



**Illinois JCI Senate
E-Blast
May 1, 2025**

Happy May Day!

The spammers are going full force and using the board members information on the website. If you get an email asking for funds or help with gift cards, please look at the email address you are receiving it from. Please DON'T reply to those emails or text messages. Contact that person directly in a different email or text and just ask them.

The Illinois JCI Senate is looking for volunteers to help with a Poker Fundraiser coming up on Friday May 2, 2025. This event will run from 2:00 PM until approximately 1:00 AM at the Delta Hotel by Marriott at 7800 Kingery Hwy, Willowbrook, IL 60527 (near I-55 and IL Rt. 83).

Volunteers for the Opening Shift and Middle Shift will be selling tournament entries while the Closing Shift will mostly

be waiting for the tournaments to finish. Please sign up for your favorite at the link below. All help is definitely appreciated. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0449A4A622A6F94-55775104-poker>

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**In Jaycee spirit,
Christopher Rick**

Golf in Springfield

We are going to play golf on Friday, May 9th in Springfield. I hope to get tee times set for around noon. If interested, please let me know **asap**. I am booking tee times on Friday, May 2nd.

Missing Hospitality Items

We are looking for any hospitality items that are being stored at your homes or other places. We are missing coolers and other items that are going to be needed for Convention and Picnic. If you can bring these items to the Convention, that would be great. Please let us know what you have. If you can not bring them to Convention, please bring them to the Springfield meeting.

Golf at Convention

If you are planning to golf at Convention, please get your forms and checks in asap. I will take them in Springfield, or you can mail them to: 210 Early St., Park Forest, IL 60466

Bill Patterson 708-280-3497, pfcoachbill@aol.com

The ELECTION MEETING will be on May 10, 2025 held at Scheels, 3801 S. MacArthur Blvd., Springfield in their meeting room at 9:30 a.m.. We can enter the building at 9:00 am when the doors open. We are getting this room for free, thanks to the Springfield Jaycees. Be sure to check out the great shopping.

Robbie Johnston #51099 has arranged for hotel accommodations at Microtel, 2636 Sunrise Dr., Springfield. Room rate is \$94.50 a night plus tax for queen double and \$104.50 for king and queen suites. Call 217.753.2636 Room block is under IL JCI Senate. Contact Robbie at 217.553.2082 or robbie581@sbcglobal.net, if you have any problems booking. Continental breakfast included.

Of course, you can stay where you like but that weekend the rates are up due to Mother's Day.

We will have a hospitality room for Friday night. Bill Patterson is bringing the drinks. We can have hot food. Chris Rick will be reaching out to the RDs, as we need a region to be in charge of the snacks.

Best part - there is an IHOP across the drive, maybe 25 yards.

If interested the following places have been lined up for Friday night dinner and Saturday lunch:

Dinner - Friday night - Chesapeake Seafood House, 3045 E. Clearlake Ave., Springfield @ 6:30 p.m. Sign up with Kay Degroot 217-899-2293 in advance (text her) as she is coordinating reservations for dinner- ordering off the menu and separate checks.

Lunch - Saturday - Casa Real Cantina and Grill, 1121 Lincolnshire Blvd., Springfield (this is right next to Scheels) @12:30 p.m. Sign up with Robbie 217-553-2082 (text her) as she is coordinating reservations for lunch - ordering off the menu and separate checks.

On-To

We hope that you can travel to some of these Region V and National events.

- May 9-10 Illinois Spring Meeting & Elections in Springfield, IL
- May 9-11 [Ohio Year End Celebration in Lima, OH Registration Form](#)
- May 17 Kentucky Spring Meeting in Bardstown, KY - Lunch at Talbot Tavern at 11 am, Meeting at 1 pm
- Jun. 15-19 [US JCI Senate Annual Meeting in Chicago / Northbrook Registration Form](#)
- July 18-20 [Ohio Pig Roast in Kent, OH Registration Form](#)
- July 25-27 [Illinois JCI Senate Picnic in Springfield, IL Registration Form](#)
- Aug. 15-17 [Indiana JCI Senate Summer Meeting in Clarksville, IN Registration Form](#)
- Sept. 11-14 [US JCI Senate Fall Board Meeting in Columbus, OH Registration Form](#)
- Oct. 3-5 [Fall GA & TOYP, Embassy Suites, East Peoria, IL Registration Information](#)
- Oct. 16-19 [Illinois-Missouri Wine & Brewery Tour Registration Form](#)
- Oct. 31-Nov. 2
[Kentucky Fall Frenzy, Bardstown, KY Registration Form](#)

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2025 US JCI Senate National Convention
Northbrook/Chicago Hilton
June 15-19, 2025

Hello Illinois Senators!

First, we'd like to thank you for all of your support for the upcoming National Convention that we're hosting June 15-19. There's a lot to get done and having good people helping makes all the difference.

Are you signed up for the convention?

PLEASE turn in your registration and money so we know you're participating. Please don't assume that we know you'll be there. We base our plans on paid registrations.

Do you have a room at the Hilton booked?

PLEASE get your room reserved ASAP! If you have any issues, please reach out to **Lynne McGill #70364 at 708-691-0934**. Lynne has been a master at getting people's rooms straightened out when there are problems. IF you have a room and no longer need it, please let Lynne know because we need that returned to the block. If you're not sure, ask Lynne! That's been my motto! 😊

Are you coming to Springfield on May 10 for the Senate Meeting? The convention committee will be having a meeting to touch base on things that need to be done. Manpower **Chair Kathy Crick #71017 at 708-254-1892** will be helping us sign up for 2-hour shifts during the convention. Also, we'll have a sign-up sheet for snacks/treats that you can bring for hospitality at the convention. We can NOT use roasters, but will use chaffing pans and crockpots (IF you have a quality extension cord). If you sign up to bring something to eat, please keep in mind that we don't have kitchen privileges at the hotel. Put your name on items you want returned and consider if your donation needs any special utensils.

Getting Involved with the Convention

1. Purchase a registration and reserve your hotel room.
2. Sign up to work a 2-hour shift (or more if you're able).
3. Sign up to attend the Food Tour on Monday, Painting Party on Tuesday, or St. Louis Cardinals vs. Chicago White Sox Game on Wednesday.
4. Sign up to donate snacks/sweets for the hospitality room.
5. Make a monetary donation to help cover the costs of the hospitality room.
6. If you or your business would like to make a tax-deductible donation, please let us know! We've partnered with the Illinois Jaycee Charitable Foundation and can make that happen.
7. If you are one of those especially talented people who excel at picking up people at the airport and want to help us get some board members to and from O'Hare, please let **Kevin Ankenbrand #63771 at 618-240-3088** know. One of our convention duties is to ensure that the board has transportation.
8. Want to help, but just not sure how? Give us a call!

Mark & Maureen Niedenthal
US JCI Senate 2025 National Convention Chairs
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Save the Date for the Fall GA and TOYP!
October 3 - 5, 2025
East Peoria, IL
[Sign Up HERE!](#)

TOYP 2025 - October 3 - 5, 2025

Nominate a Young Leader for the Illinois Jaycees TOYP Award!
Do you know a young leader who is making a difference in their community? It's time to recognize them!
The Illinois Jaycees Ten Outstanding Young People (TOYP) nominations are NOW OPEN!

This prestigious award honors young individuals who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their fields and made a positive impact on Illinois communities.
Deadline for Nominations: July 13, 2025

Nominate Now: <https://www.illinoisjaycees.com/toyp-nominations>

Help us celebrate the remarkable young leaders shaping our future.
Let's shine a spotlight on their hard work and dedication!

Hope this information helps get the word out to the Senate.
I will have more information in the next E-Blast.

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Hello Region VI!

My name is Ann Harrison #75822, from Delaware, and the Region I-V prize representative for Presidential Sweepstakes. As such, it is my responsibility to ask and encourage people to give donations for the end of year Presidential Sweepstakes to be held Monday, June 16 in Northbrook, Illinois. Donations can come in the form of gift cards, cash, homemade items, baskets, etc. Winners are picked from the Presidential Sweepstakes tickets you purchased at meetings throughout the year.

Gift cards can be in any amount, no matter how small. All prizes will be given in \$100 increments. So, for example, if you donate a gift card worth \$20, we will find other cards/cash that total \$100. For every donation you make that is worth \$10-\$50, you will receive one sweepstakes ticket. If you donate \$51 to \$100, you will receive two sweepstakes tickets. If your donation is over \$100 you will receive more tickets.

If you are going with a gift card, could you either send it to my home address (407 Shai Circle Bear, DE 19701) by June 5 or bring it to the National Convention please? Thank you. Please let me know if you are planning on bringing something to the National Convention by emailing me at ann.harrison58@comcast.net

Directory Update:

John Coonen #64413 -- New email address
jc@uscommunity.net

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E-Blast Reminder

Deadline is Noon on the 30th/31st & 14th. Please send the information in Word.



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