

# The Apple Corps



## Special Interest Items:

- National Fall Board coming to Tukwila in September
- Seattle and Everett Jaycees say Thank You
- Only 6 Chapters

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## ***"Return the Favor...Building Tomorrow Today"***

### **Senators abound,**

"Let's build the Jaycees membership up with our guidance, support, and leadership that we were recognized for." NOTE: the six remaining chapters in our state are screaming for our "guidance, support, and love".

Where will you be September 25 – 28, 2008? That's right, in Tukwila. We, the Washington State JCI Senate, are 55 days from shining on the world stage as we host the United States JCI Senate Fall Board. Please see the separate newsletter issued by the Fall Board Chair, Angie Struttmann # 64531.

I'm proud to share with everyone who wasn't present at the U.S. JCI Senate Nat'l convention in WV in June, the following WA State Senators who received recognition for being the best. My understanding is that my predecessor, this years COB, also this years Scholarship Chair, AND, wow, yes, the 2008-'09 Region IX representative of the U.S. JCI Senate Foundation, Dan Harries #46204 (you're a busy man Dan!). He filled out all that paperwork.

She was a recipient of the Nolan Terrill Memorial Award, (Best newsletter), this year and the Return the Favor award the year before? She did something. For that, The WA State JCI Senate is proud to say "she's ours!!!!" Who is this person? Our own Angie Struttmann #64531, Senator Of The Year!!! She is recipient #3. The previous two Jim Calder Award recipients were Ken James of Georgia, and Jay Edmundson of Florida. She is the first female to be given this award. Awesome Angie! Well deserved!

This next individual has been a WA senator for 35+ years, and is currently our treasurer. We all know him: Bob Maizels #17670, was recognized as one of five top Treasurers in the Nation at National! This means our books must be balanced! Bravo Bob.

Every Senator will receive all announcements via email about what our Jaycees are up to. And of course what we're up to. Enjoy The Jaycees. The Senate. And everything we 'all do best.....

Fun stuff: June 27-29 saw six Senators participating in the WA Jaycees Summer Board. July 4<sup>th</sup> saw nine Senators helping the Everett Jaycees with their annual city parade! Fun by all. The Seattle and Everett Jaycees have had several projects in the past two months. Look at their websites: [www.seattlejaycees.org](http://www.seattlejaycees.org) and [www.everettjaycees.org](http://www.everettjaycees.org).

Senators, continue do what you do best, Return the Favor, Share, Tell, Encourage, Invite, Sponsor, Host, Attend, Contribute, to our Jaycees. We **NEED** to keep making a difference and keep their and our dream and vision alive!

Please email/call me with what you, as a Senator, would do to see the Jaycees grow. I challenge each Senator to share your ideas. I will post ALL suggestions, comments with the membership. - Randall Standish #61453, 43<sup>rd</sup> President, WA JCI Senate.

Everett Jaycees are meeting on August 16 at Noon at Everett Comcast Arena for their 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade Awards Ceremony. Everyone is invited.



## “Dayton Craze” Blows In August Heat

Dayton Craze #15 is planned for August 1st, 2nd, and 3<sup>rd</sup>. That’s this coming Friday, Saturday, and Sunday for those not around a calendar.

This year’s event will be held at Pierce’s Green Valley RV Park & Campground located at 24676 W. Hwy 12 in Touchet, WA 99360. That’s between Walla Walla and Pasco for those not looking at a map.

For reservations call (509)

394-2387. Camping is \$20.00 per night. For those that aren’t up to the outdoors the closest motels are in Pasco, 12 miles from the campground.

Registration for the event is \$10 per person for the weekend or \$5 per day.

Friday Night activities include the YUCCA FLATS PUNCH PARTY.

Saturday includes Golf,

Daytona 500, Wine and Cheese Tasting, Stone Soup Dinner & New this year - Saturday Night Camp Crawl.

Meeting on Sunday.

Contact Senator Dale Gehrke #39835 for reservations and questions.

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## Calling ALL Senators –it’s our time to shine!

Please take a moment to congratulate Angie Struttman #64531 as this years "Jim Calder" award recipient (Outstanding Senator in the United States), and the first woman to receive this award.

This is a great accomplishment! by a great person, and a dedicated member of our organization. Please forward your comments and congratulations to Angie at [wajci64531@hotmail.com](mailto:wajci64531@hotmail.com)

The United States JCI Senate National Fall Board Meeting: “*Brewing Up Memories*” is scheduled for September 25-28, 2008 at the Double Tree Suites in Tukwila, WA. This fall’s event is proudly sponsored by the Washington State JCI Senate.

Registration is \$65.00 to \$90.00 for the entire 4 days depending of when you register and what method of payment you use.

Rooms are \$119 per night up

to 4 people (no add'l cost).

“This is the greatest opportunity we have had in over 30 years (*Brewing Up Memories of Seattle '77*) to promote Washington State, and encourage participation and activation of members in the Senate and the Jaycees,” declared President Randall Standish #61453.

The committee is waiting for you to be a part of this “memorable” National Senate Meeting.

To get involved, call Chair Angie Struttman #64531, show up at a committee meeting, attend one event, volunteer your time, for 4 minutes or 4 days... now is the time and this is the event.

Contact Angie, Convention Chair today at: [wajci64531@hotmail.com](mailto:wajci64531@hotmail.com)

Complete information and Registration form can be found at our website at: [www.wajcisenate.org](http://www.wajcisenate.org)

### WA Senate Fall Board

The Seattle Jaycees are hosting the “WA Jaycees Fall Board” in Tukwila, October 10-12, 2008, at the Comfort Suites, 7200 Fun Center Way, Tukwila, 98188. Call (425) 227-7200 for reservations. This is where we’ll have the Senate Hospitality Room. The WA JCI Senate Fall Board will be held on October 11 at 10 a.m. at Sizzler Restaurant, 16615 Southcenter Pkwy, in Tukwila. Please go to our website: [www.WAJCISenate.org](http://www.WAJCISenate.org) to inquire, about any possible changes and registration.

We received our Senatorship for many reasons and for ONE reason: To keep a link with our past, the Jaycees present and their future. Both of our Futures! "The nature of the link is one of continuing interest, and involvement in, and, indirect support of, the Junior Chamber movement." - excerpt: US JCI Senate.



## GUEST EDITORIAL COMMENTS - by Daniel M. Stalling, former WA State IDVP

I recently checked out the web site for an organization that I used to belong to. This organization had a history stretching back 20 years. They never lacked for funds and had access to a free, modern, and established facility that they could use for any function, of pretty much any size, they wanted to (I once organized a local rock concert for them in the main hall). They were respected in the community that they worked in.

Yet for some reason, when I visited their website I read the following, "In the past year, we have been reevaluating [the organization] role and direction in the community. The process has been a long and difficult one, but we on the [organization] Board have reached a final decision. As of our last Board meeting on March 11, 2008, we have decided to disband. We are grateful for your nearly 20 years of support."

I had been a member of this organization since joining it in 1997. For the last four years I have not been a regular participant for several reasons: First, my military duties had me out of state for three years. Second, I could see the end coming a long way off: few if any members joined, and those that did found themselves limited in what they were allowed to do by the founding members and usually left. Third, I could see the environment that the organization operating in was changing and despite all my suggestions for alternative ways of doing business, the organization refused to adapt. The weight and momentum of doing things 'because we have always done it that way' had taken over.

And it weighted them down. I was very sad to see this happen, but I could not help but sigh and shake my head at seeing it become a reality. It was a waste, it was sad, and it didn't have to happen.

I am currently the member of another organization. In its original configuration it was limited by time. In order to be a member, originally, you had to have participated in a singular event (the Vietnam War). However, a number of years ago, someone woke up and realized, 'Hey! There are no new members coming in and the old ones are going to die off. Our organization is limited by the age of the youngest Vietnam Veteran.' The door was opened to any combat veteran to join the organization. And, because the club appealed to a wide demographic of military personnel, the club has begun to grow. They may still be overcome by sociological and technical change, but that is yet to be seen. For now, they are a growing force in their community.

So, what caused one organization to fail and one to succeed? And are there lessons to be learned here that can be applied to the Junior Chamber of Commerce?

What key ingredients are important in attracting members to and keeping them in an organization?

First and foremost: an organization has to be symbolic of something

that people want to be. It has to provide a vision that people can take as their own. In the above examples both organizations represented visions that people desire. One continues to grow in a community where similar organizations are also growing. One failed in a community where other, similar, organizations continue to grow.

If you provide a vision of something that is desirable and works, people will want to identify with, and become, that a living symbol of that vision. In terms of Maslow's Hierarchy of needs, this represents the Self Actualization they seek.

Second, and very importantly – provide a family-like atmosphere (Safety) in which people can grow without fear that an occasional failure will be held against them. An atmosphere in which the expectation is that other people will take enough time and interest in what they do to make positive suggestions that will make them a success. As part of this, never forget to reward (build the Self Esteem of) those people who work hard to become part of the Jaycee world and succeed in it.

With the amount of time and effort people put into Jaycee work, the members of the chapter become like a second family (maybe for some a first family). This is not a bad thing. It creates an emotional commitment (Love/Belonging) to something larger than ones self and a dedication to the organization and its goals.

Third, and probably the most important organizational point that I can make: be adaptive while staying true to the vision that brought people into your circle to begin with. Look at the second organization I mentioned. They could have continued to be exclusive – and in twenty years they would be gone. But, people who felt that the original idea was such that they wanted to share it with future generations made the change that needed to be made to keep the organization vital.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce had its biggest original successes in a United States that was dominated by small towns and city neighborhoods with stable populations where everyone knew everyone else. A sense of family and community already existed. It thrived on being a vehicle through which these local populations could organize to work on projects that made improvements to the infrastructure that improved the quality of life for everyone involved.

As the United States changed into a more urbanized culture with the population centered in larger, faster paced cities, where people were more connected through their professions or group activities the Junior Chamber adapted providing work-orient training and providing a social life for its member. One could almost say it was the on the leading edge of the first extended, non-geographical communities: a proto-type to the plug and play digital culture of today.

However, changes in society seem to have somehow left the Junior Chamber behind. The current organization is losing its aging membership rapidly and not really - Continued on page 10

## Washington JCI Scholarship Program

by Dan Harries, Scholarship Chair

Hello - Washington JCI Senate. I would like to say thank you to everybody involved with the Washington JCI Senate in 2007-08. It was **AWESOME**. This year I am the Chairman for our two scholarship Programs: (1) United States JCI Senate foundation Scholarship (2) Washington JCI Senate Scholarship.

Each year, the U.S. JCI Senate Foundation grants \$1,000.00 scholarships to graduating high school

senior's who plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary college, universities, or vocational schools. I have the application if you have someone to be nominated for this scholarship. The deadline for submitting is January 15, 2009.

The Washington JCI Senate Scholarship is a \$1,000.00 award and is open to children and/or grandchildren. Even you can apply. It can be used to continue their

education at accredited post-secondary college, universities, or vocational Schools.

I have applications, so let me know if you have someone to recommend. The Deadline is April 23, 2009. Recipients will be announced at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Washington JCI Senate.

You're In Senate Spirit,  
Dan Harries # 46204

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## Chaplain's Corner

Isn't this a wonderful country...America...where we can each come together from many parts of the world and from many faith backgrounds under one creed beginning with, "*We believe that faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life.*" Even if we do not choose to believe in God, our constitution protects that right. We are all blessed indeed!

I feel especially blessed today to enjoy the freedoms that our forefathers fought so valiantly for and what we as Jaycees - and now as JCI Senators - can stand proudly

by.

What have we done with these freedoms as Jaycees and how can we as Senators stand for these freedoms and assist the Jaycees to protect them for their future generations? How can we *return the favor* that we received? I would challenge we "old duffers" to drop to our knees, if that is where our faith finds its strength, and help Jaycees worldwide, beginning at home, to rebuild this great organization. We have been blessed - let us now bless.

Not all of you have a faith in Jesus Christ, and I respect

that as your choice. I would hope and expect that we can work together in full respect of one another and our differences.

As your *incoming State Senate Chaplain* for the coming year, I would ask each of you to please contact me with your ideas and prayers of what we can do together to help realize a renewed Jaycees dream.

One of the ideas I would like to see us work on together through the Jaycee clubs is a Mayor's Prayer Breakfast or Community Prayer Breakfast

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Upcoming Events

State:  
**Dayton Craze Campout**  
 Aug 1-3 in Touchet, WA

**Seattle Jaycees host WA**  
**Fall Board in Tukwila Oct**  
**10-12**

Region IX:  
**Montana Senate Camp**  
**out Aug 15-17 at Goose**  
**Bay Marina at Canyon**  
**Ferry Lk**

**Oregon Senate Civil War**  
**Nov 28-29 in Albany**

National:  
**Fall BOD Sep 25-28**  
**Tukwilla, (Seattle) WA**  
**Winter BOD Jan 22-25,**  
**2009 in Houston, TX**

**A Secretary's Hello**

I'm your '08-'09 Secretary. I hail from the Greenlake, Seattle, and West Seattle Jaycees (my Senatorship is from Greenlake), and I've been in the Jaycees/Senate now for 26 years. You'll be seeing me at our state's Board meetings scribbling as quickly as I can, so that we can have

a record of what happened at these meetings. A reminder to you all: please state your name and number when making or seconding a motion, and imagine YOU were taking the notes.....please don't speak so fast!

Linda C. Kurij, #60915

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**A Smile from Seattle**

*Hello Randall & all:*



*I would like to thank you all for "returning the favor" it is wonderful to have so many mentors. The Seattle Chapter in particular have a few that have been key in*

*keeping our chapter active & alive. I do not know where we would be right now if it was not for the steadfast dedication of Candy Starowski, Vera Hunter, Joe Gong and Jill Griffin. The Seattle Chapter would like to extend an open invitation to any and all*

*chapter events. And please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions!*

Crystal D. German  
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**Hugs from Everett**

**I could never put into words how much I appreciate everyone's help this year with the parade.**

**Whether your support was through words, email, or physical participation, each of you played a part in making the 2008 parade one of the greatest ever!**

**You all should take**

**pride in the number of people that were affected by this event either through participation or by attendance.**

**We were able to bring together an entire community, embracing all types of people, races, beliefs, organizations, ages, etc.**

**This is why we do**

**what we do, and why you all are one of the greatest groups of people out there – the volunteers.**

**So again I say Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!**

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## Police, Firefighter and EMT Appreciation Event



The Seattle Jaycees Annual Police, Firefighter and EMT Appreciation Event will be held on August 16th from 3-7 p.m. at the Brunswick Majestic Lanes in Lynnwood Washington.

This event is free for all emergency personnel and their families, as well as the general public.

Please pass the word and invite everyone you know to join us but make sure that you RSVP through the website at [seattlejaycees.org](http://seattlejaycees.org)!

They still have plenty of room on their planning committee so come on down to the office at 109 W Mercer Street in Seattle on Monday Nights to help with the planning for this event!

In July, Seattle Jaycees' Joan Bettis chaired the Build-A-Bear workshop. The event drew numerous bear creators. All the bears are being donated back to the Jaycees for their Silent Auction at the Police, Firefighter and EMT Appreciation Event.

The proceeds from the

silent auction benefit:  
Seattle's Bravest  
Medic One  
WA State COPS



**Don't forget to RSVP by August 9th with the amount in your party and shoe sizes!**

RSVP to [pfea@seattlejaycees.org](mailto:pfea@seattlejaycees.org) / online at [seattlejaycees.org](http://seattlejaycees.org) / or call the office at (206) 286-2014

The Washington JCI Senate is proud to be hosting the US JCI Senate National Fall Board Meeting from September 25th-28th, 2008. For additional information, please visit our website at

[wajcisenate.org/fall\\_board.html](http://wajcisenate.org/fall_board.html)

### Return the Favor Update

WA Jaycees Summer Bd. = 6 Senators

Everett Jaycees Parade = 9 Senators

Just to let you know the Seattle Jaycees and the Everett Jaycees continue to build their relationship and work toward helping each other.

This is great stuff. This is that real relationship I have been talking about. Where people get together and actually connect with each other. It's no longer an "electronic" relationship. Now they are using e-mail how it should be used - as a tool to help a relationship (not as the relationship). - Randall

### "Receiving The Apple Corps by mail is being limited..."

If you received this newsletter via email terrific! However, if you received this newsletter through the mail, it means we don't have your **current email address**. Please email your current email address to [WashJCISenate@hotmail.com](mailto:WashJCISenate@hotmail.com). If you don't have an email address, please call "Buffalo" Bob McLean #46170, your vice president at (253) 537-6635, to verify your home address so you continue receiving The Apple Corps via the post office.

As all members know, your email address is ONLY used to send correspondences between members. The Senate is continually increasing the Senators email address roster in our secure database.

<http://www.WAJCISenate.org>

Our Senate website is looking prettier every time I visit it. Take a look. Please give the webmaster your feedback at [WashJCISenate@hotmail.com](mailto:WashJCISenate@hotmail.com) of what you like, don't like, wish to see added, removed, changed of the site. All inquires will be considered. - Randall

Have you heard?

The Seattle Jaycees are hosting the Winter Olympics in October...

***The Jaycee Olympics that is!***

Who will win the **gold**, the **silver**, the **bronze**... more details to come in the next newsletter.

Check out their website for upcoming events! [seattlejaycees.org](http://seattlejaycees.org)

To my Brothers and Sisters of the JCI Senate, Jaycees, family & friends. From Bob McLean, Executive VP #46170.

The follow article was copied from my Home Church Website in Tacoma, Washington. [www.theplaceforgrace.org](http://www.theplaceforgrace.org)

I encourage you to take a few minutes to please read this.

My reasoning is that it "parallels" the same events affecting the Jaycees today. If we stand for something? If we have a purpose? Then we should be an advocate for that purpose. WE should embrace and uphold what we believe.

## Do You Know What You Believe?

A newly released major survey by the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life finds that most U.S. adults do not know or care about the distinctive teachings of their professed faith. They believe overwhelmingly in God (92%) and say they pray at least once a day (58%), but when it comes to specific religions – such as the teachings of the Southern Baptist Convention, the Roman Catholic Church or scores of other denominations – they are all over the map.

Pew's U.S. Religious Landscape Survey questioned 35,000 Americans between May and August last year – nearly three in 10 of whom profess no religious identity, but sometimes go to church. Most evangelicals, whose denominations teach that Jesus is the sole route to salvation, instead say people who have "led good lives" go to heaven. Only one in three Catholics say their church should preserve its traditional beliefs rather than change with the times or adopt modern practices.

This analysis, based on a questionnaire that never mentions Jesus, portrays a nation of "free-flowing spirituality," says Pew Forum director Luis Lugo, who finds the declining adherence to dogma "stunning."

"You no longer have an alignment of affiliation, belief and behavior. Instead, we find complexity and diversity, not only between religious communities, but within them. [And] we find a high level of comfort with this diversity," says political scientist John Green, a senior fellow with the Pew Forum.

When Green and Lugo factor in Pew's data, released in February, that 44 percent of adults say they have switched to another religion or to none at all, Lugo says, "You have to wonder: How do you guarantee the integrity of a religious tradition when so many people are coming or going or following ideas that don't match up?"

"You can't," says Rev. Frank Page of Taylors, S.C., the immediate past president of the Southern Baptist Convention. "I'm a pastor in the real world. I see this every day." Page claims that, "Gospel, once clearly preached in virtually every Protestant church, is rarely heard in the 21st century. The number who teach a clear doctrinal Christianity are a minority today. How would people know it when they never hear about how to be saved?"

"Overall, people say they are religious, but they have no command of theology, doctrine or history, so it's an empty religiosity," says political science professor Alan Wolfe, director of the Boise Center for American and Public Life at Boston University.

*Some other key findings:*

- 78 percent overall say there are "absolute standards of right and wrong," but only 29 percent rely on their religion to delineate these standards. The majority (52%) turn to "practical experience and common sense," with nine percent relying on philosophy and reason, and five percent on scientific information.
- 70 percent, including a majority of all major Christian and non-Christian religious groups (except Mormons), agree that "many religions can lead to eternal life."
- 68 percent say "there is more than one true way to interpret the teachings of my religion."
- 44 percent want to preserve their religion's traditional beliefs and practices. But most Catholics (67%), Jews (65%), mainline Christians (56%) and Muslims (51%) say their religion should either "adjust to new circumstances" or "adopt modern beliefs and practices."

Sociologist Michael Lindsay of Rice University points out that, "after the attack on Pearl Harbor, the national memorial service was at Washington's National Cathedral, conducted by Episcopal clergy. After the 9/11 attack, Oprah Winfrey organized the official memorial at Yankee Stadium and, while clergy participated, she was the master of ceremonies." He says, "It's a spiritual salad bar."

As seen in the June 27, 2008 edition of "The Pastor's Weekly Briefing"

## July 2008 Prayer Notes and News,

Chaplain Washington State Senate, Jerry Torell #20307

### Future Jaycee announced:

#### **Lucy Brooklyn Cave,**

July 3, 2008, 2:52 am, 6 lbs 11 ozs, 18 1/2 inches

Grand Parents announcing: Bob #41472 and Candy Starowski #47957,  
(from the Seattle Junior Chamber Communique, July 2008)

### Family prayer request:

Please send a note to **Senator Jill Ray Griffin #67005**, Immediate Past President of the Washington Jaycees., that we are praying for her sister, **Michelle Hempleman #66513**, who a year ago had a stroke and the week end of July 19, lost feeling in her left side and is in the hospital again.

(Jill's address is: 371 Lind Ave. NW, Renton, Wa. 98057).

(Michelle's address is: 2711 NE 123rd, Apt 203, Seattle, Wa. 98125)

Please lift a prayer before sending a note to Jill or Michelle.

### Family prayer request:

Prayer requested for our Wa. State Webmaster's wife "Mo".

July 21, Jan's wife Mo went into the hospital for an "endometrial Biopsy" for earlier detected cancer. Blood work and tests are being completed and **prayers requested that everything has been caught in time and the cancer has not spread. God is able.**

### Passing on:

Senate Vice President Bob McLean reported: **Darryl Lee Dutke #32277**, passed away after a long battle with cancer in Spokane Valley, Wa. on July 12, 2008. He was 63 years old. Many past Jaycees from the Spokane area were at the memorial and reception. Regards, **Tom Schmeizer #32965.**

### Good News!

**Jerry Torell #20307**, Washington Senate Chaplain, is healthy and celebrated his 68th Birthday on July 25, 2008.

#### **The WA Jaycees ...**

We, the Washington State JCI Senate, are looking into an abyss where our Washington Jaycees are hanging onto the edge of this abyss with ONE hand.

VP Buffalo Bob McLean #46170 said it well:

**"I believe this situation is repeated all over America, and the World.**

**I believe we can find a solution if we are willing**

**and have the heart. Pray about this. Let's get something going, today."**

The reality is that the "Washington State Junior Chamber of Commerce" received their charter in 1921. That's a great age of 87 years young!

Within the past nine months, the WA Jaycees were given notice by national, that as a whole, they are on list as a "Developing State". This literally means that there are 180+ Jaycees and six chapters remaining in our

State.

Washington Jaycees are asking for our help in many forms and ways. Faithfully, year after year, the Senators have given their support thru programs like "Return the Favor" and First Timers (it's been over a year due to the absence of new Jaycees at year-end awards). We need to pursue our reason for being a Senator and help the Jaycees in whatever capacity they ask us. This means calling Seattle, Lacey, Everett, Tekoa, Goldendale or Pasco and asking how you can assist them.

You could talk to perspective Jaycees about the benefits of becoming a member. **"Don't wait to be asked!"**

Sorry to report that the Puyallup Jaycees have lost their charter. They are no more. They could use a call from a Senator. Don't say it is too late. There could be a new Puyallup...and Kent, Kirkland, Auburn, and etc.

**"Return the favor...building tomorrow today"** by building the Jaycee membership up with our guidance, support, and love that we were recognized for.

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gaining the attention of the young people of today. What might be the causes and what might be the solutions?

First, today's youth are driven to a large extent by the desire for material wealth and to be players and high rollers at the game of 'love' (Physiological Needs) and financially. The axiom, "Get rich or die trying," sadly, seems to be the prevalent attitude, though it is more an extreme expression of the desire for success than an ideal most live up to. It is a hook though. It can be a tool for getting people in the door. A series of classes to get people in the door should seriously be considered. Classes on 'How to Get Rich in the Stock Market', 'How to Get Rich in Real Estate', or even 'How to Get Rich at the Poker Table' might just do the trick. Be creative. In terms of social engagements considerations might be Formal parties or balls, with preliminary training in etiquette or ballroom (Tango? Rumba? Rap? Hip-Hop?) dancing. Wine tasting classes are a possibility. Speed Dating social events? Who knows? The important thing is that one not look down on these efforts, but look at them as 'gateway projects'. They are designed to recruit raw material.

However, once these superficial youth enter into your realm, the trick is not to scare them off immediately. Have posters or displays of more serious projects, with testimonials ("The Jaycees Taught Me All I Needed to Know to Do This!") where they can't be missed. But, don't have someone get in their face about them. Leave out fliers describing what they could learn and how it could apply to getting a better paying job. Leave business cards with points of contact. But, do not pressure anyone. Leave the door open for them to come in. Don't drive them out of it. Today's youth, more so than previous generations want to believe they are in control of their destiny. Once they decide to commit and settle in, they will see the real potential that the Jaycees offer as a vehicle to help them find themselves and mature.

Second, if anything, it seems the norm among youth is to be as emotionally disconnected and socially stand-offish as possible to everyone that is not part of your immediate circle of friends (posse). The second step on the road to self actualization is to get new members involved in a variety of projects that will introduce and get them familiar with other members in the chapter. Project work functions may have to be linked to socializing after the work is done to increase interest. "Hey, we finished with assembling the project materials and setting up the room. Let's pop down to the club for a drink!" If that is what it takes, so be it. The more opportunities you make for people to connect, the more likely they are to do so.

Third, if a new person talks to you about an idea they have, DO NOT PUT THEM OFF. If you have the time, immediately connect them with the people and materials they need to succeed. If you are time-crunched, make a solid appointment to meet them at a later time or offer to get with them as soon as you finish what you are doing. They have probably come to you because they, in some way, respect your opinion or way of doing things. Don't fail them.

Fourth, chapters should be wired to the gills. This is the age of IPODS, IPHONES, DSL, HIS, WII, WIFI, Music down loads, 2GigaByte key chains, camera-computers, phone computers, etc. It will take some doing, but every chapter needs to make everything available for download from the internet in the most current format. Every member needs to be able to beam their business card, text from their phone, down/up load from their IPOD. And, make connecting with people easy. If members can't make a meeting, let them know that they will be able to conference in from wherever they are at; that they can download the notes from the website; that they can submit information papers from their phone or IPOD; that they won't miss a beat because the chapter can have them as a member even when they are on the go. It may be that to make this happen a coalition of State Level, Chapter Level, and Senator Level representatives set up and manage resources and funding to make this happen.

But, without it, how are you going to expect to keep the youth of today interested in participating. And, those who do not know how to do this must be taught. Not a person should be left behind unless they want to be.

Well, I have rambled on quite a bit now. I would hate to see the WA Jaycees completely fold. If we lead the way, people will follow, if only in our wake. If we fail to lead, then we fail. But, it is much better to succeed. Best of luck to the Senator organization. I hope that you will find a way to combine that vast reservoir of past experience with new technologies and ways of doing things to make the Jaycees, once again, an educational force to be reckoned with in the future of our state.

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**Chaplain's Corner**

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established in as many communities as possible. Redmond Washington, where I was awarded a senatorship, just had a 16-year run of Mayor's Prayer Breakfasts blessing and drawing the community together.

A second idea is to visit the

clubs that are still in existence as Senators to encourage them and help them rally new members and start new clubs. We have the experience to share. Service to humanity is still the best work of life!

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human life,  
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be of laws rather than of  
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lies in human personality,  
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