



The Charge!

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Who Were Those Greek Gods & Goddesses?

Could they possibly have been the Peoria Jaycees? That's right, the Jaycees were once again in the spotlight of Peoria - in full toga gear - as they participated in the Louie, Louie Parade. In attendance was **Beth Barr, Jeff Bilsland, John Cima, Dennis Owens, Sandy Pearce, Jeff Pulfer, Kathy Pulfer, Jennifer Routzon, Dan Schmidt, Steve West, Susan Wilbur** and **Heather Zech**. Also attending were friends of the Jaycees, **Melissa Flessner, Jenny Harpman** and "**Barb**", a friend of **Sandy Pearce**.

These fifteen people, who were proudly more dedicated to this fine organization than they were to their jobs, told their bosses "Later!" as they left work to meet in the Civic Center parking lot. There, they donned the Greek active wear, complete with Christmas tinsel. They held their heads high as they marched down the streets of Peoria raising the signs of their good deeds and community events.

Once at the Riverfront, the fun didn't end as the group was stalked by a *Journal Star* photographer. A newsworthy sight or a freak of nature... he couldn't decide. But whatever it was, it ended up on the front page of the next morning's paper. The group did make a spectacular sight, with comments from the crowd such as "Who's the stud in the fitted sheet?" and "That's somebody's layer?!" Dancing the night away, the group succeeded in coercing every band that hit the stage to say "Social!", except for the Kingsmen. **Dan Schmidt** felt the need to correct this situation, so he skillfully wormed his way on stage to say it himself. Way to go Dan! The Jaycees also managed to get some advertising from the Pink Flamingos, as the lead singer screamed "Everyone who is wearing a toga is a Peoria Jaycee!" Oh well, having bad publicity is better than no publicity at all. Thanks are in order for **Sandy Pearce** for pulling this whole event together.

Jaycees Most Wanted

Dennis Owens, 30, Jaycee member and software designer of video on demand systems for SVI Systems, Inc. of Peoria, IL, was sent to Columbus, Ohio on Thursday, May 8, 1996 to install new software at a Comfort Inn motel. On the morning of May 9th, Owens and co-worker **Tim Rohfe** began to enter each motel room to re-program credit card swipes when they were stopped by Columbus law officers as they approached one particular room. Apparently, there had been a suicide in this room and the two SVI personnel were forbidden to enter. Owens peeked inside the room and noticed the victim's feet peering around a corner. The suicide victim was done in by a shot gun. After Columbus police dismissed Owens and his accomplice, they were informed that Owens was an owner of the same type of shot gun back at his home in Peoria, IL. "This is too much of a coincidence," stated a Columbus detective. A warrant was immediately issued for the arrest of **Dennis Owens**, but it was too late... he had already left the state. However, in Illinois, Owens was picked up by the state police in Peoria, IL at some type of Friday Fest.

Owens immediately enlisted the legal services of renown attorney **Steven J. West**, who was made famous by winning the landmark *Bilsland v. Great Britain Health Authorities* case, or better known as the "Mad Dog trial". Attorney West successfully pleaded to release Owens on his own recognizance, but since that time, **Dennis Owens** has fled and is wanted by the law. If you or anyone you know have any information to **Dennis Owens'** whereabouts, call our Jaycees Most Wanted Hotline at 676-JAYC.

The Charge! Wins Prestigious State Award

Last month at the state convention in Rosemont, IL, the Peoria Jaycees monthly newsletter, *The Charge!*, won the 4th quarter Most Outstanding Chapter Newsletter award from the Illinois Jaycees. Ex-president **Steve West** was on hand to accept the highly prestigious and distinguished award. The Commander stated that the judges of the award claimed the newsletter was "informative, entertaining and very humorous." *The Charge!* editor, **Rick Owens** was very pleased to hear the news. (continued on page 3)

From The Desk of the Most Dangerous Writer in America

by Rick Owens

Summertime is here again and you know what that means; all the big summer movies come to your local theaters. Lately, people have noticed that all these big blockbuster movies seem somewhat familiar, like they've seen them on TV before. Movies in the past such as *Dragnet*, *The Brady Bunch*, *The Beverly Hillbillies*, *Dennis the Menace* and *The Addams Family*. And then there are the movies coming out this summer; *Mission:Impossible*, *Flipper* and *Sgt. Bilko* which came out a couple of months ago. And, coming to a theater near you sometime in the future, *Leave It To Beaver*, *McHale's Navy*, *I Dream of Jeannie* and yes, there has been talk of *Gilligan's Island*. What is wrong with Hollywood, have they run out of ideas? Here is where I come in; I'll give you big time Hollywood producers a fresh idea for a film.

This movie takes place in a medium sized city in Central Illinois, concerning a young persons volunteer organization. The entire film is semi-narrated and seen threw the eyes of the organization's newsletter editor. The cast of characters is the driving force behind this story, chronicling the events and parties this organization gets involved in. It's president, who is nicknamed 'the Commander' is a wacky attorney by day, who likes to talk entirely too much. The vice president of this outfit will be portrayed as a heavy chain smoker who like to make excuses to why they cannot work at various projects. Another character who has become too old to be a member, causes complete chaos and confusion in the organization due to inability to let go and continues to micro-manage the group. (Continued on Page 7)

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Mark Your Calendars

June

Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours; Thursday, June 13, 5-7:00pm, Lakeview Museum - call Joann Ziegler

SteamBoat Days; Friday, June 14 - 16, call the 'Good Friar'

Firecracker 5000 Packet Slam; Thursday, June 20, 6:30pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call Jeff Bilstrand or Dan Schmidt

Membership Meeting; Thursday, June 20, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call the John Cima

American Cancer Society Relay for Life; Friday, June 21, 4:30pm - midnight - call Rick Owens

Wines on the Waterfront; Saturday, June 22, 7:00pm, RiverStation - call John Cima

Epicurean Night; Thursday, June 27, 6:30pm, Dockside at Hamm's Holiday Harbor on Rt. 29, Chillicothe - call Sue Wilbur

July

Firecracker 5000; Thursday, July 4; pre-race set up at 5:00am, race starts 8:00am - call Dan Schmidt or Jeff Bilstrand

Hog Roast; Thursday, July 4, 1:00pm - call Dennis Owens

Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours; Thursday, July 11, 5-7:00 Ravina on the Lakes - call Joann Ziegler

Membership Meeting; Thursday, July 18, 7:00pm, Amvets, downtown Peoria - call John Cima

Firecracker 5000 Appreciation Party; Saturday, July 20 - call Jeff Bilstrand

Car Wash (tentative); Saturday, July 27, details to be announced later - see next month's newsletter or come to the meetings

August

Business After Hours; Thursday, August 8, 5 - 7:00pm, - call Joann Ziegler

Past Presidents/Anniversary Party; Thursday, August 15, to be held at the August membership meeting - call John Cima

The Charge! Wins Award (Cont.)

"I'm glad to know that someone actually reads this nonsense," Owens said during an interview. Mr. Owens also went on to say, "I guess you can now honestly consider the newsletter to be 'award winning', but I have yet to even see this award!"

Rick Owens would like to thank those people who helped make *The Charge!* the successful publication that it is; **Beth Barr** for assistance in folding and labeling, the board members who turned in their news articles, the members who provided the editor with stories and events he could write about (meaning the tomfoolery this chapter gets involved in); those of you in the chapter with a sense of humor; and of course you, *The Charge!* reader for making this the most popular Jaycee newsletter in the state of Illinois, without whom, none of this would have been possible.

Hog Roast

Dennis Owens will be hosting a hog roast at his humble abode, located at 7608 N. Radnor Rd. on Peoria's north side, Thursday, July 4, 1996. Festivities will commence promptly at 1:00pm, but if you want to arrive sooner to help with hog roasting, feel free to stop by. Beer and a hog will be provided, however, please bring a dessert or some type of dish that everyone can share.

Other events that will be featured will include the nighttime golf contest, live entertainment to be provided by The G-Men, additional live entertainment to be provided by **Rusty Greene** after a couple shots of Wild Turkey, and of course fireworks ignited by several drunken individuals will surely take place.

Have You Seen Me Lately?

Missing: About 4 cash boxes that were used in the last International Beer Fest. It's likely that a Jaycee member picked them up during clean up after the event. However, the ex-treasurer does not know where they are. If you are in possession of these items, please call **Rick Owens** or **Cindy Schwerer**, immediately.

Past Presidents/Anniversary Party

Once again, the Peoria Jaycees will be holding their Past Presidents and Anniversary party at the August membership meeting on August 15, 1996 at 7:00pm, in downtown Peoria at the Amvets Post #64.

This year, the Commander will be honored and 'roasted' for his exceptional work as the chapter president for the 1995-96 year. Mark your calendars now and hope to see you there!

Epicurean Corner

by Susan Wilbur



Epicurean Night for the month of May was held at Barnacle Billy's on Rt. 29. It was a warm and sunny evening with a cool breeze in the air as 13 Jaycees (including **Bob Klannakorn** from the Peoria Hts. Jaycees) occupied the covered deck. The atmosphere of this particular establishment was good and the company of people there was great. However, the rest of this event had much to be desired. The meal turned out to be rather poor, and the service turned out worse, as it took forever and a day to get waited on. Once the food arrived, it was either too soggy or too stale to eat. Furthermore, the pitchers of beer were \$6.00 and small plastic cups of beer sold for \$1.50, and this was just for domestic beer! I guess they have to pay for that deck somehow.

An impromptu Epicurean night was held on Sunday, June 2, with 5 Jaycees at the Riverfront waiting to listen to the some Big Band music. As the group waited, they decided to eat at the Pasta Cafe on the Katie Hooper. Being a pleasant evening, they opted to eat outdoors, but as they waited for their entrees, the group watched the skies turn black with streaks of lightning thru them. The food was good and the service was friendly, but slow, due to the fact that they were allegedly busy (but somehow, the tables in the place were not full).

Barnacle Billy's Rating: 1 (poor) - 5 (excellent)

Service:	0
Atmosphere:	4
Food:	1

Pasta Cafe Rating: 1 (poor) - 5 (excellent)

Service:	2
Atmosphere:	4
Food:	4

Up-Coming Epicurean Nights

June	- DockSide in Chillicothe, Rt. 29
July	- Jukebox Comedy Club, Farmington Rd.
Aug	- Crooked Waters Brew Pub, Riverfront, Peoria

Car Wash

A Jaycee car wash is in the works and is tentatively set for Saturday, July 27th. The location for the car wash will be either at the Shell station on Glen and University or at the Huck's Station on Willow Knolls. A chairman is needed for this project and responsibilities for this event are light. For more information, contact **John Cima** at 693-0631.

Membership Report by Dr. Quin, Membership Woman

Who's Due

In June, the following members are due:

Nick Dervenis	Jennifer Misak
Frank Hess	Mark Monge
Norm Huff	Mark Mount
Dubby	Bill O'Neil

In July, the following members will be due:

Yolanda Adams	Samer Sader
Beth Barr	Mike Safford
Steve Dozard	Cindy Schwerer
Rick Kem	Gregg Strode
Kristin Mangold	Jeffrey V. Webber
Valerie Mount	

Membership Status

For the year ended, it looks like the Peoria Jaycees have a total of 78 regular members and 5 associate members, bringing the total to eighty-two members, according to the roster. However, it is unclear for a few members whether they wanted to renew or not, but we are working on the problem.

Please welcome our most recent members are **Tammy Gaworski** (recruited by me, 'the Membership Woman'), **Emily Meinert** (recruited by **Cindy Schwerer**) and **Dan Lattermore** (recruited by **the Friar**).

Roster Maintenance

If you have moved or changed any of your phone numbers, please inform **Rick Owens** at 691-9292 as soon as possible so we can maintain our roster in a timely fashion. Also, for anyone with a computer that uses Windows 3.1 or Windows 95, Rick has a database application he will share with you. It contains all the roster information regarding the Peoria Jaycees and from time to time, he will provide you with an updated data file.

Attention New Members

Have you recently joined the Jaycees and want to get involved, but don't know what to do? The Board tries to contact all the members frequently to notify them of upcoming events, however, the Board doesn't always succeed. All Jaycee activities are open to all Jaycee members and prospective members. Simply check out the calendar of events on page 2 to find out what's coming up and just show up. If you need more information on a project, simply call the phone number that is usually provided in the newsletter article covering that event, or call the Jaycee Hotline at 676-5292. Hope to see you soon!

State Director's Report by Jason Arends



Hey, it's me, your new State Director, Jason Arends and it's going to be a great new year. Here is what's going on in the Praireland Region and the State of Illinois.

State and Region LOTS

John Cima, Cindy Schwerer, Joann Ziegle, and myself attended the state LOTS in Jacksonville, IL on the weekend of June 1. Cindy claimed to have gotten a lot out of the training and learned a great deal, but then again, Cindy was the only one asleep in the car on the way down.

The region LOTS is going to be held at Illinois Central College in E. Peoria on Saturday, June 22nd; I encourage all Board members who did not go to the state LOTS to go to this one.

Summer Regional

The Summer Regional this time is to be hosted by the Lincoln Jaycees. It is going to be held at the Lincoln Rec Center on Saturday, August 3rd at 2:00pm. I believe it was originally scheduled for July 27, but some sort of scheduling conflict arose and the date had to be changed. Sorry for any inconvenience (because I'm sure a whole bunch of you really wanted to go).

Visitation Schedule

Here is the visitation schedule I have set for the month of June.

Wed., June 12, 7:00pm	- Galesburg; Tailgaters on Rt. 150
Wed., June 12, 7:00pm	- Bloomington
Thur., June 13, 7:00pm	- San Jose; Firehouse
Tue., June 18, 7:00pm	- East Peoria; Jaycee Hall
Thur., June 20, 7:00pm	- Peoria, Amvets Post #64

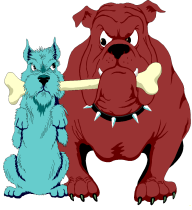
If you are interested in attending one of these visitations, call me at 681-1839. Hope to see you at the membership meeting and have a great day! Thanks!

Individual Development by Dan 'the Friar' Schmidt

Ahoy! This is 'the Friar' and I am now assuming the role of IDVP. However, I need your help in finding ideas for individual development projects. I am currently working on a 'Surf the Net' Dynamics project. Also, I am thinking about having our newest Jaycee member, **Dan Lattermore**, give a presentation on body building and physical fitness at our next membership meeting. A presentation on body building and physical fitness will make you STRONG! However, that is still in the works. I will have more to report on at the membership meeting, so until then... Friar... Out!

Community Development

by Jeff 'Mad Dog' Bilsland



Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life is to be held on Friday, June 21 to Saturday, June 22 at the Peoria Stadium on War Memorial Dr., Peoria, IL. The Cancer Society needs light manpower assistance

from the Peoria Jaycees. More than enough people volunteered to help, however, don't let that stop you from getting involved as help is never turned away. If interested in helping, call **Rick Owens** at 243-7319.

3.1 Miles of Naked Women & Naked Men

You too could be one of the few the proud and the naked if you want. But most people watching this years 14th annual Firecracker 5000 will be dressed. If the mood hits you, come and watch naked. The Jaycees will not be responsible if you go to jail, and they will not pay for your bail either.



This year's Firecracker will be bigger and better than ever and is in need of helpers.

Dan Schmidt, this year's chairman, has been pulling his hair out looking for volunteers to help make the project a success. Dan needs your help and all your friends for manpower on the Fourth of July this year. The proceeds from this race will help to benefit the Moonlight Basketball League, the American Cancer Society and the Community Development projects that the Peoria Jaycees run for the 1996-97 year.

Success of this project depends upon the membership of the Peoria Jaycee Chapter. Don't wait for us to call you, contact **Joann Ziegler** at 689-0051. Joann is handling manpower for the event and she is desperately low on help. The more money that we raise the year will help our current projects - Adopt-A-School, Santa Visits the Kids, Easter Egg Hunt and the DSA banquet - become a success. With a more successful Firecracker we can start new community development projects. Call Joann now and help out. It will only take a few hours out of your day.

Oh yeah, did I mention that if you work the Firecracker you will be invited to the largest and best hog roast of the Summer.

Dennis Owens will be hosting a dead pig and lots of drink for your enjoyment. Also, by volunteering you will save **Jeff Bilsland** from having a nervous breakdown. As much as we all would like to see that happen, we need Jeff to finish his 3rd year as CDVP.

The next time you see **Joann Ziegler**, **Dan Schmidt**, or **Jeff Bilsland**, run up to them and say, "I'm here to save Jeff Bilsland's health, I want to volunteer for the Firecracker 5000". Jeff will appreciate it.

Adopt-A-School

Another school year has ended which ends this year's Adopt-A-School program. **Jason Arends** did a great job in showing the Student of the Month and Honor Roll students the appreciation they deserve for excelling in academics. This year Jason took the kids to the Haunted House, Rock and Roll Fun Center (seeing **Steve West** on rollerblades was worth running the project for the whole year), and a Peoria Chiefs game. The kids enjoyed themselves and so did the adults that went. Thanks Jason.

If you or anyone else is interested in working on this project for next year, contact **Jeff Bilsland** at 682-2897. You get the chance to interact with children that need to see good examples of making it on the legal side of the law. This project is a very gratifying experience, just ask Jason.

From The Desk On The Most Insane Man In The Peoria Jaycee Chapter - Mad Dog!

Why do they call me Mad Dog? Well that is a question I will try to answer before I finish this article. I wasn't the one who came up with that name, it was **Dennis Owens** who started it. One minute I'm screaming at **Jeff Pulfer**, the next minute I'm labeled. Me, the nicest guy in the world, labeled by the Toy Boy himself, **Dennis Owens**. A man who can't settle for a typical barbecue grill, he has to have one big enough to cook a 200 lb. hog. I mean the only reason he didn't make it big enough to cook a whole cow was that there wasn't enough metal around to make it that big. Geez and he calls me mad.

Anyway, this year I am once again your Community Development Vice President for the third year in a row. Now that's mad. I plan on doing more things in the Peoria government this year and need all the connections I can get. If you are interested in getting involved politically, please contact me and we can work a plan.

The battery in my laptop is going dead. I can't believe it. I told that *&#!(@ to charge this *&# battery up before giving it to me. What is the world coming to when people don't think about others and do what their told. The whole world is going to hell and handbasket. We might as well just close up the doors and shut off the lights. I tell you.

What was I talking about? Oh, yeah, what I plan on doing for mankind this year. There are many projects that can be done, I just need those special volunteers that can do the job. You might have noticed that as my first act of the year as your Community Development Vice President I got my picture plastered on the front page of *The Journal Star*. You can view this beautiful picture by getting a copy of the June 1st *Journal Star*.

Contact me soon to run your project. If you don't contact me, you can be sure that sometime this year I will be seeing you. Call me at 682-2897 and we will find your special project to do. As for why they call me Mad Dog..... I don't know. If you figure it out, please let me know.



President's Report *by John Cima*

Well, here it is! The long-anticipated inspirational first words of wisdom from the pen of your newly anointed leader! Let me begin by thanking you for this opportunity of being President. I realize that I was not the first choice for this office by many of you (myself included!), but once it became apparent that no one else was going to step up to the plate, I decided to throw my hat into the ring (how's that for cliché overkill!). Now that the votes have been tabulated (with considerably less suspense than the recent Israeli elections), I want to assure you that I will work my buns off (it would be nice if that became a physical reality!) to assure that this is a successful, productive, and above all, fun year for the Peoria Jaycees.

There may be a few of the members (and some of the powers that be in the region and district) that think we have a little too much fun, but I beg to differ. We all should remember that this is a volunteer organization first and foremost, and that people are strapped for time these days between work, family, hobbies, and commitments to other groups and causes. If the members don't enjoy the projects and activities that the Jaycees are involved with, there is no incentive for their participation in the organization. When we're enjoying ourselves, it reflects in a positive attitude and a willingness to actively participate in the organization. In addition, being fun makes you POPULAR! I have noticed a great deal of interest in the Jaycees by community members (read potential recruits) over the past month from our participation in the Friday Fest and Louie Louie Parade; most of that interest, I believe, is the result of the outward display of enthusiasm and enjoyment we exhibited during those two events.

It is my belief that a positive attitude and a penchant for fun will lead to more productive projects, an increase in membership, and an overall improvement of the chapter. Keep in mind however, these two points at public events: 1) remember the primary function of the project at hand, and 2) remember that you are representing the Peoria Jaycees. Some of the responsibilities for the projects we're involved in (e.g.. getting up early on the 4th of July for the Firecracker 5000 -hint hint) are not that enjoyable; however, these responsibilities are essential for the successful completion of the project. If you keep in perspective all the fun things we do vs. the more tedious, but essential tasks in a project, it is a small price to pay for the success of the project and the chapter as a whole. Secondly, when the Jaycees are participating in a public function, your behavior at that function reflects on the whole organization. All I'm going to say on the subject is have fun, but be smart and use common sense and good judgment in your behavior at the function. The only reason I bring this up is that I myself have been on the verge of making a spectacle of myself at public functions (*editor's note: and a good president should make a public spectacle out of himself - look at the Commander and his tattooed forehead*) without taking into account how my behavior would reflect on the organization. As President, I now have to be conscious of this at all times; I encourage all members to do the same. Now that I have stated my peace, I'll end this rambling diatribe by saying if we have fun and be smart about it, we'll have a great year!

Thanks for Your Support
John Cima

(P.S. - This will (hopefully) be my longest letter of the year.)

I Need A Name!

We have the Commander, The Good Friar, and Mad Dog in positions of importance. While President Cima carries with it an aura of quiet distinction, it lacks panache. Therefore, I am submitting to the chapter the following: The First Annual (everything we do seems to have "Annual" in the title) "Nickname the President Contest." The member who submits the winning entry will receive a 6-pack of their favorite beverage (\$10.00 max) courtesy of the President. Submittals are due no later than July 1, so that the winning entry can be included in the July newsletter. All entries will be personally judged by yours truly. Note: all entries will be considered; keep in mind, however, that referrals to negative physical traits (e.g.. my billowy waistline) don't have a rat's ass chance in winning. And remember, paybacks are hell!!

Top Ten Goals Stated in This Year's Chapter Planning Guide

- 10.) Require that chapter president speak in third person like Bob Dole.
- 9.) Liquidate Building Fund and sink all the proceeds into ValuJet stock.
- 8.) Make the G-Men perform more than one song.
- 7.) Maintain a log book of Valerie Mount excuses.
- 6.) Hang out with those babes in the Bloomington chapter more often.
- 5.) Phone first before going to Six Flags.
- 4.) The ultimate individual development project: Target Practice/Postal Worker Dynamics.
- 3.) Locate a drinking establishment that is impossible for Norm Huff to get kicked out of.
- 2.) Ignore Pulfer.
- 1.) More beer parties!

From the Desk of the Most Dangerous Writer in America (cont.)

What summertime movie would be complete without guys always looking to pick up some women. Introducing "Mad Dog" and "Friar" the community and individual development vice presidents, who are of good character and are very active (one being very hyperactive) in the organization, but serve a never ending quest to meet girls. One of the events these two get involved in is a bachelor auction at a nearby Jaycee chapter.

Also included in the cast of characters is a board member who is the technical wizard behind every project; ranging from bus repair to electronic wiring for a haunted house to hog roasting. This character is portrayed to be from Arkansas, with a cigarette in his mouth, a Budweiser in hand and driving a Dodge Ram pickup. The organization's treasurer is characterized as a shy, young and innocent girl, but under that exterior is a real party animal who lusts after men. Another character in the movie is to be a board member who serves as a representative for the organization at other chapters in their region. This character in the film will be extremely nervous all the time, using the excuse "When you get to be my age...", when he does not want to attend a certain function. And to top it off, this organization will also have it's own rock band that can only play one song.

There you have it Hollywood, a fresh idea I'm sure that will make millions. So how about it, Steve (Spielberg), Ron (Howard), Francis (Ford Coppola); any takers? Until next time, I thank you for your support.

It's A Little Known Fact... We're Not in Kansas Anymore, Toto

Tornadoes arise when the conditions that cause thunderstorms are unusually violent. Winds blowing in opposite directions around a strong updraft start a narrow, violent whirl. Centrifugal force throws the air away from the center, leaving a core of very low pressure. This low-pressure core acts as a powerful vacuum, tearing the roofs from houses. Around the edges of the whirl, wind speeds may reach 300 miles (480 kilometers) per hour or more.

At first, the tornado's funnel is whitish because it is composed of minute water droplets. After touching down, the funnel becomes dark because of all of the debris it has sucked up. This debris can include rocks, tree limbs, and parts of buildings; tornadoes have been known to pick up automobiles, horses, and whole trees. When the edge of the funnel slams into a building, the debris acts as a circular saw, ripping through everything it touches.

A tornado usually moves toward the east at 25 to 40 miles (40 to 64 kilometers) per hour, cutting a narrow swath through everything in its path. Fortunately, tornadoes are only a few hundred feet wide; the edge of one may destroy all of the houses on one side of a street while leaving those on the other side completely unscathed. A tornado that passes over water is called a waterspout.

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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This Month:

**Firecracker 5000 Update; Hog Roast;
Louie, Louie Parade Turn Out; Name the President Contest**