



# NEWS

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## Date Night Auction

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This silent auction fundraiser is a fun, entertaining event for the whole community and will benefit Independent Living Resources and the La Crosse Jaycees. Independent Living Resources is committed to community diversity through advocacy, choice and education resulting in empowerment for individuals with disabilities. They will provide services to persons with any disability of any age within our service area.

Date: Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup>  
Time: 6:00pm – Social  
7:00pm – Auction Begins  
Location: Loon's on La Crosse  
Cost: \$10.00

The cost for the evening is \$10, which includes entrance, Hors D'Ouvres and music. A Date Night Auction Book will be available to peruse to see what La Crosse has to offer for single, dating or married couples for a fun night out or weekend getaway.

Auction items will include local singles and donated items winning bids will be announced throughout the evening. Throughout the evening will be music, Hors D'Ouvres, and cash bar.

We are looking for singles to be auctioned, silent auction donations and individuals to help during the event. If you would like to participate please contact Donella Sarauer at 386-1404.

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## 2007 Chairman

Hi Everyone!

Congratulations to last month's winner of Trivia **Bob Schmidt**. He is the proud winner of **\$5.00** in Jaycee bucks! You can win too just be the first to contact me with the answer to the following trivia question.

***When I was president the first time  
(2001) who was the Social Director?***

Game on,

**Barb  
Chairman of the Board**

## 2007 President

Hello fellow Jaycees,

The MDA Shamrock drive is underway and runs through St. Patrick's Day. Lisa Forschler, a new Jaycee, has taken on this project and she would appreciate any help that we can give her. We will be making visits to the establishments that will be selling the shamrocks. We will keep you informed when we will be patronizing the different locations.

The Date Night Auction (previously the Single's Auction) is fast approaching this has been scheduled for Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 6pm and will be held at Loon's on La Crosse. A committee is working on all areas of this event to help Betty Groom who is chairing this event. If you are interested in helping with this event you can sign up at a meeting or speak with Betty or myself.

We are searching for a Chairperson to run the Pitch, Hit, & Run event that will be coming up sometime in April or beginning of May. Before we commit to running this event again this year we need someone to step up and take charge. The La Crosse Park & Recreation department has helped out the past couple years to make this project a success by supplying kids as well as manpower.

Our Membership Vice President position is open if anyone is interested or would like more information about this position please contact me. This person keeps track of who is renewing each month and conveying this information to the Treasurer so the payment can be sent in to the State Jaycees.

To get more detailed information of the events listed above you can attend meetings, contact the chairperson or look for an article in the newsletter specifically discussing each event.

Have a Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

**Donella Sarauer**  
**President**

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## 2007 Social Director

I just wanted to thank everyone who came to Heather's and my birthday party on the 17th. Our celebration mostly took place at Snuffy's, and even included an interesting cake...thanks Reina! Thanks to all who helped make turning 30 a little less painful. As far as social events go, I don't have anything planned currently, but I will let everyone know as soon as I do. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to email me, and don't forget we have bowling at South Lanes the Fridays following our meetings!

**Kristie**

[crickettejill@lycos.com](mailto:crickettejill@lycos.com) and 386-9019

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## 2007 Individual Development

Please let me know if you are interested in participating in the Simply Entrée I.D. We will schedule a date (in March) for those who are interested in participating. For more information, please check out Simply Entrée's website at [www.simplyentree.com](http://www.simplyentree.com) To sign up, please attend a general membership meeting or e-mail me at [heatherp@monogramco.com](mailto:heatherp@monogramco.com)

Thank you,

Heather Puckett  
2007 IDVP

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## 2007 Management VP

Last month I sent out a challenge to members to rename our newsletter. We have had quite a few entries. The entries are being reviewed by the board followed by a vote by the general membership will the second meeting in March.

The webpage is always going to be in a state of change. Content ideas are welcome in addition to pictures (preferable with a short description).

Spring will be here soon! ☺

**Tami Wolden**

**Management VP / Webmaster / News Editor**  
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## Secretary

Since February is known as the month in which we celebrate love, I thought the following article, which I found in a local newspaper, would be fitting for the next issue of our newsletter, released shortly after Valentine's Day. I hope this article grabs your attention and I will continue to keep on looking for articles that may intrigue you to read this monthly bulletin.....so stay tuned!

### Love is splendid but hard to define, understand

By: Kari Knutson, Columnist for the Winona Daily News

Astronauts aren't stupid, but they're definitely human. That seems to be the moral of the supposed astronaut love triangle involving 43-year-old astronaut Lisa Nowak. The married mother of three is accused of attempted murder, after police say she drove 900 miles from Houston to Orlando to confront a romantic rival while wearing a diaper. Apparently she really doesn't like making pit stops. Police found an arsenal of weapons in her car, including a pepper spray package, an unused BB-gun cartridge, a new steel mallet, knife, rubber tubing and large garbage bags. Maybe it was part of an aggressive roadside safety kit...

The whole soap opera has prompted NASA to conduct a review of its psychological testing procedures for astronauts. But will that really help? Love is a many splendored thing, but it's also extremely hard to define and understand. There has been no evidence that Nowak had any psychological problems that interfered with her shuttle flight last July. Still, less than seven months later, she stands accused of doing something that sounds too crazy even for the craziest of soap opera plotlines.

But when it comes to love, we're all a little crazy. Scientists have studied the idea of love and determined that the beginning stages of falling in love have similarities with mental illness. That doesn't mean we all end up boiling bunnies while screaming, "I won't be ignored," but it does lead us to do things that we wouldn't otherwise do. We might drive in a blizzard to see a loved one or blow a paycheck on a birthday present. It can lead us to do things we later look back on and laugh at. A friend of mine had her boyfriend type "I love you" on little pieces of paper that he inserted in each of her hundred-plus CD collection. Love has the ability to take completely intelligent people and make them stupid. It's one of the more hard-to-watch effects of the feeling.

There has been no evidence so far that any psychological problems interfered with Nowak's trip as mission specialist aboard the Space Shuttle Discovery last July.

Can you really conduct tests that will determine what you would do for love or what you may perceive to be love? I don't think so. We may have wanted to be astronauts when we were 8 but decided it'd be easier to watch the stars from right here on earth. It's shocking to think that astronauts are just like the rest of us. "She couldn't balance a checkbook," her former brother-in-law told the New York Post. "She could take you to the moon, but she might not be able to deal with day-to-day stuff." Love is a common denominator. NASA can re-evaluate its testing all it wants but when it comes to love, we're all mere mortals.

**Amy Andress**  
**2007 Secretary**

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## Community Development

**MDA Shamrocks:** In case you haven't heard, our annual MDA Shamrock program is in full swing! The objective of this program is to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, so they may send afflicted children to summer camp. Shamrocks were delivered a couple weeks ago, and several socials have already begun to promote them! The next social will be Friday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, at Shimmy's at 7:00, and also following the next general meeting. Be on the lookout for upcoming e-mails and be sure to attend the general meetings to find out more dates, locations, and times!

**Date Night Auction:** This year's date auction will be held March 31<sup>st</sup> at Loons on La Crosse. For more information see the Date Night Auction article in this newsletter.

**Kyle Olson**  
**2007 Community Development VP**

### March 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>25</u> B-day: Taunya K	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> 7:00p Board Meeting	<u>28</u>	<u>1</u> Mar	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u> 12:00p Polar Plunge
<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u> 7:00p General Meeting	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u> B-day: Matt M
<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u> 7:00p General Meeting	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u> 7:00p Board Meeting B-day: Kirk F	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u> 9:15p Bowl for Kids Sake	<u>31</u> 8:00p - 12:00a Date Night Auction at Loon's



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