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Jaycees: A New Experience!

I've been receiving a lot of notices telling me that so many people have been joining the Omaha Jaycees in 2010. Welcome! I'm hope that we all will be seeing a lot of new faces at our upcoming Jaycee events.

In case you didn't know...

The Omaha Jaycees started in 1921 and has a rich history in Omaha. No matter the times, the Omaha Jaycees continue to be a driving force of good in our communities and a place where professional networking occurs at every event. We hear so much about "Leadership Training and Development," but I see that every person is a leader in the Jaycees at varying levels...just some just haven't been asked to show their potential. In the act of serving, we receive hands-on experience, which translates to the personal growth, friendship building, and the building management skills that are valuable in the work setting.

The Jaycees offers experience in four areas.

- **Community Development** is where we give back to the community. It is our goal in 2010 to expand the charities we serve and increase the amount of volunteering we do to over 500 hours.
- **Individual Development** is designed to introduce us to a variety of topics that will expand our personal and professional knowledge. Just this year, we have learned about such topics as your Credit Score, Planning a Wedding, and How to Battle Procrastination. We have been experiencing new cultures through their cuisines during the World Food Tour.
- **Membership Activities** offers us casual opportunities to develop friendships and make professional contacts. Every month, we have a Friday Afterwork Club. We also reward our members with occasional socials that tend to be a little extravagant and something you definitely need to mark your calendars for!
- **Business Management:** offers little more advanced experience in project management skills. If your interested in how to do public relations, marketing, financial budgeting, fundraising, corporate partnerships, legal, etc., you definitely need to get involved with the Business Management part of the Jaycees.

No matter what you're looking for in an organization, the Omaha Jaycees has something to offer you....and if we don't, we have an amazing ability to adjust and grow with each member's experience and interest! All you have to do is SPEAK UP and tell us your interests. So again, I hope to see new faces, familiar faces, and a few that I haven't seen in a while out!

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Young, Professional, and Fabulous!

Young Professionals Summit

Omaha, NE

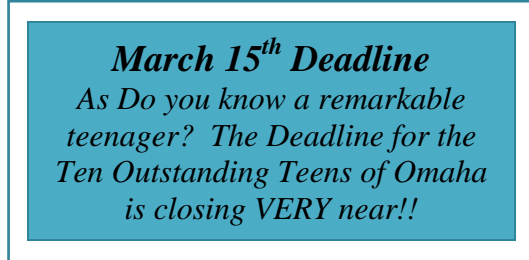


Tami and John with Nebraska Governor, Dave Heineman



Management

Vice President: Jaime Hann



TOYO Teens

Do you know of a teen that is making a difference in the Omaha Community? An application is included in this month's newsletter. Please encourage them to complete the TOYO Teens application, by downloading it at www.omahajaycees.org. The application is due by March 15th, 2010. The committee has been contacting local schools, organizations and churches to promote the award. If you would like to participate on the committee or have a contact that you would like the committee to contact please forward the info to Molly Woodworth at clarkson_molly@yahoo.com or Amy Eggers at aceggers@hotmail.com.

Bowl-A-Rama

When: Saturday, March 27th at 5:00pm
Where: Immaculate Conception Recreation Hall at 2708 S 24th St
Cost: \$20.00
Contact: Molly Woodworth
Email: mwoodworth@fnni.com
Phone or Text: 402-990-6046

This is a bowling tournament that is open to everyone and meant to raise chapter funds to support our activities. Tournament is based off of 3 game team pin total. Top teams will win a prize. Admission includes: 3 games of bowling in a private facility, pizza and drinks. Bowling balls and shoes are provided.

Individual Development

Vice President: John McDermott

General Membership Meetings (GMM)

When: Third Wednesday of Every Month
Where: McKenna's Blues Booze and BBQ
7425 Pacific Street, Omaha, NE 68114

Every month, the Jaycees meet together to have a drink, eat some food, and learn what new projects are coming up. We also invite a guest to speak on various projects that our members might find interesting. If you have any suggestions for future guest speakers, please contact John at McDermottlawoffice@msn.com Guest Speakers for the upcoming months include:

Twitter Outside the Box

ONE WEEK LATER!!

When: March 24th at 6:00pm
Cris Buckley is a Personal Brand Coach for Individual Entrepreneurs. She is considered one of Twitter's most powerful users, rated in the top 1% of the Twitter Elite. She has built a following of over 7,000 people since joining Twitter in August of 2009. Cris will be speaking on how to create a Personal Brand with Twitter". We'll learn about Twitter's culture, and how to attract a following of people who know, like and trust you.

Understanding Your Credit Score!

When: April 21st at 6:00pm
Brittini Redding is a Certified Mortgage specialist with First National Bank for 4 years. She feels it is her clients the importance of how a mortgage should be weaved into their overall financial plan. She will go over what is a credit report, what are the major credit agencies, common misconceptions, suggestions to improve credit scores, determining factors of the credit score, managing that credit report, and what is its impact on mortgages and other major purchases.

Membership

Vice President: Molly Woodworth

Friday Afterwork Clubs:

When: Last Friday every Month

Where: Various locations around Omaha

The Friday Afterwork Club (FAC) is a long-standing favorite of the Omaha Jaycees. We meet together the last Friday every month (unless holidays or other events conflict) for happy hour. It's a laid back atmosphere where guests, new members, experienced members, etc., are able to share a drink and socialize. Questions or RSVP to attend with Molly at clarkson_molly@yahoo.com.

Upcoming locations include:

March FAC: St. Patty's Party at Brazenhead

When: Friday, March 19th at 6:00pm

****Note the date change!****

Where: Brazenhead 319 N 78TH St

Come celebrate St. Patty's with us at this Irish pub and Grill. Wear your green and crazy Irish outfits. This would be an excellent opportunity to introduce your friends to the Jaycees.

Dinkers Jitterbug Dancing Night!

When: Friday, April 30th

Where: Dinkers 2368 S 29th St and Eagles Club 24th and Douglas

We will be starting off the night at the Omaha legend Dinkers and after lots of yummy greasy food we'll be going over to the Eagles club at 7:30 for an 8pm beginning Swing Dance lesson. After the lesson the dance floor is open until midnight and is usually jumping. An awesome opportunity to learn a new skill!

SkateDaze

When: Friday, May 28th at 7:30pm

Where: Skate Daze 3616 S 132nd St

Going back to the days of youth, should be an amusing experience. See if you still remember how to skate or dust off those old skating skills.

World Food Tour!

Each month I will find a different foreign food restaurant for the group to go to and try that Nationalities cuisine. The plan is to go mostly to mom and pop or hole-in-the-wall establishments when possible. Most people are somewhat reluctant to try new things by themselves so this would give people the support and encouragement needed to do so. Below is some information that will be shared regarding the culture of the month.

Mexican: El Dorado

When: March 21th @ noon

Address: 5134 S 24th St

The staples of Mexican cuisine are typically corn and beans. Corn, traditionally Mexico's staple grain, is eaten fresh, on the cob, and as a component of a number of dishes. Most corn, however, is used to make masa, a dough for tamales, tortillas, gorditas, and many other corn-based foods. Squash and peppers also play important roles in Mexican cuisine.

Indian: Mother India

When: March 28th at Noon

Address: 3611 Leavenworth St

Guest Speaker: Manoj Harkar

The cuisine of India is characterized by the use of various spices, herbs and other vegetables grown in India and also for the widespread practice of vegetarianism across many sections of its society. Each family of Indian cuisine is characterized by a wide assortment of dishes and cooking techniques. As a consequence, it varies from region to region, reflecting the varied demographics of the ethnically diverse Indian subcontinent.

Caribbean Delight

When: Saturday April 10th @ 5pm

Cuisine of Jamaica includes a mixture of cooking techniques, flavors, spices and influences from the indigenous people on the island, and the Spanish, British, Africans, Indians, and Chinese who have inhabited the island. The cuisine includes various dishes from the different cultures brought to the island with the arrival of people from elsewhere. Other dishes are novel or a fusion of techniques and traditions.

Lucky Bucket Tour

When: March 13th at 11:00am

Where: Lucky Bucket 11941 Centennial Road

Contact Molly Woodworth at 402-990-6046

Come out and learn how Omaha's newest brewery makes their beer on this exciting tour of the plant.

Jaycees Creed

*That faith in God gives meaning and
purpose to human life.
That the brotherhood of men
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.*

Community Service

Vice President: Amy Eggers

Academic Decathlon

Volunteers are needed for the Academic Decathlon State Finals on February 19th and 20th and the National Finals on April 21st – April 24th, both of which are held in Omaha. Volunteers act as test proctors, scorers, and judges. This is a fun opportunity to be involved in the community, and our help would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested in volunteering, please let a board member know or contact Patrice Pirsch at Patrice.Pirsch@LFG.com.

NHS Black Tie and Tail Fundraiser!

When: April 17th 2010

Where: Holiday Inn Convention Center

3321 South 72nd Street Omaha, NE

Contact Person: Tami McDowell 712-326-5324

The Nebraska Humane Society (NHS) holds an annual fundraiser entitled "Black Tie and Tails." It's a formal event with a lot of style to raise money for the daily expenses at NHS. The Omaha Jaycees has been specifically requested because of all our good deeds in the community to help out at this GREAT event! Volunteers will help sell "Happy Ending" items to our guests...these items are things like pain patches, microchips, etc...things that would help the animals here at the Shelter. In return the guest would receive a "memento" from the NHS in the form of a "Blinky lapel pin." Our guests LOVE these things and the "sale" is a very easy one. Additionally the "blinky pin" serves as a visual marker to your group to those guests that have already purchased something and they don't need to approach them again. The next section of the evening that we would need help with would be the delivery of the silent auction items that people have purchased to their tables. This is a very fast and energetic time! We will need at least 15 volunteers. Attire will be business casual.

March 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Exec Meeting	4 Young, Professional, & Fabulous!	5	6
7 Alzheimer's Oscar Night	8	9	10 Board Meeting	11 FNB Meeting	12 FNB FAC	13 Lucky Bucket Tour
14 Daylight Savings	15	16	17 St. Patty's Day	18	19 FAC St. Patty's	20
21	22	23	24 GMM Twitter	25 NCI Registration Transmittals Due	26	27 Bowl-A-Rama
28 Project Proposals Due	29	30	31			

April 2010

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