

Chaplain Report for July 13th, 2025

Iowa Senate

Greetings from your new chaplain, John Parsons.

Please send me any news, milestones, achievements, prayer requests or information you would like to have published in the Chaplain Report.

Please send it to: iowasenatechaplain@gmail.com Thank you.

Please remember to visit the Iowa Senate Facebook page to see what is being posted by your fellow senators.

Congratulations to the following for receiving Senatorships over the last couple of weeks:

-Julie Burkhart (Des Moines) #83793

-Mary Kirchner (Tama-Toledo) #83831

-Les Sulgrove (Des Moines) #83850

**two of these were presented at picnic in Jefferson this weekend with over 80 in attendance!

Prayers:

Please pray for David Booth #29537 who is recuperating after breaking his leg this spring

Please continue to pray for Tammy Welbes #70318 as she deals with ongoing health issues.

Please continue to pray for Brian Mohr #66102 as he undergoes treatment for cancer.

Please continue to pray for Emily Vaughn #77301, as she continues with her Folfiri chemo sessions.

Please continue to pray for John Moore #7094, as he deals with ongoing health issues.

Please pray for the members of our Senate family who are in need of prayer.

Please pray for military personnel as they fight for our freedoms. Ask God to bless them and keep them safe.

Empty Chair: Victor "Vic" Dunn #36125 who passed away in May was a Charles City member and Vietnam vet. Ken Schmidt #58387 who passed away in June who was a member of the Clarence Jaycees and state Jaycees chaplain in the late 70's and a district director. Condolences to their families and may they rest in peace!

Happy Birthday:

Jennifer Gracey #72200 on July 16th. You can send Jennifer birthday wishes to PO Box 86 Towanda IL 61776

Susie Tresseler #58389 on July 18th. You can send Susie birthday wishes to 428 7th Ave SE, Oelwein IA 50662

Bob Hanssen #58336 on July 20th. You can send Bob birthday wishes to 2601 Forest Rd, Davenport IA 52803

From JCI President Amanda Birch #79777----

Fall All-State

When: Aug 22-24

Where: Holiday Inn & Suites Cedar Falls-Waterloo Event Ctr

7400 Hudson Road, Cedar Falls, IA 50613

Registration link:

<https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/fall-all-state>

We have a special registration code for Senate to use.

If you use the code: CHECK

You can pay at the convention if not then it asks for payment immediately.

The room block is open now. Rooms are \$119+ tax room block closes July 22.

<https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/us/en/find-hotels/select-roomrate?fromRedirect=true&qSrt=sBR&qIta=99801505&icdv=99801505&qSIH=ALOCF&qCiD=22&qCiMy=072025&qCoD=24&qCoMy=072025&qGrpCd=JCI&setPMCookies=>

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2025 US JCI Senate Fall Meeting

Hosted: Ohio JCI Senate

Date: September 11 – 14, 2025

Location: Columbus, OH

**see attachment below with registration info

2025 Fall Senate Regional

Host: Minnesota JCI Senate

When: Oct 3rd-5th

Where: Spicer, MN

**see attachment below with registration info

Many times, I look for inspiration in song. "Land of Hope and Dreams" by Bruce Springsteen is a song about the American Dream and the journey of faith and hope. The lyrics utilize a train metaphor, with the train representing the journey of life. The song can be interpreted as a celebration of America, a tribute to friendship, and a reminder of core values. God bless one and all!

Have a great week!

John #74674

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