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## **2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER HIGHLIGHT: BOB PANCOST GOLF OUTING**



On June 21st, the Lansing Jaycees held the First Annual Bob Pancost Memorial golf Outing at Highland Hills Golf Club in Dewitt. Bob was the 50th President of the chapter. He was an award winning President and a JCI Senator who continued to serve the chapter as a sponsor and consultant until his untimely death in November, 2007.

Thank you to our sponsors for helping us establish this event in Bob's honor and making this first outing a success. Sponsors included: Sohn Linen, Pancost Printing, Rathbun Insurance, Smith Floral and Mark Griffiths.

Sheri from Highland Hills shared a story about Bob at the start of the outing telling us how every outing Bob was involved with at the course involved some level of rain. We had a few sprinkles that morning which, per Sheri, was Bob thanking us for coming out. The rain was a welcome reminder of Bob and all he did for the chapter.

- Chairperson Amy Miller, Chair of the Board millerae@gmail.com



#### **HIGHLIGHTS:** 8 teams in a 4 man scramble. Winning team: Past Presidents Barry Hintz and Rick Zapoli with Tom Groom & Mike Crimmins. Closest to the Pin: Eric Dobry & Past President Dee Griffiths. Longest Drive (female): Past member Diane Brewer Longest Put: Scott Stoecker

## Lansing Jaycees

## **June 2008**

#### 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

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The Board meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month, 5:30 PM at the Jaycees Service Center

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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 for more information.



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





June 13, 2008

Dear Members:

I hope you all are having a wonderful summer. We are officially ½ way through another year and what a productive one it has been! It seems we have activities going on at least 2 nights a week if not more. What a great opportunity for everyone to get out and socialize or help out our community.

That being said, we do have another ½ year to plan for. We do have our annual events coming up: Children's Shopping Spree, Haunted House and Stuff the Bus. However, we need to get some new events on the calendar so if you have any ideas....let any Board Member know.

I would like everyone to start thinking about if they would like to be on the Board of Directors next year. If you are interested in any position or wonder what that position entails, please contact a Board Member for more information and a position shadowing opportunity.

I would like to personally challenge each one of you to chair a project in the next 6 months. Chairing a project does not have to be a huge time commitment or planning process. It can be as simple as planning dinner and a movie, game night or event laser tag. If you are interested in chairing a project, but would prefer to co-chair one first, let a Board Member know and they can help make that happen. Being a Chairperson does not have to be a scary thing, it is a great learning opportunity for everyone.

While I am writing of the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every Member for the time and dedication they have shown the first ½ of the year. It is this time of the year that everyone may get burned out and want to enjoy the summer. I encourage each and every one of you and members alike to remember to take some time for yourself and enjoy the summer.

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you over the next few months and remember to enjoy yourselves this summer!

Sincerely,

Sheryl A. Soczek 80<sup>th</sup> President <u>soczek@mail.hfs.msu.edu</u> 517-862-6376



## The Convention Experience by VP At Large, Mike Castelein

The Michigan Jaycees Convention up at Boyne Mountain resort was my first convention. The convention was from May 9-11. There were five Lansing Jaycees that made the trip there. We all rode together and it was an eventful trip to say the least, especially playing Mad Libs.

So we arrive at hotel about 10:30p.m. We didn't see any other Jaycees around at the time, so we decide to go and explore. Then we come across a group of people and find out they're Jaycees also. I think pretty much the only people at the Boyne resort were Jaycees. We check in at the front desk and we all get purple bands to wear around for the rest of weekend. As we enter into the room there are other Jaycees playing games and having a good time. I saw friends there from other chapters, which was exciting to get to see them again. There were about 340 Jaycees at the convention and I heard it was the largest in years.

The next day we had lunch served to us and awards were given out. We received an award for 2<sup>nd</sup> place community project for our Easter Egg Hunt. That was pretty exciting. Many awards were given out and it lasted about 4 hours. Later that night we headed back to the same room for dinner and more awards. We were dressed our best. John Kitna the Lions quarterback was our keynote speaker, during the time he was speaking no one was allowed out or into the room. One of the messages I got out of his speech was. "don't be a chameleon. If you're constantly changing no one is going to follow you. A leader is someone that stays consistent". After that we got to see a Jaycee video. The beginning started of with the Stars Wars intro. Then came the Jefferson's spoof played by some the members of the State Board.



**2008 Spring Convention Lansing Jaycees** C. Burton, A. Clock, S. Soczek, M. Spaulding, M. Castelein

We also watched as pictures flipped though of Jaycees at their various events. The Lansing Jaycees also received a recognition award for the books we turned in for our various projects.

The dinner and awards lasted 4 hours. After that was done it was time for some fun on the dance floor. The Soulja boy song came on and I even busted out the dance. Since then I've heard many request for me to do the dance. Apparently what goes on at convention doesn't necessarily stay at convention!

Would you like to attend State Convention? Summer Convention is coming soon in Troy! August 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Contact any Board Member for more information! Michael Castelein 2008 Vice President At Large <u>thepopal@comcasat.net</u> 517-242-1050



## A Message from the Membership VP

It's almost July?!

Wow, how time flies when you're having fun! This year has been full of fun social events for our members, including Happy Hours, Membership Mixers, Lugnuts games, Get Your Food On events, and the list goes on! I want to thank everyone who has chaired any of these events, and also thank all of you who have come out for one. If you haven't been out to a social event yet, there's still time this year – there are plenty coming up!

Our Membership Committee has been taking on some new activities. You will all notice that at the end of each month, you will get a phone call from our lovely committee reminding you of the upcoming GMM and also checking in to see how we can better serve you. Also, I would like to challenge our entire membership to help us in recruitment – please bring a friend to an event and let them know about the Jaycees. We would love to see some new, smiling faces around!

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer. I know I'm looking forward to a little down time!

Angela Clock 2008 Membership VP <u>fallingstar924@hotmail.com</u> 517-410-9527



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Birthdays

Tracy Prush (4/1) Randy Weber (4/14) Wayne Hutchison (5/10) Rachel Lippman (5/22) Kim Doughty (6/14) Chris Vieth (6/26) Orion Smith (4/6) Trish Gronda (4/27) Troy Steere (5/21) Michael Castelein (5/28) Rebecca Wawersik (6/24) Becky Beauregard (6/28)



#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Birthdays

Darrin Fowler (7/01)BrianColleen Burton (7/13)SherAngela Fossi (7/22)AlexJohn Prush (8/16)DianKathie Dunbar (8/20)LaurDave Akens (8/29)BranKrik Mielke (9/8)MollyMichelle Walk (9/19)AngeKathleen Hausbeck-Miller (9/20)Felicity White (9/30)

Briana Craig (7/12) Sheryl Soczek (7/19) Alexandra Briseno (8/14) Dianne Perukel (8/19) Laura Vieth (8/27) Brandon Creamer (8/29) Molly Frendo (9/8) Angela Clock (9/24) /20)

#### Welcome New Members!

February – Rebecca Wawersik March – Sean Kottke April – Molly Frendo & Rachel Lippman May – Becky Beauregard & Darin Beauregard

## <u>Most Active Member</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter



## Angela Fossi

3 GMM, 2 Constitution / Bylaws Meetings, 3 Lugnuts Games, Rebuilding Together, Membership Committee, Humane Society Work Day, Membership Mixer, Book Club

Board Members not Included

## Membership

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

#### New Jaycees Member – Rachel Lippman

Occupation: State Capitol Reporter, Michigan Public Radio Network <u>Relationship Status</u>: Single <u>Dream Job</u>: Hosting Fresh Air or Talk of the Nation <u>Favorite Movie</u>: Changes by the day, but mostly Bull Durham or Walk the Line <u># of Keys on Key Chain</u>: Just one on my car keychain, but nine on my house chain <u>Favorite Board Game</u>: Sorry or Trivial Pursuit <u>What I'd like to know about the future</u>: Who's going to play in the World Series <u>First Car</u>: Green Toyota Corolla. It was an awesome car. <u>Why I joined the Jaycees</u>: Angela kept bugging me... and I also wanted to hang out with more people that have

I also wanted to hang out with more people that have nothing to do with the state Capitol and are interested in community service





#### New Jaycees Member – Sean Kottke

Occupation: Professor of Education, Reading/Language Arts, Miller College <u>Relationship Status</u>: Divorced, 2 kids (Alexis – 16, and August – 11) <u>Dream Job</u>: Best-selling author (it could happen...) <u>Favorite Movie</u>: Nashville (1975) <u># of Keys on Key Chain:</u> Nine <u>Favorite Board Game</u>: Cranium <u>What I'd like to know about the future:</u> Kentucky Derby trifectas for the next 20 years <u>First Car</u>: 1973 Saab 99 <u>Why I joined the Jaycees</u>: To have a positive impact on my community and to have a good time doing it!

Who should be featured in the next Lansing Jaycees Member Spotlight? Submit your recommendations to Angela Clock at <u>fallingstar924@hotmail.com</u>

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Member Awards Presented to:

Chairperson Awards: Mike Castelein, Carrie May & Angela Clock, Jamie Hutchinson Member Awards: Dave Akens & Anne Ribby, Luci Ellavich, Matt Bauer & Carrie May

## Membership



#### **My Job in Homeland Security** By "Former" Lansing Jaycee Member Eric Letzgus

The mission of Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine (CBP A&M), the world's largest law enforcement air force, is to protect the American people and Nation's critical infrastructure through the coordinated use of integrated air and marine forces to detect, interdict and prevent acts of terrorism and the unlawful movement of people, illegal drugs and other contraband toward or across the borders of the United States.

This specialized law enforcement capability allows CBP A&M to make significant contributions to the homeland security efforts of DHS, as well as to those of Federal, State, local, and tribal agencies. To accomplish this mission, CBP A&M utilizes over 700 pilots and 267 aircraft including the use of unmanned aircraft systems, over 130 mariners and over 200 vessels.

My role in all of this is I work at the CBP Air and Marine Operations Center (AMOC) at March ARB, Riverside, California. The AMOC is used to coordinate all A&M assets with ground officers and agents in protecting the borders. I am a uniformed CBP officer in a position that is employed 24/7, monitoring all aircraft entering and exiting the United States and tracking any abnormal aircraft incidents within the US, like problems on commercial airliners, airport security incidents and so on. I also coordinate with any law enforcement agency in the US on any aviation related crimes or the use of aircraft in trafficking or smuggling. The AMOC has directly been credited with arrest of drug shipments going from the Mexican Border to Tennessee, Ohio, New Jersey, Canada and all points in-between. It's a great job and I'm happy to be part of the operations.



Coming soon to Selfridge ANGB, just outside of Mt Clemens, will be a full CBP A&M unit. They will have a full complement of jets, helicopters and boats patrolling Lakes Huron, Erie, St Clair and the St Clair River. Shortly, you will start seeing CBP aircraft flying over the State of Michigan. I have applied to move there and hope to find out shortly if I'm selected or not. Either way, I'm enjoying my new career in CBP A&M and the Department of Homeland Security. If you happen to make it out to Southern California or Vegas, let me know! If you have any questions or just want to keep in touch you can contact me via email at letzgomsu@yahoo.com.



#### **Enforcement Statistics:**

During the 2007 Fiscal Year, CBP A&M personnel and assets were involved in law enforcement operations at home and abroad that resulted in the seizure of more than 87,000 pounds of cocaine and more than 307,000 pounds of marijuana. These operations also resulted in more than 1,200 arrests. These operations involved CBP aircraft and vessels, which are stationed in strategic locations along the United States border. *Info/photos for this article was derived from the CBP Website: http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/border\_security/air\_marine/cbp\_air\_marine\_overview.xml* 

<u>Editors Note</u>: Special thanks to Eric Lutzgus for sharing his experience with Homeland Security. Eric accepted this exciting position shortly after joining the Lansing Jaycees in 2007.

## Community



Felicity White & Sarah Reckow at ELAF



#### Face Painting at the East Lansing Art Festival

With Spring comes the annual East Lansing Art Festival and the Lansing Jaycees did their part by running the face painting tent in the Children's Activity Area on May 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. Over 15 of us, plus with the help of Rachel Rosenbaum's medical student friends, Jaimie Hutchison's colleagues, Colleen Burton's family and art festival volunteers, we were able to create many happy faces for the kids. Even some first time volunteers surprised themselves and enjoyed helping out and learned they had some artistic talent.

Thanks to ELAF Chairperson Alexandra Briseno! (xandrab@hotmail.com)

## A Message from the Community VP

Hey Everyone, I hope your summer has been fantastic thus far! We have had a few community events this quarter, including Rebuilding Ingham County, painting at Habitat for Humanity and painting at the Humane Society.

I was only available for Rebuilding Ingham County, but I know all 3 events were a success. For Rebuilding, we helped scrape and paint a house on North Pennsylvania, and it was a blustery day! However, we helped an Iraqi refugee who had been a Pro-American Photo Journalist and was captured and tortured by the enemy. It was really nice to be able to help him. As for the Humane Society, I know everyone had a very good time walking and playing with the animals on their work breaks. A big thanks to Angela Backus for chairing the event, and to Angela Clock for chairing the Habitat for Humanity project.

For the upcoming quarter, we have one of our biggest events, the Children's Shopping Spree. We have many people willing to serve on the committee, and our president is willing to co-chair the event. However, we still need a co-chair to help her. I would like to encourage everyone to consider doing this, as the project has been well planned in the past, which makes it that much easier to plan for the current time frame. This is a great opportunity to help the community and learn more about being involved in the planning of a project. Please contact me if you are willing to do so, as we need to get the project underway ASAP.

What needs do you see in the community? Have a particular passion? Let the Lansing Jaycees help make your dream to help others a reality! Share your Community Service Project Idea with Colleen Burton – Community VP! Colleen Burton 2008 Community VP <u>colleen713@yahoo.com</u> 517-281-6049



## <u>Community</u>



## Easter Egg Hunt 2008 is a HUGE Success!

The Lansing Jaycees held their annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 22, 2008. (*Yes, it was last quarter – but still news worthy!*) Lots of preparation went into this event, including an Egg Stuffing Party the week before at Sohn Linen. A big thank you to all the members that helped out to make this event a success!

While it snowed quite a bit the night before and it was VERY cold, we still had approximately 350-400 children come out to hunt eggs! Many mascots joined us for the event, including Sparty, Big Lug, McGruff the Crime Dog, Click-It the Cricket, and of course, the Easter Bunny!!!

We would like to thank our partners, Sohn Linen, Citadel Broadcasting, the Delta Lionnesses, and Cashland for their generous donations and assistance.

Also, we are hoping that because Easter is in April next year, there will be no snow! Cross your fingers!



The 2008 Easter Egg Hunt was Co-chaired by Angela Clock fallingstar924@hotmail.com & Carrie May carriemmay@aol.com

## **A Message from the Individual Development VP**

#### Hello Everyone!

Your Individual Development Vice President here! Just letting you know that we are planning a Cedar Point Trip later this Summer and I would love for all of you to come and have fun at Cedar Point for the day. Also the Softball team is in mid season - we are 5 and 3, we have had some tough injuries and have lost a couple of tough games to this point, but I think we are all having fun and enjoying the camaraderie and the sportsmanship with our fellow Jaycees. We would love some support so if you have nothing to do on a Wednesday evening come out and support the team.

Come Show Your Support of the Lansing Jaycees Softball Team!

Every Wednesday Night through mid-July in Delta Township.

Contact Mike Spaulding at 517-490-8628 for game time and location



Another ID activity coming up is the Pizza Technique Demonstration July at Williams Sonoma. If there is anyone looking to plan an event and would like my help promoting it or putting it together feel free to email me or give me a call.

Thanks for your time everyone!



Mike Spaulding 2008 Individual Development VP <u>navy\_1\_01@yahoo.com</u> 517-490-8628

Did you know you don't have to be a member of the YMCA to take advantage of excellent opportunities to improve your health and wellbeing? Non-members can also enroll in classes such as yoga, kickboxing, weight lifting, cycling, and much more! Check out what your local YMCA has to offer at <u>http://www.ymcaoflansing.org/</u>

Have a new activity you want to try – or something you want to learn more about? Maybe some of our other Jaycees members do too!! Contact Mike Spaulding – ID VP with your idea and lets all get involved!

## What is your Myers-Briggs Personality Type?

#### CHOOSE ONE TYPE FROM EACH QUESTION:

#### 1. WHICH OF THESE CHARACTERISTICS SOUNDS MORE LIKE YOU?

(E) <u>EXTROVERTED</u> – ACTS FIRST, NEEDS OUTSIDE WORLD INTERACTION OF PEOPLE AND THINGS, ENJOYS WIDE VARIETY AND CHANGE IN RELATIONSHIPS

(I) <u>INTROVERTED</u> – THINKS FIRST, LIKES PRIVATE OR DOWN TIME, INTERNALLY MOTIVATED, PREFERS ONE-ON-ONE INTERACTIONS IN RELATIONSHIPS

#### 2. WHICH OF THESE CHARACTERISTICS SOUNDS MORE LIKE YOU?

- (S) <u>SENSING</u> LIVES IN THE NOW, USES COMMON SENSE, FACT-FILLED MEMORY, LIKES CLEAR AND CONCRETE INFORMATION
- (N) <u>INTUITIVE</u> LIVES IN THE FUTURE, MORE IMAGINATIVE, MEMORY IS CONTEXTUAL, DOESN'T MIND GUESSING, CAN WORK WITH FUZZY DATA

#### 3. WHICH OF THESE CHARACTERISTICS SOUNDS MORE LIKE YOU?

- **(T)** <u>**THINKING**</u> USES FACTS AND LOGIC WITH DECISION MAKING, TASK ORIENTATED, PROVIDING OBJECTIVE AND CRITICAL ANALYSIS IS EASY, ACCEPTS CONFLICTS AS PART OF RELATIONSHIPS
- **(F)** <u>FEELING</u> USES INSTINCT AND FEELINGS WITH DECISION MAKING, SENSITIVE TO PEOPLE, SEEKS CONSENSUS AND POPULAR OPINIONS, AVOIDS CONFLICTS

#### 4. WHICH OF THESE CHARACTERISTICS SOUNDS MORE LIKE YOU?

- (J) <u>JUDGING</u> PLANS THINGS IN ADVANCE, COMPLETES TASKS ONE AT A TIME, KEEPS AHEAD OF DEADLINES TO AVOID STRESS, USES TARGETS, DATES AND ROUTINES TO MANAGE LIFE
- (P) <u>PERCEIVING</u> PLANS ON THE GO, ENJOYS MULTITASKING, WORKS BETTER UNDER PRESSURE OF DEADLINE, PREFERS FLEXIBILITY AND FREEDOM THAN COMMITMENTS

#### FROM YOUR CHOICES YOU WILL HAVE A 4 LETTER PERSONALITY TYPE. EXAMPLE: INFP

THERE ARE 16 TYPES OF PERSONALITIES. IF YOU ARE A:

INTJ - YOU ARE ANALYTICAL, PRAGMATIC, LOGICAL, INDIVIDUALISTIC, AND INDEPENDENT INFJ – YOU ARE SENSITIVE, QUIET LEADER, ARTISTIC, ABSTRACT AND INDEPENDENT INTP – YOU ARE THOUGHTFUL, ANALYTICAL, CURIOUS, QUICK WITTED AND PROBLEM SOLVERS ISTP – YOU ARE ANALYTICAL, OPEN TO NEW INFORMATION, OBSERVANT AND ENJOYS RISKS ISTJ – YOU ARE ORGANIZED, DETAILED, SENSIBLE, TRADITIONAL AND PRACTICAL ISFJ – YOU ARE OBSERVANT, MAINTAIN ORDER, THOUGHTFUL, CARETAKERS AND METICULOUS INFP - YOU ARE REFLECTIVE, IMAGINATIVE, ETHICAL, FLEXIBLE AND PASSIONATE ISFP – YOU ARE EASYGOING, CONSIDERATE, CARING, LIVES IN THE MOMENT AND SENSITIVE ENTP – YOU ARE INNOVATIVE, RESOURCEFUL, PROBLEM SOLVERS AND LIKES CHALLENGES ENFP – YOU ARE PERCEPTIVE, ENTHUSIASTIC, CHARISMATIC, IDEALISTIC AND DRAMATIC ENTJ - YOU ARE ASSERTIVE, OUTSPOKEN, KNOWLEDGE SEEKERS AND TAKES CHARGE ESTJ – YOU ARE PRACTICAL, REALISTIC, MATTER-OF-FACT, ORGANIZED, AND RULES MINDED ESTP – YOU ARE HANDS ON, RESOURCEFUL, LIVES IN THE MOMENT AND CHARMING ESFP – YOU ARE SPONTANEOUS, ENTHUSIASTIC, RESOURCEFUL, ADAPTABLE AND PLAYFUL ENFJ - YOU ARE SENSITIVE, TEAM PLAYERS, LOYAL, SUPPORTIVE, RELIABLE AND GRACIOUS ESFJ – YOU ARE WARM, ENERGETIC, STRUCTURED, SYMPATHETIC AND DOWN TO EARTH

## A Message from the Management VP

Hope everyone is having a great summer!

Just a brief update on what is coming up under the Management area in the Lansing Jaycees.

In August, there will be two events related to Management: the Texas Hold'em Tournament from August 14-17<sup>th</sup> and the Networking event in conjunction with the Grand River Connection group on August 26th. More information on the Texas Hold'em event is listed in the newsletter. Please help out and volunteer for this money making event.

The Lansing Jaycees are going to the August sponsors for the Grand River Connection's (GRC) monthly networking event. They were founded in 2005 and their mission is to develop a stronger network to support Lansing and East Lansing's young and vital workforce. Every last Tuesday of the month they have a happy hour networking event and on average over 100 young professionals every month for professional and social networking and the opportunity to experience some of the newest and most exciting destinations in the Greater Lansing area. The location is yet to be determined, but I hope you will come out and support the Jaycees while meeting new folks at the same time.

Alexandra Briseno 2008 Management VP xandrab@hotmail.com 517-974-0965

#### Save the Date! Texas Hold'em Volunteers Needed – August 14<sup>th</sup>–17<sup>th</sup>

This is one of our biggest fundraisers for the chapter and one of the easiest volunteer opportunities as well. Tripper's in Frandor hosts Texas Hold'em all week and uses volunteer groups year around to hand out chips and collect money from the players. In return, the volunteer groups get a small percentage of the payout for their organizations. The Lansing Jaycees has used our funds to sponsor the Back to School Shopping Spree and help out with our other projects such and the Easter Egg Hunt, Haunted House and Stuff the Bus.

But we cannot do this without your help - we need two people working each shift; there will be two shifts on Thursday and Friday from 3:30pm-9:30pm and 9:30 pm-2am and three shifts Saturday and Sunday from 2pm-6pm, 6pm-10p and 10pm-2am. All shifts must be filled or we will be unable to take advantage of this great opportunity. Please contact Alexandra Briseno at xandrab@hotmail.com with the times you are able to help out.



## Historical Factoids of the US & Michigan Jaycees

Some people do not know that the Jaycees are a national and international organization with chapters currently in 45 states and 114 countries (Nepal is one!). In the US, Illinois has the most active chapters – 58; but Michigan is second with 45 chapters.

Originally created in 1910 as the Herculaneum Dance Club by Henry Giessenbier, it became the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce (USJCC) on January 21, 1920 in St. Louis, Missouri with 3,000 members. While it was created to provide opportunities for young men to develop personal and leadership skills through service to others, the Jaycees in 1984 expanded to include women, reflecting the growing influence and leadership of women in America. Michigan has been a part of the US Jaycees since 1924 with the oldest active chapters being Lansing and Grand Rapids since 1929.

The four areas of opportunity: Business, Individual, Community, and International are embedded in the Jaycee Creed which was adopted in 1947:

#### WE BELIEVE:

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life; That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations; (International) That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise; (Business) That government should be of laws rather than of men; That earth's great treasure lies in human personality; (Individual) And that service to humanity is the best work of life. (Community)

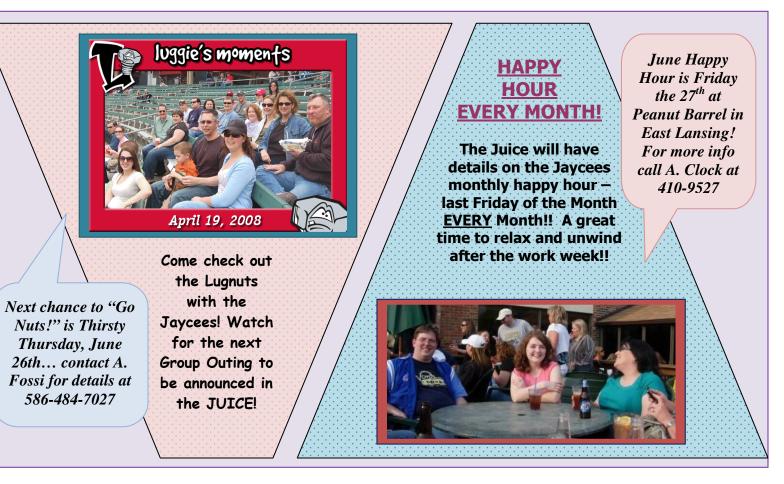
(On a side note, the "Faith in God" reference was not part of the original creed and was added in 1951 which coincided with the addition of "Under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance.)

Some famous Jaycees include Charles Lindbergh, Howard Hughes, Bill Gates, Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton, Gerald Ford, Tom Monaghan and Larry Bird.

In addition to helping with numerous community and national affairs, the Michigan Jaycees has built 14 parks in Troy, Berkley, Livonia, Westland, Royal Oak, Allegan, Warren, Grand Rapids, Rockford, Plymouth, Lincoln Park, St. Johns, Pontiac and Grand Ledge. Also, the Grand Rapids Jaycees raised \$750,000 to help build the West Michigan Burn Unit at Blodgett Memorial Hospital in 1976.

In the history of the Lansing Jaycees, in our first year we helped raised money for the formation of the Capital City Airport and sponsored the formation of the Lansing Civic Player Guild. In subsequent years, we helped establish the first Bank Tower, sponsored a scout troop, planted 5,000 petunia buds, helped establish the City Planning Commission, helped clean up the Grand River and establish the Riverfront Park System, started a drug abuse halfway house, renovate the Dodge mansion, built barns to house animals used in therapy programs at Woldumar and Beekman Center and helped establish funding for handicapped children's education programs in the Lansing Schools.

## Other Fun Stuff You Don't Want To Miss...



#### Also mark your calendar for...

<u>July 2nd</u> – **GMM** with annual Family Picnic, immediately following the Jaycees Softball Game (6:15PM) at Delta Mills Park. Bring a Dish to Pass and tons of enthusiasm!! (contact any board member for more information) <u>July 13<sup>th</sup></u> – **Pizza Technique Demonstration** at Williams Sonoma – learn a new home cooking skill for free! (11:00 AM - contact A. Briseno at 974-0965 for more information)

<u>July 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup></u> – Annual **Jaycees Camping Trip** on Rifle River at the Grousehaven Lake Campground. (contact Carrie May at 248-756-3840)

<u>July 25<sup>th</sup></u> – If you can't make it camping, be sure to join the rest of the JC's at **Happy Hour** in Lansing (location & time TBA – contact A. Clock at410-9527 for more information)

<u>August 3rd</u> – Come **Canoe and Picnic** with the Jaycees. Potluck event – more info coming soon! (contact J. Hutchison at 339-2394 for more information)

<u>August 5<sup>th</sup></u> – Don't forget the Monthly **GMM:** 7:00 at Trippers in Frandor (social hour from 6pm – 7pm) <u>August 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup></u> – The <u>all important</u> Texas Hold'em Fundraiser at Trippers! This is how we are able to do so much throughout the year! Watch for your chance to sign up for a shift and help out, or contact A. Brisenso at 974-0965 for more information.

<u>August 23rd</u> – Jaycees **Road Rally** – A hunt throughout Lansing to find your way to the *PARTY!* Sign up early with your team – space is limited! Starting point TBA (contact B. Burnell at 989-737-9685 for more information) <u>August 26th</u> – JC's sponsoring the **Grand River Connection** Monthly Networking Event! Come help represent the Lansing Jaycees and meet other Lansing Professionals! (contact A. Briseno at 974-0965 for more information) <u>August 29th</u> – It's time for **Happy Hour** Again! Location/Time TBA (contact A. Clock at 410-9527 for more info!) <u>September 2nd</u> – **GMM** at Trippers in Frandor – 6pm – 7 pm social hour; meeting at 7:00!

<u>September 26<sup>th</sup></u> – One more **Happy Hour** to close out the Quarter! Don't miss it! (Details = A. Clock – 410-9527) Also starting in September... preparation for  $\frac{4}{10} \frac{10}{10} \frac{$ 

248-756-3840 to learn more... And watch the Juice Weekly for other Events yet to be planned!

## Beyond Lansing



## USJC Annual Meeting – San Diego, Ca

Join the National Jaycees for competitions, awards, social events and more at the 88th Annual Meeting of the US Jaycees in San Diego, California. For the first time attendees, you can take part in a fun orientation program, designed just for those who have never been to a national convention before.

- Meet new friends!
- Reconnect with old friends!
- Have a fantastic time!

This is your opportunity to network with Jaycees from all over this nation. For more information visit:

http://www.usjaycees.org/index.php?option=com\_content&task=view&id=90&Itemid=190

Michigan Jaycees - Summer Assembly and the 53rd Annual Outstanding Young Michigander & Distinguished Service Awards Ceremony

Come for a night to honor those that serve Michigan in an outstanding capacity every day... August 1-3 in Troy, Michigan.

In addition to this amazing awards ceremony, August Convention will offer great trainings, a phenomenal recognition program and plenty of opportunities for social networking. A formal networking event will take place Friday night. Watch the Message Board for more details as they become available at: <a href="http://www.mijaycees.org/index.php?option=com">http://www.mijaycees.org/index.php?option=com</a> frontpage&Itemid=1

And, the Michigan Jaycees have put the same challenge out for this convention regarding attendance - if there are 347 attendees, there will be a Pizza and Beer Party on Saturday night!

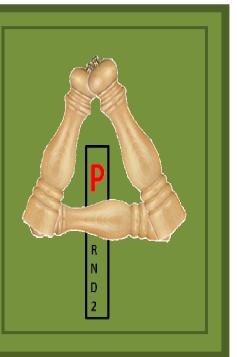


## "SHAKE DOWN" TEASER

Where would this clue lead you to?

Wanna Play? Sign Up for the Jaycees Road Rally – August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Chairs: bridget.burnell@gm.com & ribbyann@msu.edu



A note from the Capitol Correspondent Editor:

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

Bridget Burnell (2008 Lansing Jaycees Secretary) 989-737-9686 bridget.burnell@gm.com

Don't Forget... the 2008 Olympics kick off soon with Opening Ceremonies in Beijing on August 8<sup>th</sup>!

## **Discontinued Olympic Events**

It is fascinating the number and variety of sports that have at one time been part of the Olympic Games. Since the first modern Games in 1896, 12 sports have disappeared completely from the Olympic schedule:

Golf	Rugby	Croquet	Cricket
Jeu de Paume	Pelota	Polo	Roque
Rackets	Tug-of-War	Lacrosse	Motor Boating

Added to this is a large number of discontinued events from sports that are still on the program, such as the swimming events of <u>Plunge for Distance</u> and <u>Underwater</u> <u>Swimming</u>, the track and field event of <u>Standing High-jump</u>, and the shooting events of <u>Pigeon Shooting</u> and <u>Dueling Pistol</u>. To see a complete list of discontinued sports visit <u>http://www.topendsports.com/events/discontinued/</u>

#### **UNVERIFIED** – Past Olympic Quotes to make you think:

<u>Commentator</u>: "This is really a lovely horse and I speak from personal experience since I once mounted her mother."

Boxing Analyst: "Sure there have been injuries and even some deaths in boxing, but none of them serious."

<u>Softball Announcer:</u> "If history repeats itself, I should think we can expect the same thing again"

Gymnast: "I owe a lot to my parents, especially my mother and father."

## **Business Directory & Chaplain Message**

#### From the Chaplain "Little Bits o' Wisdom and Casual Observations"

-You're unique. Just like everybody else.

-Don't spit in the wind.

-Never go into a meeting with your customer without a pen and paper.

-Don't wear a shiny shirt to work.

-If you're with a group of friends, and you're being chased by a bear, you only have to run faster than one other person.

-It doesn't take much to be an expert.

-Say what you mean, and mean what you say.

-Think before you speak.

-If your friend jumped off a bridge, would you? And by the way, did you try to stop them in the first place?

-You are your own person. You don't need someone else to affirm how you feel.

-It's summertime – don't forget your sunblock and mosquito repellent.

-Chivalry is good. You can be a feminist and still enjoy having a door opened for you.

-Good friendships, like fine wine, take time to age to perfection.

-Life's a roller coaster. It's more fun to hop on and enjoy the ride than stand there watching everyone else.

- Carrie May, Lansing Jaycees Chaplain <u>carriemmay@aol.com</u> 248-756-3840

## Need Help on the "Shake Down" Teaser?

Where will the next GMM be held?

#### Membership has its Benefits!

Did you know as a Jaycee you can get discounts on car rentals through Enterprise? To find out how to take advantage of this and other Jaycees perks visit

http://www.mijaycees.org/index.php?option=com\_conte nt&task=view&id=36&Itemid=123

### Jaycee Business Directory

#### Pure Romance by Kim

There is something to be said about Pure Romance..... it's for everyone! We put the "O" back in Romance!

Bring the girls together for a birthday, bachelorette, suddenly single party or any special occasion. With Pure Romance you're always going to have fun, and you don't have to "fake" it to enjoy the party. Ladies, how would you like to rekindle that love affair or embrace yourself and your desires with that special someone in your life? Then call me now to get a free catalog or to book a party. H: 517-980-0989

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