

# Wilson Jaycees Newsletter

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## 2010 Distinguished Service Awards Nominations



2010 Distinguished Service Awards for the Wilson Jaycees are due by March 15th and for State by March 25th. Erika Rohrer is the Chair of this project and needs volunteers to help select winners and setup the banquet.

There are 5 awards to be nominated for:

- Outstanding Senior Citizen (contact Shana Bogue with nominations)
- Outstanding Teen (contact Vicki Bruhn with nominations )
- Outstanding Young Educator (contact Vicki Bruhn with nominations)
- Outstanding Young Farmer
- Outstanding Young Public Servant (usually from



Applications are due by March 15th

Fire Dept., Police Department, or Sherriff's Dept.— contact Dawn Daughtridge or Rambo with nominations)

A date and location in April will be coming soon for the DSA Banquet.

If you know of anyone wanting to sponsor an award

winner please send their information to Erika at [vp\\_community@wilson-jaycees.org](mailto:vp_community@wilson-jaycees.org)

Send completed applications to:

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Websites to check out

- [www.ncjaycees.org](http://www.ncjaycees.org)
- [www.usjaycees.org](http://www.usjaycees.org)
- [www.jci.cc](http://www.jci.cc)
- [www.ncjcisenate.org](http://www.ncjcisenate.org)
- [www.usjcisenate.org](http://www.usjcisenate.org)

Look for us on FaceBook!

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## St. Baldrick's Foundation [www.stbaldricks.org](http://www.stbaldricks.org)

### How Does Shaving Your Head Make You A Hero For Kids With Cancer?

Volunteers shave their heads in solidarity with kids fighting cancer and family and friends give generously - worldwide.

The St. Baldrick's Foundation uses the donations to fund more in childhood cancer research grants than any organization except the United States Government.

**PLEASE** plan on helping out on **Saturday April 24th** in Wilson at the Shoppes of Brentwood. We will have more information on St.Baldrick's in the April Newsletter.

## Homeless Prevention & Recovery

As our economy worsens, we have seen an increased amount of families/individuals facing homelessness. This has been a very difficult and overwhelming need to address; however, we have received a great blessing, but need your help as we put this blessing into place in the lives of the families/individuals in our community. Wilson County DSS has received a grant to assist "at risk" families/individuals who are at imminent risk of becoming homeless or who are already homeless. This grant will

allow a great deal of opportunities for us to minister to our community in addressing the homelessness in our community. The grant is a 3 year grant and will allow us to focus on the families/individuals that are "at risk" over the next 3 years to address their risk of homelessness. Our plan is to assist with housing search and placement, referrals to other agencies for assistance with employment, mental health services, substance abuse, education, job readiness, etc. to equip homeless individuals with the

necessary tools, training and employment to transition from homelessness to independent housing.

Once we place a family in a home there will be needs that the grant



## Support our Troops

**The United States Junior Chamber is proud to partner with the "Support Our Troops®" Program.**

### Care Packages

#### Care Package Goods:

The top things requested by the troops are:

- phone cards (#1 most requested item; so they can phone their loved ones)
- VISA and M/C gift cards (#2 most requested item; gives them maximum flexibility)
- 1 GB and 2 GB USB memory sticks (external hard drives) (blank)
- wet wipes, individually wrapped in foil packs (not gel bottles)
- chap sticks, floss, toothbrushes, disposable razors – men's and women's
- foot powder
- movie DVD's (clean content) and music CDs (clean content)
- iPods (empty), small earphones

- breath mints, candy and gum
- books (clean content)
- beef jerky and sticks; peanuts and nuts in cans with lids; flavored coffee and cappuccino
- women's products

#### The Rules:

Nothing less than the best for these first class people! All first class, brand new, unopened, safety-sealed goods for America's finest.

Please include copies of the purchase receipts for the items for safety cross-checking when possible.

Please include a picture of the people sending the goods, and any notes about why you/they did this so the troops can know how much the folks here really love, respect and appreciate them. We want the troops and their families to know



who, way back here at home, is thinking about them.

Cards, letters, and the like need to be unsealed and inspect-able.

#### Transportation of Goods:

Sometimes there will be a substantial amount of goods in one location, and other times there will be smaller amounts in several cities. Efficiency allows everyone to do more, and it makes little sense to ship goods 2 - 3

## Member Spotlight—Larry Meek

I'm originally from Johnston County, and I lived to tell the tale (that's for all my Johnston County peeps)! I came to Wilson almost 8 years ago as a young, eighteen year old Barton College student. I met great people and got sucked into the charming town that is Wide Awake Wilson. I am currently employed at Womble Real Estate working for a fellow Jaycee, Allyson Moyer.

I originally wanted to write this "Member Spotlight" as an epic, funny narrative, but I recently purchased my first house. Please hold your applause. It is what you might call a "fixer-upper" and has taken up a lot of my free time over the past month. I look forward to actually having the big projects finished

soon so that I may once again have what is referred to as fun. When I'm not stressing over the relative completion of my house you can find me playing slaying zombies with my team (video games with friends), catching up on my stories (watching tv), embarking on cinematic adventures (watching movies), trekking to far off lands through the written word (reading), and leaving behind the mundane via miniature excursions (weekend vacations).

This is my first year as a member of the Jaycees. I believe I was pulled in when Allyson "asked" me if I would like to help out with the Downtown Alive beverage stand a couple of years ago. Then I was invited to the rubber duck

race and somehow got conned into helping with that, too. I'm beginning to notice a trend here. Come to think of it, that's how I got nominated Secretary this year, as well...I'm kidding! I've enjoyed doing all of it. I look forward to serving as your Secretary and working with all of you in the upcoming year!

My hope is that this little blurb about me at least made you smirk, maybe even give a little chuckle. I like to try and make people laugh, albeit sometimes at me and not with me.



## Support the Troops (Cont. from page 2)

times to get them to the final destination. Therefore, the method of sending the goods will vary depending on quantities and locations.

### As a general rule:

If you have assembled several USPS flat rate boxes worth of proper goods, and are willing to be a registered shipper with SOT, SOT will provide you with APO addresses for that specific shipment (they change

each time).

If you have assembled a pallet's worth of the same or varied goods, please contact the USJC SOT Program Manager Candace Hollis at either [jchollis@suddenlink.net](mailto:jchollis@suddenlink.net) This e-mail address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it or at 979-575-5218 and SOT will determine the most effective method to get it to the troops.

Use U.S. Mail only. Not UPS. Not FedEx. They do not deliver to our PO Box. (It may be a PO Box in a federal Post Office building, but we can fit a truck load of goods through it).

Mail them to Support Our Troops®, P. O. Box 70, Daytona Beach, FL 32115-0070. Be sure your name, address and phone is on the outside of the mailing box.

## Upcoming Events

### March

March 11— Membership Meeting at the Dog House, 6pm Meeting

March 15—Wilson Jaycees DSA Application Deadline

March 17—St. Patrick's Day Party at O'Cool's

March 27—Chilijam Cook-off

March 28—DownEast Regional

Meeting in Greenville

### 2010

April 8— Membership Meeting at the Dog House, 6pm Meeting

April 10— NC Jaycees DSA Luncheon at UNC

April 24—St. Baldrick's Fundraiser

December 4—Wilson Jaycees Christmas Parade



**Don't forget to wear green on St. Patrick's Day!**

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**The Jaycees 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!

**The Vision of the North Carolina Junior Chamber:**

is to be the premier organization providing opportunities for 21-40 year olds to participate in activities encouraging professional and personal growth resulting in effective leadership that contributes to the local, national and global community.



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cannot cover, such as: furniture, cooking utensils, bedding; all of the items you can imagine as a family sets up housekeeping. Additionally, as we receive items we may need to find a temporary storage for these items and a way of moving these items into the families' new home.

This is where we can use your assistance. Please see the list of items or ways you can help listed below. This list is definitely not all inclusive. You may think of many other ways to help. If you would, please seek God's guidance as to what you might be led to provide as a part of this process. Please feel free to email me or call to discuss what you are being led to do and then let me know.

1. kitchen table/chairs
2. bedding/linens
3. couch/chair
4. volunteers/large truck/trailer to move these items
5. dishes, pots/pans, eating utensils, drinking cups, toaster
6. dressers
7. living room tables, table lamps
8. clothing for the children/parents
9. temporary storage location

These needs are urgent, as we are already working through this process with families.

Serving Him,

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