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Attached is a brief report of the reunion. we could write much more, as it was a wonderful event. Many thanks to Chuck Shearer, our Crew Reunion chairman. As Harry Stewart wrote: "The reunion in Washington was one of the finest ever and all of those who attended certainly owe Chuck Shearer a debt of gratitude. He turned up a top program and did just an outstanding job for everyone in attendance." We certainly agree!

News about the 1980 Crew Reunion, which will be held in Tulsa, will be forthcoming. We are all very excited to be returning to the Headquarters city to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of the founding of The Junior Chamber/U.S. Jaycees. At that time, a decision will be made as to the time and place of the 1982 Crew Reunion. Our 1981 Reunion is already set to return to Washington D.C.

It is a pleasure, at this time of year, to welcome to the membership of the Crew the 1978-79 Executive Committee of The U.S. Jaycees. These dedicated young men have served the Jaycees well over the past year, and their admittance to the Crew is our gain.

Roz Rosengren made a nomination at the Crew Meeting which was happily accepted by all. Susan Dahl, the outgoing Director of The U.S. Jaycees Foundation was made an honorary member of the Crew. Susan will soon be on her way to Nashville to live and will certainly be missed.

The Steerage Committee met during the Crew Reunion and voted to accept on board all those who had been proposed for membership since the publication of the last Log.

- ✓ We have many other nominees for the Crew. Bob Lindholm asks that we take on Bob Hunt, 250 N.E. 41st Street, Pompano Beach, Florida 33064, who is one of our strong leaders in the U.S. JCI Senate. E.J. Plott asks that we take on Judge Harold E. DeHoff, Court of Common Pleas, Stark County, Canton, Ohio 44702.
- ✓ Harold was E.J.'s parliamentarian during E.J.'s term as President of the Ohio Jaycees in 1957-58. Walter M. Lindemann asks that we take on Harold Swanson, 1961 West Fairway Circle, Dunedin, Florida 33528, who was present during the early days of the Janesville (Wisconsin) Jaycees. Ken Sullivan asks that we take on Jerry Ullmer, 4155 Nevada, Dayton, Ohio 45416. Jerry was a dedicated Jaycee, having received the Distinguished Service Award for 1966 from the Xenia Jaycees and later serving as a JCI Senator.

- ✓ We also add to our membership Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johns, 1489 Charlton Road, SAN MARINO, CA 91108. Bill Johns is the former Bette daughter of John. We welcome Bette and Bill on board.

Phil Egan, who as we know, represents Seattle, Washington, was recently quoted in the Senate's Congressional Record. It's nice to know that a member of our Crew is going down in our nation's history.

As month after month we record honors to our mates, their advancement, their progress, we think of the words of Theodore Roosevelt, as John Armbruster quoted him in the January 1970 Log:

"The best prize life has to offer is the
chance to work hard at work worth doing."

The Keeper of the Log

BRIEF REPORT OF THE CREW REUNION
April 27-29, 1979

It was a great Crew Meeting, probably the largest ever with a total of 148 registrants, and while there were never that many at any one place at one time, we did see a lot of people we haven't seen for a long time and some who were attending their first Crew Meeting.

The events were kicked off Friday night when Nicki and Chuck Shearer hosted a cocktail reception and buffet at their home in Arlington, Virginia. It was probably the closest thing to a typical national convention hospitality room which many of us haven't seen in a long time. One-hundred-forty people showed up (they thought there might be 100) and everyone had a great time renewing old friendships, singing, eating and socializing. There were even strolling musicians.

Saturday morning began with coffee and then Bill Krick introduced Dr. Arnold Moore of the American Petroleum Institute who brought us up-to-date on the fuel shortage and its causes (it was before some of us had to sit in line to get gasoline).

Dr. William Stearman of the Georgetown University Institute of Foreign Service next reviewed the United States' posture in the SALT treaties. Bill had participated in the SALT negotiations and had some insights that gave us a broader perspective of what we can expect regarding the treaties.

Because of the size of the Crew, we had to divide the crowd during the luncheon and no formal agenda item was planned. However, Eric Schmidt, a Crew member and Vice Chancellor of External Health Affairs at the University of Colorado Medical Center introduced Dr. Jack Burks who reported on the progress achieved on fighting Multiple Sclerosis (the disease Bill Brownfield died of) and the establishment of the Rocky Mountain Multiple Sclerosis Center. The possibility of this becoming a Jaycee project was presented to the Crew. The matter will be considered by the U.S. Jaycee Board of Directors and the hope is that the center may be eventually maintained in honor of Bill Brownfield.

After lunch, the Crew had the opportunity to hear from a former head of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Thomas Moorer. His patriotic and stirring talk reminded us all of our responsibility for continued vigilance in maintaining our national military strength.

Although Admiral Moorer was a hard act to follow, former National President Richard Headlee showed that Jaycee organization, ability and know-how can have a profound effect on the affairs of our state and nation as he recounted how, under his leadership, the state of Michigan was able to adopt a constitutional amendment to control taxes and spending in that state.

Saturday evening everyone met at Fort Leslie McNair in Southeast Washington, a beautiful and historic sight and home of the Army War College, where we had cocktails, a lovely dinner and dancing in the ballroom, interspersed with running commentaries, particularly highlighted by Harry Stewart who was in unusually good form.

Tom Donnelly, former Executive Vice President, was in charge of the annual Crew fellowship held at St. Albans school on the grounds of the National Cathedral. He was assisted by Crew members Phil Knox and E.J. Plott. Tom also brought two charming guests, Gene and Shirley Browning, who gave a warm testimonial on the importance of love in our lives.

The second part of the Sunday morning event was not planned but the Crew moved to reserved seating in the Washington Cathedral where they participated in a special service commemorating the Jews who were killed in the Holocaust. It was a moving and dramatic service which reminded us all of the tragic events which befell the Jewish people in Germany in World War II.

After the service many of the Crew went to the Knoxs's for their famous morning elixir. It helped us all wind down from an exhilarating (maybe I should say exhausting) weekend.

Everyone is looking forward to the Crew Meeting next year in Tulsa. A committee of Tulsa Oldtimers are preparing the agenda and arrangements.

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What a tremendous Crew Reunion we had! A detailed report on the activities of the week-end is included with this newsletter. We wish everyone could have joined us in Tulsa.

Before going much farther, we need to thank Bert Jones for providing us with the letterhead we are using this month. Also, a big thank-you to Joe Dolan, past Director of The U.S. Jaycees Foundation, who sent in letterhead which will be used at a later time.

Springtime always seems to bring in more nominations for the Crew. This month we have several. Lynn Cullens wrote in to nominate Glen Stone, 42608 Hanford, Canton, Michigan 48147. Glen served in several offices during his Jaycee career, including local president, state vice president and national director. Glen is now very active with the Michigan JCI Senate and works as a training specialist for Ford Parts and Service Division.

Larry Coco wrote in to nominate Eric W. Harris, 139 Park Place Drive, Alexandria, Louisiana 71301. Eric helped organize the first Jaycee chapter in Louisiana in 1939 and was a major force in forming the Louisiana State Jaycees.

Barry Kennedy, Past National President 1978-79, has nominated George E. Snyder, 2254 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota, Florida 33581. George was a Maryland state president (a Clayton Frost winner that year) and was membership director for National President Wendall Ford. George has served for 16 years in the Maryland State Senate and is presently President of the National Taxpayers Union as well as a marketing consultant.

Arlen D. Beck also wrote in to nominate Bennie L. Williams, 5486 Bröckway Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 78417. Bennie was a national director and president of the Utah Jaycees. He is currently associated with KALL radio in Salt Lake City as General Manager.

And finally, Paul Pendorf wrote in with two nominations. First we have Jack Warfield, 131 Courtland Avenue, #1 Anderson Ridge, Stamford, Connecticut 06902. Jack was very active in the New York City Jaycees and New York State Jaycees, serving in just about all local offices and also as state vice president and national director. And, secondly, we have Donald E. Ellison, 3709 Harding Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia 23321. Don is well known to many mates. He started his Jaycee career in Alexandria, Virginia, where he served as local president and has been involved on the state and national levels primarily through Project Safeguard when he was in Washington in 1972-73.

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While we are happy to welcome our new mates, we are also saddened to report the death of two others. Many of you may be aware of the death of Linwood B. Law on February 11, 1980. Lin was very instrumental in the forming of Jaycees International and was active in his state and community volunteer organizations. We must also report the death of William M. Shepherd, Past National President 1939-40. Bill passed away April 20, 1980. Mack Koonce wrote, "Bill was a great friend of the U.S. Jaycees and a great supporter of mine and the Arkansas Jaycees for the last several years. Bill always held the Jaycees in high esteem and gave them credit for a lot of his advancements." We will miss both of these Crew members greatly.

James O'Connell, Charter President of the U.S. JCI Senate, recently won the Republican nomination for re-election to the position of Recorder for Will County, Illinois. Jim is completing his first term as the recorder this year.

Roger Flumerfelt wrote in to tell us about the Canadian Crew meeting which was held in Montreal April 11 - 13th. They had 72 members in attendance, including Ed Hayward, Chuck Fries and Wayne Matlock. Roger asks that we take on board two of his "team" from the Canadian Jaycees. One is Lylle A. Fraser, Honorary President of the Canada Jaycees. Many of you met Lylle at the Crew Reunion in Tulsa. His address is: 610 Coldstream Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R2C 0N5 CANADA. Also, David J. Robart-Morgan, President of the Canada Jaycees 1979-80, and a JCI Senator. David's address is: c/o Richardson Securities of Canada, #2800 - Que. Lombard Place, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3B 0Y2 CANADA. Welcome Canadian friends!

Roger also asked us to recognize the Chairman of the Canadian Crew Meeting - Senator Joyce Clarke. We understand it was a great time!

Received a very interesting letter from Verne W. Vance. Verne tells us he is nearing eighty, but is still very active in the office of the City Attorney in Omaha. He also passed along an interesting story about John Armbruster which we will be sure and record in the Jaycee Archives. Thanks for writing Verne.

Robert Graham wrote in that he recently completed an assignment as a Public Member of the Office of the Inspector General of the U.S. State Department and spent about six weeks in the Philippines. While in the Philippines, Bob paid his respects to the newly elected national Jaycee president at their annual convention in Baguio, and also had the pleasure of meeting a number of former Jaycees in Manila who have continued to do well over the years. We were happy to see Bob in Tulsa as well.

LeRoy Ober and his wife are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this year by taking a trip to Hawaii. Congratulations folks!

Dave Rock reports that he has visited with Sumpter Priddy and that Sumpter is in great spirits. He is in a wheel chair and has braces on both legs, but has almost full use of his hands and arms. We are glad to hear he is doing so well.

Al Watkins wrote in that he got to spend a week with Jack and Orphie Robinson in their winter home at Grenelefe in Haines City, Florida. Jack was USJCC vice president before he was state president of the Minnesota Jaycees. Jack's home is still Minnesota where he operates the biggest food service yearly at the state fair.

William Press is keeping busy even though he has been retired since 1971 from his job as EVP of the Washington Board of Trade. He now is working as a consultant to a bank and a couple of insurance companies. He also spent over three years setting up the Supreme Court Historical Society for our mate, Chief Justice Warren Burger. Keep it up, Bill!

Harry Smith attended a Toronto Area JCI Senate luncheon recently and had the pleasure of sitting with a visitor and old friend, Doug Fisher. Doug was the Canada Jaycee National President in 1957-58 and a member of our Crew until he got "lost". Doug's address is 39 Torrington Crescent, London, Ontario, N6C 2V8 CANADA.

We have gotten quite a response from our Crew Roster offer. If you would like a copy of the roster, simply send in a contribution of \$5 to The U.S. Jaycees Foundation, P.O. Box 7, Tulsa, OK 74121.

We received several contributions toward the publishing of the Log last month. Among those we heard from are: Bill Press, Al Watkins, Bob Graham, Verne Vance, Arlen Beck, Ray Baskette, John Thomas, Bob Ewing, Myron Heeger, H. Nelson Clarke, Dick Kemler and Bill McCann. We appreciate these donations, which are, of course, tax deductible.

Don't forget to write in - the news lately has been great!

Here's my news for the Log of the S. S. Fellowship.
Signed _____

In the April 29th, 1937 Log, John Ambruster quoted Arthur Mee:

"In the great things that make life worth while, the hearts of true friends beat as one. In the journey from this world to the next comrades march together. Deep in the heart is sown the seed of friendship."

Keeper of the Log