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Owens Formally Announces Candidacy

Peoria, IL (Charge! News Wire) – Speculation regarding the possibility that *The Charge!* editor **Rick Owens** to make a run for the Peoria Jaycees presidency came to a quick and sudden halt as Owens formally announced his intention to run for the high office at the October membership meeting. Such an early announcement for the office of president has not happened for several years.

In addition to his announcement, Owens also stated that several other members have agreed to run for certain board positions, should he run and win the election. Agreeing to serve with Owens as president are **Randy Stevens** for the position of chapter management vice president, **Anne McSorley** for the position of community development vice president, **Heather Zech** for membership vice president and **Jeff Ulrich** for the position of treasurer. "I have thought this through for several months and decided that if I have key people holding key positions, I would run for president," Owens announced at the meeting, "And I'm happy to say that these people have agreed to hold these positions."

Also announcing a candidacy was **Dan 'Wilky' Wilkinson** for the office of state director. Later in the meeting, Owens claimed he would welcome Wilkinson's involvement on next year's board. **Dubby Janosov** announced his intention to run for membership vice president at the Jaycees board meeting on November 4th, thus making that respective office a hot, contested race.

The Peoria Jaycees elections will be held at the November membership meeting on Thursday, November 18th at 7:00pm at the Amvets Post 64 in downtown Peoria. Other Jaycee members are encouraged to run for an office. If now wanting to run for an office, a nomination from another Jaycee member at the time of the election is required to have a candidate's name on the ballot. For more information, please call Heather Zech at 274-4035.

Haunted House Tear Down Continues; Dead Body Suspected In Trash Dumpster

Logic usually dictates that it is far easier to destroy than to create or build. But once again, the Peoria Jaycees have set a new standard... making things easier to build than to tear down. The haunted house project still continues to linger at the time of this newsletter publication, as its tear down phase has not been completed.

The house, which saw the completion of its walls put up and braced in less than 24 hours, is now in excess of 1 week of tear down. "Our main problem, with the exception of our first night at tear down," **Jeff Ulrich**, the haunted house tear down chairman said, "is that we have hardly had anyone come out and help." Ulrich testified that the first night, attendance of Jaycees was good, but after that, things took a turn for the worse. The second night was mediocre while every night after, including the weekend, only saw Ulrich and one or two other Jaycee members. Ulrich also indicated his disappointment with Jaycee involvement with the tear down phase. "Two of the nights out there, my brother helped... only because I asked him, and he's not even a Jaycee" Ulrich stated at the November board meeting.

At the time of publication, approximately 60 walls have yet to be loaded onto the haunted house trailers as well as an assortment of props, tables and other equipment. On Wednesday, November 3rd, kids from the Youth Farm came out to load the trailers, but with a lack of help from the Peoria Jaycees, the task has remained uncompleted.

On Saturday, November 6th, Ulrich, **Rick Owens** and **Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt** were the only members to report for tear down. While throwing away some trash in a dumpster outside the haunted house barn, they discovered a horrid smell. "It has the same smell as a dead mouse, but no dead mouse could create such a powerful stench like this," Owens testified. Owens feared the worse; a dead body was placed in the industrial sized trash receptacle. "I'm not looking in there!" Owens added, "At this point in my life, I don't need to be implicated in some type of foul play. And besides, the stench is terrible."

Haunted House tear down is set to continue on Tuesday, November 9th at 6:00pm. Help is desperately needed. To find out more, please call **Jeff Bilsland** at 682-2897 or Jeff Ulrich at 693-7871.

From The Desk of the Most Dangerous Writer in America

by Rick Owens



By now I'm sure everyone has heard the news... yes, I am running for the office of president. Many of you are probably wondering why I would make such a decision. I could probably sum that up with one word; memories.

When I was in college, I transferred from Illinois Central College to Monmouth College where I joined a fraternity. While I held many offices in the house and made many lasting friendships, I often look back at that experience and say to myself, "I wish I was more involved." Today I look back on those days with fondness, but at the time, I didn't realize what I had. There are a lot of similarities between being in a fraternity and being a Jaycee member. I envision myself being 60 or 70 years old, looking upon myself now, and saying, "I wish I got more involved."

Another factor that enabled me to run for president is the fact that I have got some good people willing to handle important positions for me for the next year... assuming I win this tight race. As usual, the president can be left holding the bag if tasks and duties do not get performed or do not get completed correctly. I didn't want this to happen to me. I looked around at who in the Jaycees would fit perfectly for what I thought were the most important board positions. Fortunately, we have enough intelligent, highly motivated people who can handle the responsibilities I have selected them.

I would like to endorse **Randy Stevens** as chapter management vice president, **Anne McSorley** as community development vice president, **Heather Zech** as membership vice president and **Jeff Ulrich** as treasurer. I did not ask him, but I also endorse **Dan Wilkinson** for state director as I feel he will do an excellent job. Why these people you ask? Not only are Randy and Anne capable to hold these offices, they are new to the group and are filled with enthusiasm, which I'd like to carry over to the rest of the board. Heather has performed membership duties in the past and is very familiar with the software and procedures we use to perform membership duties. Jeff is a CPA and very knowledgeable, capable and efficient with financial matters. With these individuals holding these offices, I will not only be able to lead the chapter more efficiently, but will be able to sleep better at night and prevent a few headaches.

I'd also like to remind people that there is only one more newsletter for me. If interested in the editor position and would like to know what all is involved, please let me know. Publishing this newsletter can be a lot of work and is very important. As the sub title says, "Voice of the Peoria Jaycees." Most often, it is the main source for members to find out what's going on and catch up on current events (sound's kind of dangerous knowing what some of these news stories are about).

Mark Your Calendars

November

Haunted House Tear Down Continues; Tuesday, November 9 - ?, help needed - call Jeff Ulrich @ 693-7871

Business After Hours; Thursday, November 11, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, ATS, N. University, Pioneer Park, Peoria - call Jeff Ulrich @ 693-7871

Haunted House Appreciation Party; Saturday, November 13, Sandy Pearce's residence - call Sandy Pearce @ 745-9783

Monday Night Football; Monday, November 15, 7:30pm, Nick's Place, downtown Peoria - call Dubby @ 691-6608

Membership Meeting; Thursday, November 18, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria, Election Night! Be there to vote! Also, drawing for Secret Santa - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Board Game Dynamics; Saturday, November 20, 7:00pm, John & Cara Cima's residence - call John or Cara @ 693-0631 if you are attending

Monday Night Football; Monday, November 22, 7:30pm, Paradise Riverboat Casino - call Dubby @ 691-6608

Monday Night Football; Monday, November 29, 7:30pm, Damon's, on the Riverfront, downtown Peoria, if open - call Dubby @ 691-6608

December

Board Meeting; Thursday, December 4, 6:00pm, RLO - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Newsletter Articles Due; Thursday, December 4 - call Rick Owens @ 243-7319

Business After Hours; Thursday, December 9, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Illinois Mutual - call Jeff Ulrich @ 693-7871

Installation Banquet & Year End Awards RSVP Due; Friday, December 10 - call Shari Owens @ 579-3484

Membership Meeting; Thursday, December 16, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

Installation Banquet, Year End Awards & Jaycees Xmas Party; Friday, December 17, cocktails at 6:00pm, dinner at 7:00pm, RiverStation, downtown Peoria, - call Shari Owens @ 579-3484

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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 #64 in downtown Peoria, on the corner of Monroe & Fayette.

Congratulations...

... to **Rusty & Karen Greene** on the arrival of **Brenden Alan**, weighing in at 8 lbs, 6 oz on Sunday, October 31 at 9:04pm.



Good Luck Candidates!

The Peoria Jaycees wish the best of luck to the following members who have announced their candidacy for office.

Office	Candidate
President	Rick Owens
Chapter Mgmt VP	Randy Stevens
Community Development VP	Anne McSorley
Membership VP	Dubby Janosov
Membership VP	Heather Zech
State Director	Dan 'Wilky' Wilkinson



Remember, it's not too late to run for office. Simply show up at the November membership meeting on November 18th at the Amvets Post in downtown Peoria and have a fellow Jaycee member nominate you for your desired office.

Welcome New Members!

Please give a warm welcome to the Peoria Jaycees newest members.

- **Diana & Steve Janda**
- **Scott Lautzenheiser**
- **Frank Perino**
- **Jason Roeder**
- **Jennifer Stanley**

These new members have already been getting involved with the Jaycees, most notably the haunted house as well as the fun that goes on after the house is closed. The Jaycees hope to see your involvement once again soon!

Management Tips & Hints

by Rick Owens

This is part 3 of a 4 part essay of timely tips, suggestions and ideas on how to become more productive, efficient and how to avoid problems, save time, effort and trouble. At least I found them to be pretty damn useful!!

Heed The Advice & Wisdom Of Those Who Know

Avoid arguing or disputing something of which someone else you know fairly well and who obviously knows more about. I learned at a young age to listen and heed the advice from those with experiences and of those who have been there and done that. Don't blindly believe an auto mechanic you just met or immediately trust a cold calling stock broker, but rather trust the advice from an elder, teacher or a trusted friend or acquaintance.

Example: A man who was one of the founders of a billion-dollar company and was on its board of directors gave a charitable organization several thousand dollars of stock of his company. He told the organization not to sell and to hold the shares as they expected the stock to appreciate in value. Unfortunately, the organization did not heed the man's words of wisdom and sold the stock upon receipt. A few years later, the stock that was donated to the charitable organization, had they held on to it, would have been worth millions.

Haunted House Appreciation Party

Saturday, November 13th

6:00pm - ????

**Sandy Pearce's Residence
(213 Lexington, Washington, IL)**

Bon Fire, Games, Drinks & Dinner Provided



Party is held to show appreciation for those who volunteered at the haunted house. All refreshments and dinner is provided by the Peoria Jaycees, but please bring a side dish. Also, bring your favorite board game and something to burn in the bon fire.

For more info or directions, please call **Sandy Pearce** at 745-9783 or **Shari Owens** at 579-3484.

Guests and prospective members welcomed to attend!!

Social Director's Report

by Dubby



Mmmmm! Man, this new protein diet is the thing! I can eat as much as I want of all this great food... and best yet, it's the best tasting stuff too! Eggs, bacon, hamburgers, cheese... I'm in food heaven! And they tell me not to eat any fruits or vegetables too!

Who wants to eat that junk anyway?! Let me finish up my pound of bacon and my last dozen eggs and give you my report. <munch, slop, munch, slop>

I would like to start off and say the Haunted House was a huge success. The people who ran the Haunted House and the people that came out to help with it did a great job. To all the chairmen on the project, you guys did a great job.

We are getting to the end of the year and elections are coming up. I didn't say it at the last meeting but I am going to run for the membership spot. I think this would be a good job for me because I know a lot of people and I am good at setting up social events to get everyone together that would draw us some new members. I would like your support.

Monday Night Football

Here is the schedule for the next month of Monday Night Football outings.

November 15th Nick's Place
November 22nd The Paradise
November 29th Damon's (if open)
December 6th TBA

I hope everyone can come because it's a lot of fun. We are going to have a hockey night next year so read *The Charge!* to find out more.

Well, I've got to go because I have practice. Remember, come out and support the Jaycees in their projects because without you it wouldn't be possible. Hey, maybe just another dozen eggs before practice. Yummy, man!

Individual Development

by Mike Buckley

Game Night

Saturday November 20 at 7:00pm, the **John** and **Cara Cima's** are hosting Board Game Dynamics. There will be a variety of board games to play. If you are going, please bring a snack to share and some folding chairs. Also, bring your favorite board game. Please let John or Cara know if you will attend so that they can plan on the number of people who will be there. It promises to be a night of heavy board game competition.

Haberdashers Dinner Playhouse

There has been considerable interest in getting a group together for Haberdashers. It looks like we will plan on going to the Haberdashers Murder Mystery show sometime in early February. Tickets are \$30.19 for groups of 20 or more which includes dinner, tax, tip, and the show. Stay tuned to this space for more details.

Membership Report

by Mary Owens

Who's Due

November

Courtney Bosworth Dennis Owens
Eric Gengler Rick Owens

December

No one is due.

Happy Hour

The year-end holidays are fast approaching so we are therefore going to configure our happy hour schedule. Knowing that everyone else is busy this time of year, we hope this schedule will work with most everyone else's schedule.

No happy hour will be held for November since the Haunted House appreciation party is held on the same weekend the happy hour normally is. For December, our happy hour will be held on December 17th at 6:00pm at the River Station for our Installation Banquet and Year-End Awards. After the first of the New Year we can hopefully get back to our regularly scheduled happy hours.

Secret Santa

We will be drawing names for Secret Santa at the November Membership/Election meeting. If you would like to participate, please attend this meeting to draw a name. Gifts will be exchanged at the Installation Banquet/Christmas Party on Friday, December 17th

State Director Report

by 'Queen' Joann Ziegler



Hey All!

If there are any places or projects you would like to attend, give me a call and let me know. We'll get it going.

The next GA will be in Springfield on February 11 – 13, 2000 at the Hilton and is to be hosted by the Crete Area Jaycees! If you have never attended, please join us! You'll have a great time! It's a good chance to get training, meet new people, and learn new ideas. The GA, or General Assembly is now held 3 times a year, mostly hosted by a local Jaycees chapter and is open for all Illinois Jaycees chapters members to attend.

When I get a date and time for the next Regional, I will let you know. I won't be able to attend the meeting so I hope you have t a good time anyway! I'll miss ya!

If you have anyone that would like to join, sign them up, we need new people!!

See ya'll soon!
Joann

1998 Year End Awards Nomination Form

Name of Nominator: _____

At the end of each year, the Peoria Jaycees holds what is called the Installation Banquet and Year-End Awards Ceremony. The banquet is scheduled for Friday, December 17th. Several awards will be presented to Jaycee members for their service during the past year. Please feel free to nominate any individual who you feel has exhibited outstanding service to the Peoria Jaycees or a project that has had the most impact. Try to be specific if possible. Please return all nominations to **Heather Zech** by Thursday, December 2nd. You can bring this form to the membership meeting, e-mail your nominations to hzech@mqgroup or mail this form to the Peoria Jaycees, PO Box 2, Peoria, IL, 61601.

Jaycee of the Year: This award will be presented to the Jaycee member who best exemplifies the total Jaycee concept throughout the year. Judging criteria will include leadership, enthusiasm, and overall participation.

Individual Nominated: _____

Please describe why this individual should receive this award:

Board Member of the Year: This award goes to the board member who has shown the greatest level of commitment and teamwork towards furthering the Peoria Jaycees goals and handling their assigned area.

Individual Nominated: _____

Please describe why this individual should receive this award:

Dale Akridge Memorial Award: This award is presented annually to the new Jaycee who exhibits the most outstanding qualities of leadership, enthusiasm, and belief in the Jaycee Creed.

Individual Nominated: _____

Please describe why this individual should receive this award:

Project of the Year: This award will be presented for that project run during the last year which is worthy as being recognized as the most important project for the year. Please note that the project does not have to be measured in terms of money raised or complexity of the project, but should contain merit and distinction.

Project Nominated: _____

Please describe why this individual should receive this award:

Chairman of the Year: This award will be presented to the Jaycee member who exhibited exceptional leadership abilities in chairing a project. Once again, this is not necessarily measured in terms of money raised or complexity of the project but should include the individual's overall handling of the project.

Individual Nominated: _____

Please describe why this individual should receive this award:

The Keyman Award Nomination Form

The Keyman Award is usually given in January during the Peoria Jaycees Distinguished Service Awards banquet. It is an award given to the one Peoria Jaycee members who truly exhibits "that service to humanity is the best work of life." Please take a few minutes and thoughtfully fill out this nomination form and send to Dave Facker, 330 E. Eller Dr., E. Peoria, IL, 61611. The deadline to send in this nomination is November 30, 1999. The Peoria Jaycees Keyman Organization would like to thank you for your time and consideration.

Name of Nominee: _____

All information must pertain to the period of consideration (June 1, 1998 – December 31, 1999).

Projects on which nominee assisted:

- | | |
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| 1. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ |

In what capacity did the nominee assist on these projects? (Chairman, Sub-Chairman, etc.):

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| 1. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ |

Projects originated by the nominee:

Offices held in the Peoria Jaycees:

Offices or chairmanships held at the District, Regional, State or National level:

District, Regional, State & National meetings/functions attended:

What percentage of local membership meetings did the nominee attend? _____

How many new members did the nominee sign? _____

How many years has the nominee been a member of the Peoria Jaycees? _____

Explain why you feel the nominee has distinguished him/herself as a Peoria Jaycee so as to be deserving of a Keyman Award. How did the nominee demonstrate support of the Jaycee Creed? (Use an extra sheet of paper if needed).

Signed: _____

Chapter Management

by Jeff Ulrich



Installation Banquet

The Installation Banquet/Year End Awards and Christmas Party is set for Friday, December 17th at the River Station. Invitations will be sent out later this month to remind

members of the event. Cocktails and appetizers are at 6:00pm and dinner is at 7:00pm. We will have a cash bar in the banquet room. Please RSVP by December 10th.

This year you will be required to prepay for your meal. The cost is \$22.50 a person, which will include tax and tip. The menu selection will include beef, chicken and seafood entrée choices.

The dress code will be business casual/semi-formal. For all you men, this simply means that you can be as casual as khakis or as formal as suits.

Your prepayment must be received with your RSVP by December 10th. If you would like to attend but do not want to eat dinner, please indicate on your RSVP. For more info regarding the banquet, please call **Shari Owens** at 579-3483.

Peoria Jaycees - What do you get out of it?

The Peoria Jaycees is a young person's leadership organization... Blah Blah Blah. How many times have we heard that we train people for the future? Well this is true, the Peoria Jaycees have the ability to train people that want training. Key words are "that want training". The more that you try, do, attempt is a learning experience. So if you want to sit at home at watch TV with your feet up 7 days a week then we can not help you. We can show you how to run projects, talk to the press, talk to customers, deal with problems and have a good time. We need one thing from you. That one little thing is you. You must show up to the events and participate. That is when your life will truly begin. Get out, do things, anything. An object (YOU) in motion stays in motion.

So far I have been a member of the Peoria Jaycees for about 3 years. So far I have learned how to run a project, tasted over 100 different beers, learned how to work construction, given candy to kids, met with business leaders in the community, been on 3 different TV morning shows and two evening shows, played the stock market, raced a go-cart to first place, made friends, learned about myself, gone on over a dozen different pup crawls and much, much, more. Get involved - THE TIME IS NOW!

International Beer Fest

If any one has not heard, **Jennifer Rakestraw** and I have volunteered to run the 8th Annual International Beer Fest. We are looking at many different ideas to make this year's beer fest the best to date. We would like to hear your ideas to improve this event. So please come talk to us about any ideas you might have. We are also looking for sub-chairs for this event. So far we none of the positions have been filled.

New members are encouraged to come out and get involved in this event. It is a lot of fun.

New Officers, Old Positions

At our November membership meeting, we will be holding chapter elections. We have had a number of people announce their intentions on running for a position on the executive board. I would like to encourage more Jaycee members to do the same. It is a great experience and well worth the effort.

We also have some board appointed positions available for those who wish to volunteer. Of those include PR director, social director, Internet webmaster and (for the first time in 4 and a half years) newsletter editor. *The Charge!* is a very successful newsletter that anyone should be proud to take over. If anyone is interested and would like to find out more about the position, please contact the current person holding that office.

Community Development

by Shari Owens

Haunted House

The Haunted House was once again a success. Proceeds the haunted house will benefit the Youth Farm and Easter Seals. We estimated that over 6,800 people experienced this year's event.

The Peoria Jaycees would like to thank all of those that showed up to help this year. There will be an appreciation party held on Saturday, November 13 starting at 6:00pm at the home of **Sandy Pearce** in Washington, IL. Beer, soda and meat are to be provided by the Jaycees, but please bring along a side dish.

A bon fire is scheduled for the party as well. Everyone is required to bring something to burn in the fire, for example, bras, sofas, incriminating evidence and so on. We will be playing ping-pong and board games. If you have a favorite game, feel free to bring it along. For more info or need directions, call Sandy at 745-9783.

Santa Visits the Kids

This is a project where we collect donated toys and gifts. Then have someone dress up as Santa Claus and distributes the toys to kids in the hospitals and homes for the disadvantaged. Of course Santa's elves help out too! This is one of our most worthwhile and meaningful projects that really gives back to the community. But time is running out!

Right now, we are desperately seeking a chairperson to run this project. The responsibilities are not that great and every year, the Jaycees usually have our resident Santa Claus, **Stan Munton**, to reprise his role. Also, there is an assortment of elves to assist. If no one comes forward to volunteer to head up this project by the 1st of December, the project will probably not materialize. If interested, please call me at 579-3484.

Confidential Report From The Z-Files

by Heather Zech



Hello Everyone!

We have just finished our most labor intensive and largest Jaycee project, the haunted house. It turned out to be another successful year of the haunted house and we saw many old and new faces there. I

would like to thank all of those who came out to help, all the sub chairs of the project; student groups who volunteered to be monsters; the Bradley drama people who helped with the making up our monsters; our sponsors and of course Jeff Bilsland and Vicki Aeschleman for chairing this whole project.

Now that the haunted house is at a close, there is not much more of the year left. Our chapter elections are almost here and yes, I am yet again running for a position on the executive board. Actually, as a favor to **Rick Owens** and since he will be taking the burden of the presidency away from me for next year, I am agreeing to run as membership vice president under his administration. This is a coup I tell you (Ha Ha!). But with all seriousness, this is a position I have wanted to do in the past. After being president for a year and with my almost (gulp) 4 years as a Jaycee, I know how things work and how they are handled. Actually, I think Rick will make a great president. He has announced his intentions early, which I hope will get other members to hop on the bandwagon. There are also others who have agreed to run along with Rick for the next year's board. I would like to encourage others in the Jaycees to run for an office or volunteer for a board appointed position. It is a great experience where you can learn a lot.

Members' running for office is not the only positive news I have to share. I would like to welcome some new members to the Peoria Jaycees. They are **Frank Perino, Scott Lautzenheiser, Jennifer Stanley, Jason Roeder** and **Diana and Steve Janda**. For October, we were up 1 member for the month and November is shaping up to be the same. I should also mention that right now we have a \$10 incentive to join the Peoria Jaycees, which was made possible from proceeds from the Night Golf outing. The ten-dollar discount on dues is open to the next three people who sign up, so you'd better hurry.

I am also excited to see that some members have stepped forward to chair two upcoming projects, the Distinguished Service Awards Banquet and the International Beer Festival. However, we are looking for someone to head up the Santa Visits the Kids project. This is a very worthwhile project where we have Santa Claus deliver toys and gifts to children in hospitals and underprivileged homes during the Christmas season. Thus far, no one has expressed interest in chairing this project and time is running out. If no one steps out to volunteer by the membership meeting, the chances are that this long running project will be cancelled.

Haunted House Wrap Up

The Peoria Jaycees 29th Annual Haunted House was a huge success. The event officially started in late September, 1999 with the annual Blowout Party to kick off the construction of the house.

A new record was set in getting all the walls up and braced in 23 hours and 20 minutes. The rest of the haunted house set up was completed in record time as well. A better than average number of Jaycee members coming out to help during the operation of the house was experienced as well, which proved to be a tremendous boost to the event. After Halloween night and the last night the house was open, the haunted house committee determined that roughly over 6,800 people went through the scary abode.

Haunted house tear down, which got off to a strong start on November 1st, quickly fizzed in manpower however. To date, approximately 60 walls still need to be loaded on the trailers; not to mention a new location of where to store the trailers still "haunts" the chapter. But overall, the event was a great success. The Peoria Jaycees would like to thank its sponsors, **Adams Advertising, WHOI TV19, Cromwell Radio Group, the Times Newspapers, Solution Services, RLO Systems, Inc** and **Seppo, Inc.** in making this event possible. Proceed go to benefit the Youth Farm, Easter Seals and the Peoria Jaycees.



Peoria Jaycees members (from left to right) Keith Kramer, Rusty Greene (with drill), Bruce Hein and Mike Buckley work diligently in setting up the haunted house walls at the Blowout Party.

Before I go, I want to remind members that we have our Installation Banquet and Year-End Awards coming up on December 17th. In order to present year-end awards, I need members to fill out the year end awards nomination forms, which will be located somewhere in this newsletter. Having your input makes these decisions a lot easier to make.

Anyway, it is one again my pleasure to be the bearer of such good news (Ha Ha). Hope to see everyone at the next membership meeting.

Heather

Top Ten Reasons Rick Owens Is Running For President

10. Just passing time until he can run for New York senator.
9. Actually he doesn't think he's running for president, he thinks he being promoted to captain of the Enterprise.
8. Wants to drive the presidential go kart.
7. It was the only way he could get out of editing the newsletter.
6. Has a crazy desire to get his picture on a dollar bill.
5. Hopes his probation officer will give him bonus community service hours.
4. Believes it's a stepping stone to his way to become master of all time, space and dimension.
3. Just enjoys having a really cool, pompous title like "President."
2. Needs some type of political campaign for a get rich quick scheme.
1. Looking to get a "Lewinsky."

New Diet Is The Latest Jaycee Craze

The new all protein/all you can eat diet has been taking the Peoria Jaycees by storm every since the controversial diet was featured on a television news magazine. "This diet is great" stated **Dubby Janosov**, the Peoria Jaycees social director, "I can eat as much as I want of the best food around." Janosov is not the only one who swears by the all protein diet. **Randy Stevens**, another Jaycee member who is also executing the same diet plan, claimed he was embarrassed by his weight. He once weighted over 350 pounds and would not leave his 1 bedroom, milk-crate furnished apartment. It was one day when he sat down on a milk crate that was being used as a piece of pseudo-furniture and crushed the durable plastic. "I knew then I had to get help," Stevens confessed. After going on the protein diet, Stevens says he has lost 170 pounds and his love life has increased 100 fold. "What can I say," Stevens added, "It works!"

Rick Owens, another Peoria Jaycee member, claimed that he had been on a similar diet for most of his life, but did not even realized it. "All those pizza and cheeseburgers and I've been pretty slim all my life," stated Owens, "but I can't say much about my cholesterol." After the dieting success of Janosov and Stevens, other Jaycee members quickly followed suit. **John 'Caesar' Cima** went on the diet shortly after and has hailed as one of the most significant findings in the history of mankind. "Now if they can only work out how you can drink some beer in this diet, we'll be set," Cima commented.

The all protein diet allows dieters to eat all sorts of high protein foods, which is also high in fat. Examples would include bacon, sausage, eggs, cheese and steaks. However, the diet does not allow the eating of any sugars, starches or carbohydrates. "No chocolate... this diet was perfect in every way but that," Owens admitted.

It's A Little Known Fact Hand Guns

Handguns, or pistols, as they are also known, were not popular until after the development of the *wheel lock*, the first practical mechanical ignition device, in the first half of the 16th century. Most early handguns were too cumbersome to be carried in a holster by anyone on foot, and the short barrels limited their accuracy and the distance they could propel bullets. As a result, handguns were primarily used by cavalry troops in what amounted to hit-and-run tactics. As ignition systems were improved, it became possible to reduce the overall size and weight of handguns, until during the 18th century they became equally popular for use by foot soldiers.

Modern semiautomatic handguns carry two or three times more ammunition than revolvers and are faster to reload. Their flat configuration generally makes them easier to conceal. Even with the increased ammunition capacity, using newly developed lightweight materials makes their loaded weight about the same as that of older designs. Proponents of revolvers claim greater accuracy, reliability, and safety, however, so it is unlikely that semiautomatics will totally replace revolvers. In fact, muzzle-loading pistols and revolvers continue to be used for sport and specialized worldwide competition.

Handguns are widespread in some countries of the world. For example, in the United States there are more than 65 million handguns in circulation. Many politicians and citizens believe that the number of handguns in the United States is too high, and are making an effort to reduce the number of handguns in circulation.

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That Governments Should Be Of Laws Rather Than Of Men;
That Earth's Great Treasure Lies In Human Personality;
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