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# The Focal Point

Lincoln Jaycees



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## From Your President...

Hello Lincoln Jaycees! 2008 is off to a great start and as we reach the second month of the year our momentum is gaining. The weather may be cold, but in true Nebraska spirit, it isn't stopping us.

First-off, I want to take a minute to thank you for the honor of serving as your president during this year. I am excited about this role and look forward to working with the entire chapter in a number of areas during this upcoming year. You have elected a great group of board members this year as well, and I congratulate them for stepping forward and embracing this new opportunity to lead, learn and develop new skills.

On behalf of the board, and the entire chapter, I express thanks and gratitude to Past President (and current Chairman of the Board) Chris Peters for her leadership and dedication over the past two years. She has kept the chapter going strong, encouraged everyone to participate in activities, and made some innovative changes that position the chapter for success in the coming years. Her organizational skills, devotion to the chapter and ability to handle whatever task was thrown at her have been impressive, and I only hope I can do my best to walk in her footsteps. (Thanks also to Ed for sharing Chris with us!)

Chris has left the chapter on solid ground, both financially and in terms of a good, solid membership. This is an invaluable foundation to build from; we now get to be the architects of our future and our next achievements. And there is nowhere to go but up!

For the Lincoln Jaycees, 2008 is a year of opportunity. We are a small, but mighty, crew. Among us lies a great amount of talent, however, and I firmly believe there is no limit to what we can accomplish in the coming year. I have to confess that one of the most exciting and enticing aspects of being a Jaycee, to me, is the ongoing chance to learn – to meet new people and learn about them, to learn new things and new skills, and to learn more about our community. So my goal is to make 2008 a year of learning – about ourselves, about our community and about our world.

What would you like to learn? Have you always wanted to be a more confident speaker, to know how to negotiate the best price on a major purchase, or how to get more involved in the Lincoln community? Or maybe you'd like to learn to do something creative, to find out more things to do in Nebraska or even how to pick out a good bottle of wine. No matter what subject you would like to learn about, chances are someone else in the chapter is interested too.

So I encourage you to join me in making 2008 a "Year to Learn!" Think about things you'd like to know, then contact someone else – another member, a board member, ME – about it. Your 2008 Board is working to put together a calendar of activities for the coming year, and would love ideas for projects YOU are interested in. From learning how to mix drinks to learning about other volunteer groups to learning how to fish – we are open for ideas, and can help in any way needed.

Remember: there is nowhere to go but up! Raise your hand up and let us know what you would like to learn about, learn to do, or get involved with. The Lincoln Jaycees are ready to make 2008 a year to remember.....and it's up to you to join in with us!

In Jaycees,

Jane Gustafson  
Lincoln Jaycees President



**March Focal Point Articles & Personals Due February 21st to  
[newsletter@lincolnjaycees.org](mailto:newsletter@lincolnjaycees.org)**



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## Jaycee Creed

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;

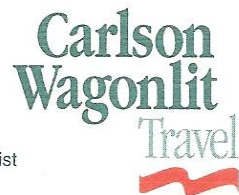
That government should be of laws rather than men;

That Earth's greatest treasure lies in human personality;

And that service to humanity is the best work of life.

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# FEBRURAY 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Casino Night TWC @ Cornhusker
3	4	5	6 GMM at Brewsky's 7 pm	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 	15 Casino Night Dept. Of Roads	16 Inaugural
17	18	19	20 Board Meet- ing at 6 pm	21	22 Game Night at Chris Peters'	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	

**February Birthdays: Maura Tolzin, Steve McMasters, Chris Peters and Philip Webb**

**Coming in March: Supershooters, Friday Afternoon Club**

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## Personals...

- ◇ Chris — Thanks for all your hard work the past couple years. Enjoy some rest....'cause I'll be calling your for advice! Jane
- ◇ KiKi — Can't wait to see what fun ID projects you come up with! Dina
- ◇ Congratulations Rebecca Wheeler for becoming the new Focal Point editor!
- ◇ Congratulations 2008 Board! I look forward to working with all of you! Jane
- ◇ Lonely bunny seeks bear for participation in chapter projects..... Must have kittens.....
- ◇ Favorite overheard comment during a January project:  
"Well, we could go to Coldstone...."  
"Hey – great! Oh sh\*\*, I can't have dairy!"

"Movin' on up"

## Director

As the chapter historian, I would like to have at each meeting a scrapbook with information about our past projects & achievements, and lots of pictures. I would like to show all the current, past and future JC's, how WONDERFUL the Lincoln JC's are, and how much FUN we have. Now comes the hard part...well not that hard, **I need everyone's help!** Newspaper clippings, pictures, and anything else that you think would be neat to have in the book that Jaycee's can look at in years to come and see what they as a team can achieve. As a team we can keep the JC history alive. Please call or email me at [cinatwood@hotmail.com](mailto:cinatwood@hotmail.com) or 402-304-3402 if you have questions or ideas the more ideas the more history we have to pass on.

Thank you very much.

Cindee Lighthall

Come hang out!

Join us for February's social event:

Friday, February 22nd, 7:30

Chris & Ed's—3311 Apple Street

Pitch and the "Friends" version of Scene It!

Bring a munchie to share, & your own drink



### 2008 Inaugural Being Planned

Plans are underway for Lincoln's 2008 Inaugural. Some details are still pending, but the date is set for February 16<sup>th</sup>. Watch our website ([www.lincolnjaycees.org](http://www.lincolnjaycees.org)) for more information on this fun event.

## *Individual Development News*

Hello Members,

It is written in the "USJC The Book", the IDVP is the leader in "MEMBER ADVANCEMENT". So, we need to run projects this year which meet YOUR needs. First, we need to know what your needs are. Second, we need to decide together how to fulfill them. Third, we need to plan the projects that make you happy!

There are three areas of focus - Professional Development, Personal Development and Family Centered - and some ideas for projects. Please let me know if YOU would like to help put one of them on our calendar this year.

Mix-It Up, Wine Tasting, Beer Tasting (at a business or at someone's home)

Progressive Dinner, Dine at a new restaurant, Cooking or Baking class

Glow Bowling, Miniature golf, Self-Defense

Learn a new board/card game, Billiards Pool, Air Hockey, Foosball, Darts

Scrap booking, Card Making, Jewelry designing, Origami, Napkin

Folding, Paint Yourself Silly

Shopping tips – food, clothes, personal items, antiques, thrifty places, electronics, etc

Organizing tips – home, personal, etc.

Business tour, Haymarket tour, Lincoln tour, Out-of-town tour

Job tips – Resume and Cover Letter Writing, Searches, Networking, Interviewing, and Career choices

Health tips – Nutrition, Exercise, Screenings, Supplements, Alternative care

Do YOU have a unique talent you could share with us? Is there a friend, relative, co-worker who has a special talent they could share with us? We would like to use the talents and connections of our members and the people they know. Let me know if you or if you know someone who would be willing to come to GMM and speak on a topic or plan a future day for a project.

Together we can learn how to advance through this year and develop as individuals!

Janet Oenbring, IDVP

## *Community Development News*

Happy New Year Lincoln Jaycees!

I'm very excited to be serving as your 2008 Community Vice President and I hope you're ready to have some fun this year! We've already got some fun things planned for the first quarter including the Junior Achievement Bowl-A-Thon and Super Shooters coming up in February and the annual Bulldog Basketball face-off in March. I'll be looking for members to get involved and I hope you will one of them!

If you're interested in helping to organize any of these events, please contact me or see me at GMM in February. Here's to an exciting new year full of possibilities!

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**February General Membership Meeting**

Wednesday **February 6, 2007**, at 7:00pm  
**Brewsky's Basement in the Haymarket**

Guests are invited to attend.  
Wait staff will not be available during the meeting,  
so come early to eat and order your drinks.