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2008 President

Hello Jaycees!

January is FINALLY over! Forget the mind numbing sub-zero cold, mountains of pesky snow, and even the Packer's loss to the Giants! Sure those may be reasons to be a little down, or to want to cower inside your house; but cheer up! The Jaycee Board has been hard at work preparing for a great February!

Take a moment to peruse through the following pages. There are plenty of new events, projects, and incentives for Jaycees who are willing to brave the elements! You will learn more about the upcoming MDA Shamrocks program, our road trip to Manitowoc for Brewfest, great ID's, socials, membership incentives, and a shiny new chapter Myspace page!

Did you notice I mentioned membership incentives? Well I did, and here's how it works; as you may know membership growth and retention is a responsibility held by all members. Take a moment to think of a friend, relative, or co-worker that may fit into the Jaycees. Sign them up this month! The first new member to join will receive a half-price membership, and each person who sponsors a new member will get \$10 in Jaycee Bucks! With your help this chapter will have endless possibilities!

Kyle Olson
2008 President

Social Director

Sledding Party!

Hey Jaycees! Get your sleds and snow suits ready; we are planning for a sledding social on Saturday, January 26th, at Coulee Golf and Bowl. As of now, the tentative schedule is for everyone to meet in the parking lot of the Golf and Bowl at approximately 1:30 pm. We will sled and "frolic" in the snow for about an hour to two hours and then warm up with adult beverages, hot toddies if you will, at a local bar. If you are interested in attending, please email me, amy.andress@ssa.gov, as soon as possible! If not enough interest is shown, I will postpone this party until February.

Also, as I have stated in my previous article and at our last general meeting, all and any ideas for upcoming socials are welcomed and appreciated. In February, Kyle has planned an outing for the Manitowoc Brew Fest and I would also like to plan either an ice skating or roller skating social. Again, what ever you would like to see planned, let me know and I will do my best to plan and organize it. I will keep everyone posted at general meetings and through my monthly article of upcoming socials.

Amy Andress
2008 Social Director

Chairman of the Board

For those who asked at the Christmas Party where the caramel corn was here is the recipe.

Fabulous Caramel Corn



1 bag	10 oz. Puffcorn
1/2 lb	butter
1 cup	brown sugar
1/2 cup	light corn syrup
1 teaspoon	baking soda

Preheat oven to 250 degrees. Combine butter, brown sugar and light corn syrup in a 2 quart sauce pan. Cook for two minutes. Add baking soda. (Note: This will cause mixture to foam.)

Pour puffcorn into a large roaster pan. Pour caramel sauce over Puffcorn and stir until mixed. Place in oven at 250 degrees for 45 minutes. Stir at least every 10-15 minutes.

Remove from oven, pour on wax paper and break apart.

Enjoy!!

Respectfully,
Donella Sarauer
2008 Chairman of the Board

Individual Development VP

The new year is off to a great start, and Heather and I have some great ideas for ID's. We have about 4-5 in the works, including scrapbooking, finance/tax info, home appraisal, and even a wine ID!! As we get further in the organization process, we will let you know what the February ID will be. And, as always...if you have any thoughts as to ID's that you would like to have, let one of us know!

Kristie
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Membership V.P.

Hope everyone's new year is off to a great start! A big thank you to those that paid their membership dues in January here are members that have invoices coming this month:

Amy Andress
Mark Kloss
Reina Rykal

Jennifer Grau
Chad Mickelson
Jeff Treder

Hope everyone is staying warm and has their sweetheart for Valentines Day :)

Jason Mickelson
2008 Membership V.P.

Community Development

I would like to introduce myself. I am Mark Van Den Heuvel and I will be the Community Development Director this coming year. I joined the Jaycees in 2001. I'm a full time student at Western TC in electronics. I'm looking forward to be a part of the Jaycees and looking for an endless possibility year. Congratulations to Erin Ersted who won the Ha-Ha Box of \$42 and the others that got a prize. See you all at the next meeting, this is going to be a great year.

Mark Van Den Heuvel
2008 Development Director

Secretary

In order for our board to be successful, we must all be willing to work hard and recognize how our actions affect those around us. Each of made a positive choice and joined the La Crosse Jaycees. And each of us made a commitment to the Jaycees and joined the board. And it's what each of us as individuals bring to the group, our different skills and training and our individual commitment to the board that will make us successful. There are "Endless Possibilities" when we are all willing to work hard and give it our all.

"The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand."
~Vince Lombardi

Suzie Goyette
2008 Secretary



Management VP

Hello La Crosse Jaycees! I am your Management VP for 2008! I have been a member for 7 years now and have served in various positions on the board.

We are currently laying out our Plan of Action for the year and thinking of all the **Endless Possibilities** this year can bring to the La Crosse Jaycees. My job is to fill out the paperwork to guide us in having a successful year.

In planning the year ahead we are looking for new and exciting fundraising opportunities for the chapter. If you have any suggestions please share with me or any member of the 2008 Board, we would be happy to hear them.

Also serving on the management team as director is Erin Ersted.

I look forward to working with everyone in pursuing a year of Endless Possibilities!

Becki Willers
2008 Management VP

I.D. Director

Things not to say on your Valentine's date...

1. I really don't like this restaurant that much, but I wanted to use this 2-for-1 coupon before it expired.
2. People say I remind them of Eddie Haskell.
3. I used to come here all the time with my ex.
4. I never said you NEED a nose job. I just said it wouldn't hurt to consider it.
5. Could you excuse me? My cat gets lonely if he doesn't hear my voice on the answering machine every hour.
6. I like clay. It's mushy.
7. I really feel that I've grown in the past few years. Used to be I wouldn't have given someone like you a second look.
8. And I won that trophy in the inter-fraternity belching contest.
9. I know you said you don't eat anything with a face. But a good butcher will cut that part off for you if you ask.
10. It's been tough, but I've come to accept that most people I date just won't be as smart as I am.

"I just love to do special things for my wife on Valentine's day. Like open the door for her when she puts all the laundry in the washing machine, or plug and unplug the vacuum as she moves from room to room cleaning. Guys, it's these little thoughtful things you can do to have a marriage such as mine."

~ Anonymous Author



Heather Suby
2008 Individual Development Director

MDA Shamrocks

The 2008 Shamrock project is in its beginning stages. So far, the businesses that have agreed to sell shamrocks are Sam's Bar, Rainbow's End, Broncos, and Happenings. Also, if everything goes well, Quillin's will be selling shamrocks for us as well!

MDA has set a goal to raise \$650 per location this year, the cost of sending one child to camp. With fewer locations, we can all focus on motivating each to **Sell! Sell! Sell!** I will be planning some socials at these locations and will let you know those dates soon.

Thanks!
Suzie Goyette

On the Web

As of January 2008 the Jaycees have added an additional informational & social site on the web on MySpace. You do not need to join MySpace to browse the site unless you wish to add comments to the page.

www.myspace.com/lacrossejaycees

The board now has a group e-mail address for group mailings, questions or comments.

board@lacrossejaycees.com

Brewfest

- Date: Saturday Feb. 16
 Time: 4:00 – 9:00 PM (We will carpool from LAX around 11 a.m.)
 Where: Manitowoc County Expo grounds
 What: BEER tasting!! Free admission for volunteers, \$25 presale for participants only Hotel accommodations and gas for carpooling split by attendees.
 Why: Fun event, help another chapter, meet new Jaycees from around the state!

A beer lover's paradise! The Manitowoc Jaycees have invited our chapter to join in all the fun that is Brewfest! This annual event draws dozens of micro and craft brewers from across the region. As volunteers at Brewfest we will get free entry (\$25 value), a commemorative glass, access to more varieties of beer than you can imagine, AND an appreciation party following the event!

Those attending will carpool from La Crosse Saturday morning, to arrive in Manitowoc by 4:00 p.m. for orientation. We then will be serving beer and helping the Manitowoc Jaycees run their event until about 9:00, help clean up, and then party some more! The only cost to participants will be chipping in on gas, hotel room (about \$70/ night at Super 8), and taxi to and from the hotel. All said and done we will have a BLAST meeting new friends and drinking their beer! Be sure to sign up at the February 5th general meeting, or call me at 651-380-3774 to reserve your space!

To a great time!
Kvle Olson

Member News

It's a Girl!!



Lilly Erin

Member Kevin Sonsalla and Jenn Burns are the proud parents of a beautiful baby girl. Lilly Erin was born on Jan 23rd at 7:27pm, weighing in at 5lbs 14oz and 18 inches long. Both mom and baby are doing great. Congrats Kevin, Jenn and big brother Zach!

February 2008						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3 B-day: Tara J	4	5 7pm General Meeting	6	7	8 B-day: Nick B	9
10	11	12	13	14 B-day: Heather P	15 B-day: Kristie A	16
17	18	19 7pm General Meeting	20	21 B-day: Monica M	22	23
24	25 Newsletter Articles Due	26 7pm Board Meeting	27	28	29	



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