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# The President's Corner

Robert King,**# 36581** 

Dear Senators:

As you are aware our VT JCI Senate has been making plans for our 50th Anniversary Celebration. It is imperative that we have a strong showing of our senate. We are hearing from Senators and Jaycees that we have not heard from in years. Dude Ellis tells me he is seeing great interest and excitement in the Senators that he has been in touch with. Senators Ellis and Welch are actively working to spread the good news and to reach each and every Vermont Senator.

We have just come off a great year for our scholarship program. Senator Rosaire Longe is chairing our scholarship program. You will hear more from Rosaire later in this newsletter. However as you know I have challenged senators to make a tax free donation to our scholarship fund. We have received great support from many senators regarding this challenge. But we still have not reached our goal of hearing from each and every one of you. Please consider making a gift to ner

help more of our Vermont kids attend the college of their choice.

Lastly, as we want to see as many of you as possible at our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, we have an offer to make. As many of our Senators may have issues with transportation. We would like to offer you some help in getting to our 50<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to attend but feel you may need help in transportation, please call me or Steve Rowe. We want to hear from you, please go to

http:/www.vtjcisenate.org. You will find your officers phone numbers and email addresses along with a lot of other info. You will also find info on our 50<sup>th</sup>, if you have questions or need any assistance please get in touch with us.

Yours in the Senate. President, Bob King 36581



50 years old. All of us passed that mark many years ago. Some longer ago than others. But still, 50 years is a pretty good accomplishment for anyone or any organization. In May OUR organization will be celebrating that accomplishment. Something that is truly amazing. I'm sure that the founding fathers of our organization never thought of the organization as being here 50 years later.

The 50th anniversary committee has a most fitting celebration planned. But we need YOU there. What kind of celebration would it be if nobody showed up? There will be many Senate friends there, along with some Jaycees from years past. And what would an event like this be without Regional and National officers in attendance? Our National President, Jim Mamman, along with his Vermont JCI Senate Celebrating 50 Years

executive board, and our Region 1 Vice President have all been invited to share in our celebration.

Plan on being at the Fireside Inn in West Lebanon, NH, on Saturday May 20, 2017 as the Vermont JCI Senate celebrates 50 years. We have a lot of things planned. But we need you there. "Save the Date" and formal invitations should be arriving soon in your mailbox. Be looking for them. A registration form is enclosed later in this newsletter.

Hope to see you there!!!!

Steve Rowe



## Vermont / US JCI Senate Scholarship Program Professor Rosaire Longe #28290

The 2017 Vermont JCI Senate Scholarship Program has just completed a successful year with the issuing of three \$500 scholarships. The events started at our summer picnic in August with a vote to increase the amount from \$200 to \$500 each because the former amount was not enticing enough interest.

The new amount brought about a doubling of applicants to a total of 22 from the 80 schools sent invites all over the state. After hours of judging by four of our own, Lauren Cozzens of Rutland Senior High School, and Jillian Flanders of Otter Valley Union High School are being awarded \$500 each, and are submitted to the USJCI Senate Foundation for the possibility of winning a \$1,000 scholarship from them. Molly Engels of Rutland Senior High School is awarded our \$500 scholarship based on need.

The crop of applicants was very impressive to the judges because of their high grades and level of activity. Vermont's future is in good hands.

These \$500 amounts would not have been possible without the generous contribution by several of our Sen-

ators. "Service to humanity is the best work of life" is something that is truly alive and well. Once part of a Jaycees' life, it never leaves even as we all get a few years older. So great to see. Many, many thanks to each that sent us a check to make all this happen. And a very special "thank you" to Steve Rowe, Reggie Welch, and Carol King for helping me with the judging. It happened during some bad weather and while two of us were not feeling very well. Bob and Carol were generous by hosting us at their home, although Bob had to leave to enjoy some time with a dentist.

Rosaire Longe, Chair

Vermont JCI Senate Scholarship Program



Join us as we celebrate 50 years of our state JCI organization.

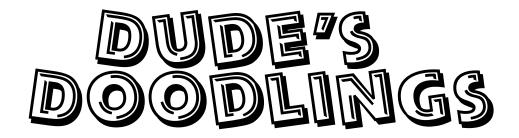
### Fireside Inn & Suites 25 Airport Road, West Lebanon, NH Friday May 19, 2017 - Sunday May 21, 2017

Name			
Spouse / Guest			
Address			
City	State _		Zip Code
Contact Phone #		_Email	
Registration – Single	Up to 4/15/17 \$ 45	After 4/15/17 \$ 50	
Registration – Couple	\$ 80	\$ 85	-
Meal Choice Ch	nicken Po	ork Vegetarian	

Make all reservations directly with the Fireside Inn & Suites at 1-877-258-5900. Please use JCI Senate block. If you fail to mention the room block, adjustments to room rate will NOT be made at check-in. After April 19, 2017, unreserved rooms in JCI Senate block will be released and reservations will be taken on space available basis. Room rate is \$109.95 plus tax/ night. Rate includes breakfast buffet.

Make checks payable for registration to VT JCI Senate, Treasurer, 44 Sherry Road, So. Burlington, VT. 05403.

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## Excitement!

It's been very interesting talking with the Senators. At first there was not much interest mainly because of their health issues and age. As I brought back to mind many great things they did as Jaycees, they became more interested in coming together. When I mentioned if they have items such as awards, newsletters, and items from their active times they all said "Yes, will look them up and bring them to the 50th." The more excited I got about this event, the more excited they became.

Perhaps we could send out a form asking each to let us know what they would like to have happen. For example: have meetings in different parts of the state, When I was Senator President our team thought it was a great idea. Now we have the summer meeting in Randolph, the center of the state and that has worked well.

We could use your input about what you want and where.

See you at the 50th! Durward "Dude" Ellis