



# Buckeye Connection

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## Ohio JCI Senate

### 57th President Allison Geddes #74777

It's hard to believe the "Friendship's Past, Present and Future" year is in the last lap of the Destination Legacy year. Since our last newsletter I have visited Region VII in Pigeon Forge TN for their year-end meeting in February. Most recently I was in Mt. Pleasant MI for our Region V Spring Fling to celebrating our NVP Kim Hubbell's year of Making an Impact and Shining Together. President Tanya Quackenbush and her team did an incredible job. We still have 3 months left in the year to finish strong and play our part in fulfilling President Gary's Destination Legacy. I encourage you to reach out to any Jaycee chapter near you to see how they are doing or if there is anything you might be able to offer them. You never know you might run into an old friend or even make a new one. In today's world we all get busy so when time allows maybe take a moment and reach out to a fellow senator that you haven't spoken to in while.

Future events have us planning our year end meeting May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> in Lima Ohio at the Howard Johnsons. Room rate is \$105 plus tax, registration for is on our website and Facebook, I hope to see a lot of you as we celebrate the end of the Friendship's Past, Present and Future year and elect our new board. I am pleased to report that we have received 2 submissions for our Senate sponsored Senatorship. The committee is currently reviewing them before choosing one to submit to the board for approval. During our banquet in May, we will be awarding the Gary Ritchie Memorial award. If you have anyone that you would like to recommend for this award, please feel free to email me at [jci74777@aol.com](mailto:jci74777@aol.com).

As we enter turn three of the final lap it is coming to that time again for National award submissions. If you would like to submit a recommendation for any Senator for an award, they are due by May 15<sup>th</sup>. You can nominate any member of your Ohio JCI Senate Board, Region V team or any senator you feel as done any outstanding job or gone above and beyond. Keep an eye on the e-news sent out from national bi-monthly for the different awards available and where to send nominations to. For example, in the most recent edition it was mentioned that nominations for the Nolan Terrell Memorial awards for communication go to Secretary Tom King #59642. Once the full list has been published, I will post it on the Facebook. The nominations are the only way for someone to be considered, so I encourage you, if you feel someone has done a good job this year on the local, state or national level, to nominate them.

Finally, I am still trying to put together one last social for the year. The plan to trial one of the excursions we are looking at offering for Fall BOD in Columbus. Initially it was to be in March but availability at the venues has been an issue. I am hoping mid-April before easter or mid-May after our year end keep and out for a Buckeye Blast and Facebook for more info. The last 9 months have not been without some challenges, but we have made it through. It has been a pleasure to be your 57<sup>th</sup> President, I hope I have done you proud. I plan to continue to connect with our Jaycees and visit them, as well make the trip to the Region VI meeting in Branson, and attend the ESSAC reunion in St. Maarten in May.

Allison Geddes #74777

57th President Ohio JCI Senate

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# Vice President Mitch Schnoover #59758

Welcome to Spring! I hope everyone who attended the Region V Spring Fling had a good time.

Our Yearend Meeting, Elections and Banquet is fast approaching. It ' s the weekend of May 9-11, 2025, at the Howard Johnson's in Lima, OH. Get you registrations in and your room reserved. Come and see who wins the coveted Gary Richey Award and welcome our new officers as they are installed.

Our annual Brown Bag Auction will take place after our meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds from the auction will be donated to either Dollar for Scholars and/or Wheelchairs for Kids. Our last final destination for<sup>th</sup> the year is to Chicago for the US JCI Senate's Year End Convention on June 15th-19<sup>th</sup>.

Mitch Schoonover #59758  
Vice President  
OH JCI Senate 24-25

BROWN BAG AUCTION  
SATURDAY MAY, 10 2025



Immediately following membership meeting Howard Johnston Hotel, Lima, OH

Please bring an item, valued around \$20, wrapped in a plain brown bag,  
to be auctioned off.

Proceeds to Scholar for Dollars in Patty Robinson's Name  
and/or Wheelchairs for Kids.

# Treasurer Tammy Snapp #79574

Hello ALL OHIO SENATORS!

If you owe for a previous billing period, please remit your payment! Please contact me if you need payment options!

**Remember a life membership is currently \$250.**

**If you are not currently a life member, please think about it.**

Have you moved? Has your email address changed?

Please send your changes to my email: [tallen43074@yahoo.com](mailto:tallen43074@yahoo.com) or you can go to the US JCI Senate website, [usjcisenate.org](http://usjcisenate.org) and select address change and fill out the form. This will update your information on everything. It will also be sent to me. Then I can forward it to Joe Callison, to update our state directory.

We are always looking for new members.

Are there any chapters out there that are planning to give out senatorships? Let us know!

Do you know someone whose chapter has folded? And believe they deserve to be a Senator? Let us know!

*Respectfully Yours,*

**Tammy Snapp #79574**

Treasurer 2023-2024

OHIO JCI Senate

## Secretary Janice Carino #72307

I am really loving this year serving as Secretary for the OH JCI Senate, even putting together this newsletter. It has been a busy and enjoyable past couple months. In February, I journeyed over to Warrensville Heights for the Ohio JCI year end and Senate meeting, followed by a trip down to Pigeon Forge for Region VII year end meeting and mini-nations, then off to our Region V Spring Fling in that state up north. While all were fun, commemorating and celebrating the accomplishments of Kim Hubbell and all of us from Region V had to be the highlight. I am looking forward finishing out this year strong and seeing everyone in Lima for our OHIO JCI Senate year, if not sooner.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice Carino #72037

## C.O.B Karen Schoonover #57305

Hello Ohio Senators! I hope you are all enjoying this nice spring weather we brought back from Florida and our "Cruise to Nowhere" .

We had a great time at the US JCI Senate Fall Boards in New Orleans, LA. Ohio was recognized as the top state "Return the Favor" for the first half of the year, along with Bruce and Jean Geddes as individuals. Ohio also came away with many of our members receiving Presidential Medallions: Ruby Weymouth, Ron Kimmet, Amanda Turner and Stu O'Hara. Congratulations all.

As of now, we have three candidates that have announced that they are running for offices of the Ohio JCI Senate for the 2025-26 year: President - Janice Carino, Vice President - Robin Bethel, and Treasurer - Jon Bruner. If anyone is interested in running for Secretary, please reach out to me at [kschoon57305@yahoo.com](mailto:kschoon57305@yahoo.com) or 419-345-2890. The nominations committee will still accept written letters/emails from anyone else wishing to run for any of the offices mentioned as long as they are to me by April 10<sup>th</sup> (30 days prior to our annual meeting according to the bylaws). If no one steps forward to run for secretary, nominations will be taken from the floor for that office. If there are no nominations, the office will remain vacant and the newly elected President shall appoint one.

We have received two nominations for our Senate sponsored Senatorship. To see who is this year's recipient you will need to attend the Year End Banquet at the Howard Johnson's in Lima OH on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Have a wonderful Easter!

Karen Schoonover #57305  
56<sup>th</sup> President OH JCI Senate  
COB 2024-2025

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## Chaplain Sara Kimmet #77909

If you have any loss, needed prayers, or celebrations, that you want a card sent, published on our facebook page, or in the National e-news blast, please sent the information to me at [smkimmet@embarqmail.com](mailto:smkimmet@embarqmail.com).

Sara Kimmet #77909 - Chaplain of the Ohio JCI Senate

## US Fall Board 2025 Jenny Brunner #64688

Greetings Fellow Senators,

As many of you know and some don't Ohio made history in having a contested bid to host the Fall BOD 25 and we were successful. It will be held in Columbus Ohio at the Crowne Plaza on Doubletree Boulevard, on September 11-14<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

On behalf of my co-chairs and myself, it is our goal to engage as many Senators as possible. No role you take is too insignificant. Whether you are a newer Senator and have much more energy than those well seasoned Senators like myself or you are one of the well seasoned, we need your help!

However you can help is very appreciated, whether it be legwork, manpower, goods, or monetary donations. Keep your eye out for more communication forthcoming. If you can't wait or have something to share, please contact myself, Jon, the Rice's or the current board.

Thank you in advance,  
In Senate Spirit,

Jenny Bruner #64688  
Chair US JCI Senate Fall Board 25

## Presidential Fundraiser 2024-25

Hello Ohio JCI Senate as you know each year we do some form of fundraiser to help offset the budget. For this year's fundraiser I have decided to do a lotto raffle, the idea behind it is very simple. I have tickets numbered 000-999; each ticket is \$5. Your ticket number is the number that will determine if you win. During the month of April 2025 when the nightly pick 3 is drawn, Monday through Friday only, no weekends, the number that is drawn is the winner of \$50. In total there can be 22 opportunities to win, and yes you could win more than once with the same number. All winners will be paid out in May. Anyone who purchases a ticket, and their number is not drawn will be entered into a 2nd chance drawing for \$100 in gift cards which will be drawn at our year end. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, I will have them at all the meetings and events I attend. If you are unable to come to a meeting and want tickets reach out to me via email @[jci74777@aol.com](mailto:jci74777@aol.com) or phone 419-350-3067 and we will get you taken care of. I thank you in advance for your support!!

Allison Geddes #74777  
57th President Ohio JCI Senate

# Candidates for 2025-26 Ohio JCI Senate BOD

Hello, fellow Ohio JCI Senators,

President

I am writing this article to request your support in my endeavor to become President of the 2025/2026 Ohio JCI Senate Board of Directors. In hoping to attain this position I am looking forward to doing my absolute best to serve everyone that has come before and will follow behind me in the OH JCI Senate. My favorite position that I ever held in my local chapter was that of President (I loved it so much I was in office 2 1/2 years - although the calendar change had a little to do with that LOL), and I enjoyed every minute of it..helping the organization grow and achieve their potential. I have served as both Vice President and Secretary during my time in the Senate and I feel I have done my best in both positions. I have also served as Region V social media director. I will try my best to serve all of you to the best of my abilities. I believe that the most important aspect of any organization is its communication, and I will do my best to ensure that the lines are open. I will work together with the entire BOD to keep the Ohio JCI Senate informed and active as we continue to show that "service to humanity is the best work of life."

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice Carino #72307

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Hello to my fellow Ohio JCI Senators!

Vice President

I would like to take this opportunity to announce that I am running for Ohio JCI Senate VP for the upcoming term. I would like to be involved at a level to make a difference and to support my fellow Senators. I feel like my past experiences in my career, years as a Jaycee and time as a Senator can be a benefit to the organization as we move forward. I would appreciate your support and look forward to a successful year when elected.

Robin Bethel  
#78837

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Hello Ohio JCI Senators,

Treasurer

I am Jon Bruner, Senator #58932, from Wauseon, Ohio.

I will be running for Treasurer of the Ohio JCI Senate for the year 2025-26. So here is why I believe I am good for this position.

I have served this organization as treasurer in the past. I was in this position starting in July of 2015 and through June of 2019, when I was not allowed to serve any longer by way of the By-Laws of this organization. During this time, I was awarded an " Outstanding State Treasurer" Award by the US JCI Senate.

Since I am currently serving as the treasurer for the upcoming 2025 Fall BOD meeting of the US JCI Senate, being hosted by our Ohio JCI Senate organization, I have been working with the current State Treasurer, Tammy Snapp #79574 and current president Allison Geddes #74777 for a while, to be up to date on how some things have changed, since my time as treasurer. I have also talked to Presidential Candidate Janice Carino #72307 and was told that she would love to have me serve as her treasurer for the 2025-26 year.

This being said, and the fact that no one else has made any comments about wanting to take on this job, I would be pleased if I could get your votes to be awarded this position for the upcoming year.

Thanks,  
Jon Bruner #8932



# Upcoming Events

May 9th - 11th	Ohio JCI Senate Annual Meeting	Lima, OH
June 15th - 19th	US JCI Senate Annual Meeting	Chicago/Northbrook, IL
July 18th - 20th	OH JCI Senate Pig Roast	Kent, OH
September 11th - 14th	US JCI Fall Boards	Columbus, OH
Mid April - Mid May	Watch for Ohio JCI Senate Social	Columbus, OH

*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 great treasure lies in human personality;*

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

*C. William Brownfield*



# Ohio JCI Senate Year End Celebration

**May 9th, 10th, 11th 2025**

**Howard Johnsons Lima**

**1920 Roschman Avenue, Lima, OH 45804**

**PHONE: 419-222-0004**

Rooms are \$105.00 plus tax includes free breakfast

Lunch on your own

Room Block Code online:050925OHI or call 419-222-0004

**Room cut off April 11**

Name/Senate #	Qty	Full \$65.00	Banquet only \$40.00	Child \$20.00

Mail Registration to: Tammy Snapp #79574

25363 Rider Ln Guilford IN 47022

Unfortunately due to current liquor laws we cannot have alcohol in the hospitality room. The Bar is right next door and you can have it in your room as long as you have in your own container for example: travel cup or region mug



## 2025 US JCI Senate

### Annual Meeting

Hosted by the Illinois JCI Senate  
June 15 - 19, 2025  
Chicago/Northbrook, Illinois



Name: _____	JCI Senate #: _____
2024-2025 Senate Office Held: _____	Friendship #: _____
Spouse/Guest: _____	JCI Senate #: _____
2024-2025 Senate Office Held: _____	Friendship #: _____
Address/City: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____
Contact Phone #: _____ Email: _____	Region #: _____
Rooming with? _____	



#### \* YOU \*

Please Check...	Between the ages of 40 - 55?	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1st US JCI Senate Meeting?	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Military Veteran?	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### \* GUEST / SPOUSE \*

Between the ages of 40 - 55?	<input type="checkbox"/>
1st US JCI Senate Meeting?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Military Veteran?	<input type="checkbox"/>

		Quantity	Total Due
<b>Full Registration</b> Includes Hospitality Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., and Thursday Banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> \$140 <i>Postmarked by 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$165 <i>Postmarked after 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$185 <i>On-Site</i>	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____
<i>Thursday banquet meal restrictions</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____		
<b>Early Hospitality (Sunday)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 20 <i>Postmarked by 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 25 <i>Postmarked after 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 30 <i>On-Site</i>	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____
<b>Thursday Banquet ONLY</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ 75 <i>Postmarked by 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 80 <i>Postmarked after 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 85 <i>On-Site</i>	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____
<b>Children 12 &amp; Under</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60 <i>Postmarked by 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 <i>Postmarked after 5/15/25</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$80 <i>On-Site</i>	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____
<b>Daily Hospitality Only</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <i>Monday</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <i>Tuesday</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <i>Wednesday</i> <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <i>Thursday</i>	_____ _____ _____ _____	\$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____ \$ _____
<b>Off-Site Fee</b> <i>Applies if not registered at Senate Hotel</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Per Person Per Day	_____	\$ _____
<b>Make Checks Payable to: Illinois JCI Senate</b>		<b>TOTAL DUE</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

<b>Golf (TBD)</b> Would you be interested? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<b>Tours (TBD)</b> Would you be interested? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>Hilton Chicago/Northbrook</b> 2855 North Milwaukee Ave. Northbrook, IL 60062 1-847-480-7500 1-800-774-1500 Room Block Code: ISEN Room Rate: \$144 + taxes  Hotel Registration <a href="#">Hotel Link: US JCI Annual Meeting (June 2025)</a> Room Block good until May 15, 2025 Rate valid for 4 days pre and post conference	<b>Mail form &amp; check to:</b> Lynne McGill #70364 Registration Chair 1209 W. 83rd Court Merrillville, IN 46410  <i>For Zelle Payment (no fee):</i>  <b>For additional information contact:</b> Maureen Niedenthal #67699 at 217-274-9858 Lynne McGill #70364 at 708-691-0934 <a href="mailto:jcisenatchicago2025@gmail.com">jcisenatchicago2025@gmail.com</a>



# Ohio JCI Senate Pig Roast

## July 18-20, 2025



### Goughler Park

### 1843 Lynn Rd, Kent Ohio 44240

### Open to all JCI Senators, Jaycees & Guests

Please contact Janice or Jeff Carino at  
jcjaycees@gmail.com  
with any questions.

Mail registration with checks payable to : Ohio JCI Senate  
Pig Roast c/o J Bruner, 10935 County Road M, Wauseon OH 43567

	Registration by June 1, 2024	Registration after June 1, 2024 (additional \$5 at the door)	Number attending	Total Registration Amount	Name/s:
Friday & Saturday 	\$60	\$70			Senate Number/s:
Friday only	\$30	\$35			
Saturday only	\$30	\$35			
Children 12-17	\$15	\$15			Email:
Children under 12	Free	Free			Address:

**Early Bird Special**

**All registrations received before April 7th  
Full registration for \$55 per person!!!**

Hotel info coming soon.



# 2025 OHIO THE HEART OF IT ALL US JCI SENATE FALL BOARD MEETING



Hosted by the Ohio JCI Senate

September 11—14, 2025

Columbus, Ohio

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Senate/Friendship #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ Senate/Friendship #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Senate Office Held: \_\_\_\_\_ State Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Region: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

If your room is in the block, list confirmation # \_\_\_\_\_ If you are rooming with  
 someone in the room block, please list name of registered \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Check if this is your 1st National meeting \_\_\_\_ Check if you are a veteran \_\_\_\_ Check if you are under 55

	Quantity	Postmarked by 8/11/25	Postmarked after 8/11/25	On-Site	Total
Full Registration Breakfast Daily, Friday Lunch, Saturday Banquet		\$75.00	\$90.00	\$100.00	
Banquet Meal Choice	Chicken _____	Beef _____	Vegetarian _____	Gluten Free _____	
Dietary Restrictions	Allergies etc.			Best time for Chef to contact you	
Early Hospitality Thursday		\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	
Daily Hospitality Only	_____ Friday _____ Saturday	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	
Daily Off Site Fee		\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	
TOTALS					

Crowne Plaza Columbus North  
 6500 Doubletree Avenue  
 Columbus, Ohio 43229  
 614-885-1885  
 Room rate: \$109  
 Online code for room block 9003  
 Call in front desk code **JSN**

Scan for hotel block:



**Make Checks Payable to: Ohio JCI Senate**  
**Mail Form and Check to:**  
**Jon Bruner #58932**  
**10935 Co Rd M**  
**Wauseon, Ohio 43567**

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**US JCI SENATE FALL BOARD MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 2025**

**COLUMBUS, OHIO**

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Quarter Page	4.5" X 1.75"	25.00	30.00	
Half Page	4.5" X 3.5"	50.00	60.00	
Full Page	4.5" X 7.5"	75.00	85.00	
Inside Cover (front/back - color)	4.5" X 7.5"	100.00	125.00	
Back Cover (color)	4.5" X 7.5"	125.00	150.00	

- Make Check Payable to: **Ohio JCI Senate** (Do Not Send Cash)
- Mail Ad Order Form, Ad Copy and Payment to: **Jon Bruner, 10935 Co Rd M, Wauseon, OH 43567**
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- Questions: Contact **Jane Hider at 330-464-2906**

**FINAL DEADLINE IS NO LATER THAN JULY 11, 2025**



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