

THE DISPATCH

Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps

Summer 2023



Issue 2

FROM THE COMMANDER



Hello fellow Colonels and Friends,

I hope everyone is enjoying their Summer and their vacation and/or down time. I am having fun and also staying pretty busy myself. My staff and I have been and are currently working hard to fill the calendar with both fun and worthwhile events for this year.

We had a great Jekyll Island Meeting with the Senate as many of you know and had a really good turnout. Thanks goes out to Colonel Stacy Smith for chairing a very successful Annual Silent Auction, as well as the many people who made donations to this event. It was really great to see the teamwork that is always displayed in this amazing organization. I would also like to thank Colonel Bob Prater for conducting a training program for President Courtney and the Georgia Jaycees. I was inspired along with everyone in attendance and hope to make this a more common event. A big thanks also goes out to our Hospitality Coordinator, Chris Armour, for her new competitive idea in conducting the Cocktail Party. The attendees brought their homemade foods and then everyone voted for their favorite dish. This was very fun and it also saved the Corps some money so way to go Chris! Thank you to Colonels Tim and Barbara Dobbs (also my Chief of Staff and Treasurer) for hosting our Pool Party and 2024 Nominations Social at their house on July 8. I posted a few pictures on the Corps Facebook page if you want to check out the fun and nominations. We had a great turnout and also raised money from food and koozie sales.

Looking ahead, I am hoping everyone can join us in Milledgeville on August 11-13 for our Summer Meeting. Please reserve a room and come socialize with us, we will certainly have a lot of fun. I will guarantee that for sure! Reservations must be made by July 29 to get the reduced room rate and more information can be found in this publication. This will also be our elections meeting so come on out and support your favorite candidates! We will also be voting on some proposed Bylaws Changes which can be viewed in an attached link. Thanks to Parliamentarian Nancy Waskiewicz for taking on this much needed task.

Please also join us in Statesboro on Saturday, September 16, for our Annual Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps Charity Golf Tournament. We need both golfers and sponsorships for this event so please reach out to me directly if you can help in any way. We will also need volunteers the day of the event so please help us with this fundraiser. A flyer is attached and can also be viewed on our website: gajchonorcorps.org.

I am very proud of our accomplishments so far this year and we have so much more yet to come. I appreciate everyone that has participated and I would be happy to see some of you we haven't seen in a while. We are all getting a bit older and need to enjoy and appreciate one another. If you haven't been to anything in a while that's ok too. Great friendships are like fine wine, they endure and get better with age. I wish everyone great health and happiness!

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



FROM THE IMMEDIATE PAST COMMANDER

Greetings fellow Colonels,

Thank you to everyone who has already purchased our 50/50 Past Commander & Life Member raffle tickets at Jekyll. The tickets are \$20 each and you may buy more than one ticket. If you would like tickets mailed to you, please let me know and I will be happy to send you some. 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.

Congratulations to our nominees for the 2024 Corps staff! The following Colonels were nominated: Nancy Waskiewicz for Treasurer; Les Howard for Adjutant; Theresa Armour for Active Vice Commander; and Stacy Smith for Commander. The elections will be held at our business meeting on August 12 in Milledgeville. Remember, you will be able to run from the floor for any open positions so it's not too late to put your hat in the ring! I hope to see you all soon!

Yours in Service,

Wendy Cowart #2351 L-166

Immediate Past Commander

Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps



FROM THE ACTIVE VICE COMMANDER



Greetings everyone,

I hope everyone is doing well this Summer. I want to thank everyone who has paid their dues so far this year. The Honor Corps is a business and there are many expenses associated with our operational costs. If you haven't had the chance please do so to help us achieve our goals this year, it will be most appreciated.

Thanks so much to Colonel Stacy Smith and those who donated and purchased items for our Annual Silent Auction at Jekyll. We raised some much needed funds and everyone enjoyed their purchases. Please join us on September 16 in Statesboro for our Annual Honor Corps Charity Golf Tournament. This is our largest fundraiser of the year with portions of the profits going to Mental Health America of Georgia. We need both golfers and sponsorships, as well as volunteers the day of this event. Tee time will be earlier this year at 9:30 am to avoid the hottest part of the day. Please see the flyer with more information in this publication.

We are always looking for new ideas and volunteers to help us raise money. Please reach out to me or to a Staff Member if you would like to help. Also, please let me or Immediate Past Commander Wendy Cowart know if you are interested in becoming Active Vice Commander. We are only half way through the year and I would definitely appreciate it.

Yours in The Corps,

Brian Jett #2282

Interim Active Vice President



FROM THE INACTIVE VICE COMMANDER

Howdy Colonels!

I'm hoping you are out there looking for deserving Jaycees to join our wonderful organization! I can't wait to see all of you in Milledgeville and would LOVE to induct some new Colonels into the Corps.

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, # 2489
Inactive Vice Commander**



FROM THE ADJUTANT

BREAKING NEWS

Greetings fellow Colonels!

I hope your summer is starting off well. I would like to thank everyone who helped out with the Silent Auction at Jekyll. We raised almost \$600! I couldn't have done it without the help of several Colonels setting up and assisting with bid sheets and directing people to the checkout.

THANK YOU!!!

Now down to business...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-
Stacy Smith, # 2489
Adjutant
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FROM THE TREASURER

Hello fellow Colonels!!

It was good seeing everyone at Jekyll in May and I hope you all are staying cool this summer. Thank you to those that paid their dues this year so far, whether it was by Paypal, Check, or Cash. If you haven't paid your dues yet, we are still accepting payments. There are no late fees, so please either send in via Paypal, or you can mail your check to me at 4689 Cheri Lynn Road, Acworth, GA 30101. Of course, if you prefer, come see us at the Summer Meeting in Milledgeville in August. I will gladly take your money. Speaking of Milledgeville, the hospitality will be open Friday and Saturday night. You must be a paid dues member to enter and pay the following ribbon fees.

Colonels - \$15

Guests of Colonels - \$15

Life Members of the Corps - \$10

I look forward to seeing you in Milledgeville in August as well as in September at the Golf Tournament in Statesboro.

Barbara Dobbs, #2355

Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps Treasurer 2023

FROM THE CHAPLAIN



Greetings fellow Colonels-

This has been a trying few months-

In early July, Current Ga Senate President, Alex Willis' son, Unterrio, passed away.

We also lost a wonderful, caring, kind, vibrant, one-of-a-kind Past Commander, Urbane Lively. He will be missed by anyone who had the awesome experience of meeting him, and that was more than evident at his viewing and funeral.

Past Commander Johnny Swank has been in ICU battling a bone infection, and on heavy antibiotics. The medical team is working to save his toes/foot. Also, an update on his and Colonel Brenda's daughter, Brandi, who was in ICU in May; she is doing much better.

Past Commander Connie Cromer had gall bladder surgery in May. She is doing really well, and is back to work full time.

Colonel Wendy Cnossen Arp and Colonel Renee Cnossen Fairbairn lost their mother in May- I would think a world without your mom would be a whole different universe, and our prayers continue to be with them and their families.

Colonel Steve Landers has been dealing with extreme edema, they were able to rule out congestive heart failure. He continues to have mobility issues, and Gina is constantly on the move with his care.

I, myself, was in ICU in April with the MRSA virus and terrible strep, but am on the mend, and feeling much better.

Mrs. Jimmie O'Neal, widow of Colonel Ernie O'Neal, passed away in April.

On a positive note, my daughter Cheyenne's heart procedure went well in May; she is doing much better and it looks like it was a success. And my precious, perfect sweet bitty-bitty granddaughter's hole in her heart closed on it's own, thank The Good Lord!

Lastly, my mom, Colonel Christina Armour's dog, had kittens, and he is one proud papa☺. Yes, you read it right - she and daddy, Past Commander David Armour, have a dog and a cat, and their dog has his OWN cat, and they love each other dearly, sharing custody of the new kitties.

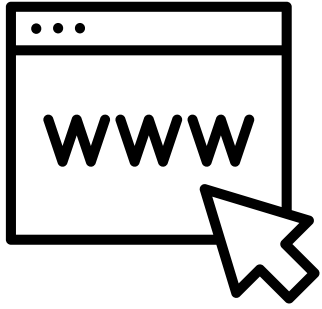
Don't hesitate to reach out to me at anytime for prayer, fellowship or just to share some good news with everyone!

Yours in Christ and the Corps-

Theresa Armour, Colonel# 2419, Chaplain, 2023

Theresa.A.Dykes@gmail.com

C: 770-837-6070



FROM THE WEBMASTER/PARLIAMENTARIAN

Hello Colonels and Past Commanders!

It feels like we just got back from Jekyll and now I'm getting ready for our summer meeting. The year has been flying by very fast.

The website has been stable and there's nothing new to report on that end. Where I have been spending a lot of my time is on the proposed Bylaw changes.

Commander Brian and his staff went over the Bylaws with a fine-toothed comb and identified some long-overdue housekeeping changes. The primary housekeeping change is to eliminate all references to "regions" since they haven't existed for many years now, and "regions" appears in multiple areas. We identified several typos and formatting issues and those were also corrected.

There were a few other sections with proposed content changes and a summary of those content changes is documented in this newsletter.

The proposed changes have been vetted and approved by the Long Range Planning Committee and will be voted on by the members present during the Business Meeting in Milledgeville on August 12.

Due to the printing and mailing costs, the entire Bylaw and Policy document reflecting all the proposed changes (14 pages) WILL NOT be included in the Dispatch. If you are receiving the Dispatch via email, you WILL receive the entire document as an attachment. If you are receiving the Dispatch via snail mail, you can download the entire document from the Website in the Recent News section at the bottom of the Home page: <https://gajchonorcorps.org/>

If you do not have access to the internet and would like to have a copy of the entire proposed Bylaw change document mailed to you, please send me a self-addressed, stamped (with 2 first class stamps) envelope and I'll be happy to drop one into the mail for you. Please send it to the following address:

Nancy Waskiewicz
4457 Dunmovin Dr. NW
Kennesaw, GA 30144

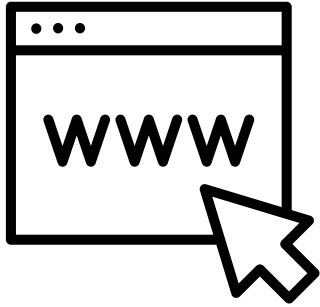
Have a great rest of your summer and I hope to see you in Milledgeville!

[Nancy Waskiewicz, #2135](#)

[Webmaster / Parliamentarian](#)

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[Honor Corps Website link: https://gajchonorcorps.org/](https://gajchonorcorps.org/)



FROM THE WEBMASTER/PARLIAMENTARIAN

2023 PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

ARTICLE I - NAME AND INSIGNIA

Section 3: The Corps shall present a certificate, ~~pin~~, and other Corps item(s) as designated by the staff.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

Section 5. The Commander may make the following, ~~or any other~~ appointments as necessary: Chief of Staff, Sergeant at Arms, Chaplain, Hospitality Coordinator, Parliamentarian, ~~Webmaster~~, and Hospitality Chairmen. ...

Section 7. 2) A candidate shall be declared elected if ~~he the candidate~~ receives a majority ...

Section 8. D. The Treasurer must have served or is serving in at least one appointed office in the Honor Corps or another of the Georgia Jaycee Auxiliaries and must have ~~had experience as a Treasurer either experience as a Treasurer or accounting experience.~~

ARTICLE X - DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

DUTIES OF THE ACTIVE VICE COMMANDER:

5. To plan and implement the Humanitarian Assistance Award Program through Local Presidents ~~and Region Directors~~ by submitting rules and application forms to the State ~~Headquarters for publication in the state mailing~~ President for distribution to the local chapters.

DUTIES OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST COMMANDER:

{Inserted after line 2}:

3. To serve as Chairperson of the Long Range Planning Committee

DUTIES OF THE TREASURER:

3. To be present, or properly represented, in the Hospitality Room at ~~all~~ times set by the Commander...

{Added the following section}:

DUTIES OF THE WEBMASTER

1. To design, develop, monitor, maintain and promote the Corps website
2. To assist the Commander in any way possible
3. To promote and publicize the Honor Corp
4. To assume other responsibilities as deemed necessary by the Commander

GEORGIA JAYCEE HONOR POLICY MANUAL

A. At each Board Meeting ... the Honor Corps will have a Hospitality Room for Colonels and ~~spouses/dates~~ guests. No one under the age of 21 ~~years-of-age~~ will be allowed in the hospitality room at any time.

B. A Co ~~The~~ Commander shall recognize each trimester a New Colonel for ~~cocktail~~ Party for Colonels and ~~spouses/dates/guests~~ will be held No one under the age of 21 ~~years-of-age~~ will be allowed in the Cocktail Party...

J. (Last sentence) ~~There will be no fee for life members.~~ Life members will pay a ribbon fee of \$10 for two nights of hospitality and \$15 for three nights of hospitality.

R.P. Annually, a candidate may be selected to receive a "lost colonelship". ... A three person committee of colonels appointed by the Commander will make the recommendation ~~at no later than the~~ second trimester Board Meeting. ~~The announcement will be made at a time and location set by the Commander. The Commander will make the announcement at the next State Convention.~~

T.R. The Commander shall recognize each trimester a New Colonel for outstanding achievement to ~~their local chapter.~~ ... The Commander shall recognize each trimester a staff and/or Officer for outstanding achievement.

FROM THE HOSPITALITY CHAIR



To say that the Jekyll Island Cocktail Party Competition was a success would be an understatement. We had a terrific turnout - thanks to everyone who entered!

Michelle made some adorable (& delicious) mermaid cookies and brought a Pineapple Cheeseball; Linda Bradford brought Cumberland Caviar Shrimp Dip (wow), Jekyll Island Salad and cream cheese topping with crackers; Kellie entered a "Shark-cueterie Board" - all she needed to make it undeniable was a body with teeth marks! Andrea Perry brought Cannoli Fluff Dip with cookies and Sweet Pigs in Blankets (never heard of them? You should have tasted 'em!); Denise Bauer added chicken salad and crackers; Ginger made some great "Chicken Crack" (perfectly named) with assorted crackers; Cheri Edelstein entered beach themed cupcakes with sunbathing "beauties" (SO cute!) and Barbara Dobbs added wonderful Fruit Biscuits. There was a lot of talk around those tables! I mean, the crowd was "buzzing!" I'm glad I didn't have to judge! (Or compete!)

The winning entry was Cheri's cupcakes!

I must thank Colonel Robert Edwards for matching the Corps' \$50 budgeted prize/donation to make the prize total \$100! And many, many Thanks to the Georgia JCI Senate for taking the burden off the Corps by standing in for, this time, the first fifty!

I think the Corps' allotted expense for the annual Jekyll cocktail is traditionally around \$300 but this year it was less than \$50! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you all!

Some changes were made (?) - added (?) to this endeavor at the last minute... I wanted to give *something* to all the Colonels who made it work out, so I sort of "cajoled" Commander Brian to give them a break in ribbon fees... I've been a Colonel long enough to know better than that (last minute stuff). But he did create a drawing to allow a ribbon fee forfeiture to whoever won (that drawing) held immediately after announcing the winner. There are still some improvements I'd like to make to this project, so look for more information on our FB page.

Milledgeville Corps meeting's cocktail theme will be 'Anything Beatles!' in honor of our lost Commander, Urb.

In the spirit of the (THE) Corps,

Christi Armour, #2024
Hospitality Coordinator
Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps



FROM THE BARTENDERS



Bartenders Report:

We are all looking forward to a great weekend in Milledgeville in August. The Hospitality Room will be open 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.....

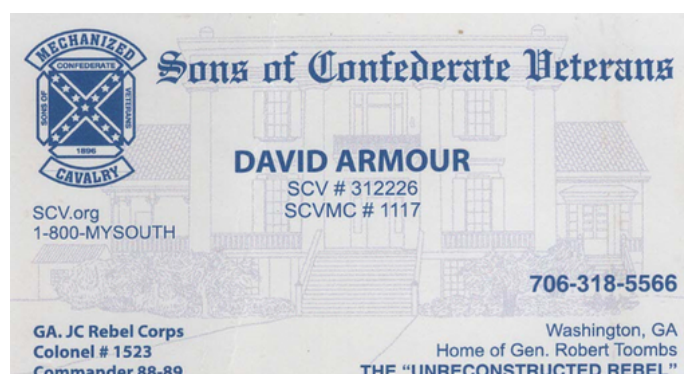
**The Four Amigos,
Randy, Curtis, assistant Linda and Billy**



FROM THE HIGH SHERIFF

Hey, just letting everyone know that i have started a list of fines, so if you know someone who i need fine, just let me know. or bring it to me at our meeting. I'm Your Huckleberry

**David Armour, Past Commander
2023 High Sheriff
Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps**





**GEORGIA JAYCEE
HONOR CORPS**

SUMMER MEETING

AUGUST 11-13, 2023
FAIRFIELD INN/MARRIOTT
2631 N COLUMBIA ST.
MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061

RESERVATIONS MUST BE
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JULY 29, 2023
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MENTION GEORGIA JAYCEE
 HONORARIES TO RECEIVE
 DISCOUNTED RATE

1 KING ROOM \$134+TAX PER NIGHT
 2 QUEEN ROOM \$134+TAX PER NIGHT
 STUDIO/SUITES \$139-154+TAX PER
 NIGHT

Friday 8/11	Welcome Social	4:00-6:00 pm	Pool/Hospitality Room
	Dinner on Your Own	6:00-8:00 pm	
	Corps Staff Meeting	8:00-8:45 pm	Hospitality Room
	Corps Hospitality	9:00-12:00 am	Hospitality Room
Saturday 8/12	Corps Business/Elections Meeting	10:00-11:30 am	Meeting Room
	Fundraiser Lunch	1:00-2:00 pm	Hospitality Room
	Cocktail Party	5:00-6:30 pm	Hospitality Room
	Dinner on Your Own		
	Corps Hospitality	9:00-12:00 am	Hospitality Room
Sunday 8/13	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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