

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
VIDEOTAPED REMARKS TO
SECOND INTERNATIONAL TRAILS AND GREENWAYS CONFERENCE
PITTSBURGH, PA
JUNE 23 - 27, 1999**

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GALA IN HONOR OF ROSA PARKS
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Thank you, Congresswoman Carson, for your leadership, vision, and commitment to ensuring that one of our nation's highest honors is awarded to one of our nation's most extraordinary citizens -- Rosa Parks. I only wish I could be there in person with all of you tonight, as you celebrate the life and achievements of this remarkable woman.

My husband and I had the privilege of being with Rosa Parks two days ago -- when she received this Congressional Gold Medal. And I was so moved, once again, by her incredible journey. It's a story that we all know by heart -- but one we must never forget. We imagine her boarding that bus on December 1, 1955, and taking her seat at the front. It was such a simple act -- yet one that required such uncommon courage.

By sitting down, Rosa Parks was standing up -- for dignity; for justice; for equality. By sitting down, she was standing up not only for African Americans, but for all people. And by standing her ground, she sparked a non-violent revolution that swept across America, and swept aside the racial segregation that had divided our country for generations. Rosa Parks's refusal to yield to injustice inspired all Americans to struggle together to shed the prejudices of the past, and to build a better future that finally includes us all.

As we look to a new century -- and a new millennium -- it's up to all of us to celebrate the people, places, and stories that define us as individuals and as a nation. It's up to all of us to teach our children the story of Rosa Parks, and the fundamental values of freedom and equality that she stands for. And it's up to all of us to complete the difficult work that she and so many others began over forty years ago. Only then can we celebrate the rich diversity that is our nation's greatest strength. Only then can we unite around a common vision of what it means to be one America.

To Rosa Parks: I want to thank you for not moving to the back of that bus. Thank you for reminding us of the extraordinary difference one citizen can make. Thank you for a lifetime of service. And thank you for showing us the best of who we are -- and the possibility of who we can be.

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VIDEOTAPED REMARKS TO
UNITE CONVENTION
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA
JUNE 28, 1999

It is a great pleasure to join all of you on the occasion of your first Constitutional Convention. I only wish I could be there in person to congratulate UNITE's president, Jay Mazur, the officers, and the many delegates who have come together for this historic labor gathering.

Three years ago, I was very proud to have sewn on the first UNITE label at a Nicole Miller store in New York City – to help send the message that every consumer should look for the union label, and support America's workers. The fight against sweatshops – both at home and abroad – is one that this Administration strongly supports. We believe – as you do – that child labor, long hours, and sub minimum wages should be relics of the past – not a daily reality for workers here in America or overseas. We believe – as you do – that every worker who puts in a 40 hour week deserves a living wage; decent working conditions; and health and pension benefits.

I had the privilege of addressing an ILGWU convention during the 1992 election, and I'll never forget the stories I heard from working women there about how they were struggling to balance the demands of work and family. And ever since then, we've been working together to improve the lives of working families, and to help them succeed at home and in the workplace.

Today, let's recommit ourselves to the agenda we will continue to work on together in the years ahead: that we give every child a world class education; and every citizen access to quality, affordable health care. That we provide people with good jobs and decent wages; and ensure working families safe and affordable child care that they can rely on. That we protect and preserve Social Security and Medicare for generations to come.

I want to thank all of you for what you do every single day to expand the circle of opportunity so that it's wide enough to include every American.

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Good evening everyone. I am honored to have this chance to take part in the closing ceremonies of your 79th annual meeting. I only wish I could have joined you in person at the Artpark Theater to thank you for your tireless commitment to lifting up communities across America.

As many of you know, my husband was a Jaycee. And he has long talked about what that experience meant in his life. How it helped teach him the value of service – which has always been the foundation of our democracy and the citizens it depends on.

You know better than anyone that citizenship is much more than paying taxes, more than going to work, more than obeying the law, more than casting a vote. Citizenship is the belief that we are responsible for one another, that we meet our generation's challenges not through government alone, or as isolated individuals, but as a community working together.

And that is exactly what you are doing. When you teach young people to stay away from smoking. When you help adolescents fight the tragedy of HIV/AIDS. When you give your time and energy, your concern and compassion, you are not only helping those in need, you are passing on the legacy of service nurtured by Jaycees for 79 years.

Imagine what we could accomplish in the next century if all Americans took it upon themselves to help solve our greatest challenges – from education to youth violence. Imagine how much stronger our communities and nation could be if all Americans found a way to serve. With the Jaycees continuing to help lead the way, I know it is possible. Thank you – and I hope you had a great meeting.

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CHILD WELFARE LEAGUE OF AMERICA
GOODBYE TRIBUTE TO DAVID LIEDERMAN
WASHINGTON, DC
JUNE 12, 1999**

Good evening everyone. I'm so pleased to join all of you in paying tribute to David Liederman. I only wish I could be there in person to thank David and the Child Welfare League of America for all you do – every single day – to protect our most vulnerable children and strengthen our nation's families.

For David, whenever children's lives have been at stake, no challenge has been too great, no goal too high. We think of him challenging communities to work together on behalf of their children. We think of all the times he spoke out on behalf of children who have been abused, neglected, and abandoned...all the pieces of legislation he fought for because he knew they would lift up the health and lives of our children. David, sometimes you've stood alone. Other times you've been joined by a chorus of voices. But one thing has remained constant: you have always made America's children your priority. And we all owe you a debt of gratitude.

You know better than anyone that too many children and families are confronting pressures and risks that most of us could not have imagined when we were growing up. And because of what this Administration and all of you have done, more families have received help meeting these challenges. More parents can now take time off to care for a sick child. More children have safe, quality, affordable child care and after-school care. More families have been lifted out of poverty because we expanded the Earned Income Tax Credit and raised the minimum wage. And more children are now moving from foster care to permanent homes because we passed landmark adoption legislation that puts the health and safety of children first.

These victories are your victories. And they are, in many ways, the mark of David Liederman's 15 years of leadership. Your passion and tireless dedication are legendary -- and will be sorely missed here in Washington. I know the millions of American children whose lives are better because of your hard work join me in wishing you the very best success in your new adventures in New York. Thank you, David.

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JUNE 10, 1999**

Good evening everyone. I am honored to have this chance to take part in the closing ceremonies of your 79th annual meeting. I only wish I could have joined you in person at the Artpark Theater to thank you for your tireless commitment to lifting up communities across America.

As many of you know, my husband was a Jaycee. And he has long talked about what that experience meant in his life. How it helped teach him the value of service – which has always been the foundation of our democracy and the citizens it depends on.

You know better than anyone that citizenship is much more than paying taxes, more than going to work, more than obeying the law, more than casting a vote. Citizenship is the belief that we are responsible for one another, that we meet our generation's challenges not through government alone, or as isolated individuals, but as a community working together.

And that is exactly what you are doing. When you teach young people to stay away from smoking. When you help adolescents fight the tragedy of HIV/AIDS. When you give your time and energy, your concern and compassion, you are not only helping those in need, you are passing on the legacy of service nurtured by Jaycees for 79 years.

Imagine what we could accomplish in the next century if all Americans took it upon themselves to help solve our greatest challenges – from education to youth violence. Imagine how much stronger our communities and nation could be if all Americans found a way to serve. With the Jaycees continuing to help lead the way, I know it is possible. Thank you – and I hope you had a great meeting.

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
VIDEOTAPED REMARKS
GALA IN HONOR OF ROSA PARKS
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
JUNE 17, 1999**

Thank you, Congresswoman Carson, for your leadership, vision, and commitment to ensuring that one of our nation's highest honors is awarded to one of our nation's most extraordinary citizens -- Rosa Parks. I only wish I could be there in person with all of you tonight, as you celebrate the life and achievements of this remarkable woman.

My husband and I had the privilege of being with Rosa Parks two days ago -- when she received this Congressional Gold Medal. And I was so moved, once again, by her incredible journey. It's a story that we all know by heart -- but one we must never forget. We imagine her boarding that bus on December 1, 1955, and taking her seat at the front. It was such a simple act -- yet one that required such uncommon courage.

By sitting down, Rosa Parks was standing up -- for dignity; for justice; for equality. By sitting down, she was standing up not only for African Americans, but for all people. And by standing her ground, she sparked a non-violent revolution that swept across America, and swept aside the racial segregation that had divided our country for generations. Rosa Parks's refusal to yield to injustice inspired all Americans to struggle together to shed the prejudices of the past, and to build a better future that finally includes us all.

As we look to a new century -- and a new millennium -- it's up to all of us to celebrate the people, places, and stories that define us as individuals and as a nation. It's up to all of us to teach our children the story of Rosa Parks, and the fundamental values of freedom and equality that she stands for. And it's up to all of us to complete the difficult work that she and so many others began over forty years ago. Only then can we celebrate the rich diversity that is our nation's greatest strength. Only then can we unite around a common vision of what it means to be one America.

To Rosa Parks: I want to thank you for not moving to the back of that bus. Thank you for reminding us of the extraordinary difference one citizen can make. Thank you for a lifetime of service. And thank you for showing us the best of who we are -- and the possibility of who we can be.

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
VIDEOTAPED REMARKS TO
UNITE CONVENTION
MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA
JUNE 28, 1999**

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It is a great pleasure to join all of you on the occasion of your first Constitutional Convention. I only wish I could be there in person to congratulate UNITE's president, Jay Mazur, the officers, and the many delegates who have come together for this historic labor gathering.

Three years ago, I was very proud to have sewn on the first UNITE label at a Nicole Miller store in New York City – to help send the message that every consumer should look for the union label, and support America's workers. The fight against sweatshops – both at home and abroad – is one that this Administration strongly supports. We believe – as you do – that child labor, long hours, and sub minimum wages should be relics of the past – not a daily reality for workers here in America or overseas. We believe – as you do – that every worker who puts in a 40 hour week deserves a living wage; decent working conditions; and health and pension benefits.

I had the privilege of addressing an ILGWU convention during the 1992 election, and I'll never forget the stories I heard from working women there about how they were struggling to balance the demands of work and family. And ever since then, we've been working together to improve the lives of working families, and to help them succeed at home and in the workplace.

Today, let's recommit ourselves to the agenda we will continue to work on together in the years ahead: that we give every child a world class education; and every citizen access to quality, affordable health care. That we provide people with good jobs and decent wages; and ensure working families safe and affordable child care that they can rely on. That we protect and preserve Social Security and Medicare for generations to come.

I want to thank all of you for what you do every single day to expand the circle of opportunity so that it's wide enough to include every American.

I hope you have a wonderful conference.

June 8, 1999

DATE:	June 9, 1999
TIME:	12:00
LOCATION:	OEOB Video Room
FROM:	Noa Meyer and Catherine Lelyveld

I. PURPOSE

To record eight videos.

II. BACKGROUND

Children's Circle of Care

You have been asked to record a video for the Children's Circle of Care Leadership Conference in Chicago on June 17 to address Medicaid reimbursements for children and any other children's health related issues. You last spoke to the donors, trustees and friends of this organization as Honorary Chair at the NIH in Bethesda four years ago. The Children's Circle of Care exists to promote the shared mission of its participating hospitals in the U.S. and Canada, which is to provide quality patient care, research, education and advocacy for all children. Each year, they convene to learn about advances in pediatric medicine and celebrate the success of their shared philanthropic efforts, which totaled \$77 million last year. 400-500 guests are expected to attend this year's Conference in Thorne Auditorium at Northwestern University School of Law. Ms. Theresa Heinz will serve as Honorary Chair. Janet Davies, television anchorwoman at the Chicago ABC affiliate is scheduled to introduce your video, which will be played early in the program as part of that morning's welcome message.

Child Welfare League of America, Inc.

You have been asked to record a video for the Child Welfare League of America dinner in honor of David Liederman. The dinner is scheduled for Saturday, June 12, at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Washington, DC. 300 guests are expected to attend including: child welfare agency CEOs, board members, Capitol Hill staff, representatives from other child advocacy groups, (such as Marian Wright Edelman, a featured speaker), and Mr. Liederman's family and friends. David Liederman has been an outspoken advocate for abused, neglected and other vulnerable children for decades and spent 15 years as executive director of the CWLA. He is leaving in June to work for the New York City based Council on Accreditation. Your video will be shown after dinner.

The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce

You have been asked to record a video for the closing ceremony of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce 79th annual meeting. Their members, known as “Jaycees”, provide personal and professional development through community involvement to men and women aged 21 to 39 and serve as the nation’s advocacy organization for young people. The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce began in 1915 and has grown to over 115,000 nationwide members. President Clinton was a Jaycee and a “Ten Outstanding Young Americans” honoree. Your video will be shown for the 2000 expected attending members at this Niagara Falls ceremony on Thursday.

Alliance for Young Artists & Writers, Inc.

You have been asked to record a video for the Scholastic Art & Writing National Awards Ceremony which is to be held at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday morning, June 19. You have taped welcoming address videos to honor these award winners every year for the last four years. For over 75 years, the Scholastic Awards and the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers has supported not only aspiring creative talent, but the development of arts literacy for all children. More than 2500 people are expected, including students, families, teachers and media from across the country.

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

You have been asked to record a video for the SAMHSA Second National Conference on Women schedule for June 27 – June 30 in Los Angeles, California. Donna Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services, has invited you to attend as SAMHSA is the lead Federal agency for improving the quality and availability of substance abuse prevention, addiction treatment, and mental health services in the U.S. The conference will be a national forum in which individuals concerned about the promotion of health and well-being in women, their families, and their communities can come together to share experiences and discuss ideas. Approximately 1000 health providers, policymakers, consumers/survivors/family members, and representatives of the business and faith communities are expected to attend.

Rails – to – Trails Conservancy National Conference

You have been asked to do a video for the Millennium Council’s Rails-to-Trails Conference which will take place from June 23 - 27 in Pittsburgh, PA. The purpose of this video is to announce the selection of twelve National Millennium Trails in conjunction with one of the White House Millennium Council’s national initiatives. 1000 representatives of the trails community are expected to attend. Secretary Slater is tentatively attending the conference and will list and describe the selected trails. You have been asked to list and describe these trails if Secretary Slater can not attend.

Rosa Parks Celebration Dinner

You have been asked to record a video for the gala celebration scheduled for Thursday, June 17, in Indianapolis, Indiana, in honor of Mrs. Rosa Parks. She is being awarded the Congressional Gold Medal. Congresswoman Julia Carson introduced bill H.R. 573 which authorized the Congressional Gold Medal to Rosa Parks in recognition of her work in the movement for civil rights. The bill was passed by the House and Senate and signed by the President. Your video will air during the 7 p.m. celebration program before a sold-out crowd of 1800 attendees. Proceeds from ticket sales went to the Raymond and Rosa Parks Foundation.

UNITE: Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees

You have been asked to record a video for UNITE's first Constitutional Convention which will be held in Miami Beach from June 28 to July 1 at the Fontainebleau Hilton. UNITE was formed in 1995 as a merger of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union (ILGWU) and the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers union. The convention which meets every four years is the highest governing body of the union. Vice President Gore will speak to the Convention on Tuesday. There will be 2000 delegates, at least half of whom are women. The delegates, mostly rank and file garment, textile, distribution and other workers, represent a wide range of ethnicity. You addressed the ILGWU Convention in 1992. You sewed the first UNITE label in 1996 to help send the message that consumers should look for the union label to support the skilled American workers who work under decent working conditions with health and pension benefits and need to balance work and caring for children and other family members.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The First Lady

IV. REMARKS

Noa Meyer

V. PRESS

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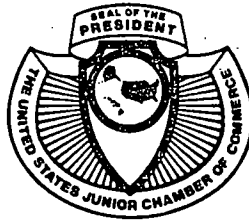
UNITE Convention

FACTS: UNITE was formed in 1995 as a merger of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union and the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union.

The video is for our first Constitutional Convention which will be held in Miami Beach from June 28 through July 1 at the Fontainebleau Hilton. The Convention, which meets every four years, is the highest governing body of the union; it elects officers and passes resolutions on policy. The current officers are all running for re-election: Jay Mazur, President, Bruce Raynor, Secretary-Treasurer, Ed Clark and Edgar Romney, Executive Vice Presidents. Vice President Gore will speak to the Convention on Tuesday.

There will be 2000 delegates, at least half women. The delegates, mostly rank and file garment, textile, distribution and other workers represent a wide range of ethnicity: white and African American, Latino and Asian. The Convention has simultaneous translation into Spanish, French and Chinese. The largest group is from New York State. Hillary Clinton spoke at an ILGWU Convention during the 1992 election, and many delegates will remember that speech warmly.

- Congratulations to Jay Mazur, President and the officers and delegates to the First Constitutional Convention of UNITE, the Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees.
- I was proud to sew in the first UNITE label in 1996 and to help send the message that consumers should look for the union label to support the skilled American workers who work under decent working conditions with health and pension benefits.
- The fight against sweatshops at home and abroad is one my husband and I support. It is time for workers' rights to be part of trade agreements and for the large manufacturers and retailers to take responsibility for the conditions in which their clothing is sewn. Child labor, long hours, sub-minimum wages should all be a relic of the past, not a daily reality for workers in this country and around the world.
- Your union worked with me to fight for universal health care. We didn't win, but our cause was right and we will continue to work to expand health care for all in this country.
- I remember speaking to ILGWU members at your 1992 convention. I will never forget the stories I heard from working women about the difficulties in balancing work and caring for children and other family members. Your struggle to support your families in today's world is impressive. We need government to fight for people like you—to expand Family and Medical Leave, to create more quality child care, to improve the quality of education in all our towns and cities.



Office of the President

Thursday, May 13, 1999

Evan Ryan
The First Lady Scheduling Office
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Ms. Ryan:

Enclosed in this packet is some information on The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce organization including our latest two issues of *Jaycees Magazine*, which include information on our Annual Meeting, June 7-10, 1999.

We would be very pleased to have the First Lady in attendance at our meeting; it would be a highlight for the more than 2,000 Jaycee members we are expecting. Our Closing Ceremony is scheduled for Thursday evening, June 10, 1999 from 6:00 – 9:00pm at Artpark in Niagara and this would be an ideal opportunity for Mrs. Clinton to address our delegates. If this does not fit in Mrs. Clinton's schedule, we would be happy to accommodate her at another time in our agenda.

I look forward to hearing from you. Please call me at 918.584.2481 ext. 410 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Chris Reese
79th President

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Jaycees Thrill City With Grand Parade

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Convention Delegates Present Big Spectacle of Bands, Floats And Hijinks

It's been 34 years since we've seen this many leaders in one place.

The National Jaycee Convention. Returning this June.

Way back in 1959, and again in 1965, the Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) held its national convention in Buffalo. Today we're happy to announce their return to Western New York. Please join us from June 7-10 at the Niagara Falls Convention Center for seminars, ceremonies, networking and rekindling some old friendships. And if you or someone you know are Jaycee alumni or were part of the '59 or '65 conventions, please call Pam Trbovich or Dylan Mattina at 662-2573 (Buffalo); outside Buffalo, 877-726-6425. For convention information, visit the web at www.buffalonet.com/niagara99.html or www.usjaycees.org.



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Sidewalks Packed as Lively Young Businessmen and Lovely Girls Amuse the Crowds

By FRANK BUPELL

The hundreds become thousands, the thousands become tens of thousands today as a tireless U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce parade moved through Main St. From Lafayette Square south, the parade led by young businessmen and their wives walked in streamers and torn bits of paper tossed from windows. A blend of convention talks, high spirits and high spirits, hand-painted floats, chanting, and marching bands, the parade under cloudy late breakthrough clouds, lasted 15 minutes. The parade moved past, multiple rows of parade floaters, and the parade moved into the street, and the parade moved into the street, and the parade moved into the street.

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Jaycee Convention Crew With Bringing Others Help
Bureau Official Says Parley Adds 'Impetus' To Attract More Large Groups to Buffalo

The National Jaycee Convention May 19-21, 1965, presents a credit for adding "impetus" to Buffalo's convention business. The National Jaycee Convention, held in Buffalo, N.Y., at an undetermined date in August, 2000 persons, is the largest convention in Buffalo as a big, colorful, and memorable event.



**The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce
79TH Annual Meeting – Niagara Falls
June 7 – 10, 1999**

TENATIVE AGENDA

Revised: 5-13-99

Monday, May 31, 1999

Before 3:00pm	Awards Committee Arrives		
03:00pm - 10:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging Set-Up	Niagara Room	CLARION

Tuesday, June 1, 1999

Before 01:00pm	Awards Judges Arrive		
03:00pm - 05:00pm	Awards Judges Orientation	Niagara Room	CLARION
06:30pm - 10:00pm	Awards Committee & Judges Social	Off-Site	

Wednesday, June 2, 1999

09:00am - 01:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging	Niagara Room	CLARION
02:30pm - 06:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging	Niagara Room	CLARION
08:00pm - 10:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging	Niagara Room	CLARION

Thursday, June 3, 1999

09:00am - 01:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging	Niagara Room	CLARION
02:30pm - 06:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging	Niagara Room	CLARION
08:00pm - 10:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging	Niagara Room	CLARION

Friday, June 4, 1999

09:00am - 01:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging	Niagara Room	CLARION
02:30pm - 06:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging & Pack-up	Niagara Room	CLARION
08:00pm - 10:00pm	Awards Notebook Judging & Pack-up	Niagara West	CLARION

Saturday, June 5, 1999

08:00am - 05:00pm	Group Registration	Main Entrance	NFCC
08:00am - 10:00am	JCMI Board Meeting	Meeting Room 3	NFCC
09:00am - 04:00pm	US Jaycees Foundation Work Session	Meeting Room 2	NFCC
10:00am - 05:00pm	JCMI Work Session	Meeting Room 3	NFCC
10:00am - 12:00pm	Individual Judges Orientation	Meeting Room 5	NFCC
01:00pm - 03:00pm	Individual Competition Registration	Ballroom	NFCC
01:00pm - 05:00pm	1999 Executive Committee Meeting	Meeting Room 1	NFCC
01:00pm - 05:00pm	1999 State Presidents Training	Meeting Room 4	NFCC
01:00pm - 04:00pm	1998 Executive Committee Meeting	Seidel's Suite	CLARION
01:00pm - 04:00pm	Elections Committee Meeting	Meeting Room 2	NFCC
04:00pm - 06:00pm	On-To Niagara Chairman's Briefing	Greek Theater	NFCC
04:15pm - 05:30pm	Campaign Briefing	Meeting Room 2	NFCC
06:30pm - 07:00pm	Transportation to Fallside Hotel from Clarion		
07:00pm - 08:00pm	Presidential Reception (Invitation only)	Grand Ballroom	Fallside
08:00pm - 11:00pm	Presidential Banquet (Invitation only)	Grand Ballroom	Fallside
11:00pm - 11:30pm	Transportation to Clarion Hotel		

Sunday, June 6, 1999

07:00am - 10:00pm	Contestants Holding Room	North Arena	NFCC
08:00am - 10:00pm	Mungenast Competition – Room One	Guest Room	CLARION

08:00am - 10:00pm	Mungenast Competition – Room Two	Guest Room	CLARION
08:00am - 10:00pm	Brownfield Competition – Room One	Guest Room	CLARION
08:00am - 10:00pm	Brownfield Competition – Room Two	Guest Room	CLARION
08:00am - 10:00pm	Armbruster Competition – Room One	Guest Room	CLARION
08:00am - 10:00pm	Armbruster Competition – Room Two	Guest Room	CLARION
08:00am - 05:00pm	Jaycee Products	The Pub	NFCC
08:00am - 02:30pm	Write Up Competition	Meeting Room 3	NFCC
08:00am - 03:00pm	Howes Competition – Room One	Meeting Room 4	NFCC
08:00am - 03:00pm	Howes Competition – Room Two	Meeting Room 5	NFCC
08:00am - 06:00pm	Credentials Committee Meeting	Meeting Room 6	NFCC
08:00am - 12:00pm	1999 Board of Directors Meeting	Ballroom	NFCC
09:00am - 05:00pm	Group and Individual Registration	Main Entrance	NFCC
09:00am - 03:00pm	Metro Training	International	Comfort Inn
09:00am - 12:00pm	State Partners Reception	Seidel's Suite	Clarion
11:00am - 05:00pm	US Jaycees Foundation Meeting	Meeting Room 2	NFCC
01:00pm - 02:00pm	Jaycee Jeopardy & Write-up Call Backs	North Arena	NFCC
01:00pm - 04:00pm	Elections Committee Meeting	Ballroom	NFCC
01:00pm - 04:00pm	2000 NVP Candidates Training	Celebrity	CLARION
01:00pm - 03:00pm	USJCC/Japan Exchange Forum	Greek Theater	NFCC
02:00pm - 04:00pm	Jaycee Jeopardy Finalist Competition	Meetings Room 4	NFCC
03:00pm - 06:00pm	Business Opportunities Summit	Prospect North	Comfort Inn
03:00pm - 05:00pm	USJCC/Japan Joint Commission Meetings	Greek Theater	NFCC
03:00pm - 05:00pm	Metro Business Meeting	International	Comfort Inn
04:00pm - 05:00pm	Howes, Brownfield, Armbruster and Mungenast Competition Callbacks	North Arena	NFCC
05:00pm - 10:00pm	Howes Finalist Competition	Meeting Room 4	NFCC
05:00pm - 06:30pm	JCMI Thank You Celebration Reception (Invitation only)	Skylounge	NFCC
05:00pm - 06:30pm	Transportation to Niagara Factory Outlet		
06:00pm - 09:00pm	Niagara Falls Welcome Party	Niagara Factory Outlet	
09:00pm - 10:00pm	Transportation to Hotels		
09:30pm - 11:00pm	JCI & U.S. Jaycees Foundation Reception	Reese Suite	CLARION

Monday, June 7, 1999

07:00am - 08:00am	First Timers Orientation	Greek Theater	NFCC
07:00am - 05:00pm	Registration	Main Entrance	NFCC
07:15am - 08:00am	1998 First Families Breakfast	Meeting Room 4	NFCC
08:00am - 05:00pm	Jaycee Products	The Pub	NFCC
08:00am - 05:00pm	Exhibits	Main Lobby	NFCC
08:00am - 05:00pm	Credentials Committee	Meeting Room 2	NFCC
08:00am - 12:00pm	Opening Ceremony	Arena	NFCC
	Keynote Speaker: Jack Kemp		
12:00pm - 01:30pm	Delegate Lunches	Plaza/North Arena	NFCC
01:30pm - 02:30pm	States Block Party Briefing	Outside Entrance	NFCC
01:30pm - 05:00pm	Awards Program	Arena	NFCC
03:30pm - 05:30pm	Elections Committee Meeting	Meeting Room 1	NFCC
05:30pm - 06:30pm	Awards Judges Reception	Seidel's Suite	CLARION
05:30pm - 06:30pm	Transportation to Goat Island from Convention Center		
06:00pm - 09:00pm	Get Acquainted Party	Goat Island	
08:30pm - 09:30pm	Transportation to Convention Center from Goat Island		

Tuesday, June 8, 1999

08:00am - 05:00pm	Jaycees Products	The Pub	NFCC
08:00am - 05:00pm	Exhibits	Main Lobby	NFCC
08:00am - 05:00pm	Registration	Main Entrance	NFCC
08:00am - 05:00pm	Credentials Committee Meeting	Meeting Room 2	NFCC

08:00am - 12:00pm	Awards Program	Arena	NFCC
12:00pm - 01:30pm	Delegate Lunches	Plaza/North Arena	NFCC
12:00pm - 01:30pm	Elections Committee Meeting	Meeting Room 1	NFCC
01:30pm - 03:00pm	NVP Candidate Nominations	Arena	NFCC
03:00pm - 05:00pm	1999 NVP Team Meetings	TBC	TBC
03:00pm - 05:00pm	Local Presidents Summit Reunion	Skylounge	NFCC
03:00pm - 04:00pm	International Affairs Commission Meeting	Buffalo	CLARION
03:00pm - 04:00pm	YAPA Training	Meeting Room 5	NFCC
06:00pm - 09:00pm	States Block Party (No one under 21 years)	Outside Entrance	NFCC
09:00pm	Niagara Casino Night (Must have photo identification)	On Own	Canada

Wednesday, June 9, 1999

08:00am - Noon	Registration	Main Entrance	NFCC
08:00am - 05:00pm	Jaycee Products	The Pub	NFCC
08:00am - 03:00pm	Exhibits	Main Lobby	NFCC
08:00am - 03:00pm	Business Meeting Includes: Bylaw Vote & NVP Elections	Arena	NFCC
12:00pm - 01:30pm	Delegate Lunches	Plaza/North Arena	NFCC
01:30pm - 02:00pm	Presidential Nominations	Arena	NFCC
02:00pm - 03:00pm	Presidential Elections	Arena	NFCC
03:00pm - 04:00pm	YAPA Training	Meeting Room 5	NFCC
03:00pm - 04:00pm	JAYS Orientation	Meeting Room 4	NFCC
03:00pm - 05:00pm	2000 Executive Committee Elect Photos	Meeting Room 1	NFCC
09:00pm - 01:00am	Presidential Elect Victory Party	Rainbow Ballroom	CLARION

Thursday, June 10, 1999

07:00am - 08:00am	Joint 1999 Executive Committee and 2000 Executive Committee Elect Meeting	Ambassador	CLARION
08:00am - 05:00pm	Jaycee Products	The Pub	NFCC
08:00am - 12:00pm	On-To Chattanooga Meeting	Rainbow South	CLARION
08:00am - 10:00am	1999 Board of Directors Training	Rainbow North	NFCC
10:00am - 12:00pm	Mid-Year Awards Program	Ballroom	NFCC
12:00pm - 01:00pm	Lunch	On Own	
01:00pm - 03:30pm	Leadership Training with Jeff Magee (All delegates)	Ballroom	NFCC
03:30pm - 04:00pm	Mid-Year Parade	Ballroom	NFCC
05:00pm - 06:00pm	Transportation to Artpark from Convention Center		
06:00pm - 09:00pm	Closing Ceremony	Artpark	
09:00pm - 10:00pm	Transportation to Convention Center from Artpark		

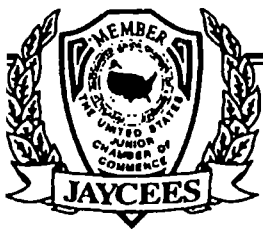
Friday, June 11, 1999

ALL DAY	1999 Executive Committee Retreat	Various	
08:00am - Noon	Executive Committee Orientation	Ambassador	CLARION
08:00am - 04:00pm	Grantsmanship Seminar (Sponsored by U.S. Jaycees Foundation)	Rainbow North	CLARION

Saturday, June 12, 1999

ALL DAY	1999 Executive Committee Departs		
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THE UNITED STATES JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE° **AT A GLANCE**

NAME: The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce - members known as "Jaycees."

SCOPE: Provides personal and professional development through community involvement to men and women aged 21 through 39. The U.S. Junior Chamber also serves as the nation's advocacy organization for young people.

MEMBERSHIP: More than 2,500 chapters with more than 115,000 members nationwide.

MISSION: To provide young people the opportunity to develop personal and leadership skills through local community service and organizational involvement while expanding the Junior Chamber movement.

VISION: To become the organization of choice for young people, providing direction and leadership to our communities and nation.

PURPOSE: This organization is a nonprofit corporation. It is organized for such educational and charitable purposes as will promote and foster the growth and development of young Americans' civic organizations. The organization has been designed to promote a spirit of genuine Americanism and civic interest, as well as a supplementary education institute to provide its members with the opportunity for personal growth and development. The Jaycees offer an avenue for intelligent participation by young people in the affairs of their community, state, and nation, and aim to develop a true friendship and understanding among young people of all nations.

CHAPTER PURPOSE: A Junior Chamber of Commerce chapter is a constructive action organization of young persons who devote a portion of their time to community service in the public interest, while developing young leaders for their community.

HISTORY: Henry Giessenbier began the Junior Chamber movement October 13, 1915, in St. Louis, Missouri. His ideas quickly spread, and the national organization was formally created by 12 cities at the first convention in St. Louis, on January 21, 1920.

PROGRAMS: The U.S. Junior Chamber has national programs involving: training for young people to advance their entrepreneurial and career skills, teaching children about gun safety and sportsmanship through competition, recognizing the rising stars in field of agribusiness, recognizing the nation's best in every field of endeavor, and establishing a national network of facilities for children affected by HIV/AIDS.

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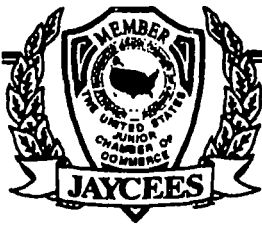
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THE UNITED STATES JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE® **NATIONAL PROGRAMS**

THE JUNIOR CHAMBER MISSION INN FOUNDATION

No humanitarian issue today cries louder for help for young people than the AIDS crisis. The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce and its Jaycees around the nation have prided themselves throughout their 78-year history on addressing vital needs in their communities. In continuing a proud tradition of service to humanity, the Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation was created.

The first Junior Chamber Mission Inn facility is located in St. Louis, Missouri, to commemorate the founding of the Jaycees in that city more than 75 years ago. In 1915, a group of young men met in St. Louis at a restaurant named Anschuetz' Mission Inn to organize a network of young leaders. As we celebrated this diamond anniversary, it seemed only fitting to recognize the significance of the Mission Inn.

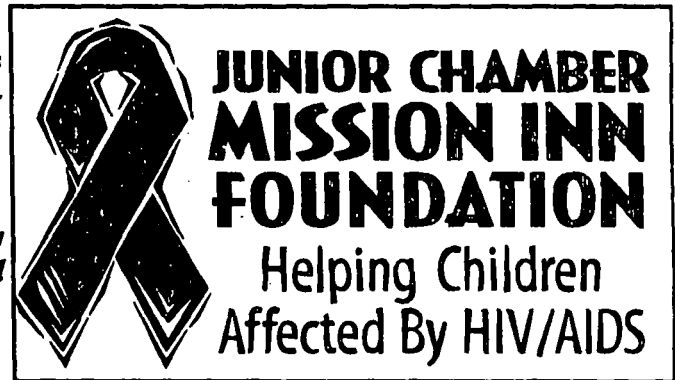
The JCMI network continues to grow. A second facility opened in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in 1997. Three other care facilities are slated for Minneapolis, Minnesota; Chicago, Illinois; and Greenville, North Carolina. By the year 2000, The Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation will have five sites providing needed services to some very special children.

VISION:

"To establish a network of Junior Chamber Mission Inn facilities throughout the United States, designed to address the needs of individual communities."

MISSION:

"To care for children and adolescents whose lives are affected by HIV/AIDS through direct services, education, advocacy, and financial support."



SHOOTING EDUCATION

The Shooting Education program began in 1963 and continues to save lives by teaching gun safety and respect to America's youth. More than 5 million boys and girls have successfully completed the program.

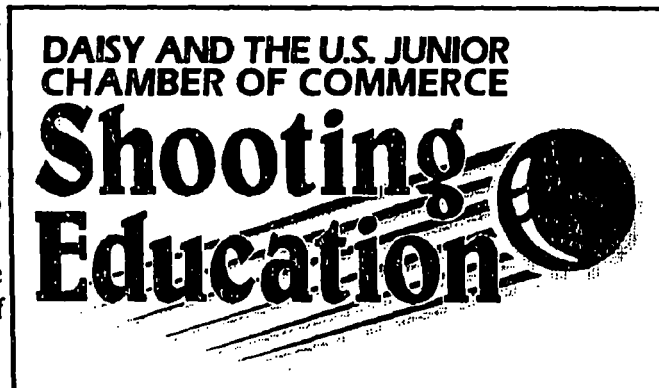
The Shooting Education program is sponsored by Daisy Manufacturing Company, Inc., of Rogers, Arkansas, and administered by The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce.

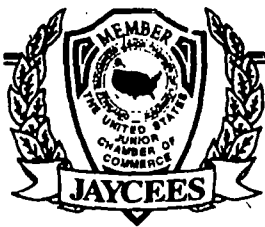
Shooting Education is a gun safety education program. The four basic ingredients of the program are: Education, Safety, Enjoyment, and Competition. The Shooting Education program meets a continual growing need by providing well-organized and concise instruction in proper gun handling, safety, and respect. During the education and training portion of the program, participants are allowed to use their own airgun or they may rent or purchase the Daisy model 499 airgun. Daisy Models 99, 299, and 499 are the only guns allowed during state and national competition.

Any member of any chapter can conduct the Shooting Education program. Whether an avid gun user or a novice, the free training material available through the National Service Center will lead the instructor through the educational training step-by-step. For state or international competition, a current member of the chapter must serve as the coach or team manager.

The best participants from local programs are encouraged to compete in a state-wide competition conducted prior to April 30 of each year. The top three-place teams from each state match are invited to compete in the International BB Gun Match (IGGBM) held in July.

Free program materials are available by contacting the Shooting Education department at The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce National Service Center at 918.584.2481.





THE UNITED STATES JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE® **NATIONAL PROGRAMS**

THE CONGRESS OF TEN OUTSTANDING YOUNG AMERICANS

TOYA exists to recognize and honor 10 Americans each year who exemplify the best attributes of the nation's young people, aged 21 through 39.

The program was officially adopted in 1938 and has been conducted annually since 1940. In 1984, The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce admitted women as members and reorganized the program to reflect the organization's membership and the program was officially changed to Ten Outstanding Young Americans, recognizing the accomplishments of young women and men.

Winners are selected on their achievement or contribution in at least three of the following areas: personal improvement or accomplishment; financial success or economic innovation; social improvement to major contemporary problems; philanthropic contribution or voluntary service; politics or government service; scientific or technological contributions; legal reform; cultural achievement (literature, history, education, arts); academic leadership or accomplishment; moral and religious leadership; athletic accomplishment; success in the influence of public opinion; any other important contribution to the community, state, or nation.

Copies of all entries are sent to screening judges who independently select and rank the top 20. The 20 with the highest point totals (according to ranking) become finalists. Those entries are sent to finalist judges who independently narrow the selection to 10.

Of the more than 500 young Americans honored, many were recognized before the achievements for which they are now known: *John F. Kennedy, Gerald R. Ford, Ann Bancroft, Gale Sayers, Elvis Presley, Dan Quayle, Dr. Kathryn Sullivan, Bill Clinton, Jeanna Yeager.*



NATIONAL OUTSTANDING YOUNG FARMERS AWARDS CONGRESS

The Outstanding Young Farmer (OYF) program originated from the naming of an outstanding Man of the Year by the Shenandoah (Iowa) Jaycees during the 1940s. In 1951, the Iowa Jaycees selected their first OYF winner. In 1954, the program was approved as a national recognition program for The U.S. Junior Chamber. The first four national winners were recognized in 1955.

To be eligible for the award, a candidate must:

1. Be aged 21 through 39, not becoming 40 prior to January 1 of the year they will compete.
2. Be actual farm operators, deriving a minimum of two-thirds of their income from farming.

Jaycee chapters are encouraged to recognize an Outstanding Young Farmer each year. Chapters may then submit local honorees for statewide competition. Each state Junior Chamber organization is encouraged to conduct a program to recognize its Outstanding Young Farmer who will represent the state in the National Outstanding Young Farmer competition.

All state winners entering national competition must submit an entry form to The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce by November 5. Each state winner and one guest receive a trip to the National Outstanding Young Farmer Awards Congress in February where the four national winners are announced.

The judging criteria for the competition are as follows:

1. Progress in agricultural career (50 percent).
2. Extent of soil and water conservation practices (25 percent).
3. Contributions to the well-being of the community, state, and nation (25 percent).

The Outstanding Young Farmer (OYF) program is co-sponsored by Deere & Company and Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.; supported by the Outstanding Farmers of America (OFA) fraternity; and administered by The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce.



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COMMERCE 79TH ANNUAL MEETING. IT IS MY PLEASURE TO
BE ABLE TO SPEAK TO YOU TONIGHT AT YOUR CLOSING
CEREMONY IN ARTPARK THEATRE VIA VIDEO TAPE.

MY TIES TO THE ORGANIZATION ARE STRONG AS MY
HUSBAND BILL IS A PAST JAYCEE AND A TEN OUTSTANDING
YOUNG AMERICAN HONOREE.

THE JAYCEES ARE A THRIVING FORCE ACROSS AMERICA
AND HAVE BEEN FOR NEARLY EIGHTY YEARS.

For 79 years/nearly 80yrs you have been a thriving force across America.
And for 79yrs you've always met the challenge of the day.
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THE NATIONAL PROGRAMS PROMOTED BY THE JUNIOR
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PROGRAM, THE NATIONAL BUSINESS NETWORK, AND VALUE

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through
community
service.

Working in
their communities
to make a difference.
Civic service.

INVESTING, PROVE YOUR DETERMINATION TO ENRICH
 YOUR OWN LIVES AND PROVIDE YOURSELVES WITH A SOLID
 FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE.

YOUR JAYCEES AGAINST YOUTH SMOKING PROGRAM,
 CREATED TO TARGET STUDENTS IN SIXTH GRADE WITH A
 MESSAGE OF THE DANGERS OF SMOKING AS WELL AS THE
 JUNIOR CHAMBER MISSION INN FOUNDATION BY WHICH
 YOU ADDRESS THE H—I—V/AIDS CRISES IN CHILDREN AND
 ADOLESCENTS SHOWS YOUR DEDICATION TO BUILDING A
 STRONGER NEXT GENERATION.

AS YOU ARE CLOSING OUT YOUR 79TH MEETING IN NIAGARA
 FALLS AND PREPARING TO RETURN TO YOUR HOMES
 ACROSS THE UNITED STATES, REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE
 THE BASIS FOR A STRONG AMERICA. VOLUNTEERISM IS THE
 CORNERSTONE OF WHAT IS BEST IN OUR NATION AND YOU
 ARE A SHINING EXAMPLE OF THAT.

Before they start
 been smoking, fighting HIV/AIDS

to building a network of facilities for kids

**THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU.
ENJOY TONIGHT'S CEREMONY AND CONTINUE IN YOUR
EFFORTS TO BETTER THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.**

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FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
PRESIDENT'S SERVICE AWARDS
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APRIL 26, 1996

It is an honor for me to be here today with this group of American heroes. So often, after the nation endures some kind of tragedy, we see an outpouring of energy and love and say, "It's a shame this only happens after a catastrophe." Well, I'm here today to say, that's not true. It doesn't just happen after explosions or earthquakes. It happens every single day in countless ways in thousands of neighborhoods.

We are here to celebrate the spirit of citizen action that is thriving in America today. All of you are proof of that. Over a century ago, Alexis de Tocqueville said "America is great because America is good." Service is at the heart of our American ethic -- it was then and it still is today.

As I have traveled the country I have seen it everywhere -- Americans of all ages serving their country and community and building what political leaders and intellectuals call "civil society." What it means is citizens banding together to solve problems in common sense ways.

Consider what has happened just this week as a part of National Volunteer Week, which has been so ably organized by the Points of Light Foundation, Youth Service America and the Corporation for National Service.

In Topeka, the entire city pitched in to build low income housing with Habitat for Humanity. In Denver, senior volunteers went door to door to educate parents about immunization. In Atlanta, school-aged volunteers built a playground in a poor neighborhood. In Pittsburgh, AmeriCorps members joined with local churches and Scout groups to rehab a local Boy Scout camp. In Nevada, more than 3,000 volunteers helped fix up homes belonging to needy senior citizens.

And here in Washington, right now, volunteers are travelling the city and removing swastikas from public places -- literally blotting out signs of hatred and division. Americans are taking matters into their own hands -- to repair, rebuild and heal our community spirit.

Many of these events were organized by the Corporation for National Service. The President is deeply proud of the work being done by AmeriCorps and the other programs run by the Corporation. And I want to applaud Harris Wofford for his efforts to ensure that national service remains a bipartisan institution of American life -- as it has been in the past and must be in the future. Bipartisan, I should say, in the tradition of the Peace Corps, which Senator Wofford helped create and which celebrates its 35th Anniversary this year. Some 143,000 Peace Corps volunteers have served since its creation. And today, under the leadership of another great director, Mark Gearan, 7,000 Peace Corps volunteers are bringing the best of America to 94 countries.

In addition to AmeriCorps and the Peace Corps there is a vast army of citizen action in this country: Working mothers who can barely make time to cook dinner nonetheless find time to bring meals to homebound seniors. Members of Junior Leagues and Kiwanis Clubs make service a part of their core mission. People volunteer through extraordinary American institutions like the Boys Clubs, the YMCAs or the Red Cross -- or at a local neighborhood shelter. Millions of Americans not only take to heart, but put into action -- the message of the Gospel: "To whom much is given, from them much is required."

One outstanding initiative is USA Weekend's "Make a Difference Day." Last fall, almost a million volunteers showed how much can be done if we just return to the basic idea of neighbors helping neighbors. *[Ask winners of Make A Difference Day Awards to stand and be recognized]*

When former President George Bush called for a 1000 points of light, some people snickered. But he was on to a very important idea. There is no single big solution to our problems - - there are thousands of solutions. And The Points of Light Foundation, led by Bob Goodwin, has taken the lead in putting together the President's Service Awards. The winners of this distinguished award come from every part of America. They include school teachers and students, a restaurant owner and the executives of some major corporations; an eighth grader and a group of independent "bikers".

What they have done is not just noble -- it's effective. They have provided supplies to poor schools, winterized homes of the poor, and helped women ex-cons to keep away from crime after they leave prison. Put simply, service and volunteering solves problems.

And yet I would wager that if you praised any one of our award winners today for their "sacrifice" they would say "I gained as much as anyone." This seems to be a nearly universal pattern. When you help someone else, you feel empowered. In the serving, you are served. Just yesterday, I met a sixth-grade boy in Denver, who participates in a program where older grammar school students tutor kindergarteners. His experience reminds us that there is no age limit on voluntarism. No matter how young or old we are, we all have something to give.

You all know that I believe it takes a village to raise a child. Well, sometimes it takes a volunteer to energize the village or block or city. The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. said "Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You don't have to know about Plato and Aristotle to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

Thank you all for helping make our country great through your service to others. And now I am proud to honor these great Americans with the 1996 Presidents Service Award.

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
VIDEOTAPED REMARKS TO THE 1ST ANNUAL
KCBS-TV COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS
MARCH 5, 1997**

I am delighted to join you for this celebration of community service. I am especially pleased to salute the men and women who have devoted so much of their time and effort to making their neighborhoods safer and better places to live.

Government cannot solve all of our problems alone. Throughout our history, the heart of our democracy has been in civic involvement and the willingness of the American people to help others. Today, we live in a time of immense opportunity and challenge. On the eve of a new century, it will take each of us working together to meet those challenges and seize those opportunities. As Martin Luther King Jr. reminded us, "Everybody can be great because everybody can serve".

The President and I remain dedicated to the idea that citizen service is essential to our democratic way of life. With the help of AmeriCorps, our national service program, the President hopes to mobilize and train a citizen army of one million volunteer reading tutors. He will also convene the first Presidents' Summit on Citizen Service with President Bush next month. The goal is to mobilize America's citizen power in a united effort to solve our common problems, especially those facing our young people.

While all the honorees here tonight come from different backgrounds and different perspectives, they represent the best in all of us. Their compassion, commitment and generosity embody all that is good about the human spirit.

I thank you for your efforts to better your communities and ultimately, our country. Congratulations on this award.

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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
CITY YEAR RALLY
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND
JUNE 4, 1997**

Acknowledgments: Governor Almond, Mayor Cianci [See-an-see]; Sen. Reed; Reps. Weygand [Way-gund] and Kennedy; fm̄r. Sen. Pell [honorary chair]; Harris Wofford; Fred Lohrum [Loar-um/chair, summit steering comm.]; Michael Brown and Alan Khazei [Kay-zee/founders, City Year]; Matt Brown [Exec. Dir. Rhode Island City Year]; corporate sponsors; people of Providence; and, most of all, City Year members.

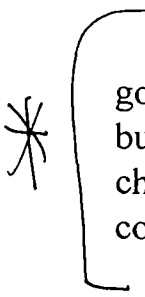
It is fitting that we gather today in the heart of this renewed city. For we are here to celebrate another renewal: The renewal of citizen action in America.

All of you are proof of that. Over a century ago, Alexis de Tocqueville said, "America is great because America is good." Service is at the heart of our American ethic -- it was then and it still is today.

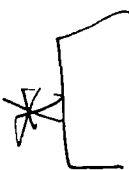
A little more than a month ago, many of us gathered in Independence Hall in Philadelphia, at the Presidents' Summit for America's Future, to see what we could do to deepen and extend that ethic of service and voluntarism.

As inspiration, we had the building in which our founding fathers wrote America's timeless words -- life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. And we had you: members of City Year.

I have always believed that service is essential to redeeming the promise of American life. We have survived longer than any democracy in the world because of the realization that it takes all kinds of service to keep our nation alive -- the service of government, of business leaders, of volunteers, philanthropists, advocates, and activists.



In America, citizenship has always been more than paying taxes, more than going to work, more than obeying the law, more than casting a vote. Citizenship is built on the belief that we are responsible for one another, that we meet our challenges not through government alone, or as isolated individuals, but as a true community -- all of us working together.



As I have traveled the country, I have seen this everywhere -- Americans of all ages serving their communities, their country and building what political leaders and intellectuals call "civil society." That is, banding together to solve problems in common sense ways.

There is no better expression of that commitment than City Year. As I look out at this sea of red jackets, I see people of different races, different backgrounds, from different regions of our country, united by service.

You have come together across all your diversity to accomplish great things: 750 City Corps members in eight cities taught and mentored more than 15,000 school age children. In over 1 million hours of service, you helped children learn to read, educated them about the dangers of AIDS and taught them about alternatives to violence. You built playgrounds, transformed vacant lots into community gardens, fixed up neighborhood centers -- even took children running after school.

You did this in Providence, throughout Rhode Island, and across the United States: in Boston, in Cleveland, Chicago, Columbia, Columbus, San Antonio, and in San Jose.

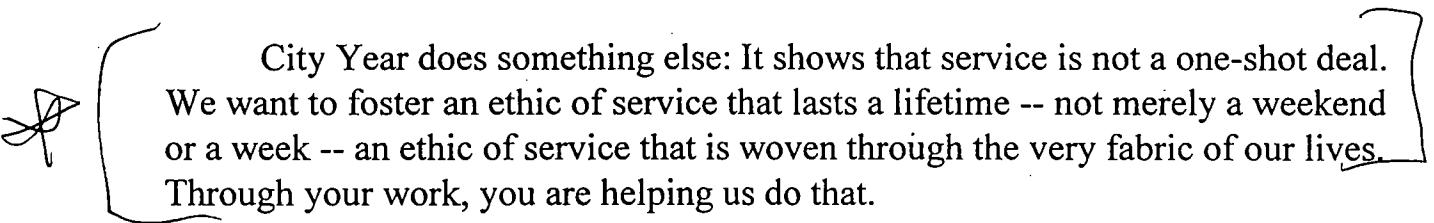
While this week's summit marks the end of your own year, you must know that what you have done will truly last others for their lifetimes. And I thank you.

In so many ways, City Year is a model for what the President believes service in America can look like. As many of you know, City Year served as a blueprint for Americorps, of which it is now a part.

Supported equally by Americorps grants and the private sector, City Year is proof positive that we must never buy into the false premise that voluntarism is a replacement for government. Government can and should play a role in sustaining and supporting service and voluntarism.

As the first youth service corps launched entirely by private sector funds, City Year is also proof of the vital role that the private sector can play in fostering voluntarism. I want to thank the corporate sponsors here today. And I want to express special gratitude to those who are making it possible for City Year to start up in Philadelphia later this year.

City Year is also an example of how we can empower communities to lift themselves up. City Year avoids what could be called "Imperial Voluntarism" -- that is, walking into a community and thinking you know best. City Year recognizes that communities are their own best experts on the challenges they face. You teach a great lesson by asking communities what their problems are, and then working with them to find appropriate solutions.

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City Year does something else: It shows that service is not a one-shot deal. We want to foster an ethic of service that lasts a lifetime -- not merely a weekend or a week -- an ethic of service that is woven through the very fabric of our lives. Through your work, you are helping us do that.

Finally, City Year, like Americorps, reflects the belief that society should reward young people who contribute to their communities. That is why I think it is so important that City Year enables its members get their GEDs, to earn money for college, to receive important counseling and training.

I think we all know, however, that those are not the only rewards. I would wager that each of you learned something important about yourselves this year. Perhaps it was that when you help someone else, you feel empowered; that in the serving, you are served. Perhaps you experienced for yourselves the full meaning of Dr. Martin Luther King's words -- that "Everybody can be great because everybody can serve."

I want to leave you with one last thought. The American spirit of service enriches us as individuals and strengthens us as a country. But it is also an example to the world -- especially to those countries that are working to nurture young democracies.

In the past few years, I have been privileged to travel abroad on behalf of the United States. In Mongolia, I saw a country where nearly a century of domination at the hands of dictatorship and communism could not suppress the popular will for self-expression and self-rule.

In Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic, I met citizens who led a peaceful Velvet Revolution -- overcoming decades of communist oppression and paving the way for a newly democratic Central Europe.

Just a few months ago in Africa, I visited six nations that have undergone a political, economic, and social transformation -- with free elections, open markets, and political reforms.

Each of these places represented extraordinary progress. Yet it was also clear -- from Mongolia to Uganda -- that arriving at democracy was turning out to be easier than sustaining it. Over and over people asked me: "How have you in America done it? How have you created a society where democratic values flourish?"

The answer lies in what you are doing -- in City Year, in Americorps, in the organizations and associations and activities we engage in to promote the common good.

These efforts reveal a basic truth: That the success of democracy lies not just in the institutions of government or in the freedom of open markets. It lies in the internalization of democratic values in people's hearts and minds and everyday lives.

Service is one of those values. That you perform it day in and day out shows that it is as much a part of you as the air we breathe and the landscape we walk on.

I wish you great success with your day of "high-impact" service tomorrow. I know it will not be your last. Thank you and God bless you.

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
THE ANNUAL MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY AWARDS
ARLINGTON, VA
MAY 1, 1997**

TALKING POINTS

- **Acknowledgements: Marcia Bullard, Editor, President & CEO of USA WEEKEND.**
- **I appreciate the opportunity to join you in honoring 10 outstanding honorees from across our country who exemplify the American spirit of service and community. They remind us that anyone and everyone can serve -- and that there are truly many ways to fulfill the duties of citizenship in a democracy such as ours.**
- **I also want to commend the millions of Americans who have participated in USA WEEKEND's Make a Difference Days over the past six years. Through actions large and small, we all can make a difference in our communities by giving some time, energy, concern and compassion to meet the challenges our nation faces. In so doing, we not only help those in need, we inspire others to get involved. And in that way we strengthen the fabric of our democracy and the quality of our civic life.**
- **I remember my own introduction to service, when I was in grade school. [Story of organizing the neighborhood Olympics].**
- **Let us hope that, through annual events like Make a Difference Day, men and women across our country will be inspired to serve not only for one day each year, but for a lifetime.**
- **This lunch comes just a few days after the President, joined by several of his predecessors and General Colin Powell, convened the Presidents' Summit for America's Future in Philadelphia.**
- **If we look at our nation's history since its founding in Philadelphia more than 200 years ago, we see that democracy's success has depended on three basic ingredients: First, the kind of government we have, which protects our individual liberties while also helping to create conditions that enable people to fulfill their God-given potential. Second, a free market economy that unleashes the entrepreneurial energy of our people and gives them a chance to improve their lives materially. Yet as important as these first two are, neither would be enough on its own. The third ingredient critical to our country's strength and endurance is the way we internalize our democratic values in our everyday lives. It's how we live and work together.**

How we associate with each other. It's what social scientists often call "civil society."

- **De Tocqueville, after touring our country more than 150 years, referred to the American predilection for service, volunteerism, citizen activism and philanthropy as "habits of the heart." He meant that these were not qualities defined by government, elections, trade policies, or the marketplace. Not by whether we pay taxes or obey the law. But qualities defined by our fundamental character as Americans.**
- **By deepening our bonds as citizens through service, we can create an opportunity for this country to go into the next century not merely as strong as we are today but stronger, more prosperous, and more stable than ever before.**
- **I know from my travels overseas that people around the world look on us as a beacon of freedom and democracy. And as men and women in places like Mongolia, South Africa, Uganda, Central Europe and elsewhere shake off decades of totalitarian rule, they also are learning from us the true meaning of citizenship in a democracy. They see in us an example of how people come together in our country to solve problems at the grass-roots level. They see people taking time to mentor a child, clean up trash in their community, join forces to keep their streets safe. And they see what those of us who have served learn very quickly: The more you give, the more you get in return.**
- **So I applaud your efforts to help renew the spirit of citizen service in our own country at a time when we need each and every one of you to help. As Martin Luther King, Jr. once said: "Everybody can be great because everybody can serve." I hope you will help spread that message and encourage all of your friends, neighbors, co-workers, and relatives to answer the call of service the President issued earlier this week. With your help, we will rekindle those habits of the heart that de Tocqueville knew were unique to our country and our people.**

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VIA FACSIMILE: 202.456.6244

TO: Melanne Verveer

FROM: Doug Picha *Picha*

DATE: January 27, 1999

RE: Upcoming visit

Hi Melanne:

I wanted to let you know that Treuman Katz, President/CEO of our Children's Hospital here in Seattle, will be part of a group of children's hospital representatives meeting with Mrs. Clinton this week. It's my understanding the meeting concerns Medicaid reimbursement for children.

The reason I am bringing this to your attention is twofold. First, I thought you might be participating in the meeting and wanted to make the connection between you and Treuman.

The other reason for mentioning this is that I thought there might be a potential tie between what Mrs. Clinton will be publicly advocating regarding Medicaid and our pending invitation to have her attend our Children's Circle of Care Leadership Conference in Chicago on June 17. It was my thought this might be an excellent forum for her to utilize for addressing Medicaid or any children's health related issues.

It has been four years since Mrs. Clinton addressed our donors, trustees and friends at NIH in Bethesda. We anticipate 500-600 Children's Circle of Care members to attend from the twenty participating hospitals throughout the country, Vancouver and Toronto.

Attached is a chart showing Children's Circle of Care membership growth for 1998. We grew by 26% over last year. Collectively this group gave over \$77 million to our hospitals. It was another outstanding year.

I trust you are well. All of us remain thankful for the help you and Mrs. Clinton have provided.

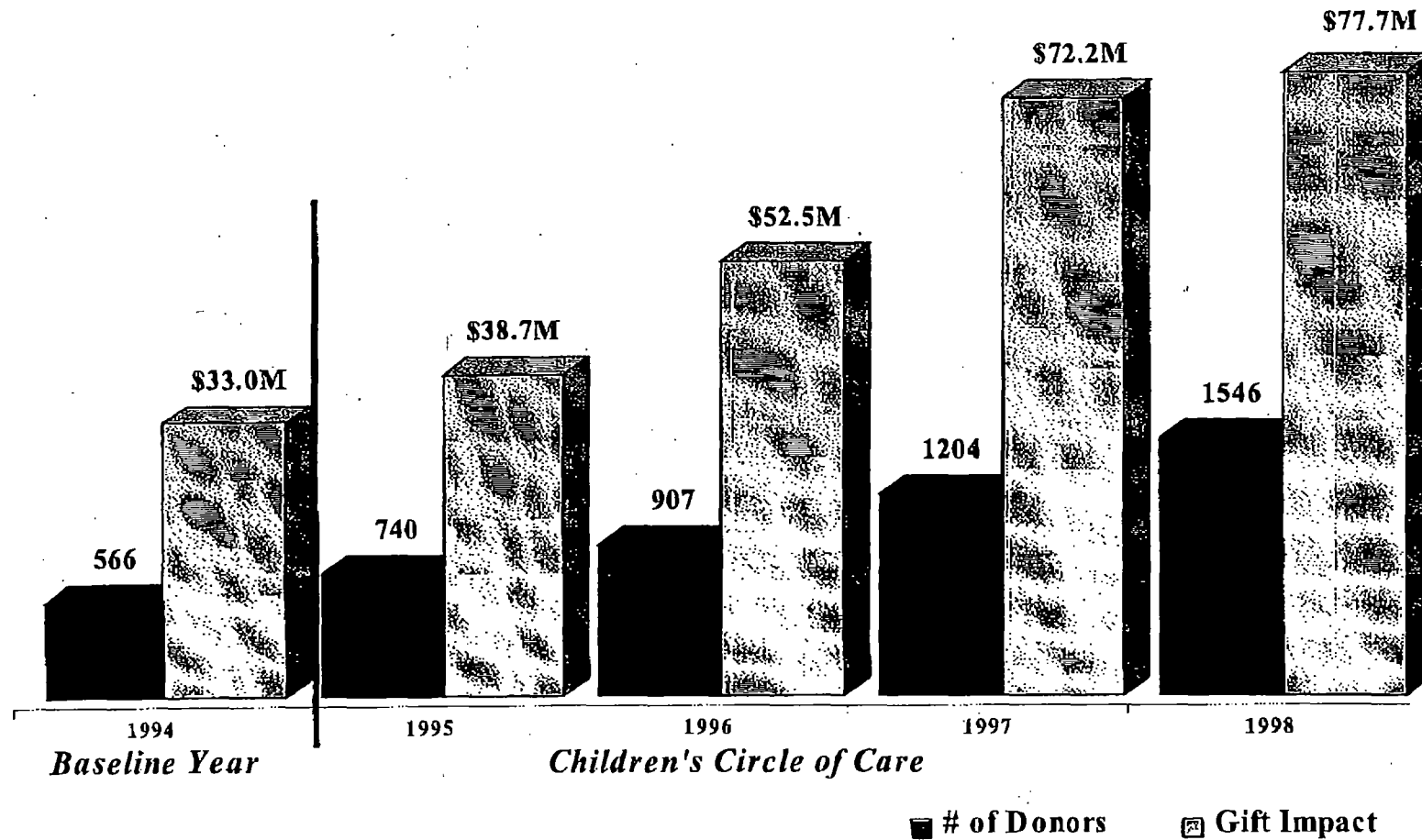
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**Ms. Noa Meyer
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The White House
Washington, D.C.**

Dear Ms. Meyer:

The 20 participating children's hospitals in the Children's Circle of Care program would like to express their thanks to Mrs. Clinton for her willingness to videotape a message for our 1999 North American Leadership Conference. The event will be held in Chicago on June 17, 1999.

The Children's Circle of Care exists to promote the shared mission of its participating hospitals in the United States and Canada. Their mission is to provide quality patient care, research, education and advocacy for all children.

This program meets its objectives by securing sustained annual major gift philanthropic support. Children's Circle of Care members are individuals or couples who annually donate \$10,000 or more to their local children's hospital. When this effort began four years ago, 566 members collectively contributed \$33 million to these hospitals. Last year, some 1,517 members collectively gave nearly \$77 million.

Each year, Children's Circle of Care members convene to learn about advances in pediatric medicine and celebrate the success of their shared philanthropic efforts. In 1995, our first meeting was held in Washington D.C., where the First Lady served as Honorary Chair. Mrs. Clinton gave our keynote address at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda. Both she and President Clinton attended our Children's Circle of Care dinner that evening at the White House.

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Mrs. Clinton has remained a friend and supporter of our efforts. It was Mrs. Clinton's influence that helped us secure the Right Honourable Prime Minister Jean Chretien and Madam Aline Chretien as Honorary Co-Chairs for the 1997 Leadership Conference, which was held in Montreal.

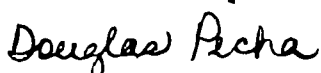
We held our 1998 event in Los Angeles in May. Academy Award-winning actress Mary Steenburgen, a longtime supporter of Arkansas Children's Hospital, was our Honorary Chair. Mrs. Clinton sent a videotaped message which was played at the beginning of that morning's Leadership Conference.

This year's Conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. June 17 and be held in Thorne Auditorium of Northwestern University School of Law, downtown Chicago campus. We expect 400 to 500 guests in attendance. Ms. Theresa Heinz will serve as Honorary Chair.

Mrs. Clinton's taped remarks will be played early in the program as part of that morning's welcome message to our members. Janet Davies, a seasoned television anchorwoman from the Chicago ABC affiliate, is scheduled to introduce Mrs. Clinton's video message. We are working with Prime Minister Chretien's office and Mary Steenburgen to acquire taped welcoming remarks from them as well. Their remarks would be played following Mrs. Clinton's. The presentations of three prominent pediatricians on their groundbreaking medical research will follow to complete the bulk of the conference agenda. Thereafter, our guests will move on to lunch at The Drake Hotel.

I am enclosing a draft script for Mrs. Clinton's consideration as she prepares for taping her remarks. I, or our Children's Circle of Care project manager Marion Woyvodich, will be in close touch by telephone in the next few days to ensure you have everything you need from us to move as smoothly through production as possible. Thank you for your assistance.

Most sincerely yours,



Douglas T. Picha
Chair
Children's Circle of Care Steering Committee

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Draft Speech for Mrs. Clinton

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Thank you, Janet (Davies, host-emcee).

(pause)

I'm sorry that I can only be with you in **SPIRIT** today.

(pause)

What the Children's Circle of Care and all of **YOU** are doing . . . is nothing short of life changing for so many **CHILDREN** . . . and their families.

Thanks to my fourteen years of active volunteering and serving as a trustee at Arkansas Children's, I will always have a special place in my heart for the work our Children's Hospitals DO.

In fact, one of the great pleasures I've had as First Lady is the opportunity to visit so many of your hospitals across America.

I also know that same life-changing work is being carried out with distinction in **CANADA** as well.

(pause)

That's why I'm proud to have served as your founding

Honorary Chair . . . for the Children's Circle of Care.

(pause)

The work you've done since your first Leadership Conference here in WASHINGTON four years ago is VERY IMPRESSIVE. You and your generous support make the difference in our hospitals' ability to advance their shared missions of excellence . . . in pediatric patient care . . . research . . . teaching . . . and advocacy.

(pause)

Early this year, I met with more than 30 CEOs of children's teaching hospitals across the nation including representatives from many of the hospitals at your conference. We discussed the Clinton Administration's initiative to ensure adequate funding for pediatrician's training programs. Strong academic training programs are essential to the future of children's hospitals and the future health of all children. The President's budget proposal includes a \$40 million allocation to supplement existing Medicare funding of such programs. This is an important step in ensuring the excellence of our pediatric workforce for the 21st Century.

(pause)

The Clinton Administration also has introduced the first-ever comprehensive strategy to fight childhood asthma. This condition is the number one cause for admission to children's hospitals, yet it can be managed effectively on

an outpatient basis if identified and treated early. The President's budget proposal includes a \$68 million request to help identify and treat poor children served by Medicaid who have asthma. This initiative also will help schools educate children and parents about how to avoid asthma attacks, support research into the environmental hazards and support a public information campaign.

(pause)

I'm often asked what I would like to see HAPPEN . . . above all else in our country, AND in our world.

There are so many things to pray and work for.

(pause)

But certainly my answer would be a world in which ALL CHILDREN are loved and cared for. . . first by the families they're born INTO. And then . . . by all of us who are linked to them and one another.

The strides you're making with the Children's Circle of Care . . . encourage me that all our hopes and hard work are turning into something truly great.

(pause)

On behalf of all of the Children's Circle of Care hospitals . . . Thank you.

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FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
CHILDREN'S CIRCLE OF CARE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
MAY 5, 1998

Thank you, Mary, for that introduction. I only wish I could be there in person for this Children's Circle of Care Leadership Conference. As some of you may know, I attended this conference two years ago when it was held at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, and I'm proud to have served as your founding honorary chair.

Having worked almost fifteen years as a volunteer and Trustee at Arkansas Children's Hospital, I know first hand the extraordinary role that these hospitals play in the lives and health of our nation's children. In fact, one of the pleasures I've had as First Lady has been the opportunity to visit so many of your children's hospitals across America where I have seen your commitments in action. And I know that the same quality of work is being carried out in Canada's hospitals as well.

But it is as a mother that I most appreciate the work that our children's hospitals do and the generosity that lets them keep on doing it. It has only been through your support -- and through the support of people like yourselves -- that so many hospitals have been able to advance their shared mission of excellence in pediatric patient care, research, teaching, and advocacy.

I want to commend all of you on the work that you've accomplished since your first Leadership conference here two years ago. And I wish you luck as you continue to help the children's hospitals of the United States and Canada fulfill their vital role. I hope you have a wonderful conference.

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REMARKS BY FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
AT THE CIRCLE OF CARE CONFERENCE
THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
BETHESDA, MARYLAND

MRS. CLINTON: Thank you very much. Doctor Varmus it is a pleasure as it always is for me and my family to be here at one of the premiere institutions that represents the vital partnership between our public and private sectors in this country. I appreciate very much what Scott Oki has said today, because it clearly and personally put forth the challenge that confronts this new and very important organization.

I am a great admirer and partisan of children's hospitals. I think they play an essential and vital role in our health care system. And when I first heard about the plans for this new organization, I was delighted and very hopeful that it would not only through its commitment to supporting these 19 children's hospitals make a difference to the giving of so many of you and others like you in our two countries, but that it would stand for the belief we share that children's hospitals must be preserved and strengthened.

I have, as many of you, experienced children's hospitals as a parent and know how well they serve in taking care of both our children and ourselves because of the family-oriented approach they take to health care.

I know from my experience on the board of the Arkansas Children's Hospital, what it takes to raise private funds in order to support the many functions that are not paid for through either private insurance or government support. It is only because of dedicated, concerned citizens like all of you, that these hospitals continue to lead in the research and treatment of children's diseases. They are also essential in the training of doctors and specialists to care for our children.

I also know that the continued existence of these children's hospitals, which we love and are devoted to, depends on government support -- support that appreciates the important differences that go into the treatment of children and adults.

It is fitting that this first Circle of Care conference is being held here at NIH, an institution that is synonymous with so much of the cutting edge medical research being done in the world.

It is a symbol of our government's historic commitment to medical research. Similarly, all of the physicians, the specialists who do research and work in the children's hospitals represented here, were able to develop their expertise and training because the federal government decided to help defray the costs of training these medical specialists more than twenty years ago.

It is precisely this commitment to medical research, to academic health centers, and to children's hospitals that is at risk in the current debate going on in our country over health care today.

It is a debate filled with statistics, policy statements, and budget numbers. But behind the charts and graphs and position papers, it is really a debate about our core values as Americans -- about what we believe in, how we define ourselves as a people, and how we envision our future.

Throughout our history, we have thought of ourselves as an American family -- a family whose greatest priority was our children. As Scott spoke so eloquently earlier, a family whose encircling love and support gave children the tools they needed to make their own way in the larger world.

And so we have always prided ourselves on our compassion and on the high expectations and aspirations we hold for our children and for ourselves as a people.

For decades, this has been the American way: to put people, especially children, first. And because we have adhered to the American way, the American Dream has stayed alive for generation after generation and our country has remained strong.

Today, we are losing a sense of ourselves as an American family. We are allowing ourselves to be torn apart, divided, put in competition with each other over resources.

As the traditional underpinnings of our larger family are undermined, individual families are being jeopardized.

Most parents in America, and I would add Canada, are working as hard as they can to be good parents. I have met with working men and women across our country over the last years. I know the sacrifices they make to put food on the table, pay the mortgage or rent, cover the medical bills, and instill an ethic of work

and responsibility in their children.

Of course, parents bear the primary responsibility for their children. But it is also true that as parents struggle against all the forces that work today -- the layoffs, the downsizing, the danger in the streets -- that they face challenges that they can not meet alone.

As the National Council of Catholic Bishops said in a pastoral letter in 1991 entitled, Putting Children First: "No government can love a child, and no policy can substitute for a family's care."

But at the same time, "Government can either support or undermine families as they cope with the moral, social, and economic stresses of caring for children."

Let's not fool ourselves. National policies -- whether they are about education, health care, work, or welfare -- are mirrored every day in the lives and experiences of our children.

And unfortunately, what is happening today is no less than a historic rejection of America's commitment to children.

Today, the social safety net known as Medicaid is being dismantled at breakneck pace. It is being dismantled with very little discussion and no real dialogue. Decisions are being made in haste -- not only about who pays for health care in America -- but about who gets health care and who doesn't.

We are all for balancing the budget; we are all for giving states greater flexibility to administer programs.

But as the President has said many times, there is a right way and a wrong way to get our economic house in order.

The wrong way is to cut health care coverage for millions of children, disabled citizens, and the poorest of older Americans -- all to finance a \$245 billion tax cut for the wealthiest families in our country.

Let's not confuse flexibility with what is really going on here. We are talking about unjustified and inexplicable cuts that will affect real people and institutions like the ones represented in this room.

Medicaid is the primary source of health care coverage for nearly a quarter of all children in America -- and one third of all children under age three. More than half of those children live in families with working parents -- parents who are not receiving welfare checks.

Medicaid is the primary source of health care coverage for millions of children who are disabled or who suffer from chronic illnesses -- the kinds of illnesses that children's hospitals can take care of better than anywhere else.

Medicaid is the primary source of health coverage for nine out of 10 children with HIV and AIDS.

Medicaid is the primary source of prenatal and maternal health care for low-income pregnant women.

Medicaid is also an important source of coverage for older Americans living in extreme poverty or with serious disabilities, and the largest insurer for over two-thirds of nursing home residents.

It is a lifeline -- literally -- for millions of children and families in America.

Ripping apart this lifeline is not the American way.

It is not the American way to deny infants the shots they need to stay healthy.

It is not the American way to deny treatment to children who are disabled or desperately ill.

It is not the American way to punish hard-working parents whose family health coverage vanishes with a job change.

The number of uninsured working Americans and their children continues to go up. For every extraordinary breakthrough here at NIH that finds, for example, the genetic marker for a disease, the threat of lost private health care coverage goes up. Because as we learn more about what causes the diseases that so many of you have helped us all to fight, we will find more and more people who under current standards are uninsurable.

It is not the American way to make the oldest among us give up their possessions and live a life of poverty to pay for a spouse's nursing home costs.

The median income for older American women over the age of 65 is less than \$9000. Many of them rely for their health care, especially in nursing homes where they are the predominant population, on Medicaid.

Cutting \$182 billion from the Medicaid program will force families to make grim choices -- choices between health care for their children or nursing home care for their parents; choices between education and vaccinations, between food and prescription drugs.

You of all people know it will also force grim choices for children's hospitals. Children's hospitals represent only one percent of all hospitals, but they provide vital health care services to many children -- including the poorest, sickest and the most vulnerable.

Like Bob, I am always moved when I go into a children's hospital anywhere. Moved by the combination of terrible tragedy and extraordinary challenge, and the love and attention and skill that goes into meeting those. I walk through halls, I visit the children, I talk to the parents, and I see in their eyes that feeling that finally they are in a place that will take care of them.

Children's hospitals devote nearly half of their care to children of low income and uninsured families and more than three-quarters of their care to children with chronic or congenital conditions.

I will never forget being in the children's hospital in Cleveland, talking to a group of parents with chronically ill children. One parent, himself a professional who ran a small business, provided health insurance to his own employees, told me about his own family -- he had a healthy older son and two daughters with cystic fibrosis. Everywhere he went to find health insurance he met the same answer: his daughters were uninsurable.

And finally, the very last broker he spoke to said something he couldn't get out of his mind, and I never have gotten out of mine. He looked at this father, and said, "What you don't understand is that we don't insure burning houses."

I thought to myself, were it not for that children's hospital, who would help this family take care of their children? And I thought what if I, in a similar position that there but for the grace of God my husband and I could be, had been told the same thing?

Children's hospitals care for the premature baby who needs intensive care for the first months of life and extensive rehabilitation for years to come; for the small child who is severely injured when hit by a car and sent to a pediatric intensive care unit.

They care for the eight year old boy who contracts encephalitis, loses his health insurance, and is covered by Medicaid because of his high medical costs and severe disabilities.

The proposed cuts in Medicaid will be particularly devastating for children's hospitals. Medicaid patients on

average account for 46 percent of the inpatient days in these hospitals.

As you know, it costs more to care for sick children than adults. And children's hospitals are not able to shift those higher costs to adult patients like other hospitals could, but maybe still now won't be able to.

Already Medicaid pays children's hospitals on average less than 80 cents for every dollar spent to care for a child. The impact of a \$182 billion cut in Medicaid is clear: children's hospitals simply will not be able to provide the crucial health services they do today.

And despite your heroic efforts to double the numbers over ten thousand, to increase that line going up as high and fast as you can, there is no way that private philanthropy can pick up this enormous gap.

We need to protect the safety net provided by children's hospitals. We need to make sure that our children continue to have access to desperately needed specialized care.

We need to be sure that those specialists are continued to be trained and that we pursue research in the prevention and treatment of childhood diseases.

As this health care debate continues in the weeks and months ahead, I hope that policy makers, whatever they are or wherever they are, begin to think about these issues not as partisans, but as parents.

I hope they will not get so wrapped up in statistics and policy papers and sound bites that they forget the most basic concern of all: the well-being of all of our children.

Many of you know from your own personal experience what it is like when your child is very sick. Nothing else in the world matters to you. Will your son or your daughter, your grandchild get better? Is the illness something that will pass or is it threatening? When you face that situation, you want answers and you need them.

As parents, we use our wisdom and knowledge to plan ahead for the health of our children. We try, if we're able to, to make sure they get the shots they need and to get them to eat right and to avoid exposing them to dangers. And when they do get sick, we try to get the treatment from doctors and nurses that they need.

But suddenly, when it comes time to legislate and make policy, good parental instincts retreat.

Would we ever say as parents that only one out of four of our own children could go to the doctor, or get a vaccination, or have a hearing test? Of course not. We would demand the right to take care of each one of them.

Would we ever say with our own child, that has spina bifida or cerebral palsy, that he or she no longer deserved treatment or would have to wait and suffer the cutbacks? Of course not. We would give up the summer vacation or trading in that old car so that our child's life could be as pain-free and fulfilling as possible.

But in a precipitous and even reckless attempt to meet fixed budget targets, we are now as a society doing things we would never do as parents. We are ratcheting back medical care to children and the most vulnerable. We are violating our most sacred duty and value: caring for our young.

How can we legislate what we would not approve of as parents? How can we feel secure because we can take care of our children, when there are children around us whose parents are working as hard as they know how, but can't have that same sense of security?

There is much that this organization can do, and I am delighted to help celebrate this opening because I see it as an opportunity not only for people of like minds and commitments to come together, and to raise additional funds that are always needed in our children's hospitals.

But I hope you will raise your voices as well. Those of you who have walked those corridors as I have, those of you have sat in waiting rooms, those of you who have held the hands of parents who don't know what is happening to them and their children, those of you who have seen the look of relief on the faces of fathers who realize that they if they can't afford the entire care, will be taken care of in that children's hospital.

I hope you will raise your voices, so that all of us will speak loudly and clearly, that our children are not only our present and our future -- they are a test of our humanity and our faith. And each of us deserves to give them all that we can and by your support of children's hospital, you are saying, "We believe in children. Help us to make that belief a reality."

Thank you very much.

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THE SECOND NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON WOMEN

First Lady Hillary Clinton

Much has been said about my admiration for Eleanor Roosevelt. She is, without a doubt, a hero of mine. After all, Eleanor Roosevelt is the one who said, "You must do the thing you think you cannot do." And, isn't that what so many women do - every day.

Eleanor Roosevelt believed she must make a contribution to humanity - and she devoted her life to it. That's the meaning of this conference - each of us has our own promises to fulfill to others and to ourselves. As Eleanor Roosevelt knew, along with the privilege to participate in this conference comes responsibility - to do for others.

One of the best parts of my position as First Lady is that I have the opportunity to travel around the country, meeting amazing women - who have taken on tremendous responsibilities.

Women like Rosa Parks, the mother of the civil rights movement.

Girls like Lacey, an 8 year old child who is trying to keep her family together by getting help for her father, who lives on the street and suffers from serious mental illness.

Women like Diane, whose children became part of the child welfare system while she was incarcerated for drug possession. When Diane got out of jail, clean and sober, she was faced with finding a job and making a home for her children. That's just what she has done.

The lives these women lead are all about healing, thriving, and celebrating. Today, at this conference, you must build on their accomplishments by:

- Sharing best practices.
- Listening to the women here today who will tell you stories from their lives and how they have survived trauma, how they preserve families, how they gain strength.
- Educating yourself about the issues in workshops on everything from Addiction and HIV to Barriers to Employment.

The real work of this conference will come not today, but tomorrow - when you return to your own practices and your communities. We must rekindle our collective fire.

There is one critical passion you must bring home with you - and that is a *commitment to each other*. You must give voice to that commitment and act on it. As we women come to the table, we have an even greater responsibility: To the women who could not join us today - to make their voices, and their shared commitment, heard.

We are diverse women with strong spirit and character - And, our greatest healing, thriving and celebrating comes when we help others.

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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
VIDEOTAPED REMARKS TO
NATIONAL ARTS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 19, 1999**

Good morning and welcome to Washington. I am delighted to join you for the National Arts Education Association annual conference. I only wish I could be there in person to thank each of you for the work you do every day on behalf of our nation's children.

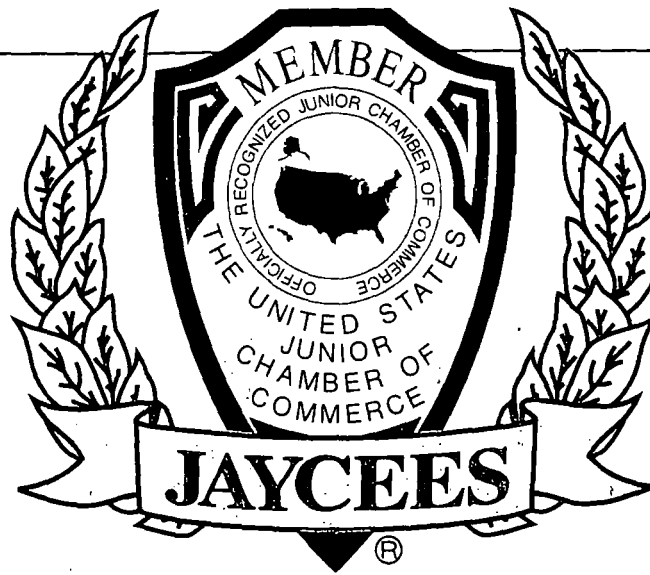
Anyone who has ever seen a child's face light up after she finishes her own water color masterpiece, understands the power of the arts to educate and inspire. Whether it's helping kids to explore different cultures through art, or teaching them to master new skills; you are always there, by their side, helping children find their unique voices and encouraging them to let their imaginations soar.

I have always been grateful to my own teachers who developed in me a deep appreciation for art. One in particular, Mr. Eldon Katter, was my sixth grade teacher from Eugene Field Elementary School. And he is with you today. Congratulations Mr. Katter on your new appointment as President.

As members of NAEA, you understand better than anyone that arts education is a necessity, not a luxury. We now know that arts education improves children's reasoning powers, helps them do better in other subjects, and learn the skills they'll need to succeed tomorrow.

Everyone with a stake in our children's success must see arts education as their cause. Not just schools and families, but also businesses, cultural organizations, communities, and colleges. Together, we must bring arts education back into every school and into every child's life. And if you continue to lead the way, I know we will. Thank you and have a wonderful conference.

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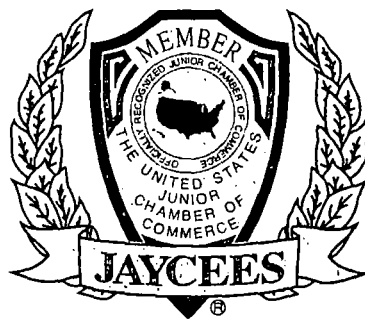
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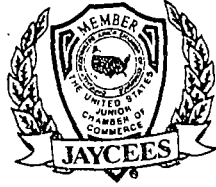
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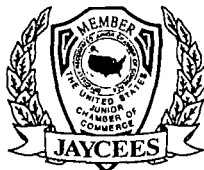
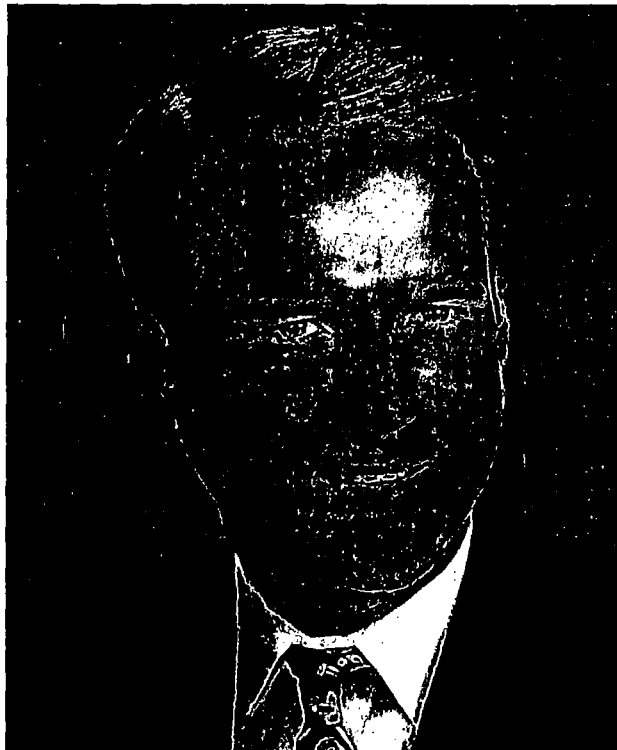
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Recently, a survey was taken by a national publication which asked the participants which occupation they would choose if they could devote one year of their time to it. The number-one choice by 47 percent of the women and 38 percent of the men polled was "entrepreneur." In a recent survey by *Swing* magazine, 83 percent of those surveyed aged 18 - 34 said they would rather work for themselves than an established company.

In response to this desire of young people, The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce launched the Junior Chamber Center for Business Advancement (JCCBA) program.

The role of JCCBA is to maximize new business opportunities for young adults while minimizing the associated risks through education, networking, and support.

The Junior Chamber Center for Business Advancement has several key objectives:

- To train and educate young Americans in advancing in their careers and establishing small businesses.
- To foster a cooperative and supportive environment for Jaycees and the general public in which to use this new training by creating mutually beneficial relationships with local and national corporations.
- To publicize the role of America's young business owners and young professionals through public relations efforts.
- To involve business related organizations and other entities in conducting effective JCCBA programs.

The JCCBA program is one of the most progressive efforts undertaken by The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce and will help local communities remain economically viable well into the 21st Century by training young people to advance in their business careers.



The U.S. Junior Chamber has once again taken steps to ensure that its position as the leading agent for developing young America is solidified. With this unique program, men and women are asserting their position in the workplace and furthering the country's economy.



The Junior Chamber Center For Business Advancement program is a multi-part, interactive, adult learning program. Each session addresses different topics pertaining to small business ownership and management. Participants will spend 2 to 2 1/2 hours in class for each module and will gather the information necessary to do additional research on their own. Experts from the business community are part of the JCCBA training program and bring the benefit of real-life experiences to assist participants in their career goals.

The training modules cover the following topics and more:

- Introduction to Starting and Operating Your Own Business
- What Type of Business Will You Choose to Own?
- Foundation of Success: The Business Plan
- You Mean it Takes Money???
- Building Your Corporate Team and Assembling Your Resources
- Marketing Strategies
- Managing Your Business and Making a Profit

opportunities for business and
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community service to men and
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Check all that apply:

- ☐ I am interested in involving my child in the Shooting Education program. Please send me local contact information.
- ☐ I am willing to donate some of my time, talent, or resources to the Shooting Education program.
- ☐ I am also concerned about educating today's youth. Please send me more information about the Jaycees and a chapter near me.

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Gun SAFETY EDUCATION For Today's YOUTH

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the General Accounting Office show that 84 percent of gun accidents happen when basic gun safety rules are ignored.

During the last 10 years, approximately 50,000 firearm-related deaths have been reported among children younger than age 15.

DON'T
become
just another
STATISTIC

proper gun safety and respect.

It has been proven that a child who can, under parental supervision, handle and fire guns will be less intrigued by the possibility of secretly playing with a gun found in a parent's or friend's closet.

Participants in the program go through a 10-lesson curriculum, stressing the Jaycee code of good gunmanship, which reinforces respect and responsibility toward firearms.

In more than 35 years as a priority program of the U.S. Junior Chamber, it is estimated that twelve million boys and girls have successfully completed the Shooting Education program with no known gun-related injuries.

Championship Match, held in July.



Everyone completing the program will receive:

- a Wallet card displaying the Jaycees Code of Good Gunmanship
- a Certificate
- a Shooting Education Frisbee
- most importantly, knowledge of gun safety and responsibility!

The Shooting Education program is sponsored by Daisy Manufacturing, Inc. and administered by The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce



There are no more
high risk groups
for
HIV/AIDS
infection.
EVERYONE
IS AT RISK.

- ❖ Every hour of every day, a teen is infected with HIV.
- ❖ Women and children are currently the two groups most affected by HIV/AIDS.
- ❖ The American Medical Association estimates that by the year 2000, more than 144,000 children, teens, and young adults will be left motherless because of AIDS.
- ❖ An estimated 40,000 to 80,000 Americans become infected with HIV each year.



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**TOUCH
ONE
CHILD**

**AND YOU
TOUCH
THE WORLD**

**Junior Chamber
Mission Inn Foundation**

TOUCH ONE LIFE

It has been said time and time again that children are the future. Yet everyday we hear tragic stories of children living in fear of violence, abuse, and neglect. If the future lies in our children, then the responsibility of caring for this future rests with everyone.

The Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation is taking an active role in helping some very special children. Founded in 1994, the JCMI Foundation is working to develop a network of care facilities for children and adolescents affected by HIV/AIDS. Created by The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce to help address gaps in services specifically for children, the Foundation actively pursues public and private funding to grow the JCMI network of care.

BUILD THE FUTURE

The first Junior Chamber Mission Inn site opened in June of 1995 in St. Louis, Missouri, through a partnership with an existing agency, Our Little Haven. The model site in St. Louis cares for up to 24 children in a residential program, and many others through its respite program and foster parents network. The goal of the JCMI Foundation is to reproduce the St. Louis model throughout the country.

The Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation is governed by a 15-member volunteer Board of Directors. The board is comprised of health care professionals, community leaders, and Junior Chamber members.



What is the Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation?

A nonprofit organization created to develop a network of care facilities for children and adolescents affected by HIV/AIDS. The Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation is a 501(c)(3) "operating" foundation, meaning the money raised by, and for, the foundation is used specifically for development of the JCMI network.

Why was the first Junior Chamber Mission Inn located in St. Louis?

To commemorate the founding of the U.S. Junior Chamber in that city in 1920, the National Board of Directors supported the development of the model Junior Chamber Mission Inn in St. Louis.

What services does the Junior Chamber Mission Inn provide?

Junior Chamber Mission Inns provide varying services, depending on the needs of the communities they serve. Core services at each site include:

- ❖ Residential Care
- ❖ Respite Care
- ❖ Day Care
- ❖ Education and Advocacy



Are Junior Chamber Mission Inns hospitals or clinics?

No. The JCMI site in St. Louis is not a hospital or clinic. The building is a three-story brownstone that looks like any house. Inside, the home-like atmosphere is reinforced with brightly decorated bedrooms and play areas. If you were to take a tour of the building, you would think you had walked into the home of a very large family. Other JCMI sites will follow this model.

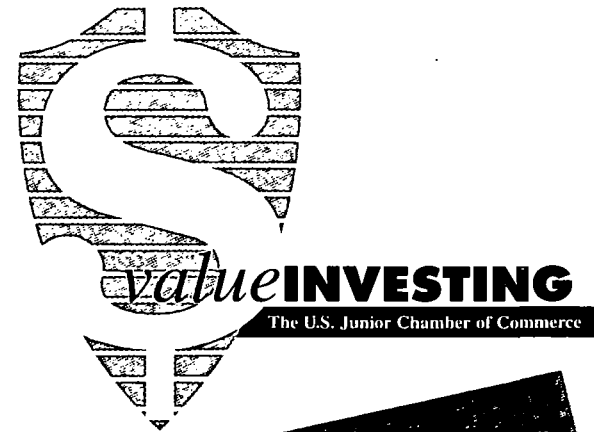
Do all children helped by the Foundation live at the facility?

No. The children helped by the JCMI Foundation are cared for in different ways – some actually live in the facility (residential care); others visit periodically when the family needs a break from caring for the child (respite program); while some children participate in the day care program. In fact, some of the children served may not be HIV-positive or have AIDS themselves, but their parents or a sibling may be infected.

How can I help develop the JCMI network?

Creating a nation-wide network of care facilities for children affected by HIV/AIDS is a tremendous undertaking. The best way to help the JCMI Foundation is through a tax-deductible contribution. Please consider giving a generous donation to help these special children. You can mail your gift to: Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation, 4 West 21st Street, Tulsa, OK 74114-1116, or call the Foundation at 918-584-2481.

In an environment that fosters true friendship, we offer the best opportunities for business and career development, and community service to men and women 21-39 years of age.



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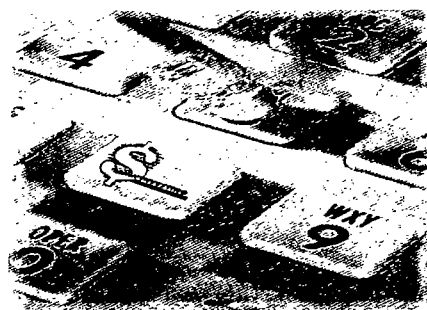
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The stock market has become more important to the average American than ever before. Just a few decades ago, investing in stocks was considered the province of the wealthy. With the increase in private pension plans, individual retirement accounts (IRAs), and 401(k) plans, access to the wealth-building potential of common stocks has filtered down to almost all levels of our society. Indeed, many of the proposals for the reform of Social Security call for some type of private investment, or even investment by Social Security in the equity markets. This would make the stock market an all-inclusive medium, touching the lives of virtually every American. Possessing



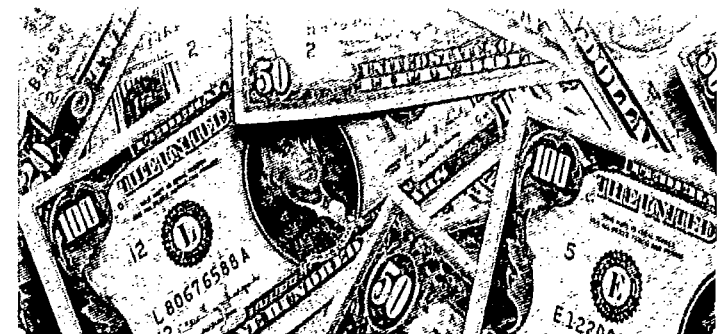
an understanding of the principles and concepts of investment is more important for Jaycees than ever before. For this reason, The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce has developed, through a partnership with Tweedy, Browne Company, L.P., the Value Investing Program.

Value Investing is a video training program designed to teach the basic skills and attitudes that have been the foundation of some of the world's most successful investors. The course draws heavily on the concepts and practices of Benjamin Graham, widely regarded as the father of security analysis. His book, co-authored with colleague David Dodd, **The Intelligent Investor**, written in 1934, is still hailed today as the bible of security analysis.

While it would be impossible to deliver all the techniques and skills necessary to analyze the wide range of investment opportunities present in the financial markets today, the Value Investing program assists participants in building a philosophy and framework that can be a starting point to building wealth over time.

Besides the training video, there are several other components to the program. A workbook accompanies the video, with several exercises throughout that illustrate different concepts presented in the video. Participants also receive two publications from Tweedy Browne Company, **10 Ways to Beat an Index Fund** and **What has Worked in Investing**. These two publications outline strategies that Tweedy Browne has used over time to help its' investors succeed in the financial markets. A comprehensive reading list is also included and participants are encouraged to read each book to further develop their investing knowledge.

The Junior Chamber course on Value Investing is the latest and most exciting offering in the Business Advancement series. The U.S. Junior Chamber looks forward to continuing to offer courses and seminars to assist the membership, the greatest young people in America, to better their lives and reach their business and financial goals.





The JAYCEE CREED

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.



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LIFE!

**Chapter Giving
Program**

HISTORY

The **U.S. Jaycees Foundation** was established in 1967 to enhance the educational, charitable, scholarly, leadership development, and community service programs of The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce.

In the 1970s, the Foundation collected more than \$100,000 to construct the Exhibition Hall located in the National Service Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma. It has established the supporting unit, the USJCC archives, which is also located in Tulsa. These projects document the Junior Chamber heritage and produce an inspiring display of the history of the Junior Chamber movement.

OBJECTIVES

The **U.S. Jaycees Foundation** provides funding for various programs of The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce in the areas of public relations and community development.

Former Jaycees are recognized annually by the Foundation through induction into the Hall of Leadership. An attractive display featuring all inductees is maintained in The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce Exhibition Hall.

The Foundation also aims to fund special Junior Chamber projects organized and managed by local chapters. To qualify for these funds, projects must have a direct impact on local communities, states, and our nation. Over the past three years, the Foundation has been able to contribute more than \$27,000 to local chapters. **BUT THAT IS NOT ENOUGH!**

THE PROGRAM

Because of the tradition of supporting Junior Chamber projects, the **U.S. Jaycees Foundation** is unveiling the "Supporting Chapter" program.

This special project of the Foundation is asking you to invest in the future of The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce. Through your concern and investment, more funds will be available for your local and state Junior Chamber projects across this country. Your investment will ensure that **SERVICE TO HUMANITY WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE BEST WORK OF LIFE!**

SUPPORTING CHAPTER

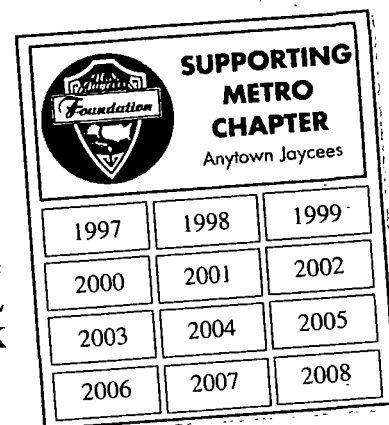
Supporting Chapters are important to the success of the **U.S. Jaycees Foundation**. Your investment in the future, through your initial contribution of **\$250**, will earn your chapter the Sustaining Chapter plaque (represented to the right), engraved with your chapter's name, and a listing in the *Jaycees Magazine*, the official quarterly publication of The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce.

In subsequent years, following your initial investment, with a contribution of **\$150**, your chapter will receive an engraved "Continuing Support" plate for each year.

SUPPORTING METRO CHAPTER

Supporting Metro Chapters are equally vital to the success of the **U.S. Jaycees Foundation**.

The initial contribution of **\$750**, will earn your chapter the Sustaining Chapter plaque (represented to the left), engraved with your chapter's name and will be listed in the *Jaycees Magazine*, the official quarterly publication of The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce.



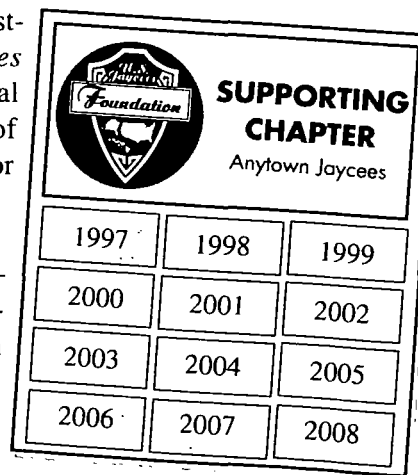
In subsequent years, following your initial investment, with a contribution of **\$500**, your chapter will receive an engraved "Continuing Support" plate for each year.

THE RESPONSE

The **U.S. Jaycees Foundation** calls you and your chapter to action! To respond to this plea and ensure that the **BEST WORK OF LIFE** will continue for generations to come, send your contribution to:

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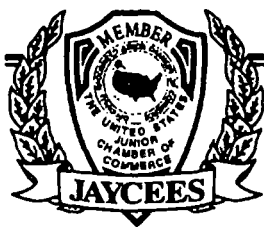
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THE UNITED STATES JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE[®] **NATIONAL PROGRAMS**

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

Since being welcomed to the first Governmental Affairs Leadership Seminar (GALS) in 1962 by then-Representative Gerald Ford, the leaders of The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce have met annually in our nation's capital to hear from White House officials, Cabinet secretaries, and Members of Congress about issues of importance to America's young people.

GALS is designed to offer Junior Chamber leaders the opportunity to meet with the women and men responsible for making public policies that guide our nation's course. Special briefing sessions have also been held with Junior Chamber members. In the past, these sessions have focused on such issues as the Panama Canal, former President Jimmy Carter's budget proposal, the 1980 energy crisis, the downing of Korean Airlines 007, and U.S. - Japan trade relations. Special interest seminars have been designed to help Junior Chamber members understand complex issues regarding international trade, American business policy, and foreign and defense matters. Practical tips regarding lobbying elected officials and conducting election-year activities have also been featured.

As a result of information gathered at GALS, the Junior Chamber's executive board of directors has adopted several external policies concerning such issues as a balanced federal budget, the presidential veto, term limitations for elected officials, and volunteer liability legislation.

In recent years, the Junior Chamber has worked with JCI to expand discussion of the United States' foreign policy and to arrange meetings with members of the diplomatic community regarding important international issues.

GALS is attended by members of the executive board of directors.



SOCIAL SECURITY TOWN HALL MEETINGS

Our Social Security program is on a path to economic insolvency. Recent polls show that only 25 percent of young adults believe Social Security will exist when they retire.

Social Security Trust Fund trustees project that by 2012, Social Security benefit payments will exceed the tax revenues dedicated to fund them and the trust fund will be depleted by the year 2028.

Since 1978, the U.S. Junior Chamber has been calling for a balanced federal budget. In the early 1990s, the membership indicated that a solvent Social Security program was of vital interest. In 1995, the leadership of the U.S. Junior Chamber called for the formation of a bi-partisan commission to develop a fair, common-ground solution to the Social Security dilemma.

The United States Junior Chamber is spearheading an initiative to hold a series of town hall meetings across the country. These meetings are intended to stimulate debate, develop solutions, and gather grassroots input. These meetings bring together local community leaders, Social Security experts, and private citizens.

The vision for this program is to have a system in place to ensure that future administrations will have the basic financial resources to permit the provision to future generations of the supplements to their own retirement incomes as may be needed to sustain a socially acceptable level of retirement health and quality of life.

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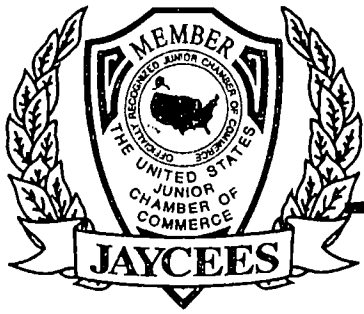
The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce

Arkansas native Chris Reese was elected the 79th National President of The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce in June 1998, during the Junior Chamber's 78th Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada. He will serve a one-year term as leader of the 100,000-plus member organization.

Reese joined the Jaycees in August 1990 in Conway, Arkansas. After only two months he was appointed to the Board of Directors of his local chapter. One year later, he was appointed On-To Chairman for the Arkansas Jaycees. Reese served two years as Community Development Vice President and Individual Development Director before being elected the 59th President of the Arkansas Jaycees. He has also served as National Vice President and Chief of Staff of the U.S. Junior Chamber.

Reese has worked on more than forty-four successful extensions and recruited more than 600 members in his Jaycee travels to thirty-two states and three foreign countries. He is the proud single parent of a nine-year-old-son, Trent.

With his theme of "Seize the Opportunity," his emphasis is to strengthen the Jaycee movement. A strength built through increased activity of the local member. A strength built on an administration that will provide the tools of success to every state, chapter, and local member who wishes to "Seize the Opportunity" to improve their community, their chapter, and most importantly, themselves. President Reese follows in the footsteps of Henry Giessenbier, founding father and first National President of The U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce.



1999

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 1999

- 7-10 The U.S. Leadership Academy
Washington, D.C.
- 10 61st Annual Congress of Ten
Outstanding Young Americans
Washington, D.C.
- 17-23 National Junior Chamber of
Commerce Week

February 1999

- 1 Deadline for students
requesting War Memorial Trust
Fund scholarship applications
- 25-28 National Outstanding Young
Farmers Awards (NOYF)
Mobile, AL

March 1999

- 1 Completed War Memorial Fund
Scholarship applications due to
state Junior Chamber
Organizations
- 4-7 Local Presidents' Summit
Tulsa, OK
- 15 State candidates for Memorial
Fund Scholarships due to USJCC
National Service Center

April 1999

- 14-17 JCI Area C Conference
Paitilla, Panama

May 1999

- TBA METNET Conference

June 1999

- 1-5 National awards judging
- 6 National individual competitions
- 7-10 79th Annual Meeting
Niagara Falls, NY

July 1999

- 30-Aug 1 International BB Gun Match
Atlanta, GA.

September 1999

- 1 TOYA nominations deadline
- TBA On-site Weekend for
Chattanooga 2000
- TBA Governmental Affairs Leadership
Seminar (GALS)
Washington, D.C.

October 1999

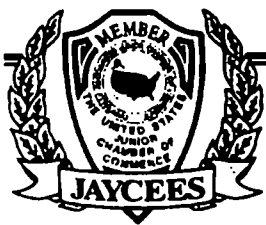
- 13 Mission Day

November 1999

- 5 National Outstanding Young
Farmers (NOYF)
nominations deadline
- 6-13 JCI World Congress
Cannes, France

December 1999

- 6 Postmark for January
Competitions
- 11 World Junior Chamber Day



THE UNITED STATES JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE®

HISTORY TIMELINE

1920s

- 1920 - The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce (USJCC) was formed in St. Louis, Missouri, with 3,000 members.
- 1923 - *Get Out The Vote* was the first Jaycee program to receive national endorsement.
- 1926 - Development of aviation adopted as national project.
- 1927 - Jaycee Charles A. Lindbergh made the first solo flight between New York and Paris. Jaycees worked with Lindbergh to develop the U.S. Air Mail Service.

1930s

- 1935 - Death of founder Henry Giessenbier.
- 1936 - *National Wildlife Federation* established with guidance of USJCC.
- 1938 - *FUTURE MAGAZINE* established. USJCC name Ten Outstanding Young Men for the first time.
- 1939 - *Safety with Light* campaign gained national attention as thousands of street lights were donated to communities.

1940s

- 1940 - USJCC endorsed the principle of a military draft.
- 1944 - *Junior Chamber International* (JCI) formed at Pan American Congress in Mexico City.
- 1946 - USJCC established permanent headquarters in Tulsa, Oklahoma. *Junior Golf* program begun.
- 1947 - Official approval of *Jaycee* as synonym of organization. Adoption of Jaycee Creed.

1950s

- 1951 - *War Memorial Headquarters* in Tulsa dedicated. At urging of Andrew Mungenast, the reference to "Faith in God" was added to the Jaycee Creed.
- 1953 - Jaycees sponsored stops on *Professional Golfers' Association* tour for first time at Greensboro, North Carolina, and Hartford, Connecticut.
- 1954 - First *Outstanding Young Farmer* and *Junior Tennis* programs held.
- 1959 - Jaycees supported statehood for Alaska. Hawaii gained statehood the following year due in part, to Jaycee efforts.

1960s

- 1961 - First *Governmental Affairs Leadership Seminar* conducted.
- 1962 - Jaycees urge adoption of *Uniform Vehicle Code*, with emphasis on state action resulting in adoption nationally.
- 1963 - *Clean Water Program* launched to improve water quality in communities across America. *Shooting Education* adopted as a national program.
- 1966 - Name of organization officially changed to U.S. Jaycees.

1970s

- 1970 - *Do Something* campaign sparked national interest in volunteerism. Jaycees' cooperation with other service organizations resulted in the founding of the National Center for Voluntary Action.
- 1971 - More than 3,000,000 volunteer hours were provided to help administer 7 million doses of rubella measles vaccine.
- 1972 - Jaycees undertook model *Operation Identification* program to combat burglaries and aid crime prevention efforts. Five million stickers were distributed nationally through *Operation Red Ball* to reduce fire fatalities. Bylaw change admitted 18-year-olds as regular members.
- 1977 - *Operation Threshold*, a program dedicated to reducing alcohol abuse, reached more than 23 million Americans. *Muscular Dystrophy Fund Raising* adopted as national program.

1980s

- 1980 - *Daisy/U.S. Jaycees Shooting Education* program honored with National Safety Council Award for Youth Activities.
- 1984 - Bylaw change admitted women as full and regular members. *Sign Up America* campaign collected 1.5 million signatures supporting America's Olympic athletes.
- 1985 - The U.S. Jaycees endorsed *Campaign for Liberty* to encourage public support for restoration of Statue of Liberty. *St. Jude Fund Raising* adopted as national program.
- 1987 - Bylaw change established membership age as 21 through 39. Name of U.S. Jaycees' official publication changed to *JAYCEES MAGAZINE*.

1990s

- 1990 - Name of organization officially changed back to The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce.
- 1992 - National *Wake Up America* program urged communities to get involved in politics by coordinating voter registration campaigns, hosting debates, and embracing pertinent community issues. Jaycees responded to devastating hurricanes in the southeast with national support.
- 1994 - *Junior Chamber Mission Inn Foundation* created to build a nationwide network of care facilities for children and adolescents affected by HIV/AIDS.
- 1995 - The *Jaycee Alliance* was formed as a non-partisan, educational grassroots governmental advocacy organization to give young Americans a voice in government. The *Jaycee KidCare I.D. Program* was organized to provide identification to aid in the recovery of missing children.
- 1996 - The *Jaycees Wake Up America Tour* bus began a journey through the 48 contiguous states promoting programs and membership. *Social Security Reform Town Hall Meetings* program initiated.
- 1997 - Junior Chamber Center for Entrepreneurship and Career Advancement begun - a program designed to train young entrepreneurs and improve local economies.

Vision Statement

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The History of Social Security

The Social Security Act was signed into law on August 14, 1935, by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to shift income to elderly people whose savings had been decimated by the Depression. Stating that the law would "give some measure of protection to the average citizen and to his family against the loss of a job and against poverty-ridden old age," the program was designed to continue to do so with the expectation that each subsequent generation would be better off.

In 1937, workers began paying Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) taxes and Social Security paid its first benefits. For the next three years, benefits consisted of a single lump-sum payment.

January 1940 brought the first monthly Social Security checks to aged, retired workers and their aged wives or widows, dependent children under age 18 and surviving aged parents.

Social Security Scope Expands. In August 1956, Congress provided benefits for disabled workers aged 50-65 and for disabled adult children. Over the next two years, Congress broadened the scope of the new Disability Insurance (DI) program to permit disabled workers under age 50 and their dependents to qualify for a broadly designated level of benefits. More than 14 million benefit awards have been made to workers with disabilities since the DI program began.

Lowered-Age Option Developed. In the 1960s, men began to collect actuarially reduced old-age benefits at a lowered age, 62, to match the option women had been given in 1956.

Introducing Medicare.

In July 1965, President Lyndon Johnson signed the Medicare law. Social Security was responsible for administering the new health insurance coverage program to almost all Americans age 65 or older. Today, Medicare is administered by the Health Care Financing Administration.

Another Program Added. During the 1970s, Social Security began to administer Supplemental Security Income (SSI). It pays benefits to people with limited income and resources if they also are disabled, blind or over age 65.

1980s Changes. Faced with projections of impending financial problems in Social Security, President Reagan appointed a panel to study financing issues, which led to the first taxation of benefits, coverage of federal employees under Social Security and a gradual increase in the retirement age for full benefits. Specifically, the retirement age was raised to 67 from 65 for those born after 1938. Congress raised payroll taxes and cut benefits to generate billions of dollars a year in excess revenues. These changes were designed to save the Social Security program for another 75 years – until 2058.

What is Covered

Social Security taxes cover more programs than most Americans are aware, including the following:

Retirement Coverage. Benefits paid each month to retired workers as early as age 62. (Retirees receive 80 percent of earned benefits to compensate for early retirement.)

Disability Coverage. Benefits paid each month to workers of all ages with severe disabilities.

Family Coverage. Benefits paid each month to spouses and children (including dependent adults who have been disabled since childhood) of retired and disabled workers.

Survivors Coverage. Benefits paid each month to the widow or widower and children of a deceased worker.

Medicare Benefits. Help with hospital bills, as well as limited coverage of skilled nursing facility stays, hospice care and other medical services.

Who Pays and How Much

According to the Social Security Administration, about 95 percent of all U.S. workers pay Social Security taxes. The tax rate for individuals has been increasing for the past 40 years, not counting Medicare, which increased by 3 percent in 1950, 6 percent in 1960, 8.2 percent in 1970, 10.2 percent in 1980 and 12.4 percent today.

Including Medicare, the rate for individuals is 7.65 percent of gross wages (6.2 percent for Social Security and 1.45 percent for Medicare), which is then matched by employers. Many economists believe that these employer-matching payments are in reality also paid by the employees through lower wages. Self-employed people pay the full combined tax amount of 15.3 percent. In 1995, employers withheld the full tax up to a \$61,200 wage base. Above that amount, employers only withhold the Medicare portion.

Reasons for the Shortfall

Political Pressures. Responding to lobbying efforts on behalf of senior citizens, Congress has increased benefits not only for the needy but also for those whose other retirement incomes are above the national median for all households (approximately \$35,000).

Higher Benefits. Survivor and Disability benefits were 46 percent higher in the 1994 report than in 1988. Similarly, in relation to retirees, both the number of beneficiaries and the size of their benefits increased as the program matured.

Economy. The U.S. economy did not perform as well as projected in 1988, and the economy has fallen short of expected payroll tax revenues.

Where is the Surplus?

Since 1990, the Congress has spent \$277 billion from the Social Security surplus funds created in 1983 to offset spiraling national debt and continued deficit spending.

The U.S. Treasury plans to repay the funds with interest if it ever has the money to do so. The only way the federal government can generate revenues is through taxes and that may make repaying billions of Social Security funds an improbability.

Take a STAND!

COUNT ME IN! I would like to be part of the U. S. Junior Chamber's effort to address the need to keep the Social Security system viable for future generations, while ensuring that all current recipients receive the benefits they have been promised.

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Age (please check one):

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☐ 31-40 ☐ 41-51 ☐ 52-65 ☐ 65 & up

**I CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE
FOLLOWING WAYS:**

(please check all that apply)

- ☐ Serving as a local contact.
- ☐ Distributing Social 'Insecurity' brochures in my community.
- ☐ Speaking to my local community leaders about the USJCC's efforts on the Social Security issue.
- ☐ Contacting my congressman and senators asking them to support the USJCC's stand on the Social Security issue.
- ☐ Writing a letter to the editor of my community newspaper about the Social Security issue.
- ☐ Organizing town hall meetings to stimulate discussion and educate voters.
- ☐ Making a donation to cover the cost of distributing materials and information concerning the Social Security issue. I have enclosed a check for the following amount:
 - ☐ \$500 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$100
 - ☐ \$50 ☐ Other \$ _____

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Discussing the Dilemma

Our Social Security program is on a path to economic insolvency. A recent poll shows that only 25 percent of young adults believe Social Security will exist when they retire.

A Bitter Ending. Social Security Trust Fund trustees project that by 2012, Social Security benefit payments will exceed the tax revenues dedicated to fund them and the Trust Fund will be depleted by the year 2028.

In 1945, 20 workers supported each retiree. Today, that figure has dropped to 3.1 workers per retiree, and in the year 2030, 1.8 workers will be supporting each retiree.

"What we have now is Social Insecurity," says U.S. Junior Chamber National President Mike Marshall.

Risky Realities. Today, more than 141 million workers have Social Security coverage, and more than nine out of ten Americans aged 65 or older receive benefits.

Social Security coffers are apt to be emptied completely as the massive baby boom generation reaches retirement age. Even the surpluses created by Congress in 1983 are questionable. They have been loaned to the U.S. Treasury to offset the spiraling national debt.

Pushing Up Petunias. Simple mathematics show that within 35 years, workers may well have to accept a 60 percent lifetime tax rate to support the overwhelming number of retirees. Without change, Social Security will be dead and buried before young Americans can collect one dime of the money they've invested.

Seeking a Solution

As America's largest grassroots organization for young people aged 21 through 39, The U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce is committed to its search for realistic solutions.

A Good Beginning. In 1995, the leadership of the U.S. Junior Chamber called for the formation of a bi-partisan commission to develop a fair, common-ground solution to the Social Security dilemma.

Gathering consensus, the U.S. Junior Chamber is spearheading a series of town hall meetings intended to stimulate debate, develop solutions and gather grassroots input. These meetings are planned for a minimum of 80 to 100 communities across the nation, bringing together local community leaders, Social Security experts and private citizens.

Promising Prospects. Capitalization of Social Security may be the brightest star in Social Security's ever-darkening sky.

Capitalization allows individuals to invest some of what they already pay in Social Security taxes into private Individual Retirement Accounts. In a national program in Chile, now used as a model, workers gained up to five times as much for their retirement as U.S. workers aged 45 or younger.

Pushing the Package. In 1996, the U.S. Junior Chamber issued a call for full or partial **capitalization** of the Social Security system. Young Americans have the most to lose in the current system and the most to gain through **capitalization**. The U.S. Junior Chamber is determined to make their voices heard.