



The Charge!

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Jaycees Escape From The Planet of Terror

It took 4 weeks to build, 14 nights of operation, tens of people worked it, hundreds of people walked through it and only 72 hours to tear it all down. Other than finalizing some billing, the Peoria Jaycees 23rd Annual Haunted House is now nothing but a fond memory (well, at least for some people it's a fond memory). Highlights of this year's Haunted House included a blitz of media on the opening night. While **Lee Ranson** from TV-25 was doing his weather report in the Intro Room, a competing television station (and Haunted House co-sponsor, WHOI-TV) was doing their weather report from the Mad Scientist's chamber. In another promotional event, WEEK-TV was going to do a live broadcast on Halloween morning at 5:00am. Haunted House co-chair **Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt** volunteered to handle this critical public relation duty. For preparation of this important job, Dan slept in the red and rust colored party bus that was parked outside the house. **'Mad Hatter' Jason Arends** also volunteered for this duty, but angrily left the premises at 3:30am for reasons this publication will not disclose.

The Haunted House also hosted the Peoria Jaycees Adopt-A-School students from Blaine-Sumner school and employees from local hospitals for a night of horror. It started off by letting the younger children go through the house with the lights on. But by the end of the night, a total of 25 kids were crying in fear by the time they entered the torture chamber (but just seeing **'Mad Dog' Bilsland** in the torture chamber is enough to scare anyone). On Halloween night, one of the Haunted House's monsters was none other than **Steve 'the Commander' West**, clad in the Dhamer shirt and glow in the dark skeleton mask (even with the mask, it still looked like Steve). But what was even more appropriate was that the Commander, who is renown for his 1970's wardrobe, was running the disco room from Hell.

A large part of manpower for the project was arranged by Dan Schmidt. It consisted of teenagers who were suspected of being on probation and/or expelled from their respective school. Most fitting for a house of this type. However, manpower was not a big problem this year as it has in the past. There were other Jaycee members and local fraternal and sorority organizations getting involved as well.

The Haunted House was co-chaired by **Dennis Owens** and **Dan Schmidt**. The major sponsors of this project were **WWCT Rock 106**, **WHOI-TV 19** and **Heartland Wireless Cable**. The appreciation party for the Haunted House is set for November 23rd.

The Jaycees World Ski Summit

Only 7 people thus far has expressed some interest in a Jackson Hole Ski trip. The trip, which is open to anyone who wishes to go, whether a Jaycee member or not, is set for Saturday, January 25, 1997 to February 1, 1997. **Susan Wilbur** has located a package deal for this odyssey, where the estimated cost is \$900.00 per person. The breakdown of this cost is \$341.92 for airfare, \$321.00 for lodging and \$215.00 for a 5 day lift pass for Jackson Hole, Snow King Mountain and Grand Targee. This package is based on 7 people and includes two hotel rooms. However, in some weird airline ticketing logic, it is cheaper to fly out of Peoria to Jackson Hole and arrive in Chicago than to fly from Chicago to Jackson Hole and back to Chicago. The airline pricing listed here is for the flight out of Peoria. If you are interested in going on this trip, reservations need to be made on November 25th or sooner. Please call **Rick Owens** as soon as possible to reserve your spot in the Jaycees World Ski Summit.

The Charge! Goes On Hiatus

The highly acclaimed newsletter, *The Charge!* will not be published for the month of December. *The Charge!* editor, **Rick Owens**, claimed to be trying to head off 'burnout' from his publishing duties. At the last board meeting, Rick stated that he was getting tired of authoring almost every board member's newsletter piece. "It's a lot harder to write something when you don't know what's going on," Rick said, "that's why in a lot of these cases, I just make this stuff up!" Starting to loose interest in editing the newsletter, Rick decided to take a month off. *The Charge!* will resume publishing in January, 1997.

From The Desk of the Most Dangerous Writer in America

by Rick Owens

Death, taxes and Jaycee board members never turning in newsletter articles are the only sure things in life. By now you have probably heard that there will not be a newsletter published next month. Failure to receive newsletter articles is one reason for this decision.

It is time consuming enough putting a publication like this together, getting copies made and mailing it out, let alone trying to learn what is going on in every board members area of responsibility. With the exception of two board members, I consistently have to author everything myself. Therefore, I end up calling other people, trying to find out information for events that are to happen. This in turn takes up more of my time, as if I'm not busy already with the other Jaycee tasks I've wound up doing, i.e. auditing the books, keeping track of members dues and roster (which shouldn't even be my job) and maintaining the web page.

And board members have no excuse. Deadlines for news articles are announced at board and membership meetings and is posted in this newsletter. There are a variety of ways to turn in these news articles; either by phone, mail, E-Mail, or fax, which is all listed just inches below. Furthermore, board members can just leave a message on my answering machine with only the details and then I can write their article from that. As it stands now, I don't get anything. Is this too much to ask? As you read on, stories and articles in this issue may or may not be from it's posted author. Until next year, I thank you for your support!

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Mark Your Calendars

November

Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours; Thursday, November 14, 5-7:00pm, - call Joann Ziegler

Epicurean Night; Friday, November 15, Caponi's, Toluca, IL, pub crawl to follow after dinner - call Sue Wilbur

Amvets Xmas Basket Presentation; Wednesday, November 20th, 6:00pm, to coincide with Taco/Karaoke night, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call 'Caesar'

Membership Meeting; Thursday, November 21, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call John Cima

Rick Owens' Birthday; Friday, November 22, celebrated by the new *Star Trek* movie and then to Christie's Den for drinks and karaoke - call Rick Owens

Haunted House Appreciation Party; Saturday, November 23rd, at Dennis Owens' house - call Dennis Owens or Dan Schmidt

Wine Tasting/M-Night; Friday, November 29, Jeff Bilsland's residence, learn and taste a variety of different wines and recruit new members - call Jeff Bilsland

December

Board Meeting; Thursday, December 5th, 6:30pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call John Cima

Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours; Thursday, December 12, 5-7:00pm, United States Cellular - call Joann Ziegler

Membership Meeting; Thursday, December 19, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call John Cima

Journal Star Xmas Sing; To Be Announced - call Jeff Bilsland

Haunted House Receipts Due; Thursday, December 19, This is the last day to turn in any unpaid Haunted House receipts for reimbursement, NO EXCEPTIONS - call Cindy Scherer

Santa Visits the Kids; Saturday, December 21, 10:00am, with visits to area hospitals, St. Annes Hall and Guardian Angel Home - call Jeff Bilsland

Jaycees Xmas Party/Secret Santa; Saturday, December 21, 7:00pm, Beth Barr's residence, dress is formal attire - call Beth Barr

Mail Call

Here is the latest mail and E-Mail the Peoria Jaycees have received!



E-Mail sent on 10/15/96 -
Dear Rick,

Let me first say that I always enjoy reading *The Charge*. You have done a fine job as the editor! I always enjoy your wit and humor.

However, it was interesting to see that I landed on a recent top ten list (Top Ten Signs You've Purchased a Bad Date at the Bloomington Jaycees Dates for Dimes). I am writing to set the record straight and prevent any wild rumors from starting or growing.

My date package involved me doing any handyman job for the day with dinner later. **Ethel Bentley** of Young at Heart Introductions purchased me and assigned me the job of helping her secretary finish some work. Her secretary, Wendy, needed help in removing the paint off her garage. With belt sander in hand, I worked hard that day and finished the job to everyone's satisfaction. Afterwards, Wendy and I had dinner at Jim's Steak House. That was it. So, there you have it.

I will admit my "love life is DOA", and I have quite a reputation as the bachelor. However, I hope you take the opportunity to print this letter in the next edition of *The Charge* to preserve the honor of everyone else involved.

Bob Klannukarn
President, Peoria Heights Jaycees

Editor's Note: Bob, try showing a little buttcrack when doing maintenance work in front of the women. Hey, what do you have to lose.

Epicurean Night *by Susan Wilbur*

As of late, the Epicurean Nights were temporarily suspended. However, they are going to start up again on Friday, November 15th. The world famous restaurant of Caponi's in the thriving metropolis of Toluca, IL will be the venue of the next Epicurean Night. There you can dine on excellent Italian cuisine while viewing the panoramic sights of central Illinois. After this wonderful excursion into savory delights, we will begin a pub crawl to the greater drinking establishments to imbibe in the nectar of the Gods... BEER.

John Cima & the Peoria Jaycees,

Thank you for putting me on the mailing list for your newsletter. It sounds like the Peoria Jaycees are having a great time!! I must say, **Rick Owens** does a wonderful job. The stories crack me up. *The Charge* is always entertaining. Keep up the good work.

Wendy L. Copeland
Chaplain, Illinois Jaycees

Take "Charge" of Peoria! What an exciting newsletter. The graphics are great. Keep up the good work.

Thank you so much for the 2 tours of your Haunted House. The technology that went into it is simply amazing. Kevin and I had a 'frightful' time.

Karla Theis
Communication State Chairman

If you have some interesting news or comments you would like to share with readers of *The Charge!*, please mail them to Rick Owens, 1010 Wonderview Dr, Dunlap, IL, 61525 or FAX it in at (309)691-5196 or E-Mail at Clark_Kent@flink.com.



Saloons included on the pub crawl are The Sly Fox in Lacon, Spurs in Sparland, Club 29 near Chillicothe and any other tavern that looks good on the way home.

If you are interested in attending, we will be meeting in the parking lot of Northpoint Plaza shopping center on Knoxville (where Builder's Square and Kroger's is located) at 5:30pm. If you cannot be there at 5:30pm or have trouble finding this place, call me at 685-8365. On the night of the event, you can reach me at my cellular at (309)253-2984.

In December, we are looking at taking the Epicurean crowd to Crooked Waters Brew Pub (notice how these events have one centralized theme... beer). This would have to be early in the month so as to not interfere with the holiday festivities.

Haunted House Reimbursements

**Receipts Due December 19, 1996
or your reimbursement will not be paid!**

State Director's Report by 'Mad Hatter' Jason Arends



A phone call is received at the residence of **Rick Owens**. No one is home and the answering machine picks up. The following message is left on the recorder:

Hey Rick... it's me, your State Director, **Jason Arends**. I have failed miserably this time by not getting you your newsletter article on time. I would have had my newsletter article on time, but I was too busy in the hot tub room at the Club. I hope I can at least phone it in to you and ... (*whispered*) just a minute honey, I'm on the phone... (*sound of smooching is heard*)... yea, if I could give you the info on the phone for my article. (*Sounds of loud music and women giggling is heard throughout the call*) Man, I'm at the Club right now and these women here are hot! Come on down, man!

Anyway, for my report on the Fall Regional, the strip club in San Jose was alright. Twenty dollars goes a long ways down there! And, we have the Fall GA coming up in Springfield. So far, I think **John Cima**, **Kathy Pulfer**, our '**Membership Woman**' and **Heather Zech** are going. I might go, but I'm looking to see if there are any strip clubs down there. If you're interested in going, give me a call at 681-1839 or John Cima at 693-0631.

That's my report... oh yeah... tell that idiot brother of yours I want my hat back! Have a great day!

Membership Report by Dr. Quin, Membership Woman

Who's Due

In November, the following members are due:

Marcia Denton	Rick Owens
Dennis Owens	David Sporrer

In December, the following members will be due:

Don Mitchell	Alan Pennington
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New Members

Please welcome our newest member, **Terry Gavin**. Anyone who was at the Haunted House this year knows who Terry is. He was the guy who helped out a lot.

You know, I thought October was going to be a bad month because some people didn't want to renew and we only recruited one person. Then I learned off the streets and from rumors that there were two other people who joined.

Individual Development by Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt

Haunted House Dynamics

Friends, Romans, Jaycee members... lend my your eyes and read on. We have just completed the 1996 Haunted House, and I think we have learned what it takes to run a successful Haunted House. If anything, we know what it takes to get manpower. I found a whole group of really good kids that helped us out. These kids were really excited about working in the torture room. They got over enthused and smashed a hole in our rack. Also, these kids enjoyed the house so much, they took mementos with them, such as the lock to the front door. And since they were expelled from school, they could stay out later and work the Haunted House. And since they were such good kids, I continued to invite them back. These kids were angels!

Other ID Projects

As I look back on the past 6 months being your IDVP, I have noticed I have done nothing whatsoever in this office. Dennis is right, you look at our meeting agendas and there's nothing posted under Individual Development. And there never will be, this stuff is gay! We always get these speakers that make the membership meetings longer than they should be. That's why I took this position, so I could put an end to it. Long meetings make you weak! I guess what I'm trying to say is "No Report!" So if you're not happy with this, well then 'damn you... damn you to hell!'

Members Past Due

Here is the list of people who are over 30 days overdue on their membership dues...

Sean Apsey	James Barr	Jeff Bilsland
Joe Binder	Alan Bruce	Tom Carrigan
Emily Duncan	Alison Dye	Melissa Flessner
Michael Godar	Dubby	Kristen Kennedy
Rick Kern	Eric Kuntz	Tim Ritterbusch
Mike Safford	Rod Skewes	Jeffrey V. Webber

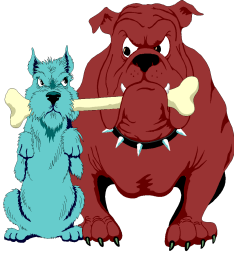
If you have already paid your membership dues or if you thing there is some mistake, please let **Cindy Schwerer** or **Rick Owens** know immediately.

New Members (cont.)

Groovy, huh?! These people are **Cathy Schwerer** (Cindy's sister) and **Marty Lacefield** (I think he had something to do with the Haunted House). See what I get for missing meetings! Anyway, this is my report!

Community Development

by Jeff 'Mad Dog' Bilsland



Santa Visits the Kids

This year we will continue our tradition of having Santa visit the children at the area hospitals, Proctor, St. Francis, and Methodist. We will also visit the kids at St. Anne's Hall, a housing for pregnant teenage mothers, Guardian Home, a housing for abused and

neglected kids, and other housings that the chairperson, **Meg Buchanan** approves. We also look into visiting a retirement home in the Peoria area.

We are requesting help with donations of games, puzzles, and stuffed animals. (It seems that **Jeff Bilsland** has a fetish for stuffed animals...don't ask.) If you have a work environment that allows you to post signs requesting the above, please do. All donations will be distributed appropriately to the people that need them. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Bilsland at 682-2897.

DSA Banquet

One of the Peoria Jaycees highest profile project is the Distinguished Service Awards banquet. This banquet is where the Peoria Jaycees honor the young people that excel in a certain area for the community. The different areas are as follows: Outstanding Young Law Enforcement Officer, Outstanding Young Health Care Professional, Outstanding Young Business Professional, Charles C. Schlink Memorial Good Government, Outstanding Young Educator, Prescott E. Bloom Memorial Distinguished Service.

For each one of the areas above, a subchairperson is needed to award the winner and give a speech on the person's behalf. If you want to practice your speech giving in front of approximately 80-100 people, this would be a great chance for you. The work needed to subchair an area is minimal. If you are interested, call **Jeff Bilsland** at 682-2897.

Sing-a-ling a ding dong.

Yes, the Peoria Journal Star community sing will happen in December. For the past couple of years, a group of Peoria Jaycees meets at Sulley's downtown and partakes in Christmas caroling. After standing in freezing temperatures and running our vocal cords ragged, we then head back to Sulley's to partake in the consumption of cold beer! At the time of this writing, we are not sure what day in December the Christmas sing will be. Call **Jeff Bilsland** at 682-2897 in the near future to get the details. This is your chance to sing with the Mayor of Peoria. Whoopi!

Caesar's Scroll

by John 'Caesar' Cima



We can finally relax for a bit! The Haunted House is over, and the walls and props have been packed away into the trailers for another year (in remarkably rapid fashion I might add!) By all accounts, the event was again a success, although there appears to have been a drop in incidents of lost bladder control from last year. Thanks go out to **Dan Schmidt**, **Dennis Owens**, and the rest of the Haunted House committee for

virtually setting aside the majority of their free time for 6 weeks to dedicate to this project. Thanks also go out to all members who participated in either the construction and/or running of the Haunted House - we couldn't have done it without you!

What to do after such a momentous undertaking? - why relax and have a little fun, of course! Among the fun things coming up include the Haunted House Appreciation Party, a wine tasting membership night, a formal Christmas party, and a Christmas sing. Check this edition of *The Charge* for times, dates and locations. In addition, the November membership meeting should provide a change of pace with a more interactive format, including Springboard/Degrees training (by **Joe and Becky Lemont**), CPG preparation (camping trip, Walktoberfest, etc.) and maybe even a speak-up (if Dan has recovered from the Haunted House by then).

There are some projects coming up that need either chairmen, co-chairmen, and/or sub-chairmen. These include: the DSA Banquet in mid-January (need sub-chairs and presenters-contact **Sandy Pearce**, **Jeff Bilsland** or myself); Super Bowl Party (contact me) and The International Beer Festival (contact me). These would be great projects for some of the newer members to get involved with (I myself as a new member chaired the Super Bowl Party and co-chaired the IBF and found both to be more than worth the effort).

Speaking of new members, please welcome **Terry Gavin**, **Marty Lacefield** and **Cathy Schwerer** (another Schwerer girl to tease- oh boy!) to the fold. All of them worked at the Haunted House; Terry in particular was an invaluable participant in the construction and operation and should be commended (I guess that's what I'm doing in this letter!). Good Luck and stay involved - it should be fun the next few months.

John 'Caesar' Cima

Holiday Party Schedule

On November 22nd...

... resistance will be futile! Celebrate **Rick Owens'** birthday at the opening night of the new Star Trek movie, *Star Trek: First Contact*. Then after the movie, the fun continues at Christie's Den just off of Rt. 91 in Dunlap, IL for drinks and karaoke. If interested in attending, meet at the theater where the movie is playing for the 7:00 show (or whatever show is closest to 7:00pm) on Friday, November 22nd or show up at Christie's Den at approximately 9-9:30pm.

For more information or details, call Rick at 243-7319 or show up at the membership meeting on Thursday, November 19th.

Haunted House Appreciation Party

It's finally over! The 1996 Haunted House has been set up, opened to the public, tore down and put away. It's time to relax and party. The Haunted House appreciation party is scheduled for Saturday, November 23rd at **Dennis Owens'** house (which one could call Dennis' house a true 'haunted house') on Radnor Rd. in Peoria. This party is being held to show appreciation for those who worked hard at this project. But don't let that stop you from attending; stop by anyway! For more info, call Dennis at 693-8771 or **Dan Schmidt** at 674-5290.

Wine Tasting M-Night

Try out new and different wines on Friday, November 29th at **Jeff Bilsland's** house at 226 W. Wynwood Dr. The wine tasting event is a membership drive to recruit new members.

Please bring a bottle of your favorite wine and some cheese and crackers or other snack items that complement your wine. Also, if you know of anyone who might be interested in joining the chapter, please bring them along, as this is a membership drive, not just another liquored up outing of the Peoria Jaycees. If you have any questions or need more details, call Jeff at 682-2897.



Jaycees Christmas Party/Secret Santa

The Peoria Jaycees are having a Christmas party on Saturday, December 21st at 7:00pm. The festivity is to take place at the residence of **Beth Barr** at 4614 N. Rosemead Dr. Also in the works for the party is the Secret Santa gift exchange, so you only have a little over 30 shopping days left! The Christmas party will be a formal event, therefore, formal attire is required (i.e. suit, tie, dresses). Please, if planning on attending the Christmas party, you must RSVP Beth by December 15th. However, you need not worry about bringing any type of food or drink item, just your Secret Santa gift and yourself and/or a guest. If you would like to get involved, need more information, or want to RSVP, call Beth at 691-5891.

Chapter Management

by Joann Ziegler

Super Bowl Party

The Jaycees Super Bowl party is being planned for January 1997. This event usually features ID projects, a chili cookoff, door prizes, a lot of fun and of course, the Super Bowl. Right now, the Jaycees are searching for that fine young person to step forward and chair this fun project. This is the perfect project to chair if you are a new member and want to get involved. For a point of interest, in 1995, **Dubby's** first project was the Super Bowl party as well as our benevolent dictator, '**Caesar**' in 1996. If interested or want more information, call **John Cima** at 693-0631 (whatever you do... don't call me; I can't even get my newsletter article in on time).



Help Wanted: Chairman For Beer Fest

Apply now! The 5th Annual International Beer Festival is scheduled to be held on April 19, 1997. Committee meetings should begin soon and the Peoria Jaycees is looking for a sucker... I mean a motivated person to chair or co-chair this popular event. Last year's co-chairs were **John Cima** and **Dennis Owens**. These two will give you all the info you would want in running this event... and if that fails, dare I say it, there's always **Pulfer**. If you are interested or want more details, call John Cima at 693-0631 (I would have you call me, but I'm too busy writing my newsletter articles).



Fall GA

As chapter management VP, I want to remind everyone that the Fall GA is the weekend of Friday, November 15th to Sunday, November 17th. It is going to be held in Springfield, IL and is hosted by the Crete Area Jaycees. This is some good state Jaycee stuff and I would like to see the whole chapter attend this event. If you want to attend, please call **John Cima** or **Jason Arends** (I would go but Rick wants his newsletter article, so I'm stuck doing this).

We need to support the Illinois Jaycees more often. This is very important business... more important than anything else that we do. We need to take part in every state event there is, even if it conflicts with our local or region events. And you know why... because it's state! State, state, state... Go Illinois Jaycees!

Oh, what the hell... I'll blow off Rick's newsletter article and go do some of this state Jaycee stuff. Thanks!

Top Ten Things Dan's Cronies Did at the Haunted House

- 10.) Gave Jason Arends a creeper.
- 9.) Made fun of Steve West (oops... everyone does that!).
- 8.) Accepted millions in illegal campaign contributions from an Asian financial group.
- 7.) Put the party bus on blocks and stripped it for parts.
- 6.) Not only bullied Cindy Schwerer out of her lunch money, but swiped the night deposit as well.
- 5.) Went 'wilding' on the lighted Haunted House marquee.
- 4.) Ignored the no smoking signs... if you know what I mean.
- 3.) Held illegal cockfighting games in the hit and run room.
- 2.) Failed to turn in their newsletter articles.
- 1.) Brainwashed Dan Schmidt into believing that they were 'good kids.'

The 1996 Presidential Election by Rustin A. Greene

Well the mighty voice of America has spoken and Bill Clinton has been re-elected as president. What does this say about our country? The President of the United States is a mirror of our country's beliefs, morals and values. You Pagan liberals make me sick! Our country is saying "Yes, bring us your Pagan, gay, liberal, corrupt, immoral, lying, cheating, murdering pot smoking lazy ass to our country." Let's spend more money on congressmen so they can have a staff of 2 two dozen people and let's set up more committees and government programs so bureaucracy can grow. Let's spend more money on police; great idea hiring more cops, but have you seen any additional police officers yet? Like the ad says, big taxin', big spendin' liberals like Dick Durbin. As our country slips back into the 1960's mentality, we are going to cross that VD bridge to the next century. By the way, don't look for anymore Whitewater or impeachment stories to surface in the media. Do you know why? The people of this great land have spoken and they don't care about scandals, lies or corruption in the White House. How can people investigate knowing that the truth doesn't matter. I suggest that individuals in this country do their part and wake up, smell the bacon, get a haircut and get a real job!! Stay active in your communities. It does make a difference!

Opposing viewpoints to that of Mr. Greene can and will be published. Send your rebuttal to the editor at the address on the bottom of page two of this publication. Note: You really have to know Rusty to get the most out of the preceding article.

It's A Little Known Fact... The Pilgrims & Thanksgiving

The Pilgrims had come ashore from the *Mayflower* on Dec. 21, 1620 at Plymouth Rock, Mass. The winter had been heartbreaking. Only about half the original group had survived. Fortunately the harvest was good. There were 20 acres (8 hectares) of the strange Indian corn, for which the Indians had furnished seeds. There were also barley and plenty of meat. Governor William Bradford sent four men to hunt for fowl. They returned with enough waterfowl and wild turkeys to last a week. Fishermen brought in cod and bass. Indian hunters contributed five deer. Ninety Indians, with their chief, Massasoit, feasted with the colonists for three days.

The date of the feast is not known. Bradford wrote in his history 'Of Plymouth Plantation' that on September 18 some men set out in a small boat for Massachusetts Bay to trade with the Indians. The harvest was gathered after they returned. The feast must have occurred before December 11. It was described in a letter written on that date by Edward Winslow. There is also no record that the feast was called a "thanksgiving." Appointing certain days for giving special thanks was a custom of the Puritans, but the first record of such a day was two years later in 1623. Then the Pilgrims "set apart a day of thanksgiving" for rain that ended a terrible drought.

In December 1941 a joint resolution of Congress specified the fourth Thursday in November (which is not always the last Thursday) as Thanksgiving Day.

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.**

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