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## **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 government should be of laws  
rather than of men;

That earth's greatest treasure lies in  
human personality;

And that service to humanity is the  
best work of life.

C. William Brownfield

## **FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK:**

Thank you to my Board: COB  
Dianne von Borstel #55954,  
Secretary Debbie Brandt #67289  
& Treasurer Cindy Naylor #62479  
for all your support this last year. I  
so appreciate it.

Thank you to all my fellow  
Senators for your support as  
President. I so appreciate  
everyone!!!! I couldn't do this  
without you!

Phil & I have been very busy  
travelling for this last quarter  
starting in April:

**April 5th, 2025:** Adopt-A-Street  
in Tempe, AZ - Art Shane &  
Cathy O'Hara coordinates the  
project with the City of Tempe  
every 6 months which the City  
provides safety vests, trash bags &  
waivers. This has been a  
community service project since  
1995 on a one mile stretch of Rio  
Salado Parkway between Rural  
Road & McClintock. The AZ JCI  
Senate has a sign on a couple of  
light poles recognizing our  
organization. Phil, myself, Art  
Shane, Cathy O'Hara, Carolyn  
Smith, Greg Brannon, Kris  
Fletcher, Lisa Preston, Dave  
Gimbert, Barry Beckman, James  
Hampshire & Cindy Naylor all  
took pickers (supplied by Slick) &  
trash bags and went to work for an  
hour. Social was held at Portillo's  
after.

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## **CHAIRS 2024-2025**

### **Adopt A Street & AZ JCI Senate Socials**

Art Shane #27322  
Cathy O'Hara Fr#77

### **Hospitality**

Carolyn Smith #64564 LM 121

### **AZ JCI Senate Life Member Fund**

Mike Schmitt #39725 LM 42

### **AZ JCI Senate Roster**

Mike Schmitt #39725 LM 42

### **US JCI Senate Foundation Scholarships**

Dianne von Borstel #55954

### **AZ JCI Senate Products**

Phil Friedman #61455 LM 113

### **AZ JCI Senate Spokesman Newsletter**

Cindy Naylor #62479 LM 109

### **US JCI Senate & AZ JCI Senate Webmaster**

Lowell Vahl #40315 LM 91

### **US JCI Future Directions Rep Region X**

Tanis Jimeno-Friedman #70297

### **US JCI Senate Region X VP**

Lynn Hansen #68753

### **AZ JCI Senate Freshman**

Phil Friedman #61455 LM113

## PRESIDENT'S DESK:

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**April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025:** NV Annual Meeting @ Omelet House in Las Vegas – Great meeting & social with the NV Senators. NV awarded a new Senatorship! Congratulations to Stacey!

**April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025** - 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Ahwatukee Easter Parade, Ahwatukee, AZ: Chaired by Mike Schmitt. Art Shane, Cathy O'Hara, Dianne von Borstel, Lowell Vahl & Jim Hampshire volunteered for set up & to make sure all the entries were in order & in line for the parade. Myself & Phil Friedman volunteered to be 2 of 6 announcers. Had a blast to announce again! Everyone had a good time with 75 entries. Lunch after at Macayo's.

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025** - Region X Year-End/CA Senate Year-End, San Jose, CA: We were unable to attend, however, the pictures posted on FB were awesome! Looks like everyone had a good time. Thank you to Carolyn Smith & Jim Hampshire for representing AZ.

**May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025** - AZ Year-End meeting, New River, AZ: Thank you to Debbie Brandt for hosting & everyone who attended this meeting. Great to see Angie Jelinek #60570, Mentors Chief Editor. Awesome visit! We had elections and I have the honor of continuing to be your President for 2025-2026. Thank you to the new Board for stepping up: COB Dianne von Borstel #55954, Secretary Debbie Brandt #67289 & Treasurer Cindy Naylor #62479.

If anyone would like to have a social/get together, please let me know. I would love to see some

more friendly faces at our meetings, Adopt A Street and anything else we volunteer for over the year.



## ARIZONA JCI SENATE SECRETARY

**Debbie Brandt #67289  
LM140**

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Meeting Minutes May 10, 2025 New River, AZ

Tanis called the meeting to order at 10:58 am at Debbie Brandt's in New River.

Those in attendance were Tanis Jimeno-Friedman #70297, Phil Friedman #61455, Debbie Brandt #67298, Cindy Naylor #62479, Jim Hampshire #38626, Dianne von Borstel #55954, Pat Holbert #55454, Lowell Vahl #4031015, Deb Vahl Fr #42, Teddy Clarke ##37167, Corri Miller #54501, Elaine Rudolph #57086 and Angie Jelinek #60570 (Mentors Chair)

Before the meeting was formally called to order, Phil led a memorial for those senators that we have lost recently: Jimmy Allen #62685, Greg Friedman #64132, Jim Moritz #51373, Howard Standish #25010 and Ernie Weirich #12557.

Corri led the invocation, and Cindy led the Pledge of Allegiance

The agenda was reviewed. Pat moved to approve, Dianne seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

#### Introductions –

Since we had a visitor from National, we did introductions.

**Secretary report** – Debbie reported that the minutes were in the Spokesman. Lowell moved Corri seconded to approve the minutes as published. Approved unanimously.

**Treasurer report** – Cindy presented her report.

There are 32 members due. 25 life members, 4 have renewed and 3 members still to renew. Pat moved to approve, Phil seconded, the motion to approve the treasurer's report passed unanimously.

There was also discussion regarding increasing the costs of the quarterly board meetings to \$15 to cover the increased costs of food. This will still include the \$2 for the Mentors ad. Lowell moved and Dianne seconded a motion to approve the increase. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### Chairman Reports –

**Adopt a Street** – Art was not able to attend. Tanis reported that the 4/5/25 event had good attendance, the weather was good and they went to Portillo's for lunch after.

**Socials** – Virtual social is going well.

#### Foundation Scholarships –

Dianne reported that our submission of Olivia Rueben won a national scholarship of \$1,500.



She will be attending ASU to obtain her nursing degree

**Products** – See Phil for shirts, etc. The new camo shirts are available for \$35.

**Freshman Senators** – We have budgeted to award 2 Senatorships a year. Please see Phil with any suggestions.

**Return the Favor** - N/A

**Life Members** - Mike was not able to attend. Cindy presented his report. The next life member is #159.

**Roster** - Copies of the roster were distributed.

**Spokesman** – Saturday the 17th is the due date for articles. Mike Schmitt provided mailing labels.

**Hospitality** – Carolyn was not able to attend as she was on call.

**Region X Future Directions** – Tanis reported that one of the things they are working on is an online member management system. This would allow more than one person to have access to the information. Cost is a discussion topic. The topic of a person only having one senate number is still being discussed. There is discussion regarding having the National Treasurer position be appointed rather than elected, possible term limits and if this would be a voting position or not.

**Webmaster** – no report from Lowell.

### **Old Business:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> quarter meeting** in Yuma on 2/8/25 went well, Susan Allen was presented with her Senatorship #83228

**NV Elections** – 4/16/25 – they have the same board.

**Easter Parade** – 4/19/25 Mike, Tanis, Phil, Dianne, Lowell and Art & Cathy attended, there were

75 entries. It was a nice day and a fun event.

**Region X Meeting** - 5/2/25 –

This was in CA. Slick and Carolyn were there to represent AZ. It was a nice hotel. 3 people from Nationals were there. The next Region X NVP is Steve ?.

### **New Business:**

**June 28, 2025**, Celebration of life for Jimmy Allen at the Yuma Clubhouse at noon.

**Dec 12 - 14, 2025** - AZ JCI Senate Holiday Party, Sonesta Inn, Tempe. Will participate in Wreaths across America on 12/13/25.

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Planning and Board Meeting** with 2024/2025 audit will be at Mike Schmitt's house tentatively on August 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **National Meetings**

**June 15-19, 2025** – Year End, Northbrook, IL. NASCAR theme for the Regions Party

**Sept 11-14, 2025** – Fall Board, Columbus, OH

**Oct 31-Nov 2, 2025** Nevada Days in Carson City, NV

**Jan 2026** – Winter Board in Florida

**June 2026** – Year end in San Antonio, TX

### **2025-2026 Election of Officers:**

Dianne as Chairman of the Board led the elections and called for any nominations from the floor. The current Board of Directors all volunteered to continue their positions for another year. Lowell moved and Pat seconded to elect the current Board to another term. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Good of the order –**

Lowell mentioned that 2027 is the AZ JCI Senate's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We need to get a committee set up for this. Also advised us that Sherry Jones is moving to Oklahoma.

### **Region X Advisor:**

Phil reminded us that Carolyn Smith will be Sargent at Arms next year and Tanis will be in her 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Future Directions Committee

### **Chairman of the Board**

**Comments** – Dianne thanked Debbie for hosting.

**President Comments**- Tanis thanked everybody for coming and Debbie for hosting. We adjourned with the Creed at noon.



## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Cindy Naylor #62479  
LM #109**

Our next dues submission is due June 1st. There 32 members due with 26 being Life Members. One Life Member Jim Moritz #51373 LM73 passed away. There are 7 members due to National who are not Life Members. I mailed out 25 membership renewal letters to ALL AZ Senators that received their Senatorship in this quarter, searching for new membership and to renew their membership in the AZ JCI Senate. Thank you to Richard Berry #18103, Lynne Minick #76965, Perry Schuman #31270, and Dianne von Borstel #55954 for renewing your dues at this writing.

As always, we are continually looking for Ways and Means projects to help our General Fund.

## **ROSTERERRIAN**

**Mike Schmitt #39725  
LM #42**

### **Rostefarian Matters:**

It sure would be nice if we could locate the following "Lost" Senators. It's been a long time (over 10 years in some cases) that these Senators have been on this list. Perhaps some may have passed. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following, please let me know. Here is the list of "Lost" Senators that we ask your assistance in locating: **Carl W. Bienert** #25891 (Yuma '78), **Donald Boggs** #32141 (ASPOT '82), **Ralph L. Brooks** #09625 (Mesa '69), **Gary Burger** #36909, AZ LM #124 (Ahwatukee '84), **Larry Butterfield** #39962 (Coolidge '86), **Phillip J. Carr** #20224 (Phoenix '75), **Bert Crockett** #08078 (Tempe '68), **Ken P. Hill** #20095 (Mesa '75), **John Himes** #21603 (Scottsdale '76), **Carl R. Johnson** #29066 (Apache Junction '80), **Donald Lawson** #02880 (Tucson '61), **Gerald Milam** #18139 (Phoenix '74), **Rebecca S. Polmanteer** #53502 (Mesa '95), **Billy G. Purdy** #53366 (Glendale '95), **Timothy J. Rethlake** #46441 (Ahwatukee '90), **Dale Schwartz** #6942 AZ LM #63 (San Diego '67), **Allen Starr** #16483 (Phoenix '73), **Debra Steele** #57068, AZ LM #81 (San Jose, CA, '97), **Don F. Steward** #09566 (Camelback '69), **Mike Traynor** #28403 (Chandler '80), **Ron L. Walker** #33258 (AZ

Jaycees '82), **Ed J. Wasielewski** #09796 (Phoenix '69) and **Albert E. Wenger** #19122 (Flagstaff '74). **(Total: 23)**. Please let me know at 480-759-0007 or e-mail [msch0007@aol.com](mailto:msch0007@aol.com) if you know the address or phone number of any of these "Lost" Senators.

BTW, if any Arizona Senator missed the last meeting and would like a hard copy of the Senate Roster, just give me a call (480-759-0007) or send an e-mail request ([msch0007@aol.com](mailto:msch0007@aol.com)) and I'll be glad to mail you a copy.

## **US JCI SENATE**

### **LAIASON**

**Jim Hampshire  
#38626 LM #20**

The last AZ Senate meeting was in New River, AZ on May 10th. The Region X meeting in Santa Clara CA was May 1-4, 2025 and election for new Region X VP took place with next VP from Nevada. The 2025 Year End Convention is in Northbrook IL June 15-19, 2025. Fall 2025 BOD will be in Columbus, OH September 11-14, 2025. We had number of the Senators at meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> and had Election for next year Board, see the Secretary report. Think about joining the US JCI Senate Foundation. Keep your dues up to date, that way you will keep up to date with the latest information. Registration forms for upcoming meetings of the US JCI Senate can be found on the US JCI Senate Web site. Keep watching for Arizona Senate Socials that Art Shane and Cathy O'Hara have going from time to time in Arizona. Chairman of Adopt-A-Street Art Shane will get date out

for next one. Art Shane has web social e-mail going out last Friday of each month. Send him what you are doing in your life. Mike Schmitt is on look-out for new Life Member you can be next with number 159. Look in the Secretary report for information from May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting in New River about Fundraisers and other information in this newsletter. Keep the loved one in your life close at all times of the year.

## **LIFE MEMBERS**

**Mike Schmitt #39725  
LM #42**

### **Life Member News:**

Sadly, Jim Moritz JCI #51373 AZLM #073 (Scottsdale '93) passed away on February 7, 2025. Jim was very active in the Scottsdale Jaycees where he was a Maverick Boss and TOPHAND in the 1980s and '90s. He also was elected the Arizona State Jaycees President 1992-93.

### **Life Member Report:**

As reported at the May Quarterly meeting, the Life Member CD was rolled-over in May for 13 months at 4.9%. We are in compliance with the Bylaws and have sufficient CD funds to pay USJCI annual dues for the next 25 years for the 97 living life members.

### **Next Available Life Member: #159**

"Step in line, you could be #159" and skip any future dues letters by sending your \$225 check made out to AZ USJCI Senate, PO Box 50713, Phoenix, AZ 85076.





## US JCI SENATE CONVENTIONS

**US JCI Senate Year End  
Chicago / Northbrook, IL  
June 15-19, 2025**

Full Reg due by 5/15 \$140.00  
Late \$165.00  
On Site \$185.00

Hotel:

Hilton Chicago / Northbrook  
2855 North Milwaukee Ave.  
Northbrook, IL 60062

\$144.00 + Taxes

Cut-off date: May 15, 2025

Phone: (847) 480-7500

Room Block Code: ISEN

**US JCI Senate Fall BOD  
Columbus, OH  
September 11-14, 2025**

Full Reg due by 8/11 \$75.00  
Late \$90.00  
On Site \$100.00

Hotel:

Crowne Plaza Columbus North  
6500 Doubletree Ave.

Columbus, Ohio 43229

\$109.00 + Taxes

Phone: (614) 885-1885

Call in front desk Code: JSN

Online Code for room block:  
9003.

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## ADOPT A STREET & SOCIALS

**Art Shane #27322 &  
Cathy O'Hara FR #77**

### ADOPT-A-STREET

The last Adopt-a-Street was done on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> with Kris Fletcher, Lisa Preston, Phil and Tanis Friedman, Dave Gimbert, Barry Beckman, Slick Hampshire, Greg Brannon and Carolyn Smith. The weather was good, there were no complications and it all went very smoothly. Afterward we met at Portillo's which is nearby and had a leisurely lunch. Did not find an easy way to spend the \$50 that is in the budget, we'll try harder next time!

### SOCIALS

We continue to have good participation in the Virtual Social. It is nice to hear about the stuff that is happening. Some of our regular contributors have told us that they feel bad about having missed sending anything. Please, it should not feel like a responsibility to do it *every time*. However, it is nice to get them, lets us know that you are interested in continuing it.

**LET'S GET  
SOCIAL!**



## .LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

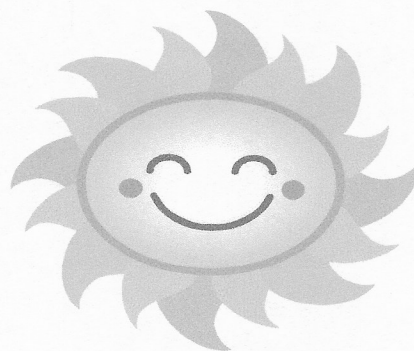
**Cindy Naylor #62479  
LM 109**

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## REGION X



"WHERE THE SUN SHINES LONGER"



## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS – UPCOMING EVENTS**

|                    |                              |                 |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| June 15-19, 2025   | JCI Year End Convention..... | Northbrook, IL  |
| Aug 9, 2025        | Arizona Senate Meeting.....  | Ahwatukee, AZ   |
| Sept. 11-14, 2025  | JCI Fall BOD.....            | Columbus, OH    |
| Oct 31-Nov 1, 2025 | Nevada Days.....             | Carson City, NV |
| Dec 12-14, 2025    | Arizona Holiday Social.....  | Tempe, AZ       |
| Dec 13, 2025       | Wreaths Across America.....  | Scottsdale, AZ  |
| January 2026       | Winter BOD.....              | TBD             |
| June 2026          | Year End Convention.....     | San Antonio, TX |

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