

Words From President Joyce...

Hello Life Member Family!

Let me begin by saying that this is not the year I had planned! And I'm sure you can say the exact same thing. The Pandemic caught us in a new and challenging situation that none of us had experienced before. We were forced to make tough decisions while only guessing what the future would hold.

I was so happy with the way this year was going before the virus. My goals were to have more events for the membership, to bring in 5 new Life Members, to have better communication for our membership, to forge a better relationship with the Jaycees and do what we could to help them.

We had a good start and welcomed 3 new Life Members and plans were in the works for 2 more. Next year!

We reached out to the Jaycees offering assistance and they graciously accepted. We were even able to provide them with a great lunch at our last meeting and they were very appreciative. My thanks to Lee and all who helped in the preparations of the lunches.

Our newsletter, Facebook page, web site, and List serve have been excellent for communication and the FB page is getting a lot of attention.

The first casualty of the virus was our Regional Lunch event. I want to thank all of those who stepped up to host a lunch and I hope that we can do them once the Pandemic is over.

Another great event was going to be the Wine Tour hosted by Ruth Ann Bates. Ruth Ann had worked so hard planning this event and I am very sorry that it had to be cancelled. I hope Ruth Ann will be willing to try again in the future.

And then there was our joint meeting with the Senate May 1st-3rd at Mountain Lake. We worked for months on the plans for this event and it was a difficult decision to cancel. The great news is that the Senate has agreed to let us host the May 2021 joint meeting and we'll be having it at Mountain Lake!

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2020 Upcoming Events:

- *Virtual Meeting & 2020-2021 Board Elections—June 13, 2020 at 7pm*



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At our last meeting in Virginia Beach we were able to raise \$500 by passing the hat in honor of Skip Hilton to give to the 2 recipients of the JCI Senate Scholarships. I had the honor of serving on the judging committee and it was a humbling task. All of the applicants were amazing and very deserving. The Virginia Jaycees Foundation was gracious enough to match our donation so that the two recipients received \$500 each.

One of my favorite traditions at our meetings is saying the Jaycee Creed. It inspires me and gives me such pride for all it stands for. I led the Jaycee Creed at the funerals of 3 Life Members during my term this year. I reflected on the service and contribution made by each of these individuals as I said it. Tears flowed as we said those words and said our good-byes to our friends.

Before I close there are some folks that I need to thank for their support and help. Senate President Sabitha and I were able to forge a great working relationship this year. We kept the communication open between the two organizations and shored each other up when times were tough. Thank you Sabitha!

Next is our Board. I was so fortunate to have a full board to start the year and they went right to work! They were eager to do what needed to be done, what was best for our organization without complaint, and answer my numerous emails. I will never forget the contribution they made to our organization!

I have something for each of the Board Members when we are able to get together in person again. I value each and every one of you!!! Thank you for being on this roller coaster with me!

And last but not least are you the members! Thank you for your support and enthusiasm. I received some of the nicest messages both at the start of the year and during this pandemic. You give this organization your experience, your enthusiasm, and purpose. You'll never know just how much you mean to me. You are my family!

Our Communications VP will be setting up a webinar/conference call for us on June 13th at 7 PM to hold our elections for the 2020-21 Officers. She will be giving us instruction on just how this will happen. Please remember that you must be current on your 20-21 dues in order to vote. More on that in the Treasurer's report.

I so look forward to being able to see and hug my LMA friends again. I promise to work hard as Chairman of the Board and support our new officers! Thank you for allowing me to be your President. Let's have a great 2020-21!

Yours in the LMA F.A.M.I.L.Y.,

Joyce Cooke, President 2019-2020



Roz Goin, Management Vice President

Well, who would have thought that when we were together in Virginia Beach in February that we would not be able to meet in May . I hope that all of you have hunkered down at home and are staying safe and healthy. You are too wonderful to put yourself in jeopardy.

This year has flown by and soon a new set of officers will take the helm. Let's keep our fingers crossed that their year will be a whole lot less eventful. I just pray that I'll be able to figure out how to connect, login, whatever it is so I can vote. You know I'm not very technical.

Needless to say I haven't searched out any more information about our "family" cruise next summer. Please let me know if there is still interest and if you have any particular requests. So far only one person has shared a preference. Even though I won't be the Management VP next year, I will still be glad to look into the trip--if we're brave enough to go.

Keep your spirits up and your butt at home.

Love you all,
Momma Roz, Management VP



Bill Duncan, Membership Vice President

We hope you all had a good past year despite of the ongoing coronavirus outbreak.


Be creative as who you would like to nominate from your chapter to be the next Virginia Jaycees Life Member, and it can be either from a current chapter or even a chapter that now no longer exists. Contact me or Sam Goin if you're interested.

And I'll be running for Membership VP again this year! And that means I would like to see LMA membership go nowhere but UP!



And if you missed either the regional lunches or the annual wine tour from earlier this year, don't worry! All were cancelled due to the coronavirus outbreak.

And don't forget about our annual getaway to Chincoteague this October, should the virus lets up by then. Stay safe and let's hope we get over the virus!

Bill Duncan, Membership VP



Life Member Number _____

 THE VIRGINIA JAYCEES
LIFE MEMBER APPLICATION 
(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE CLEARLY)

Prospective Life Member (Full name) _____

Chapter _____

Nominee's Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Spouse's Name _____ Number of Children _____

Nominee's Date of Birth _____ E-mail Address _____

Date Nominee Joined Virginia Jaycees _____

District _____ Region _____

How should nominee's name be listed on name badge? _____

Sean Murphy, Chairman of the Board

It is that time of year again when we say goodbye to the leaders who have guided us through the last year and welcome those individuals who will lead us in the coming year. We are ever so grateful to the individuals who helped us navigate what has turned out to be a very interesting year for the Life Member Association membership. A huge thank you to President Joyce and all the other officers who gave their time and talents to help keep the Life Member Association thriving through all the uncertainty.

As the year comes to a close we now have the task of electing those individuals who will help guide us through the coming year. We are lucky in that some members have stepped up to take on positions in the Life Member Association. Those individuals and the position they are a candidate for are as follows:



- ⇒ **President- Lin Martin**
- ⇒ **Communications VP-Christina Brunner**
- ⇒ **Membership VP-Bill Duncan**
- ⇒ **Treasurer-Chris Williamson**
- ⇒ **Hospitality and Products-Lee Wolfe**
- ⇒ **Website-Rob Cooke**
- ⇒ **Chairman of the Board-Joyce Cooke**
- ⇒ *We still need someone to fill the position of Management VP and Secretary.*

If you would be willing to take on either of these positions please let me know . Normally we would hold the election of officers at the Spring meeting. However, with all the restrictions due to COVID-19 we will need to find an alternate method for holding elections. Details on the modified election process will be sent to the membership.

God bless to all of you and stay safe. Hope to see you soon.

Regards,
Sean Murphy, Chairman of the Board

Sam Goin, Liaison

Hello Life Members,

I hope everyone is safe and healthy. Needless to say we have not had any local presentations. We do have one in the works for when we are back to as normal as we're going to be.

Please continue to think of Jaycees, past or present, that are deserving of this honor. It would be great to have a huge presentation ceremony. Miss you and look forward to seeing you soon.

Thanks and stay safe,
Sam Goin, Liaison

Christina Brunner, Communications VP

I hope everyone is doing well! How's everyone doing on Level 5 of Jumanji?! Whoever started this game, FINISH IT NOW. LOL

I know I usually don't write a long article for the newsletter, so I apologize in advance. As the resident geek, I've got a lot tech stuff to share this go round. We definitely need to adapt during these trying times and thank you for your patience and understanding while we come up with creative work-arounds!

The Listserve is running well and I haven't had any complaints.

The [Facebook page](#) is active. If you're on the Facebook page, you'll see the random Sunshine posts. They're just funny little memes/jokes/whatevers to brighten your day. President Joyce has been posting baby picture contests as well.

As you've read, our Spring Meeting and Board elections will be held virtually to keep everyone safe. I've reviewed various programs and decided to use the program I utilize at work—GoToMeeting. We can have up to 150 members, you can stream your webcam (or not), you can view via your cell phone, computer or tablet (or not), or you can just listen in via the Conference call feature. I think it will allow for the greatest flexibility to all LMA members to be included based on their technology needs.



Virginia Jaycees Life Member Virtual Meeting & Board Elections June 13th, 2020, 7:00 pm

Our virtual meeting will start PROMPTLY at 7 pm on Saturday, June 13, 2020. I will open the meeting at 6:30 pm so everyone can have time to get situated and visit prior to the meeting. I will also leave the meeting open for people to visit once all business has been completed. Please be sure to download the application to your device prior to the 13th. If you have any issues, please feel free to contact me...but please don't wait until the last second!

The information on the meeting is below and I will also send out reminder emails/calendar invites/Facebook events leading up to the meeting.

GoToMeeting Link:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/667005189>

You can also dial in using your phone.

United States: +1 (571) 317-3122, Access Code: 667-005-189

Stay well and I'll "see" you on the 13th.

Warmest Regards,
Christina Brunner, Communications VP

Art Esenberg, Treasurer

TREASURERS REPORT AS OF May 10, 2020

Checking Account Balance	\$4,928.33
Interest Rate on Checking	.01%
Savings Account Balance	\$7,376.87
Interest Rate on Savings	.01%
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,079.63
Interest Rate on Deposit	0.30 %

Our current paid membership is 66.
The paid membership for next year (June 2020 thru May 2021) is 46. Please see the attached list for those who have already paid their dues. If you are not on the list please fill out the Membership renewal form and send it to me along with your check.

I hope everyone is well and I look forward to seeing you all when this lock down is over and we will be able to have a meeting. Stay Safe, Stay at home, and Stay Well.

Art Esenberg, LMA Treasurer

Virginia Jaycees Life Member Association Renewal Form 2020-2021

Dear Fellow Life Member,

The Virginia Jaycees Life Member Association's fiscal year is June 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020. **All members are up for renewal as of June 1 every year.**

At the May 2017 meeting, the board voted to change the LMA's two-tier dues structure to a single tier, so dues for the upcoming fiscal year 2020 - 2021 are **\$40 per year**. Your renewal entitles you to vote in elections, serve on the LMA board, and provides full access to the LMA suite at all Membership meetings.

The Life Member Association is continuing its efforts to reconnect with all Life Members. If you know of any member who has lost contact with us or if you would like to help with this effort, please let us know.

PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Mobile Phone _____ Spouse Name _____
Email Address _____
LMA # _____ Chapter _____

Please mail completed form and your renewal check payable "Virginia Jaycees Life Member Association" to:

Art Esenberg, Treasurer
1353 Stonecypther Court
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23464
757-467-2945 home
jci26704@verizon.net

Thank you for renewing your membership!

Reminder: Your renewal is due annually June 1; dues are \$40 per person.

Lin Martin, Secretary



The minutes from the February 15, 2020 meeting (Virginia Beach, VA) are now available. Please see the attachment in the Newsletter email.

Sincerely,
Lin Martin, Secretary

Lee Wolfe, Hospitality and Products

Well, folks, I'd like to say Happy Spring and that it was a pleasure seeing everyone at Mountain Lake Lodge, but with all this "C-word" mess going on, I don't know if I can really say that! However, like everyone else says and believes, this too shall pass, and we'll come out the other side stronger and better for it. I just love the meme that's been on FB that says: "Now that we've learned to wash our hands, tomorrow we will work on colors and shapes"!

It's been a pleasure to once again serve as your Hospitality coordinator, and looking forward to seeing potential new faces on the board for 2020-2021. Good luck to all of you!

Stay safe and healthy, and much love to you all!

Lee Wolfe, Hospitality and Products

Vanessa Kinsley, Chaplain

From the Pray Book of Chaplain Vanessa.....

May your family be protected from harm, misfortune and sadness. May we enjoy the privilege of spending time together to share joy, celebrate happy occasions and to be there for each other when there is need for comfort. May good health prevail and may there be ever-present faith in God's mercy and grace.

As we shelter in place during this Covid-19 situation, let us all maintain good health, a positive mental outlook and continue to keep social distancing in the front of our minds for as long as is necessary.

I would like to take this time to wish all those who will celebrate a birthday or a anniversary during May or June Best Wishes, we hope you have many more and that we will all be together for the next one.

Until we can be together again,
Take care and may God bless.

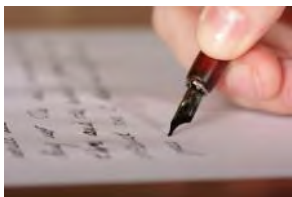
Vanessa Kinsley, Chaplain

Jennifer Reby, Listserve

Hello,

How's everybody coping? Had enough puzzles, television, reading, cooking, home-schooling, or spring cleaning? I really missed seeing my Jaycee family and catching-up at Mountain Lake Lodge. We are all trying to stay socially connected during this quarantine. With family or alone, we all need to check on each other. Please call, text or email your circle. If you prefer low-tech, engage in the lost art of hand-written letters. If you prefer high-tech, participate in a Zoom conversation. It is so cool to "eye-ball" friends and family during a video chat. You still have the opportunity to meet new people, learn and share new experiences if it's a group conversation. Thanks to Zoom, I have witnessed amazing orchestral performances, vocal concerts, interesting dialogues and even a script-reading by the original cast of "The Nanny." It's been fun peeking into participants' personal space, with the occasional pet or family member appearing on-screen. Plus, you can have fun with the virtual backgrounds! The important detail is that quarantine does not equal social isolation if we make the effort to engage in some form of conversation. Please be careful, protect your health, be patient with others and know that we will get through this together. Until we meet again...

Jennifer Reby, Listserve

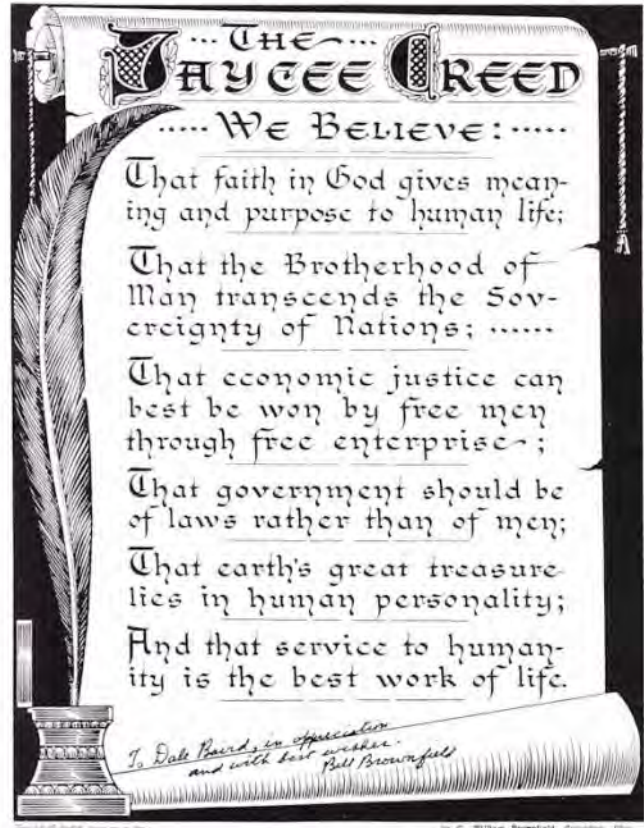




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