



# The Charge!

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## Jaycees Elect New Officers

The Peoria Jaycees April membership meeting was, to say the least, exciting, as members of the volunteer organization voted for new officers in the 1998-99 executive board elections. And for the first time in nearly 5 years, an office on the board was contested by two members. In addition, three other offices were also hotly sought after. The election oversight committee was comprised of **'Commander' Steve West**, **John 'Caesar' Cima** and **Jeff 'Mad Dog' Bilisland**.

The position of president was contested between **Joann Ziegler** and **Joe Lemont**. After careful counting and tallying of the ballots, it was announced that Joann Ziegler would not only be the 60th president of the Peoria Jaycees but would become the first female president since **Hilary Young Williams** in 1991.

The second heated race in the elections was for the office of Individual Development V.P. Joe Lemont saw yet another defeat as **Mike Buckley** claimed the position. The third contested race existed between **Mike Rhodes** and **Jeff Ulrich** for treasurer, with Mike Rhodes the victor. Lastly, another contested race emerged for the office of Secretary, pitting not two but three members against one another. Running for this office was Jeff Ulrich, new member **Mary Owens** and Joe Lemont making another attempt for a board position. And again, Lemont was defeated for office as was Owens with Ulrich claiming victory.

Nominated and voted in by acclamation were the following; **Becky Lemont** for Chapter Management V.P.; **Ross Hager** for Community Development V.P.; **Rick Owens** for Membership V.P.; **Courtney Bosworth** for State Director and **Laura Buckley**, **Theresa Diefendorf**, **Amiee Fuller**, **Eric Gengler**, **'Dubby' Janosov**, **Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt**, **Cindy Schwerer**, **Dan 'Wilky' Wilkinson**, **Heather Zech** and Joe Lemont who was in a last ditch effort to gain a board position, as local directors.

## Rowdy Jaycee Party Forces Homeowner To Sell

A recent appreciation party thrown by the Peoria Jaycees at an East Peoria home has forced the homeowner to put up a for sale sign. Damage and strained neighborly relations are cited as the cause. Peoria Jaycee member **Sandy Pearce** offered her residence as a venue for an annual event to show appreciation for volunteers of the Jaycees' ever successful International Beer Festival, which was held last March. However, Ms. Pearce nor the Peoria based volunteer organization realized how popular the party, held last April, would become. Ms. Pearce would later comment, "Jaycee parties rock!"

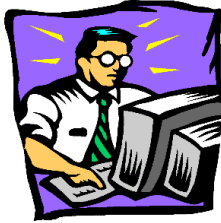
Approximately 53 people attended the event, including several members of the Bloomington Jaycees, a thin man claiming to be **Jeff Pulfer** and several prospective members, some of whom also joined that night! As the night progressed, a line formed outside the bath facilities and some toiletry supplies were reported as being exhausted. A total of 31 people gathered on the deck in the back yard all at one time, stressing it's beams and supports. A massive fire, fueled by an eighth of a cord of wood, empty cigarette packs, beer cans and plastic materials was later created in a Weber grill. In the wee hours of the next morning, the only survivors of the festive holocaust were **'Governor' Dennis Owens**, **Rodney** and **Dana Olson**, **Dave 'Busch Man' Bugard** and the **'Big Dog' Sandy Pearce**. Rodney Olson was in critical condition during this time as some party goer had slipped a mickey into his drink and rendered him over the deck railing, literally.

Ms. Pearce had a brief discussion with her neighbors the next morning, which regarded the neighbors wanting a warning before the next party so they could rent a hotel room. It was calculated that same morning that 18 pounds of turkey, 48 brats, 40 cheeseburgers and 30 hot dogs were consumed. After surveying the estate and making damage estimates, Ms. Pearce went to get a beer from the keg when she discovered there was only a half of glass left. Also, approximately 5 cases of micro brew beer was left over. After 2 hours of intense cleaning, Ms. Pearce called it quits and proceeded to put up a for sale sign in her front yard.

The story however, did have a happy ending, as no fights were reported and several members knew when to say when, and stayed the night. But most of all, it proved to be another classic Jaycee outing, containing all the elements that signature what kind of fun people can have with the Peoria Jaycees.

## From The Desk of the Most Dangerous Writer in America

*by Rick Owens*



### Year End Editor Awards

Believe it or not, another Jaycee year has come and gone. And with the passing of another year, along comes another set of executive board members and awards for outstanding chapter members. As I did last year, I would like to offer some of my own

Year End Editor Awards. These are awards for little quirky categories you would normally not find elsewhere. Typically, these people figured prominently in *The Charge!* in one fashion or another over the past year. So with out further adieu... drumroll please!

Most Improved Board Member - The winner of this category is **Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt**. Getting a board member to submit news is like getting water out of a rock at times. And the penalty is often very high for this crime. Dan knows this all too well (I hear Rock 106 *still* thinks he wrote that article last year). On 2 or 3 occasions, Dan submitted his news before anyone else. 'The Friar' is not the best administrator in the world, but he means well and he tried hard. This is one of the Jaycee concepts, to learn skills through experience.

Best Comeback Award - This goes to **Dubby!** Sometime after the 1995 Haunted House, Dubby burned out and we didn't see him for a year and a half. We didn't know what to think. His life signs were weak, his fate uncertain. Then in April 1997, Dubby came back to the Jaycees... and in hurricane force I might add. Welcome back, Dubby!

Most Useless E-Mail Award - This prestigious award goes to the 'Spam Queen' **Joann Ziegler**. Why? Go check your e-mail for your daily joke and humor.

Outstanding April Fool Award - Last month I featured a story about Beth and I eloping to Vegas. April Fools! We are not married yet. However, I had scores of people believe it, including my Dad. But the best comment came from the recipient of this award, **Dana Olson**. She said "Ok, I'm not reading your newsletter any more!" when she found out many stories were nothing but fiction.

## Mark Your Calendars

### May

**Business After Hours;** Thursday, May 14, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, Luthy Botanical Gardens, Glen Oak Park, sponsored by WIRL/WSWT Radio - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

**Year End Awards & Installation Banquet;** Friday, May 15, 7:30pm, Jim's Steakhouse, presentation of year end awards and installation of newly elected officers, - call Heather Zech @ 274-4035

**Jaycee Night at the Chiefs Game;** Saturday, May 16, game starts at 7:05pm, Meinen Field - call Dubby @ 691-6608

**Amvets Taco/Karoke Night;** Wednesday, May 20, 5:30pm - 8:00pm, Amvets Post, downtown Peoria, only \$1.00 a taco

**Membership Meeting;** Thursday, May 21, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call President Joann Ziegler @ 689-0051

**Louie Louie Parade;** Friday, May 22, 1:30pm, meet at the Judge's Chamber, downtown Peoria, parade to start at 3:00pm, Riverfront party afterwards, be at the membership meeting for details

**Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Benefit;** Sunday, May 31, 8:00am - 12:00noon, volunteers needed, proceeds used to offset Lisa Urban's medical expenses - call Dubby @ 691-6608

### June

**Firecracker 5000 Committee meeting;** Monday, June 1, 7:00pm, Jimmy's Pub, Farmington Rd., Peoria - call Mike Buckley @ 693-7811 or Kevin Leach @ 688-6858

**Board Meeting;** Thursday, June 4, 7:00pm, location T.B.A. - call President Ziegler @ 689-0051

**Jaycees Happy Hour;** Friday, June 5, 5:00 - 7:00pm, Fitzpatrick's Landing, Creve Coeur - call Rick Owens @ 243-7319

**Business After Hours;** Thursday, June 11, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, sponsored by Pip Printing - call Becky Lemont @ 676-2780

**Membership Meeting;** Thursday, June 18, 7:00pm, Amvets Post #64, downtown Peoria - call Joann Ziegler @ 689-0051

**Jaycees National Convention;** Monday, June 22 - Thursday, June 25, Las Vegas, NV - call Courtney Bosworth @ 673-5492

### July

**Jaycees Happy Hour;** Friday, July 3, 5:00pm - 7:00pm, The Dockside, Chillicothe - call Rick Owens @ 243-7319

**Firecracker 5000;** Saturday, July 4, race starts at 8:00am, downtown Peoria - call Mike Buckley @ 693-7811 or Kevin Leach @ 688-6858

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## Mail Call



Ms. Becky Lemont  
Peoria Jaycees  
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Dear Ms. Lemont,

An extraordinary evening! The Equitable Wines on the Waterfront for Easter Seals was a wonderful success, raising \$30,000 for Easter Seal services to children and adults with disabilities and their families. This was made possible by the generosity of Equitable, the Wine Distributors, the Restaurants, and people like you.

On behalf of all of us at Easter Seals, please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your help in making the Equitable Wines on the Waterfront a tremendous success.

Most Sincerely,  
Krista A. Bieneman  
Development Coordinator

## Peoria Heights Jaycees Recruiting Umpires

Wanted: A Few Good Umpires! - The Peoria Heights Jaycees are looking for a few good umpires for their T-Ball League. No previous umpiring experience necessary. Will train and supply the fun! T-Ball games will be June 17th, June 24th and July 1st at 6:00pm at Kelly School in Peoria Heights. If interested, call **Bob Klannukarn** at 693-2417 or e-mail at bobk@flink.com.

## Peoria Jaycees Experience Population Explosion

For the 1997-98 year ending, the Peoria Jaycees experienced a substantial growth in membership, with the chapter roster ending the year with a 5 year high of 93 members. The year started at 76 members, resulting in a gain of 17 new members. "We've seen phenomenal growth in the past 12 months," **'Governor' Dennis Owens** commented, "however, we were still shy of my goal of 150 members." A strong portion of the past year's growth came in April, where at the same time, a friendly wager of recruiting 20 new members existed between the 'Governor' and past member **Jeff Pulfer**. Critics of the 'Governor' claim that he was motivated by greed and not desire to see the volunteer group succeed. The wager was for dinner at one of Peoria's finer restaurants.

The Peoria Jaycees would like to announce and welcome it's newest members; **Dara Allen, Bob and Ruth Binegar, Louie Bishop, Brian Bohm, Kathy Caldwell, Mary Cyndiff, Christy Fletcher, Doug 'Magilla' Graham, Karen Greene, Doug Setzer, Jo Sheppard** and **'Major' Don West**.

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



**Board Meetings:** Held the 1st Thursday of the month, 7:00pm at RLO, Inc.

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



## Peoria Jaycees Happy Hour

Friday, June 5th

5:00 - 7:00pm

Fitzpatrick's Landing  
(Creve Coeur)

Join the Peoria Jaycees for their \*new\* monthly Happy Hour, every 1st Friday of the month! In June, we'll be at Fitzpatrick's Landing on the Illinois River in Creve Coeur. For more info, call Rick Owens @ 243-7319.

## Pancake And Sausage Breakfast Benefit

**'Commander' Steve West's** dream has come true... sort of. A pancake and sausage breakfast will be held on Sunday, May 31st from 8:00am to 12:00 noon at the Amvets Post #64 in downtown Peoria to benefit Jaycee member **Lisa Urban**. The breakfast, which is organized by co-workers of Lisa, currently seeks volunteers from the Peoria Jaycees to work the event. The event will feature prizes, raffles and giveaways. Please try to be there!

Although she has not been active in the Jaycees, Lisa has been battling cervical cancer the past few months. Despite a few complications, Lisa and her doctors are hopeful that the cancer is in remission. However, bill collectors are not. Therefore, Lisa's friends and co-workers are asking the Peoria Jaycees to help out with manpower at the breakfast.

If interested in volunteering or for more information, please call **Dana Johnston** at 692-1023 or **Dubby** at 691-6608. Lisa is a 36 year old single mother of two boys, **CJ** and **Josh** and works with Dubby, **'Governor' Owens** and others at SVI Systems in Peoria. **'Commander' Steve West** has long had a fetish for pancake breakfasts. Rejoice, his day has come!

## Membership Report

by Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt

### Who's Up For Renewal

The following members are due this month:  
No one is due

The following members are due in June:

James Barr	Chris Maushard
Lori Cave	"Wac" McIntyre
Theresa Diefendorf	Jennifer Monge
Emily Duncan	Mark Monge
Bryce Huette	Mark Mount
Norm Huff	Bill O'Neill
Dubby	Kim Turner
Chris Liebsch	Jeff Ulrich
Angela Marasco	Dan Wilkinson
Bob Marasco	

\* - indicates Associate Member

If wanting to renew ---> Renewal fees are due on the third Thursday of the month (by the membership meeting). Remember, renewal dues are \$35 and for your convenience, you can send a check made payable to the Peoria Jaycees, PO Box 2, Peoria, IL, 61650. If you have any questions, please call me, Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt at 674-5290.

### We Win! Pulfer Loses! Ha, Ha!

Ahoy! This is Dan calling all Pulfers... YOU LOST YOUR BET!! We have signed 22 new members since the start of 1998 - and all of them high quality "REAL" members. Kodos to the board and our all powerful 'Governor' for the recruiting frenzy.

**Rick Owens**, webmaster extrodinare is filling my shoes and I wish him good luck. Watchout world, this 'mild mannered' Clark Kent will sneak up on you and the next thing you know you'll be saying "State Your Name!"

Friar.. Out

## Peoria Jaycees Begin Monthly Happy Hour

Be sure to mark your calendars for the first Friday of the month for the Peoria Jaycees Happy Hour from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Each month, the happy hour will be held at a different drinking establishment, with the first happy hour at Fitzpatrick's Landing on Friday, June 5th.

Why a happy hour you may ask, as if the Peoria Jaycees didn't have enough social outings. According to the Membership Vice President elect, **Rick Owens**, it is a great opportunity for new and prospective members to come out and get aquatinted with the chapter. Also, it's a good way for current members to recruit new members, produce more business contacts or network themselves. If you have any questions regarding the Happy Hour, call Rick at 243-7319.

## Chapter Management

by Heather Zech



Well I'm at the Spring GA and am currently enjoying the festivities! This is it the last article I have to write. So I thought my last article was the last. **Rick** has his laptop here and is forcing me to write an article in a very intoxicated state. I had a great year and a lot of help. At this point in time,

there is not much in my area that is really happening, so I don't have much to say. Good luck Becky, I'm sure you will do a great job!

### Epicurean Night

Epicurean Night at the Galley was really bad! About 10 people attended and the majority will never go back. **Shari Quin** is petitioning the close of this establishment. She might be knocking on your door next so, be prepared to sign. Following are the number of cakes this location receives (not my favorite food but a great band). A possible of 5 cakes in each area:

Atmosphere: 🍰🍰🍰🍰

Service: 🍰

Quality: 🍰🍰🍰

Price: 🍰🍰🍰

May's Epicurean night will be the installation banquet held at Jim's Steak house on May 15th. I think I will continue to arrange the Epicurean nights until someone else steps forward with interest.

June's Epicurean night is tentatively going to be on June 20th in Honolulu, HI. We are going to attend a Luau with **Rick** and **Beth** on one of their final nights of honeymoon bliss. Isn't it great that they want the Jaycees to come help celebrate!

## Louie, Louie Parade

Join the Peoria Jaycees for all the fun on Friday, May 22nd for the Annual Louie, Louie Parade. The Jaycees will once again dress the part in their fashionable togas and parade through the streets of downtown Peoria. A party follows the parade in Ekwood Park at the Riverfront.

Several Jaycee members are meeting at the Judge's Chamber drinking establishment on Main St. in downtown Peoria at 1:30pm. The parade is scheduled to start at 3:00pm. For more info, call **Becky Lemont** at 676-2780. Please join us when ever you can!



The Louie, Louie Parade is a parade for charity that features everyone playing the song, *Louie, Louie* with gazoos.

## Community Development

*by Emily Duncan & Cindy Schwerer*



Hello everyone. It's us, Cindy and Emily and we would like to thank everyone who helped us this year. It's been a great time and we've really enjoyed working with the Jaycees in promoting community activities and events (and thanks to Aleve pain medication for the headaches I received in this position; I

would have never made it through the year). Being on the board in this capacity was really challenging, rewarding and a true learning experience.

I wish the next Community Development V.P. **Ross Hager** good luck for the year ahead. Ross will need the help of all Peoria Jaycee members, so we urge you all to get involved in the Jaycees and make this a better community for everyone. You don't know what you can do until you try, and with the Jaycees behind you, you know it's going to be a fun time!

### Firecracker 5000

After only 2 committee meetings, the 16th Annual Firecracker 5000 is well on it's way. Co-chairing the Firecracker this year is **Mike Buckley** and **Kevin Leach**. It's the first "major" project they have ever attempted to chair, so let's all give them a really big hand and let's help them any way we can. The Firecracker 5000 is a 5 kilometer/3.1 foot race in downtown Peoria, that includes running, walking and rollerblading.

This year's race will be better than ever as the **Peoria Police Department** has been working with **Jeff Bilsland** and the Jaycees in finding an improved race route. I am happy to report they have done just that.



The fee to enter the race this year is \$12 in advance and \$15 the day of the race. Proceeds are to benefit **Big Brothers Big Sisters** and the Peoria Jaycees.

We have several corporate sponsors for the race already. They include **Big Oldies 93.3**, **Brewer's Distributing**, **Caterpillar**, **The RiverStation**, **Hinckley & Schmitt**, **Kreiling Roofing**, **QST**, and **Pepsi**.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 1st at 7:00pm at Jimmy's Pub on Farmington Rd. If you would like to get involved or help out in some way, please call Mike Buckley @ 693-7811 or Kevin Leach @ 688-6858.

## Individual Development...

**... Served Hot & Fresh**

*from your Hostess, Becky Lemont*



Thank you everyone, that have made the last year GREAT in Individual Development... Also a big thanks to everyone who voted for me in Chapter Management. I am thrilled to be able to continue working for the Peoria Jaycees as a board member and look forward to the new challenge of Chapter Management.

Congrats to **Mike Buckley**, your new ID-VP, he is excited and motivated to do a wonderful job in ID. Congrats again. We will be looking forward to some projects in ID that have been put off to the side temporarily. One is the Golf Dynamics which is now being chaired by **Dan Wilkinson**. Give Dan a call to sign up or help out with this project. Dan can be reached at 691-6574.

Also Girl's Night Out is being rescheduled. **Kathy Pulfer** is running this project with help from **Cindy Schwerer**. For more information or if you want to help out, call Kathy at 346-8940 or Cindy at 685-4906.

**Debra Margetis** will be the guest speaker at the May's Membership Meeting. She will be telling us about the Alzheimer's Association.

The June Membership Meeting will be everyone's chance for input into the Peoria Jaycees. We will be surveying the membership to find out what projects you would like to help at, participate in or run as a chairperson. Consider what you would like for your Peoria Jaycees and plan on filling out your survey.

Thanks and Bon Appetit  
Becky

### Adopt-A-School

Our visit to Glen Oak Zoo with the Adopt-A-School kids at Calvin Coolidge on Thursday, May 7th was canceled due to rain. We are going to try and reschedule for sometime in the near future. We will still need chaperones for the kids. **Becky Lemont** was organizing this outing, so to find out more, please call Becky at 676-2780. I would also like to thank Becky for the beautiful job she's done this time with Adopt-A-School, not to mention the job she did with Individual Development.

And before we leave this distinguished office, we'd like to remind everyone that... mean people suck!

Love,  
Cindy & Emily

## A Stay of Execution from 'Governor' Dennis Owens



It's time for my last news article, thank God. This 5 minutes I spend each month is really cutting into my free time, ha ha.

Over the past 12 months you may have become tired of my goals. I bet you were getting completely sick of it. Let me tell you something about goals. If you do not have any goals you will never have anything.

Some of you may have seen the movie called *The Edge*. This movie shows the purpose of goals. The goal in this movie was survival. People every year find themselves lost in the woods just like in the movie *The Edge* and some of them die in the woods because they can't find there way out or nobody finds them. The thing I learned in this movie is that people that get lost in the woods die of shame, they just can't accept the fact that they are lost and believe someone will find them.

If these people would have had some goals, they may have survived. In the movie, one man had a goal and he survived. Your goals do not have to be big or extreme, but even if they are, some of that goal will be achieved.

My goal for 150 members was ridiculous but when I lowered it to 20 for the last three months we amazingly signed up 22 members. Without any membership goal we probably would not have signed up 22 members for the whole year. Just remember without goals your are just lost in the woods and you are going to die of shame!

Now for the Goals...

Since I have already rated myself on each goal I will now talk about the goal itself.

### G1: Law and Order in Meetings

The law and order goal was an important one. People were out of control in meetings and nobody could get there point across unless they yelled. I think everybody in the Peoria Jaycees that have went to a meeting have seen an improvement in this area.

### G2: Train and Involve More Members

This is a goal that I never pursued but by just bring it up every month it has had some impact. The board members for next are already talking about all sorts of training for our members.

### G3: Give More Donations

This goal was met and I hope it continues.

### G4: 150 Members

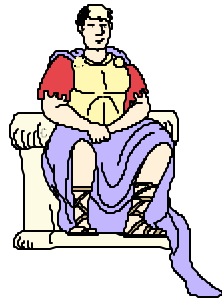
Well starting with 76 members and ending up with 93 didn't quite get us to 150. But think of it this way, if members were food and we were lost in the woods a little now and then would be better than none. If we had no goals we would be just sitting around waiting for someone to rescue us.

P.S. Being president is not a bad thing, Peoria Jaycees just hate the thought of being president. But let me tell you, I don't think one Peoria Jaycee president left office willingly, they were sad to leave. Being president will do more for you than you can imagine!

Its Better to Burn Out than Fade Away  
Governor Dennis Owens - Out

## State Director's Report

by John 'Caesar' Cima



Greetings everyone. Before I leave this office, there are a few items I would like to mention. After that, I will gladly turn things over to **Courtney Bosworth**, the new State Director elect.

I was kept extremely busy during the year past with our rigorous visitation schedule. Time for me to take a breather... <whew>. The past year has been a great one and I think the Peoria Jaycees are positioned for an even better year ahead. I wish Courtney as well as the other newly elected board members all the best.

### National Convention

The United States Jaycees are holding their National Convention from Monday, June 22nd to Thursday, June 25th in Las Vegas, NV. A nation's worth of rowdy Jaycees in Las Vegas... imagine that.

The major item on the docket will be the change of calendar year for the Jaycee organization. JCI (short for Junior Chamber International) wants to change our current year to the calendar year. Most of the response I've seen on this issue has been negative. However, this hot topic will be voted on during the convention. If anyone would like to go or want more info, please call Courtney Bosworth at 673-5492 or feel free to call me at 693-0631.

### Other Events

Here's what's happening with other Jaycee organizations:

Once again the Peoria Heights Jaycees are holding their T-Ball league for kids this summer. They currently need volunteers to umpire their games. If interested, call **Bob Klannukarn** at 693-2417. The games will be held on June 17th, June 24th and July 1st at Kelly School in Peoria Heights.

The Illinois Jaycees Summer General Assembly will be held at the Chancellor Hotel in Champaign, IL on the weekend of August 14-16. It is begin hosted by the East Region Jaycees. For more info, call **Courtney Bosworth** at 673-5492.

# Top Ten Really Cool Things About Being President Of The Peoria Jaycees

10. Get to play with a virgin "Big One" gavel.
9. It's an opportunity to develop an embarrassing nickname.
8. As president, you don't have to answer to your spouse like you would in other governments.
7. You get to ride in the presidential go kart in the Louie, Louie parade.
6. Executive privilege means free soap downs at car washes.
5. You're definitely the center of attention in the newsletter.
4. Secret Service protection and harassment 24 hours a day by Dubby.
3. It's probably the only time you have a business card that claims that you are a president.
2. The new Jaycee computer allows you to send more useless e-mail.
1. One word: Interns!

## 'Caesar' Cima Trapped In McDonald's Playground

Scheduling their trip to the Spring General Assembly in Decatur, IL, **John 'Caesar' Cima** decided to meet '**Governor' Dennis Owens** and **Rick Owens** at the McDonald's in Morton, IL. "McDonald's in Morton... What?!" the 'Governor' exclaimed when he heard the arrangement. The trio was to drive in two separate vehicles to the quarterly event.

When the 'Governor' and Rick arrived at McDonald's, they found that John had already been there for some time. The mighty 'Caesar' was playing in the McPlayLand, swinging on a swing and yelling "Weeeeeeee!" "Good Lord!" the 'Governor' said, "is this why you wanted us to come here?" "It's the best play land in Central Illinois" 'Caesar' responded.

Rick and the 'Governor' then proceeded to order dinner as John crawled into the large array of brightly colored plastic tubes. Moments later though, a scream of panic emerged from the play tubes; it was 'Caesar' and he was apparently stuck in the maze. A little child ran to the McDonald's manager and cried "There's a really big man stuck in the tube!"

The 'Governor,' displaying his unique and exceptional leadership qualities, told the McDonald's manager what needed to be done. Taking the initiative, he grabbed a five gallon bucket and filled it with grease from the French fry vat. The slick 'Governor' ran over to the tube and said "This should dislodge him." He began pouring the disgusting liquid down the sides, hoping to make 'Caesar' more slick than himself. "EEEEAAAAHHHHHH!" John screamed in pain from the hot grease. "Call it off!" he moaned. Seconds later, 'Caesar' slid out of the tube, completely bathed in used French fry grease. With third degree burns, 'Caesar' extended a handshake to the 'Governor' in appreciation for his swift actions. "Thank you Governor!" 'Caesar' firmly said. A couple of kids then said "Me next, me next... I wanna go!" After cleaning up in the rest room, 'Caesar,' the 'Governor' and Rick proceeded with their journey to the Decatur G.A.

## It's A Little Known Fact... Monopoly

In 1934, Charles B. Darrow of Germantown, Pennsylvania, presented a game called MONOPOLY to Parker Brothers executives. The game was turned down unanimously for violating some sacredly held principles. It was too long, its rules too complicated, and it had no clear-cut finish. Darrow proceeded to produce it on his own and with much success. With help from a friend who was a printer, Darrow sold 5,000 sets to Wanamakers of Philadelphia. After getting wind of the Wanamakers' deal, Parker Brothers reconsidered Darrow's offer and an agreement was struck in early 1935. By mid-February, Parker Brothers was producing 20,000 MONOPOLY sets per week!

Despite the initial success, Parker Brothers considered MONOPOLY an adult fad game too complicated for children and destined to just a few short years of life. Therefore, George Parker, the company's founder, ordered that production of MONOPOLY sets be ceased "against the possibility of a very early slump." The order, however, was written just prior to the 1936 Christmas buying season. The figures for that season told a different story. From that point on, an upward sales spiral continued. The game with the "complicated" rules has gone on to break some very important rules on its own.

Taken from the Monopoly Rules & History game booklet supplied with the 1935 Commemorative Edition of Monopoly. Monopoly is a Parker Brothers registered trademark.

**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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## **Jaycees Sit For The Cure**

In the limelight of the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, a run/walk marathon to fight breast cancer, the Peoria Jaycees are hoping to duplicate it's success to fight another form of cancer. Sit For The Cure will hope to bring awareness of prostate cancer and raise funds to battle the disease. The newly founded project is open to men only, where a nominal fee is paid, allowing them to sit in Lazy-Boy recliners, watch TV and drink beer. Women too can become involved on a limited basis by cheering for the men from the sidelines.

Atilla D. Hunn, a spokeswoman for the National Advancement of Women, or N.A.W., stated that the Sit For The Cure was "complete sexual discrimination" and that only allowing women's involvement to be from the sidelines as bystanders was "totally humiliating and degrading." Hunn also claimed "These insensitive men just don't understand! It's an emotional thing and it's for us women only!" The Race For The Cure allows only women to run or walk, while men stand on the side of the street and cheer.

Sit For The Cure project chairman Rick Owens quickly rebutted the N.A.W. statement, saying "It takes one to know one about sexual discrimination I guess". Owens explained the N.A.W. accusations as being a double standard, where they can segregate how they choose and it's fine, but if another group want to do something similar, it's considered discrimination. "I just can't figure where these kind of people come from. Something emotional is fine, but how's that going to stop cancer. I would imagine if you really wanted to stop cancer, you'd let everyone run in your race; even enter your dog or cat or your fish to raise the necessary research money." Owens stated.

Owens offered that if the Race For The Cure would open their event up to men, he would open up the Sit For The Cure to women. The N.A.W. offered no comment to Owens' proposal. Owens also smirked, "The main reason I do this is just to see people like these get all bent out of shape and hot under the collar."

## **'Caesar' Cima Trapped In McDonald's Playground**

*(First Draft)*

On the way to the Spring G.A. in Decatur, IL, John 'Caesar' Cima had scheduled with 'Governor' Dennis Owens and Rick Owens to meet at the McDonald's in Morton, IL. "McDonald's in Morton... What?!" the 'Governor' exclaimed when he heard the arrangement. The trio was to drive in two separate vehicles to the quarterly event.

When the 'Governor' and Rick arrived at McDonald's, they found that John had already been there for some time. The mighty 'Caesar' was playing in the McPlayLand, swinging on a swing and yelling "Weeeeeeee!" "Good Lord!" the 'Governor' said, "is this why you wanted us to come here?" "It's the best play land in Central Illinois" 'Caesar' resounded.

Rick and Dennis then proceeded to order dinner as John crawled into the large array of brightly colored plastic tubes. Moments later though, a scream of panic emerged from the play tubes; it was 'Caesar' and he was apparently stuck in the maze. A little child ran to the McDondl's manager and cried "There's a really big man stuck in the tube!"

The 'Governor,' displaying unique and exception leadership qualities, told the McDonald's manager what needed to be done. Taking the initiative, he grabbed a five gallon bucket and filled it with grease from the french fry vat. The slick 'Governor' ran over to the tube and said "This should dislodge him." He began pouring it down the sides, hoping to make 'Caesar' more slick than himself. "EEEEAAAAHHHHHH!" John screamed in pain from the hot grease, "Call it off!"

Seconds later, 'Caesar' slid out of the tube, completely bathed in used french fry grease. With third degree burns, he licked his fingers clean and said, "This doesn't taste too bad." A couple of kids then said "Me next, me next... I wanna go!"

After cleaning up in the rest room, 'Caesar,' the 'Governor' and Rick proceeded with their journey to the Decatur GA.