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Region D
Population Division 7
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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 for a map to the meeting location or call us at (517) 853-8620.



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Presidents Report

Dear Members:

I hope you all are as excited about what this new year has to offer us as I am. Committees and the Board have met, events are starting to be planned and I am convinced this year will be a fun and productive one.

Thank you to all of you that filled out the Chapter Survey. I appreciate you all taking the time to fill it out and express your interest and/or concerns.

At some point each month, one of the board members will be calling you to remind you of upcoming events and to find out what needs or wants you have from our chapter. Please take the time to talk to this person and tell them your thoughts and feelings. It is only through communication that we will know if we are meeting your expectations of why you joined the Lansing Jaycees.

The public relations committee is in the process of creating a new campaign for the Lansing Jaycees. Leadership...Friendship...Citizenship – Membership in the Lansing Jaycees. Those words together sum up what we are about and what we want others to remember about us.

I want to invite everyone to our next General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, February 6th at Trippers in Frandor. Dinner and social hour start at 6 PM with the meeting to follow at 7 PM. If you haven't attended a meeting in a while, I encourage you to attend. Come and meet the new board, find out what upcoming events are planned, and meet some of our newer members.

February is going to be a very social month for the Jaycees. We are taking this month to have fun and get rid of those winter blues! If you have any activities you would like to hold or attend, please let me know and we can add them to our calendar. No, they don't have to be just Jaycee events, they can be anything you think other members may find interesting and/or fun! Most members have expressed an interest to be more active within our community, so lets start doing that.

We have received a challenge from our Region D Director, Tom Gooding. The chapter that has the most new members in our region by February 28th will win a Karaoke machine. Think of the possibilities of what we could do with one of those!

I am hopeful I get to see all of you out to at least one event this month.

See you soon,

Sheryl A. Soczek
79th President
Lansing Jaycees

Year End Banquet

The 2006 Year End Banquet was held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, January 20, 2007, at the Cadillac Club. The chapter celebrated the accomplishments of 2006 and kicked off the 2007 with great food and great friends. Thank you to past president Rick Zapoli for emceeding! The following awards were presented at the banquet:

- Membership Development Project of the Year
~ Sleepy Bear Dunes Camping & South Manitou Island Overnight Hiking – Patrick Brazil, Chair
- Management Development Project of the Year:
~ Haunted House – John Prush, Chair
- Individual Development Project of the Year
~ “Get Your Food On” – Wayne Hutchison and Orion Smith, Co-Chairs
- Community Development Project of the Year
~ Capitol Lawn Easter Egg Hunt – Angela Backus, Chair
- Overall Project of the Year
~ “Stuff the Bus” – Portia Dyrenforth, Chair
- Sam Street Hughes Memorial Award, “Springboard of the Year” – Randy Weber (This award is given to a member with less than one year of experience in the Lansing Jaycees. It is to recognize the outstanding contribution of one of our first year members.)
- C. William Brownfield Memorial Award “New Jaycee of the Year” – Portia Dyrenforth (This award is presented annually to a member having completed their first year as a Lansing Jaycee in recognition of their commitment and contributions.)
- Paul D. Bagwell Memorial Award “Spirit of the Jaycees” – Jaimie Hutchison (This award is presented annually to the member who best exemplified the Jaycee Spirit.)
- Robert M. Reames Memorial Award “Outstanding Leadership” – Sheryl Soczek (This award is presented annually to the member who is best recognized as an outstanding leader in the Lansing Jaycees.)
- President’s Award – Sheryl Soczek (This award is given to the member who in the mind of the President has had the biggest impact on the chapter during the past year.)
- John H. Armbruster Memorial Award “Key Member” – John Prush (This award is presented annually to the outstanding Lansing Jaycee who continued to show support, dedication and enthusiasm following his/her first year of membership and is voted on by past key members.)
- Five year service awards – Laura Vieth, Chris Vieth, and Amy Miller
- Ten year service awards – Michelle Walk and Stephanie Steere

Having a great time at the Cadillac Club!



General Membership Meeting

The February GMM will take place on Tuesday, February 6th at Trippers in Frandor. Dinner and social hour start at 6 PM with the meeting to follow at 7 PM.

Membership Information

February Birthdays

Maggie Piotter 02-03
Josh Piotter 02-04
Jimi Carolan 02-05
Laura Ballard 02-10
Matt Cannata 02-23

February Renewals

Amy Miller
Chris Vieth
Trish Gronda
Jaimie Hutchison
Wayne Hutchison

Committee Information

Membership: Share your ideas on how to activate our current membership and how to attract new members:

Monday, February 12th 6 PM at the Service Center.

Contact Felicity White at fwhite@tomieraines.com with questions.

Golf Outing: Let's unscramble this golf scramble:

Tuesday, February 6th appx. 8:00 PM (after the GMM) at Trippers in Frandor.

Contact Krik Mielke at kmielke@mcecpa.com with questions.

Public Relations: Leadership ~ Friendship ~ Citizenship: Membership in the Lansing Jaycees...

Let's get ourselves out there. Come help plan who we want to be our target audience, how we want to contact them and be a part of our largest marketing campaign yet!

Wednesday, February 7th, 5:00 PM at Hobies off Trowbridge.

2007 Jaycees Camping Trip Chairman/Committee:

The time has come to start planning our annual camping trip.

If anyone is interested, please contact Sheryl Soczek, soczek@msu.edu.

Upcoming Events

Book Club: Give us your thoughts on this month's book, "Everyone Worth Knowing", by Lauren Weiberger.

Wednesday, February 28th 7 PM at the home of Felicity White

Please contact Felicity at Fwhite@Tomieraines.com with questions or directions

How to Make Your Own Beer: Can't describe that one any better!

Saturday, February 17 1 PM at the Red Salamander

Contact Michael Castelein at thepopal@comcast.net for more info.

Books Training: Interested in the process of submitting books to the State Jaycees? This event is for you!

Thursday, February 22nd at 7:00 PM at the Service Center.

For more information contact Sheryl Soczek at soczek@msu.edu.

MSU Museum Chocolate Party Benefit: The MSU Museum will hold their annual Chocolate Party on **Sunday, February 25th from 1:30 – 3:30 PM in the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center in East Lansing.**

Cost of this event is \$30.00 per person. You will be able to sample chocolate torte, chocolate cheesecake, chocolate truffles, and other elegant edibles created by various local chocolatiers. Tickets are available at: Bake N'Cakes, Caruso Candy Inc., Cookies by Design, Golden Rose Restaurant, How Sweet It Is, Melting Moments, Sweetie Pie Pantry and the MSU Museum Store. Lets go show our support for the MSU Museum, we can make an afternoon of it and meet for brunch prior to the event.

MSU Museum Wine Tasting Benefit: There will be over 100 different varieties of fine wine to sample and savor, along with door prizes and a silent auction. Lets show our support, we can make a night out of this have dinner prior to the event.

Friday, March 23, 2007, 7:30 – 9:30 PM, Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center.

Tickets are \$30.00 (\$25.00 if purchased at the MSU Museum Chocolate Party on February 25, 2007).

Lansing Jaycees Night at Lugnuts Stadium: Take yourself out to the ballpark with the Lansing Jaycee! We will be hosting an "All American Picnic" at Lugnuts Stadium when the Lansing Lugnuts play the South Bend Silver Hawks. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children (ages 3-12). Price includes a lawn seat and entrance to the Tailgate Terrace, the all-u-can-eat food and non-alcoholic beverage buffet at Olds Park.

Friday, June 8th.

T-Shirts with the Lansing Jaycees logo on the front and the Lansing Lugnuts Logo on the back are available for \$8.50 (adult: S/M/L/XL/XXL, child: S/M/L)

Order deadline is April 16, 2007. Please send your checks payable to the Lansing Jaycees to: P.O. Box 16150, Lansing, MI 48901-6150. For more information contact Sheryl Soczek at president@lansingjayceesorg.com.

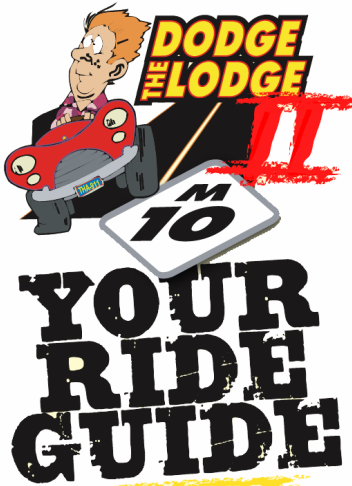
Lansing Jaycees Summer Golf Outing:

Save the date ~ Saturday, June 23rd, 2007.

Highland Hills Golf Club, 1050 E. Alward Road, Dewitt, MI 48820.

Contact Krik Mielke at kmielke@mcecpa.com if you are interested in planning, participating, or sponsoring this event. More information to come as this project develops!

Hey Detroit Travelers!



**Avoid Travel Delays During
The M-10 Reconstruction
February–November 2007***

The Lodge will be shut down for reconstruction from **February through November**.

Pre-plan your trip by checking out Real Time Traffic at WWJ.com. See an up-to-the-minute report on accidents, delays and construction. Map the quickest route to your destination. See delays for yourself with the “Panasonic ELS Surround Jam Cams.”

Consider an alternate route such as I-96, I-75 and M-39 (Southfield Freeway). The Real-Time Traffic maps on WWJ.com can alert you to construction and traffic delays along your chosen route and can suggest alternate routes, where you’ll encounter less traffic.

Allow plenty of extra time if you are heading downtown for a special event.

Be patient! The new Lodge Expressway will be a significant improvement.



Full closure

The RED section is designated a FULL CLOSURE. The posted detour for through traffic is I-696 and I-75.



Single Lane each direction

The section in GOLD between M-8 and I-94 will be reduced to a single lane in each direction.



Closures nights & weekends

The section in GREEN between I-94 and Jefferson Avenue will have lane closures restricted to nights and weekend.

Calendar of Events

February						
<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1 <small>PR Committee: 5:30 PM at Trippers</small>	2	3
4 <small>Super Bowl Party</small>	5	6 <small>GMM – Trippers 6 PM Social 7 PM Meeting + Golf Mtg.</small>	7	8	9	10
11	12 <small>Membership Comm. Mtg. 6PM Service Ctr</small>	13 <small>Chamber Mixer 5 – 7 PM – Marks Watershed \$20.00</small>	14	15	16	17 <small>Make Your Beer 1PM Red Salamander</small>
18	19	20 <small>Board Meeting 6 PM Service Center</small>	21 <small>Membership Orientation 7 PM Service Center</small>	22	23 <small>Happy Hour 5 – 7 Monarty's Pub</small>	24
25 <small>MSU Chocolate Party 1:30 – 3:30 Kellogg Center \$30.00</small>	26	27	28			
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March						
<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				1	2	3
4	5	6 <small>GMM – Trippers 6 PM Dinner 7 PM Meeting</small>	7	8	9 <small> Euchre Night</small>	10
11	12	13 <small>Chamber Mixer 5 - 7</small>	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 <small>Board Meeting 6PM Service Center</small>	21 <small>Member Mixer 5 – 7 PM</small>	22	23 <small>Wine Tasting 7:30 – 9:30 Kellogg Center \$30.00</small>	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 <small>Egg Stuffing Party</small>
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Jaycee Business Directory

Patrick Brazil - New York Life

My work involves offering insurance and other financial products to help people with their personal needs such as funding for college, retirement and IRA funding as well as mortgage protection and estate conservation. Please feel free to contact me with any questions and check out our incredible website.

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Lansing Jaycees night!



Friday, June 8, 2007 @ 7:05 pm

Lansing Lugnuts vs. South Bend Silver Hawks



go nuts together!

Sit together in our right field lawn seats held especially for the Lansing Jaycees. Don't forget to bring blankets to sit on!

First pitch!

You can win an opportunity to throw out the first pitch of the game!

win a prize?

You might be the winner! Someone from our group will win a great Lugnuts gift in the group raffle!

group recognition!

Our group will be recognized by the community on the scoreboard and welcomed with a P.A. announcement at Olds Park!

LAFCU fireworks!

Stick around after the game and enjoy the crowd-pleasing fireworks sponsored by LAFCU!



tickets & tailgate terrace!

Tickets are \$20.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children (ages 3-12). Price includes a lawn seat and entrance into the Tailgate Terrace, the all-u-can-eat food and non-alcoholic beverage buffet at Olds Park! This venue is a great summer picnic!

for more information contact:

Sheryl Soczek
(517) 853-8620

ticket order form

order deadline: april 16, 2007

name: _____

address: _____

phone: _____

number of adult tickets: _____ @ \$20.00= _____

number of child tickets (age 3-12): _____ @ \$15.00= _____

* 2 and under free!

please return order forms to: lansing jaycees

p.o. box 16150 lansing, mi 48901 - 6150

make checks payable to: lansing jaycees

total = \$ _____

