



The Lincoln Jaycees

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January 2002

ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER!

Lincoln Jaycees are you excited? Are you ready to have some fun? I am and I hope you are too. The year 2002 is going to be a huge year for the Lincoln Jaycees I can see it now. We already have twelve projects planned for January and a lot of exciting projects planned for February. Let's have some fun and help out our community more than ever and learn more about leadership and business skills than we ever have before.

However, to do all we want accomplished in 2002 it is going to take a team effort. Vince Lombardi, the famous football coach once said, "The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined ef-



fort of each individual." Do you want to be a part of this great 2002 team? I realize each of us has a different amount of time we can spend on Jaycees. We all have different commitments in our lives, but I encourage you to set some Jaycee goals for this year. Ask yourself, what do I want to learn or accomplish in the Jaycees this year? Ask yourself what talents or gifts to I have to make the Lincoln Jaycees a better organization for the current members and potential members. I want to see each of you get the most out of this organization in the time you have to spend doing Jaycees. Please look realistically at the time you have and help make this a great organization. I look forward to watching each of you grow in the Jaycees and learning about all of your gifts and talents.

Remember "Actions speak louder..." and this is not the year we are going to spend talking about things we could be doing. We are going to go out and do them while having a great time.

In Jaycees,
Kim Ruwe
77th President
kim@lincolnjaycees.org

DATE CHANGE!!
General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, January 9
7:00 p.m. - Engine House Cafe
6028 Havelock Ave.

*Plan on eating? Buffet line shuts down
at 6:45 p.m. BE EARLY!*
Guest Speaker is Keith Fickenscher
President of Tabitha Health Care Services

"Where It Is"

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Community Development . . .

Happy New Year Lincoln Jaycees!!!

Are we ready for an exciting year in Community??? First off, I must thank my mentor, **Dave "Bob" Stava**. He was an excellent VP last year, and I have some mighty huge shoes to fill! Thank you, Dave, for everything you've taught me, and for your friendship!

This year hopes to be an adventurous year for Community. My wonderful directors this year are **Deb Carlson** and **Brad Cornelius**. If you want to see anything run in Community, please don't be shy and let one of us know! We are open to suggestions.

Our first Community project, chaired by **Elizabeth Murphy** is Elderly Bingo. Elderly Bingo is a very rewarding experience! The dates for Elderly Bingo are Tuesday, January 8; Tuesday, February 12; and Tuesday, March 12. Bingo will be at Lancaster Manor. We will need volunteers for



the January 8 bingo, because it is before GMM, please call Elizabeth (476-5288) if you would like to join us!!

Mark your calendars for a June event, one of President Kim's favorite events, the Relay for Life! This will take place June 28, 2002. As of right now it will take place at the Saltdog Stadium. **Janet Oenbring** has volunteered to be chairperson for this project. We will be challenging the Waverly Jaycees to see if they can round up a team! This is a great event and an event that gets the Jaycees out into the community!

Another event we know of right now is the Fourth of July. This will take place at Holmes Park on July 4, 2002. **Brad Cornelius** will be rounding up troops to help make this event a success! We need volunteers!!!! I realize the date conflicts with family gatherings, and other social events...but unfortunately we cannot change this date!

We have found a chair for Super Shooters, and as of right now details are pending. We are hoping to run this project either February 16 or 23. We will let you know as soon as things get set up! Thank you to **Sally Schwink** for chairing this project!! This is a great event that involves the children of Lincoln.

We will continue Dave's tradition of giving to the community. In January, if you have any old coats, sweaters or sweatshirts that are just hanging around, and you can't wear, bring them to GMM and we will

make a donation to the community. For future months, I promise there will be a list to what we will be giving to the community. This was a huge success last year, and it's a great feeling that you can help the community in a small way!

I am looking forward to being the Vice President of Community this year, but I need your help! I want to get the Jaycee name out into Lincoln. However, the Community Directors and myself cannot be the only people involved. Please help me plan for the 2002 and let me know your ideas!!! As long as we have the volunteers we will run all projects!

The theme for this year for the Community area for the Nebraska Jaycees is "Community is Key". Let's make Lincoln's Community area the KEY to Nebraska, and have everyone want to be a Lincoln Jaycee!!!!

Looking forward to 2002!!!

Amy Sall

Community Vice President

amy@lincolnjaycees.org

ELDERLY BINGO

Hey, are you interested in helping out the community and having fun at the same time? Well, it is time to sign up! We are getting ready to help out the elderly and have fun at the same time! That means it is time for ELDERLY BINGO.

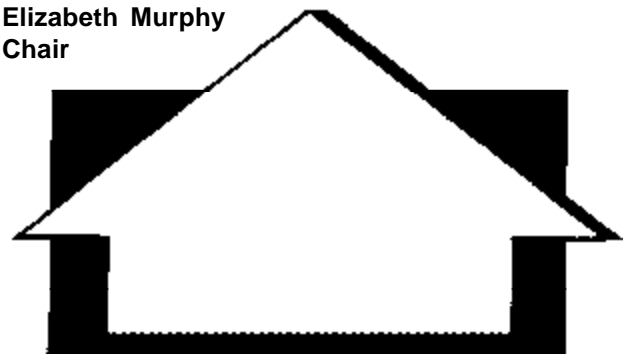
On January 8th we will be going to Lancaster Manor and helping the elderly residents play Bingo. They thoroughly enjoy us being there and we have a great time as well. So get your Bingo shoes on and come have some fun!

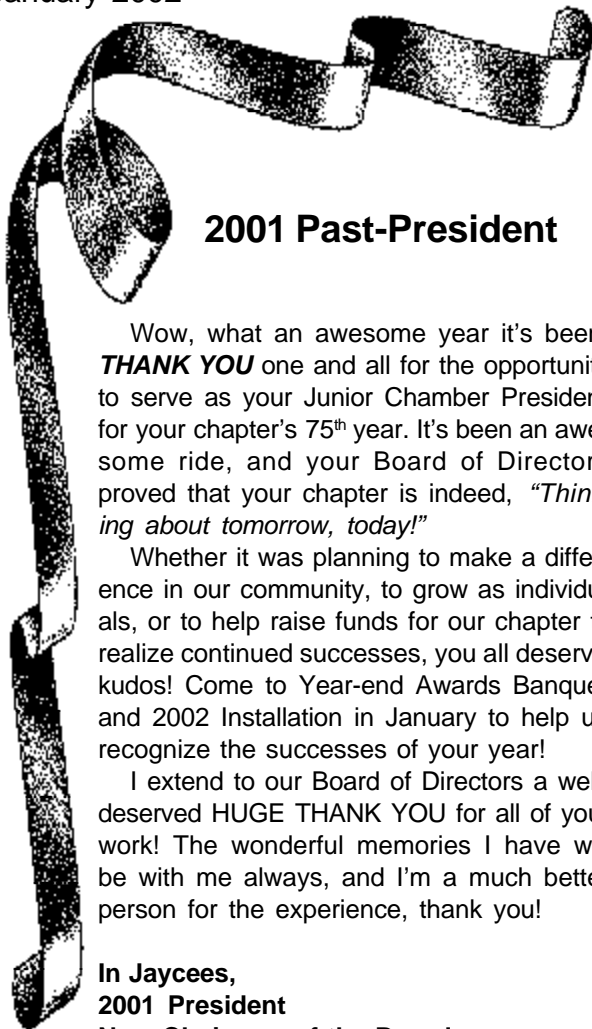
When: Tuesday, Jan 8, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Lancaster Manor, 1001 South Street

Why: Have fun and help the community!

Elizabeth Murphy
Chair





2001 Past-President

Wow, what an awesome year it's been! **THANK YOU** one and all for the opportunity to serve as your Junior Chamber President for your chapter's 75th year. It's been an awesome ride, and your Board of Directors proved that your chapter is indeed, "*Thinking about tomorrow, today!*"

Whether it was planning to make a difference in our community, to grow as individuals, or to help raise funds for our chapter to realize continued successes, you all deserve kudos! Come to Year-end Awards Banquet and 2002 Installation in January to help us recognize the successes of your year!

I extend to our Board of Directors a well-deserved HUGE THANK YOU for all of your work! The wonderful memories I have will be with me always, and I'm a much better person for the experience, thank you!

In Jaycees,
2001 President
Now Chairman of the Board
Lisa Lewis

SIX MONTHS AND COUNTING

Six months till what you might ask? Well, the last 4th of July at Holmes Lake before they drain the dam. Ground work is in the process for putting together this staple project for the Lincoln Jaycees.

How can I be a part of this wonderful community event you may ask yourself, and what does it take to be qualified to be a chairperson for this project? It is easy. Ask yourself this one question are you a Jaycee. If the answer is yes, woo hoo, you are qualified.

But what can I do? This may be your next question. Well, let me tell you. Following is what we have done in the past: T-shirts, flyers, web page, volleyball, kids games, phone calls, manpower, Fun Run, softball, bands, fireworks, glo-necklaces and advertising. So as you can see the overall project is a bunch of little projects that are as broad in variety as we will let our imaginations and initiative expand.

So say you have an idea for the 4th? Run it past us, and we will take it to the city. If it is workable, guess what? You just put your mark on the 4th of July for many years to come.

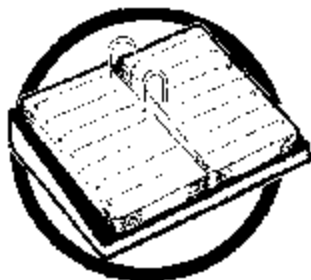
So come to the next GMM or give me a call 421-3927 or 450-5505 and help us to see this years 4th of July go off with a bang, not a glug like the lake when it starts to be drained on July 8th, 2002.

Brad Cornelius
4th of July at Holmes Lake Director 2002

NOTICE . . . NOTICE . . . NOTICE

Executive Board Meetings

*Will meet before
General Membership Meetings
at 5:45 p.m.*



Full Board Meetings

*Third Wednesday of each month
at the Haunted House building,
126 N. 16th St.,
starting at 6:30 p.m. this year.*

You are welcome to bring your dinner there and any refreshments you may need.

The next Full Board is January 16, 2002.

All members are invited to attend, especially if you are chairing a project that needs approval.

Membership & Growth . . .

Thank You Lincoln

Lincoln Jaycees, I have had so much fun this year being your Membership and Growth Vice President. I want to thank my director Melissa Sanny for her help during 2001. Good luck to Lea and Melissa as they take on directors positions for next year.

Remember folks, they don't have a Vice President helping them out so be nice to them when they call to ask you to chair something.

I also want to thank my fellow board members and Lisa for all their help this year and I can express how much it has meant to be on the 2001 board.

Once again thank-you so much for the opportunity.

Kim Ruwe
2001 Membership and Growth VP

Welcome To The New Year

I hope you all had a joyous holiday season. It's time to get this new year rolling.

FAC and Hockey and AFWAC. Yippee! I'm taking on a second year in this position. Please let me know if you have either Membership or Growth questions.

Melissa Sanny
Membership and Growth Director
489-7433
melissa@lincolnjaycees.org

Ask About It At Work

January starts us out with five Wednesdays. Isn't that funny? Join us on the 30th for AFWAC. This is what we call A FIFTH WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB. Whenever there is a fifth Wednesday, we must have supplemental social time.

What's it called? AFWAC

Why should you come? First beverage is free.

Why should you tell your friends? First beverage is free. And we're not kidding.

Hey now, what's it called? AFWAC

Day and Date: Wednesday, Jan. 30th

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Location: PO Pears at 322 South 9th

Cost: First drink is free. After that, normal bar prices apply. They have lots of food for sale at the big red lips.

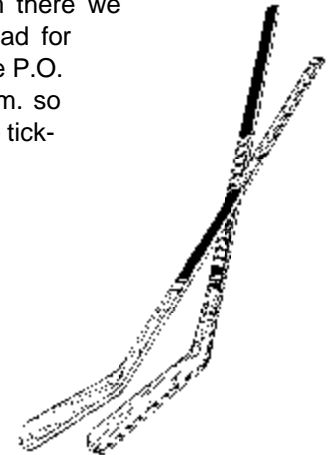
Melissa Sanny
Membership and Growth Director

Go Stars!!!

A reminder to those of you who signed up to attend the Stars hockey game.

We will meet at P.O. Pears for some pregame fun Friday, Jan. 25th. From there we will hop on the bus and head for the Icebox. The bus will leave P.O. Pears no later than 6:15 p.m. so don't be late. I'll hand out the tickets to you on the bus.

Quince Michl
Chair
484-5927



Convention Committee

Have you marked your calendars?

We are hosting the May/June Convention for the State of Nebraska. The dates are Friday, May 31, through Sunday, June 2.

Plan now to attend! It will be fun! Jill Marshall and I are the co-chairs. If you would like to be part of this committee let one us know. Volunteers are welcome.

We are meeting the first Monday of each month. The next two meetings are Monday, January 7th, and Monday, February 4th, at 6:30 p.m.

We will meet at the Howard Johnson's in All's Oasis (the lounge), 52nd and Cornhusker.

Hungry? Try daVinci's at 6:00, or have it delivered to the lounge

Right now we are looking for sponsors. Do you know a company that has something to offer the Jaycees? We would like cash donations, trinkets, pens, food, beverages, coupons, etc.

We are planning some Hospitality! Next month is the convention in North Platte. This is the Feb. 8-9-10 weekend. Plan to go! We will have a suite. Work a shift in the suite and you will earn a fabulous incentive (tba). Any questions, just send me an email or come to a meeting.

Melissa Sanny
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Individual Development . . .

HELLO LINCOLN JAYCEES!

Wow, another year has passed and we look to the future with optimism of what each day will bring.

Oh, how rude of me. I should introduce myself. I am the one know as "Stickboy" or Steve Strong, your 2002 Individual Development Vice President. If you know me, I love the simple life and country music.

However, this year I plan on learning a few new talents that I would normally call "The Wild Side". Of course the only way for me to partake in these events would result in ALL IMPORTANT GENERAL MEMBERS having an itch to teach me or wanting to learn themselves. Are you someone interested in developing skills that may improve your life? What type of life do you want to have? So many questions.

Start turning those gears of gray matter while you plan to attend the exciting projects of Individual Development 2002.

Steve Strong
Individual Development Vice President
steve@lincolnjaycees.org

HELLO AND GOD BLESS!

We are planning our first Church Visitation for 2002 on Sunday, January 20th, at Christ Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod at 4325 Sumner Street. We will attend the 11:30 a.m. Service. Please meet outside the sanctuary by 11:20 a.m. The doors are located on the west side of the church.

I decided to start the year with my church and am hoping you will share with me information about your church so that our chapter can have a year full of spiritual blessings and religious opportunities.

Thanks and see you on January 20th at Christ Lutheran Church.

Rachel Rezabek
Chaplain



PITCH NIGHT

Saturday, Jan. 12th

7 p.m. - 126 N. 16th St.

(Haunted House)



**For more
information
call Joely Wesch
at 467-4207.**

Bring you favorite beverage and munchie!

SUPPER CLUB 2002

What's for dinner Sunday night? We're starting a monthly supper club ID project for 2002. We will chose a restaurant to have dinner at on a chosen Sunday each month.

I have started a list of places we may go this year. If you have any suggestions, let IDVP Steve Strong or I know.

You'll need to sign up at the GMM or give me a call the Friday prior to the chosen Sunday so reservations can be made. This month's selection is Mexican.

We will be dining at Blue Cactus, 5555 S. 48th (48th and Hwy 2) Sunday, Jan. 20, at 6 p.m.

Please RSVP by 1/18/02 to supper club chairman, Janet Oenbring, 483-7197.

Upcoming dates are Sundays 2/17/02 and 3/10/02, so mark your calendars now!

Janet Oenbring
Chair
483-7197

Management Development . . .

Haunted House Planning Committee Hey all!

There will be monthly planning meetings so we can begin work to make a really wonderful and scary haunted house next year.

If you would like to be a part of the team that decides on scene design or just want to come help with minor construction, we will be holding our first meeting Saturday, Jan 12th, 1-3 p.m., 2nd floor of the Jaycee Building (126 N 16th).

If you have any questions, please call Alex Lewis, 438-2539 or email alex@neblink.net.



Just wanted to make a quick appearance in this newsletter to say hi and how psyched I am to be your new Management Director, along with Sara Nelson (my co-Director)! I am really looking forward to serving you all in this position – not to mention working with Sara and the all-great Jane Gustafson!

Judging from the projects scheduled for this month, and the enthusiasm of this year's exec board, it's going to be a great year. I'm excited for this year, and hope you all are, too!

Please feel free to call me anytime – you know the number; it's Kim Ruwe's! In case you don't know, it's 464-7389.

Take care in this new year,

Tina Schrader
2002 Management Director

Good News!

Our 75th anniversary cookbooks have come in! There are over 350 recipes, which can be yours for only \$10 a book!

Purchasing a cookbook is a great way to support our Lincoln Jaycees and raise funds for all the wonderful things we do.

Cookbooks will be available at the January GMM, or you can contact Jane Kracl at 325-0543 or Sara Nelson at ###-####.

LINCOLN JAYCEES 2002 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Year-End Banquet/Inaugural

You are cordially invited to attend the Lincoln Jaycees Year-End Banquet and Inaugural. Please join us for an evening of food and fun.

The festivities will be held Saturday, January 26, at the Howard Johnson located at 5250 Cornhusker Highway in the Platte Room (main level).

The evening will consist of a social hour starting at 6 p.m. with a cash bar available, dinner at 7 p.m., followed by awards. A dance will finish off the night starting at 9 p.m. Cost for the night will be \$20 per person (includes meal, tax and gratuity).

Please fill out the information below and send to the address at the bottom.

Lori Michl, Chair
484-5927
lincjcs@yahoo.com



Lincoln Jaycees Year-End Banquet/Inaugural Saturday, Jan. 26, 2002

NAME: _____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____



Please fill out the above information
and send with payment to:

Lori Michl
910 S. 39th St.
Lincoln NE 68510

Deadline: January 12, 2002
Checks payable to Lincoln Jaycees

You Got Mail . . .

Lisa - You're a wonderful president. I'll always be your first gentleman. Alex

Bunny and Bear - Okay, who the HE** took my acorns. Squirrel

To all goblins - THANKS!! Alex and Brad

Kim - You're going to be a great president. We are all behind you. Good Luck. FG

2001 Board - Thanks to each of you for all you did for the chapter last year.

Brad - I think there is STILL too much fog. Alex

KMMWA Gang - Can you say "ROAD TRIP"? North Platte is just around the corner. The Driver.

Kim - It's been great being your roomie...so far! (Ha Ha!) - Tina

Gene - It's Schraaaader. You pronounce the "a" like the one you do in the word "father." Okay - let's try it now. Ready?.... (Just kidding!) - Tina

Lori - It's SO cool being able to hit the website for the newsletter, you're AMAZING!

Jane K. and Sara - Thanks for making the 75th Anniversary Cookbooks a reality!

A beverage of choice to the first to inform me what's "The Recipe That Made Convention But Not The Article". COB Lisa Lewis

Sara - Page 97, is there a comparison...really? And without chocolate, too!?

To the Wild Kingdom: Bunny, Bear, Squirrel, etal - Is hunting season over?

Kim - Congratulations on being selected for one of the four Local Presidents representing Nebraska at the Local President's Summit in Tulsa. Sleep before you go, you'll be working hard! Summit Alumni Gene and Lisa

Rachel - Ever see a grown Dude ride a Daisy Duck???

Mayor Lisa.... I mean, President Lisa... you did a great job!

Janet - Sorry to hook you up with "nice guys who finish last". Next time will be better, promise!

Deb - Keep up the great work!!!! Amy

Sally - Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!!! I owe you one!!!! Amy

Brad - Let me know when you get to craving Tico's again.....

Gene, Chris and Rachel - Aren't you glad you didn't take the VAN back from dinner in Kearney?

Mayor - Governor what really is the difference they both live in Lincoln!

Lea - Don't stress. It will all work out. Kim

Tina - You have survived one month as my roommate. Good job! You deserve an award for that!

Noel - An eight, you lead with an eight???

Lisa - Is the pay for the state that bad that Mike has to moonlight as mayor?

HH Crew - The post HH party was a total blast. The awards were great! A good time was had by all.

Amy - I am looking forward to the Cancer Relay on June 28-29. Last year was a lot of fun. This year will be even better. - Janet

2001 Exec Board - Thanks for all of the Wednesday nights we spent together, and your opinions. You ALL are success stories as far as I'm concerned! Ex-Pres Lisa

Tried any new restaurants lately? Give your review to the Supper Club Chairman Janet.

Quincer - Thanks for keeping us in the 21st Century with the website, you ROCK! Ex-Pres Lisa

Thank you to all the friends that were gracious enough to chair projects in the ID area for me last year. Janet

Kathleen - Thank you for helping the ID area in so many ways last year. Chairing Cookies 101 and Holiday ID College, baking cookies for several events, making all the ribbons for the state tree and for joining the Jaycees again. Love, Your sister Janet

Kathleen and Janet - You guys are the greatest, thanks for sharing your mom! The "adopted" one

Amy - Thank you for being such a supportive friend over the past year. You are a great addition to my family. Love, Your sister by choice, Janet

Kim - Meet you at the Blue Cactus on 1/20/02, 6 p.m. The chips are on the house. Janet

Note to self: Just when you think you are comfortable enough with the script and can rely on memory...DON'T! He used to be Mayor, now GOVERNOR Johanns! Ex Pres Lisa



CASINO NIGHT B&R Stores

Friday, January 4th
and
Friday, January 11th
8:30 p.m. - Pershing Auditorium



Training provided at 7:30 p.m. Learn to play/deal all games.
Attire is black jeans or pants with white shirt.
For more information, call Jane Gustafson at 474-7501.

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New Web Page

www.lincolnjaycees.org is the same old address but
with a new look and new features.

I promise to keep it updated so check it out often.
You can still read your Focal Point, see pictures from
past projects and get email addresses for your board
members.

Pass the address on to your friends and potential
new members so they can learn about who we are and
what we do.

I suggest you make it your new home page.

Quince Michl
Webmaster



Editors Note

Submissions are welcome by e-mail, handwritten
(legible please) or disks. Be sure to include contact
information including names, telephone numbers, e-
mail addresses and dates.

Deadline for articles is the third Thursday of every
month. Send submissions for articles and pictures
(highly encouraged!) to: **Lori Michl** at
lincjcs@yahoo.com or call **484-5927**.

January 2002

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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 man;
 That earth's great treasure
 Lies in **HUMAN PERSONALITY**;
 And the service to humanity
 Is the best work of life.