



SD JCI Senate News

August 2025

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Greetings South Dakota Senators!

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer and you have had the chance to spend time with family and friends and taken much needed summer vacations.

I will be serving as President again this year for the SD JCI Senate & look forward to meeting with everyone and participating in activities.

The SD Senate will be busy again this year with Return the Favor activities; participating in Wreath's Across America; the Senate Scholarship program; Presidential Sweepstakes & volunteering at the SD State Fair.

We had a great turn out at our annual meeting in May in Mitchell, SD. Thank you to Region VI NVP elect Dan Badger for attending, conducting elections and swearing in officers. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at upcoming meetings.

Congratulations to the 2025-2026 officers & appointments for the SD JCI Senate:

President – Chad Albers #68747

Chairman of the Board – Cindy Crook #55834

Vice President – Gary Steen #56503

Treasurer – Cindy Crook #55834

Secretary – Vonita Gardner #63629

Sgt. at Arms - Ellen Shaner #68746

Newsletter Editor – Vonita Gardner #63629

State Advisors – Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573 and Vonita Gardner #63629

Congratulations once again to Rose Steen #57178 on being elected as Region VI NVP for 2025-2026. Rose's theme this year is Crusin' through Region VI. We all look forward to this year with Rose at the helm – SD is ready to go!!

If you are interested in volunteering at the SD State Fair working at the admission gates (August 27 – Sept. 1st) e-mail or text Vonita Gardner (vonitarae@hotmail.com or 605-351-3170) by Aug. 10th to get signed up with the Fair folks. There are two shifts to choose from 7:00 am – 1:30 pm or 1:30 – 8:00 p.m.

The next SD JCI Senate Fall meeting is scheduled for September 4-6, 2025 in Keystone SD – more information re: the meeting can be found on the flyer further in the newsletter.

SD will be hosting the Region VI Spring Meeting, April 17-19, 2026 in Yankton, SD. This is Rose's year end celebration – come out and support NVP Rose as she celebrates the hard work her year as NVP.

Manpower will also be needed during the weekend to make sure all runs smoothly – please let me know if you will be attending and are available to help out.

I am looking forward to the upcoming year!! Until next time.....

Celebrating the Senate -- Past, Present and Future

Chad Albers #68747
605-351-5034 - albersc@msn.com

Vice President

Hello fellow JCI Senators

This is Gary Steen, your Vice President for the coming year. The SD Senate is here to help the JC's with their projects when asked. If you can help out at many of the fun events fun events coming up, the Sioux Falls Jaycees would be happy to see you! There are casino nights for businesses on occasion that they need dealers for – the Sioux Falls spooky Haunted House is also coming up – it is a blast to scare at this haunt! Please try to help on some of these projects - we will keep you posted on dates and times.

In addition, the South Dakota JCI Senate has been asked if we could help out at the admission gates at the SD State Fair (August 27th through September 1st). The State Fair will pay the Senate \$11.83 per hour for our assistance. There are 2 shifts available (7 am to 1:30 pm – or - 1:30 pm to 8 pm) they will pay the Senate when the fair is done. I think this would be fun and you still have half the day to be a fair goer yourself!! Hope to see some of you there helping with this.

So for now, if you have any questions, I would love to hear from you!

Gary Steen #56503
Gary.steen1957@gmail.com
605-881-1500

SD JCI Senate Secretary

Good Day Senators!

I will be holding the position of Secretary this year, recording notes at our state meetings. Minutes from the previous meetings are shared in the newsletter prior to each state meeting in succession.

I am looking forward to the next year in the SD JCI Senate!!

Vonita Gardner #63629
605-351-3170
vonitarae@hotmail.com

2024-2005 SD JCI Senate Year-End Treasurer Report

| | | 0/09/23 | 02/10/24 | 05/01/24 | 09/01/24 | 02/01/25 | 05/01/25 |
|-----------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| ACCOUNT # | ACCOUNT | BALANCE | BALANCE | BALANCE | BALANCE | BALANCE | BALANCE |
| #2631 | GENERAL | \$3,318.09 | \$3,032.09 | \$2,747.11 | \$2,876.11 | \$2,312.10 | \$2,860.50 |
| #2260 | SCHOLARSHIP | \$3,175.74 | \$3,182.88 | \$3,187.07 | \$2,191.82 | \$2,651.05 | \$1,654.32 |
| #0193 | LIFETIME INSTALLMENTS | \$5,415.64 | \$5,427.81 | \$5,427.81 | \$5,441.93 | \$5,455.49 | \$5,242.99 |
| #0626 | FUTURE SENATORS | \$1,015.33 | \$1,017.65 | \$1,018.99 | \$1,020.72 | \$1,022.81 | \$1,024.05 |
| #5162 | REGION VI | \$3,965.56 | \$3,965.56 | \$3,965.56 | \$3,965.56 | \$3,965.56 | \$3,965.56 |

2025-2026 SD JCI Senate Treasurer

Greetings Fellow SD JCI Senators,

Well as August is almost here and it is time to wrap-up summer vacations, attend county & state fairs, send kids back to school and get ready for the fall season. It also means it time to jump start this senate year, where did the time go!! I'm excited to be serving this year as the SD JCI Senate Treasurer, this is for two years. One of my goals this year is to contact each senator and update their information, such as their address, phone number & email address, which could be a challenge. This will be less challenging if I can get everyone's help. If you could send me your information by text or email, that would help me out. Looking forward to talking to or hearing from all of you. We are always looking for fundraising ideas to help raise money for the Senate - if you have any ideas, please let me know. We raise funds through helping the Sioux Falls Jaycees with casino nights during the year, where everyone can volunteer to help. Also, we can raise funds by volunteering at the South Dakota State Fair, please contact Vonita if you can help this year ASAP. We would love to see more members get involved and attend meetings, as the saying goes the more the merrier!! Hope you see you all soon!!

“Celebrating the Senate Past, Present & Future”

Cindy Crook #55834

SD JCI Senate Treasurer

2025-2027

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REGION VI SPRING MEETING

April 17 – 19, 2026

Held in the NFAA Easton Yankton Archery Center
800 Archery Lane
Yankton SD 57078



The SD JCI Senate is pleased to announce we will be hosting the Region VI Spring Meeting April 17-19, 2026. States that make up Region VI include Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. We can expect approximately 150 Senators from these six states to attend.

The venue for the event is the NFAA Easton Yankton Archery Center in Yankton, South Dakota. This is a state-of-the-art facility that is an ideal venue to host this event.

Planning is going well and we are right on track for a wonderful year end celebration for NVP Rose Steen #57178. Any and all help is truly appreciated.

One area that we KNOW we need help with....We are in need some donations of rose bowls (like those pictured below) and any rose bouquets that we can disassemble for centerpieces and decorating. If you have either bowls or bouquets, please let us know and we will make arrangements to pick them up!!

Or, if you are able to help out during the weekend (i.e. unloading the trailer, helping out in the bar and hospitality area, setting up the area for the banquet, tear down following the event and re-loading the trailer, etc.), please contact Chad Albers at 605-351-5034, Cindy Crook at 605-460-1184 or Vonita Gardner at 605-351-3170. If you have any questions re: the event, please reach out as well.

We are super excited to be hosting the Region VI Spring Meeting and look forward to seeing everyone as NVP Rose celebrates the successes from her year in office!!



**** **Return the Favor Opportunities** ****

The Sioux Falls Jaycees will soon be preparing for the Jaycees Haunted House

August 15 – October 9
Haunted House
Move-in and Build

October 10 – October 31
Haunted House “Haunt”
Project dates

November 1 – November 10
Haunted House
Tear-down

Please contact Kyle Weelborg #81623 at 605-929-5985 if you are able to help out

SD JCI Senate Newsletter

Deadlines for article submissions for the upcoming newsletters:

| Articles Due: | Newsletter distributed: |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| July 25 | August 1 |
| November 25 | December 1 |
| March 25 | April 1 |

Please forward articles/additions to Vonita Gardner at vonitarae@hotmail.com

Please email me with any questions.
Vonita Gardner #63629

Regional and National On-TO / Upcoming Events

USJCI Fall Boards

Sept. 11-14, 2025

Columbus, Ohio
Hotel - Crown Plaza North
6500 Double Tree Ave
Columbus, Ohio
Phone: 614-885-1885
Rooms \$ 109.00
Registration: \$75.00

Region VI Fall Boards

October 3-5, 2025

Spicer MN.
Hotel: Little Crow Hotel & Conference Center
Phone 320-347-1450
Rooms \$ 165.00
Registration: \$ 70.00

US JCI Winter Board Meeting

January 15-18, 2026

Melbourne, FL
Hotel: Hilton Melbourne Rialto Place
200 Rialto Place
Melbourne, FL 329/1
Phone: 321-768-0220
Rooms: \$139.00
Registration – \$95.00

USJCI National Convention

June 14-18, 2026

San Antonio, TX
Hotel: Westin San Antonio North
9821 Colonnade Blvd
San Antonio, TX 78230
Phone 844-886-4304
Rooms \$ 160.00
Registration: \$170.00

US JCI Fall Board Meeting

September 17-20, 2026

Topeka, KS
Phone/Hotel/Room Rate/Registration - TBD



Region VI JCI Senate 2025 Fall Region Meeting October 3-5



Hosted by the MN JCI Senate
at Little Crow Resort and Conference Center in Spicer, MN

Name: _____ JCI Senate# _____
 Spouse/Guest Name _____ JCI Senate/Friendship# _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____
 Is this your first JCI Senate Meeting? ___yes___no Spouse/Guest? ___yes___no



| | QTY | Postmarked by September 1st, 2025 | Postmarked after September 1st, 2025 | TOTAL |
|-------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|---|-------|
| Full Registration | | \$70 | \$80 | |

Registration includes Hospitality Friday and Saturday. Lunch and dinner on Saturday.

Vegetarian or Religious/Dietary Restrictions: _____

Make checks payable to MN JCI Senate.
 Mail checks to:
 Nancy Stredde #63623
 410 20th Street NW, Willmar, MN 56201
 Email: firststep@charter.net
 320-231-3808

All hotel reservations should be made directly with the hotel, request room block:

Region 6 Senate-100325REG

Little Crow Resort & Conference Center
 15982 Hwy 23 NE, Spicer 320-347-1450

Room rate is \$165 plus 11.875% tax.

Hotel amenities: Continental Plus breakfast, Beer & Wine Lounge, pool & whirlpool, elevators, onsite restaurant, fitness center.

Room block ends
 9/3/2025



CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BEARS & BOOKS REGION VI PROGRAM

Greetings Fellow South Dakota Senators

Hope everyone is having a great summer with summer activities & much needed vacations with family & friends. I'm excited to be serving again this year for Region VI as the Program Manager for Children's Hospital Bears & Books Region VI Program. This was a new program last year that VP Dan Badger asked if I would be willing to take on. I had so much fun and such a great response from all Senators that donated last year that I decided I would do it again this year for VP Rose Steen. The plan is for Senators to collect & gather new stuffed animals and children's books through-out the year to donate to Children's Hospital in Region VI. The stuffed animals need to have the tags on them to know they are new to donate. The idea is to get all Senators involved in this program. Senators can bring their donations to their own State Meetings and also bring them to the Region VI Meetings to donate to the Children's Hospital in the state that is hosting the Region VI Meeting. They can also donate to a Children's Hospital in their own state. Just need to let me know what their plans are for donations, including pictures. This program will be run during the whole year, being there is 2 Regional Meetings in Spicer, MN in October & Yankton, SD in April. Since Children's Hospital Bears & Books was a new program last year and we had such a great response, hoping we can double the donations this year. Just think if every Senator donates ONE BEAR & ONE BOOK to the program, how many children's lives we can impact! So jump on the Cruisin Thru Region VI convertible and start collecting Bears & Books for Children's Hospitals, the Great Race is on for Region VI.

A challenge was made at the Spring Region VI meeting in Branson to 5 people that received a large bag of gummies to each bring 2 Bears & 2 Books and recruit 3 people to also bring 2 Bears & 2 Books to the Fall Region VI meeting in Spicer, MN in October. The names I have so far...

The Challenge Names:

Phyllis Bowers – Eldon Bowers – Wayde Burkhardt – Pat Hoelker

Skip Hoelker – ? - ? - ?

Angie Taylor – Brian Witte - ? - ?

Kristen Johnson –? - ? - ?

Person number 5????

WANTED NOT DEAD BUT ALIVE WHO IS THAT 5TH PERSON SOMEBODY KNOWS WHO THAT PERSON IS!!

Please forward the names of your challenger to me.

Please text the information to me. (605) 460-1184

Please remind your Senators of the challenge.

“Let's Get Cruisin with Bears & Books”

Cindy Crook #55834

Children's Hospital Bears & Books PM

605-460-1184

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SD Senate Constitution and By-Laws

Two SD JCI Senate Constitution and By-Law proposed changes will be voted on at the SD JCI Senate Fall meeting on September 6, 2025 in Keystone, SD. The proposed changes are outline below.

The By-Laws currently read:

Article IV – Elections

Section 3 At the annual elections, there shall be elected a President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Sergeant at Arms, all of whom will constitute the officers of the corporation and will serve one (1) year terms or until their successors are elected except the Treasurer who will serve two (2) years.

A change has been proposed to remove the 2nd Vice President position as an officer of the corporation and change the 1st Vice President to the title of Vice President only.

The By-Laws will be revised to read:

At the annual elections, there shall be elected a President, ~~1st~~ Vice President, ~~2nd Vice President~~, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Sergeant at Arms, all of whom will constitute the officers of the corporation and will serve one (1) year terms or until their successors are elected except the Treasurer who will serve two (2) years.

The By-Laws currently read:

Article VI – Duties of the Officers

Section 6

Letter H No debit card will be held by this corporation. A credit card will be held by the organization for the sole purpose of securing room reservations for dignitary visits and/or meeting room expenses as needed.

A change has been proposed to link a debit bank card to the 'Region VI' bank account only for purposes of securing room reservations for dignitary visits and/or meeting and meeting room expenses.

The By-Laws will be revised to read:

Letter H ~~No debit card will be held by this corporation.~~ A debit bank card is at no time to be linked to the 'General' bank account of this corporation. A ~~credit~~ debit bank card will be ~~held by the organization~~ linked to the 'Region VI' bank account of this corporation for the sole purpose of securing room reservations for dignitary visits and/or meeting and meeting room expenses as needed.



December 13, 2025

Region VI contact:

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National Chair:

Angie Taylor #71600
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Chariton, IA 50049
angiewedekind2010@gmail.com
803-315-6976

To donate:

Choose the following link:

[Overview - Wreaths Across America](#)

Scroll to the “Sponsor Wreaths” option



Follow the appropriate prompts



SD JCI Fall Meeting

September 5-7, 2025
Keystone, SD

Ramada Inn by Wyndham
115 Swanzey Street
Keystone, SD 57751
605-215-5850

Business Meeting 1:00 pm
(Meeting room TBD)

6:00 pm supper as a group Friday evening 9/5/25
Saturday lunch on your own 9/6/25
6:30 pm supper as a group Saturday evening 9/6/25

A block of rooms has NOT been secured at the hotel – there is a good discounted rate with Wyndham rewards membership

For more information or questions, contact:

President Chad Albers
605-351-5034

Future Meeting dates:

SD JCI Winter Meeting: February 20 & 21, 2026 – Yankton, SD
SD JCI Annual Meeting: May 1 & 2, 2026 – Sioux Falls, SD

Fundraising Opportunity

Work at the South Dakota State Fair
and raise money for the SD JCI Senate.

Again, this year, the South Dakota State Fair Association is looking for individuals to work the admission gates, scanning tickets during the SD State Fair (**August 27th – September 1st**) with all proceeds from hours worked by our volunteers, forwarded to the SD JCI Senate.

This is a great Ways and Means opportunity for the SD JCI Senate!

Each worker will receive \$11.83 per hour payable to the SD JCI Senate (funds will be transferred to the Senate at the end of the Fair) and several shifts are available needed coverage.

There are two shifts available:

7:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Or

1:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

If you are interested in helping out/raising funds for the SD JCI Senate, contact Vonita Gardner (text or call 605-351-3170) with the days you would be available and which shift(s) work best for you. Schedules must be submitted to the fair manager by August 10th.

Admission to the fair is free the day you work the gates – accommodations are available if you feel sitting or standing for extended periods of time may be an issue.



Wednesday, August 27th through Friday, September 1st

South Dakota JCI Senate
Annual Meeting
Mitchell, South Dakota
May 3, 2025

Unapproved Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Chad Albers #68747 – The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm by President Chad Albers #68747

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Herb Koerner #28607

INVOCATION: Vonita Gardner #63629

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & MEMBERS: NVP Dan Badger #67974 was in attendance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Move to approve by Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573; Second by Rose Steen #57178 - m/c

SECRETARY'S REPORT: (Ellen Shaner #68746 not in attendance)

Approval of Minutes from SD JCI Senate Winter Meeting – Feb. 8, 2025, Sioux Falls, SD.

Move to approve by Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573; Second by John Dahl #42828 - m/c

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rose Steen #57178

- Account Activities and Balances
- Membership Renewals
 - June 1st - 63 total due: 49 lifetime / 14 annual (Robert Anderson – John Auch – Thomas Brady – Patrick Coughlin – Scott Finck – Alice Hammer – Donna Hamre – Kenneth Hults – Jeff Jansen – Karen Miller – Rick Stanely – Gary Watzel - Kyle Weelborg)
 - Ellen Shaner is also due, but has paid her lifetime dues.
 - 2024-2025 Year-to-date membership is -6 as of April 1, 2025
 - 2 deceased - Tom Burns and Al Stover
 - Barb Hale dropped – Barb Francis dropped – Mary Hanisch dropped – one member from 2nd quarter dropped, but will be submitted as new in the third quarter (Brad Vaughn)
- Mentors (Sign-up and Envelope) envelope was passed

EDWARD JONES ACCOUNT:

Edward Jones Representatives (effective July 1, 2022) – previous balance was \$27,703.37 – as of April 2025, balance is \$26,948.28 (difference of \$-170.70 YTD). Senate accounts have been transferred to a new Edward Jones representative Julie continues to connect with new representative.

- 5-year term and administrator – Julie Rieckman-Caron # 60573 (term ends 7/1/2027)
- 3-year term – Lester Sterns #67960 – (term ends 7/1/2025)
- Current Chairman of the Board – Cindy Crook #55834
- Current SD JCI President – Chad Albers #68747
- Current SD JCI Treasurer – Rose Steen #57178

SD JCI ADVISORS REPORT: Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573 & Vonita Gardner #63629
 Congratulations Rose Steen #57178 – voted 2025-2026 Region VI NVP
 Regional appointment positions being filled.

VICE-PRESIDENT REPORTS:

1st Vice President

- Regional/National ON-TO – John Dahl #42828

Upcoming regional, state and national meetings:

U S JCI Annual Meeting June 15-19, 2025

Chicago/ Northbrook, IL

Hotel Hilton

Phone 847-480-7500

Rooms - \$144.00 plus tax

Registration - \$140.00

Iowa Picnic July 11- 13, 2025

Jefferson, IA

Hotel - Cobblestone Hotel

Phone: 515-386-3535

Rooms \$ 129.00

Reg. \$ 45.00

Fall Boards National Sept. 11-14, 2025

Columbus, Ohio

Hotel - Crown Plaza

Phone: 614-885-1885

Rooms \$ 109.00

Registration: \$75.00

Region 6 Fall Boards October 3-5, 2025

Spicer MN.

Hotel Little Crow Hotel & Conference Center

Phone 320-347-1450

Rooms \$ 165.00

Registration: \$ 70.00

- State On-To – 2025-2026 Meeting dates TBD
Locations and dates will be determined – meeting locations in the Black Hills area will be looked at (Rapid City, Deadwood, Keystone, Sturgis, Spearfish etc.).
- Newsletter – Vonita Gardner #63629
Changing the cadence of the when then newsletter is distributed to align with being out just before the next state meeting (newsletters will be forwarded in August, December, April). Information will be shared via the SD JCI Senate email and Facebook account to assure any updates are shared with members.
- Hospitality – SD JCI Senate Board Members / All Members
 - Coolers will no longer be brought to meetings – they are heavy, ice/melted ice, soda make them cumbersome. Please bring your water bottles/soft drinks of choice/coffee etc.to the meetings.
- Scholarships – Vonita Gardner #63629
 - 31 applicants - 3 state winners (that were forwarded on to nationals) – 2 national winners.
- Social Media (Website & Facebook)
Facebook – Cindy Crook #55864 Website - Vonita Gardner #63629
Cindy now an administrator for the SD JCI Senate Facebook page – anything you want put on the Facebook, either post it individually or forward to Cindy to post. Vonita updated the SD JCI Website – a link to the Region VI Spring 2026 meeting has already been added.

Motion to take a break by Marsha Dahl #47936; second by Cindy Crook #55864 – m/c

Meeting reconvened at 2:08 pm.

2nd Vice President – Gary Steen #56503

Agenda Addition – Only have 1 Vice President position is needed at this time - motion by Gary Steen #56503; second by Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573 to change the by-laws to have only 1 Vice President on the BOD. m/c

- Sweepstakes – Rose Steen #57178
 - \$5 put in the hat – enough go draw 4 tickets
 - Dan Badger #67974 drew ticket – winners included
 - Gary Steen #56503 – Marsha Dahl #47936
 - Rose Steen #57178 - Dan Badger #67974

- Constitution & By-Laws/Policies (updated 6/1/24) – By Committee
- SOARS (Senate Outreach, Activation, Retention) – information available – please request.
- My Jaycee Story – Individual Member submissions – forms available – please request.
- Return the Favor
 - ~ Individual Members submit RTF program specific documentation
Submission due dates: December 15; May 10 - forms are available
 - ~ RTF opportunities in South Dakota available to support local JC's
Vonita will reach out to SD State Fair folks to see if the fundraising opportunity is still available (or has the program possibly been cut).

Casino nights – the next SF Jaycee casino night events/RTF opportunities will be in late July 2025 or early August 2025. Senate members participating is always appreciated.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Region VI Spring Meeting – April 11-13, 2025 – Branson, MO
 - Rose Steen #57178 was elected Region VI NVP for the 2025-2026 Senate year
 - SD had 13 members in attendance
 - There were 13 visiting states, 1 visiting NVP; 150 registered
 - Sat. evening entertainment was very good.
- Children's Hospital Bears & Books – Region VI Program– Cindy Crook #55834
 - Region VI event – great turnout – 69 books and 57 stuffies were collected in Bismark, ND in October. These were donated to the Sanford Children's Hospital in Bismarck.
 - 185 books and 135 stuffies were collected in Branson, MO. With the help of Kristen Johnson making contacts/connections these were donated to the Mercy Health Care System in Missouri (the Mercy Springfield Children's Hospital is an affiliate of St. Jude's Children's Hospital).
- US JCI National Convention – Northbrook, IL - June 15-19, 2025
Starts on June 15th – those planning to attend include Julie, Chuck, Herb, John, Marsha, Gary, Rose, Ken, Carole. Region VI will plan to meet on the 15th led by Dan Badger #67974.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2024 RTF Fundraiser donation from Sioux Falls Jaycees
Sioux Falls Jaycees presented \$500.00 to the SD JCI Senate for the RTF participation – this is a donation to the General Fund.
- Region VI Fall Meeting – October 3-5, 2025 – Spicer, MN
Early registration deadline – September 1st
- Region VI Spring Meeting – April 17-19, 2026, Yankton, SD
SD received the bid – this will be held at the NFAA Yankton Archery Center in Yankton, SD again in 2026.
Communications will be forwarded via email/Facebook etc. for members to be involved in the weekend.
- Incoming National Officers - candidates
President - Bruce Sostak #52655 Admin. VP – Gary Duell #48384
Treasurer – Tom King #59642 Secretary - Dawna Norfleet #61999
- National Year End Slide Show–Dr. Tom Molstad –
Forward any photos of State, Regional or National events to pictures@usjcisenate.org
- Way and Means Fundraisers 2025-2026 – SD State Fair & SF Jaycees
Vonita will reach out to SD State Fair folks to see if the fundraising opportunity is still available (or has the program possibly been cut).
- National Scholarship Winners
Ava Hanson (University) Emery Bultje (Technical College)
Aberdeen Catholic Schools Andes Central High School
Attending Northern State University Attending Mitchell Technical College

REGION VI NVP DAN BADGER #67974

Presented thank you gift to President Chad Albers #68747

Rose will represent Region VI at the region's booth, dressing as a race car driver. 400 miniature race cars will be used for a promotional program!!

Dan has logged just under 26,000 miles on his car this year - this does not include the miles put on when he was the passenger traveling to Regional meetings and events!

Region VI is in the lead at this time with sweepstakes tickets purchased! Thanks for your participation.

Rose's phone rang during the meeting! \$20 will be donated to the Presidential Sweepstakes program on behalf of the SD JCI Senate.

PRESIDENTIAL COMMENTS

Thank you everyone for your work and participation this year. President Chad presented thank you gifts to Dan Badger, Rose Steen, Cindy Crook and Gary Steen.

President Chad passed the gavel to Dan Badger #67974 to conduct the election process.

ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS 2025-2026 OFFICERS

President: previously announced – Chad Albers #68747

Treasurer: previously announced – Cindy Crook #55834

Sgt. at Arms: previously announced – Ellen Shaner #68746

No nominations were received from the floor – motion to cease nominations by Gary Steen #56503; second by Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573; unanimous vote to approve President, Treasurer, and Sgt. at Arms as nominated – m/c

Secretary: Rose Steen #57178 nominated Vonita Gardner #63629; second by Herb Koerner #28607 – m/c

1st Vice President: Vonita Gardner #63629 nominated Gary Steen #56503; second by Cindy Crook #55834 – m/c.

Motion to close nominations by Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573; second by Rose Steen #57178 – m/c

2nd Vice President: coming into this meeting there were no nominations – there were no nominations from the floor – the 2nd vice president position will not be filled.

Good of the Order

Swearing in the of the 2025-2026 SD JCI Senate officers by Rose Steen #57178

Motion to Adjourn by Marsha Dahl #47936; second by Julie Rieckman-Caron #60573 – m/c

Jaycee Creed led by Dan Badger #67974

Submitted by Vonita Gardner #63629