

THE CORPS OF
VIRGINIA GENTLEMEN

**SPECIAL
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it is to be a
Corp Member

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The Bugle

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Meeting Time

**Friday, May 18, 2007
10-11 p.m.**

Holiday Inn

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Richmond, VA 23230

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Don't be late...

The Beautiful One!

A note from the Supreme Commander, 'The Beautiful One', Ariel Jones

To the Corps! 007!

Well - well --- well - the Words of Wisdom are coming later than I anticipated .. and thanks to those of you who pointed that out - you can expect to be fined for pointing out your perception of The Beautiful One not being perfect! Hah!

We're less than two weeks away from the big event - NO - my birthday was two months ago.. the next big event... all of us getting together again, next **Friday, May 18th at 10:00pm SHARP!** Whooohooo...It's going to be a stupendous event. (Yeah - I'm using a Thesaurus, get over it! I have to keep up with Vice Commander Sean Neff's vocabulary - although I still can't understand a word he writes). Lot's of things to look forward to at the meeting; Speed 007 questions, the BLACKMAIL folder, Commander Anne Johnson's Chinese Auction, and who will receive the 007 Award? Remember to come in hungry and thirsty.. Col. Ruth Ann Bates will have some goodies for you.. and I'm even baking my infamous Brownie surprise... (yeah, it'll be a surprise to me, too!) so, of course - you must partake.

...and there's more, you'll be greeted by a Commander from well, (he says waaaaaaay back, I won't say) but you'll be glad you came to the meeting, you'll also get to meet Col. #001 and our featured guest is **Ev Werness**, former President of Camp Virginia Jaycee who retired after 32 years of service to the Camp. You won't want to miss this special occasion to have a private moment with Ev and give a special Corps appreciation to him and all of his tireless efforts and service to Camp Virginia Jaycee.

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Some observations of fineable behavior:

- Col. Melissa Oefelein - I didn't know a microphone could be used that way!
- Cols. Jonathan Stewart and Mrs. Jonathan Stewart- permission to create a baby boy?
- Col. Bryant 'Bubba' Blankenship - What were you doing in Florida with animals?
- Col. Trish Tyler - in Ohio, were we? couldn't be any worse than Col. Sandy Fulgham in New Mexico... I can't wait to see *those* suckup gifts!
- Col. Kathleen Cistola - glad you had a chance to visit the winery in whatever 'hannock' that was - I'm soooo happy a bottle of Chardonnay is coming my way - oh yeah - Col. Lanny Barber --- ahhhh - still waiting on that Veritas Reserve.
- Col. Sam Goin - soooo you're running for County Supervisor, huh? That's going to be worth lots of moolah!!!
- Cols. Lin Martin, Mike Wolfe, and Col. Mrs. Mike Wolfe... what up with you all using utensils like that?
- Cols. Will Robinson and John Richards - will you remember the Emporia Cocktail THIS time or will I hear the same lame excuses, "We got lost in the hallway; My dog drank it; What cocktail?" Yeah, right! ...and who is joining the Corps from Emporia? - That might help your fine being waived and let me tell ya - it's a big one.
- Col. Mike Gage --- don't even think about coming to the meeting without Panera Bread you know what. I believe it's GREEN.

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A Splash of Juice

Greetings fellow Colonels!

Another quarter has come and gone and I have yet to be informed of many new recruits. I have one recruit from my home chapter, and have heard of one from Warrenton/Fauquier, but we need more. Oh Beautiful One, the supreme Ariel herself is in need of raising more money for camp.

I fulfilled my duties as Drill Sergeant in St. Louis; I kept the Beautiful One supplied with drink and laughs. The bartender in St. Louis couldn't get her vodka and cranberry juice right, so she has learned a new way of ordering from me: now when she orders a drink, she orders vodka on the rocks, with a splash of juice!

I would, however, like to know who taught her to text message, as I have had several "drunk dials" from her since then. Don't get me wrong, I have nothing against drunk-dialing, it's just that her timing is impeccable – anyone else receiving drunk dials at 2 A.M.??

Cheers, Oh Beautiful One! Respectfully—Colonel Mike Wolfe (Drill Sergeant Mike Wolfe)

Join the Gang!

To the members of the Corps—

Once again, the time is rapidly approaching for us to gather together, have some fun, listen to some lame excuses, and watch the Beautiful One in action helping each of us further Bill's dream by lightening the load in our pockets, wallets, purses and checkbooks. It's time for another Corps meeting, and it promises to be a very special gathering indeed.

Every year, one board meeting has a truly special and great emphasis on the camp, and the May meeting this year will be that meeting...the meeting that you don't want to miss. This meeting will be the host meeting for the Camp Virginia Jaycee Hall of Fame Banquet, during which we will honor 3 outstanding friends of the Camp by enshrining them in the Camp hall of fame. And this is the meeting at which we will say goodbye and thank you to an individual who has given 32 years of his life living and promoting Bill's dream. A man who has cared for our special campers for 32 years. A man who has spent 32 wonderful years daring to care for countless special people...the campers who are the reason for the Camp's existence, and the reason we gather to have so much fun. After 32 years, Ev Werness is retiring, and this will be our chance to say farewell and thank you for living the dream, thank you for daring to care, and thank you for sharing the vision with us.

And that's just half the fun. Wait for the Corps meeting. As the Beautiful One mentioned in her e-mails, we're going to have several special guests you don't want to miss. We're going to raise a lot of money, and hopefully all of you are out scurrying around finding new colonels so we can share the fun, and grow the fine base.

Those of you who attended Winter Board know how much fun that meeting was. We raised a lot of money, and we brought 5 new colonels in to the Corps. Think what we can do if we double the number of new colonels, and double the money we raise. Potential colonels are out there...we just have to ask them to step up to the plate and join us in the fun, and join us in living the dream.

Remember it's up to each of us to see the dream, to live the dream, to further the dream and most importantly, we have to be the dream.

In closing, I would be remiss if I didn't remind you to join the Yahoo Group so you can receive the Supreme Commander, the Beautiful One's words of wisdom in your e-mail box. To join, please send me an e-mail at robertlowear@cox.net, and I will send you an invitation to join the best Yahoo Group there is.

To the Corps!...007

Bob Wear # 380

TBO...continued

Please keep our
VA Tech alumni,
family and friends
in your thoughts
and prayers.

- Vice Commander Sherry King --- no need to sing 'Downtown' on the cell any-
more --- No, *REALLY!!*
- Col. Troy Anderson - mannnn do I have picture of YOU! It's good... it's really
good... I mean good! Real good! It's a doozy! It's goooooood!

Remember - it's all in good fun and for a worthy cause - we have so much to be
thankful for while others may not be as blessed. I would also like to ask you to
please keep our VA Tech alumni, family and friends in your thoughts and
prayers. We were all affected by the tragedy and can only hope that the healing
process has begun for those that have lost. Words can never fully express this
deep sadness, but the spirit of VA. Tech is in all of us! Let's go HOKIES!

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you again! It's going to be a spectacular meet-
ing - friendship, laughter, bonding and much more, all in the name of those with
special needs, the core of our existence - Camp Virginia Jaycee.

www.campvirginiajaycee.org

.... we're unstoppable - you can shake us - but don't even think about stirring
things up! (that's James Bond, 007, get it? .. for those who can't catch on
quickly!)

To the Corps! 007!

Your Supreme Commander
The Beautiful One, (That be me)
Ariel Jones

Hello Fellow Colonials,

As you know, we had a very good showing at the January meeting and raised almost \$2,000 (just \$100
away). Which is a pretty good start to this year. We need to do better at this meeting! We do not want
to just match what we did at the last meeting, but surpass it!!!

Please feel free to just bring a blank check and fill in the amount after the meeting if you don't want to
carry cash with you. The more money that we raise the happier The Beautiful One will be, and we do
not want her to be unhappy.....we all know what that means. There will also be refreshing beverages
and great food to purchase at the meeting.

There will be plenty of special guests at the meeting. So show up with cold hard CASH or a blank
CHECK in hand and see what's going to happen and who's going to be there. Don't forget if you didn't
pay your annual dues at the January meeting, you still can pay them at this meeting. We look forward
to taking your money in a few days.

Seeing GREEN....

Col Martin and Col Sedgewick
Treasurers

Bring them on...Recruits!

Bring me your tired, your poor, your hungry. No, no, what am I saying?

Bring me your *excited*, your *moneyed*, your *charitable*.

Colonels, our sole purpose in the Corps is to raise money for Camp Virginia Jaycee. (Constantly embarrassing our friends is only an added benefit.) In order to continue raising that money, we need fresh meat--I mean new recruits. Plus, I am getting tired of the *same* stories about the *same* people. New recruits mean fresh people to pick on and tell embarrassing stories about.

So, it is up to you to bring the fresh, uhm, new recruits out to the Corps meeting. Anyone who has been a Jaycee for at least 3 years and has a love of the Camp is eligible. Just bring them to the Corps meeting--10 minutes early. They only need to have \$125 with them to join. Or, if you need some help convincing them that they have to join, contact me and I will gladly put the screws, I mean, I will talk to them.

To The Corps!

VC Recruits Sherry King
703-266-6134
Newme34@hotmail.com

From the Quartermaster's Store

Greetings fellow Colonels from Co-Quartermasters Grantham and Bates.

As always, we will have product available for you to purchase to complete your Corps uniform, which consists of Corps shirt, name badge, and Corps pin & colonel's eagle (to be worn on the collar of your shirt). The khaki britches/skirt we hope you already have on, 'cause we ain't got them. If you ain't in uniform, you just give The Beautiful One (and all other Commanders) yet another reason to pick your pockets (like they need any help with reasons to do just that!).

Now for the excuses (yeah, I know, MORE reasons for the Beautimus one to pick MY pocket clean), there have been glitches in ordering badges, so to our newest members who joined our merry ranks in January, we ain't got 'em yet..... they'll be available for you at our August meeting. For those who never received a name badge since joining (and we're depending on folks to honest.... Lord help us), please let Colonels Mr. Grantham or Mr. Bates know so we can rectify that little problem.

To the Corps!
Colonels Mr. Grantham and Mr. Bates

REMINDER—Corps Uniform

Corps Shirt
Corps Name Badge
Colonel's Eagle Rank Insignia
Corps Pewter Pin on Lapels
Corps Hat
Khaki Pants or Skirt with Belt
Dark Shoes

It's Good to be Bad...

Colonels of the Corps,

Just the other day, I was talking to our dear Supreme Commander Ariel, the Beautiful One, and in between sips of Chardonnay (and gulps of vodka & cranberry juice), she was saying how challenging this year is for her. (Actually, she said, "Y'know, thish Shupreeme Demander, er, Salamander, er, Cammender job ish pretty %*#@ing hard!" I'm paraphrasing to give you a sense of what she'd say if, hypothetically, she were not intoxicated. It could happen, theoretically...)

Apparently, even though the year got off to a great start at our January meeting, the Corps is facing a crisis. Too few of you are misbehaving, and when you do, you have the unmitigated gall to do so when no other Corps members are around to see, or even better, take incriminating photographs. Others of you, out of a pathetically misguided sense of loyalty, are failing to report to the Supreme Commander what little misbehavior you do observe. I guess you're too busy polishing your halos to notice what your fellow Colonels are up to.

Fine. If you want to live an upstanding, decent life, be that way. Just remember that your lack of moral turpitude keeps our fine organization from raising money. In effect, it's like you're stealing from Camp Virginia Jaycee, you selfish bastards.

So go ahead and use your better judgment. Restrain your libido. Follow your conscience, let sleeping dogs lie, look both ways before crossing the street, and don't squeeze the Charmin. If you're so greedy and self-centered that you can't take an occasional (or frequent) detour from the path of righteousness, then you obviously don't care about the Corps of Virginia Gentlemen or Camp Virginia Jaycee.

But if you have even a shred of decency in your soul, you'll go out right now and do something drunk, stupid, or immoral (better yet, all three!) and then promptly send me a full confession, including all of the lurid details, so that I can tell the Beautiful One that you're part of the team.

I'll be waiting to hear from you. To the Corps!

VC Neff

Too few of you
are misbehaving!

Hokie Spirit Memorial Fund...We Remember

To remember and honor the victims of the tragic events of April 16, the university has established the Hokie Spirit Memorial Fund to aid in the healing process.

The fund will be used to cover expenses including but not limited to:

- Assistance to victims and their families
- Grief counseling
- Memorials
- Communication expenses

Funds in honor or memory of the victims

In addition to the Hokie Spirit Memorial Fund, you may also contribute to the Hokie Spirit Scholarship Fund to support students university-wide, or to specific funds in the name of each of the victims. Final criteria for these funds will be dependent upon approval by each family.

In the wake of this tragedy, we are confident that Hokie Spirit will only grow stronger and more resilient. We thank you for your continued support.

- Ross Abdallah Alameddine
- Christopher James Bishop
- Brian Roy Bluhm
- Ryan Christopher Clark
- Austin Michelle Cloyd
- Jocelyne Couture-Nowak
- Kevin P. Granata
- Matthew Gregory Gwaltney
- Caitlin Millar Hammaren
- Jeremy Michael Herbstritt
- Rachael Elizabeth Hill
- Emily Jane Hilscher
- Jarrett Lee Lane
- Matthew Joseph La Porte
- Henry J. Lee
- Liviu Librescu
- G.V. Loganathan
- Partahi Mamora Halomoan Lumbantoruan
- Lauren Ashley McCain
- Daniel Patrick O'Neil
- Juan Ramon Ortiz-Ortiz
- Minal Hiralal Panchal
- Daniel Alejandro Perez
- Erin Nicole Peterson
- Michael Steven Pohle, Jr.
- Julia Kathleen Pryde
- Mary Karen Read
- Reema Joseph Samaha
- Waleed Mohamed Shaalan
- Leslie Geraldine Sherman
- Maxine Shelly Turner
- Nicole Regina White



Hokies will prevail...

MAY 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo
6 Beverage Day	7	8 National Teacher's Day	9	10	11 Eat What You Want Day	12
13 Mother's Day	14	15	16 Love a Tree Day	17	18 State Convention—Corp Meeting	19 Armed Forces Day
20	21 National Memo Day	22	23	24	25 Newsletter Articles Due	26
27	28 Memorial Day	29	30 Water a Flower Day	31		

Schedule of Events

- } Saturday, May 5, 2007—Cinco de Mayo
- } Tuesday, May 8, 2007—National Teacher's Day
- } Friday, May 18, 2007—Corp Meeting
- } Monday, May 28, 2007—Memorial Day

MOTHER'S DAY—May 13

The Story of Mother's Day

The earliest Mother's Day celebrations can be traced back to the spring celebrations of ancient Greece in honor of Rhea, the Mother of the Gods. During the 1600's, England celebrated a day called "Mothering Sunday". Celebrated on the 4th Sunday of Lent (the 40 day period leading up to Easter[®]), "Mothering Sunday" honored the mothers of England.

During this time many of the England's poor worked as servants for the wealthy. As most jobs were located far from their homes, the servants would live at the houses of their employers. On Mothering Sunday the servants would have the day off and were encouraged to return home and spend the day with their mothers. A special cake, called the *mothering cake*, was often brought along to provide a festive touch.

www.holidays.net

'Please Excuse Me' Corps Meeting Waiver Request

Dear Supreme Commander Jones,

Due to my total stupidity and inexcusable carelessness, I made other plans for the time you will be conducting the Corps Meeting. I humbly request that I be excused from your most excellent meeting.

The depth of my regret is indicated by the attached pledge offering checked below:

- \$5.00 I am cheap; I'll pay a lot extra (mucho dinero/a lot of moolah) at the next meeting
- \$10.00 I will cry and vomit for days and will allow my fellow chapter/region colonels to pay my fines
- \$15.00 I am devastated and will allow my fellow region/chapter colonels to be fined in my absence for my lack of commitment
- \$20.00 I am in deep regret and understand that VAJC President Trish Tyler will pay my fines
- \$50.00 I am disgusting, yet the world's best suck-up

Name _____ Colonel Number _____

Note: I do not know my Colonel number – so add an extra \$5.00 to my pledge amount. _____ (Initials)

For Supreme Commanders' Use Only (don't even THINK about writing below this line)

ACTION REASON

- Disapproved – Insufficient groveling
- Disapproved – Personal grudge (hasn't given me a gift)
- Disapproved – Women's issues
- Disapproved – No reason, I just feel like doing it
- Approved – Thank you for your consideration, just don't let it happen again

Email form to The Supreme Commander, Ariel Jones – arieljone@aol.com

This pledge form is binding and will be read aloud at Corps Meetings. Thank you for your continued support of Camp Virginia Jaycee!



Application for Membership Virginia Jaycees Corps of Virginia Gentlemen

Applicant _____
Home Chapter _____ Region _____
Email _____
Home address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Date of Birth/Age _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____
Cell Phone _____ Fax # _____
Preferred name on Certificate _____
Preferred name on Badge _____
Years in Jaycees _____
List all Jaycee offices held _____

X
Signature of sponsoring active dues-paid Colonel (required)/Sponsoring Colonel #/Chapter/Region _____

Submit application and \$125.00 initiation fee to:

Drill Sgt. Mike Wolfe

(If you are a married couple joining, ask about the special discount price)

Payment method: Cash, Check, and/or Credit Card (MC or VISA only)

Credit Card MC/VISA# _____

Exp. Date _____ Zip code _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____



Checks payable to : **CORPS OF VIRGINIA GENTLEMEN**

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE – CORPS USE ONLY

New Colonel Number _____
Method of Payment _____ Date _____ Amount \$ _____
Check number _____
Shirt size _____ Date _____
Pin _____ Date _____
Certificate _____ Date _____ Name Tag _____
Date _____

Copies of this application have been given to:

Supreme Commander, Ariel _____ Vice Commander – Recruits, Sherry _____

Drill Sgt. Mike _____ Quartermasters Scott and Chris _____

Show Me The Money

Letter From The Editor

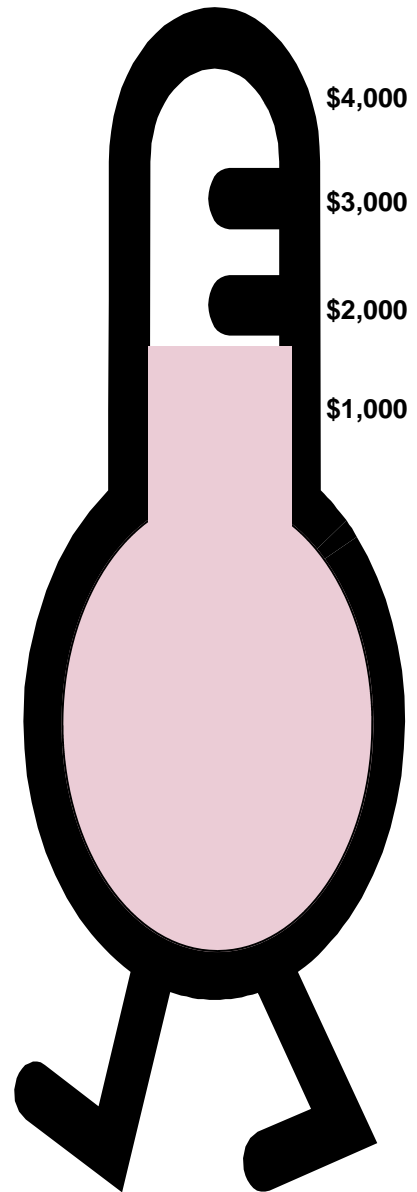
*Newsletter Editor Colonel Bishop travels the globe and uses her wits, fighting skills and a grab-bag of high-tech gadgets to battle super-villains often bent on world domination and delaying the creation of **The Bugle**. She wants the official newsletter of the Corps of Virginia Gentlemen, **The Bugle**, to get to press on time and will do anything to make that happen. She wields a discretionary license to quill!*

When I ask Jaycee members if they are familiar with the Corp of Virginia Gentlemen their response is usually, "No, not really". I'm finding that many of the members I come into contact with have not been in the Jaycees very long and are thus clueless about the Corp. We want the Corp to be a special group—not a secret one!

It is our duty as Colonels to educate. Make sure this weekend you chat up the Corp to those you see. Hand out a newsletter or two and let them see what fun being a Colonel is. I ask you, where else can you be verbally abused and pay for it with a smile on your face?

Let's find those people who want to help the camp, have fun and make some new friends.

To The Corps!
Colonel Tracy Bishop #470
Newsletter Editor



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