



Junior Chamber Dialogue

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FROM THE PEN OF THE PRESIDENT

I first want to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy New Year and say how extremely honoured I feel to be serving as your National President in 2003.

When I first considered allowing my name to go forward as your National President, my first thought was what can I contribute to this organisation. After discussing with my fellow members and friends I thought, yes, I can make a contribution to the well being of this organisation and thanks to your support here I am.



In 2002 I had the opportunity to attend both European Conference and World Congress and from those experiences I learnt a lot about people and indeed how to manage people. In 2003 don't wait, seize the opportunities at local, national or international level.

As your National President I ask all of you to be pro-active, get involved and have a greater influence in the smooth running of the organisation. Members have often said that they are intimidated in taking on a project for fear it would be an unmitigated disaster. I, too, experienced that feeling and by starting out as a team member and learning from the experiences of those around me I soon was running projects of my own. I went on to be 2001 Convention Director and was delighted to oversee a successful TOYP Programme at the 2002 National Convention in Ennis. In my own mind, we ran a great event though when I saw the TOYP at World Congress in Vegas it was obvious that there was room for improvement. There is always room for improvement, you learn as you go along and I strongly believe in the principal of continuous improvement. I urge each and every one of you to be innovative and look for ways in which we can develop Junior Chamber Ireland.

In 2003 we are fortunate to have a very strong National Executive and it is important you realise they are your National Executive. We are here to work for you and for the greater benefit of this organisation. The team will be concentrating their efforts in the development of the organisation by way of upgrading our Website, developing the Business programme through the Young Entrepreneur Competition being run on a National basis, a database containing details of all Junior Chamber members, the promotion of International events, (I was particularly encouraged by the high level of attendance at World Congress in Las Vegas), a high quality training programme including PRIME, the joint British Junior Chamber/Junior Chamber Ireland Leadership Academy and a series of other training events starting with the National Training Day in Tullamore on February 8th. These are some of the plans that we have for the year ahead, only with your participation and co-operation will they be truly successful.

Junior Chamber is a series of opportunities and in my time in this organisation I have benefited tremendously. I would like to express my sincere thanks to the outgoing National Executive and to Immediate Past National President Graham Hanlon who took up the challenge of his



Presidency with such relish. I congratulate him on his achievements in 2002 and in particular the success of the first British/Irish Leadership Academy.

In conclusion, the members of the National Executive and I are here to work for you, please let us know if we can be of any assistance. All you have to do is ask.

Jeremy Doyle
National President

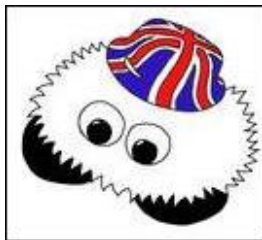
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

2003 JCI European Conference

4-7 June 2003
Birmingham, England

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info@ec2003birmingham.org.uk

Website: <http://www.ec2003birmingham.org.uk>



2003 World Congress

3-7 November 2003.
Copenhagen, Denmark

e-mail:
WEBMISTRESS@WC2003.DK

Website: <http://www.wc2003.dk/>



For further details contact 2003 Director Of International Affairs, Deirdre O'Donohue

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My home Chapter is on the “northside”
I have national responsibilities
George Bush and I have something in common
If you don't know my name you can use my number

Identify me to the 2002 National Newsletter Editor (now you have to work out who that is!) at the Council Meeting on January 18th and I will make a charitable donation to Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin.



2003 NATIONAL EXECUTIVE OF JC IRELAND

The 2003 National Executive Of Junior Chamber Ireland, elected at the 2002 National convention in Ennis are:

Immediate Past President	Graham Hanlon
National President	Jeremy Doyle
Deputy National President	Lynne Jehoul
Finance Director	James Corcoran
Administration Director	Norma Duignan
Director Of Individual Development	Emer Toner
Director Of International Affairs	Deirdre O'Donohue
Director Of Business Activities	Eugene Garvan
Director Of Community Programmes	Cormac O'Sullivan

2003 WORLD PRESIDENT

Bruce A. Rector was elected President of JCI at the 57th JCI World Congress held in Las Vegas, Nevada, U.S.A., in November 2002.

Born in Anderson, Indiana, United States, on October 26, 1963 he holds a Bachelor of Science degree in education and a doctorate in law. Bruce is a lawyer, author and leadership development coach and will be familiar to many as author of "The Monday Morning Message". He lives in Lexington, Kentucky, with his wife Tabitha and their son Trevor.



A member since 1990, Bruce has participated in various local and national activities, becoming president of his chapter in 1993 and state district director in 1994. He served as national legal counsel in 1995-97. At the international level, he served as JCI Vice President assigned to various European national organisations in 1998; (Ireland being one) as JCI Executive Vice President responsible for Europe and chairman of the JCI Area D Conference held in Berlin, Germany, in 1999; and as General Legal Counsel during 2002.

ON THE WAY UP?



Kevin Cullinane (Cobh) was appointed as 2003 General Legal Counsel for Junior Chamber International by World President Bruce Rector at the Las Vegas World Congress. Kevin served as an Executive Vice President assigned to Europe in 2002 and International Vice President in 2001. Kevin was previously Secretary/Treasurer of Junior Chamber In Europe and 1997 National President of Junior Chamber Ireland. Commenting on his appointment Kevin said he was honoured by the appointment and looked forward to serving the organisation in 2003. What does the future hold?



BJC/JC IRELAND TRAINING ACADEMY - 2003

The second joint British Junior Chamber/Junior Chamber Ireland Academy will be held over the August Bank Holiday Weekend (August 1st to 3rd) in the Ballymascanlon House, Dundalk, Co. Louth. Places will be awarded on a first come first served basis. Further details at the Council Meeting in Swords or from Individual Development Director, Emer Toner.

TEAM EUROPE 2003



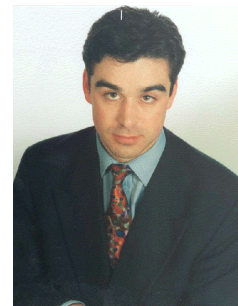
Dominique Angles



Josep Montanes



Michael Kern



Graham Hanlon

Serving you in Europe for 2003 and leading a number of dedicated officers and members are some key individuals. In this section we'll take a brief look at each.

Leading the team in Europe is Dominique Angles (France) who will serve as Junior Chamber International Executive Vice President (EVP). Dominique was 1999 National President in Junior Chamber France, served as an International Vice President (IVP) assigned to Africa in 2000 and special assistant to 2001 EVP in Africa, Siiri Odrats, (you may remember Siiri was IVP assigned to Ireland in 2000). Working with Dominique is Josep Montanes (Catalonia) who is the IVP assigned to Ireland. Josep was Director of the 2001 World Congress in Barcelona and will be known to members of Junior Chamber Fingal through their multi-twin activities. Graham Hanlon (we know him – ed) is the 2003 Chairman of the European Development Council and has also been given responsibility, by World President Bruce Rector, for both Growth & Development and Training in Europe. He's also, of course Immediate Past president of Junior Chamber Ireland. Junior Chamber International Staff member Michael Kern (Austria), mentioned elsewhere in this Newsletter, will be a valuable asset working with all of these officers. We wish each of them every success in 2003.



WORLD PRESIDENT TO VISIT IRELAND?

Rumours abound that 2003 National President Jeremy has used his (considerable) influence and been successful in confirming a visit to Ireland by World President Bruce Rector during the summer. This would be a great coup as Bruce is a very inspirational speaker and no member should miss the opportunity to meet him.



When asked, Jeremy was remaining tight lipped with a firm, no comment. Pressed further he would not deny any plans for such a visit – watch this space!

MY JCI PARTNER

You and I have many things in common. As a member in 2003 at local, national or international level we have said that we want to be a part of making Junior Chamber bigger, better, more well-known and more influential throughout the world. At the end of the year we will be judged, not by what we promised to do or how many ideas we had, but what ideas we made happen.

Of the many things we share, perhaps the most important is our challenge of making Junior Chamber more relevant and meaningful to the young leaders and entrepreneurs of today. In 2003 we must not only communicate our Junior Chamber story to more people, but we must also do it in a way that best connects with young adults, particularly those under the age of thirty years. Those young men and women are the ones who will be the leaders in our organisation five years from now. They are Junior Chamber's future. They are Junior Chamber's hope. As I have surveyed the state of Junior Chamber around the world, the most consistent challenge facing Junior Chamber local and national organizations today is the challenge of more effectively reaching that age group.

Many of us, including me, have big and grand dreams for the future of Junior Chamber. If we will work together, side by side, shoulder to shoulder, arm and arm and really believing that the best ideas for the future of Junior Chamber can come from any Member, regardless of their experience, rank or position within the organisation, there is no limit to our potential in 2003.

Please accept my invitation to be more in 2003 than a local, national or international Junior Chamber leader. Please accept my invitation to also be my partner in making 2003 more than a fairy tale for Junior Chamber, but a dream come true.

Bruce A. Rector
Your JCI Partner in Action for 2003