

ATTENTION!!!

General meeting
Wednesday, July 7
at The American Legion
at 7:30 pm



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The Elgin Jaycees Newsletter

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The Pres Says...

Hey Elgin Jaycees,

We started this month off with a great General Meeting: wrapping up the busy month of May that was filled with projects, planning projects for this summer, learning how to solve problems through a special activity and showing a newcomer, Alya, what being a Jaycee is all about!

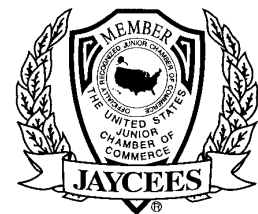
This month, we spent quite a bit of time carefully planning for the summer activities and recruiting. We have lots of prospects, and I am confident that we can turn them into members. In the next few months, I am going to be asking you to fill out a membership survey (some already have done this). Using the surveys, I would like to find activities you all have in common and get you to chair a fun project. Tina Leon in her first month of being a Jaycee took on chairing the Fox Trot project and did a fantastic job! The more involved you can become, the more fun you will have, especially when you are running projects that interests you!

In the meantime, we have plenty of projects you can help out with: Community Projects such as park clean ups, roadside clean ups, events associated with the City or Neighborhood Associations... any project where the community is involved. Individual Projects such as "how to" things... for example: how to fix a flat tire, CPR training, Financial Planning, Time Management, Stress Management, etc. Chapter Projects to raise money for chapter such as the 4th of July Glow Sales, Shop n Share. Whatever you can think of, there is probably a project that can be worked. What can you do?

Our next meeting is July 7th! New member orientation begins at 7:00 and General Meeting is at 7:30! Hope to see you there!

Yours in Jaycees,

Kim Parsons
President



New Members

Michelle Sweeney
Ron Yohn
John Habermier
Jennifer Malecki
Steve Malecki

Renewed Members

Scott Haacker

Sometimes your joy is the source of your smile, but sometimes your smile can be the source of your joy.

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The following Board Positions are still available. Can you fill these spots? Please contact Laurie Fike if you are interested in any of these positions.

Secretary

Recording minutes at meetings and keeping track of Roster.

Membership VP

Recruiting new members, Springboard/Degrees program, and all affiliated member programming. Example: Membership Booths at events.

Community VP

Achieving balance in our community, finding projects around our town, being the liaison with Camp New Hope and JCFAN. Example: Can Shakes, Water Station, Senior Prom.

Individual Development VP

Achieving balance for each member through training programs. Example: Speak-up, write-up, "How to" seminars.

Local Directors

Calling members to remind them of projects or any announcements.

Hello Elgin Jaycees & friends...

Following is a recap of the events we've participated in since last month's newsletter:

Bluff City Cemetery – Flags up & down for Memorial Day

State ID Chair Chris Rukholdt, Scott, Brett, Kim (& daughter Jessica), Tina (& family), Kevin, and my daughter Cassy and I had a good and educational evening of placing almost 100 flags and later removing them for veterans in Section #4 of the cemetery. Kim even had an ID project that night for us to find the oldest gravestone... it was 1836. It is a beautiful cemetery and a peaceful place.

Bingo – Villa Park

Charity bingo is always one of my favorite Jaycee projects. I am an operator and work behind the counter selling the bingo cards and doing the paperwork end of the selling while others work the floor with pull-tabs. If anyone is looking for a 60-something lady (or older)... This is the place to be!! We had a lower than normal turn-out of 131 people (thus only selling 5 boxes of pull-tabs), but our Chapter will still be receiving a minimum \$250.00 for our time. Thanks to Dave Kathka (South Elgin), Kim & Jessica Parsons, and Jaime Rous (McHenry).

Fox Trot

Congratulations to Tina for running her first successful project. Tina chaired the fox trot which is an annual 5k & 10k run in Elgin. We passed out water to the participants – lots and lots of water. And in the end we had a water fight which left most of us soaked to the bone. Thanks to

Tina and her son, Kim, Jessica, Jessica (South Elgin), Brett, Jim Brandes, and Roger Klem Also congrats to our very own Rhonda Brandes for running in the race. Way to go!! I am inspired to do it next year (well, the 5K anyways).

Fox Valley Music Fest

Not the turn-out we expected, but we still put on our smiling faces and worked a membership table and other members helped with traffic control and in the beer tent. The bands were pretty cool, and I spent \$100.00 on rides for the kids of my clan and myself rock-climbing, face painting (and body), and climbing thru a big blown-up inner tube of hell (I skinned my elbow trying to dive thru a 6' long section)... but we had laughs and best of all we recruited new members at this event. Special thanks to President Kim who worked tirelessly prior to and during this event (I've been thinking about you ... ugh.... Baby!!). Also helping out were Laurie Fike (& son), Jessica Parsons, Kevin & Michelle Sweeney, Ron Yohn, Adam Lopez, Jessica Isakson (and daughter, South Elgin), Brett Tinder (& kids), and my daughter Cassy and me. We also had State support with our very own IL Jaycees President Garrett McNally helping with surveys in our booth along with Administrative Asst. Laura Lee, Fox Valley RD Belinda Chapman, Region Chaplain Gary, and Region Staff Rose Rieke.

Coming Up ... 4th of July Parade

On the 3rd of July (over by the time you get this). Our float shall be awesome!!

4th of July Celebration

On the 4th we will be selling glow-necklaces and blinky lights before



the fireworks at the Sports Complex. This is our biggest fundraiser so far... we need YOU!!

Jewel Shop ‘ n Share Days

Coupons coming to you from President Kim... but it's SOOOOOO easy. You shop at ANY Jewel on either 7/5, 7/6 or 7/7 and give the person you pay this coupon and our Chapter gets 5% of the purchase price of your groceries. That's it. We need you to pass these coupons to your family and friends. Future Shop ‘n Share days are:

August 23 - 25
November 15 - 17

Regional – Saturday, July 17th

In Crystal Lake – bound to be one of the best celebrations of the year... it's at past president Randy's house (Theme: Pool party). Awards, prizes, some business, and lots of food/drink. You gotta be there!!

GA (General Assembly) – Springfield, July 31 thru August 2

What's better than a 1/2 day of partying... how about 2-1/2 days?? This is our quarterly gathering of the STATE for awards, business, and fun, fun, fun. We already have Adam, Scott, Kim, Brett, and myself, signed up to go. How about YOU???

Can Shake for JCFAN (Jaycee Family AIDS Network)

JULY date to be advised... we will "shake our cans" in the streets in Elgin to solicit change/dollars from vehicles stopped at 2 intersections in town. An easy and fun project with great money potential if we work it, work it, work it baby!!

And lots more... with YOUR help in chairing a project or coming up with something new!! Come to our next meeting July 7th at 7:30 pm at the Legion and be a part of the action!!

Please welcome FIVE (5) new members this month...

Jennifer Malecki
Steve Malecki
John Habermeier
Michelle Sweeney
Ron Yohn

Now... what was my position again... OH YEAH... Treasurer...

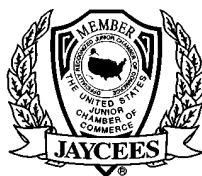
Same story as before...

We'd appreciate your annual dues payment in a timely manner. If you still owe your dues, I will be calling you this month to collect. It provides our chapter and region and state and national the means to do all we do. Jaycees offer many benefits. If you're not sure what or how... come to our orientation before the meeting this month and find out why, or ask any board member or long-standing member, and we will be quick to tell you all Jaycees can do for you.

The financial statement is available to all members and distributed at the monthly meeting. If you cannot attend and would like a copy, please contact me, and I will get you one.

Thank you for your time in reading this... and sharing your time with our great organization.

Heidi Hauserman, Treasurer
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JEWEL SHOP N SHARE

Our first Shop n Share is coming up on July 5, 6 and 7. This is a simple way for our chapter to make money. All that is involved is during these 3 days is anytime you shop at Jewel Food Stores AND you use the Identification Slip with our information on it, the chapter will earn 5% of all sales on each day. It may not sound like a lot, but the money can add up! For example, \$1000.00 in sales are redeemed, our chapter earns \$50.00.

How do people get these certificates? We will be passing out 500 slips at the 4th of July parade on Saturday, July 3rd, handing them out during Glow Sales at the Elgin Sports Complex on July 4th AND mailing you each 5 certificates to pass out to your family and friends. These CAN be photocopied to be distributed.

We have three dates: July 5, 6, & 7, August 23, 24 & 25 and November 15, 16 & 17.

Any questions, please call Heidi Hauserman at 847-712-7203.

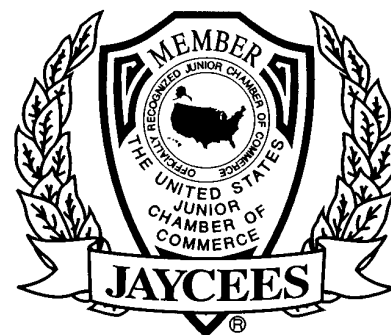
Missing Elgin Jaycee Board Member Boxes

Does anyone have any boxes from when you were a board member? For several years now we haven't been able to locate some. You know... like maybe a presidents' box that's shoved in a corner of the garage or basement. This box might contain old CPG's or other helpful info to newer members.



July						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					4 th of July Float Building High 6:00 pm	4 th of July Parade 11am - 1pm Ede Check 1-4
Glenn Products Sales Elgin Sports Complex 6-9pm	RETAIL SHOPS IF SHARE	RETAIL SHOPS IF SHARE	Shop in Store ELGIN JAYCEES Dinner Meeting 7:30 PM			Parking at Cary Drive Day 12:30-1:45 pm
	Call Flight 7-8:30					Southwest Neighborhood Party 12-4pm Elgin Wood/Weston
			Planning Board Meeting 7:00 pm			TC PAW CAR SHARE

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Do you have Adobe Acrobat Reader?
If not you can get it free from Adobe.com

Website Information:

Yes, we have a website that is free, simple and to the point. If you are interested in being the WEBMASTER, please talk to Laurie Fike or Kim Parsons. Eventually, we would like to have our own domain. But that is down the road! Until then.. check this one out!

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