

THE DISPATCH

Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps

Winter 2024



Issue 3

FROM THE COMMANDER



Hello fellow Colonels,

It is hard to believe the 2023 year has already come and gone. It has been both an honor and privilege to serve as your 65th Commander this year. I want to thank my incredible staff who made this a very fun and successful year for the Corps. You definitely poured your hearts and souls into everything you did which made a great impact on the work we accomplished.

I want to personally thank Colonels Tim Dobbs, Barbara Dobbs, Stacy Smith, Chris Armour, Theresa Armour, Randy Vick, Linda Bradford, and Past Commanders Wendy Cowart, Nancy Waskiewicz, David Armour, Billy Bradford, Curtis Carter, Kellie Jett, and Scott Brazell for your help, as well as your love and friendship. I hope you all had fun with the "Top Corps" theme, I know I had a blast with the camo, aviators, and such.

We brought the Corps into the current age by utilizing PayPal to help with dues and received very positive feedback from many of you. We did the arduous task of updating much of our website (gajchonorcorps.org) documents including our Bylaws, Policies, and Humanitarian Assistance Award entry form. The numerous accomplishments all of you made will be felt for many years to come. And to the many Colonels who participated this year I want to thank you for being a part of our successes.

Our next meeting will remain as previously announced January 26-28. The booking link can be found on the website and the Facebook page. I hope you will join us as we celebrate this past year and enter a new and exciting year for the Corps.

Looking ahead I know Commander-Elect Stacy is excited and ready to lead this great organization. Please continue your participation and excitement to help achieve the goals of her and her team.

Thank you again for allowing me to serve as the 65th Commander of the first and best damn Corps in the nation.

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. The drawing for the winner will be held at our year end meeting this month and you do not have to be present to win. I will have the tickets with me and you will be able to purchase them before the drawing.

I hope to see you all at the meeting!

Yours in Service,
Wendy Cowart #2351 L-166
Immediate Past Commander
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FROM THE ACTIVE VICE COMMANDER



Greetings Colonels,

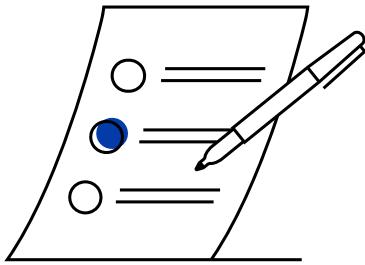
Thanks to everyone for a very successful year. Even though we had no “official” Active Vice Commander, we all pulled together as a team and not only met our goals but exceeded them.

A big thank you goes to Immediate Past Commander Wendy Cowart for conducting the 50/50 Past Commander & Life Member Raffle. The lucky winner will be selected at our next Business Meeting.

Thank you Colonel and Commander-Elect Stacy Smith for a very successful Silent Auction at Jekyll, we raised some much needed funds for the Corps, and thanks to everyone for your assistance with the Annual Honor Corps Charity Golf Tournament. We sold a record 20 hole sponsorships and raised money for Mental Health America of Georgia and the Corps.

And don’t forget our Hospitality Coordinator Mama Armour for her idea of a themed Cocktail Party Food Contest. It was so much fun and we saved a lot of money in the process. Also, thank to the many who bought koozies this year and supported my “Top Corps” theme.

Brian Jett #2282
Interim Active Vice President



FROM THE INACTIVE VICE COMMANDER

Happy New Year Colonels!

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. I can't wait to see everyone at the meeting in Macon at the end of the month and would LOVE to induct some new Colonels into the Corps. It certainly has been a pleasure serving as your Inactive Vice Commander this year.

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
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FROM THE ADJUTANT



Greetings fellow Colonels!

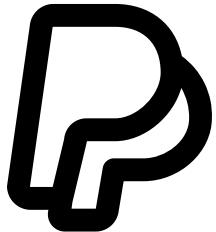
I have enjoyed being your Adjutant and I hope you enjoyed the newsletters this year. The digital copy is fantastic so I encourage you to sign up if you haven't already so you can get all the benefits of a full color newsletter. If you are still receiving a black and white newsletter by mail and want to switch, please provide me with your email address and I will add you to the distribution list.

The price of stamps is about to rise again from 66 cents to 68 cents, 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

It has been a pleasure serving as Adjutant under Commander Brian this year and I am looking forward to carrying the momentum into 2024 as your 66th Commander. If there are any projects or events you would like to see this year, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in the Corps-
Stacy Smith.Col# 2489
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TREASURER NEWS

FROM THE TREASURER

Welcome to 2024!!! I hope everyone had a safe and wonderful holiday and new years with family and friends. Usually, the new year is brought about with new goals and resolutions for your personal self, your business, your family, etc. I would like to challenge each of you to incorporate the Jaycee Organization a little bit more when you are moving throughout the year. You could come to a meeting, volunteer to do some community service, offer to help a newer Jaycee with a project, or even offer the gift of membership to someone who's never heard of the Jaycees in your local community. Remember what the Jaycees meant to you when you joined, and now you are able to pass along your knowledge and experience to someone who needs it. I believe we all need Jaycees!!

I have enjoyed serving as your Treasurer this past year and I hope to see you all at the Year End meeting in Macon at the end of the month. Speaking of the meeting, It's not too late to pay your dues for those that didn't get a chance to mail it or pay by Paypal. You can still pay those ways, or bring it to the meeting. The Hospitality / Ribbon fees for this next meeting have not changed and will be as follows:

\$15 for Colonels
\$15 for Guests of Colonels
\$10 for Life Members

If you have any questions regarding your dues, ribbon fees, or if you just want to say, "Hi!", I'm available for you. You can contact me via phone, email, or facebook.

Love to you all.

Yours in Jaycees,
Barbara Dobbs, #2355
Honor Corps Treasurer 2023
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FROM THE CHIEF OF STAFF



As we bring this awesome crazy year to a close, we carry optimism into the next, I would like to say what an honor it has been to serve Commander Brian Jett as his Chief of Staff.

We traveled across the state serving our chapters, meeting together as a team to plan our events, brainstorming and sharing ideas, growing as an organization and as individuals. We have seen the Secret Service, dancing dinosaurs and flamingos, and were entertained by Elvis. We might not have always agreed with every decision but we certainly all came together when it counted. We have strength within, and it shows through our might. The Corps lost some great ones this year. The void left is felt by us all, yet we are all better people for having known them. They will be forever loved and remembered.

I am looking forward to our upcoming last hoorah, it's gonna be a memorable event without a doubt. Stay safe, and remember kids, stay in school and don't do drugs.

Again, thank you Brian for this honor.

"I feel the need..... The need for speed"

Tim "Elvis" Dobbs, #2225
2024 Chief of Staff



FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Greetings fellow Colonels-

I feel like this has been a trying year for us all! We have lost some very special people, and that loss will stay with each of us for a long time to come. However, Jeremiah 29:11 tells us that "God declares, I think of you, and I have plans for you- prosperity, and a future filled with hope." Growing up, we all wanted to speed time up- are we there yet? Is it the weekend yet? Is it summer yet? Is it Christmas yet? It's all too easy to become busy and stressed and rushed. This means that we often miss out on what's right in front of us.

This coming year, I pray for each of you that time slows DOWN... that you stop and smell the coffee, and the roses; that you stop and smell the aftershave on your man, or the new perfume on your girl; that you smell the sweet spot on the back of your new grandbaby's neck; that you smell puppy breath; that you smell play-doh and get swept back to being a kid, that you smell the rain, or step into a bookstore or library and smell the pages, or just stroll through the bakery next time you shop.

Whatever it is, however insignificant, enjoy it. Stomp through a mud puddle. Sing in the shower. Bake because you want cookies. Karaoke for the first time. Learn something new. Just LIVE, LAUGH and LOVE-

God knows everything we are going through at this very moment, and everything we will go through in the future. He knows the best way to handle every situation so we get the best possible outcome and we need to trust Him with that. We need to follow HIS path and trust what He knows best... because He does. It's when we slow down and learn to enjoy God's everyday blessings that we can learn to rest in Him and have faith that He has a beautiful life planned for us.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Chaplain this year. I look forward to my next step as Active Vice Commander with this fantastic group of people that I'm blessed to call family. We will be having our silent auction at the next meeting, so please be sure to bring some good stuff for donation- I'm sure each of you have something that would be a great re-gift at this time of year 😊

Prayers for continued good health, bountiful blessings and wonderful friends, and Cheers to a Happy New Year!!

Yours in the Corps-

Theresa Armour, Colonel# 2419

Chaplain 2023

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FROM THE WEBMASTER/PARLIAMENTARIAN



Hello Colonels and Past Commanders!

It's hard to believe that another Corps year is coming to an end. Time has flown by fast.

The website has been stable and the next major update will take place after the 2024 officers get installed at our year-end meeting. In the next newsletter, I plan to provide an overview of the website as a refresher to those who haven't visited it in a while and an introduction for colonels who have yet to visit it.

I must say that I thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to serve the Corps as both Webmaster and Parliamentarian under Commander Brian. It's been a great year, and I look forward to another great year under Commander-elect Stacy.

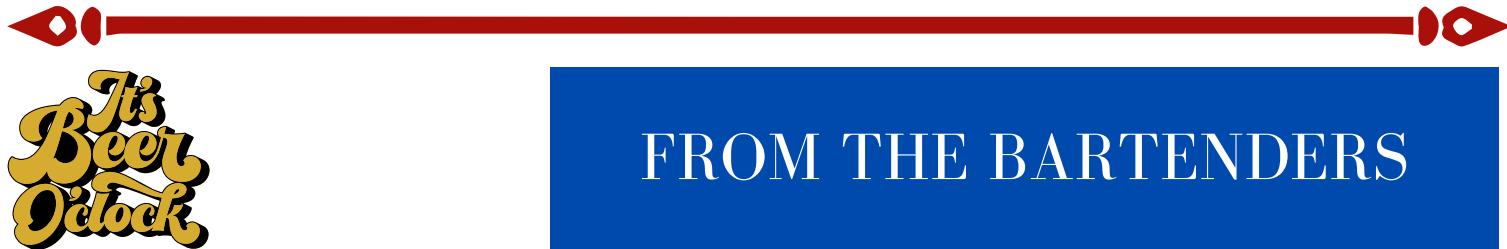
I hope you've made plans to attend our year-end meeting in Macon, and if so, I'll see you there!

It was a tremendous honor for you to have elected me as Treasurer for the upcoming year. It's a position I've always wanted to hold and I appreciate the opportunity to finally get to hold it. During the year I hope to make some enhancements to the Corps Check Register / Budget spreadsheet.

In addition to Treasurer, I will also continue serving as the Corps' Webmaster.

I look forward to working with Commander-elect Stacy and her staff on what's sure to be a very fun and productive year.

Nancy Waskiewicz, #2135 L-167
Webmaster / Parliamentarian/ Treasurer-Elect
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Honor Corps Website link: <https://gajchonorcorps.org/>



Bartenders Report:

We are all looking forward to a great weekend in Macon this month. 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 Hospitality Room or my room.

This will be our last weekend to serve Commander Brian and the Corps as we are retiring and turning the duties over to the next generation of bartenders. We have really enjoyed the last seven years and hope we met everyone's expectations and needs. Thanks to everyone who assisted us in loading/unloading supplies, getting ice and helping in many ways. Its been a great run.....

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

Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps Winter Meeting



January 26-28, 2024

TownePlace Suites by Marriott Macon
Mercer University

1550 Mercer University Drive, Macon, GA 31204

Reservations must be
made by January 16.

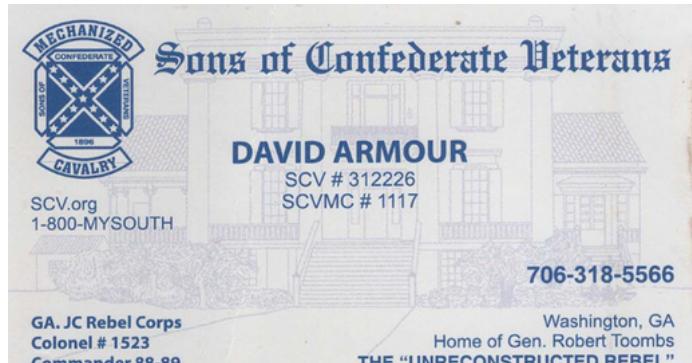
Please refer to the Honor
Corps Facebook page or
website for the booking link.

1 King Suite \$139 + tax
2 Queen Suite \$149 + tax



**Agenda for Winter Meeting
Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps
Macon, GA
January 26 – 28, 2024**

Friday 1/26	Welcome Social Dinner on your own Corps Staff Meeting Corps Hospitality	4:00 pm - 6:00 pm 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm 8:00 pm - 8:45 pm 9:00 pm - 12:00 am	TBD Meeting Room Meeting Room
Saturday 1/27	Corps Meeting Lunch Cocktail Party Corps Hospitality	10:00 am - 11:30 am 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm 9:00 pm - 12:00 am	Meeting Room Meeting Room Meeting Room
Sunday 1/28	Safe travels home!		



INCOMING STAFF

Please help me welcome the 2024 Honor Corp Staff!

Position	Name	Email
Immediate Past Commander	Brian Jett	brianjett707@gmail.com
Commander	Stacy Smith	smith30102@yahoo.com
Active Vice Commander	Theresa Armour	Theresa.A.Dykes@gmail.com
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Adjutant	Les Howard	ajcrc2335@yahoo.com
Treasurer	Nancy Waskiewicz	nancywask@gmail.com
Chief of Staff	Kellie Jett	kbjettsmile@yahoo.com
Bartenders	Kellie/Brian/Guests	N/A
Sargent at Arms	David Armour	armourd_rebel@hotmail.com
Chaplain	TBD	
Hospitality Coordinator	TBD	
Parliamentarian	TBD	

HONORARIES MEETING

Georgia Jaycee Honor Corps

Georgia JCI Senate

MAY 16-19, 2024

**Villas by the Sea
Resort & Conference Center**

1175 N. Beachview Dr.

Jekyll Island, GA 31527

Reservations must be made by:

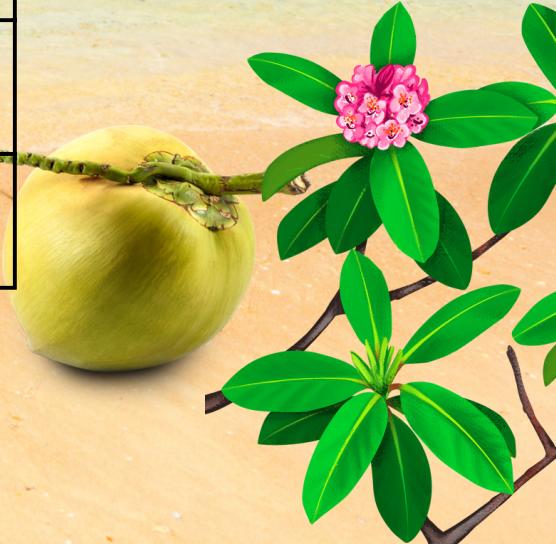
APRIL 16, 2024

TO BOOK Call 1-800-841-6262

Mention "GA Jaycees" when calling

Meetings and
Hospitality will be
held in the
**Fitzgerald Building,
Cannon's Point-
Hofwyl Room**

	Island side	Ocean side	Ocean view	Occupancy
MiniVilla/Studio	\$159	N/A	N/A	1-2
One Bedroom	\$174	\$184	\$204	1-2
Two Bedroom	\$254	\$279	\$299	1-4
Three Bedroom	\$289	\$314	\$334	1-6



We Believe...

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life;

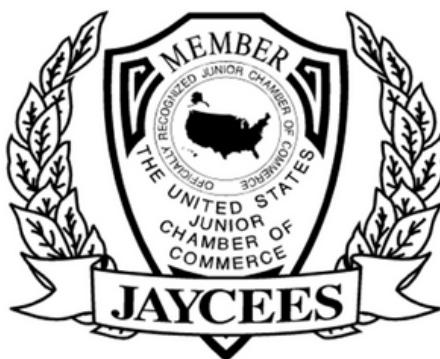
That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations;

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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