

Alexandria Jaycees

NEWS

October 2007

Halloween Fun for the Little Ones!

It's almost Halloween! That's right...it's that time of year to Bowl for Bones and Pin the Wart on the Witch.

Come out to the Mount Vernon Recreation Center in Del Ray on October 28 from 12-4 pm to support the Alexandria Jaycees' Goblin Games. The Jaycees will once again be teaming up with the Del Ray Children's Parade to offer fun games and activities for the children of Alexandria.

Set up will begin at noon and the kids will begin to arrive around 2 pm. Each child receives a small prize or piece of candy at each game. Alexandria Jaycees are needed to dress in non-scary/cute costumes, run the games, and distribute candy.

To help plan the event, sign up for a shift or for more information, contact Amy Tenhouse at membership_vp@alexjaycees.org or (703) 216-0230.



Scholarship Telethon Needs Your Help

Our chapter will help raise funds at a telethon for the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria at T.C. Williams High School, 3330 King Street, on Sunday, November 4, from 4 to 9:30 pm. We need several volunteers to make this project a success.

This fund was created to help underprivileged students attending T.C. Williams High School, the only public high school in Alexandria, offset the cost of a college or technical school education through grants and scholarships.

The following volunteers are needed:

- Volunteer Desk: 3 People from 4-6 pm and 6-9 pm
- Entertainment Desk: 3 People from 4-6 pm and 6-9 pm
- Verifications Volunteers: 10 needed from 5-9:30 pm
- Data Entry/Runners: 3 People 4-9 pm

Please contact Tim Frank (tlfhistorian1@cox.net) or Justin Long (jlong113@hotmail.com) for more information.

Presidential Message

It is October! Do you know what that means? It means a couple of things. First of all, October is the tenth month of the year and the year is winding down. It also means that Halloween is at the end of the month. It also means that the Chapter will be having its officer elections at the Chapter meeting. I highly encourage people to serve on the Board. You will learn a lot about leadership as well as running an organization. You will also learn a lot about yourself. Trust me, I have learned a lot about me since becoming a member of the Board. If you have any questions about serving on the Board, ask any member of the current Board or past members who have served on the Board what they thought of the experience.

As the year winds down, the Alexandria Jaycees are continuing our diverse programming. October looks to be another busy month. Some of our scheduled events for October include Goblin Games, Family Fall Festival, a bar of the month and the last yard sale of the season.

A huge thank you goes out to Alicia Auerswald and Stephanie Wallis for editing and designing our newsletter. They have done a fantastic job this year with the newsletter. Thank you, Alicia and Stephanie! Thank you for Amy Tenhouse for organizing such a fun picnic in September! Also thank you to Marc Nguyen, John Hoffmann and Dan Claflin for the use of their vehicles for the yard sales this year.

Also thank you to following people for working the September 15 yard sale: Amy Tenhouse, Sally Schroeder, Larry Radford, Dan Claflin, and Stacy Hickman. Thank you to Jeff Bobich for the use of his small grill for the yard sale and for organizing the September baseball game and tailgating. It was a lot of fun. If I have left anyone off the list, I do apologize. I appreciate every one of you and everyone who contributes to the organization.

Happy Halloween!

Lea Anne Chapman
2007 President



Recycle this Newsletter!

Pass it on to someone you think may be interested in joining the Alexandria Jaycees!

Time to Get Out the Coats for Kids

Join us at 7 pm on Tuesday, Oct. 9th, as we help the Coats for Kids Foundation (<http://www.coats-for-kids.org>) unload, sort, and tag more than 800 NEW winter coats for delivery to underprivileged kids in Alexandria and around the country. (NOTE: As the Coats for Kids Foundation is located in a private residence, we'll e-mail volunteers the exact address and directions.)



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Once sorted and tagged according to size, we'll prep the donated coats for distribution. While the majority of the distribution is done in Alexandria, CFK donates coats around the U.S.

Let's help local children stay warm this winter with a new coat, gloves, and hat. The few hours that you work will make a world of difference here and around the country. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Amy at atenhouse@hotmail.com.

Holiday Shopping Tour...

On Saturday, December 8th, plan to join me and your fellow Jaycees and neighbors at the Target at Potomac Yards on Route 1 to pair up with and help local underprivileged children shop for holiday gifts. We plan to provide funds to about 50 children again this year so that they can purchase gifts for their family (and usually a few for themselves!). However, the amount of money and the number of smiles we can put on these children's faces depends in large part on how successful the annual Christmas Trees sales go (hint, hint). To wrap up the day, we'll be joining Santa for pizza, a holiday sing along, and wrapping



the newly bought gifts. We will need at least 30 volunteers to go shopping with our kids and to eat pizza. This is an easy ask—more fun than work! To volunteer or to get more information, please contact me today at 202.489.6619!

Robyn Martin
robyn.martin@hotmail.com

Show Your Support for Our Military!

The Alexandria Jaycees have joined the USO in supporting our military by packing and sending care packages to military men and women serving overseas. Several times a year, the USO calls together groups of volunteers to stuff care packages. The care packages are comprised of items specifically requested by service members, such as prepaid international calling cards, disposable cameras, toiletries and sunscreen.

They also include personal greetings from the American public that are transcribed onto official "Operation USO Care Package" postcards. "Operation USO Care Package"



was approved by the Department of Defense when heightened security prevented individuals from mailing letters and packages to "Any Service Member." The program has

distributed more than 750,000 care packages to service members at USO affiliates worldwide, as well as to deploying troops at U.S. airports and debarkation points since it was launched worldwide in the fall of 2002.

This is a wonderful way to send our hard working military members something special through the mail. Please consider joining us on November 17th from 9 AM- 3 PM at Ft. Belvoir. This project fills up quickly so make sure you contact the project chairperson, Diana, at volunteerqueen@comcast.net to sign up today! Breakfast AND lunch are provided!

Happy Hour

It's happy hour time again... Join your Jaycee friends for some drinks and fun at Mango Mike's on Friday, October 19th, at 7:30 p.m. Mango Mike's is located at 4580 Duke Street in Alexandria. For more information, contact the project chairperson, Annette Beacham, at annettebeacham@hotmail.com.

Help the Hungry -- ALIVE Food Distribution

Do you want to know you've made a difference in somebody's life? If so, then the ALIVE! Last Saturday Food Distribution is a perfect project for you.

The ALIVE! Last Saturday Food Distribution provides needy families with supplemental food and produce to get them through to the beginning of the next month. Our role as volunteers at ALIVE! is to sort, bag, and distribute donated food and produce. Local food banks, grocery stores and individuals generously donate food and produce to ALIVE!

Volunteers fill the bags with food according to a "shopping list." Then we give the bags to the recipients; sometimes we help them carry the bags outside or to their cars. It's a fun and gratifying way to spend a Saturday morning.

So, wake up early on the last Saturday of the month to be a part of ALIVE! The ALIVE! Last Saturday Food Distribution runs from 9 am to 12 noon at the Cora Kelly Recreation Center at 3600 Commonwealth Ave in Alexandria. Hope to see you bright and early on October 27th!

For more information, please contact Andy Feltman, project chair, at andyf2.71828@earthlink.net.

Help Raise Some Money for the Jaycees... and Save Some Money Along the Way!

2008 Entertainment Books are now on sale for only \$25! With each purchase of an Entertainment Book, the Alexandria Jaycees receive a share of the profits.

Entertainment Books offer coupon savings up to 50% and 2-for-1 deals at local restaurants, shops, attractions, sporting events and more. In addition, every book comes with a complimentary membership card. Simply present the card at select restaurants, hotels and more to receive up to a 20% savings. In addition, you can find members-only deals and printable coupons on Entertainment.com.

We have two versions of the Entertainment Book in-stock now: D.C./Northern Virginia edition and D.C./Maryland. These books sell for only \$25 (a \$5 discount!). Please contact me if you are interested in purchasing a book. We will also be selling these books at chapter meetings and events.

You can also purchase a book for your friend or relative in another city. There are over 150 local editions available. Just visit the Alexandria Jaycees website and click on the Entertainment Books link.

If you are interested in buying or selling Entertainment Books or need more information, please contact me at (703) 216-0230 or atenhouse@Hotmail.com.

Don't Miss This Networking Opportunity!

The Alexandria Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Professional Networking Breakfast on Thursday, October 18th, from 7:30 – 9 a.m. The breakfast will be held at the Holiday Inn-Ballston in Arlington, VA.

Promote your business before the workday even begins! The Alexandria Chamber is partnering with the Arlington Chamber to host a multi-chamber Professional Networking Breakfast for TWO TIMES the networking! You'll have the chance to exchange business cards, develop twice the amount of prospects, and share 60 second commercials with each table. Please make sure you register early! With the two Chambers joining for the event, seats are expected to fill up quickly. Don't forget to bring plenty of business cards – you'll need them!

To register (and get the member's price!), visit www.alexchamber.org and indicate that you are a member of the Alexandria Jaycees.

More Benefits of Membership

As a member of the Alexandria Jaycees, you're also a member of the Virginia Jaycees, the U.S. Jaycees, and Junior Chamber International. Here are some of the benefits offered by the U.S. Junior Chamber (see <http://www.usjaycees.org/benefits.htm>):

- GOURMET GOODS – Receive 40% off the purchase price of gourmet foods at www.gourmetfoodfundraiser.com.
- JAYCEE CREDIT CARD – This credit card has no annual fee, balance transfer options, and a 0% or low introductory APR for the first six billing cycles following the opening of the account.
- HOTELS – Get a 20% discount at Choice Hotels worldwide.
- TECHNOLOGY SERVICES – Expetec Technology Services give U.S. Jaycee members a 15% discount on all technical sales and services.
- CAR RENTALS – Receive a member's discount at Avis or Alamo.
- MOTOR CLUB – Join The TVC Plus Motor Club for only \$45.00, which includes emergency towing service, emergency road service, reimbursement for emergency travel and living expenses, customer maps and trip routing services, travel services, National car rental discount, a registered key medallion, and new car pricing and referral service discounts.

Welcome to Our Newest Jaycee members!

Justin Long, Richard Clemon, Diana Karczmarczyk, Luciana Rushing

It's Time to Think Election Time!

We are less than two months away from electing the officers for the 2008 Alexandria Jaycees Board of Directors. If you don't like the direction the Chapter is going in now is the time to step up and take control of the Chapter. We will not exist without your participation. The election meeting is Monday, October 22nd.



Qualifications to run for office:

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Any member who has been a Jaycee for at least eight (8) months; chaired or co-chaired at least one project; and attended at least one Board of Directors meeting, may run for the position of Officer or Director. If the member does not meet the above requirements he may personally petition the current Board of Directors at the Board of Directors meeting preceding the elections to be allowed to run for said office.

President-it is the responsibility of the President to supervise the affairs of the Chapter under the direction of the Board of Directors, to preside at all membership meetings, appoint committees and to serve as one of the Chapter's representatives on the Virginia Jaycees Board of Directors.

Management Vice President-responsible for the management of the chapter, meeting locations and chapter paperwork for the State organization.

Financial Vice President-responsible for setting up and organizing the financial fundraisers and financial plan for the Chapter. (Show me the money.)

Community Development Vice President-responsible for setting up the Community Service programming for the chapter (It is the all about "helping people" position.)

Membership Vice President-responsible for developing a recruiting program for new members, maintaining chapter membership records and the membership renewal process.

Activation/Individual Development Vice President-responsible for setting up the Chapter programming to retain members and expand their skills. (It's all about the fun!)

State Director-this person is the liaison between the Virginia Jaycees and the Chapter. Travels around the state visiting

other chapters and is the Chapter's representative on the Virginia Jaycees Board of Directors.

Director-works with Vice Presidents to set up projects and recruit other members to help with projects and activities.

If you have any nominations, please send them to Stacy Hickman at jcprez06@yahoo.com.

Financial Projects Need Your Help

It is hard to believe, but the last yard sale of the year is upon us. The October yard sale will be Saturday, October 27 at Lane Elementary School, 7137 Beulah Street, Alexandria from 6 am to 3 pm. The set-up is at 6 am with the tear-down starting at 2:00 pm. I am looking for volunteers to work the yard sale for set-up, tear-down and to help run the concession stand. Shifts are 6 am to 9 am, 9 am to noon, and noon to 3 pm. Even if you can't work a whole shift, helping out for an hour or two is appreciated.

As an added benefit for any member of the Alexandria Jaycees, you are able to sell your items at the yard sale for free. (The normal fee is \$15 per space.) Please let me know if you are going to sell at the yard sale so we will be able reserve a spot for you.

We have brought back the eBay fundraiser again this year. Donate your unwanted items and EZ Auctioning will sell them to help raise money for the chapter. Check out www.ezauctioning.com for items that sell. At the October yard sale, we have arranged someone from EZ Auctioning to come to pick up any donated items to be auctioned off. So if you want to donate an item or two, this is your chance.

Please volunteer to work at the Alexandria Jaycees concession stand on Saturday, October 13 for the Family Fall Festival. The festival will be held at Armistead L. Boothe Park, 520 Cameron Station Boulevard in Alexandria. The festival has Family activities feature scarecrow making, pumpkin carving, petting zoo, moon bounce and hay rides. Entertainment includes music, puppets, stories and much more. We will be selling our normal menu of food, which are hot dogs, hamburgers and a variety of drinks. The tentative shifts are 8 am – 11 am, 11 am – 1 pm, and 1 pm to clean-up. Let Lea Anne know if you are able to help out.

We are also selling the 2008 Entertainment Books for \$25. They are on sale now. Contact Amy Tenhouse if you want to purchase a book.


We also have upcoming in December, the Christmas Trees Sales. The tentative delivery date of the Christmas trees will be on Friday, November 30. Please watch for more information in upcoming newsletters and Chapter meetings.

October

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Art on the Avenue
7 Hiking in Harpers Ferry	8 Columbus Day! Board of Directors Meeting, 7:30 pm	9 Coats for Kids, 7 pm	10	11	12	13 Family Fall Festival 8 am -3 pm
14	15	16	17	18 Alexandria Chamber Networking Breakfast, 7:30-9:30 am	19 Happy Hour at Mango Mike's 7:30 pm	20
21	22 Chapter Meeting & Elections at Beatley Library, 7 pm	23	24	25	26 Alexandria Chamber Awards Dinner, 6:30 pm	27 Yard Sale at Lane Elementary, 6 am-3 pm; ALIVE! Food Dist. 8:30 am
28 Goblin Games - Noon-4 pm	29	30	31 Halloween! 			

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November

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4 T.C. Williams Scholarship Telethon 4-9:30 pm	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Board of Directors Meeting at Jack Taylor's Toyota, 7:30 pm	13	14	15	16	17 U.S.O. Care Package Stuffing 9am - 3pm
18	19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving Day 	23	24
25	26 Chapter Meeting at Beatley Library, at 7:00 pm	27	28	29	30	



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Have You Renewed Yet?...

If your name is listed here, your Jaycee membership is due to expire. To continue to receive the benefits of your Jaycee membership, please mail your dues check made payable to Alexandria Jaycees to P.O. Box 1836, Alexandria, VA 22313.

Renewals are \$75 per year and are due by the 20th day of the month before your membership expires. If you have turned 40 before your renewal date you may renew as an Associate member for \$25 per year.

Members have the option, if needed, of using a payment plan. For example, a renewing member can pay \$25 per month until they pay the \$75 dues in full. While on a payment plan, members will still receive all the benefits of being a Jaycee. Payment can also be made through Pay Pal, credit card, or check.

November Renewals

Shannon Catlett	Christina Yount
Christine Flinton	John Hoffmann
Tim Frank	Beth Knickerbocker
Kelly Vlahos	David Correia

December Renewals

Katherine Freeman	Robyn Martin
Jan Shinsky	Karen McCargo
Jeff Jordan	Denise Taylor