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In an environment
that fosters
**TRUE
FRIENDSHIP,**
we offer the
best opportunities for
**BUSINESS
and
CAREER
DEVELOPMENT,
and
COMMUNITY
ACTION**
to men and women
21-39 years of age.

**Welcome to The United States
Junior Chamber!** You have become a
member of the greatest young persons' orga-
nization in the world! We've put this brochure
together to answer some of our new members'
most frequently asked questions. We weren't
able to include all there is to know about the
Jaycee organization, but we believe it will
serve as a starting point to help you get
involved.

VISION

*To become the organization of choice for young men
and women, providing direction and leadership to our
communities and nation.*

MISSION

*To provide young people the opportunity to develop
personal and leadership skills through local community
action and organizational involvement while expanding
the Junior Chamber movement.*

HISTORY

The Junior Chamber movement began in 1920 in St.
Louis, when Henry Giessenbier recognized a need for an
organization to teach young men leadership and business
skills in order to advance their careers.

Through the years, the Junior Chamber has made an
impact on communities all over the country. If you
interview the leaders of your community today, you will
probably find that many of them are former Jaycees.

Many local and national leaders got their start in the
Junior Chamber. Here are a few of the national initiatives
with which the Junior Chamber has been involved:

- 1920s** Get Out the Vote, U.S. Airmail service
- 1930s** National Wildlife Federation, Safety with Light,
venereal disease prevention programs
- 1940s** Junior golf program, endorsement of military draft,
founding of Junior Chamber International
- 1950s** Junior tennis program, support of statehood for Alaska
and Hawaii
- 1960s** Uniform Vehicle Code, Clean Water
program, Shooting Education
- 1970s** Operation Red Ball, Operation Identification,
Muscular Dystrophy fundraising
- 1980s** Campaign for Liberty, St. Jude's Research
Hospital fundraising
- 1990s** Hurricane and flood relief, KidCare ID,
Greenworks, Junior Chamber Mission Inn, Social
Security reform, Get Out the Vote, Jaycees Against
Youth Smoking

Learn more about the history of the Junior Chamber
organization by reading the book "A Legacy of
Leadership," available by calling 800.JAYCEES.

DEVELOPMENT

How can the Jaycee organization help me?

The Junior Chamber organization provides opportunities for you to develop and polish skills that will benefit both your personal and professional lives. These skills include: time management, fiscal responsibility, teamwork, delegation, public speaking, writing, organization, project management, negotiation, and goal setting, to name a few.

Your involvement also gives you opportunities for community service, networking, and life-long friendships. Ultimately, what you get out of the Jaycees is what you put into it. Your involvement will reap huge benefits.

The Junior Chamber offers its members benefits such as low-interest credit cards and discounted medical and life insurance for qualified members as well as discounts on rental cars, hotels, magazine subscriptions, and much more. You can learn more about these benefits by visiting our web site: www.USJAYCEES.org

INVOLVEMENT

How do I get involved?

Begin by attending your chapter's general membership meetings and reading your chapter's newsletter. These are excellent ways to learn what your chapter is doing and pinpoint those areas where you can make a difference.

The Springboard and Degrees programs are designed to walk you step by step through the Jaycee experience. Once you have completed the tenth degree, you will have a complete understanding of the Junior Chamber organization. Your Chapter President will be able to give you information on the Springboard and Degrees programs.

To get the most from your Jaycee experience, volunteer for at least one chapter project each month. When your chapter holds a new member orientation, be sure to attend. You will learn more about your chapter, develop friendships, and begin to feel comfortable and productive.

After you've gotten your feet wet on a few projects, volunteer to chair a project committee. This experience will give you a feel for what the Junior Chamber is all about while providing opportunities to develop those valuable skills we mentioned earlier.

Finally, you may want to assume a position of leadership on your chapter's Board of Directors. Each level of your involvement brings its own personal and professional growth and a true sense of satisfaction.

NETWORKING

How far reaching is The U.S. Junior Chamber?

As a Jaycee, you belong to a vast network of Junior Chamber organizations in all 50 states and more than 100 foreign countries. Jaycee membership begins with the local chapter but it also includes your state organization, the national organization, and Junior Chamber International. You'll receive a quarterly publication entitled *Jaycees Magazine* from the U.S. Junior Chamber.

A great way to learn more about other Junior Chamber chapters is by doing a "visitation." Your Chapter President can fill you in on what events have been scheduled by other chapters in your area. Take along a few of your new Jaycee friends and pay another chapter a visit. This is a great way to have fun and learn at the same time!

OPPORTUNITIES

What opportunities are available for Jaycees?

Once you have become an active, integral part of your local chapter, you may want to consider becoming a state or national officer.

Each state is covered by District and Region Directors, and each state organization elects a President, several Vice Presidents, and other officers from local chapter members in your state. The U.S. Junior Chamber has an elected Board of Directors made up of Jaycees from all around the country. All Jaycee members have the potential to serve as a state or national officer.

There are also numerous training opportunities available at the state and national levels. Most states hold quarterly meetings to recognize Jaycees for their hard work and train them to lead their local chapters. The U.S. Junior Chamber conducts educational programs such as the U.S. Leadership Academy, the Local Presidents' Summit, and the National Business Summit. At these meetings, members are provided with valuable training opportunities. For information about these opportunities, contact your Chapter President, your state office, or call the National Service Center at 800.JAYCEES.

contacts

Information to remember!

CHAPTER

Number of members: _____

Chapter meetings (place, day, time):

Board meetings (place, day, time):

Chapter President (name, phone number):

Chapter officers (name, position, phone numbers):

STATE

State President (name, phone numbers):

NATIONAL: National Service Center

Address: PO Box 7

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Phone: 918.584.2481

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Customer Service: 800.JAYCEES

Web Address: www.USJAYCEES.org

Application for Membership

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Date of birth _____

Home phone _____

Work phone _____

Fax # _____

E-mail address _____

Employer _____

Title _____

Spouse's name _____

Referred by _____

I would like to refer _____

Phone _____

YES! I am between the ages of 21 and 39 and want to

increase my opportunities for success by becoming a member.

I AM INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Family & Youth Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Sporting Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Networking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting New People | <input type="checkbox"/> International Affairs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Governmental Affairs | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Reform | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medicare Reform | _____ |