



CISV Jacksonville

Summer 2005



Chase Divertie, Tommy Lucas,
and Shelby Banks man our
booth at the World of Nations.

Special Interest Articles:

- JB raises money for
Tsunami relief.
- Faces has record
attendance
- Reflective Practice
Update

THANK YOU **Southwest Airlines**

for donating two
round trip tickets
which were raffled
at the Spring
General Meeting
generating \$800 for
our Chapter!

EXTRAVAGANZA is back!!

We are in the process
of planning an
Extravaganza for next
Spring. Contact Val
Chritton to get in on the
fun (398-5749 or
www.vchritton@hklaw.com).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
FALL GENERAL MEETING
October 2, 2005
from 5 to 7 pm at
South Jacksonville
Presbyterian Church
In San Marco

Happy Summer! This is my last official letter as president before I turn the reins over to President elect Val Chritton. Thank you to all the families both kids and adults that have made the past two years so positive and productive both for me personally and for CISV Jacksonville. A big thanks to my executive committee for their love of CISV and thousands of man-hours. We've had another extremely successful program year as we send three village delegations, two JC's, two summer camp delegations, one seminar camper, two interchanges while hosting another Interchange, hosting the second Faces of Jacksonville Village and the first-ever National Summer Camp. We have also made tremendous progress in our chapter operations. Thanks to Val, we now have our own office space in San Marco. We continue to make good use of our Reflective Practices grant as we develop a mission statement and chapter goals. More great things are in store for the Jacksonville Chapter and I look forward to being a part of them with each of you.

In CISV,
Leah Donelan



FACES of Jacksonville Has Record Attendance

The Faces of Jacksonville Village co-sponsored by CISV and NCCJ held June 2-16 had record attendance. Now in its second year, the unique local program was the brain child of former city council president and CISV Jax president, Ladd Daniels. The program is free to the participants and is totally funded by donations from individuals and businesses. Both Panera Bread and Gustafson's Dairy were major food donors for this year's program. Delegations from local ethnic groups and organizations in Jacksonville included 11-year olds from China, Venezuela, Peru, Korea, Poland, The Bridge, Girls, Inc., The Boy Scouts, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and Lutheran Social Services. CISV's own Susan Gordon and Sadie Blanton were co-directors while Carol Daniels and Vickie Breedlove served as planners.

Junior Branch

A note from your president.....



Our delegation to the National Youth Meeting

A Report on the National Youth Meeting by Ben Blackshear

Over Memorial Day weekend, nine JBers and two chaperones (thank you Viky Divertie and Chris Banks) traveled to Detroit for CISV's National Youth Meeting (NYM). JBers from almost all of the USA Chapters met there in hopes of learning new things to bring back to their Chapters, and, of course, to have fun. The campsite was the Tau Beta camp in beautiful countryside two hours outside of Detroit. The theme of the meeting was "Space," and this theme was very prominent throughout the weekend. Activities ranged from a fun game of ultimate Frisbee to an intense workshop on local work. The NYM planning committee conducted an extremely successful "house of feelings." The meeting was very well planned and enjoyable for all.

What a great year! 2004- 2005 was a year of growth and learning for our Junior Branch (JB). We started holding monthly meetings and expanded our board to hold more positions. Using the lessons we have learned next year should be even better! This spring World of Nations was held May 30th. About 20 JBers came, including some of the participants who are traveling over the summer.

NYM was another great success. I had the privilege of being on the National Youth Meeting planning committee. The goal of NYM was to give JBers ideas on how to make their chapters plan worthwhile and meaningful activities. This was accomplished in the CISV style of interactive learning. Our JB is currently in the process of enacting the lessons they learned there.

In the upcoming year JB has a full schedule, so it's time to take out your calendars and mark some dates! A new addition to our schedule will be regular "coffee houses" which we plan to hold at our new office soon to be recreational room.

Congratulations to Stephanie Donelan who graduated this year from Stanton Prep school and is on her way to UCF. She has been a great help to our board and was always able to help us keep the big picture in mind! Thanks and good luck Stephanie! Please keep coming to JB activities whenever you can!

Here's to a new year, another chance to change the world!

Adrienne Divertie,
JB President

Junior Branch

Calendar 2005-2006



JB at the World of Nations

“CISV CARES” Junior Branch raises money for Tsunami Orphans!

The Junior Branch is pleased to support the building of an elementary school in Meulaboh, West Aceh in Indonesia. CISV Indonesia is spearheading the effort for the orphan school. The International Peace Project will support this effort in 12/05. Meulaboh is the province hit hardest by the Tsunami.

The JB is accepting donations and dedicating the profits from the sale of silicone bracelets to this effort. The navy blue bracelet with white lettering say: *CISV USA: Peace through Understanding* and are for sale for \$2 each.

To purchase bracelets or to make donations of any amount, please Contact JB president Adrienne Divertie at 642-7128, 874-4507 or Swimmeret@aol.com.

August 12-13	Re-Entry Overnight
August 13	Scavenger Hunt
August 19-21	JB Board Retreat with Adult Board
September 9-11	REGIONAL MINI CAMP!!! Theme: "Stereotypes"
September 30	Coffee House
October 2	Annual Fall Meeting
October 22	Family "Harvest" Party
October 27-30	National Board Meeting in Cincinnati (limit of 6 JBers)
November 18	Coffee House
December 3	"Bring a Friend to CISV" Day
January TBA	Selection play days and overnight
January 16	Martin Luther King Day event
February 10-11	Cookie-a-thon Overnight
February 24	Coffee House
March 11-12	Mini-Camp
April 7	Coffee House
April 28-30	World of Nations
May 7	Annual Spring Meeting
May 12	Coffee House
May 26-29	National Youth Meeting

Congratulations 2005 Graduates!

Stephanie Donelan-Stanton
 Brian Sharpe -Stanton
 Rachel Lufrano- National Hebrew Academy
 Amanda Spann- Paxon School for Advanced Studies
 Andy Chritton-Cedar Ridge Academy
 Lance Wolfson-Episcopal
 Madelyn Woods- Douglas Anderson

2005 Delegation Photos

Below: Dallas Village Delegation (from left to right) Kyle Crane, Melanie Austin, Katie Cash (leader), Cameron Austin and Helen Parker



Left: Oppland Norway Village Delegation (from left to right): Mackenzie LaPorte, Tiffany Clarke, Joe Hofrichter (leader), and Brett Blackwell (not pictured: Chase Divertie)

Right: Bergen Norway Village Delegation (from left to right): Hunter Paulson-Smith, Maxine Weiss, Nisha Sunku, Megan Campbell (leader) and Jonathan Mack



Above: Brazil Summer Camp Delegation (left to right) Emily Hyde, Tiffany Blake (leader), Jamil Bryant, and Ben Blackshear (not pictured: Lizzie Lufrano)



Right: Sweden JC
Katie Chritton
Not pictured:
Rev Darragh,
Chattanooga JC



Above: National Summer Camp Delegation (left to right) Jeff Katz, Virginia Houston, Kaitlin Gordon and Scott Johnson (not pictured: Danielle Dyer, leader)

Left: Detroit Seminar Camper
Adrienne Divertie

Interchange News

Sweden Interchange delegates will be traveling to Sweden on June 21st for an arrival the morning of the 22nd, just in time for the most famous Sweden Mid Summer Vacation. They will be coming home on July 14th.



Sweden Interchange: Tommy Lucas, Taylor Figura, Keith Jenkins, Krishna Raja, Eleanor Fails (leader), Katie Stewart, Daniel King, Zach Jenkins, Alice Dughi, Christopher Tersak, Charlotte Rea, Rachel Lufrano (Junior leader) and Shelby Banks

Brazil Interchange (Hosting Summer 2005) The families are working on their hosting calendar and getting to know each other. Our Brazilian delegates will arrive on July 2nd and will depart on July 26th.



Brazil Interchange: Jessica Gay (leader), Anslie Prudhomme, Brian Dughi, Cathy Hardin, Nick Figura, Sara Towers, Linda Catherine Tilbrook

After hosting their partners from Florence last summer, the **Italy Interchange** delegates left for Florence on June 29th. They will return July 28th.

Florence Interchange: Petti Maloney (leader), Virginia Jones (junior leader), Savannah & Spencer Durden, Katherine Ennis, Yuliya Taren, Kelsey Jimenez, Stephen Yip, Bernie Levy, Kyle Fields, Natasha Williams, Corey Fisher, Casey Simonetta and Garrett Livengood



Reflective Practices Update

CISV Jacksonville
P.O. Box 16472
Jacksonville, FL 32245

New Office:
2150 Mango Place
Jacksonville, FL 32207

For additional photos,
check out the Junior
Branch Photo Gallery
at our website:

www.jax.cisvusa.org

United Way Donations

Remember that you can
designate your United
Way donations to go to
CISV Jacksonville
Chapter.

The Reflective Practices process (see Winter 2005) continues in our Chapter. We have crafted the following 3-year goals:

- Have 2 qualified applicants for every delegate spot.
- Broaden the Junior Branch network of like-minded youth to increase peace leadership.
- Develop an alumni network.

We will be holding a retreat August 19th – 21st to continue the process and would like to hear from you if you are interested in attending and/or if you have some ideas or issues you would like to have discussed. To get a copy of the November and March retreat reports and/or to express interest in the upcoming August retreat please contact Val Chritton at 398-5749 or valerie.chritton@hklaw.com.

!! Congratulations !! to the **Family Fun Magazine Volunteer Family of the Year:** The **Divertie Family** won a \$1,000 prize donated to CISV Jacksonville for their family involvement in CISV:

Viky –Chapter Vice President **Gavin**-medical volunteer
Adrienne-JB president **Reed**-2004 village staff
Chase –village delegate

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