

**Reunion of The Crew, April 23-25, 1999.  
Crystal City Hilton, adjacent to Washington's Reagan National Airport (DCA)**

Program plans for the 1999 reunion include an embassy reception and discussions with leaders of the new, 106th Congress.

Special bargain room rates have been negotiated - \$99 per night. You can reserve your room now by calling the hotel directly at (703) 418-6800 or (800) 445-8667, and mention that you are with "The Crew". The registration cost, including meals, hospitality-room tranquilizers and special-program-feature expenses, will not be known until some program details are set. The next issue of *The Log* will contain the fee and additional information on program attractions.

Younger stars of the Jaycee movement will find it fascinating to spend time with leaders who built the Junior Chamber of Commerce to be the most effective civic organization in America. The extraordinary productivity of Junior Chambers of Commerce has been the result of youthful energy combined with desires to demonstrate ability and freedom to assert initiative.

Older members of The Crew might never see old, good friends again unless they come to the century-ending reunion of The Crew. Our experiences, learning leadership by conceiving and managing constructive civic projects, occurred many years ago for many of us.

Do not miss being with some of your favorite friends at the 1999 Reunion of The Crew. Mark your calendar now.

**Canadian Annual Crew Meeting  
Winnipeg, Manitoba May 28-30, 1999**

The hosts of the outstanding international reunion of the Crew in Ottawa, Canada in 1998 will be celebrating fellowship again in one the most fascinating places in North America. Winnipeg serves as the main trade center for, probably, the richest grain-growing region of the world, and will be the site of the 1999 Pan American Games. Winnipeg is located a short distance south of huge crystal-clear lakes that provide some of the most exciting fishing found anywhere.

Senator Ken W. Cade is chairman of the event.

Registrations and information can be obtained from Bill Enefer, PO Box 1214, Winnipeg, MB R3C 2Y4, telephone (204) 489-2096, pager (204) 943-6136, or via email from John Deacon at [jdeacon@pangea.ca](mailto:jdeacon@pangea.ca).

## New Business, New Home Town

Mate **Mike Fernandes** (3708 Rodale Way, Dallas, TX 75287-4816), USJCC staff officer from 1981 to 1988 and New Hampshire state president in 1980-81 has moved from Waco to Dallas, Texas. On September 1, Mike started two new businesses in North Dallas. One is "Resumes and More," a resume writing service. The other is "Site Selection Services," that helps organizations select and negotiate prices for meeting accommodations.

Mike's wife, Karen, works for Tenet Health Services, owner of more than 130 hospitals across the country. Mike and Karen have bought a new house in North Dallas. Phone: (972) 662-3340.

## Arizona, Magnet for Retired Jaycee Leaders

One of the latest of the stream of former top officers of the Jaycees to move to Arizona is mate **Bill Giltner** (2528 East McKellips, #85, Mesa, AZ 85213-3080). Bill was Colorado state president in 1963-64 when that state organization tied for number-one in the Parade of States. In the two years from 1962 to 1964 the number of chapters in Colorado almost doubled. Bill reports that many programs and facilities are still thriving 35 years later.

Bill has sold his business in Fort Collins, Colorado and moved to enjoy his 6 grandchildren. He says that he has to play golf in only 8 more states to have played in all 50. Alaska?

## Let your Crew Directory help you warm old friendships.

Mate **Harry Stewart** (100 Edenburgh Rd. Ste. 203, Raleigh, N.C. 27608) reminds that our old friends would like to hear from us. Harry says that mates "**Cou**" **Browne** (200 West Cornwall Rd. Cary, N.C. 27511) and **Billy Harrison** (109 South Cobblestone St., Rocky Mount, N.C. 27804) would also like to maintain contact with former associates.

## Parkinsonism strikes aerospace engineer, Walt Wiesman.

A brilliant Jaycee leader, mate **Walt Wiesman** (5018 Panorama Drive, Huntsville, AL 35801-1221) cannot join us in Crystal City next spring, and he reports that he cannot keep up with correspondence. Walt's phone number is (256) 533-4884. He would like to hear from friends.

Walt, Senator #498, was part of the team of German immigrant engineers who developed the first successful rocket propulsion systems for the American space program. Later the NASA Huntsville Center team led development of the giant rocket engines that sent astronauts to the moon. The Apollo first-stage rockets surpassed the power of all the hydro-electric powerplants in the United States combined.

## A Family of Jaycee Leaders

Mate **Dick Robinson** (USA, Inc. Box 11205, Lexington, Ky. 40511), 1975-76 USJCC President, has sent current directory information on the Robinson Jaycee leadership dynasty. Dick (not Richard, he reminds us) and wife Christie can be reached at phone (502) 863-2880, email [cdrobin12@aol.com](mailto:cdrobin12@aol.com).

Mike Robinson, 1976-77 Michigan state president, 3138 Frankfort Rd. Georgetown, Ky 40324, Spouse: Jerri, Phone: (502) 863-0597.

Bob Robinson, 1973-74 Pennsylvania state president, Box 391, Napoleon, Ohio 43545, Phone: (419) 599-7220.

Mate **Pat Sheridan** (Blue Cross of Indiana, Indianapolis, IN), 1971-72 Michigan state president, 1973-74 USJCC treasurer, Phone: (317) 488-6484.

We would like to see this array of leaders at the 1999 reunion. Dick, will you also recruit your whole executive committee for the end-of-the-century reunion? After 23 years your team will welcome the opportunity to meet again.

## Greetings

From mate **Gerwyn A. Jones** (P.O. Box 688, Walla Walla, Washington 99362-0242) -

"From the great Northwest, from Walla Walla, Washington, the home of the first State-of-Washington president, Joe Mitchell, and from the neighboring town, Pomeroy, home of past national president, Mearns Gates, I send greetings to all members of The Crew and particularly to the real old timers."

"Walla Walla, the town they liked so much they named it twice, continues to benefit from Jaycee projects past and present. It has been a real satisfaction to read of the results of Jaycee opportunities and training."

### Advice From the Father of Our Country, George Washington:

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience.

## A Reminder of a Hotly Contested USJCC Election.

Mate **Bob Mulhair** (2904 West 33rd Street, Sioux Falls, S.D. 57105) was a national vice president in 1949-50. He was one of five candidates for the USJCC presidency at the national convention in Chicago in June 1950. Other candidates were mates **Ralph Rohweder** (3012 Cunningham Dr., Alexandria, VA 22309) and our departed mates **Floyd Stewart** and **Bill Brownfield**. After a long hard struggle among the forces supporting the first four candidates, mate **Dick Kemler** (Kemler, Lovig & Bartine, 106 N. Center St., Marshalltown, IA 50158-4997) was introduced by the Iowa Jaycees as a dark-horse candidate. Dick Kemler was the victor.

Bob also writes to give us the current address of mate **David Tiffany** (10943 West Kelso Drive, Sun City, AZ 85351), South Dakota state president in 1949-50. Dave's wife's name is Arlene.

## The Passing of a President

Mate **Andre Le Tendre**, 1969-70 USJCC President, and, earlier, Wisconsin state president, was taken from us by cancer in September. Andre and his wife Mary Jean moved to Northern Virginia in the 1970's, where he worked in politics as a legislative aide and assistant. He most recently was Administrator, Human Resources, for Black, Manafort, Stone & Kelly.

Mary Jean reports that the Jaycee Creed was a part of the program for the two memorial services for Andre. She tells of Andre's love for the Junior Chamber of Commerce and of the many communications she has had from friends who became acquainted through Jaycee activities. The LeTendre address is: 2307 Riviera Drive, Vienna, VA 22181. Phone: (703) 938-9135.

## Bequest From a President

Mate **Ralph Naragon** (222 East Main Street, North Manchester, IN 46962) tells us that mate **Richard M. Atwell**, 1967-68 state president of the Indiana Jaycees, bequeathed a valuable painting from his art collection to the Community Foundation of Wabash County, Indiana. The painting was used to fund an arts endowment in the Foundation. Ralph served as 1967-68 U.S. Jaycees Vice President, and is a partner in the firm of certified public accountants, Gilbert, Naragon, Purdy & Co. Inc. Phone: (219) 982-1771.

## John Hendrickson, Jaycee Leader, Christian Gentleman, R.I.P.

Naomi Hendrickson (212 North 200 East, Provo, UT 84606) wrote to the Keeper of The Log that John had passed away several years ago, the result of a stroke. John was USJCC vice president in 1954-55. He was a JCI Senator and US Jaycees Ambassador. John once served as United States representative on the commission responsible for management of the Saint Lawrence Seaway.

## Distinguished Career of One of The Great Jaycee Leaders

Perhaps the largest ever national Jaycee project was successful promotion of major organizational changes for the United States Government. President Harry Truman had appointed a commission headed by former President Herbert Hoover. The commission was charged with studying government operations and recommending structural and operational changes. The study report was objective, detailed and shocking, but there was little public knowledge of it until the Jaycees began a program to inform the public.

The Kansas Jaycees, under then President (mate) **Reed Larson**, (PO Box 927, Annandale, VA 22003) launched the project. The project chairman was the late mate **Harry Wiles**. Harry not only excited the people of Kansas, but with Reed's help sold the USJCC on making a national program of educating the public about the findings of the Hoover Commission.

Uncounted thousands of Jaycees then arranged to speak before citizen groups all across America. Their message was fascinating because the anecdotes they recited were authentic, distressing and motivating. The result was adoption of many reforms - including consolidation of some government functions in new departments - the Department of Defense and the General Services Administration.

The promotional and management talents of project chairman, Harry Wiles, brought new victories. Harry became a National Vice President of the Jaycees. Later he was elected National Commander of the American Legion. He failed once - as a candidate for Governor of the State of Kansas.

Harry spent recent years in a nursing home, where he died in late June, this year.

## This and That

Mate and former USJCC Vice President **Len Newton** (90 Dempsey Ave., Princeton, N.J. 08540), suggests that the directory of Crew mates include their telephone numbers and E-mail addresses. Good idea! Send yours to The Keeper of the Log for inclusion in a future directory.

Incidentally, at the end of World War II Len was in China. As a mere kid 21 years of age he was made the head of the Peking Airport. That began a long association with China.

One of Len's recent projects is as a partner in a company developing software to expedite computer use in the Chinese language. Another involves helping a Chinese group establish a technologically advanced steel mill. It will not surprise you to learn that Len's E-mail address is: imasia @ aol.com.

"The way I see it, if you want a rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain." - *Dolly Parton*

## Down, But Not Out...

Mate **Dr. Phillip Kirkpatrick** (1922 Cumberland Ave., Petersburg, VA 23805) has had a tough time lately. But his whole life changed in September when his wife, Esther, of 44 years passed away in her sleep. Then, he was sitting still in his car when a woman roared into rear of his station wagon doing 66 miles an hour. He lost consciousness for 18 minutes and lost his ability to smell. Drop Phil a note and keep him in your prayers.

You can now keep in touch with the Keepers of The Log by E-mail. Send your news to Ralph Rohweder at [RAROHWEDER@AOL.COM](mailto:RAROHWEDER@AOL.COM) or Bob Goetz at [JCI46363@USA.NET](mailto:JCI46363@USA.NET). Also, we may consider sending some copies of The Log out via E-mail in the future. Let us know your E-mail address, especially if you would like to receive your Log via E-mail.

## News from the US Jaycees Foundation...

We owe special thanks to the US Jaycees Foundation, who is funding this issue of The Log. This issue is being sent to all members of The Crew, whether they contribute to and receive the quarterly issues of The Log throughout the year (see article elsewhere in this issue).

### US Jaycees Hall of Leadership

The US Jaycees Foundation is proud to announce the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Hall of Leadership Luncheon, to be held on January 9, 1999 at the J.W. Marriott Hotel in Washington, DC. This luncheon will be part of the newly renamed Celebration Weekend (formerly known as The Congress of Ten Outstanding Young People), and will recognize up to five past Jaycees for their outstanding efforts in their respective communities. Tickets are available for \$25.00 each, and can be obtained by calling (918) 584-2481 ext. 746.

Remember, under new guidelines passed this year Giessenbier and Mungenast Fellows are entitled to one complimentary ticket to each year's Hall of Leadership Luncheon. Brownfield Fellows are entitled to a \$5.00 discount on their Hall of Leadership Luncheon tickets. If you plan to attend using your complimentary or reduced price ticket, please RSVP to (918) 584-2481 ext. 746.

Also during the luncheon the Foundation will be awarding the first Chapter Grants for 1999, out of \$9,000 in grants scheduled to be given to chapters from all across America during 1999. Many new and innovative Jaycee projects have been conducted with help from these grants.

And, several new Giessenbier Fellows will be recognized at the Hall of Leadership Luncheon, as well. Make plans now to join in recognizing your fellow Mates and peers for their contributions - both monetary and leadership.

### Win Cook Fellow

At the Hall of Leadership Luncheon, several members of the late mate **Win Cook's** family will be in attendance as we recognize Win's long time commitment to the US Jaycees Foundation and The Crew with the first "Win Cook Fellow". It's not too late to make your tax-deductible contribution to fund this \$10,000 fellowship. You can mail your check - made payable to **The US Jaycees Foundation**, to The Keeper of The Log, Box 316, Mount Vernon, VA 22121-0316. Please mark "Win Cook Fellow" on your check, and we'll forward the contribution to The US Jaycees Foundation for proper credit.

### Foundation Membership

A popular Foundation program from the 1980's has been resurrected in another form. In September, the Foundation kicked off it's new Membership Program, intended as an entry to regular giving and eventual contributions and advancement in the Fellowship Program. For a \$50 annual donation members will receive a Foundation Membership Card, the quarterly Foundation publication "Insight", and will be listed in the US Jaycees Foundation Annual Report. And, anyone contributing \$100 or more toward one of the Fellowship levels also receives their Membership for that year.

**Remember, mail any donations for The US Jaycees Foundation to PO Box 7, Tulsa, OK 74102-0007, and mark your check with the program you want to contribute to.**

**Crew Roster Additions and Changes**

Please make the following additions and/or changes to your 1998 Crew Directory--

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Nan Schichtel, 2652 Ridgcroft Drive SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546  
Loren (Andy) Andrews, 2020 Ave. G, Fort Madison, IA 52627  
Jim Ashley, 1701 E. Gable Ave., Mesa, AZ 85204  
David M. Atkin, 3435 Kaul Rd., Columbus, OH 43224  
Jack P. Barnes, 5000 Portsmouth Blvd., Portsmouth, VA 23701-1955  
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**REMEMBER to send in your contribution to keep your quarterly issues of The Log coming. You will not receive another issue of The Log until next fall, unless you contribute (or contributions allow otherwise). Your contribution also gets you a free copy of the annual Crew Directory published each summer. Make your check out to THE CREW and mail your contribution to KEEPER OF THE LOG, Box 316, Mount Vernon, VA 22121-0316.**

## The Past and Future (?) of The Crew

On June 26, 1931, **John Armbruster** sent a letter to some of the friends he had made over the first several years of the Jaycee movement, where he envisioned –

“I fancy I see a spiritual ship – “FELLOWSHIP” – the crew of which consists of men who have been associated with the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce movement, men, who were together in furthering this cause and who thereby came to know, and become fond of, each other. We can sail this ship together – we can be present in spirit if not in person. This ship ought to have fair weather and the voyage through should bring many experiences that each of us can share – reminding me of the two lines of an old song:

‘Comrades, comrades, ever since we were boys,  
Sharing each other’s sorrows, sharing each other’s joys...”

“This ship is supplied to us gratis. I will be glad to keep the Log – your pay will be the pleasure you derive from keeping in touch with your acquaintances and friends made in the JC affairs. Your duties will be to contribute your experiences and thoughts occasionally when the spirit moves you.”

At the 1978 Crew Reunion in Charleston, SC, a few short weeks after John Armbruster left us (while on his way to a US Jaycees Foundation meeting in Tulsa), the Mates assembled decided to continue publishing *The Log of The S. S. Fellowship*. They committed to endeavor to keep it sailing with as near the same format as John Armbruster, did for some 47 years. At the time, they noted that it cost John some \$100 to mail each monthly edition using donated letterhead.

After John’s death, the US Jaycees Foundation staff in Tulsa continued to publish *The Log* at the Foundation’s expense, until it was brought back under The Crew’s fold in 1994 with co-Keepers of *The Log* **Ralph Rohweder** and **Bob Goetz**. Since that time, one edition has been mailed to all mates annually, funded in part by The U.S. Jaycees Foundation. The balance of the cost of the annual edition, plus the cost of quarterly issues, has been defrayed by those members of The Crew who contributed (and therefore received the quarterly editions).

But, as the years have passed we have seen contributions to support The Log dwindle until only around 350 Mates contribute to support the cost of publication, and fewer and fewer Mates attend the annual Reunion. Is there still a need and a desire for The Crew and The Log of the S.S. Fellowship? Or, have we fallen into the all too common ruts experienced in our society today – “let someone else do it” and “I don’t have time to keep in touch”?

Do you still care? Do you still remember your Jaycee days fondly as some of us still do? If so, then we ask you to do two things –

**FIRST – Drop a check in the mail payable to THE CREW** to Box 316, Mount Vernon, VA 22121-0316 for whatever amount you can to help keep The Log coming to your mailbox. As before, we will only send this one year-end copy to Mates who don’t contribute, unless funds permit. Each little bit counts!

**SECOND – Drop the Keeper of The Log a note** at Box 316, Mount Vernon, VA 22121-0316 with some news from you and/or your family. Your news is what keeps The Log full and interesting. You can even use your Holiday Newsletters, if you wish!

Mark your calendar now for the...

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