

The Lincoln Jaycees Focal Point



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February 2002

Our Mission, Vision, and Goals for 2002

Lincoln Jaycees you are so lucky to have an incredible board working for you this year. They are great and this weekend at board retreat they proved it to me again.

Some of the time we spent this weekend was on our Mission, Vision, and goals for the Lincoln Jaycees. We decided it is important for an organization to know why it is here and what it hopes to achieve. I want to share this with you today.

The Mission of the Lincoln Jaycees: To encourage leadership development through business opportunities and community involvement.

The Vision of the Lincoln Jaycees: A dynamic organization of young adults committed to improving themselves and Lincoln.

The Board is very passionate about making sure we achieve our mission and vision through the following goals for this year.

1. Reach Active Chapter Size. What is that you may ask? It is an amount of members we need to effectively help our community and be able to have enough manpower for projects such as at the 4th of July and the Haunted House. The number has been determined by the United States Jaycees and for a city the size of



Lincoln it is 125 members. We have some growing to do. Mathematically, that comes out to be around eight new members a month. It is completely achievable. I know that each of us has one person we can ask this year. Together we will grow this chapter.

2. The second goal is to Bronze Chip. Another one that you may be asking what is it? For two years now the Lincoln Jaycees have performed up to a level of standards set by the United States Jaycees to have us achieve Blue Chip. Just like a Blue Chip company the Lincoln Jaycees are meeting the standards of growth and performance that our national organization would like us to achieve. This our third year is a row and that is considered a Bronze Chip year. Together we will perform to standards of a great chapter.

3. Now here is the fun goal. Simply put it is to **BEAT RALSTON!** For the past ten of twelve triads the Ralston Jaycees have been the best chapter in the state of Nebraska. Lincoln it is time this streak is over. We are the chapter to do it. To do it though we need to do more for our community and our members than we have ever done before. Together we will be the best chapter in the state.

4. We want to refurbish Jaycee-Kahoa Park. Last fall vandals cut the trees down in our park. It is time for us to help our park get back to the way it was before. Together we can be proud of our park.

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**General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, February 6
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 Steve Glenn,
Owner of Executive Travel*

"Where It Is"

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Community Development . . .

SURPRISE !!! Have you ever just yelled out at the top of your lungs "Surprise!!!"? You get that good tingly feeling, and a smile on your face. It's just a word that makes people happy. The element of surprise is in everyone's life.

Think about it, whether you are in a committed relationship, married or single, Valentine's Day is a day of surprise. Who will send that Valentine? What does my significant other have planned for Valentine's Day?? Maybe you don't expect a Valentine and you receive one. That's a surprise!

Community events are kind've like surprises. If you participate in a Community event, you get:

- (1) The surprise of seeing how the event effects the community
- (2) The surprise of seeing how the event effects the people
- (3) The surprise that you actually enjoy doing Community events!!!

With the help of the Community Directors **Deb**

Carlson and **Brad Cornelius**, we are working hard to surprise the Lincoln Jaycees with fun-filled activities!!!

With February being the month of Valentines, we will be signing Valentines at GMM and delivering the Valentines to the residents at Lancaster Manor when we play bingo with them on February 12! Can you just imagine the surprise in their eyes???

Super Shooters is on February 16, chaired by **Sally Schwinck**. I am looking forward to seeing the surprised children's faces when they see how well they do at Super Shooters!!

Are you interested in playing basketball? We have a game against Whitehall on February 23. We need players! Otherwise, WE will be surprised when those Whitehall kids beat us! See **Art Weiland** for details!

Don't forget to collect your pull-tabs!!!! We will also be collecting for the monthly donations! I promised you a list this month! For February, we will be collecting NEW toothbrushes and toothpaste for Fresh Start. Fresh Start is a transitional home for homeless women and children.

Some upcoming events I am looking forward to are the State Capital Tour, Matt Talbot Kitchen and Diamond Skills. If you have ANY ideas at all, please let the Community team know.

The community area is "KEY" to a successful Jay-

cee chapter. You may be SURPRISED that you actually enjoy yourself at a Community Activity!!!

In Jaycees,
Amy Sall
Community Vice President
amy@lincolnjaycees.org

Community Monthly Donations



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|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| FEBRUARY: | New toothbrushes and toothpaste |
| MARCH: | Easter baskets and candy |
| APRIL: | Cleaning supplies |
| MAY: | Puppy and kitty supplies |
| JUNE-AUGUST: | School supplies |

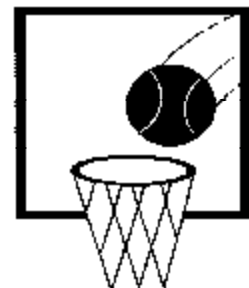
Basketball Challenge

Yes, it's time to tighten up the laces to your sneakers. The Lincoln Jaycees have once again been challenged by the Behavioral Skill School Bulldogs. Yes, White Hall Basketball is on again.

The date is February 23rd, warm up at 12:30, with game time at 1 p.m. Location is at their school which is on the south east corner of 56th and R street, a tan building. Wear a 4th of July T-shirt, and bring a fun attitude. I'd love to have about 15 players, to keep pace with these teenagers running up and down the court. If you don't have a T-shirt, don't worry, we will have extras.

Any questions, call me.

Art Weiland
Chair
477-0676



Our Mission, Vision, and Goals for 2002 SUPER SHOOTERS

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5. We want to positively impact twenty different community organizations in Lincoln. Together we can make Lincoln a better place to live.

6. We want to be in a Lincoln publication two times a month and be on television four times this year. Together we can achieve more awareness of the Lincoln Jaycees.

7. We want to end the year with more money than we started with. Together we can raise funds through our great projects like Haunted House.

So seven goals seem like a lot don't they? Well, if you look at them they are all really achievable. We just need the help of all us pitching in where you can help. Do you know anything about Public Relations then the goal of being on TV and in the newspaper is something you can help with. Talk to Jane Gustafson or someone on her team about your ideas. Do you know anything about planting trees? Then Jaycee-Kahoa Park is the project for you. Do you have an organization in town that could use our help then come and talk to Amy Sall and she will get something set up. Do you have some business networking ideas go and talk to Steve Strong he would be glad to help you share them with the chapter.

Lincoln Jaycees by achieving these goals we will be bigger than we were when we started this year, have helped our community more than ever before, and be the best chapter in the state of Nebraska. Lets get out there and do it!

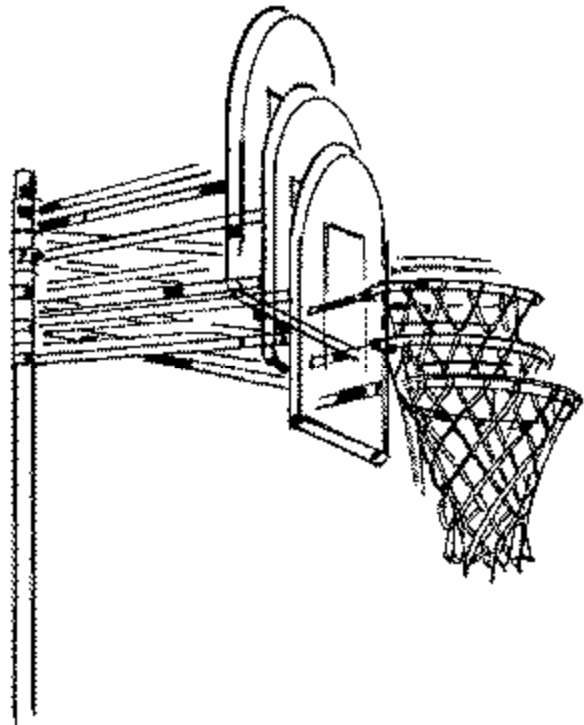
**In Jaycees,
Kim Ruwe
77th President
kim@lincolnjaycees.org**

Super Shooters is a basketball competition for boys and girls age 6 to 13 as of March 1, 2002.

This year's competition will be held on Saturday, February 16 from 2:00 to 5:00 at Park View Christian, which is located at 1st and Superior. Anyone interested in helping at the local competition, please contact me.

Winners from the local competition will be eligible to compete at the state competition on March 16 in Louisville.

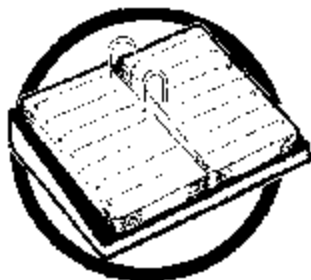
**Sally Schwinck
sally@lincolnjaycees.org**



NOTICE . . . NOTICE . . . NOTICE

Executive Board Meetings

*Will meet before
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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.

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

Membership & Growth . . .

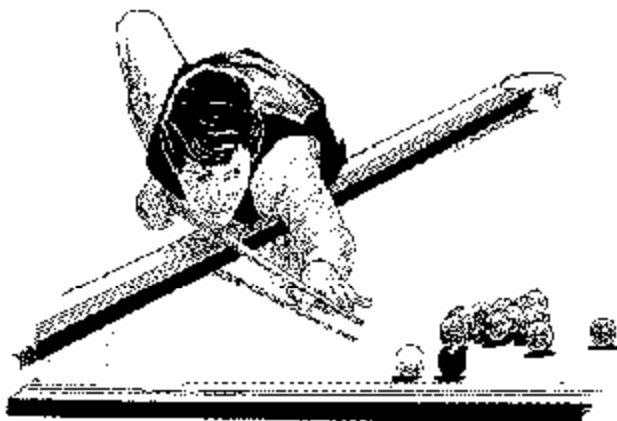
Let's Shoot Pool!!

Come join us for a Pool Party in February! That's billiards of course.

We will meet at Big John Billiards, located at 399 Sun Valley Boulevard at 7 p.m. Saturday, February 16. First hour of play on the table will be paid for.

Bring a guest and show of your pool shooting skills.

Lea Alderman
Membership Director
416-1793



FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Join us for another fun filled FAC. Bring your singing voice because this month's establishment has Karaoke!

What's it called? FAC

Day and Date: Friday, Feb. 22

Time: 5:00 p.m. to whenever

Location: Randy's Grill and Chill,
 48th and Holdrege

Cost: Whatever your willing to spend.

For more information, contact Lea Alderman at 416-1793.

Brian Ficke
Chair

COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AGAIN

Hey, how's it going? Do you have ideas for the convention that Lincoln is hosting? Jill Marshall is my co-chair. Feel free to talk to either one of us about it.

We need each and every one of you to help out. What will you get? Lots of things! Incentives. Rewards. Prizes. Awards. Trinkets. And other cool stuff.

Help us with promotion at the North Platte convention and you will be richly rewarded! Talk to me about signing up to work in the hospitality room. It's not your father's convention. Or is it?

We are meeting the first Monday of each month. The next two meetings are: Monday, Feb. 4th, and Monday, March 4th.

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Howard Johnson Inn, meet in Al's Oasis (the lounge), 52nd and Cornhusker.

Hungry? :

Try daVinci's at 6:00 p.m., or have it delivered to the lounge

You'll want to mark your calendar. We are hosting the May/June Convention for the whole State of Nebraska. The dates are: Friday, May 31, through Sunday, June 2.

This convention marks the end of the First Triad for the year 2002 and we will be celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Nebraska Jaycees. Can you say PARTY?!

Melissa Sanny
Membership and Growth Director
melissa@lincolnjaycees.org



"Vision is seeing tomorrow so powerfully that it shapes today".

Author Unknown

Individual Development . . .

DID YOU KNOW THAT??

If you didn't make it to the January General Membership Meeting, you definitely missed out on the fun! Especially with Individual Development asking a simple question that resulted in a TON (how many pounds it that?) of great ideas for projects. How to watch and improve your health and monthly tours of local industry were a couple of the outstanding ideas.

I definitely would love to allow our chapter to enjoy these projects, yet I (and the other areas) need COOL general members LIKE YOU to help organize these projects. Give me a call and let me know what you're interested in discovering.

I would like to thank two great young ladies that have done a tremendous job organizing great projects.

Janet Oenbring has us eating at some great Lincoln establishments with the Sunday Supper Club.

The opportunity for each of us to spend time with the Lord at an area church has been organized by our spiritual 2002 **Chaplain Rachel Rezabek**.

I would like to end with a note that ID will be in charge of this year's Spike's sand volleyball league. If you'd like to be on a team or a captain, let me know before the end of March.

Steve Strong

Individual Development President
steve@lincolnjaycees.org

SUPPER CLUB 2002

What is for supper this month? We will be meeting for dinner at 6 p.m. Sunday, February 17th at Beacon Hills Restaurant located at 5353 N. 27th St. (27th and Folkways Boulevard, 10 blocks north of Superior St., located on the south end of Country Inn and Suites)

I have started a list of restaurants that we may go to this year. If you have any suggestions, let IDVP Steve Strong or I know. You will need to sign-up at the GMM or give me a call the Friday before the chosen Sunday, so I can call in reservations. RSVP by Friday, February 15.

Janet Oenbring
 483-7197



Church Visitation

Our next church visitation will be on Sunday, February 17. We will be worshipping at Calvary Community Church, which is located at 1st and Superior Streets. Please meet in the foyer at 10:30 a.m. so we can attend the 10:45 a.m. service. This visit was suggested by our very own IDVP, Steve Strong.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me or Steve. Also, if you'd like to join us for a fun meal with friends, we'll plan to dine out somewhere close by after the service.

I do not have a location designated for March, so if you have a suggestion, please let me know. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us as we fill our hearts and minds with God's love!!



God Bless
Rachel Rezabek
 Chaplain

PITCH NIGHT

Friday, Feb. 15th

7 p.m. - ???.

Brian and Michelle Ternus' House
 2141 S. 57th St.



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

Bring your favorite beverage and munchie!

Management Development . . .

Greetings from your 2002 Management Development team – **Director Sara Nelson, Director Tina Schrader** and myself, **Vice President Jane Gustafson**. We are all set for an exciting year, and have a lot of opportunities to offer you in the exciting world of management.

Four of the most important letters found in the word “management” are t, e, a and m. Together, they spell the word TEAM – a concept that we are emphasizing in the management area this year. We have much work to do to help the chapter be successful, and a whole lot of opportunities for learning exactly how much more we can achieve by working together.

To reinforce that team concept, I’d like to thank the team that helped with our **Casino Nights for B & R Stores** on January 4th and 11th. We raised **\$1100** for just a few hours on two nights – Casino Nights are an incredible fund-raiser, and a heck of a lot of fun, too! Thanks go to **Steve Strong, Gene Stoddard** and **Dave Stava** for helping out on both nights, and to **Janet Oenbring, Elizabeth Murphy, Lee McGinnis, Zach Hill, Brian Ternus, Deb Carlson, Art Weiland, Noel Salac, Deirdre Smith, Leslie Webb, Amy Sall, Alex Lewis, Lisa Lewis, Kim Ruwe, Kurt Meyer** and **Robert Rogman** for their help on one night. Thanks also to Chairperson **Candy Hemmer** for setting this opportunity up for us!

Thanks also got out to the talented **Lori Michl** for her efforts in putting together our **Year End/Inaugural Banquet**. It was a memorable night for all (some more than others!) and we really appreciate the effort that Lori puts into it. (Thanks to **Brad Cornelius** for the music too!)

WE HAVE A HOME!

For those of you who haven’t heard, we have an exciting addition to the Lincoln Jaycees this year – a building of our very own!! We have rented the building we used for the haunted house project for the remainder of the year and are very excited about the possibilities this facility gives us. Our own **Alex Lewis** has volunteered to be our **Building Manager** for 2002. Alex has been working hard to whip things into shape in the building, so keep an eye out for the activities he has planned.



One of those activities is a monthly **Haunted House Planning Session/Building Workday**. We have a bit more time to plan our ghostly attractions for **Haunted House 2003**, and have already started working to add new changes and thrills. Look for Alex’s article on this topic for more details – and then join us if you can!

Looking ahead

We are also preparing to host the **2nd Triad State Convention** here in Lincoln on May 31, June 1 and June 2nd. This will be a historic event, because we will be celebrating the **75th Anniversary of the Nebraska Jaycees!** We are hoping for a great turnout, and have many really exciting things planned. If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact co-chairs **Jill Marshall** and **Melissa Sanny**.

On a smaller, but no less important scale, we have several project ideas that we would like to pursue this year, including:

- Learning the Ins and Outs of Income Tax
- Investing, 401Ks and retirement planning
- Glo-Necklace sales at the Relay for Life & 4th of July
- Networking – how to promote yourself and advance your career
- Entrepreneurial Skills
- Resumes, Interviews and Job-Searching Skills
- Computer classes
- How to be an Informed Consumer
- How to Speak in Public without Fear
- And anything else you are interested in!!

If you are interested in helping us put together any of these projects, please contact Tina, Sara or myself and we can get you started! We can all be reached by sending an e-mail to our first name at [lincolnjaycees.org](mailto:jane@lincolnjaycees.org). (for example, Jane is at jane@lincolnjaycees.org)

Wow! We have a pretty amazing year ahead of us – and I haven’t even had a chance to mention some of the cool things planned for future General Membership Meetings (GMMs), or the neat changes that our webmaster Quince Michl has made to our website, www.lincolnjaycees.org. Guess you’ll have to check those two items out on your own so you see firsthand what I’m talking about!

That’s it for this month’s installment from Management Development team. Give us a call and find out how YOU can become part of our winning team – and help out both yourself and your chapter!

Jane Gustafson
Management Development
jane@lincolnjaycees.org

Pull-Tab Challenge

Don't forget to collect the pull-tabs off of canned beverages!!! We will be collecting throughout the year and in December we will count how many pull-tabs are collected and the winner will receive a 12 pack of their choice of beverage.

Please bring your pull-tabs to GMM in a plastic bag with your name on a piece of paper in the bag. All pull-tabs will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House!!

**Jane Kracl
Chair**



Convention Time!

Hey Lincoln Jaycees, it's convention time again. That's right; it's time again for us to show the rest of the state how excited the Lincoln Jaycees can be.

If you haven't made plans yet to attend the North Platte convention, that's OK; because there is still time. The convention will be held February 8, 9 and



10th at the Quality Inn and Suites in North Platte, Nebraska. The Lincoln Jaycees will "GO NATIVE" as we celebrate all the great things that we have accomplished during the past year. With President Lisa's great leadership; I'm sure the Lincoln Jaycees will be bringing home lots of A-wards and P-laques so the more people we

have there the more fun it will be.

Now pack your bags and grab your coolers because it's party time again.

Suggested Convention Attire:

Friday evening - "Trust us were fun shirt"
 Saturday day - "2001 Board Shirt"
 Saturday evening - "Formal attire"
 Saturday dance - "Haunted House or 4th of July shirt"
 Sunday - Excitement "2002 Board shirt or any Lincoln Jaycee shirt"

If you don't have one of the shirts listed above, feel free to substitute any Lincoln Jaycee or Nebraska Jaycee shirt.

Also, we will be promoting the upcoming June convention that we are hosting in Lincoln. We will have a hospitality room on Friday evening and we will need everyone to spend a little time in the room to help promote our convention. For those who may not know, the theme for the June convention is "It's not your dads convention" and to help promote this theme we will be wearing old neckties all weekend long. So if you have any old neckties or can borrow them from your dad, please bring them to convention so we can help build the excitement.

If you have any questions about the North Platte convention or the upcoming convention here in Lincoln, please feel free to give me a call or drop me an email.

Thanks!
In Jaycees,
Gene Stoddard
2002 State Director
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gene@lincolnjaycees.org

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You Got Mail . . .

Looking for team members for the Cancer Relay for Life on June 28th - June 29th. It is going to be a lot of fun. - Janet

Kim - Meet you at the BEACON HILLS on 2/17 at 6 p.m. - A late Valentine's dinner.

Amy - Thank you for helping me write my CPGs. You are AWESOME. - Janet

Deb Carlson and Dave Stava - Thank you so much for bailing us out and helping with Casino Night on the 11th. I know you both had other plans and had to travel into Lincoln at the last minute to help - and it's REALLY appreciated! Jane

Ruwe - I would really like to tease you right now, but I'm giggling so hard that I can't..... Gus

Sara and Tina - Looking forward to a great year. Thanks for stepping up to be Management Development Directors! Jane

Squirrel - You are one organized, helpful furrball. Thanks!
Disorganized Bunny

Brad - I have to be up to at LEAST 50 cents by now..... Little Miss "2 cents worth"

No, no, NO - YOU are the Boo Boo!!

Gopher - Thanks for all the hauling and loading/unloading and driving and everything else you do! Several Grateful Woodlands Creatures

Geek - Why did you let me do this? What the **** was I thinking?? Non-geek

Life giving you lemons? Make whiskey sour!

To my George Bailey - You make mine A Wonderful Life. Thanks for being in it. Your Librarian

Janet - I L N F #2 rules! Get it???

Little buddy - Thanks for all of your hard work. - Skipper

Gene - You are #1 write up! Hope it all works out! #2

Stick-boy - I owe you dinner! I lost our bet! Amy

Membership Goddess - I am glad you are around! You are fun!!! Amy

Amy - I am very passionate about beating Ralston! Kim

Janet - Thanks for organizing Supper Club that is so much fun! Kim

2002 Board - Thanks for all the great input at Board Retreat and sticking through it the whole day. You are awesome! Kim

Julie, Lana, and Donny - Thank-you for coming and helping train the Lincoln board. We really appreciate it.

Jill - Thanks for doing the parade homework.

The Ternus Team - Between Michelle taking notes and Brian knowing Parliamentary procedure we are set! Thanks. Kim

PFG - Thanks for breakfast. Kim

Kim - Great job with local board retreat! Gene

Lisa - You survived! See you at lunch. Gene

Janet and Kathleen - Thanks for all your help with the decorations. Gene

Carol and Mike - Welcome to the Jaycees, have fun! Gene

Happy Birthday Art - How's it feel to be an old fart? Enjoy your retirement. Gene

Art and Lynn - It would be an honor. Thanks. Gene

Amy - Passionately focused on fulfillment of her mission.

Joely - Have you found a notary yet??? J

Now that's it's a new year, are we finished using code names?

MR. X

“A Night Of Stars Hockey”

Lincoln Jaycees with “Starzan”!



*A little fun after the game at P.O. Pear’s!
L-R: Gene Stoddard, Rachel Rezabek, Donny
Kayl (Ralston) and Melissa Sanny.*

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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.



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February 2002

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 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.