



# Alexandria Jaycees News

March 2004

## Keys to Success Seminar: Dollars and Sense

If you are interested in finally getting a handle on your finances, and effectively managing your money in these exciting times, join us for our first Professional Development seminar of 2004.

Maria and Clara Montanez, from the Montanez Financial Team, will show us the ins and outs of IRAs, equities, credit, and more in order to prepare for a successful financial future.



The seminar will take place on **March 22, at the Hilton in Old Town, 1767 King Street, at 8 PM**, immediately following the Chapter Meeting.

This is a complimentary event; be sure to invite your friends, family and colleagues.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at [tlcyn@hotmail.com](mailto:tlcyn@hotmail.com). I look forward to seeing you, and be on the look out for additional events throughout the year as we continue towards opening the doors of opportunity!

Cynthia Powell  
Program Manager,  
Professional Development

## Buying & Selling on eBay: An Introduction

*Join us for a basic introduction to eBay on Monday, March 29, 2004 from 7 – 8:30 pm in the Community Room of the Beatley*



*Central Library, 5005 Duke St., Alexandria. Learn how to get started as a buyer and a seller, and hear some eBay success stories to motivate you to get online.*

This event is open to Jaycee members and non-members alike. You will get a glimpse into the world of the online auction and how to get involved. Handouts with more details and screen shots will be given each participant (free to chapter members or \$5 suggested donation for non-members). Light refreshments will be served.

To reserve your seat, please contact Kristie Kehoe at (703) 768-8046 or e-mail

[webmaster@alexjaycees.org](mailto:webmaster@alexjaycees.org).

### Fun Fact

A recent study released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor indicates that the number of volunteers increased in 2003. 63.8 million people volunteered between September 2002 and September 2003, up from 59.8 million for the same period ending in September 2002.

## Network with Alexandria Business Leaders

The Alexandria Chamber of Commerce is having it's Monthly Business Reception at Mango Mike's Cool Caribbean Cafe, Thursday March 11, 5:30 pm - 7:30pm, 4580 Duke Street. Cost \$7 for Chamber members, \$12 for non-members.

The Alexandria Jaycees are members of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce, so be sure to ask for the \$5 discount. This is not an official Alexandria Jaycee project.

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## A Thank you to the Jaycees...

Dear Alexandria Jaycees,

I would just like to send a big "Thanks" to all of you for making Monday's Community Appreciation Night event such a wonderful one. My husband, David Holcomb, was the recipient of The William G. Truesdale Award and the recognition he received meant a great deal to all of us. Dave's acceptance speech may have been the shortest of the night but I can assure you that he was incredibly honored and proud to represent the Alexandria Office of Sheriff. He's already picked out a place to display his plaque!

Also, thanks for the pictures! It means so much to me to have them, especially since we've recently found out that Dave may be leaving soon for parts unknown with his National Guard unit. I may just have to make one of them into "wall paper" for my computer screen!

Sincerely,  
Beth Holcomb



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## Member in the Spotlight

Meet **Danielle Roeber**, a member since January, 2003. Danielle is 30 years old, and joined the Jaycees to meet community service minded people.

When Danielle isn't working with the Jaycees, she is the Alcohol Safety and Occupation Protection Coordinator for the National Transportation Safety Board. In a nutshell, she promotes the Safety Board's recommendations on counteracting drivers who are under the influence of alcohol to the 50 states. She also provides technical assistance to the National Transportation Safety Board.



Danielle's activity level with the Jaycees can be occasional or moderate, and her goal is to be moderately involved, and stay moderately involved! When she's not having fun with us in her spare time, she's with other friends or reading. Most recently, however, she enjoyed working at an MCI Concession stand. Danielle is enjoying meeting new people through the Jaycees, and making new friends.

## Community Service: Service to Humanity is the Best Work of Life!

### Turning the Creed into Deeds

Fellow Jaycees and Guests,

Many thanks to chairman **Dave Correia** and all volunteers for the George Washington Birthday parade on Feb 16. We had a wonderful time meeting dignitaries, talking with civil war reenactors and other parade entries and eating a delicious brunch afterward. Also, thank you to **Kristie Kehoe** for her leadership in the Community Appreciation Night and on-going chairperson **Ericka Clafin** from the ALIVE! food distribution.

**What projects can I join?** Two large and fun projects in our future are the *Imagine Dinner on April 24* and the Art Auction (date not yet set). Many of you may remember the Imagine Dinner as a night out with food and fellowship to benefit the Northern Virginia AIDS coalition. This dinner ends with a dramatic dessert at the Torpedo Factory in Old Town. *We need you help on the planning committee.* Please contact Sharon or myself.

The art auction was held last year in the Financial area as a co-project with ALIVE! This project was such a success in the community that we've decided to run it for a local charity again. We need your ideas and enthusiasm. Come to our next portfolio meeting to brainstorm, *March 25th at 7:30 at Landmark Food Court.*



**When is our next project?** On **March 6th**, come out and experience international holiday *St. Patrick's Day* with a local flair at the Alexandria St. Patrick's Day parade. We'll *meet at*

*10:00 AM on King St.* in the courtyard of City Hall for a 10:30 parade start. Afterward, we can check out Pat Troy's Irish pub for some food and green beer.

**March 22nd membership meeting:** Come learn about Camp Virginia Jaycee, its impact on the lives of mentally-challenged Virginians, and our involvement in providing scholarships and manpower at the Camp. Collect your Koins for Kampers jar to add your spare change during the coming months. Challenge your friends and co-workers to raise change for a change.

**Year-Long Projects:** Food Distribution to the needy through ALIVE! This project helps local Alexandrians every month on the *last Saturday from 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM (approx.)*. Join us on *Saturday, March 27*. Contact **Ericka Clafin** at [secretary@alexjaycees.org](mailto:secretary@alexjaycees.org) for details.



**On The Horizon:**  
**April 25:** Carpenter's Shelter Cookoff - Help this organization which assists 1,000 homeless Alexandrians annually!

We will be selling tickets, escorting food judges, helping the restaurants prepare and serve their food, and various other duties. All volunteers eat for free! To volunteer and gain FREE admission to this popular event, contact **Kristie Kehoe** at [webmaster@alexjaycees.org](mailto:webmaster@alexjaycees.org) for details.

**Contact us:** My "door" is always open for ideas and suggestions. Home: 703-370-1783 or email: [cd\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:cd_vp@alexjaycees.org).

**Sharon Trader**, Community Development Director  
**Julie Thomas**, Community Development Vice President

## March Mall March Marathon

Put on your walking shoes - March 20 may be a long day. Constitution Gardens, Capitol Hill Parks, Lincoln Memorial, Jefferson Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Korean War Veterans Memorial, FDR Memorial, and the George Mason Memorial are some of the places we may hit - depending upon weather and blisters. (Yes, there are others, but I don't want to create false hopes, or scare anyone off).

For a few of us, the day will begin at **8:00 AM at the grounds of the Washington Monument** (kiosk at the corner of 15th Street and Madison Drive) so that we can pick up tickets to the Washington Monument for ourselves and anyone who plans to join us later. This is a rain-or-shine event! You pick the time you want to join us. You pick the time you want to leave us.

### Individual Development

For those who want to start later, you can reach us by cell phone. Since we don't know what time our tickets will permit us up the Washington Monument, we'll develop the itinerary on that day - when you call us, we will tell you where we'll be and when. If you are interested, please contact me at 703-960-3176 or e-mail [id\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:id_vp@alexjaycees.org).



Come for the history! Come for the exercise! Come for the fresh air! Come for the fun!

John Hoffmann  
Individual Development Vice President

**Warning:** Those with weak stomachs need not apply.

Have you ever wondered what amputated leg bones look like? Or have you dreamt of touching the inside of a stomach? If so, join us for a **tour of the National Museum of Health and Medicine on March 14**. We'll meet at **12:00 noon at the Foxchase Shopping Center on Duke Street** and will begin our tour at 1 PM.

### Fighting Terrorism

One exhibit shows how the AFIP helped to identify the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks at both the Pentagon and in Somerset County, PA (the crash of United Airlines Flight 93).

Established during the Civil War as the Army Medical Museum, the National Museum of Health and Medicine documents changes in medical technology from the early 17th century through today's high-tech medical diagnostic machines. The exhibits examine many different areas of medicine, and are not for people who get queasy watching ER.

You will see what Civil War medicine was like through the eyes of battlefield surgeons and stories of Union and Confederate sick and wounded. See the bullet that ended the life of President Abraham Lincoln, and the probe used to locate the bullet. Compare a smoker's lung to a coal miner's lung. An Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP) exhibit features photographs never before seen by the public. These were taken by AFIP staff during commission of their duties in identifying the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. To learn more, visit [www.nmhm.washingtondc.museum](http://www.nmhm.washingtondc.museum). Don't forget to eat breakfast before you come! This is one museum trip you don't want to do on an empty stomach.

For questions, etc., please email me or John Hoffmann at [id\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:id_vp@alexjaycees.org).

Megan Lintott, Project Chair

## It's All About You! This is Your Chapter...

Hello Jaycees!

If you're like me, you're hoping that spring is right around the corner. If you're like me, you'd love to go on a camping trip this year, a ski trip perhaps, or even a trip to a beach in the Caribbean. And in between those trips, you'd love to have any opportunity to get together with your fellow Jaycees.

Okay, so perhaps you're not like me. Perhaps you have something else fun you know about, and would like to let the Jaycees know about. Well, there's two routes you can go. You can just invite your friends that you already know, and go. That will certainly be fun. But perhaps you don't have enough of those yet, or all your friends are busy or out of town that weekend? The other route, and your solution, is to chair a project with the Jaycees that includes friends that you already have, and new ones that you didn't know you had yet!



April is coming upon us, and you may not know that the Jaycees used to host an annual event - the **Jaycees Dysfunctional Family Easter Brunch**. This was always a popular event, and was a great way to get the Jaycees together that didn't have family in the area to spend Easter with.

## Calling all Pool Sharks...

You don't want to miss the March Bar of the Month!

Join us **Friday, March 26 at Fast Eddie's** (6220 Richmond Hwy, Alexandria) starting 7:30 p No cover charge with your Jaycees name badge on! And, we'll receive a discount on pool tables as well. For more information email Ali Badii at [abadii@avectra.com](mailto:abadii@avectra.com) or call 703 734 9677.



## Membership Activation

Here's an idea: Ecco Café has a Bloody Mary brunch every Saturday and Sunday. Wouldn't it be great to have our brunch there that weekend? Only one problem: ***I need someone to take the initiative to put their name on the paperwork.*** YOU can take the credit for this great event. That's all there is to it. Really. But you need to make a decision before April 3<sup>rd</sup>. And the earlier, the better.

Our second bar of the month for this year was a huge success, thanks to **Christine Flinton, Kathleen Short, and Jack Ferry**. Through Christine's organizational skills and publicity, and the rest of us calling all of our members, we managed to bring out five past presidents, two former members, one Fairfax Jaycee, 24 of our regular and associate members, and recruited one of our members back....please extend a "welcome back" to **Joel Sens** when you see him! Our own **Ali Badii** karaoke'd to "Karma Chameleon" and yours truly sang "I Got High". Thanks also to **Laura Jones**, who agreed to chair a future movie night- that song went out to you. Thanks, too, to **Liam Hickey**, a new member who at the final hour, agreed to chair a ski trip this year! Liam, I owe you a song. Stay tuned for that one! In the meantime, be sure to come out to Fast Eddie's this March—more details below.

Well, I hope that more of you will take the leap to chair activation projects—remember, this is your chapter, and you can either complain that we aren't doing what you'd like to do, or you can tell us what you'd like to do, and agree to lead the way in seeing it happen!

Sharon Sobel, 2004 Activation Vice President  
[activation\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:activation_vp@alexjaycees.org)

## Congratulations to...

Member News



**Jack Ferry**, who just completed his MBA with a concentration in Technical Management from the University of Phoenix. Jack has dedicated his degree to the memory of his father, who encouraged him throughout his life with his love and wisdom.



**Valerie Carney and Randy Cole**, who became engaged to be married on Valentine's Day.

## Volunteers Needed!

Financial Development

Hang on to your hats, Jaycees. Why? Because Financial is going to take you for a roller coaster ride from here on throughout December! What are the events that Financial has planned for 2004? Please check below for further information.

For the month of March, we are continuing the **MCI Center Concession Stand** project. I have us scheduled for 6 events in March so I will need plenty of volunteers to work the stands in March on the 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

If you want to help but are concerned about your lack of experience, don't! There are plenty of experienced Jaycees who will be willing to help you out. Please check out the website at [www.alexjaycees.org/mci\\_center.htm](http://www.alexjaycees.org/mci_center.htm) for further information and contact Lea Anne at [financial\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:financial_vp@alexjaycees.org) if you want to help.

**Your work at the MCI Center has raised over \$3,100 for our Chapter!**

**If you haven't yet volunteered for this or any other financial project, please contact me today!**

Starting in April, we will be holding a few *car washes*. The location and dates have not been scheduled as of yet, but please check out the list serve, website and meetings for further information as April approaches.

In May, we will be starting up with the *yard sales* again with hopefully a new location this year. The yard sales will held May through September. The location and dates will be announced at a later date.

July will be one of our busiest times of the year with a yard sale, the *Alexandria Birthday Celebration* and the Scottish Games. Speaking of the *Scottish Games*, they will be held July 24-25 so keep your calendar open for that fun event.

Starting in September if not sooner, we will hopefully be working on *Haunted House*. I really want to bring back the Haunted House this year and if it is up to me, we will definitely be bringing it back. It will depend upon finding a location to have it. So if anyone knows of a location, please contact me with the information.

In November and December, we will be wrapping up the fun-filled and busy year with *Santa Letters* and *Christmas tree sales*. So that is what Financial has planned for this year and get ready for the long roller coaster ride!

The next *Financial Portfolio meeting* will be held on Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 at Lone Star Steakhouse & Lounge on 3141 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. At this meeting we will be discussing the details of the yard sales and I hope to see you there!

Lea Anne Chapman  
Financial Vice President  
[financial\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:financial_vp@alexjaycees.org)

MARCH						
SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 MCI Concession Wizards vs. New York 2 PM	8 Board Meeting @ Jack Taylor Toyota 7:30 PM	9	10	11 National Convention Tulsa, OK	12 MCI Concession Caps vs. Chicago 7 PM; Nat'l Conv. Tulsa, OK	13 National Convention Tulsa, OK
14 National Museum of Health&Medicine 12PM; National Convention	15 Financial Portfolio Meeting @ Lonestar Steakhouse 7:30 PM	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 MCI Concession Caps vs. Rangers 7 PM	19	20 MCI Concession Caps vs. Atlanta 7 PM; Mall March 8 AM
21 MCI Concession Wizards vs. Miami 4 PM	22 Chapter Mtg. & Dollars & Sense Seminar @ Old Town Hilton 7:30	23	24	25 CD Portfolio Meeting @ Landmark Food Court 7:30 PM	26 Bar of the Month @ Fast Eddie's 7:30 PM; Camp VA Jaycee Work Party	27 Food Drive 8:30 AM; Camp VA Jaycee Work Party
28 Camp Virginia Jaycee Work Party	29 eBay Seminar 7 PM @ Beatley Library	30 MCI Concession Caps vs. Pittsburgh 7 PM; Book Club TBA	31			

Visit [www.alexjaycees.org/calendar.htm](http://www.alexjaycees.org/calendar.htm) for details....

APRIL						
SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3 ID Portfolio meeting @ Honolulu Restaurant, 12PM
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Board Meeting @ Jack Taylor Toyota 7:30 PM	13	14	15	16	17 National Park Series TBA
18	19 Financial Portfolio Meeting TBA	20	21	22	23	24 Food Drive 8:30 AM; ID Museum Series, TBA
25 Carpenter's Shelter Cookoff TBA	26 Chapter Meeting @ Old Town Hilton 7:30 PM	27 Book Club 7:30 PM @ TBA	28	28	30	

## And the Survey Says...

### Results of the 2003 Member Survey

About 35% of the members completed the annual membership survey. Here are some of the results.

#### Why did you join the Alexandria Jaycees?

1. Community Service/Involvement
2. Social Contacts
3. New to the Community
4. Business Contacts
5. Leadership Skills

#### Has the chapter lived up to your expectations?

Yes - 88%

No - 12%

#### What activities and/or projects are currently not offered by the chapter that you would like to see in 2004 and beyond?

Top 3 -

1. Haunted House
2. More Business Seminars
3. Paintball

Others: Scuba Diving, Skiing, Cooking Club, Bowling, Panel Discussions, Mystery Dinner Night, Beach Volleyball, Winefari, Brew Tours



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## Chapter Management

#### Are you satisfied with the amount of training/business opportunities this Chapter provides?

Yes - 55%

No - 45%

#### What kind of training/business opportunities would you like to see offered?

Top 3 -

1. "How to Network" Socials
2. Buying & Selling on Ebay
3. Job Interviewing

Others: SBA Loan Workshop, Health & Safety Training, Mortgage Seminar, Investment Seminar, Myers-Briggs, Speaking in Public, Resume Skills, Dealing with Difficult people, Women's Professional Skills

#### What factors influence your decision to attend a project?\*

Day of the week it's held - 75%

What project it is - 73%

Price - 43%

Who's chairing it - 25%

\*multiple responses allowed

#### How easy is it to get involved in the chapter?

Very easy - 45%

Fairly easy - 33%

Somewhat difficult - 7%

Very difficult - 2%

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