



## Newsletter

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## Red Cross Waterfront Festival

Join the Alexandria Chapter of the American Red Cross as it hosts the 27th annual Waterfront Festival. This year, the Festival will be held on the week-end of June 14 and 15 at Oronoco Bay State Park in Old Town Alexandria.

### We Need You!

Jaycees are needed to serve beer and check IDs on Saturday, June 14th, from 2:30 – 4:30 pm. All festival volunteers gain free entrance to the festival - a \$15 value.

Anyone who has not received the Red Cross Alcohol Awareness Training or TIPS Training needs to attend a special training class at Red Cross Headquarters, date and time TBD. We will provide more information to those individuals prior to training class.

### Don't Miss Out!

Email your name, home address, phone number, and email address to Amy Tenhouse or call 703-216-0230 to reserve your spot for this great event. In addition, if you would like to get more involved and help lead this project, please contact Amy at the number above or [cd\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:cd_vp@alexjaycees.org).



## Have Fun. Do Good.

We're about a third of the way through the year, so it's time to measure our progress in offering projects that you care about.

From January 1 through April 30, members had an opportunity to participate in **33** different projects - yes, 33!

How did your Chapter do in providing projects related to the top four issues you care about (as revealed by our 2008 membership survey)?

### Environment:

- Potomac River Clean Up (April 12)

### Children:

- Camp Virginia Jaycee Online Fundraiser (Jan. - Feb.)
- Carpenter's Shelter Play Date (March 15)

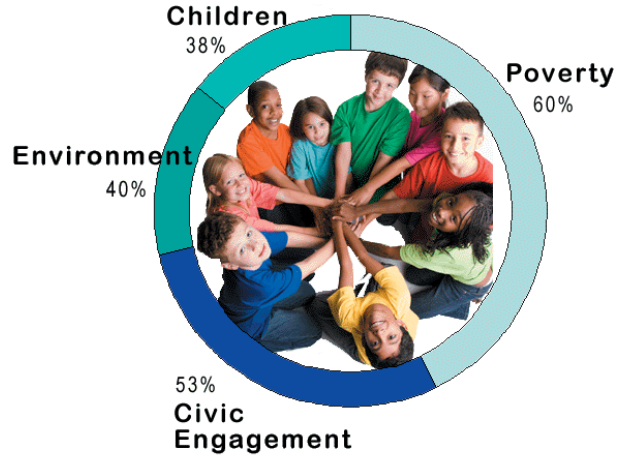
### Civic engagement:

- Virginia Jaycees State Convention (Jan. 25)
- Local Officers Training Seminar (Feb. 29)

## President's Message

### Which issues matter most?

Top 3 choices permitted



### Poverty:

- ALIVE! Food Distribution (every 4th Friday)
- Ronald McDonald House (March 30)
- Rebuilding Together Alexandria (April 26)
- Carpenter's Shelter Cookoff (April 27)



- #1 Community Service
- #2 Social Contacts
- #3 Explore Alexandria
- #4 Build Skills
- #5 Business Contacts

## Reasons You Joined

And, how are we doing overall in providing projects you joined the Chapter to participate in?

Of the 33 projects held so far this year, we've had opportunities for ...

- Community service (11 opportunities)
- Socials (11 opportunities)
- Skill building (5 opportunities)
- Business networking (4 opportunities)
- Exploring Alexandria (33 opportunities)

## Hello Jaycees!

Well, I've worked on my gardening---sorry all of you missed that fun (yeah, right) and I've been busy looking for folks to help us plan all kinds of fun things to do this summer.

I'm looking forward to the **Big Wine Event** happening on **May 10th**, and the second hike of our **hiking** series on **May 3rd** - we're going to Scotts Run in McLean, VA. About our hike: it's an easy hike that's only 2.2 miles (we'll be done by 11 a.m.), and parts of it run along the Potomac River. Families are welcome! If you'd like to join us, meet up at the trailhead at 9:30 a.m.

Here are the directions to the trailhead: Take I-495 to VA 193 (exit 44); VA 193 west 0.3 mi to East Parking Lot, on right with sign. If this lot is full, continue a little farther on VA 193 to another lot and begin hike from there. If you can't find us, call my cell at 703-585-6881 to find out where we are. I'll be wearing a Jaycee shirt of some sort.



View along Scott's Run Hike

About the **Big Wine Event**---we'll be checking out the great wine tasting selection at Balducci's! Meet us outside of the store (the corner of Franklin and S. Washington Streets) at 3 p.m.---I'll be wearing an-

## Individual Development

other Jaycee shirt! Around 3:10, we'll go in and start the tasting! They usually have close to 50 wines, in all price ranges, from all over the world, on hand to taste. Expand your wine knowledge and your palate! Bring your wallet in case you want to take some wine home with you.

**Competitions** are coming up at the State Convention on **May 31st**. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to work on the business skills you need to get ahead in your career, with no cost to you! More information on the kinds of competitions we're eligible to participate in are listed later in this newsletter.

I'm also looking for folks to host **movie nights**---several Jaycees have mentioned they would like to have these movie nights, but we need hosts. If you'd be willing to open up your home (or party room) up to a few Jaycees to watch your favorite movie, you can set the rules, and the date (now, that's what I call leadership!).

Cheers-  
Sharon Sobel  
[Activation\\_vp@alexjaycees.org](mailto:Activation_vp@alexjaycees.org)

## What's Your Personality Type?

Find out at the **Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) seminar**. This seminar is for anyone who wants an introduction to what the Myers-Briggs tells us about our personalities.

Registration required: visit [www.alexjaycees.org/events](http://www.alexjaycees.org/events). The \$35 fee covers the MBTI and "Introduction to Type" book. Non-members may participate in the seminar for \$89.

The seminar is **June 10** from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce building, 801 N. Fairfax Street, Suite 402.

## Service to Humanity...

The Alexandria Chapter continues to make a strong impact on the community and its citizens through our numerous good works. We have helped the Carpenter's Shelter raise much needed funding, assisted with food distribution for the less fortunate of our community, and helped clean the Potomac River – and we are just getting started. From preparing dinner at the Ronald McDonald House to recognizing Alexandria citizens who are serving the community in a variety of ways, your chapter is truly serving in so many ways.

Thank you goes to all those who have participated in our projects. And a HUGE THANK YOU goes to new members, **Tyler Fleming, Ashley Parks, and Mike Gallagher**, for chairing CD projects this quarter. Finally a special “shout out” to our Community Appreciation Night committee – **Lillian Cheng** (chairperson), **Diana Karczmarczyk, Luciana Rush-**

**ing**, and prospective member, **Marissa Clark**. You are what makes this chapter so extraordinary!

If you are new to the chapter or a veteran member who would like to get involved by chairing a project or have new ideas, please let me know. We have some projects that take little time to organize and plan, but have a big impact. Call me today at 703-216-0230 if you are interested.

Amy Tenhouse  
Community Development Vice President  
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**...is the best work of life!!**

## Six City Employees Honored

Our annual **Community Appreciation Night** was, again, a tremendous success. From the motivational slide show to the food donated by Bertucci's and Bittersweet to the great Jaycee volunteers who helped out as greeters, set-up, and clean-up, the whole event went off very smoothly.

The winners this year are pictured in the photo to the right: First row: **Lt. Jason Wehmeyer** (Fire Dept.); **Emily A. Baker** (City Manager's Office); **Melissa Deak** (Alexandria City Schools); Cathy Lada. Back row: Firefighter **Anthony Kelly**; Mayor Bill Euille; Officer **Burke Brownfeld** (Police Dept.); Deputy Sheriff **Douglas Woehlke**.

Congratulations to all the winners! Their selfless and talented contributions to the community embody that part of Jaycee creed that service to humanity is the



best work of life! Finally, many thanks to the CAN team who worked together to pull off such a great event! Thank you to our sponsors:



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## Bring a Friend!

We need your help as we continue to grow. The Arlington and Alexandria Jaycees are teaming up for a joint **M-Night** on **May 13**. Please bring a friend and help our regional Jaycees grow as you socialize! Just to review for all you newer members out there, at M-Nights, members are on hand to talk with prospective members about the Jaycees. It's very informal, and the prospects drive the evening by asking questions and just talking with different members. We have copies of the newsletter and applications. Most of all we have a lot of fun!

Speaking of newer members, we had a great turnout for our **New Member Orientation** on **April 28th**. Many new and prospective members learned about Jaycee jargon, CPGs and heard some great Jaycee stories. Plus, we all found out what Bill Clinton, Larry Bird and Charles Lindbergh have in common – they were all Jaycees, and maybe that's what helped make them great!

See everyone again soon!

Harry Schroeder  
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## Virginia Jaycees State Convention

**May 30 - June 1, 2008**

Location: Stonewall Jackson Hotel & Conference Center -- Staunton, VA

It's time to celebrate the successes of the first quarter! Join Jaycees from all over the state for a weekend of ID competitions, professional and personal development training, and more.

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The Spring Convention is sure to please and is jam packed with a great schedule of events and activities including:

- Top Notch Professional Training
- ID Competitions including Speak-Up, Write-Up, Jeopardy and Debate
- Fun Social Events including: Jaycee Idol, a fun evening where Jaycee performers compete to win the Jaycee Idol competition, and a Saturday night DJ/dance party and open bar.
- First Quarter Awards Ceremonies: Top chapters in the state (might be us!?!?!), competitions awards, project of the quarter, local president, directors, and other member awards of the quarter.

We hope to get a large Alexandria crowd to go! Harry and I are going to attend and we hope to see all the rest of you there too!

Reserve your hotel room by phone or online! Go to: <http://www.stonewalljacksonhotel.com/>, click "Reservations" on right-hand side menu. Use group/convention code: "VA Jaycees". By phone: 1-866-880-0024, ask for the "VA Jaycees" group rate. Rooms are \$77 a night plus tax.

Online convention registration is also available! Go to: <http://www.va-jaycees.org/StateEvents/StateConvention.html>, to sign up now. Early bird registration ends on May 8th so sign up today! Cost of early registration is \$70, but that includes all of your trainings and events (and open bars for Friday night and Saturday night events), and includes the banquet meal on Saturday night. If you want to register by snail mail, that's OK too... Download a form off this same link from above, and send your form in by May 8th (for the \$70 rate, you can still register after May 8th, it's an additional \$15).

Don't delay, register today! Both early convention rate and special hotel room rates end on May 8th!

In Jaycee Spirit,  
Sally Schroeder, State Director

## Time for Spring Cleaning!

Clean out your closets and help the Jaycees raise some money!! We'll be taking your unwanted items to EZ Auctioning, which will sell them on eBay to help raise money for our chapter. Bring any item that can potentially sell well – antiques, collectibles, cameras, event tickets, electronics, jewelry, sporting goods, etc. Please don't bring clothing or old computer monitors.

Also, bring your old cell phones, empty ink jet printer cartridges, and DVDs to watch to the next chapter meeting. The Alexandria Jaycees will collect these items for recycling and the chapter will then get paid for each recycled item. Questions? Contact **Sally** at [state\\_director@alexjaycees.org](mailto:state_director@alexjaycees.org).



## Business Networking

With an Alexandria Jaycees' membership, you also receive membership in the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce and have the opportunity to attend the Chamber activities at a member price! Check out these upcoming Chamber events:

### Business After Hours

**Thursday, May 15, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

Join the Chamber for networking at beautiful Hol-lin Hall, located on the grounds of the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church at 1909 Windmill Lane (between Old Town, Alexandria and Mount Vernon). Come see this gracious Georgian-style manor house surrounded by 175 year-old boxwood gardens -- once part of a 2,000 acre plantation owned by George Mason. To register or for more information, visit [www.alexchamber.org](http://www.alexchamber.org).

### May Hot Topics Breakfast

**Thursday, May 29, 7:30 - 9 a.m.**

A "hot" topic (TBA) will be discussed with other Chamber members at this breakfast at Carlyle Club. To register, visit [www.alexchamber.org](http://www.alexchamber.org).

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## Camp Virginia Jaycee Needs

Each year, Camp Virginia Jaycee, a camp for mentally challenged children and adults, needs supplies for its campers. If you have items to donate to the camp, please bring them to a future chapter meeting.

- Videos and DVDs: G and PG rated
- Halloween costumes for all ages and sizes
- CDs for music program & CD players
- Books appropriate for children ages 3-18
- Rain ponchos or umbrellas

- Laptop
- Tents (1,2,4 or 5 person tents)
- Bean bags/large cushions
- Walkie talkies
- Large piece jigsaw puzzles
- Ball pump
- Arts and craft supplies- paint, large brushes, markers, crayons, beads and string for jewelry making, construction paper, glue, wiggle eyes, tissue paper, macaroni, foam sheets or shapes, glitter, sequins, etc.
- Sunscreen (at least SPF 15)
- Toothbrushes
- Shaving foam
- First aid supplies

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				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Ronald McDonald House 5 PM; Scott's Run Hike 9:30 AM
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Community Yard Sale 7-2:30; Big Wine Event 3 PM
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Board Meeting @ Jack Taylor Toyota 7:30 PM	<b>13</b> M-Night	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
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<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Memorial Day	<b>27</b> Chapter Meeting 7:30 PM Beatley Library	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> ALIVE Food Dist. 6:30 PM VA Jaycees State Meeting, Staunton VA 5/30-6/1 Government Affairs Leadership Seminar, DC 5/30-6/3	<b>31</b>

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## The Potomac is looking much better...

Thanks to the all of the members who came out on April 12th to help clean up the Potomac River... A special thanks goes to **Tyler Fleming**, a new member, who did a great job leading the project!

The Jaycees were part of an effort that collected 134 tons of trash including 938 tires, 91,300 recyclable beverage containers, and 9,165 plastic bags.



L to R: Tyler, Diana, Luciana, Faith, Dean. Missing from photo: Amy.

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## Government Affairs Leadership Summit

**May 30 - June 3.** In Washington DC. GALS is designed to offer Junior Chamber leaders the opportunity to meet with the women and men responsible for making public policies that guide the nation's course of action. Special briefing sessions have also been held with Junior Chamber members. Special interest seminars have been designed to help Junior Chamber members understand complex issues regarding international trade, American business policy, and foreign and defense matters. Practical tips regarding lobbying elected officials and conducting election-year activities have also been featured. For more information visit <http://www.usjaycees.org/>.



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