

Capitol Correspondent



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Region D
Population Division 7
Base Membership: 52

HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH: 2008 Awards Banquet

Despite the blistering cold and snow, there was a great turnout for the 2008 Lansing Jaycees Awards Banquet. A number of past members & presidents were in attendance with the current membership. After a buffet dinner at Coscarelli's, the 2008 membership and project awards were presented, three outstanding members were exhausted, and the 2009 Board of Directors were sworn in... a jam-packed evening that included a jammin' band overheard from the adjacent room! Thank you to all of our members and partners who supported 2008 events and helped to make the year a success, and to our exhausted members, Rina Risper, Laura Vieth, and Teresa Dittmer, we wish you all the best and hope to continue to see you at future Jaycee events!

Award recipients this year include:

Service Recognition:

1st Year Service Awards to: **Rebecca Wawersik, Sean Kottke, Molly Frendo, Rachel Lippman, Becky Beauregard, Darin Beauregard, Patti Marshall, Kathie Dunbar, Arya Amirahmadi, Michael Ciranna, Tamara Ferguson, Jimmy Nguyen, Dan Klos, Julie Monroy, Al Puzzuoli & Robert Dowding**
5 Year Service Awards to: **Kim Doughty, Dave Akens & Andy Miller**



2009 BOD Sworn In

November Member of the Month: **Colleen Burton**

November Chairperson of the Month: **Alexandra Briseno** (Texas Hold'Em)

Community Project of the Year: **Carrie May** (Fall Fun Festival)

Individual Development Project of the Year: **Amy Miller** (Get Your Food On)

Management Project of the Year: **Alexandra Briseno** (Texas Hold'em)

Membership Project of the Year: **Michael Spaulding** (Softball Team)

Overall Project of the Year: **Bridget Burnell & Anne Ribby** (Road Rally)

Sam Street Hughes Memorial Award "Springboard of the Year": **Arya Amirahmadi**

C. William Brownfield Memorial Award "New Jaycee of the Year": **Angela Fossi**

Paul D. Bagwell Memorial Award "Spirit of the Jaycees": **Angela Clock**

Robert M. Reames Memorial Award "Outstanding Leadership": **Sheryl Soczek**

Presidents Award: **Alexandra Briseno**

John H. Armbruster Memorial Award "Key Member": **Carrie May**

Bob Pancost Memorial Business Partnership Awards: **MSU Air Force Cadets & GM Lansing Delta Township**



Lansing Jaycees' Presidents

In addition to these awards, a very special presentation of a new JCI Senatorship was conducted to honor

Ms. Sally Sohn, past president and active supporter of the Lansing Jaycees. The JCI Senatorship is the top honor a Jaycee can receive. Congratulations Sally, and thank you for all that you do for our chapter!

Chairperson Sheryl Soczek,
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Lansing Jaycees

February 2009

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 more information.



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2009 Board of Directors

The Board meets on the 3rd Thursday each month, 5:30 PM at the Jaycees Service Center

President

- **Angela Clock** **517-410-9527**

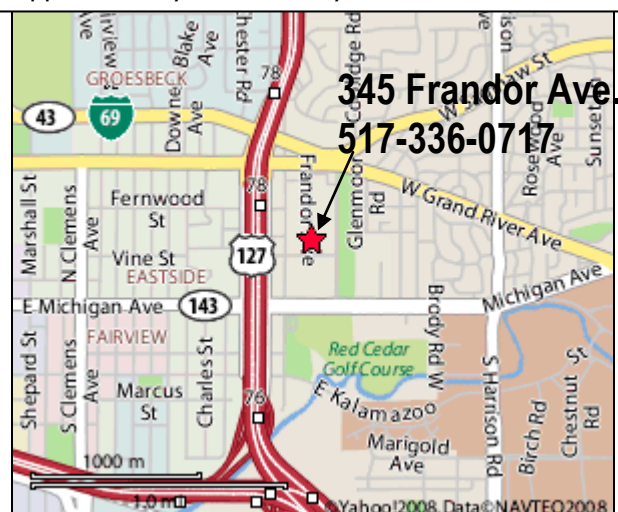
Chair of the Board

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- **Alexandra Briseno** **517-974-0965**
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- **Angela Fossi** **586-484-7027**
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- **Carrie May** **248-756-3840**
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- **Michael Spaulding** **517-490-8628**
 - **Membership Director**

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



What You Don't Know, You Don't Know...

Wow, we've made it through the month of January, and it was a complete whirlwind! The 2009 Board of Directors has been busy putting together a variety of events for this year. Hopefully, you've had a chance to fill out our membership survey and you received a phone call from one of your friendly board members. The information that we collect from both of these will help us determine what events we'll be offering throughout 2009.

I am very happy to report that we also finished the month of January at growth – meaning we had a net gain of 2 members! This is a great step for the future, as our newer members will be the leaders of the chapter tomorrow. I hope you all offer the Jaycee experience to your friends, and bring them out to any of our events.

We also had our first Region D Meeting of the year on January 31st, hosted by the Charlotte Jaycees. I am excited that the chapters in our region are ready to work together in order to make us one of the strongest regions in Michigan. All in all, January has been a very busy month!

As we begin February, I want to share a quote that has helped me get through the first month as your Lansing Jaycees president. *"What You Don't Know, You Don't Know."* This quote sums up what I have come to realize over the last few years. I don't have the answers to everything. What I've had to learn is that it's OK to ask questions. Someone else may know the answer, or at least help me figure out where to find it. So, don't be surprised if you ask me a question and I tell you I'll check into it and get back to you!

Our organization is a place for all of us to learn, plain and simple. Sometimes we have to ask questions and sometimes we'll fail, but it's all a part of learning and growing as individuals. If something doesn't necessarily go the way we thought it would, we need to ask ourselves, "what can we do to make it better next time?" We have goals that we may not necessarily reach. However, that doesn't mean we shouldn't try to reach them.

I want you all to know that if you have questions or concerns don't be afraid to speak with any of your board members. We're happy to help with anything, whether it's a Chairperson's Planning Guide, an event you have an idea for, or if you'd like us to explain why something is done in the way it is. We're all here to learn and asking questions is part of the process, because *"What You Don't Know, You Don't Know!"*

Yours in Service,

Angela M. Clock
81st President
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Membership

A Message from the Membership VP

Building the Buzz!

One of my first goals of 2009 was to send a survey to all of you to find out what projects and events you would like to see this year. We distributed the survey and have collected over twenty responses so far. The Membership Committee will be reviewing your comments and suggestions. I appreciate all of the feedback and thank all of you who took the time to complete the surveys.

I also have been working on getting our name out in the community. I mentioned in January that I would like every member to work on building the buzz about the benefits of getting involved and being a member of the Lansing Jaycees. I have to say that we are doing a great job! We have also made some changes and additions to popular websites like VolunteerMatch.com, Facebook.com and Craigslist.org.

The results have been very positive. We have done a great job of spreading the buzz and we are starting to see an increase to our prospect and member list. As a result of the positive buzz we had a great turnout at the February GMM. It was wonderful to see so many new members and prospects. Thanks to all of you who helped create the buzz!

We have some exciting events on our calendar. Our first Member Mixer of 2009 is scheduled for February 24th. The format of this will be a little different. I am calling local coffee shops and will be inviting prospects in for a quick coffee break. It's right around Fat Tuesday so I am going to see if I can get paczki or Mardi Gras beads. I will have some board games so people can come hang out and relax. The goal is to have a relaxed environment for prospects to come and meet fellow Jaycees. Keep an eye out for more details and an evite. I will also have a public posting on some websites.

Let's keep building the buzz!

Feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions or comments.



Sincerely,

Angela Fossi, 2009 Membership VP,
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Quote: Don't walk behind me, I may not lead. Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow. Just walk beside me and be my friend. Unknown (often attributed to Albert Camus)

Membership has its Benefits!

The annual membership fee for Jaycees joining the TVC Plus Motor Club is only \$45. Features of the motor club include emergency towing and road service, reimbursement for emergency travel & living expenses, customer maps and trip routing services, travel services, National car rental discount, and much more.

To learn more and find out how to take advantage of this & other Jaycees perks visit

http://www.usjaycees.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=21&Itemid=60

Welcome New Members!

***** Andrew Hoard *****

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARY DATES

February	March
Trish Gronda	David Akens
Amy Miller	Andy Miller
Chris Veith	Sheryl Soczek
Jeremy Jestila	Dianne Perukel
Jaimie Hutchison	Alexandra Briseno
Wayne Hutchison	Michael Spaulding
Rebecca Wawersik	Sean Kottke

Lansing Jaycees



A. Amirahmadi and M. Castelein warm up



S. Soczek congratulates new President A. Clock



S. Soczek and C. May Honor Sally Sohn

Superbowl Partiers catch 3D Action



Seen in Action

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Lindsey Renner

Occupation: Civil Engineer/Bridge Designer & Inspector

Relationship Status: Single!

Dream Job: Animal rescuing chef that plays the lotto and wins and sometimes does math for fun while researching housing markets and trying to score inexpensive homes in different parts of the world!

Favorite Movie &/or Book: Movie: Super Troopers

Book: Loved the entire James Herriot series of books

Favorite Type of Music: Country!

Do you have any pet?: 2 dogs and a cat. I have a 1 year old coonhound/black lab mix named Ellie, a 10 year old Jack Russel Terrier named Hannah, and a barn cat named Clyde that I picked up off of the side of the road, therefore have no idea how old he is.

Favorite Food: Italian

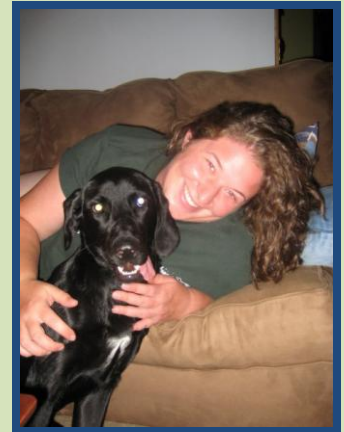
Favorite Game or Sport: Beach/Sand Volleyball

2009 Goal: Save money to build an addition on my house for a new mud room and dining room; maybe lose a pound or thirty.

First Car: Cecilia, the silver cutlass supreme

Why I joined the Jaycees: To meet new friends in the area, get involved in something positive.

Random Fact: As an infant, Chuck Norris' parents game him a toy hammer. He gave the world Stonehenge.



December Membership Awards Presented to:

*Member of the Month: **Rachel Rosenbaum***

*Chairperson of the Month: **Sheryl Soczek (Pottery)***

**Who should be featured in the next Lansing Jaycees Member Spotlight?
Submit your recommendations to Angela Fossi at kitispart@gmail.com**

A Message from the Community VP Community Events - On the Horizon



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February 17th - Kick Off Meeting for Relay for Life

Learn about the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event that takes place on June 5th-6th at the Lansing Catholic Central High School. Information relating to donation collection, team participation and responsibilities will be discussed. The Lansing Jaycees will be having a team participating this year. The kick off event will be at the Lansing Catholic Central High School from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Website: www.relayforlife.org/lansingmi

Feb 17th - Easter Egg Hunt Committee

Ever wonder how all of those eggs get to the Capitol Lawn? Come out to the Easter Egg Hunt Committee meeting and find out! 6:00 pm at McAllister's Deli - Eastwood Town Center. Contact Carrie May at 248-756-3840 for more details.

Feb 18th - Lansing 150th Celebration, "Parade of the Decades" Committee

Lansing is celebrating their 150th Anniversary throughout 2009. On Saturday, May 16th the "Parade of the Decades" will take place in Downtown Lansing. This will be a great way to get Jaycees of past and present together for a joint project. We would like to have a float entry in the parade and need everyone's help to plan for and build it. Please join our committee at 5:30 PM at Olga's in Frandor. Come with your ideas to help make this project a success. Contact Sheryl Soczek at 517-862-6376 for more details.

February 21st - Volunteer Orientation for the Capital Area Humane Society

If you are interested in volunteering at the CAHS and have not done so before, the next step to become a CAHS volunteer is easy. Volunteer Orientations are held on the third Saturday of each month. The orientation will provide you with background information about the mission, programs and services of the shelter. Depending on the position you select, additional training(s) may be needed. Volunteer orientation for adults will take place from 10:30am-1:00pm this month at the CAHS - 7095 W. Grand River Ave. If you have any questions, please contact (517) 626-6821, ext. 25 or email programs@cahs-lansing.org. Website: www.cahs-lansing.org

March 8th - Serving Breakfast for the Volunteers of America

Come and help the VoA in preparing and serving breakfast to the hungry and homeless at their Lansing community kitchen from 7:30-9:00am. Check the online JC Calendar for more information. Website: <http://www.voami.org/>

March 10th - Committee Meeting for Ronald McDonald Dinner

In preparation for the dinner we are scheduled to serve on March 28th, we will meet at Gone Wired Café at 2021 East Michigan Avenue in Lansing at 5:30pm to decide what meal we will make and what food to buy.

Other Local Volunteer Information

Southside Community Kitchen

If you are interested in helping out at the SSCK, you can contact Joanne Bos at 694-9532. She schedules all the volunteers. Typically, Monday and Wednesday volunteers work from about 9 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Christ United on Jolly Road, and Tues. and Thurs. volunteers work from 9 a.m. until 11-11:15 a.m. at Christ United, and we have other volunteers at Galilee Baptist from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Website: <http://southsidecommunitykitchen.org/>

Animal Placement Bureau

Do you love dogs?

Call the Animal Placement Bureau, and start making a difference in a pet's life today. These animals are waiting to hear from you. From saving them from scary, lonely death sentences at animal control to helping owners who can no longer keep their pets, APB's volunteers help the needy pets in your community - and you can help, too! No matter how much spare time you have, you can make a difference.

Are you able to:

- Return telephone calls
- Address envelopes
- Help with newsletters
- Temporarily house pets in your home
- Organizing fundraisers
- Transporting a pet to a veterinarian
- Helping with pet adoptions on Sundays

These are just some of the ways your efforts can help a dog with heartworm or a puppy with a collar grown into its neck. APB's volunteers and pets would appreciate every moment you can contribute. Monetary donations are also always welcome to pay for our veterinarian and food expenses. For more information, e-mail us at info@apbpets.com or contact us by phone by calling (517) 346-4505, or stop in and see us at "Pet Parade", our pet adoptions. Website: <http://www.apbpets.com/>

Beekman Therapeutic Riding Center

The riding center offers specialized horseback riding therapy for Beekman Center students as well as others with disabilities, in the community. If you love horses and kids, the Beekman Therapeutic Riding Center is the place for you! Each week we provide therapeutic horseback riding to a large number of students of all abilities, and we are always looking for help! Help with students during classes, upkeep of the facility, care and feeding of the animals and many other opportunities are available. Please go to their website for more information. <http://btrc.samsbiz.com>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ARE EVERYWHERE!

Look for Volunteer Opportunity Highlights in each issue of the Capitol Correspondent
There's something out there for everyone!

February Volunteer Opportunity Highlight Mid-Michigan Food Bank

The Mid-Michigan Food Bank helps prevent hunger in our community by distributing salvaged food products to area non-profit agencies serving the hungry and homeless. They offer several methods to contribute including food drives, fundraisers, and support to community kitchens/shelters. A list of items the Food Bank is most in need of can be found on their website and includes more than just food! Personal needs such as bar soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shaving cream and diapers are also high priority.

If you would like to learn more about volunteering with the Mid-Michigan Food Bank or would like to donate to their cause, visit <http://www.midmichiganfoodbank.org/index.htm>.

She Laughs IV – Laughter IV a Cause!

Chairperson Angela Clock
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The comedic entertainment of local women was all the rage at Cadillac Club last month, where amateur comics took the stage to make us laugh... and, well... maybe cry a little too. Included in the hilarious lineup was Lansing Jaycee member **Kathie Dunbar!**

The event supports the Women's Center of Greater Lansing and included a silent auction, tarot card readings, and tons of fun! Thanks to the membership who came out to support this great cause – and **WAY TO GO KATHIE!** We'll look forward to seeing more of you on stage in the future ☺

Titus Farms

At the February General Membership Meeting, we were fortunate to have Rebecca and Paul Titus from Titus Farms speak with us about local farming and community supported agriculture (CSA) farms. Through CSAs, you can buy a "share" of the farm for the season, which entitles you to pick up a variety of fresh produce that's grown on the farm on a regular basis. We also talked about how supporting local farms helps support families in the community, as well as preserve open spaces and support a clean environment. And, probably the best benefit of buying local is that the food just tastes better!

If you are interested in more information, please visit the following websites:

Titus Farms - titusfarms.com

Lansing Localvores - lansinglocalvores.org

MSU Student Organic Farm - msuorganicfarm.org

Local Harvest – localharvest.org

From the Capital Area District Libraries: **Something for the Foodies -**

Things heat up in March when Chef Stephanie Izard stops by the library. The talented and entertaining fourth-season winner of Bravo's Top Chef will dish about the hit show and serve up one of her specialties. Seating is limited, so make your reservation now by emailing us at connect@cadl.org or by contacting one of the Capital Area District Libraries. OKEMOS - Saturday, March 14 • 11 am / HOLT-DELHI Saturday, March 14 • 3 pm

Donate Food to Animal Shelters Daily: Free For You – A Click Away:

<http://www.freekibble.com/>

<http://www.freekibblekat.com>

Individual Development

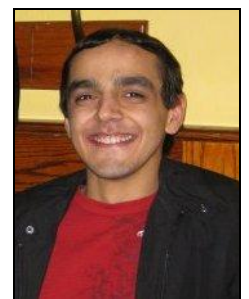
A Message from the Individual Development VP

Hello All!

We held yet another successful GYFO last month at Beggar's Banquet thanks to Amy Miller, and another great GYFO in February that supported a new local business owner (and friend of Jaimie Hutchison) at Brothers Grill. We also held a Cross Country Ski and Snowshoeing class at Harris Nature Center that you can read about below... fortunately – there was nothing too embarrassing to share. ☺ We will have more ID events coming up in February and March, which include another GYFO, Book Club and a Public Speaking Seminar – free to our members!

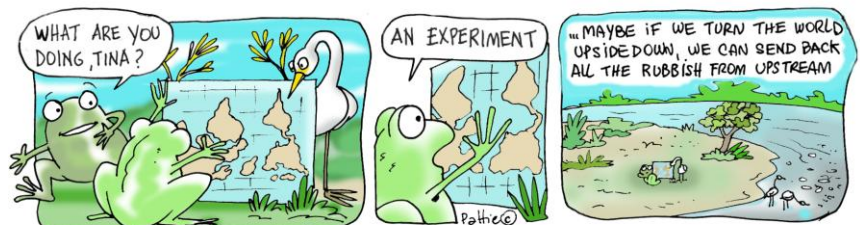
I was informed that my article should have some sort of lesson or theme so I will share a lesson with you. I'm sure most of you are like me in that we wished that we had some sort of skill that we never learned be it fixing a car, home repair, filing taxes, etc. The opportunity to learn is there if you look for it closely enough. I just recently fixed the brakes on my car with the help of my co-worker who has been working on cars since he was a kid. I spent the first hour or so observing what he was doing on one brake so that I could do the same on the other. Well two hours and several broken tools later (which I replaced, I swear!) I managed to fix the other brake. Despite my mistakes I learned what to do and especially what not to do next time around. I'm looking forward to another long lesson the next time I need to fix something on my car, but hopefully with less broken tools. I guess the point is that if there is a skill you want to learn don't be afraid to ask and especially don't be afraid of mistakes. Mistakes always make for funny stories later on when you're with your family and friends.

Well I hope you found this article inspirational or at the least a warning that you shouldn't let me borrow your tools anytime soon (unless you want new ones!) If you have any ideas for ID events you'd like to have in the 2nd quarter please let me know. They can be events that improve your personal as well as professional skills.



Arya Amirahmadi, 2009 Individual Development VP; arya_amirahmadi@hotmail.com; 773-793-1467

*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 Arya Amirahmadi - ID VP
with your idea and lets all get
involved!*



**Did You Know February 2nd was World Wetland Day?
See what the World did to Celebrate -**

http://www.ramsar.org/wwd/9/wwd2009_reports.htm

Individual Development

Come one, come all to the Lansing Jaycees Book Club!

A hearty crew gathered at Schuler Books in January to discuss Sarah Vowell's "The Wordy Shipmates," and we'd love to have you join us in

February, when our focus will be on author Christopher Moore. His latest novel is "Fool," a madcap retelling of Shakespeare's "King Lear," and it will be released on February 10. Read it or any of Moore's previous novels, like "You Suck," a romantic comedy with vampires, or "Lamb: The Gospel According to Biff, Christ's Childhood Pal." We'll be gathering on Saturday, February 28 at 7:00 PM at the Gone Wired Cafe (2021 East Michigan Ave.).

Contact Chairperson Sean Kottke via email (misterck@hotmail.com) or on Facebook if you have any questions about Book Club or have recommendations for our March title.

Happy reading!

GET YOUR FOOD ON!

The "GYFO" Foodies spent an evening at Beggars Banquet in East Lansing for half off wine and appetizers last month. There was a great turn out with over a dozen members in attendance.

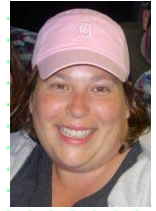


This month, the crew visited the new "Brothers Grill", also in East Lansing, for a taste of local all-American cuisine! *mmm-mm!*

If you haven't been catching the GYFO Action - be sure not to miss March's event - a Pre-St. Patty Day Feast at Dublin Square on March 5th!

Chaplain's Message... With a little Treasurer Talk

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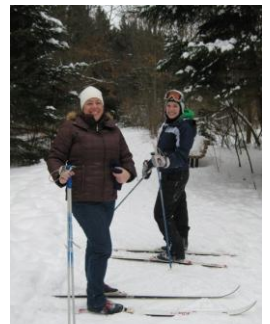
Lesson of the Day: Why do we develop budgets and compare what actually happened to our budget? Here's the down and dirty answer: It helps us plan better. We need to make sure that fundraising projects are *raising funds* instead of losing money. We need to accurately track what we earn and what we spend to earn it. Planning better helps our chapter to be successful. Budgets ensure we can help our members achieve their goals, and, in turn, help our community.

Thought of the Day: My mantra when I was in college was "It's not a matter of can or can't, it's a matter of will or won't." For most of us, life is not about ability. It is about motivation. Take time to realize and recognize you have the ability to accomplish what you set out to do.

Wacky Fun: With Valentine's Day rapidly approaching, I'd like to suggest a classic, timeless movie. It is a movie about love, romance, basketball, and a regatta. Would you like to see Jeremy Piven eat Odie's tongue? Would you like to see Demi Moore sing(ish)? Would you like to see John Cusack's incredible artistic ability? Check out "One Crazy Summer" - you'll laugh, you'll cry a bit, and you'll be reminded of that time your heart beat wildly for someone you fell for hard and fast.

Fun in the... Snow?

It was "Fun in the Snow" Day at Harris Nature Center where 4 Jaycees and 3 Prospects ventured out in the woods with either cross country skis or snowshoes strapped to their feet. The weather turned out great for the event, where rentals were free, a bonfire flared, an ice sculptor carved, and sled dogs frolicked! Who knew the excitement! All the participants did well on their skis/shoes and based on feedback - it seems there may be some more "Fun in the Snow" to come... *assuming there's snow!*



Chairperson: Arya Amirahmadi

C. Burton & Prospect S. Culberson

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A Message from the Management VP

Hello everyone! Are you tired of the cold and snow as much as I am? One way to stay out of the cold is to help volunteer at our Texas Hold'em Tournament charity event taking place March 19th through March 22nd. You can still volunteer if you are a March Madness basketball fan because there are televisions scattered throughout. Another benefit of volunteering is that you get free soft drinks. Look for the future evite for volunteers and I hope to see some new faces.

The Sponsorship Committee will meet again after the March GMM at Trippers. Our goal is to develop working relationships between the Lansing Jaycees and local businesses. I would like to see this project really take off!

If you have any ideas or suggestions that fall under management, please let me know. Thanks!

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A note from the Capitol Correspondent Editor:
Thanks to the contributors to the January newsletter:
A. Clock, C. May, A. Briseno, J. Niekamp, A. Amirahmadi, A. Fossi, S. Kottke

ANYONE CAN BE AN AUTHOR!
Please submit your articles, photos, or ideas for future newsletters to:

Bridget Burnell, Lansing Jaycees Secretary
989-737-9685 bridget.burnell@gm.com

WE NEED YOU!

For Texas Hold'em

our first big fundraiser of the year.

C'MON!

IT'S EASY!

Just requires a little time, and maybe a good sense of humor 😊

Sign up for a shift by contacting
Chairperson Angela Fossi @
kitispant@gmail.com or
586-484-7027

March 19th – 22nd at Trippers in Frandor
*Money raised at texas holdem supports Community
Projects, the JC's Softball Team, Jaycee Bucks, and
much more!*

**1st Quarter State Convention
Michigan Jaycees
Boyne Mountain, MI
May 1st – 3rd
Let's Make this A Big One!**

Contact Angela Clock for Info
Fallingstar924@hotmail.com

EXPANDING HORIZONS

Region D Meeting

The Charlotte Chapter hosted our first Region D Meeting last month at the Service Center in Lansing. Only 2 chapters were represented this time – but the energy and enthusiasm shared together will surely lead the way to a successful year for the Region as we further integrate and support each other – AND possibly add a new Chapter!!

You won't want to miss the next Region meeting, hosted by the Lansing Jaycees in April, where we will put the FU back in FUN!

Calendar of Events

Lansing Jaycees Activities...



Feb 1st – Super Bowl Party – Mike Castelein's House in Lansing at 5:30 PM (Details = M. Castelein @ 517-242-1050)

Feb 3rd – Parade of the Decades Meeting – Help plan for the Lansing 150th Event; Olga's in Frandor: 5:30 PM; (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)

General Membership Meeting – Trippers in Frandor: 6-7 social hour; 7:00 Meeting (Details = A. Clock @ 517-410-9527)

Feb 5th – GYFO Brother's Grill American Cuisine from local business owners in East Lansing at 6:00 PM (Details = Jaimie Hutchison @ 517-339-2394)

Feb 6th-7th – On the Road: Muskegon Jaycees Snowfest complete with broomball, beer tent and chili cook off! (Details = A. Clock @ 517-410-9527)

Feb 7th – Bowling League – Royal Scot on Grand River at 8:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Feb 9^h – Membership Committee Meeting – Help plan for new member activities, social events & sport activities: Gone Wired Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave. Lansing at 5:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Feb 12th – Sponsorship Committee Meeting – Help us develop a sponsorship program with local companies. Meeting at Los Tres Amigos on S. Cedar at 6:00 PM (Details = J. Niekamp @ 517-316-5466)

Feb 13th – 15th – Michigan Jaycee 4th Quarter Convention – Big Rapids (Details = A. Clock @ 517-410-9527)

Feb 17th – Relay for Life Kick off Meeting – Come learn more about the event that will occur on June 5th-6th: Lansing Catholic Central HS501 Marshall St., Lansing at 6 PM (Details = A. Briseno @ 517-974-0965); **Easter Egg Hunt Committee** – Wonder how all those eggs get to the Capitol Lawn? Find out at McAllister's Deli – Eastwood Town Center 2901 preyde Blvd. Lansing at 6 PM (Details = C. May @ 248-756-3840)

Feb 18th – Parade of the Decades Meeting – Help plan for the Lansing 150th Event; Olga's in Frandor: 5:30 PM; (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)

Feb 20th – Happy Hour – Old Chicago 1938 W. Grand River Ave. Okemos at 5:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Feb 21st – Volunteer Orientation – Capital Area Humane Society – Learn how you can help with the animals CAHS 7095 W. Grand River Ave. Lansing at 10:30 AM; (Details = A. Briseno @ 517- 974-0965)

Bowling League – Royal Scot on Grand River at 8:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Feb 22nd MSU Museum Chocolate Benefit – Kellogg Center at 1:30 PM (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)

Feb 24th – Member Mixer – Come Hang out at Gone Wired Café, 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing at 5:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Feb 27th – Get Your Game On – Something new this time – BUNKO! 7517 Glen Terra, Lansing at 7PM (Details = B. Burnell @ 989-737-9685)

Feb 28th – Book Club – Come discuss Christopher Moore's novels: Gone Wired Café 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing at 7 PM (Details = S. Kottke @ 517-980-0965)

Calendar of Events

Lansing Jaycees Activities...

Mar 3rd – General Membership Meeting – Trippers in Frandor: 6-7 social hour; 7:00 Meeting (Details = A. Clock @ 517-410-9527)

Mar 5th – GYFO – Irish Fare – A Pre-St. Patty Day Feast at Dublin Square Irish Pub 327 Abbot Rd., E. Lansing: Time TBD (Details = B. Burnell @ 989-737-9685)

Mar 7th – Public Speaking Class – Dan Harris will help you learn and Enhance your public speaking skills in this seminar free to Lansing Jaycees; Trippers in Frandor at 9AM – 3:30 PM (Details = A. Amirahmadi @ 773-793-1467)

Bowling League – Royal Scot on Grand River at 8:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Mar 8th – Volunteers of America Breakfast – Serve breakfast for the hungry at VofA Community Kitchen 430 N. Larch St., Lansing at 7:30AM – 9 AM (Details = A. Briseno @ 517-974-0965)

Mar 10th – Ronald McDonald Committee Mtg. – Help decide what will be served to the Ronald McDonald House Families on March 28th; Gone Wired Café 2021 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing at 5:30 PM (Details = A. Briseno @ 517-974-0965)

Mar 13th – Happy Hour – Art's Bar & Grill 809 Kalamazoo St., Lansing at 5:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Mar 14th – Model Legislature – Learn how the state legislative process works first hand – Michigan State Capital; 9AM – 5PM (Details = A. Clock @ 517-410-9527)

Mar 19th – 22nd – Texas Hold'em Tournament – Help with this fundraiser! – Shift times have been announced; Trippers in Frandor (Details = J. Niekamp @ 517-316-5466)

Mar 21st – Bowling League – Royal Scot on Grand River at 8:30 PM (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Mar 23rd – New Member Orientation – LOCATION & TIME TBD (Details = A. Fossi @ 586-484-7027)

Mar 24th – Grand River Connection – Network with other Lansing Professionals; LOCATION & TIME TBD (Details = A. Amirahmadi @ 773-793-1467)

Mar 27th – MSU Wine Tasting Benefit – Come for an elegant evening featuring more than 100 varieties of wine to sample. Door prizes and silent auction included. MSU Kellogg Center at 7:30 PM (Details = S. Soczek @ 517-862-6376)

Mar 28^h – Ronald McDonald House Dinner – Help prepare a dinner for the families at Ronald McDonald House of Mid Michigan 121 S. Holmes St., Lansing at 5:30 – 7:30 PM (Details = A. Briseno @ 517-974-0965)



And watch the Juice Weekly for other Events yet to be planned!

**Don't Forget Happy Hour
2/20 & 3/13**

February

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Patti Marshall – Feb. 2nd
Matt Grossman – Feb. 11th
Jason Niekamp – Feb. 24th



TOP 10

Valentine Day Movies for the:

Lovestruck

- 1) The Philadelphia Story
- 2) Ghost
- 3) Prelude to a Kiss
- 4) Moonstruck
- 5) Don Juan DeMarco
- 6) Like Water for Chocolate
- 7) Casablanca
- 8) Titanic
- 9) Cat on a Hot Tin Roof
- 10) Much Ado About Nothing

Lovelorn

- 1) The English Patient
- 2) The Vanishing
- 3) What's Love Got to do With it?
- 4) Raise the Red Lantern
- 5) Romeo & Juliet
- 6) Dead Again
- 7) Gone with the Wind
- 8) Heartburn
- 9) Dream Lover
- 10) Frankie & Johnny

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LOVE QUOTES



"When we find someone whose weirdness is compatible with ours, we join up with them and fall into mutually satisfying weirdness – and call it love – true love" – Robert Fulghum

"Love is a fire. But whether it is going to warm your hearth or burn down your house, you can never tell" – Joan Crawford

"Love is a sweet dream and marriage is the alarm clock" – Jewish Proverb

<http://www.brownielocks.com/lovequotes.html>

February is:

also known as Sol-monath (cake month) by the Anglo Saxons because cakes were offered to the gods during this month.

The Welsh referred to February as "y mis bach", meaning "the little month" because it has fewer days.

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Quack Quack!



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