

# Capitol Correspondent



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Region D  
Population Division 7  
Base Membership: 68

## Learn to Curl

On Fridays a group of Lansing Jaycees have been engaging in a Scottish tradition. That tradition is the ancient game of curling. Curling? That game where you toss rocks down ice and people sweep it along? Yes, that curling.

Stemming from a trip set up in November to visit the Detroit Curling Club, the oldest curling club in the United States, we learned about the history of the sport. Upon learning that the club also offered classes, interest was peaked.



*A. Clock learns to deliver a stone*



*Watching as A. Fossi learns to curl!*

Over the course of three Fridays those who attended learned how to “throw” a 42lb. rocks of granite down a 150-foot sheet of ice, into a bullseye called a house, how to be an effective sweeper what sweeping actually does, how to give signals on what type of shot to throw, and how scoring works. Although if anyone has played a proper game of shuffleboard at Stobers, you already have a good handle on how scoring works.

At this time a number of the Lansing Jaycees have become members of the Detroit Curling Club and will be seen at the 2014 Olympics. In the meantime community ed. classes will again be held in October and November so mark your calendars. If you are looking for something even sooner than that, there will be a gathering to watch the Olympics.

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# Lansing Jaycees

## February 2010

### **Jaycee Creed**

by C. William Brownfield

*We believe that faith in God gives meaning  
and purpose to human life;  
That the brotherhood of man transcends  
the sovereignty of nations;  
That economic justice can best be won  
by free men through free enterprise;  
That government should be of laws  
rather than of men;  
That earth's great treasure  
lies in human personality; and that*  
**SERVICE TO HUMANITY IS  
THE BEST WORK OF LIFE**

The Lansing Jaycees is an organization of people ages 21-40 which promotes leadership training through community service. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.) at Tripper's Bar and Grill in Frandor. Visit our website, [www.lansingjaycees.org](http://www.lansingjaycees.org) for more information.



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### **2010 Board of Directors**

*The Board meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month, 6:00 PM at the Jaycees Service Center*

#### **President**

- Angela Fossi           586-484-7027

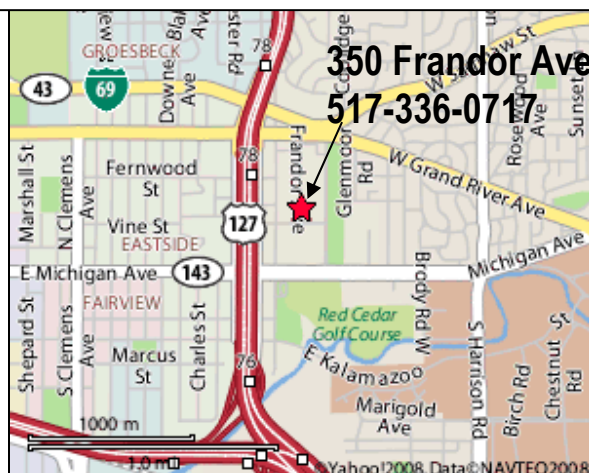
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  - Membership Director

Join us for our monthly membership meeting at Trippers! Every first Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM



## *President's Report*

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Have you ever wondered how much it costs the chapter to run your favorite event? We have published our Annual Report for 2009 and it shows the all of our expenses and income for the year in addition to summaries regarding our Chapter's strengths and weaknesses.

One obvious change we all need to make in 2010 is reviewing our approach towards fundraising. We have been very fortunate in the past few years to rely on Texas Hold'em to provide the majority of the income needed to conduct our events. Last year we faced a sobering reality. The Texas Hold'em tournaments are a wonderful source of income and we appreciate the opportunity to work at the events however, it cannot be our main source of revenue. Last year our total expenses were \$37,017.70 and our total income \$28,762.15 so the facts are clear we need to increase the diversity of our fundraising or start decreasing our expenses by decreasing the number or scale of our events or work with sponsors to decrease our costs. We will also work on sharing the financial information with our members so they can view of the overall costs of events.

That is one of many reasons we decided to conduct the Haunted House again. Prior to the Texas Hold'em tournaments this was one of our chapter's larger fundraisers. It's also provides positive community exposure which is always a benefit to our organization. How can you help with this? Start asking people you know if they can think of a business or group that may be interested in providing a location for the Haunted House. They may have space that is under utilized or are looking for a way to increase foot traffic or community exposure. We can lease space as a short term goal but it would be ideal if we could find a potential business partner that would allow us to use the space on a reoccurring basis.

What type of space are we looking for? We need 5,000 to 10,000 square feet of space that can be dedicated to the Haunted House from mid-September to mid-November. The space needs to up to code and be available for public use. It should have electricity, restrooms and ample parking. These are the main requirements. Feel free to have anyone that may be interested contact me for more information. We will also be publishing this information in several newsletter and publications around town so be on the lookout. This will be a great conversation starter.

For some of our newer members that may seem like a lot of space. But according to our records from past years we would typically attract between 200 and 250 people to our Haunted Houses per night. That means we need a lot of walking room to plan enough rooms to keep the crowds moving. We also will be reaching out to the Greater Lansing area businesses to find sponsors for food, drinks, building materials, and numerous other items so let's start talking about this exciting event. Start bringing this up in conversations with co-workers and friends. If they have lived in the Lansing area chances are they have visited one of our Haunted Houses in the past and they may know someone that would be able to assist us. Trust me September will be here before we know it so we have to get started on this now.

In the meantime let's keep up the great work of selling coupon books and attending the restaurant fundraisers that Sheryl has been working hard to coordinate. These types of fundraisers early on will help us work to budget the rest of the year. Also, work on talking to your friends, co-workers and anyone else that may want to help us by becoming a member. It's a great time to be part of the Lansing Jaycees. Let's keep building the buzz!

Sincerely,

Angela M. Fossi  
82<sup>nd</sup> President



## A Message from the Membership VP



Hello All! I hope everyone is having a great February so far. We have a few projects coming up in the membership area. We are also having a New Member Orientation on February 25. I encourage all new members and prospects who have not attended one before do so. It's a great way to learn more about the Jaycees as an organization as well as our local chapter.

Another fun event that you have hopefully gotten your invitation for is the Board Progressive Dinner. There will be 4 stops with 10 courses along the route and it should be a good time for everyone involved. If you don't know what a Progressive Dinner is or if you have any other questions, don't hesitate to contact me. My e-mail is [colleen713@yahoo.com](mailto:colleen713@yahoo.com) and I welcome phone calls/texts as well, my number is listed on the website. I hope you all have a wonderful February!!

*Colleen Burton, 2010 Membership VP*  
[colleen713@yahoo.com](mailto:colleen713@yahoo.com)

## Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road?

To avoid being thrown down the bowling lane! On Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 7 members of the Lansing Jaycees took a trip to Frankenmuth to help the Frankenmuth Jaycees with their annual Snowfest booth! Our members did a variety of tasks, including selling hot cocoa, tickets for brats, grilling and working on the Frozen Chicken Bowling lane!

Why did we do this? To get back our Region D Picture Board that was stolen from the November convention!

Everyone had a great time, and the event was very successful! A special thank you to Steve Pickelmann, Frankenmuth Jaycees Management Vice President for inviting (coercing) us out to help with their great event!



*Angela Clock, 2010 Chair of the Board*  
[fallingstar924@hotmail.com](mailto:fallingstar924@hotmail.com)

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



## *Dave Akens*

Name: Dave

Relationship Status: **Single**

Do you have any pets? **Yes**

Why I joined the Jaycees: **French fries**

Jaycee Join Date: **2004?**

## **Membership Anniversary Dates:**

### February:

*Sara Guthrie, Loretta Hardy, Dan Harris,  
Jaimie Hutchison, Wayne Hutchison, Jo  
O'Berry, Chris Vieth*

### March:

*Matt Bauer, Alexandra Briseno, Eric Dobry  
Joe Kelly, Sean Kottke, Andy Miller, Dianne  
Perukel, Sheryl Soczek, Michael Spaulding*

## **February Birthdays**

*Shannon Culberson  
Stacy Daniels  
Matt Grossmann  
Sara Guthrie  
Dan Harris  
Charlie Root*

*Happy Birthday!!!*



## **Membership has its Benefits!**

[http://www.usjaycees.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=21&Itemid=60](http://www.usjaycees.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=21&Itemid=60)

# Lansing Jaycees



Our huge January Happy Hour at Old Chicago!



Learning to Curl!



The Hoards sell tickets to Frozen Chicken Bowling!



S. Keeney staying warm while selling hot chocolate!

# Seen in Action

## A Message from the Community VP

### Up-Coming Community Events

#### **February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Easter Egg Hunt Committee Meeting**

Planning has started for the annual Lansing Jaycees Easter Egg Hunt at the State Capitol, but it is not too late to join! Join us from 6:00pm-7:30pm at Espresso Royale in East Lansing if you would like to take part in one of our key events held each year.

#### **March 4<sup>th</sup> – Relay for Life Committee Meeting**

We've also started planning for this year's Relay for Life event and team. We'll be meeting at Panera Bread in Frandor from 6:00pm-7:00pm!



**SAVE THE DATES!**

#### **March 26<sup>th</sup> – Comedy for a Cause**

***The Lansing Jaycees will be holding Comedy for a Cause to raise funds for the victims of the earthquakes in Haiti. Tickets are being sold for \$15 and the Jaycees keep 70% of that profit that we will then donate back to Haiti. Please invite family, friends, co-workers and anyone in need of a night of great laughs for a great cause! The comedian for the night is the StageBenders***

***([www.stagebenders.com](http://www.stagebenders.com)). There is also the possibility of a challenge between the Lansing Jaycees and a Jaycees chapter in Louisiana to see who can raise more. Please watch the website and Juice for more details, and plan to join us for an exciting night!***

#### **March 27<sup>th</sup> Easter Egg Stuffing**



**Easter Egg Stuffing Party will take place from 9:00am-3:00pm at Sohn Linen. Please look for more information and a sign up sheet at the March GMM. Many volunteers are needed to help stuff over 9,000 Easter Eggs!**

The Lansing Jaycees are always looking for new project ideas. Do you have a community project that you would like to see us do? Please contact Andrea Hoard at [andrea.hoard@gmail.com](mailto:andrea.hoard@gmail.com)!

# *Individual Development*

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## A Message from the Individual Development VP

Our Individual Development Team is still in the process of planning a lot of great events for you, don't fret March will be full of things for you to learn and enjoy!

I hope many of you had the opportunity to try some traditional Scottish fare at MacPhee's on the 6<sup>th</sup> of this month. Our very own Dave Akens planned this event and you too can do the same thing. If you have any ideas of events that would fall into the following categories, please let me or Andrew Hoard know and we would be more than happy to work with you to make them become a reality: Personal Development, Professional Development or International Involvement/Awareness.

Michigan Jaycees Convention is right around the corner (Feb 19-21). I have the Competitions Manual and information on Speed Competitions, Write-Up, Jaycee Jeopardy, Speak-Up and Debate information. If anyone would like more information, please feel free to contact me.



With so many things going on in the world around us, now is the perfect opportunity to learn about them and help where we can. Relief efforts are all around us, wouldn't it be great if someone came up with one we could put our name on? Yes, that is a challenge to each of you to find something we can do to help out those in need. The project/idea does not have to be financial, it can be a learning program, donations of goods or just helping to promote an understanding of other cultures.

*Sheryl A. Soczek, 2010 Individual Development VP*  
[soczek@msu.edu](mailto:soczek@msu.edu)

## Do You ID?

Welcome to February 2010! I am Andrew Hoard, your Individual Development Director for 2010. I have not been in the Jaycees too long, but I certainly know how fun it is and how fun it can be! After meeting with other people in this area, ID is a good part of the organization and I want to make it part a meaningful experience for all of you.

I do have some exciting things planned for this year:

- GYFO (Get Your Food On): I would like to target places that are either off of the beaten path or those places that are true in their ethnic roots.
- Job Skill Development Seminars: Currently we have a public speaking seminar set up for May. In addition, I will look into seminars for resume building, etiquette dinners and networking.
- International Sports: Currently, we have a group who is enjoying the Scottish sport of curling in Ferndale. I am also looking for equipment so we can try our hand at tape ball cricket.



As always, if you have additional ideas for an ID project, please feel free to contact me at [andrew.t.hoard@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.t.hoard@gmail.com) or Sheryl Soczek, your ID Vice President. Let's have a fun 2010!



# Individual Development

## Events in Lansing Jaycee History

Submitted by: Alexandra Briseno,  
2010 Lansing Jaycees Secretary,  
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Seventy-one years ago, the Lansing Jaycees were one of several groups and local businesses to come together and create the Lansing Safety Council on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1939. Several chapter members became board members on the council and helped to promote safety through education in the areas of traffic safety, child/school safety, home/community safety and workplace safety.

Today the council still exists as the Lansing Area Safety Council and they offer classes in CPR, Defensive Driving, Asbestos & Lead Awareness among many other topics. Their website is [www.safetycouncil.org](http://www.safetycouncil.org)



Around 1950, the Lansing Jaycees adopted a program to help new members to become better acquainted with how the chapter is run. Member Orientation meetings were created and allowed new members to become involved in committees close to their interests and were sworn in under oath at the general membership meeting. This tradition of swearing in new members and holding new member orientation meetings still holds true today.

One of the fundraising efforts the Lansing Jaycees ran was to sell the “new” 50 Star American Flags in 1960 to collect funds for the International Junior JayCee Tennis Tournament. The Jaycees sold hundreds of the flags door to door as well as events such as the HomeArama and Sports Show.



## Chaplain's Corner

Carrie May,  
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248-756-3840



“All the world's a stage and most of us are desperately unrehearsed.”

-Sean O'Casey

I was looking for inspiration for this month's Chaplain's message. I have been writing these for a few years now, and sometimes am concerned about repeating the same material. I stumbled upon this quote and thought, “Yeesh! Very gloom and doom!” I thought about it a bit more and thought, “Damn straight – I'm unrehearsed. I'm ill-prepared. Hmm...I'm okay with that.”

We talk so much about planning – everything from projects like the Easter Egg Hunt to your personal budget to your career. And planning in general is an important habit to get into – it helps keep you organized and on track. But life's interesting. You don't know what will be thrown at you. You don't know the true meaning of “it can turn on a dime” until it actually does. And there's often no way to be prepared, or rehearsed, for a lot of life's adventures. But it's easier to muddle through these adventures with success, and even enjoy them, when you choose to take the approach that you can and will make the best of every situation.

### A note from the Capitol Correspondent Editor:

Thanks to the contributors of the February newsletter: A. Fossi, S. Soczek, A. Clock, A. Briseno, C. May, Andrea Hoard, S. Keeney, C. Burton, Andrew Hoard

### ANYONE CAN BE AN AUTHOR!

Please submit your articles, photos, or ideas for future newsletters to:

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# ***Individual Development***

## **Region Meetings – What’s in it for Me?**

So you’ve heard about these “Region Meetings”. What are they and what can you get out of them?

Let’s start at the beginning. The Lansing Jaycees are a part of Region D of the Michigan Jaycees. Our region includes the Charlotte Jaycees, Ionia Jaycees, Lansing Jaycees and Owosso Jaycees. We cover Ionia, Ingham, Eaton, Clinton, Shiawassee and Livingston counties.

Each quarter, we will get together as a region in order to meet members from other chapters, get ideas for our own chapters and get some great trainings. We had our first Region Meeting this month in Charlotte. Our members were able to get useful information for their professional and Jaycee careers. We had Bill McIntyre from the Grand Rapids Jaycees do a People Puzzles training, which helps people understand different personalities and how to work with those people. Amy Fenner and Michelle Pierce also came and conducted Speed Competitions with us. These included Impromptu Speak Up, Write Up and Jaycee Jeopardy.



Lansing will be hosting our May 8<sup>th</sup> Region Meeting. Our training will be a highly requested one – Eric Klingensmith from the Grand Rapids Jaycees will be doing a Millennial Training. This training was first done at November Convention and received great reviews and requests for us to have the training at a Region Meeting – more details about time and place will come soon, but I hope to see many of you there!

Submitted by: Angela M. Clock, 2010 Region D Director,  
Michigan Jaycees, [fallingstar924@hotmail.com](mailto:fallingstar924@hotmail.com)

## **2010 Region D Meetings**

**Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>: Time: TBD, Lansing**

*Trainers: Eric Klingensmith, GVSU and Grand Rapids Jaycees, Millennial Training*

**Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>: Time: TBD, Owosso**

*Trainers: Dave Worthams, 2010 MIJC Management VP, Potential Officers Training*

**Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>: Time, TBD, Ionia**

*Trainers: Darlene Dresch, 86<sup>th</sup> MIJC President, Transition to 2011*

*For more information or any training recommendations, contact 2010 Region D Director  
Angela M. Clock at [fallingstar924@hotmail.com](mailto:fallingstar924@hotmail.com) or 517-410-9527*

### A Message from the Management VP

This month has some exciting opportunities for the Jaycees to raise some money and take part in some events that will shape the future of the Jaycees.

We have two fundraisers on the books for this month. One is currently underway, the selling of the "Enjoy the City" Lansing edition coupon book. This book sells for \$20.00 and the Jaycees get to keep \$8.00 of each book sold! Not only do the Jaycees raise money selling this book, so can you. If you sell 5 books, you get one free for yourself or to give away. In addition to the free book, if you sell 10, you will receive either a second free book or a \$10.00 gift card. For each 10 you sell, you get an additional \$10.00 gift card. You can choose what to do with your gift card: keep it yourself or donate it back to the Jaycees to use for future events. I will be handing out the free books and the gift cards will come in the mail later. However, in order to be eligible for any of these benefits, your sales order form must be complete. Don't worry if you run out of books, I can always get you more. The sale will run from February 1 – 17, all order forms, money and left over books will need to be returned to me by the 18<sup>th</sup>. Please email me at [Soczek@msu.edu](mailto:Soczek@msu.edu) or call me at 862-6376 to arrange for a pick up/drop off. The books sell themselves so let's get selling!

Our second fundraiser will be held at Max & Erma's in Lansing in Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> where 20% of your meal proceeds will go back to the Lansing Jaycees. A coupon can be found on our website and in your weekly Jaycee Juice. You have to eat anyway so why not make us some money while you do it?

Plans are underway for our Haunted House, Monster Mayhem. Be sure to become our Facebook fan. We are always looking for marketing, public relations and advertising help so please join us at one of our next committee meetings. The next meeting will be on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 PM at Max & Erma's.

Website renovations are underway. Hopefully everyone got a chance to vote on the website format of their choice when they filled out the survey that was sent out in January. Stay tuned and check back to our website often to see the changes being made.

Samantha Keeney has put together a great Public Relations plan and we are all eager to get it started. Thank you Samantha for all of your hard work!

If anyone has any ideas for fundraisers or marketing ideas, be sure to let me know.

*Sheryl A. Soczek, 2010 Management Vice President*  
[soczek@msu.edu](mailto:soczek@msu.edu)

### **2010 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Michigan Jaycees Convention**

**Come celebrate the first quarter of 2010 with your fellow chapter members and the Michigan Jaycees at Boyne Mountain, April 30-May 2. Contact Angela Fossi at**

**[kitispart@gmail.com](mailto:kitispart@gmail.com) for more information or to sign up!**

### **Lansing Jaycees Board of Directors Meetings**

**Held 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month at the Michigan Jaycees Service Center, 534 S. Walnut at 6pm.**

**All members are welcome!**

## Past Presidents Corner

The Past Presidents of the Lansing Jaycees group has been around for years. They can offer support and insight on a variety of topics and projects. Each September, many of the Past Presidents gather for their annual outing in Whitehall, Michigan. During the weekend, a golf tournament and annual meeting are held. When the members of this prestigious organization are not golfing, they are reminiscing of past events, members and inquiring as to what the current chapter is up to. Needless to say, being a Jaycees impacted the Past Presidents in various ways. Each month, we will have a spotlight on one or more Past Presidents to find out a little more about them and their experiences being a Jaycee.

**Scott Pohl**  
**Lansing Jaycees 59<sup>th</sup> Past President, 1987-88**  
**JCI Senator #52745**



Old school recruiting is what brought Scott into the chapter. As a college student, he was working at the Meridian Mall when he was approached by a couple of Jaycees that were going from store to store cold-call recruiting. Luckily for the Lansing Jaycees, Scott was already familiar with who we are and what we do (he almost joined the Albion Jaycees); he just didn't know anything about our chapter. Like many, Scott was interested in joining for the social aspect, however because of our desire to help others and improve professional skills he decided on the Jaycees as opposed to other organizations.

Some of the things he credits the Jaycees with are: Gaining a wife (married to Past President Sherry Bass-Pohl), lifelong friendships and confidence that was able to assist in his work life.

During his tenure in the Jaycees, Scott chaired several projects. One that moved him the most was organizing a day where members of the chapter went to the home construction site of another member (who became ill with cancer in the middle of building a home for his family) and spent the day working on the house.

Scott is especially proud of his project that won Overall Project of the Year for 1990-91: the "Wish You Were Here Christmas Party." The first Gulf War had started, and he got the names of families of men and women serving in the war and invited them to a Christmas party. He invited Josh White, Jr. to sing where he led the crowd in a few songs (most notably "Let There Be Peace On Earth"...where there wasn't a dry eye in the place. Santa was there with gifts for the children; they took pictures of the kids with Santa, and then put together mailing to the military people that included the photos. This project was especially important to Scott as it was the first time in the chapter's history that a Past President chaired a Project of the Year award winner.

Scott encourages members to accept invitations to work on projects that don't initially appeal to them. His first project was working on a float for the Riverfest floating parade on the Grand River. He wasn't much of a handyman, but made friends quickly under the circumstances. He accepted an invitation to run for the board during his first year and has never looked back. Scott says, "It really is true that you get out of it what you put INTO it!"

Scott is currently employed at WKAR Radio where he has been a reporter since 1984. Feel free to drop Scott a line at [scottpohl@gmail.com](mailto:scottpohl@gmail.com) to find out how he can help you get the most of your Jaycee experience.

Planning for our 2010 Lansing Jaycees Haunted House, "The Return of Monster Mayhem," is under way and your help is needed. Below is a list of the various ways you can get involved. Each sub-committee will have committee meetings to attend as we move along in the process. Being part of the haunted house team will give you a sense of accomplishment, introduce you to new skills and produce an outlet to make some of the longest lasting friendships around.

## **PR/Advertising/Sponsorship:**

Subject Matter Experts: Amy Miller, John Prush, Sheryl Soczek & Angela Fossi

- Find sponsorships/donations for ice, food, beverage, paper products and service ware for the volunteers.
- Find sponsorships/donations for building supplies (plywood, screws, paint, etc), sound system, laptop and other items.
- Coordinate media (Sandy Fast – Citadel), on-location spots, electronic and print.
- Social media: Facebook, Twitter, etc.

## **Construction/Design:**

Subject Matter Experts: Troy Steere, John Prush and Carrie May

- Load-in/out (it takes 15 – 20 people approximately 6 hours each way)
- Plan for emergency exits
- Repair – nightly
- Fire Extinguishers (secure items)
- Tear down (takes appx. 200 – 300 man hours)
- Room layout (14 – 18 rooms)
- Room build (plus design takes about 700 – 900 man hours)
- Inspections (fire/building)
- Room design

## **Volunteers:**

Subject Matter Experts: John Prush, Sheryl Soczek & Carrie May

- Volunteers to load/unload trailer.
- Nightly volunteers to run the house
  - MSU and other local organizations
  - Security
  - Exit area
  - No partial shifts
  - No position requests
- Approximately 20 – 25 to run the house per night
- DJ/control booth operator
- Must be over 18 unless prior approval
- No pay

## **Front of House:**

Subject Matter Experts: Stephanie Steere, Carrie May & Sheryl Soczek

- Cash handling
- Open/Close house
- Front of House assignments will be assigned by designate.

## **Back of House:**

Subject Matter Experts: Troy Steere & John Prush

- Keep costumes/masks neat, clean & orderly.
- Collect and take out the trash nightly.
- Arrange donated food, beverage and ice nightly.
- Coordinate and verify completion of volunteer Liability Waivers.
- Coordinate volunteer orientation.

*For more information, contact Sheryl Soczek, Management VP at [soczek@msu.edu](mailto:soczek@msu.edu)*

## Annual Survey Results

The Annual Survey was distributed to our membership in January. We received some valuable feedback from the group that we can use as a planning tool. Every year our needs may change and our survey is intended to help us anticipate what our membership is looking for.

We did capture names during the survey and will be contacting members that suggested projects or would like to get involved in chairing an event.

Here is a summary of the results. Looking at our calendar for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter we seem to be on target to meet the majority of the event requests.

How many events per quarter?					
	1	2-3	4-6	7-9	None
Community Involvement	15.8% (3)	68.4% (13)	10.5% (2)	5.3% (1)	0.0% (0)
Social Activities	0.0% (0)	10.5% (2)	68.4% (13)	21.1% (4)	0.0% (0)
Environmental Awareness	81.3% (13)	6.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	6.3% (1)	6.3% (1)
Personal Development	22.2% (4)	61.1% (11)	11.1% (2)	5.6% (1)	0.0% (0)
Social Issues	77.8% (14)	16.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	5.6% (1)	0.0% (0)
Governmental Affairs	81.3% (13)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	6.3% (1)	12.5% (2)
Professional Development	44.4% (8)	38.9% (7)	5.6% (1)	5.6% (1)	5.6% (1)
Family and Youth Activities	58.8% (10)	29.4% (5)	0.0% (0)	5.9% (1)	5.9% (1)
Sporting Activities	33.3% (6)	50.0% (9)	11.1% (2)	5.6% (1)	0.0% (0)
Business Networking	41.2% (7)	41.2% (7)	5.9% (1)	5.9% (1)	5.9% (1)

It looks like the Juice and evites are the most popular choices for finding out about upcoming events. We had some interesting suggestions for alternatives methods of communication. Thanks for the feedback.

8. How would you like to receive information regarding upcoming events? Choose all that apply.

	Response Percent
Jaycee Juice	94.7%
Newsletter	57.9%
Look at website	52.6%
Evites	89.5%
Phone call	31.6%
Facebook	47.4%
GMM	42.1%

Our website review was a little too close to call from the survey. The website committee will discuss the results and determine a solution.

Overall, it looks like our members had a great time at the past events that we are planning on bringing back in 2010. We also had some feedback regarding event suggestions. We will conduct a mid-year survey to track our success but in the meantime feel free to discuss any comments or suggestions with a board member.

## *Calendar of Events*

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### Lansing Jaycees Activities...

- February 16<sup>th</sup>– Board of Directors Meeting** –All members welcome; 6:00 PM at the Michigan Jaycee Service Center, 534 S. Walnut, Lansing (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)
- February 17<sup>th</sup> – Get Your Food On** – La Senorita Restaurant, 2706 Lake Lansing Rd., Lansing; 6:00 PM (Details = Andrew Hoard @ 517-303-6643)
- February 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> – 2009 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter and Year End Convention** – Grand Traverse Resort and Spa, beginning at 6pm on the 19<sup>th</sup> (Details = A. Clock @ 517-410-9527)
- February 22<sup>nd</sup>– Haunted House PR/Advertising Committee Meeting** – Max and Erma's, Eastwood Town Center location, Lansing; 5:30a-7:30 PM (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)
- February 22<sup>nd</sup>– Max and Erma's Fundraising Event** – Max and Erma's, Eastwood Town Center location, Lansing; 11:00a-10:00 PM (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)
- February 24<sup>th</sup>– RESCHEDULED: CPG Training/Cookie Night** – TBD; 6:00 PM (Details = C. May @ 248-756-3840)
- February 26<sup>th</sup> – MSU Hockey Game** – Munn Ice Arena, East Lansing; 6:00 PM (Details = J. Hutchison @ 517-339-2394)
- February 27<sup>th</sup>– Bowling League** – Royal Scot, 4722 W. Grand River, Lansing; 8:15 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)
- February 28<sup>th</sup>– Progressive Dinner** – Various, Lansing; 4:00 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)
- March 2<sup>nd</sup>– General Membership Meeting** – Tripper's, 350 Frandor Ave., Lansing; 6:00 PM Social Hour, 7:00 PM meeting (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)
- March 3<sup>rd</sup>– Tour of Michigan Energy Options House** – 405 Grove St., East Lansing; 6:00 PM (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)
- March 4<sup>th</sup>– Relay for Life Committee Meeting** – Panera Bread, Frandor, Lansing; 6:00 PM (Details = Andrea Hoard @ 517-402-8488)
- March 5<sup>th</sup>– Zumba Girls Night Out at the MAC** – MAC, 2900 Hannah Blvd., East Lansing; 6:30 PM (Details = A. Briseno @ 517-974-0965)
- March 6<sup>th</sup>– Get Your Game On** – Jaimie & Wayne Hutchison's, 1171 Teakwood, Haslett; 7:00 PM (Details = J. Hutchison @ 517-339-2394)
- March 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>– Texas Hold 'Em Tournament** – Tripper's, 350 Frandor Ave., Lansing; (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)
- March 11<sup>th</sup>– St. Patrick's Day Member Mixer** – Log Jam, 110 West Jefferson, Grand Ledge; 5:30 PM (Details = C. Burton @ 517-281-6049)
- March 13<sup>th</sup>– Bowling League** – Royal Scot, 4722 W. Grand River, Lansing; 8:15 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)
- March 13<sup>th</sup>– Easter Egg Sorting** – TBD (Details = Andrea Hoard @ 517-402-8488)
- March 18<sup>th</sup>– Get Your Food On** – Sophia's House of Pancakes, 1010 Charlevoix, Grand Ledge; 6:15 PM (Details = Andrew Hoard @ 517-303-6643)
- March 19<sup>th</sup>– Happy Hour** – Michigan Brewing Company, 402 S. Washington, Lansing; 5:30 PM (Details = C. Burton @ 517-281-6049)

***Watch the Juice Weekly for other Events yet to be planned!***

### And the Nominees are:

With the 2010 Academy Awards coming up on Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, here is a listing of some of the highlighted nominees for this years honors – have you seen these movies?

#### Best Motion Picture:

Avatar  
The Blind Side  
District 9  
An Education  
The Hurt Locker  
Inglourious Basterds  
Precious: Based on the Novel 'Push' by Sapphire  
A Serious Man  
Up  
Up in the Air

#### Actor in a Leading Role:

Jeff Bridges – *Crazy Heart*  
George Clooney – *Up in the Air*  
Colin Firth – *A Single Man*  
Morgan Freeman – *Invictus*  
Jeremy Renner – *The Hurt Locker*



#### Actress in a Leading Role:

Sandra Bullock – *The Blind Side*  
Helen Mirren – *The Last Station*  
Carey Mulligan – *An Education*  
Gabourney Sibide – *Precious: Based on the Novel 'Push' by Sapphire*  
Meryl Streep – *Julie & Julia*

#### Actor in a Supporting Role:

Matt Damon – *Invictus*  
Woody Harrelson – *The Messenger*  
Christopher Plummer – *The Last Station*  
Stanley Tucci – *The Lovely Bones*  
Christoph Waltz – *Inglourious Basterds*

#### Actress in a Supporting Role:

Penelope Cruz – *Nine*  
Vera Farminga – *Up in the Air*  
Maggie Gyllenhaal – *Crazy Heart*  
Anna Kendrick – *Up in the Air*  
Mo'Nique – *Precious: Based on the Novel 'Push' by Sapphire*

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## Want to be an Elected Official?

Check out the MIJC Model Legislature program! This year's event will be Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at the State Capitol.

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