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Happy New Year!

I hope you enjoyed the holidays with your family and friends. Mine went by in a quick blur. From tamale making for Christmas to a traditional Japanese New Year's spread to watching the Rose Parade in person, my holidays were jam-packed. New Year Resolutions made and looking forward to the Year of the Rabbit.

A special thank you to Sean, Laura and Mo Murphy for opening their beautiful home for our Senate Holiday party the first weekend in December. It was a great start to the holiday season. The gift exchange was a flurry of playful steals of coveted items like the Amazon gift card and electric blanket. Delicious food weighed down the buffet table with special thanks going to Joanie Cramer for her delicious pasta dishes and her help with cleanup and the packing of left-overs.

A couple of weeks later Virginia Senators participated in the US Senate's new Wreaths Across America service project initiative. VA senators purchased and laid wreathes at four different cemeteries in Virginia and one in Maryland. I was able to participate with the Arizona Senate and National JCI Senate President Susan Hatcher to lay wreathes at the grave site of deceased service members at Green Acres Cemetery.

2023 is gearing up to be just as busy. From the wintery cold of Virginia, many of us are traveling to New Orleans January 19-23 to the Winter Board meeting of the US JCI Senate. There is still time to join us.

Then it's onto our own Winter meeting in Virginia Beach. This meeting is held jointly with the Jaycees and LMA. Keeping with our theme this year of your Senate being your Passport to Adventure, we will be "traveling" to Paris with a special dinner of French fondue in place of normal Dutch treat dinner on Friday night. Senator & Life Member Brenda Yankey is our Chef for this special soiree. The cost will be \$10 per person payable at the door, but RSVPs are required to Senate Secretary Cathy Ralston [cralston@dickkellyrealty.com](mailto:cralston@dickkellyrealty.com) by February 10. Open to all Life Members, Senators and their partners.

Highlights for Saturday include our Senate Membership Meeting at 1:30 pm and our Annual Martini Mix-off (see Bar Chair Tom Cramer's article). Saturday night's banquet is shaping up to be quite the celebration with several Senatorships to be presented, the Jaycees Outstanding Young Virginian Awards and the Jaycees Year-end Awards for 2022. Equally as exciting is the installation of Brian Morris as the 89th President of the Virginia Jaycees.

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CLICK [HERE](#) TO REGISTER FOR THE WINTER MEETING



Mark your calendars for MAI (Mid-Atlantic Institute) meeting in Timonium, Maryland the weekend of March 30-April 2, 2023. Registration can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/bdfh38ra>

I'm hopping a plane to attend the British Senate's Drumming Out Weekend in Reading, England. Trying to Experience the Senate in a whole new way. Half of our Senate year is done, but we still have 6 more months to join us.

I invite you to join us because, the Virginia Senate is Your Passport to Adventure..



Yours in the Spirit of the Senate!  
Beth Fujishige, President #69219  
Virginia JCI Senate  
Your Passport to Adventure





*"The color of springtime is flowers; the color of winter is in our imagination." – Terri Guillemets*

*"How beautiful a day can be, when kindness touches it!" – George Elliston*

Winter may be the least exciting time of year for many, it still has its own beauty and purpose. Part of that is being in a state of rest and seeing it around you. When it looks bleak outside, remember that the trees which lost their leaves in autumn are just as much alive now. You may want to hibernate on those bitter cold days like we had

in December but sometimes, taking pause to rest is just what you need. Use the time to pray, dream, plan and be restored for your adventures in the year ahead. Also, refresh those who came along you in the past by thanking and encouraging them. Even these short, cold days are a gift.

Be Blessed in your day-to-day Adventures,  
Chris Hienz #75470

*"Let's shine for the Adventure!"*

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Hello Senators!

**Thank you to everyone who has sent in their dues in 2022.** We have now moved almost 90% of all renewals into the first half of the Senate year. If your still part of the 10% who has not sent in your dues, please do so now (click on the senator below). Even if your original renewal date was previously due by March or June, we have moved to a single annual billing, and just need that remaining 10% to get everyone more synched up. All renewals are due in August regardless of when your anniversary date.

**On the financial front, I'm pleased to announce that our expenses are running under budget and we have recently moved our savings to a higher yield interest account (2.5% vs 0.05%).**

If you are personally looking at options for yourself, consider US Govt Series I Bonds. There is a limit of \$10,000 per year, but the interest rates are currently 6.89% and has been between 7-9% over the last year. I'm not a financial advisor, but feel free to contact me about how I Bonds work or other options available

**Click on the senator to pay your dues**



Jim Hart #73105  
[ghost@ghostsports.com](mailto:ghost@ghostsports.com)

*"Keeping the Adventure financially sound and advocating for financial prosperity for all."*





# THANK YOU FOR PAYING YOUR DUES!

Thank you to those who have paid your dues since the last newsletter publication.  
If you have not paid your dues, this is a friendly reminder to join us and renew your membership today.  
Annual renewal is due in August regardless of Anniversary date.  
Thank you for your prompt payment in helping us streamline the renewal process.

KEARSTEN ADAMS  
GEORGE ALCARAZ  
TROY ANDERSON  
CHARLES B ANDREWS JR  
LANNY BARBER  
BETTIE BASS-MITCHELL  
LISA BENISH  
TRACY BISHOP  
TOM BROWN  
DAVID BUSHLACK  
BRENT BUSWELL  
JOYCE COOKE  
ROBERT COOKE  
LORAIN COSGRAVE  
JOANIE CRAMER  
TOM CRAMER  
GEORGE DARNELL  
RUSS DOLBEAR  
TOM DONNELLY  
EILEEN DUMANSKY  
KAY FARIES  
TRISH FERRETT  
CHRISTINE FLINTON  
WILLIAM FOSTER  
SANDY FULGHAM  
NELSON FUTRELL  
BERNIE GILBERT  
SAM GOIN  
RONALD GRAHAM  
HOLLY HAGLE  
DAWANA HARRIS-BEY  
AIMEE HART  
LARRY HEIDORN  
STACY HICKMAN  
NED HILLYARD  
BILL HOERNIG  
JACKIE HUELBIG  
KYLE JACOCKS  
DOUGLAS JONES  
W MARSHALL JONES  
LAURA JONES  
ARIEL JONES  
C.J. JORIF  
KATHLEEN KING

TOM KING  
CINDY KINNEY  
FRANK KOVACH  
JOHN LASH  
BOB LENT  
GREG LEVERTON  
CAROL LIEBER  
KENNETH LOYALL  
CARROLL MASON  
LIT MAXWELL  
HENRY MILANS  
JEFF MILLER  
WILLIAM MILLER  
JOSEPH MIRABILE  
MARK MITCHELL  
LAURA MURPHY  
SEAN MURPHY  
MAYRON NAHRA  
WESLEY NELMS  
CHUCK NELSON  
VALERIE NELSON  
MARISSA NIHILL  
LORI PALO  
RICHARD PRETTY  
MISSY PULLING  
ALAN RICHARDSON  
LARRY S RICHMOND  
SONIA RODRIGUEZ FLORES  
PAUL SHOWALTER  
SHARON SHOWALTER  
MELISSA SLEETH  
RONALD SLEETH  
SHARON SOBEL  
GERRY SPROLES  
JIN TEH  
DEAN TILLISON  
CAROLINE TUCK NOLD  
JULI VERMILLION  
STRATFORD WARD  
DAVE WILCOX  
WENDY WILCOX  
CARL WOO  
H DAVID WORTMAN  
JOHN WRIGHT  
DONNA YENNEY

**ANNUAL DUES  
REMINDER**  
**[CLICK HERE](#)**

Greetings & Salutations Senators!

Welcome to 2023!!

I hope you all had a wonderful Holiday and New Years!

I wanted to recap all of our brand new Senators that have joined the family so far this year:

Jin Teh #80790 | Peninsula Jaycees  
Lorain Cosgrave #80795 | Hampton Road Jaycees  
George Alcaez #80796 | Virginia Beach Jaycees  
John Lash #80799 | Hampton Road Jaycees  
Eileen Dumansky #81131 | Richmond Jaycees

You can see the spotlight on some of our new folks on the website here:

<https://www.vajcisenate.org/new-senator-spotlight>

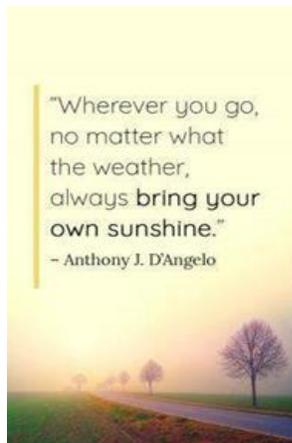
We will be **honoring more**, well deserved Jaycees **with their Senatorship** in just a few short weeks in Virginia Beach. I look forward to seeing you all and toasting all of the new Senate Family **Saturday, February 18** in our suite immediately following the banquet.

If you need assistance with getting your paperwork ready for a Jaycee Senatorship please contact me as soon as possible.

The **deadline for May** recipients is **April 10, 2023** to submit the paperwork to me to be processed.

CHEERS to our upcoming events on our Passport to Adventure!!!

Karen DeWitt Gage #78980  
Liaison Director 2022-2023  
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*"The adventure will begin when we award new Senators this year. Who will you help recognize to join us on the adventure this year?"*



Hi Fellow Senators,

Please accept my gratitude and appreciation for all of your support for the Service Projects we have done thus far this JCI Senate year.

You have impacted the community in such a positive way. You have touched the lives of so many people that you have not met.

The world is a better place because of you.

In Gratefulness and Thanks,  
John Mosesso #71551

*"Taking you on an Adventure with every Community Service Project"*



Hello fellow Senators!

Happy New Year!



I look forward to seeing many of you at our Winter meeting in Virginia Beach. By the time we get together many of us will have visited Kenner, Louisiana, just outside of New Orleans for our National Senate Winter Meeting in mid-January. I'll be able to report on our meetings, all of our extra activities and the Virginia Senators recognized at the Board of Directors meeting and at our banquet meal.

See you soon and enjoy your activities until then!  
Our Passport to Adventure travels continue!  
Melissa Sleeth #69220



### **Sweepstakes Update January 2023**



Happy New Year!!

I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying our current spring-like weather. I certainly prefer these temps to the Arctic weather we had before Christmas. We shall see how long it lasts!

Many thanks to everyone who was at the Fall meeting in Richmond. We were able to send another \$140 contribution to the USJCI Senate for the 2022-23 Sweepstakes program. It's not too late to send in the tickets you received earlier this year – it would be great to continue Virginia's trend of coming home with a big prize at National Convention!

If you are coming to Virginia Beach for our Winter meeting – and you really should because it will be an absolute blast!! – please pack at least one \$10 bill so you can get another ticket at the Senate meeting on Saturday. I am adding a bit of incentive to our next meeting. The name of each person who gets a ticket will go into a drawing for a \$10 Starbucks gift card.

We are still gathering prizes for National Convention. Our region representative Lori Palo #66475 and National Chair Sabitha Venkatesh are requesting prize donations, valued at a minimum of \$100.00, for the national meeting in June 2023. Please feel free to contact them with any questions at [sabitha771@gmail.com](mailto:sabitha771@gmail.com) or [loripalo@yahoo.com](mailto:loripalo@yahoo.com). Several folks can go in together for a prize. Gift cards or cash are the most portable prizes and easy to send and receive.

Thanks in advance for your support. If you have any questions or concerns about this program, please feel free to email me at [peggy\\_mchugh@yahoo.com](mailto:peggy_mchugh@yahoo.com).

See you soon--at the beach!!!  
Peggy McHugh, #62466

*"Passports take us to new places so we can experience new cultures, foods and fun. Hopefully our Passport to Adventure this year will give us new experiences with our Senate friends far and wide. Join us!!"*



Hello Senators!

I am happy to share that **Virginia submitted one** Return the Favor **nomination** for the most recent deadline. Keep your fingers crossed that this laudable Senator receives national recognition!

Now it's a new year with new opportunities for Senators to share their time and knowledge. **I am currently seeking submissions for the June 1st deadline.** You have plenty of time to encourage our active Jaycees to think about those Senators who give back through training, mentoring, manpower and other general assistance.

Please encourage your local chapters to nominate those Senators for Return the Favor. The forms are available on the US JCI Senate website at [www.usjcisenate.org/programs/return-the-favor](http://www.usjcisenate.org/programs/return-the-favor).

It can be a challenge for Jaycees to obtain the required two letters of recommendation that express what a Senator did and the impact their actions had on the Jaycee member or chapter. **I am here to help!** Let me know if I can reach out to assist with nominating a Senator.

We are all so proud when a fellow Senator can Experience the Senate with recognition from a national program. **Return the Favor allows us to gift that feeling of accomplishment to one of our own.**

Let's make it happen!  
Jennifer Reby #75071  
Return the Favor Chair

*"It's an adventure anytime you go to a new place, meet new people or try something different."*



**VA ADVENTURE  
5000**



Kay Faries, #70346, Region III Representative, US JCI Senate Foundation

**WE'RE STEPPING INTO 2023  
AND STRUTTING OUR STUFF  
JOIN US**

Lace up your walking/running shoes and raise money for the US JCI Senate Foundation. We will work together as a team to walk/run 5,000 miles during President Beth's year. For more information about our adventure please go to our website <https://www.vajcisenate.org/about-3>. This program gives everyone the opportunity to support the US JCI Senate Foundation and create a healthier you.

[Register for the VA Adventure 5000](#) [Submit payment for registration](#)



Happy New Year Senators!

The November meeting was an amazing time, and I would like to thank everyone for the delicious food we enjoyed in the Senate Hospitality Suite. Your generosity is always appreciated. It has been said that people who love to eat are the best people!

**In February, we will be taking a trip to Paris – Ooh La La!**

In Lieu of our traditional Dutch Treat Dinner, President Beth has arranged to have a wonderful **FONDUE EXPERIENCE**, hosted by **Brenda Yankey #49720**, This will take place Friday night and will be **\$10 per person**. It is open to Life and Senate members. The exact time and location are yet to be finalized and will be communicated once this information is arranged.



It is always nice to have the usual snacks available in the Senate Hospitality Suite, so **please feel free to bring your favorite snacks you like to share.**



Additionally, **we will have an International Trail Mix Bar** so we can have portable energy snacks to keep us moving on our weekend adventures. Here is a list of ideas of what **you can bring** to mix it up with everyone: Goldfish crackers, peanuts, almonds, raisins, craisins, M&M's, pistachios, popcorn, banana chips, granola, dried apples, candy corn, Reese's pieces, yogurt clusters, Japanese rice crackers, wasabi peas, mini-marshmallows, mini-pretzels, sesame sticks, chocolate chips, butterscotch chips, vanilla chips, gummy bears, milk duds, or any other portable type of snack you want to bring. **Please let me know what you will bring** so I can fill in where there may be a need.

It is so wonderful that everyone always jumps in to take care of business – and food.

**See you in Parea! Oui oui mon amei!**

Get your "stamp" in your passport as we travel the world through our palette.

Tracy Bishop #73106

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*"Remember, Virginia is for Lovers AND Hospitality. Enjoy the friendships and food in our hospitality suite."*

**FONDUE FUN-YOL!**

Join the Virginia JCI Senate and the LMA for a **FONDUE EXPERIENCE**

*in lieu of traditional Dutch Treat Dinner*

**Friday, Feb. 17th**

Brenda Yankey #49720 is preparing Fondue for you.  
Cost is \$10 per person at the Winter Meeting, Virginia Beach

**RSVP TO CATHY RALSTON BY FEB 10**



A Message from Your Bar Chair ...

**As the Winter Meeting draws near, you won't want to miss ...The VA JCI Senate Annual Martini Mix-Off!**

This annual competition has become a fun and much-anticipated event. Individuals, pairs, or teams of up to 4 people chose their best martini recipe, make it on-site, and serve it to the judges and spectators. Judges will choose the winning martini based on 3 factors: Martini Taste, Martini Presentation, and Booth Decoration. Due to limited space, there is a limit of only 10 competitors. There is no fee to enter the competition. Currently, there are still competition slots open ... but don't wait – they have been known to fill up quickly!

The Martini Mix-Off will take place during the Winter Board Meeting on Saturday, February 18th, 30 minutes after the end of the evening's award banquet.

Would you rather drink martinis rather than make them? Well, no worries, we have an opportunity for you to participate, too! One Martini recipe will be recognized with the People's Choice Award, and to do this, we need your opinion. Simply purchase a ticket for \$5.00, sample the martinis, and use your ticket to vote for your favorite Martini. It's that simple! For a mere \$5 you can sample martinis from all the competitors and vote for the one that makes your taste buds dance! Best of all, you can tell everyone you are supporting a great cause, because all proceeds go to the Virginia JCI Senate Foundation ... (We will even vouch for you - we've got your back)!

For more information, (rules, requirements, expectations, etc.) about attending or participating in the 2023 competition, contact this year's event chair, Tom Cramer, (aka your 2022-23 Bar Chair), at [BarVASenate@gmail.com](mailto:BarVASenate@gmail.com). Let's come together for a great time and support a fabulous cause!



Tom Cramer, Bar Chair  
[BarVASenate@gmail.com](mailto:BarVASenate@gmail.com)  
(808) 600-9012



**Think you make a great Martini??**

See how you stack up against the competition ...

**Prove you are the Best Mixologist.**

That's right ...

It's time again for the Annual VA JCI Senate

## Martini Mix-Off

Earn **bragging rights**, take home the **Trophy**, and claim your **spot in VA JCI Senate history** - all while **having fun** and raising money for the Foundation! \*\*

**WHEN:** at the **Virginia JCI Senate Winter Meeting**

**Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ approx. 9:30 PM**

(The doors will open to attendees 30 minutes after the evening's Awards Banquet)

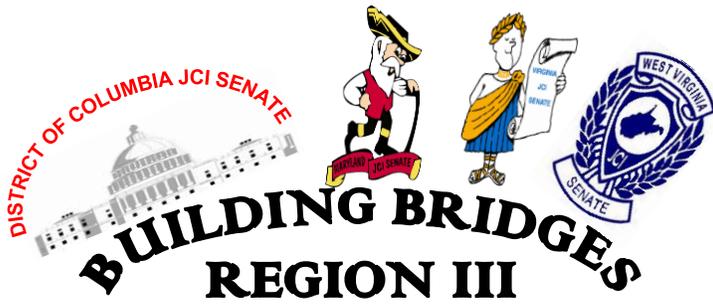
Please contact Bar Chair Tom Cramer at [BarVASenate@gmail.com](mailto:BarVASenate@gmail.com) for questions and to register to compete for the title of

**"Best Martini in the Virginia JCI Senate"**

**\*\* All proceeds collected from participant ticket sales will be donated to the VA JCI Senate Foundation \*\***

**WARNING:** This competition has been known to generate LOTS of laughter, outrageous costumes, creative decorations, fun-loving "trash talk," and all-around silly antics of the craziest kind.

Martini Mix-Off



*Today is our bridge to tomorrow,  
a span we walk for a lifetime.*

Hello Virginia JCI Senators!

The holidays are over and the winter temperatures are finally setting in. I hope everyone had a wonderful season and received all you were wishing for. Stay warm and if the weather gets too cold, travel is the best medicine!

I had a wonderful time visiting the Virginia JCI Senators on December 3rd. Thank you, Sean #77721 and Laura # 78824 Murphy, for hosting a great time in your home! Thank you, Beth Fujishige

#69219, for allowing Danny and I to visit and making us feel welcome.

I know many of you participated in the Wreaths Across America program on December 17th. I was at a cemetery in Maryland but saw all the pictures you posted, including Beth in Arizona! I hope you enjoyed the program as much as I did. My husband and I were so moved; we will be back again next year!

I hope to see many of you at the US JCI Senate Winter meeting in Kenner, Louisiana, January 19th through 22nd. Region 3 folks will be gathering on Thursday evening for dinner, please join us if you will be there.

I will be coming to your meeting February 17th through 19th and looking forward to judging the martini shake-off.

I would like to invite you to come to the Mid-Atlantic Institute meeting, which is Region II and III, on March 30th through April 2nd.

I'm extremely proud to be serving our region this year. It is obvious that Virginia Senators are building bridges and making new friendships everywhere you go. Keep up the wonderful work you do in your state and beyond. Your adventures await!

Judy Nuessle #62267  
Region 3 NVP





# WREATHS — across — AMERICA



**MINUTES FROM VIRGINIA JCI SENATE MEETING  
NOVEMBER 12, 2022 | RICHMOND, VA**

**President Welcome/Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:15 am by Senate President Beth Fujishige #69219

**Invocation** was delivered by Senator Chris Hienz #75470

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Agenda:** The approval of the Agenda was moved by Sheri Polychrones #78710, seconded by Jim Hart #73105 and approved by all  
**Introduction of the following guests by Anne Johnson #49625.**

The 8 guest were introduced for recognition by Anne Johnson #49625

Visiting Guest from Pennsylvania and Illinois JCI Senator Terry Kolaz #68698

US JCI Senate Foundation: Region 3 Representative Kay Faries #70346

US JCI Senate Appointed Position: Vendor Showcase Vanessa Kinsley #70985

US JCI Senate Mentors Business Manager: Jackie Julien #74251

Presidential Assistant Tom King #59642

US JCI Senate Chairman of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee Alan Richardson #50550

US JCI Senate Member of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee Melissa Sleeth #69220

US JCI Senate Chairman of the Presidential Sweepstakes Sabitha Venkatesh #71858

Ambassador to the Association of Senators of the Americas and Caribbean (ASAC) and the 49th US JCI Senate President Ariel Jones #65423

We had remarks by special guests: VA JCI President-Jaketa Thompson; This year we had a contested election & newly elected VA Jaycee President Bryon Morris from Emporia thanked Kathleen King for putting up with everything and to all who helped. It was noted there was a record growth for the Virginia Jaycees at +42, looking to end at +50. Currently working on Suffolk Jaycees, Richmond Jaycees resurging by 2 Virginia Beach Jaycees moving to Richmond and Blacksburg. The OYV banquet has been pushed to the February winter meeting so the National VP can attend. Newly elected 89th president of Virginia Jaycees from Emporia has been a member since 2015, dad was a member wants to see more growth with retention

**OFFICER & DIRECTOR REPORTS**

**Treasurer** Jim Hart #73105 73105 stated we had lots of money with 36% income has come in, however, behind on expenses 60% income membership) we have 79 left to renew out of 219, we grew by 6 members in national

**Financial Report:** We have budget for 10 new senators, looking into possible bulk discount for chapter or a \$25.00 discount for anyone bringing in 2 or more Senators.

**2021-2022 Audit** by Kay Faries #70346 for Donna Yenney #64283 Audit was completed by Donny Yenney, Kay Faries, and Kenny Loyall #63743. All is in order. The committee has a couple of small recommendations they will bring up later.

**Vice President** Sheri Polychrones #78710 No report to give, just thankful Jim Hart is treasurer.

**Bar:** Tom Cramer #61957 Tom Cramer #61957 presented flier for the martini mix up that he is chairing, he is currently ironing out the details, Mix up will be held in February 2023 at winter boards. He received a request for Mailbu Coconut Rum for the bar and asked for everyone to let him know if there is anything else needed for the bar

**Hospitality:** Tracy Bishop #73106 reported that there would be a Taste of Italy for lunch, salad, pasta (vegan & gluten free) as well as desert in the hospitality suite.

**Socials and Outings**-Jack Ferry #76561 was not present. Report given by Sheri Polychrones #78710. Friday Dutch Treat Dinner was fabulous and we continue to look for places to hold socials.

**Meetings** - Eboni Lee #79426 reported that winter meeting will be February 17th-19th in Virginia Beach with the Outstanding Young Virginian (OYV) Banquet along with the Martini Mix Off.

**Community Engagement**-John Mosesso #71551 stated that today we will be putting together Breakfast kits for the Atlantic Outreach Group. VA JCI also doing this project and we may assist them if necessary.

**Soar 365**-camp baker located in chesterfield has Anne Johnson, Alan Richardson, Peggy McHugh and Tom King creating policy manual starting in January 2023. Anyone wishing to assist let him know.

Sabitha Venkatesh will be taking more clothes to the service project from august as well as dropping off hats & gloves to the giving trees located around Richmond

**Communications:** V Communications report given by Marissa Garcia #78634

Website: Jacque Camlet is looking for more photos. Need articles in for newsletter 6 weeks prior to the next convention (February). Email her

Newsletter report was not given as Hope Ellison #71378 was not in attendance.

Online Speakers Coordinator-Amy Tenhouse #72693, not present; however, this program will be restarted and suggestions are encouraged.



**On-To-** Melissa Sleeth #69220 69220 stated they are starting a speaker on the 17th and chat regarding Bill Roberson's book Colorado update: great meeting: Sabitha recognized, Melissa was recognized on the silver level with a pen for national foundation (different levels of giving).

Best wishes were sent out by Judy Nuessle was currently in West Virginia but will see everyone on December 3rd at the holiday party

We have the following meetings coming up: National in LA January 19th – 22nd, Melissa Sleeth has set up the *whats app* and you need to inform her if you are going so you can be added to app.

MAI meeting will be held in Maryland March 30th-April 2nd, 2023, National meeting in St. Louis June 26-30, the fall meeting will be in Houston, TX September 21-24th.

No report from Art Esenberg #26704

No report from chief of staff Jacque Camlet #67098

**Chairman of the Board/Legal Counsel** -Lillian Cheng #72962 had no formal report; but looking for the winner of a breast cancer package won.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Senate Liaison**-Karen Gage #78980 have one Senatorship being given out today, looking for more. If a chapter submits more than one member, they will receive a \$25.00 discount. President Beth Fujishige #69219 thanked Anne Johnson & Karen Gage for the great training they put on for new senators.

**Return the Favor**-Jennifer Rebbly #75071 She restated at this time there were no submissions, November 1st is the deadline and she was talking to 3 presidents on getting submissions.

**First Timers**-Mike Polychrones #78709 reported that they had 6 registered first timers.

**Historian**-Alan Richardson #50550 spoke about the history of the dues and the increases over the years

**Good of the Senate**-Jackie Julien #74251 stated the meeting was held last night and we are in good order.

**US JCI Senate Foundation Scholarships**-Jeff Bobich #72309- not present. Report given by President Beth Fujishige #69219 that letters have gone out for scholarship

Anne Johnson #49625 added that Terry Colon new senator from out of state added to VA Adventure 5000.

**OLD BUSINESS** - President Beth Fujishige #69219 stated no old business.

**VA ADVENTURE 5000**- Kay Faries #70346, gave background information of this program. Goal to raise \$1000.00, currently at \$500.00. She explained the concept of the program is to get together to combine walk 5000 miles during Beth Fujishige's presidency; currently 10 people participating at this time with 50 miles walked so far. Application & links on website to keep log of steps, leaderboard, program button all on website

**NEW BUSINESS** – President Beth Fujishige #69219 stated no new business.

**Presidential Sweepstakes**– reported that she has the sweepstakes tickets at \$10.00 each and will take anyone's tickets that need to be mailed in. Big thanks to Virginia who has done very well in raising lots of money. Sabitha Venkatesh stated that the goal was \$40,000, drawing at the convention in June 2023 with a \$2000.00 grand prize as well as \$100 prizes. Thank you given out to Jackie Julien for donating a \$100 gift card and is looking for additional donations (they can be multiple gift cards that add up to \$100).

**Foundation Raffle**-Kay Faries #70346 stated the amount collected today for the 50/50 raffle was \$135.00 was collected in the 50/50 drawing, \$68.00 went to the winner Peggy McHugh #62466.

### **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

At this time Sean Murphy announced that the holiday party will be at his house after 3pm on December 3rd. He will send out an email with sign up for to let him know your dsh and Tom Cramer will have the bar set up. There will also be a gift exchange (secret Santa) limit \$20.00.

Past president Ariel Jones announced Anne Johnson was blue ribbon winner for her jams out of 150 entries

Jacque Camlet is also working on obtaining new company to do approval.

President Beth Fujishige #69219 recognized Senator of the Quarter: Paul and Sharon Showalter.

Officer of the Quarter John Mosesso #71551

Adjourn of meeting was moved by Mike Polychrones #78709, seconded by Tom Cramer #61957. All in favor.

### **Creed & Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted by Cathy Ralston, Secretary #79504



# PUZZLES ARE A TRIP!



## Traveling HOMETOWN Scavenger Hunt

Hey Virginia JCI Senators,

**IT'S TIME TO FILL YOUR PASSPORT TO ADVENTURE.**

We're doing a Selfie/Photo Hometown/Travel Scavenger Hunt.

You only need to get out and visit your own hometown  
(so often we never even see what our own town has to offer).

The person with the most adventure points wins the Hunt.  
Your adventure can be done solo or with other Senators but  
cannot be done at a Senate meeting/conference.

All Senators in the photo will get points for that item.

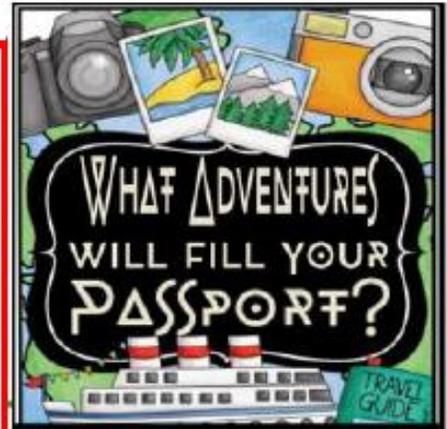
**You have until April 20<sup>th</sup> to do as many as you can.**

Have fun and happy hunting.

Send your photos of you doing each adventures to

[vajcinewsletter@outlook.com](mailto:vajcinewsletter@outlook.com)

[Vacay selfies of any of the items are accepted]



- Flower shop
- Botanical Gardens
- National or Local Park
- Footbridge
- Museum
- Tallest/Shortest structure in your hometown
- Visiting Main Street
- Hometown:
  - Population Sign
  - Welcome Sign

1 POINT

- Statue of an Historical Figure
- Fountain
- Historical Plaque
- Cat in a window
- An outdoor clock
- Beach//River/Lake
- Mountains (real or man-made)
- Brewery
- Winery
- Toasting
- Cheers
- Ice Cream Shop

10 POINTS

- On an airplane
- Attending a local festival
- Attending a parade

15 POINTS

- At live theater performance
- At a sporting event
- Picture of what your hometown is known for
- Visit Historical Landmark

5 POINTS

20 POINTS

- On a Train
- On a cruise ship
- Volunteering at a community service event
- Participating in a hometown walk/run for charity (don't forget to add to your VA Adventure miles)
- Doing the Charlie's Angels pose
- Doing the "Superhero" pose with a Bridge in the Background
- Holding the "Play Ball" sign (requires 3 senators)
- Participating in a DIY or Craft workshop (such as Sip 'n Paint)



**Winner of the Fall Puzzle: John Mosesso**  
**Winner of the Summer Puzzle: Jack Ferry**



## VA Jaycees New Senatorship

### Postmark Deadlines for Presentation at Senate meeting

**April 10th for May 2023**

*Presentations can be arranged locally.  
Paperwork must be submitted 30 days prior.*



### **WHAT IS A JCI SENATORSHIP?**

- It is the highest award presented to a Jaycee by Junior Chamber International (JCI).
- It is given to current and past members who have been a member of the Virginia Jaycees at any level.
- It is given to less than 1% of all members in the Jaycee organization.

### **WHAT DOES THE VIRGINIA JCI SENATE DO?**

- Assists the Virginia Jaycees, including sponsorship of First Timers & Return the Favor Programs.
- “Return the Favor” provides assistance to the state and local chapters.
- Supports the legacy of the Jaycees, by reaffirming through fellowship & activities that the Creed still matters.

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

- Junior Chamber members for at least (5) five years
- Applications are subject to the approval of the Senate Review Committee

### **HOW DO I NOMINATE SOMEONE?**

Complete the applications on [www.vaicisenate.org](http://www.vaicisenate.org)

- Contact the VA JCI Senate Liaison: **Karen Gage** | [jckad37@gmail.com](mailto:jckad37@gmail.com) | **571-474-5264**
- Complete the VA JCI Senate application, the US JCI Senate application, and mail both along with checks to

**Karen Gage**  
**1741 Gosnell Road, Apt. 104**  
**Vienna VA 22182**

- Work with the VA JCI Senate Liaison or an Active Senator from your chapter/region to submit the best possible nomination.

### **WHAT IS THE COST?**

- \$300 check payable to Junior Chamber International
- \$75 check payable to the U.S. Jaycees
- \$50 check payable to the Virginia JCI Senate
- Optional—  
\$50 for a Senate Medallion payable to the Virginia JCI Senate

#### **Note:**

A nomination does not indicate automatic acceptance into the organization.  
For any nominations that are not approved, all monies will be refunded.



# VIRGINIA JCI SENATE GET YOUR PASSPORT TO ADVENTURE READY FOR 2022-2023

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**2023**

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February 17-18 VA JCI SENATE Winter Meeting, Virginia Beach

June 26-30 [US JCI YEAR END MEETING, St. Louis, MO](#)

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National Events' registration forms:

[www.usjcisenate.org/index.php/resources-library/library-reports-forms?view=category&layout=columns&id=33](http://www.usjcisenate.org/index.php/resources-library/library-reports-forms?view=category&layout=columns&id=33)

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**JAYCEE CREED**

*We Believe:*

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.



**SUSAN HATCHER #58143**  
**51ST US JCI SENATE PRESIDENT**  
**2022-2023**



**JUDY NUESSELE #62267**  
**US JCI SENATE REGION III NVP**

*Today is our bridge to tomorrow,  
a span we walk for a lifetime.*





# IMPORTANT LINKS TO HELP YOU NAVIGATE



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EMAIL TOM CRAMER IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOMETHING ADDED IN THE COCKTAIL OFFERING [BarVASenate@gmail.com](mailto:BarVASenate@gmail.com)

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