

# THE DISPATCH

Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps

Spring 2023



Issue 1

## FROM THE COMMANDER



**Hello fellow Colonels and Friends,**

I am both excited and humbled to be the 65th Commander for the Honor Corps! I can't believe it is already Mid-April and Jekyll Island is only a month away from now. Thanks so much to Past Commander Kellie Jett for your assistance with our Staff Planning Session that was held in January. Your help with this and everything else has been most appreciated.

Thanks to everyone who joined me in January for the Georgia Jaycees Year-end Awards Banquet in Savannah. We had a great turnout, and the Jaycees really appreciated our attendance. Immediate Past Commander Wendy Cowart inducted our new Colonel, LeAndrea Mikell (#2516), past State President at the event. Also, we had a great time representing Georgia at the Corps of Corps Meeting in Pigeon Forge back in February. A special thanks to Colonel Michelle Walworth for being my carpool buddy and partner in crime. Colonels Tim Dobbs, Barbara Dobbs, and Lori Palo also assisted me in this process as well as Past Commanders Ray Baskette, Denise Bauer, Lisa Pickett, and Larry MacQuirter.

I want to thank my Staff for everything they are doing to make this a very successful and fun year. Colonel Barbara Dobbs has opened a Corps PayPal account so paying your annual dues has never been easier to do. This information has been mailed to our members and can also be found on the Corps Facebook page. Please join us for a "Welcome to the Island" social on Thursday from 4-6 pm poolside at The Villas. There will be an adult beverage or two shared and will no doubt be a great time. Everyone attending will receive a special gift from your Commander. Colonel Stacy Smith is chairing our annual Silent Auction on the island so please participate and support this worthwhile money-making project. Hospitality will be held from 9 pm-midnight Thursday through Saturday night as usual, and the Cocktail Party will be held on Saturday from 5-6 pm and both will be at the Villas by the Sea. Hospitality Coordinator Chris Armour is working hard to make these events both fun and a little different so please refer to her article. Looking ahead we will be having our Annual Charity Golf Tournament on September 16 at the Georgia Southern University Golf Course in Statesboro. We will need both sponsors and golfers for this event so please help with this project if you can. As always, thanks to Past Commanders Ron and Wendy for their continued assistance with this fundraiser.

The Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps is not only the first and oldest Corps but the best damn Corps in my opinion. That is why my staff and I chose "Top Corps" as our logo for this year. This organization is blessed to have so many caring and dedicated members who continually make a difference in people's lives. I appreciate each and everyone of you and ask you to be involved in any way you can. I think you will agree that we are all a group and a family that really enjoy being around one another. I hope to see you on The Island, or if not, sometime soon.

**Yours in The Corps,  
Brian Jett, #2282  
65th Commander  
Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps**



## FROM THE IMMEDIATE PAST COMMANDER

**Greetings fellow Colonels,**

I will have tickets available at Jekyll for our 50/50 Past Commander & Life Member raffle. The tickets are \$20 each. I will be selling them at Jekyll so bring your cash! Also, if you would like tickets mailed to you, please let me know and we can do it that way as well. The drawing for the winner will be held at our year end meeting at the beginning of 2024 and you do not have to be present to win. I hope to see you all at Jekyll!

**Yours in Service,  
Wendy Cowart #2351 L-166  
Immediate Past Commander  
Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps**



## FROM THE ACTIVE VICE COMMANDER



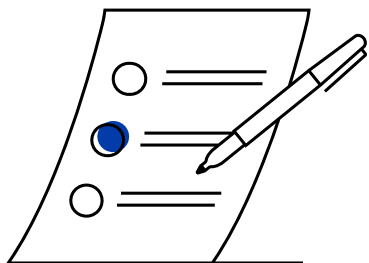
**Happy Spring fellow Colonels!**

I want to let everyone know about some upcoming fundraisers for the Corps this year. Colonel Stacy Smith is chairing the Annual Silent Auction on The Island next month and I am asking everyone to help with this worthwhile project. We need donations as well as buyers so make plans to stop by and check out what is being offered. Thank you, Colonel Stacy for your leadership!

The Annual Charity Golf Tournament will be held again this year at the Georgia Southern University Golf Course on September 16, 2023. We are looking for both hole sponsors and golfers for this event. We raised quite a bit of money last year and portions of the proceeds will be donated to Mental Health America. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for more information.

Please let us know if you have any ideas for fundraising this year. And please let me or Immediate Past Commander Wendy know if you are interested in becoming Active Vice Commander. We have a great team this year and your leadership would be most appreciated.

**Brian Jett #2282  
Interim Active Vice President**



## FROM THE INACTIVE VICE COMMANDER

### Happy Spring Colonels!

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful weather we have been experiencing and getting outside! I am beyond excited to see everyone at the meeting in May and would LOVE to induct some new Colonels into the Corps. Since the Jaycees will be on the island that weekend, it is the perfect time to present someone who has worked hard and wants to continue to work with the Jaycees and be a part of the BEST Corps in the world!

If you would like to submit a deserving Jaycee, past or present into the Corps, please contact me and we will make it happen.

**Yours in the Corps-**

**Stacy Smith**

**Inactive Vice Commander, Col# 2489**

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## FROM THE ADJUTANT



### Greetings fellow Colonels!

I am excited to be your new Adjutant this year! I have changed up the newsletter some so you really don't want to miss out on the creative detail of the digital copy! If you are still receiving a black and white newsletter by mail, please provide me with your email address and, not only will I add you to the distribution list, but you will be entered into a drawing to win a **\$25 Amazon Gift Card!**

The price of stamps is about to rise again to \$.66, so in order to save the Corps money and trees, PLEASE consider receiving the Dispatch via email. Also, if you would like to place an ad, please send me a high quality image of the size ad you want. Here are the prices:

Full Page: \$75

Half Page: \$50

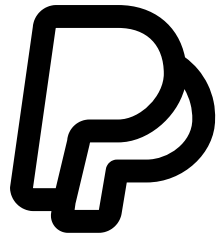
Business Card: \$25

**Yours in the Corps-**

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# FROM THE TREASURER

## TREASURER NEWS

Fellow Colonels, welcome to the 65th year of the Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps. At our meeting in Savannah, I was sworn in as treasurer to manage the funds of the corps. Now it's been a few years since I've been active in Jaycees but I'm ready to serve you this year. One of the first duties of the treasurer is to invoice and collect annual dues from the members of this organization. But first let me remind you that you are not only part of the Georgia Jaycees, but part of an organization that your local chapter recommended you for because of your exemplary service in years past of being a Jaycee. Unfortunately, it is possible you may no longer have a home chapter, but you will always have the Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps.

With that being said, you swore an oath to serve as a living example of the Jaycee Creed being available and willing to help the local and state organization. It all starts with paying your low annual dues of just \$30. Dues billing have been mailed. You should have received your postcard by now unless you agreed to save the Corps money by opting out by emailing me. We accept cash in person or you can mail a check to my home address. However, this year we have set up a PayPal account so that we can accept funds electronically for purposes of convenience. For this convenience, all we ask is that you pay an additional \$1 to cover the fees that PayPal charges. To me that is worth not having to write a check, find an envelope, buy a \$.63 stamp, and then go to the post office to mail out and hope that it is received.

If the PayPal convenience wasn't enough, I'm also doing a drawing for anyone that pays via PayPal only prior to May 10th for a \$50 Visa Gift Card. That's like getting your dues paid for the year and having lunch on me. What a deal!!! The drawing will take place at our Jekyll Board meeting and what's great about it is, you don't have to be present to win the gift card. All you have to do is pay \$31 via PayPal at [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com) and look for our group, GAJC2023 You don't have to have a PayPal account to do it but it can be easily set up with no charge to do so if you wanted.

At Jekyll, we will have once again a joint hospitality with the Senate, that will be open, Thursday May 18th, Friday, May 19th, and Saturday May 20th from 9pm to midnight. Of course, you have to be a Lifetime Member or have paid your dues and ribbon fees to enjoy three nights of hospitality and to attend the fun cocktail party. Ribbon fees for the extended weekend will be as follows:

Life Members - \$15

Colonel and Colonel guests - \$20

Members of other Corps - \$20

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on the island. If you need to reach me before then, please call, text, or email.

**Yours in Jaycees,**

**Barbara Dobbs, #2355**  
**Honor Corps Treasurer 2023**  
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# FROM THE CHAPLAIN



## Greetings and blessings, fellow Colonels!

I'm hoping you had a wonderful Easter holiday and fellowship with your loved ones- Glory to God, He is Risen! It is my absolute pleasure to serve you this year.

Please keep Col Karen Allen Willoughby of Marietta and family in your prayers, her husband, Col Bill Willoughby, was called to his heavenly home last month. Also, continue to pray for Col Steve Landers' ongoing health improvements. And, lastly, yours truly is feeling much better after my stay in ICU, and I certainly appreciate all of your well wishes. I apologize if I missed anyone- don't hesitate to reach out to me for any special concerns, prayers and for spiritual support.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone's smiling face at Jekyll in 3 short weeks!

**Yours in Christ and the Corps-**  
**Theresa Armour, Colonel# 2419, Chaplain, 2023**  
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# FROM THE WEBMASTER/PARLIAMENTARIAN

## Hello Colonels and Past Commanders!

I'm happy for the opportunity to serve the Corps as Webmaster again this year and also serve as Parliamentarian, my first time holding that position. I definitely need to brush up on Robert's Rules of Order LOL.

Jekyll will be here before you know it and it's always a great time to get together and a good place to start the Corps New Year. I'm looking forward to working under Commander Brian Jett as I'm sure he'll be a GREAT Commander.

See you on the Island!

**Nancy Waskiewicz, #2135**  
**Webmaster / Parliamentarian**  
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# FROM THE BARTENDERS



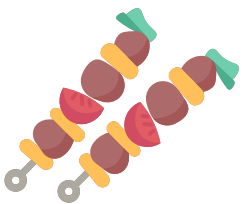
## **Bartenders Report:**

We are all looking forward to a great weekend on Jekyll in May. The Hospitality Room will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights from 9 pm until 1200 am and the Cocktail Party will be Saturday afternoon.

Don't forget to bring a bottle of your favorite liquor, wine or beer to donate to the Corps and get your name in a drawing for \$25 to help defray a little of the cost for your weekend. You can drop off your donation at the Corps Room, or my room.

We look forward to serving Commander Brian this year. If you have any suggestions or praise for the Amigos be sure to let us know.....

**The Four Amigos,  
Randy, Curtis, assistant Linda and Billy**



# FROM THE HOSPITALITY CHAIR

Before I get to what's coming up, I need to thank some wonderfully helpful people for assisting the cocktail party in Savannah: Wendy Cowart, Theresa Armour, Linda Bradford, David Armour and even as the Corps was filing in, I think the bartenders and Kellie and Michelle and Stacy and Andrea and... pretty much everybody who recognized the panic on the face of the chairman as I tried to get things on the table. We didn't have a menu reflecting the theme (Italian) or any entries, but at least there were some hors d'oeuvres. (Remember? That meeting had a very unsettled element about it.) Anyway... Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!!

Just a reminder:

Each trimester's Cocktail Party has a theme. (Designated by the chairman)

There is NO entry fee!

Enter as many things you want to mix, bake, freeze etc. (but only 1 can win)

Judging will be by Colonels at the table who will choose as they wish (by looks, flavor, originality?)

Please let me know what you're bringing so I can keep the sweet/salty balance.

And finally \*\*\*\$100\*\*\* cash! (awarded from \$50 of funds already budgeted and...)

(matching \$50 donated by Col. Robert Edwards)

That said... is anybody hungry? Not exactly the right question to ask when we're getting ready to go to the beach is it? But since this article is (sort of) a "re-boot" for 2023's "Cocktail Party Contest" I hope y'all are! Because the "theme" for the spring-summer trimester is = Beach Bodies! Contestants can interpret that any way they want; from sea shell shaped cookies to ocean themed Jello squares! Of course I'm not competing, but to help me create what the Corps will have on the table Theresa showed me some stuff on Pinterest that's absolutely amazing! Check it out! (And – Luck to all!)

**Christi Armour, #2024  
Hospitality Coordinator  
Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps**



**Agenda for Honoraries Weekend  
Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps  
& Georgia JCI Senate  
Jekyll Island, GA  
May 18 – 21, 2023**

<b>Thursday 5/18</b>	Welcome to the Island Social Dinner on Your Own Corps Staff Meeting Senate Staff Meeting Corps & Senate Hospitality	4:00-6:00 pm 6:00-8:00 pm 8:00-8:45 pm TBD 9:00 pm-12:00 am	Villas Pool  Commander's Villa TBD Howfyl Room-Villas
<b>Friday 5/19</b>	Corps Business Meeting Senate Business Meeting Senate Lunch/Steve McMath Memorial Scholarship Fundraiser Pool Social Corps & Senate Hospitality	9:00-10:30 am 10:30-12:00 am 12:00-3:00 pm \$5/plate 2:00-4:00 pm 9:00 pm-12:00 am	Howfyl Room Howfyl Room Howfyl Room  Villas Pool Howfyl Room
<b>Saturday 5/20</b>	Lunch On Your Own Putt Putt Golf Tournament Cocktail Party Corps & Senate Hospitality Corps Silent Auction	12:00-2:00 pm 2:00-4:00 pm 5:00-6:30 pm 9:00 pm-12:00 am 9:00 pm-12:00 am	Villas Pool JI Mini Golf Howfyl Room Howfyl Room Howfyl Room
<b>Sunday 5/21</b>	Safe travels home!		





## 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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