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## PUTMAN INSPIRES . . . .

John Lloyd Putman, President of the Outstanding Young Americans Foundation, spoke last night at NAJAC'S general meeting.

Putman was born in Birmingham, Alabama. He was an outstanding student and a terrific athlete, excelling in swimming.

He was a member of Junior Achievement in the program 1955-56 and 1956-57, under Fred W. Ayer, who is election adviser here at NAJAC. During this time, Putman was production manager the first term, and president of his company the last three terms. (about a year and a half)

At the age of 14, putman was told that he had an incurable eye disease. By the time he was 21, he was totally blind.

When he graduated from high school in 1957, Putman entered Birmingham Southern College. There, he was president of his freshmen and Senior classes and captain of the wrestling team.

In 1961 he recieved his B.A. in history and psychology. He spent quite a bit of time seeking admittance to a graduate school. After quite a bit of difficulty because of his blindness, he was admitted to the University of Mississippi.

There he recieved his M.A. in psychology. He spent quite a bit of time seeking a graduate school to work towards his Ph.D. Again, because of his handicap, most schools would not accept him. Finally, he was admitted by the University of Miami, only to have to leave and go to work.

Putman convessed business and industry all over the country, including Birmingham and New York. Most businesses were willing to employ him,

until they were told of his blindness.

He was given a position as drector of public relations at Athens College in Alabama. He also taught psychology and helped coach the wrestling team.

He later was made director of employ-ee relations by a space contracting firm in Huntsville, Alabama. In that capacity he toured the nation, speaking before organizations of all types, especially youth groups.

In 1967 he was chosen by the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) as one of the ten outstanding Young Americans. The same year, the Outstanding Young Americans Foundation was established, and he was made president.

He still speaks to youth groups throughout tne nation. In his talks he tries to bridge the "Generation Gap," and decries violence. He has never been heckled or booed, even though he has spoken before many of the nation's most radical student groups.

In his speeches, Putman often compares the life of American youth with conditions overseas. To gather materials for his observations, he spent this summer flying around the world. He spoke in such places as England, Scandinavia, and the U.S.S.R. often before students much like those in America.

Putman plans to write a book about his experiences, in the near future

Despite his blindness, Putman has become a nationally known figure, and leads almost a normal life ( for a world traveller ). He still enjoys water skiing. His keen insights have impressed people all over the world. It is quite probable that, in Election advisors words, " He sees more than most of us."

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# EDITORIAL

Since the National Junior Achievement Conference began on Sunday, delegates have been told that this conference will be the best week of their lives. However, some delegates as of yet are not able to agree completely with this.

These delegates, so it seems, lack one of the most important objectives needed for success of this conference: enthusiasm.

It is not enough to have the abilities and proper qualifications that this conference demands. Even a total understanding of the J.A. system is not enough to guarantee success. The key to binding ones hopes of success and accomplishment together with the end result of enthusiasm and a great conference is self-confidence.

Participation is a delicate part of NAJAC. Each achiever here is challenged with new situations that call for his utmost effort in them. It is up to each delegate to realize his importance and meet this challenge with self-confidence. The end results can only be success and enthusiasm.

A successful NAJAC is "a learning experience" through involvement with others. Enthusiasm and confidence in oneself are the most important factors in making this "the best week of your life."

the Editors

## pool open

Can a stand-up five minute shower be enough to douse this heat? If not, your in luck.

The Indiana University Olympic-size swimming pool is available to all achievers daily from 1:30-5:30.

So NAJACers, douse this heat in the pool, across the street from Briscoe, at the bus arrival point. The charge is only a quarter.

## the music man

For the past four years, Dennis Houlihan, NAJAC's very own Music Man, has been playing the organ for the delegates enjoyment at all the general meetings.

Dennis is here at NAJAC as an organ specialist from the Lowery Organ Company. The Lowery Theater Organ is donated to the National Conference for a week. It is fully transistorized, and can produce the sound of practically every instrument. A special feature of the Lowery Theater is the "built-in drummer"; that is, Lowery Automatic Rhythm that can produce 18 different rhythms.

A junior at Fresno State College, Dennis has extensive radio and television experience, and as a Lowery organ specialist, he travels around the country to promote Lowery organs.

Dennis has been playing the organ for ten years and was cited as one of the "Outstanding Teen Talent s of California" in competition there.

## SCHEDULE

Tuesday August 19, 1969

7:00	Curfew ends daily
7:00-8:15	Breakfast
9:00	General meeting, auditorium. Sit by group number
10:00	Workshops. Presentations.
12:00-1:15	Lunch
2:00	Group Discussion, Contests
4:00	Recreation, Committee
5:15-6:30	Dinner
8:00	General meeting. Auditorium Sit by delegation
11:30	Curfew
12:00	Lights out

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 \* HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO BOBBI BERNATH\*  
 \* Group 18 \*  
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 \* HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY \*  
 \* GIL REGAN & \*  
 \* MONICA BELL \*  
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## Q's and A's

What is the most important thing you have learned or gained from J.A.?

Pete Mier (Akron, Ohio): I've learned the importance of organization and efficiency; without these, no company can be a success.

Lisa Saroff (Philadelphia, Penn.): I've gained the knowledge of the values and freedoms of the business system; the experience of working with others; and the motivation to go on to be a business woman.

John Carey (Flint, Mich.): I've learned responsibility and how to communicate effectively with people.

Peter Michalski (Toronto, Canada): The world is real. Junior Achievement has provided a real situation to prepare us for the real world.

Pat McGloane (New Orleans, Louisiana): I've learned the free enterprise system and how to get along with others. I've also learned how to pick the right product for the public.

Dany Gagon (Millinocket, Maine): I've learned how to sell products.

Carolyn Ashton (Honolulu, Hawaii): I've learned the basis of business. J.A. helps me to get along with others. Also it gives me a chance to travel.

Michael Karris (Chicago, Ill.): The most important thing I've gained from J.A. is the experience of working with new and different people to make a successful J.A. company.

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## SPORTS

Because of dark, overcast skies and early morning showers, the previously scheduled sports program for today has been slowed down. However, Mr. Edd Athon, Director of sports here at NAJAC said he was looking forward to some exciting activities for later in the week. Among the sports offered are softball, basketball, volleyball, football, wiffel ball and paddleball. In addition to team sports equipment, Mr. Edd Athon has frisbees which can be borrowed.

This afternoon a letter was released regarding a game of softball between St. Louis and Chicago. St. Louis challenged Chicago to the game and are certain they will win.

Delegates Bill Jadowski and Dan Benen managers from St. Louis said the game is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon at 4:00. There has not been any place designated as of yet for the game.

Mr. Athon has asked interested delegates to come and see him about umpiring some of the games scheduled for this week. If you would like to join in this fun sport, contact Mr. Athon in the sports office, McNutt 72 during your free time.

## VALIDATION

Presidential candidates validated for the preliminary rounds are: Richard Atlas, Joseph Boone, Michael Dickerson, Donald Didier, Norman Farmer, Eric Frederickson, John Lambone, James Fale, T.R. Harrison, Mike Kelley, John Langlois, Fraser Lynn, Dan Park, Sharon Jo Patterson, James Quinn, Guy Romano, Thomas St. Maxens, Kent, Soule.

The names validated for the other conference officers may be found posted in the tent.

# oxymoron strikes

Have you seen an oxymoron lately? Several delegates at NAJAC have recently been questioned about it. Answers to the question "What would you do if you met an oxymoron on the street?" were varied and quite commical. Would you believe these answers?

John Donegan (Syracuse, N.Y.) - Walk on the other side of the street.

Gary Reed (Dallas, Tex.) - Run around the block.

Tom Clarke (Sioux Falls, S. Dak.) - Do I shoot it or eat it?

Ric Spaulding (Elkart, Ind.) - Say hello  
Lee Kearse (Miami, Fla.) - Look at him  
Trudy Scanlan (Lorain, Ohio) - Just walk past him

Debra Pauli (New Orleans) - Do my thing  
Sue Sudkamp (Cleveland, Ohio) - smile  
David Adame (Houston, Texas) - I would...uh, that's what I'd do!??

Nick Pierce (Atlanta, Georgia) - cut his head off or something

Dick Snodgrass (Bloomington, Ind.) - Pass it I guess.

Jimmy Kennedy (Wilmington, Delaware) - RUN!

Rafter Irving (Norfolk, Va.) - Take him to school and give him an education, he sounds crazy.

Beverly Pollock (Nashville, Tenn.) - Ask him if he is related to me because of my name.

Chrys Rehmann (Saginaw, Michigan) - Disregard him

Cindy Wilson (St. Paul, Minnesota) - Look at him kind of strangely.

Gary Caviglia (Visalia, California) - Run away as fast as I can

Tom Prichard (Anderson, Indiana) - Ask him how he got out of his discussion group. Other comments from people who wished to remain anonymous (for obvious reasons)

Weren't they all extinguished prior to the depression??

Nothing, why?

Feed her.

I don't know, but if this is for the newspaper, I don't want my name down.

Well, I imagine many of these people would like to know that an oxymoron is a grammatical expression.

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# M E N U E S

## Tuesday Lunch

blended juice  
Italian spaghetti with meat sauce  
parmesan cheese  
buttered green beans  
relish plate  
Iced tea/ Lemonade/ CTM

## Tuesday Dinner

stuffed pork chops  
parsley buttered carrot  
hot spiced apples  
cole slaw  
parsley garnish, bread and butter  
cherry pie  
lemonade

## Wednesday Breakfast

Orange juice or pineapple juice  
grilled eggs  
toast, jelly  
cream of wheat  
or cold cereal  
CTM / cocoa

# C o s t u m e s

Upon arriving at the conference most delegates noticed innumerable variations in the attire. It surprises some people, but these costumes in many cases have meaning behind them.

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania delegates are wearing a gold scarf in honor of the golden anniversary of J.A.

Hartford, Connecticut delegation is wearing a red vest and carrying a red travelers insurance umbrella. This represents Hartford, "the insurance capital of the world".

New Orleans delegation is wearing wind-breakers with their cities name inscribed on the back in Mardi-gras colors. The flag on the arm of the coat indicates Apollo 11 was built in New Orleans.