# **EPJ Jaycees**

# WHAT'S NEWS?

**April 2001** 

Hi I hope this find everyone enjoying this great weather as much as I am. We have a lot of things that we are working on so if you are not busy helping on one of these big or small projects please make sure you get in touch with one of the chair people so you can get involved with one (or all if you so please). We need all of you to pitch in and help to make this the successful chapter that I know it can be. I asked my daughter to write down how she sees the Jaycees and this is what she had to say:

Hi. My name is Amanda Carrell and I am the President of the Elk Point- Jefferson Jaycees. This honestly could be me in 8 years. Due to the knowledge I have received from my parents and other Jaycees members I am able to participate in numerous activities, Such as *Toys for Tots*. Toys for Tots are were we go out and buy gifts for children in need. I personally enjoy it because I help deliver the gifts and I love to see the kid's facial expression when you arrive. I have also taken part in making the *Concession Stand* at the baseball field here in Elk Point. One of my personal favorites though would have to be helping with preparations for the *Street Dance*. Then when the street dance was in progress my sister, Brandyn, who is a friend of mine, and I wore a ton of glow necklaces to sell them. Of coarse I also got my groove on while I was there. Finally, I have been to *Boards*. Boards is when you go and compete for places in what your chapter has achieved. By the way it is also a ton of fun and you don't even need to drink alcohol to figure that out. Jaycees is a wonderful way to meet people and to get involved with your community. I think every person of age should join the Jaycees. If you don't know the Elk Point- Jefferson Jaycees is the best group to join. So do it now!!!!

If this group of people can make this kind of impression on a child, that she is looking forward to being the President of the Jaycees some day, we have to be doing something right, but we need to have every Jaycee helping to get this message out. So lets keep this energy building in our youth by running great projects for them to participate in. By doing this we will not only help us as individuals grow and improve ourselves, but also help broaden their horizons. They are the future of the Elk Point –Jefferson Jaycees.

#### Patty Carrell EPJ Jaycees President

Is there someone in your chapter that needs a pat on the back for a job well done?
Is there someone in your chapter who believes in the Jaycees so much that they make you believe?
Is there someone in your chapter that deserves recognition because of their great achievement?
Is there someone in your chapter that is the true spirit the Jaycees should be about?

If so please nominate this person for the First Lady's award. See that the person who inspires you to **Believe & Achieve** can be recognized and celebrated by the Jaycee organization. See this person get the recognition that they so deserve.

Awards are presented at each boards during the lunch segment. The nomination letters are read and the recipient can then be recognized and celebrated. This is a great morale boaster for the general membership to see a person so deserving be awarded.

So please consider nominating that special person in your chapter or in the Jaycee organization. Mail your nominations to Tammy Huntimer 505 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Colton, SD 57018 or email at <a href="https://huntimert@dtgnet.com">huntimert@dtgnet.com</a>. If you email please make sure I reply that I received your nomination, if not please sent it again.

All must be sent by April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks for your consideration.

Tammy Huntimer
First Lady of the South Dakota Jaycees

It appears that spring might really be here. Everyone will be getting busy with soccer, golf, mowing, and all those other fun outside activities. I hope you remember your Jaycee chapter during this busy time of year. We are running a new membership special during March and April. Any new members can join for \$5 off the regular membership dues. If you know anyone who might be interested, please extend to opportunity to them or let me know their name and address or phone number at 356-0172.

If you missed the orientation and M-night, you missed a good time. I would like to say thank you to Laura for finding the fun St. Patrick's Day games. It was nice to get together with everyone and have a fun evening. Hopefully, we will be able to get outside for our next family night activity. Is anyone interested in miniature golf, movies, coffee houses, camping, canoeing, hiking, laser light shows, ...? Let me know. We can work together to plan something for the chapter.

Hope we continue to meet our goal of HAVING FUN IN 2001!

Suzi Fletcher Membership VP

## **Easter Egg Hunt**

Subject to approval from the City Council we will be having an Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 14 at 2:30 p.m. in the Elk Point City Park. More details will follow later. Plan on bringing your children for a fun time and possibly coming early to help hide eggs. If you have any suggestions or questions, please call Suzi at 356-0172 or e-mail suzi.fletcher@ibpinc.com.



FUN IN 2001! Roll in the Dough!!!!!! (Program began March 1)

Congratulations Randy Carrell
March 2001 winner

Chapter will begin a raffle with \$10 and add \$10 monthly. Minimum amount available will always be \$10.

If all proceeds are not won, the remaining amount will roll over to the next month's meeting. Must be a member of EPJ Jaycees to win.

#### Ways to get tickets:

Come to a meeting – receive one ticket automatically Go recruiting – receive one ticket for each time since the last meeting Bring a new or prospective member to a meeting – receive two tickets Recruit a new member – receive five tickets Purchase a ticket - \$1.00

You need not to be present at the current meeting to receive tickets for the items in italics.

#### Amount to win:

1/4 of total - Base

 $V_2$  of total – Go recruiting or bring a prospective member to a function at least once in the previous 90 days  $V_2$  of total – Recruit a new member

The whole shebang – Activate a new member within 90 days of recruitment



#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

March 6, 2001

Elk Point-Jefferson Jaycees

President, Patty Carrell called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Members in attendance: Kristi Baker, Steve Peterman, Suzanne Peterman, Suzi Fletcher, Patty Carrell, Randy Carrell (guest), Jennifer Hovland, Greg Hovland, Jay Lindsey, Rhonda Weidner, Brandon Grashoff, Laura Grashoff, Steve Weidner, Kirsten Colt, Keith Fletcher, Matt Dosdell, and Sarah Dosdell.

Jay led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Greg led the Invocation.

The first item of business was the Treasurer's Report. Patty quoted the following balances: \$585.43 in checking, \$8,329 in Holiday for Kids, \$513.57 in Junior Leadership fund, and \$225.31 in Outstanding Young Farmer. Steve motioned to accept the report and Matt seconded the motion. The motion passed by all in attendance.

The next item of business was the approval of the minutes from the February 6 General Membership meeting. The minutes were distributed for review. Jen motioned to accept the Secretary's report and Rhonda seconded the motion. The motion passed by all in attendance.

#### Management Vice-president Update - by Steve W. Weidner

- □ Randy and Suzanne are chairing the sub sale fund-raiser. The group has been taking orders for sandwiches and all orders were due in to Suzanne by the end of the general membership meeting. The sandwiches would be made the evening of March 12 and then distributed on March 13.
- Rhonda provided a report on a possible fund-raiser involving a big top circus event. She was contacted Roger Swain, after the Commercial Club turned down the opportunity due to time constraints. The date of the circus would be June 16 with shows at 2:00 PM and 4:30 PM. There is also a 45-minute free endangered species video that they will show. The circus will need a 250x300-foot space on level ground, restrooms, running water, garbage and manure disposals. The circus carries a \$1million insurance policy. The tickets will be sold for \$7 per adult and \$5 per child. The Jaycees would receive percentages of the tickets sold and a percentage of the items sold during the circus, including concessions. Steve asked that Rhonda complete the first seven questions of the Chairperson's Planning Guide and then present that to the Executive Board for review. This project will be in need of a chairperson and Rhonda offered to assist.

Suzanne motioned to accept the report and Rhonda seconded the motion. The motion passed by all in attendance.

#### **Community Vice-president Update**

☐ The local Shooter's Ed project is in need of a chairperson. This is a 6-8 hour course on gun safety for young people. This project will be held in March. The State Tournament will be the first week of April.

Jen motioned to accept the report and Sarah seconded the motion. The motion passed by all in attendance.

#### Membership Vice-president Update - Suzi Fletcher

- ☐ Suzi presented Patty Carrell with \$5 for winning this month's incentive program.
- ☐ The next visitation dates were set for March 15, April 2, and April 19. The March 15 visitation will be held in Jefferson.
- □ The Membership/Orientation night is scheduled for March 16. Suzi stated that the agenda for the evening would include a one-hour seminar on the basics of Jaycees starting at 6:00 PM and then a family social starting at 7:15 PM. Laura is assisting Suzi with this project. The tentative location for the event would be the Fletcher home.

Matt motioned to accept the report and Greg seconded the motion. The motion passed by all in attendance.

#### Individual Development Vice-president Update – Suzanne Peterman

- ☐ Jen and Suzanne hosted the Progressive Dinner that was held on February 16. It was a success and fun for all in attendance.
- □ Kirsten Colt was present to end the meeting with a seminar on Preventive Health Care for men and women.

Jen motioned to accept the report and Suzi seconded the motion. The motion passed by all in attendance.

#### Presidential Update - Patty Carrell

- The next state convention will be held in Aberdeen on May 11, 12, and 13. The registration will be \$45 per person and must be paid by April 16. If a member wishes to attend for only lunch it will be \$17 and for dinner only it will be \$28. The late registration fee will be \$50 per person. This is the weekend of graduation in Elk Point.
- ☐ The Handicap camp's clean up days are tentatively set for April 21 and 28. The camp is also in need of a new furnace and Randy and Steve will be assisting with the task of removing the old furnace on March 10.
- ☐ The state volleyball event will be held in June or July.
- □ A regional rally in Worthing has been scheduled for March 24 at 6:45 PM. Patty is unable to attend. The registration is at 6:45 PM. The ID College will begin at 8:30 PM and the party will begin at 9:30 PM. Suzanne and Steve Peterman will be attending.

Rhonda motioned to accept the report and Kirsten seconded the motion. The motion passed by all in attendance.

#### Open Floor

- □ Rhonda stated that it is time again to begin the Junior Leadership Scholarship project. If a member is interested in chairing the project he/she should speak to Patty or anyone on the Executive Board.
- ☐ Jen stated that anyone could submit newsletter articles.
- ☐ Kirsten stated that she has interest in starting the HIV/AIDs project that was announced in the national magazine this month.
- ☐ The half-and-half winner received \$12.50 and it was Randy Carrell.
- □ Suzanne stated that Humboldt would be holding a casino night on March 17.
- ☐ Jay suggested a possible fund-raiser involving the sale of ice melt. This is a project currently organized in the Dakota Dunes area and they sell bags of ice melt for \$10.00 a bag.



#### Calendar of Events



Any events without dates are to be determined by the Chairperson If you would like to chair a project, please bring it up in the meeting or email Patty Carrell

April 2 & 19 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

3 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Jefferson Fire Hall Kevin Hurley is on for treats for the General Membership meeting

Night Golf; Diamond Skills

May 1 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Elk Point Fire Hall

7 & 17 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

CPR Training

June 4 & 21 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

5 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Jefferson Fire Hall 16 Culpepper & Merriweather Circus @ Elk Point City Park - contact Hovland's

Concession Stand; Family Outing

July 2 & 19 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

3 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Elk Point Fire Hall

MS Talk; M-Night

August 6 & 16 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

7 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Jefferson Fire Hall

Street Dance

September 10 & 20 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

4 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Elk Point Fire Hall

Shooter Ed Banquet; Night Golf; Punt Pass Kick

October 1 & 18 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

2 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Jefferson Fire Hall

M-Night w/ Program; Tailgate Party

November 5 & 15 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

6 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Elk Point Fire Hall

Holiday Gifts for Kids; Year End Social

**December** 3 & 20 Visitations; 7pm EP Court House - contact Suzi Fletcher

4 Meeting - Exec Board 6pm; General Membership 7pm @ Jefferson Fire Hall

Holiday Gifts for Kids

# Thank You:



To everyone who sold and help make subs for the sub sale!
Thanks for making it a success!
Suzanne & Randy

To everyone who help to make progressive supper a success!

Jen & Suzanne

# Program Note from your ID VP

We will be having a team building exercise at the April meeting, instead of CPR. Sorry for any inconvenience. Suzanne

### Management VP, Steve Weidner's, submission: TIME MANAGEMENT HORSE SENSE By: Dr. Donald E. Wetmore

Every horse race has a first place winner and a runner-up, second place contender. It is not uncommon for the first place horse to earn twice the prize as the second place finisher. Curiously, the number one horse did not have to run twice as fast or go twice as far as the competition to get twice the money. It only had to be a nose ahead of the competition to reap twice the rewards.

Time management, personal productivity, and success in life are a lot like the horse race metaphor. To get twice as much in life, in any of our 7 Vital Areas of Life, health, family, financial, intellectual, professional, social, and spiritual, we do not have to double our effort and input. We only need to get a nose ahead of where we are now to realize significant increases in our results.

Five suggestions, when applied, can help us to get a "nose ahead."

First, plan your day, every day, preferably, the night before. Then, when arriving at work, there is a plan of action to direct us forward. Without a plan, temptations may draw us into unproductive avenues where we may serve the loudest voice that demands our time rather than dealing with the most productive opportunity.

A simple plan consists of a list of all the items we ideally might want to accomplish during the next day. Prioritize those items in order of their importance. (#1 for most important, #2 for next most important, etc.) Begin the most important item first, and then go to the next most important item, etc. Typically, it is unlikely that all items on the list will be completed, but that is fine. Success has little to do with how much was left undone at the end of the day but, rather, what was actually accomplished. We will always leave undone more than we do get done simply because we all have more to do than time permits which says a lot of good things about how good we really are, to have so much entrusted to us by so many!

Second, overplan your day to take advantage of "Parkinson's Law" which teaches that, "A project tends to expand with the time allocated for it." If you give yourself one thing to do during the day, it will likely take all day to complete it. If you give yourself two things to do during the day, you will likely accomplish both. If you give yourself twelve things to do during the day, you may not get all twelve done, but you may complete seven or eight items. Having a lot to do creates a healthy sense of pressure on us to naturally become better time managers. With a lot on our plate, we tend to be more focused, we tend to suffer interruptions less, and we delegate better.

Third, work with a clean desk and work environment. There is truth in the saying, "Out of sight; out of mind." Equally true is the reverse, "In sight; in mind." When items are in our field of vision, we cannot help but be distracted and pulled in the wrong direction where we may "major in the minors", busy all day long, but accomplishing little of significance.

Fourth, restrict meetings. During any typical business day, there are reportedly 17 million meetings being conducted in the United States. A meeting is two or more people getting together to exchange common information. Simple enough, but it is probably one of the top institutional time wasters. Always ask, "Is this meeting necessary?" "Do I contribute anything to this meeting?" "Do I get anything of value from this meeting?" If the answer to these questions is "no," try to find a way out of attending the meeting.

Finally, handle paper just once. Get out of the "shuffling blues" when paper is looked at and relooked at again and again while deadlines slip through the cracks as we get buried under a blizzard of paperwork. As you encounter each new piece of paper, physical paper or emails, if it can be responded to quickly, in a minute or less, respond then and there. If it will require a longer amount of time, schedule it for the time when you will get to it and then put it away.

Common sense ideas. That's what horse sense is, yes? Enjoy the race.

"One's feelings waste themselves in words; they ought all to be distilled into action . . . which bring results." --Florence Nightingale



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