

The



Focal Point

December 2003

Have you heard the saying “opportunity knocks”? KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK

Opportunity may knock but it is up to you to get up walk to the door answer the call and take hold of the opportunities that are given to you. As a Jaycees we have many opportunities during the year to learn new things, meet new people, serve the community and have lots of fun doing it. Are you willing to step up to take the leadership of the chapter as an active member, chairperson, or even a member of the Board of Directors? The very easy first step is enclosed in this Focal Point.

We have part 1 of a 2-part chapter survey asking for your input as a member. We do this as we grow as a chapter to decide what projects need to be run each year, as well as help the chapter leadership to get to know each of our members a bit better. You may ask yourself “how else can I become involved?” That’s easy! If you have an idea for a project, just contact one of the members of our board of directors. They are here to help implement the projects you would like to see run throughout the year. However, just like opportunity knocking on the door, you do need to take a bit of initiative to let us know what you would like to see.



Just a reminder that the December GMM will not be held at the Engine House Cafe. We will be at our new location at P.O. Pears located at 9th & M Streets downtown Lincoln. You can choose from their full order of great Hamburgers, Hot wings, and many other great items as well as cheap drink prices for our monthly After GMM social. So see you at GMM this month at the World Famous P.O. Pears.

Brad Cornelius
450-5505



**New
Location**

December General Membership Meeting (GMM)

December 3, 2003 at 7:00 pm
World Famous PO Pears Restaurant
332 South 9th Street
(parking meters only monitored until 6pm)
Contact: Gene Stoddard, 432-4569

It's a Happy Holidays FAC!

Let's head to the south end of our fine city so we can scope out yet another new establishment. We'll enjoy some food and some beverages.

Day and Date: Friday, December 12th
Time: 4:30 PM until ?
Location: Heidelberg's South,
16th and Old Cheney, behind the bp gas station
Chairperson - Melissa Sanny - melissa@lincolnjaycees.org

December Pitch Night

This month's December Pitch night will be held on:

Saturday December 20, 2003 at 7:00
At Christy Eureka's house.
4701 S. 56th Street 484-7351 or 499-5381

Please join us for 10-point pitch. If you would like to learn how to play please be there at 7:00. Bring a friend to join in the fun. BYOB and please bring your favorite snack to share. If you would like to host a Pitch Party please contact me: Jenny Seamans 770-1184.

Any questions me let me know, we look forward to seeing you on Saturday night.

Jenny Seamans



Year-End Banquet / Inaugural

The first of the year is on it's way. It is time to celebrate our success of the last year. Our annual Inaugural Banquet will be coming up the end of January. As the planning rolls forward, I want to ask for your help.

We want to put together a slide show to celebrate the past year. We would like photos you have taken at events and conventions this past year. We would prefer digital pictures via e-mail but appreciate any photos you have. If you have pictures, please contact one of us and we'll arrange to get them from you to scan then return to you. Thank you for your help and look for more information on Inaugural in the coming months.

Lea Alderman (416-1793)
& Lynn Weiland (477-0676), Co-Chairs
Send electronic pictures to:
lynn@spiekerfamily.com

Hello everyone. My year as your community development director is coming to an end. Thank you to everyone who has shown support over the last year. December has some great projects for us. Jody and Jill are working hard on the holiday baskets and the decorating of the state Christmas tree. You can get more information on these projects in their articles. Another great project we have this month is Junior Achievement Judging. This will be held on December 13 at 8:00 a.m. I already have 2 judges for this event, but I could use 2 more. If you are interested in this, you can contact me by email or call me.

Kendra Werth
kendra@lincolnjaycees.org, 770-4219



Jaycees Christmas Families 2003

The Holiday season is approaching quickly! The Jaycees will be "adopting" 8 families this year to help them celebrate the Holiday Season. Each family will receive a food basket, and gifts for the children.

We will need Jaycee members to help with the shopping, for food and gifts, and wrapping. We know the Holiday Season is very busy for each one of you! We hope that you can find the time to help out and help bring some Christmas Joy to others.

A special thanks to Art Weiland who helped us find families! We appreciate all your help! Thanks!

Jodi Kroeker and Jill Smith

State Capitol Christmas Tree Lighting

Are you ready to help Lincoln get in the holiday spirit? Then come to the Christmas Tree Lighting at the Capitol on Sunday, December 7th. The event starts at 2:00 pm, but that day we will need several ushers to help hand out programs, candy canes and help Santa while he visits with the children one hour prior to the start. Nebraska Jaycee President Deb Ventris will introduce the Governor at this year's program.



Also, on December 4th, a group of children will be decorating the tree (mainly the lower half) and adult supervision would be helpful. We will be providing the children some snacks and drinks. If you are interested in supplying cookies/cupcakes or a beverage please let me know. If you are able to attend on the 4th, we will be decorating the tree starting at 6:30 pm so please stop by or let me know ahead of time that you will be in attendance. The children decorating the tree this year are K-Kids, a group of fourth and fifth grade students who are leaders in their school.

So, if you like to decorate or see kids smile when you give them candy, then I hope to see your name on the sign-up sheets for these activities. Please call me at 477-5904 (home) or e-mail me at jksmith@lps.org if you will be able to help at 6:30 pm on Thursday, December 4th and/or Sunday, December 7th at 1:00 pm. Both times it will not last long and your help would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,
Jill Smith and Jodi Kroeker

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 GMM at PO Pears	4 Tree Decorating	5 FAC:	6 Annual Planning Session:
7 Tree Lighting	8	9	10	11	12 Heidelbergs South	13
14	15	16	17 Board Meeting Calling Night	18	19	20 Articles Due Pitch Night
21	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26	27
28	29	30	31 New Years' Eve	1 New Years' Day	2	3

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GMM at PO Pears - Dec. 3rd at 7 pm