



The Charge!

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Santa Claus Secret Identity Revealed

On December 20, 1998, a secret identity of **Santa Claus** was discovered. The discovery was accidentally made when the members of the Peoria Jaycees conducted its annual Santa Visits the Kids project, where members visit area hospitals and underprivileged children's facilities to distribute Christmas toys. The first stop was at Methodist Hospital in Peoria, where members **Clayton Hoffman, Dubby Janosov, Bob Klannukarn, Stan Munton, Rick Owens** and **Cindy Schwerer** proceeded to visit kids in the pediatrics ward. It was at this time when Munton told the others he had to excuse himself to go check on something. "I remember it was a pretty cheesy excuse," recalled Cindy Schwerer, "but then I heard him mumble something like 'This looks like a job for Santa Claus.'"

Klannukarn claimed to see Munton enter a phone booth, with Santa Claus emerging only seconds later. "I really wasn't paying much attention. I just thought Stan need to use the phone" Klannukarn testified, "but what really got my attention was when I saw a jolly, fat, bearded man in a red outfit stumble and fall out of the phone booth, it made me think... wasn't Stan in there?"

The revelation was then made that Stan Munton is Santa Claus! The group kept Santa's secret in confidence until a reporter for the renowned periodical, *The Charge!* broke the story to the press. But for the time being, the group made their rounds, giving toys to kids. The project only saw a few incidents that included Santa unexpectedly scaring a couple of children and, disguised as mild mannered Stan Munton, was not allowed to enter the Children's Home of Peoria to do Santa's job.

With the inability to distribute gifts to the kids at Children's Home, a surplus of toys was left remaining. Santa and his Jaycee helpers then visited the Amvets Post #64 in downtown Peoria where they were putting together their Christmas baskets. He donated the remaining toys to the Amvets and to Toys for Tots. Later, a team of reindeer and a sleigh arrived on Monroe St. in front of the Amvets. Santa got into the sleigh, waved at everyone and said "Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night! Up, Up and Away, Rudolph!"

Jaycees Remember Elvis' Birthday

A group of Jaycees took part in a remembrance of **Elvis Presley** last January 8th in honor of the rock legend's birthday. It had started at Sulley's in downtown Peoria at the Jaycee's monthly happy hour. Several members including **Vicki Aeschleman, Jeff 'Mad Dog' Bilsland, John and Cara Cima, Bob Klannukarn, Kevin Leach, Rick and Beth Owens, Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt, Jeff Ulrich** and **Heather Zech** met at the Peoria drinking establishment. It was Beth Owens who brought up the idea of visiting a saloon in East Peoria called Kingsway East where the feature for the evening was to be Elvis impersonators and Elvis karaoke. The only Jaycee members brave enough to commit themselves to an evening of Elvis impersonators were Bob Klannukarn, Rick and Beth Owens, Jeff Ulrich and Heather Zech.

Upon entering the city limits of East Peoria, the group stopped at a Papa John Pizza outlet to get directions. Minutes later, they arrived at their destination. No more than they stepped into the doorway, Elvis was already on stage. After being carded and ordering a couple of drinks, Rick submitted a request to sing *Little Sister*. While they waited for Rick's turn at karaoke, Beth and Heather were occupied with photographing one of the regular and indigenous bar patron in his underwear. The group became startled when the gentleman and his friend came up and asked "May we dance with your dates?"

After a lengthy wait, Rick got his turn to perform. Despite the fumbling of a couple of lyrics, his performance went well. The rendition of *Little Sister* also got a couple of women on the dance floor, throwing their under garments to the stage. When his performance was over, Rick took a handkerchief and wiped perspiration from his forehead. Rick then said "Thank you! Thank you very much!" gave the handkerchief to one of the women who then proceeded to faint, and left the stage.

When leaving the tavern and heading to the car, the group of Jaycees was mobbed by fans and groupies. Fortunately, they escaped with their lives and personal possessions in tact.

From The Desk of the Most Dangerous Writer in America

By Rick Owens



Party Like It's 9999!

Nineteen ninety-eight is now history and a pleasant memory. It seems hard to imagine it, but I've been editing this newsletter for 3 and a half years. It recently occurred to me that there are only a few members in this chapter who remember someone

else writing this publication. But before I continue to make myself sound old and start another year of *The Charge!*, I would like to reflect on the year past.

Last year has probably been one of the best years I've experienced in the Jaycees. We had a great turn out for the International Beer Festival; saw 10,000 eggs at the Easter Egg Hunt, quality Adopt-A-School projects, a Firecracker 5000 with a new and improved race route and the most successful Haunted House in its 28-year history. Also in 1998, three couples who met in the Peoria Jaycees became married (and I constitute a part of one of those couples).

Nineteen ninety-eight also saw some change in the chapter. The fiscal year was changed to the calendar year on the National level, which prompted us to change our year. I believe there have been wiser decisions made before however.

As the year came to a close, we elected a new board for 1999, which I believe will be the strongest executive board in my time with the Peoria Jaycees. And with that, we are not going to party like it's 1999, we're going to party like it's 9999!

Thus far, the board has formed a chapter plan and budget. We have recruited chairpeople of the Adopt-A-School program and other projects, but most of all, **Bob Klannukarn** has assumed the position of 'keeper of the roster' and everyone turned in a news article this month. Is that progress or what?!

For the people who like to jump on the bandwagon when things run smoothly, now is the time to get involved with the Peoria Jaycees.

Mark Your Calendars

January

Business After Hours; Thursday, January 14, 5-7:00pm, sponsored by PARC - call Jeff Ulrich @ 693-7871

Jaycees Ski Weekend; Weekend of January 15-17, Devil's Head Ski Area, everyone responsible for their own expenses - call Rick Owens @ 243-7319

DSA Banquet; Wednesday, January 20, cocktails 6:30pm, dinner 7:00pm, Barrick's Cater Inn - call John Cima @ 693-0631

Membership Meeting; Thursday, January 21, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Give Blood With The Commander; Friday, January 22, 9:00am, Blood Donation at the American Red Cross, 405 W. John H. Gwynn, Jr Ave. - call Steve West @ 682-7958

Dinner & Movie; Saturday, January 23, VOP's, Junction City in Peoria, 6:30pm, will decide what movie to see after dinner - call Dubby @ 691-6608 or Cindy Schwerer @ 691-5575

Chapter Visitation; Thursday, January 28, Morton Jaycees - call 'Queen' Joann Ziegler @ 689-0051 for details

Super Bowl Party; Sunday, January 31, 3:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria, chili cook-off, dip contest, prizes - call Dubby @ 691-0688 or Theresa Diefendorf @ 693-0054

February

Board Meeting; Thursday, February 4, 6:00pm, RLO World HQ, newsletter articles due - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Praireland Regional; Saturday, February 6, Lincoln, IL - call 'Queen' Joann Ziegler @ 689-0051

Chapter Visitation; Wednesday, February 10, Bloomington Jaycees - call John Cima @ 693-0631 for details

Business After Hours; Thursday, February 11, 5 - 7:00pm, sponsored by Commerce Bank - call Jeff Ulrich @ 693-7871

Illinois Jaycees GA; Weekend of February 12 - 14, Decatur, IL - call Joann Ziegler @ 689-0051 or Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Membership Meeting; Thursday, February 18, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Hockey Night; Saturday, February 20, Mulligan's for happy hour, 6:00pm, game starts 8:00pm; tickets \$9.00 a person; 70's night at Carver Arena - call Dubby @ 691-6608

March

International Beer Festival; Saturday, March 13, volunteers and project sub-chair needed - call Mike Rhodes at 681-9747 or Dan Schmidt @ 682-5432

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Attention! All meetings are open to all Jaycee members, prospective members and the public!



Board Meetings: Held the 1st Thursday of the month, 6:00pm at RLO, Inc.

Membership Meetings: Held the 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00pm at the Amvets Post in downtown Peoria, on the corner of Monroe & Fayette.

Amvets Chicken Tuesdays

Looking for a new lunch idea? Want something other than fast food? Try having some good home cooked fried chicken at the Amvets Post #64 in downtown Peoria.

Every Tuesday at noon, several Jaycee members meet for Sonny's fried chicken and mashed potatoes. Come join the fun in the basement of the Amvets for Chicken Tuesday!

The Amvets Post is located at 237 Monroe St., at the corner of Monroe and Fayette.



Peoria Jaycees Super Bowl Party

- ◆ All Jaycee Members and Prospective Members Invited!
- ◆ Sunday, January 31st
- ◆ 3:00pm - ???
- ◆ Amvets Post #64, 237 Monroe St.

Party Includes:

Chili Cookoff	Dip Contest
Raffles	Prizes
Food & Drinks	Fun!!!

Great Way to Meet New People

For More Information, Call:

Dubby Janosov @ 691-6608
Theresa Diefendorf @ 693-0054

Mail Call!



E-Mail Received:
December 7, 1998

It was heartwarming for me to see the tombstone with my name on it. It means I'm still remembered. Then I looked at the Jaycee Web page and saw **(Brian) Milbrandt's** grave was next to mine. In other words you have desecrated Holy Ground! Retribution will be swift and devastating. You and your families will be forever cursed! I will even come back to haunt you in your dreams...

Pulfer

Dear Friends:

The spirit of sharing continues! Once again, Peoria Amvets Post #64 was able to fill and distribute 60 Christmas baskets to needy families and shut-ins, thanks to your kindness and generosity.

As in years past, the baskets were filled with food for a splendid Christmas dinner, along with a variety of food for several more meals: turkey, potatoes, milk, vegetables, eggs, canned goods, fruit and candy. And of course, Santa made his list, checked it twice and didn't forget the kids! All children received toys.

Your kindness and generosity mean so much to so many people. Thank you!!

Sincerely,
Jack Burdess, Basket Chairman
Peoria Amvets Post #64
Peoria, Illinois

PS: Thank you very much for your generous donations. And all the labor provided last Saturday - "Christmas Basket Day."

Peoria Jaycees 58th Annual Distinguished Service Awards Banquet

Wednesday, January 20, 1999

Barrack's Cater Inn

Cash Bar open 6:30pm

Dinner 7:00pm

\$25 per Person

Dinner Choices Include:

10 oz. Prime Rib
Stuffed Chicken Breast Florentine
Red Snapper Caribbean

RSVP by January 16, 1999:

Call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Community Development *by Shari Owens*

DSA Banquet

The Peoria Jaycees Distinguished Service Awards Banquet is set for Wednesday, January 20, 1999. It will be held at Barrack's Cater Inn on Pioneer Pkwy in Peoria, with cocktails at 6:30 and dinner at 7:00.

The Distinguished Service Award banquet (DSA) is to recognize outstanding young people in our community. Hundreds of nomination forms are sent to area businesses, churches, government offices, not-for-profit organizations and other community leaders requesting nominations for outstanding individuals in our community.

The Peoria Jaycees president, DSA banquet chairpeople and the supervising officer select the winners for each category. These Jaycees members will be presenting the following awards:

Sandy Pearce – Outstanding Young Business Leader
Dan Schmidt – Outstanding Law Enforcement
Mike Buckley - Outstanding Educator
Cara Freehill – Outstanding Healthcare Professional
Rusty Greene will be the Master of Ceremonies

Debra Margetis was last year's Prescott Bloom DSA Award winner and will be presenting the award this year.

If you plan to attend the DSA Banquet, call **Heather Zech** at 274-4035 by Friday, January 18th to reserve a seat. The cost is \$25 per person.

Adopt-A-School

Jeff 'Mad Dog' Bilsland and **Vicki Aeschleman** have volunteered to be the chair people for the Adopt-A-School program for the next year. If you are interested in chairing any of the Adopt-a-School projects or if you have any ideas, please contact them at 682-2897.

Easter Egg Hunt

This year's Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 27, 1999. We are now looking for a chairman for this event. This project is not that difficult to run and can be a fun time! If you are interested, please call **Shari Owens** at 579-3484 or email to squin@rnyps.com.

Community Development Projects

This year, in addition to the money that we donate to charities, I would like us to do more hands-on community service. I am planning one day a month for the Jaycees to do some type of community volunteering. For example: serve food at the South Side Mission or clean the Neighborhood House.

I would also like to schedule meetings with some of our local charitable organizations so we can learn what the organizations do and how they help our community.

If you have any suggestions, please call **Shari Owens** at 579-3484 or email at squin@rnyps.com.

Firecracker 5000

The 17th Annual Firecracker 5000 is on Sunday, July 4, 1999. We are going to try to get a head start on this project and we are currently seeking a chairman for this event. The Firecracker 5000 is a 5-kilometer/3.1 mile footrace in downtown Peoria. If you are interested in chairing, please contact **Shari Owens** at 579-3484 or email at squin@rnyps.com.

Confidential Report From The Z-Files

by Heather Zech



Hello one and all!!!!

The first newsletter article, the pressure!!!! I have been trying to think of some wonderful profound words of wisdom to share in hopes that everyone who reads it will instantly be entranced and transformed into the all-wonderful, "model Jaycee." Jumping off the couch (or where ever you are), running to the nearest phone and calling me saying, "Count me in on everything, What can I do? I am going to run X project." Or Maybe even " Hey, I have this great idea that will help out the community, just recruited ten new members, I have decided to give the Jaycees my home and retirement fund we will finally have that compound, **Art Bell** has decided to be the guest speaker next month."those words have yet to come to me. I am still working on it.

All I could think of is OH MY GOD what have I agreed to?? I'VE SOLD MY SOUL TO THE PEORIA JAYCEES!?

O.K. now on to reality... I think this year seems very promising. We have an enthusiastic Board of Directors and a strong group of active members. Thus far, the board seems to have some great ideas that should increase activity with the members and to reach out to the community. You should see some of these ideas come out at the next membership meeting.

As for the next meeting, I hope to see all of you there. There are a variety of events coming up in the next couple of months. The meeting is how you find out what is happening, why we are doing it and how fun it can be. The more people at the membership meeting, the more fun the meeting can be!

I am really quite excited about the next 12 months and must thank everyone of this opportunity. As this year unfolds, I hope you will notice and participate in the strides that it will make this chapter twice as strong, building towards a focus that will best suit our needs as well as our communities.

Hope to see ya soon!!!
Heather

State Director's Report *by 'Queen' Joann Ziegler*



Hey All!

I hope everyone had a great holiday and safe and happy New Year. I hope everyone has made it out of their house after the first snowstorm of '99. I don't know about anyone else, but I am ready for Spring all ready.

These are the Chapters in our area and when they meet. Right now I am planning this month to stay close because of the weather. I am planning on going to Morton on the fourth Thursday of the month. If anyone would like to go, please give me a call.

Clinton - 4th Wednesday	Galesburg - 2nd Wednesday
Farmington - 2nd Tuesday	Lincoln - 2nd Thursday
Hanna City - 3rd Thursday	Monmouth - 1st Thursday
Macomb Area - 1st Tuesday	Princeville - 1st Tuesday
Morton - 4th Thursday	Washington - 4th Monday
E. Peoria - 3rd Wednesday	Peoria Heights - 2nd Monday
Wyoming - 4th Monday	

If anyone has any input or ideas of where they would like to go, please feel free to let me know. I would appreciate the help or the ideas. Keep in mind, we can also visit projects too and not just meetings!! Get ready to hit the road!!

Illinois Jaycees General Assembly

The Winter GA is fast approaching! It is scheduled to be in Decatur on the weekend of February 12th - 14th. There are currently about a half dozen Peoria Jaycees members planning on attending this event. We have reserved two rooms, however, if there are more of you wanting to attend, please call me at 689-0051 or **Heather Zech** at 274-4035.

Chapter Management *by Jeff Ulrich*

Well here is my first article for this infamous newsletter. I hope that I will be able to keep my articles within the high standards set by *The Charge!* I would like to thank everyone for this opportunity to be of service.

International Beer Fest

The IBF is off to a roaring start. The next meeting will be on January 11, 1999 at 7:00 pm at Jimmy's. Anyone interesting in helping out please attend this meeting. Mike and Dan are still looking for volunteers and sub-chairs so if interested, give them a call (Mike at 681-9747 or Dan at 682-5432).

Business After Hours

The next business after hours will be held at PARC on January 14, 1999. If you are looking for a new job or looking to meet new people, this is the perfect opportunity. Remember you will get out of it what you put in to it. The Business After Hours for February is scheduled for Thursday, February 11th at Commerce Bank.

Individual Development *By Mike Buckley*

Mock Stock

The mock stock contest is in progress. If you haven't entered yet, don't worry, you can still get in. Get your stock selections to **Jeff Ulrich** in writing. Your beginning stock price will be the closing price of the stock on the day Jeff receives your picks.

So far, Mock Stock is off to a slow start with two participants. Due to the rise in the market in the last couple days they are doing very well. **John Cima** is doing very well with E-bay (an Internet auction company) and **Rick Owens** is building his portfolio with Yahoo (an Internet search engine and services company).

Here are some stock tips and advice to help. Stocks are grouped into several categories depending on what type of business they do. For example, IBM is a technology stock and Caterpillar is a capital goods. It is a good idea to make sure that you do not hold only one group of stocks because bad news in that group could affect all of the stocks in your portfolio. Currently technology and health-care are hot stocks with energy (oil) and basic materials (gold, timber) being on the losing end. Just remember that holding stocks in the long term makes changes in a group less important than choosing a good stock.

Income Tax Update

I have arranged for a speaker after the January membership meeting. A tax supervisor from Clifton, Gunderson, LLC will be there to highlight the changes in the tax laws over the last couple of years. He will hit topics such as Roth IRAs, education expense deductions, capital gain, and other areas. He will also be available for specific questions. After attending this meeting, you will learn some tips to save money on your tax bill or increase your refund.

Give Blood With The Commander



'Commander' **Steve West** commands all good Jaycees to come out and donate blood on Friday, January 22nd at 9:00am at the American Red Cross building at 405 W. John H. Gwynn, Jr. Ave. The Peoria Jaycees are members of the Red Cross' Quiet Heroes Club. When donating blood, mention that you are a Jaycee member to receive the credit for your good deed.

The American Red Cross is also in great need of pheresis (fur-EE-sis) donors. Pheresis donors are people who donate only one component of their blood (in this case platelets) instead of regular whole blood. Platelets are collected by the Red Cross to fill a variety of medical needs. Of these needs, the highest percentage of platelets go to treat cancer patients, and of those the highest percentage is for leukemia patients, a common childhood cancer.

For more information, or to set up an appointment if you cannot attend on January 22nd, please call the American Red Cross at 674-7171 or Steve West at 676-5292.

PR Director's Report *by Bob Klannukarn*

What do you say when someone asks you about the Peoria Jaycees? Has anyone ever asked you about the Peoria Jaycees? Probably not. Why? Because, few people know about the positive impact the Peoria Jaycees has in this community. That will change this year! Last month, a press release announcing the new board members was sent out. Guess what? People saw and read it in the newspaper! Don't believe me...just ask **Sandy Pearce, Heather Zech** or **Joann Ziegler** about the attention they receive from it.

If you are chairing a project and want media attention, then please let me know 3-4 weeks in advance of the project so I can send out a press release.

Jaycees Week Proclamation

On January 12, 1999 the Mayor of Peoria will issue a proclamation proclaiming January 17-23, 1999 as Jaycee Week in Peoria. If you cannot attend this event, be sure to listen in on WCBU or watch Channel 22 Public Access.

Membership Report *by Bob Klannukarn*

I won't bore you with..."Hello, my name is Bob and I'm..." Instead, let get this out in the open now. Getting new members is not the job of one person. It's the job of the entire chapter! It's every Jaycee's job to offer other young people the opportunity to become a Jaycee. While the benefits of being a Jaycee will be great, many people will not take advantage of this opportunity. An opportunity to stop complaining about how Peoria doesn't have this or that and become part of the solution. An opportunity to make a positive difference in people lives. An opportunity to be enthusiastic again. An opportunity to have fun. Above all, it's an opportunity to believe in yourself and achieve your dreams.

I turn 31 years old this year and I would like to challenge the entire chapter to recruit 31 new members this year! If the chapter recruits 31 new people, I will shave my head! Yes, you read correctly. I will shave my head. We have to risk something to gain something. Thus, I'm risking my hair and good looks to help YOU gain something. I hope that you will accept my challenge and help make the Peoria Jaycees the organization of choice in the 21st Century for young people in Peoria!!!

February Happy Hour

On February 20, 1999, you have a choice. You can stay home alone and feel terrible or you can come out to C.J. Mulligan's, 4421 N. Sterling Ave at 6:00 p.m. for February's Happy Hour. Even if you don't feel happy that day, we will make you happy. (Yes, that's why it's called Happy Hour!) Afterwards, we will be going to the Peoria Riverman hockey game to have more fun. Hope to see you there!

Social Director's Report *by Dubby*



Mmmmmm! Soup is good food! There's nothing like a bowl of chicken noodle soup to keep you warm during a cold winter. Let me finish up my soup and I'll give you my report. <Slurp!>

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Dinner & Movie

This month's dinner and movie will be at VOP's between 6:30pm and 7:00pm on Saturday, January 23rd. After we eat we will pick a movie to go see. If interested in attending, please call **Dubby** at 691-6608 or **Cindy Schwerer** at 691-5575 so we know how many are going. If the group is large enough, we will probably need to make reservations.

Super Bowl Party

The Peoria Jaycees Annual Super Bowl party will be held on Sunday, January 31st. The festivities will be held at the Amvets Post at 237 Monroe St. in downtown Peoria and will start at 3:00pm. The party will continue until after the game, when ever that will be.

Included at the party will be the annual chili cookoff, dip contest, prizes and so much fun it's just too lengthy to list here. If interested in entering the chili cookoff or the dip contest, simply bring your chili and/or dip to the party and we'll take care of the rest!

And remember, the Super Bowl Party is a great way to meet new people or get acquainted with Jaycee members.

Hockey Night

The Jaycees Hockey Night is scheduled for Saturday, February 20th, with the game starting at 8:00pm. Also, dig out your leisure suit from the moth balls as it's 70's Saturday Night Fever night at Carver Arena. Feel free to dress in your favorite 70's attire!

Tickets are \$9.00 a piece and I have only six left out of 60, so if you don't have one, act quick. We will be meeting at Mulligan's before the game at 6:00pm to eat if you are interested.

Ticket money is due at the next membership meeting on Thursday, January 21st. For more info, please call me at 691-6608.

Congrats!

Congratulations to **Steve** and **Diana Janda** on the arrival of **Nolan Micheal Janda**. Nolan arrived on January 1, 1999 at 11:45pm at 21.5 inches long and 6.13 pounds. Their current address is 164 Swithland Lane, Rothley, Leicestershire, LE7 73F, United Kingdom. Steve and Diana were past members of the Peoria Jaycees.

Top Ten Things On Heather Zech's To Do List

10. Eventually get around to shoveling her driveway.
9. Demand another million dollars to star in *Melrose Place* (Oops, that's Heather Locklear's To Do List)
8. Quit working at JC Penny's... and this time she means it!
7. Program the phone number for the Art Bell radio program on speed dial.
6. Read the book *Jaycee Presidency For Dummies*.
5. Hire some male interns.
4. Two words: More Cake!
3. Renew membership in the Bushy Blonde Hair Club for Women.
2. Get that damn DSA Banquet over with.
1. Bitch about something!

Jaycees Promote King Holiday

In closed door sessions, the executive board of the Peoria Jaycees have been formulating plans to promote a paid national holiday for not the **Rev. Martin Luther King**, but for the King of Rock n Roll, **Elvis Presley**. At a press conference last week, Peoria Jaycees president **Heather Zech** unveiled a plan of petition drives and political rallies to campaign for a paid national holiday after Elvis.

Zech also expressed concern about whether Elvis was still alive. "There have been a number of debates regarding this issue on the **Art Bell** radio program," Zech announced, "and the Jaycees are dedicated to researching this possibility before we proceed with this new holiday campaign." In addition, the Peoria Jaycees have been working with the Graceland Jaycees on this idea and both organizations plan on continued cooperation.

Elvis Presley became an icon of the 20th century by becoming a teen idol in the 1950's with his hip-slinging dancing, selling millions of albums, starring in several movies and legions of look-a-likes, known as Elvis impersonators. Elvis' birthday was this past January 8th. He passed away on August 16, 1977, but had he lived, Elvis would have been sixty-four.

It's A Little Known Fact The Super Bowl

The Super Bowl is an annual championship game of the National Football League (NFL) which is the only major professional football league in the United States. The game is played between the champions of the American Football Conference (AFC) and the National Football Conference (NFC). The Super Bowl is held in January to conclude the NFL season that began the previous year, and it is one of the most popular sports events in the United States.

During the early 1960s there were two major American professional football leagues: the NFL and the American Football League (AFL). The first Super Bowl, held in 1967, was played between the champions of these two leagues. In that game, the Green Bay Packers of the NFL beat the Kansas City Chiefs of the AFL by a score of 35 to 10. However, the championship was not officially called the Super Bowl until 1970, when the two leagues merged to form the modern NFL.

When the current NFL was formed in 1970, certain teams of the former NFL were moved to the AFC, including the Pittsburgh Steelers, which became one of the league's dominant teams during the 1970s. The Steelers, led by quarterback Terry Bradshaw, receiver Lynn Swann, and a powerful defense, won the Super Bowl in 1975, 1976, 1979, and 1980.

During the 1980s the San Francisco 49ers became the NFL's most successful team. Star quarterback **Joe Montana** led the 49ers to Super Bowl victories in 1982, 1985, 1989, and 1990, under the coaching of Bill Walsh in all but the last game, when George Seifert coached the team. During the early 1990s, Super Bowl competition was marked by four consecutive losses by the Buffalo Bills of the AFC, in 1991, 1992, 1993, and 1994. The Dallas Cowboys emerged as one of the league's best teams during this time, winning the 1993 and 1994 Super Bowls. The 49ers won the 1995 Super Bowl, but in the 1996 Super Bowl the Cowboys defeated the Steelers by a score of 27 to 17, becoming the first team to win the game three times in a four-year period.

The 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 Governments Should Be Of Laws Rather Than Of Men;
That Earth's Great Treasure Lies In Human Personality;
And That Service To Humanity Is The Best Work Of Life***

Peoria Jaycees

The 1999 Peoria Jaycees Executive Board

'Queen' Joann Ziegler	Chairman
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Shari Owens	Community Development VP
Bob Klannukarn	Membership VP
Mike Buckley	Individual Development VP
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Laura Buckley	Local Director
Cara Cima	Local Director
Eric 'Crash' Gengler	Local Director
Clayton Hoffman	Local Director
'Dubby' Janosov	Local Director
Mary Owens	Local Director
Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt	Local Director
Cindy Schwerer	Local Director
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