



# Senate Tales

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Fellow Senators,

We have just finished up our Senate 200 club for our scholarship fund. I would like to thank all Senators that either bought tickets or sold them.

We have a total of \$ 1,215.00 for the scholarships, from tickets sold and donations given back on winning tickets. Rosaire Longe # 28290 has done a super job on this over the years and this really helps out. By the way many many thanks to the Senators that donated back the winnings for the Scholarship Program.

Bob and Carol King, Rosaire and Irene Longe and Jane Chadderdon were in Melbourne Florida just last week for the National Board of Directors Meeting for the JCI Senate. Thanks to them for representing Vermont at the Meeting. Our own Rosaire Longe # 28290 is now a candidate for Region 1 NVP. Congratulations for being nominated.

Next for the Vt. Senate is our winter meeting in Montpelier Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> at the Montpelier Elks Club at 12:30PM. Thanks to Norma Dailey #50954. Our Region 1 NVP Cindy Hall and Dana Hall 1<sup>st</sup>. man will be in attendance, many thanks to them for traveling down from Maine for this.

To save the best for last , Region 1 Fall Frolic to be held October 22-25, 2020 in Stowe, Vermont at the Commodor Inn.

Steve and Joann Rowe, 340470 and FR 73 are running the Program booklet Ad for the Vermont Senate, Full page is \$100.00, half page is \$ 50.00, quarter page is \$ 30.00, eighth page is \$ 20.00, and name listed is \$ 10.00. Checks payable to VT JCI Senate. Please call 802-363-7638 for a form.

Just a bit of history on the Frolic, 1<sup>st</sup> one held in Brattleboro, VT 1980, then Stowe Vt in 1984 and again in 1989. Then one was held in South Burlington VT 2000, again in 2014 and now the 40<sup>th</sup> will be held in Stowe 2020

The JCI Senators and wives have been meeting and working on the Frolic for this fall and are doing a great job. You can look forward to a great Fall Frolic with lots to do there and in the area of Stowe, Vt.

Finally I want to thank all the Senators and Friendships for all the help this year and a special one for my wife Ann for all she does with the Senate, Elks and all the other things I am into.

Steve Edgerley # 28971



Dear Vermont Senators

Future Directions: what does it mean and what do we do?

Many of us who have been around the Senate for quite sometime and those that may not be regulars on the national scene may wonder what Future Directions is. Well simply put, this is a committee of the US JCI that is one of a variety of committees which works to sustain and keep our organization looking forward.

We predominately receive our directions from the President. We are involved in his or her vision for our future – hence, Future Directions. At this juncture we have not been tasked with a priority from the President but that does not mean we are inactive. We have just completed our role in the recently passed Constitution and Bylaw changes. In addition, we also played a role in the recently adopted National Dues increase.

As a committee we are each assigned an area of responsibility within the JCI committee structure. I am assigned to the Finance Committee and have a direct role within that committee to then report back to Future Directions on what actions we have taken.

I want to thank President Lawrence for my appointments to both Future Directions and Finance.

Now on the Vermont JCI Senate Scene, your board of directors has been very active regarding the planning for the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fall Frolic. Much has been done to prepare for this event. We are looking forward to Vermont Senators stepping up to help us during this major event. The dates are Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of 2020. Please mark these dates, we need you for some or all, of the event. Emergencies can happen to anyone and we understand that. But please, make an effort to support your fellow Senators.

Yours in the Senate, Bob King #36581

Hello everyone!

I can't believe that it's almost the end of another VT JCI Senate year. We had the picnic in August, which was well attended, and a meeting in October at the Commodores. The meeting scheduled for March was cancelled due to the lack of interest. As of this writing, I don't know where our annual meeting will be held. There should be information elsewhere in this newsletter. Also, our own Rosaire Longe has put his hat in the ring to be the new Region I Vice President. He will be voted in at the Region I caucus in May in Connecticut. The next big event for Vermont, will be us hosting the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Fall Frolic this October. The committee has been meeting regularly to hammer out the details. However, as the event gets closer, we are going to need more help to put on the BEST Fall Frolic ever!! If you are interested, please contact your current board members listed on page 1 of this newsletter. Hope to see everyone at the annual meeting!

Norma Dailey #50954, VT JCI Senate Vice President



The new year 2020 did not start off well for the VT JCI Senate. During January we lost three of our members – Richard “Gus” Sivret #16333, Norman “Norm” Jette #37010 and David “Dave” LaBounty #31637. Cards on behalf of the Senate have been sent to the families of these Senators. They will be missed by all their Senate friends.

On a more positive note I got to enjoy a weekend with Senators Bob King and Rosaire Longe and their wives at the US JCI Senate Mid Winter Board Meeting in Melbourne, FL – and without injury on my part! Own own Rosaire made formal his announcement as candidate for NVP of Region 1 for the 2020/21 year and it was well received. We all got together again the following week at the annual gathering of NEFLA – New England/Florida Senators in Northport, FL for an afternoon of renewed friendship. While in Florida, Rosaire, Irene and I made a visit to see Art Riddlesworth #29295 at his Assisted Living Residence. Art seemed pleased that we had stopped to see him although he was visibly distressed to hear of the passing of our Senators. He appears to be doing okay after a recent bout with a skin cancer and the ongoing problem of failing eyesight. His days are long without the ability to read or watch television but he remembers his Jaycee and Senate years, and people he worked with, with fondness. On our way back to my home in Destin, FL we attempted to meet with Rick Breer #20676 but connections didn't work out. We did chat with him by phone – hands free! - as we were driving through his area. A great couple of weeks and visits that brought back lots of good memories.

Looking ahead, your Executive Committee is preparing for hosting the Fall Frolic in October at Commodore Inn in Stowe. Senators from New England are already looking forward to it – because VT always does such a great job of hosting!! It would be fantastic to have a large delegation of Vermont Senators in attendance – I promise you will

have a good time! Even more, your active participation would be greatly appreciated – many hands make work easy. Please say “YES” when called on and better yet, contact a Board Member to volunteer to help with this fun weekend.

At a ceremony January 31st in Swanton, Bruce Spaulding was named Citizen of the Year by the Swanton Chamber of Commerce.

Jane Chadderdon #71648, Chaplain



We only had 3 members due this quarter, and renewed 2 of 3 with Gus Sivret being our only drop. Since the start of the Senate year on July 1<sup>st</sup>, we have lost 5 fellow Senators.

Why do I mention this? The reason is very simple. Part of the reason this organization has had the success it has, is because of the comradery of our Senators. Being a small state has allowed us the opportunity to know most if not all of our fellow Senators in some fashion. When someone has been sick, we all know quickly. If someone passes we know quickly. If someone has good news we all know quickly.

We have come to a time when we need to band together for the benefit of the organization and ourselves. From October 22 – October 24, we are hosting the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Region 1 Fall Frolic. Because it is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary and because the event is in Stowe, Vermont, the expectation is that attendance will be around 125 persons. While we have a basic committee of 10 people, there is no way for the 10 of us to do it all. We are asking for some help from some of you, our fellow Senators, past Jaycees and friends for many years. We also need to have you show up and present a solid show of support. Who knows, you may even run into someone you may have known many years ago as Jaycees or even as younger Senators. We have a variety of jobs that may work for you. Please contact one of the officers to volunteer.

Steve Rowe # 40470



## Scholarship Report

My Senate Friends;

Greetings as spring is trying to open up for us. Although it has not been a harsh winter, we welcome the coming of spring, the blooming of flowers, planting the garden, and the chore of mowing the grass. Hurry!

After a great visit with our special friend Chaplain Jane Chadderdon #71648 in Florida and the educational time Jane, Irene, and I had at the USJCI Senate Winter Board Meeting in Melbourne, Florida, we had a very enjoyable time at the Snowbirds get-together in North Port. Jack #32806 and Sue Pasquale FR#17 are great host. On the way back to Jane's in the Panhandle, we were able to stop and visit a former Secretary of the Vermont Senate, Art Riddlesworth #29295 of St. Albans. Art does have some medical issues that keeps him shut-in, and was very happy to see some Vermont Senators. If you know Art, you can send him your best wishes to 3600 Oak Manor Lane, Apt. 267, Largo, FL 33774. I'm sure he'd love to hear from you.

And as a bonus, we also stopped at Panama City Beach for a short visit with the super good guy President of the New Hampshire Senate, Dick St. Jean #38089 and his wife Bonnie #42864. As it turns out, they are only forty-five minutes from Jane, and they will now have some social time together. Great people!

When back in Vermont, it was time to do the scholarship judging with Bob King #36581 and Steve Rowe #40470. After marveling at the accomplishments of the applicants, the difficult scoring decisions resulted in the winners being:

William Coburn of Orleans from Lake Region Union High School, and Lean Croke of Ferrisburgh from Vergennes Union High School for our \$500 award, and they have been submitted to national for the possibility of winning another \$1,000. Also awarded \$500 was Juliana Beraldi of Hartland from Woodstock Union High School.

President Steve Edgerley #28971 and our Secretary Ann Edgerley did a great job doing the special raffle to raise dollars for the scholarships. Their efforts resulted in netting \$1,205 after several winners donated back their winnings for a bonus of \$355 included in the net. Many, many thanks to those fine people and to Steve and Ann. It is nice not to have to plea for a full \$1,500 needed to pay these awards. I'm sure a few of you will close the gap of the \$300 more needed. Below you will see how you can send your check so as not to deplete our small treasury.

It is a joy for me doing the Vermont Senate scholarship program. That is why I'll continue into next year chairing the program even while I may be serving as the National Vice President of Region One for the USCJI Senate. The help we get with the fund raising tells me the membership does want the awards to these fabulous students to continue under the name of the Vermont Senate. *Thanks!*

**Vermont JCI Senate Scholarship Fund to:**  
*Treasurer Steve Rowe #40470, 44 Sherry Road, So. Burlington, VT 05403*

Thank you for your support and generosity, and best wishes in Jaycee spirit.

Rosaire Longe #28290, Scholarship Chair (fourth year)  
Vermont JCI Senate

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The Vermont Senate is always looking for donations. If you would like to donate, we have several options for you. General Fund, Scholarship Fund, Senatorship Fund, or any others you may wish to designate. Remember we are a 501c3 organization, so all your donations are tax deductible.

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college. Reading their entries, shows us how much work they do, not only with their lessons, but for what they do to help fellow students and organizations in their community. It is eye opening and astonishing. They deserve all we can do to help them achieve success, and then be assets in the future to their work life and service to others.

That is why we ask that you do what you can with a donation. We'll do the work to get it done. The three \$500 scholarships we give out for \$1,500 can not be supported by our budget alone and needs help from donations and any fund raiser that we can do to get to our goal. President Steve Edgerley #28971 organized a successful scholarship raffle to help meet this goal, but not quite. If you can help, it would be appreciated by all, especially the recipient students. We very much thank all of you that sold and/or purchased these tickets. It is a huge help.

**Vermont JCI Senate Scholarship Fund** and sent to our:  
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