kicking in) attended the installation of officers at Storrs, including dinner.

It makes for a good conversation starter, but the most fun comes with the raised eyebrows when I state that I have been in every prison in the state of Connecticut."



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The Jaycee Creed

Written: by C. William Brownfield - 1946

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That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life;
That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations;
That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise;
That government should be of laws rather than of men;
That earth's great treasure lies in human personality;
And that service to humanity is the best work of life.