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2008 President

Thank you to everyone who showed up April 19th to help out with Neighbors Day! Jaycees don't let a little rain, cold temperatures, or a clock that reads 7:30 a.m. get in the way of making a huge impact in their community! Over 400 volunteers donated their time and energy to beautify 200 plus La Crosse elderly or disabled persons homes. With the leadership skills of Erin Behlen this project has nearly tripled in size, and has gained much exposure for our chapter. The possibilities of this project are endless!

The previous is just one example of why you may have chosen to join the greatest young persons organization in the world, the La Crosse Jaycees! As a Jaycee we are able to recognize the potential for growth as an individual, obtain the networking and leadership skills required to motivate and unite a group of diverse individuals, and create a means toward satisfying a desire to give back to the community. Service to humanity is the best work of life!

Or maybe you joined this chapter to meet a group of outgoing young people, and form life long friendships? After all, Earth's great treasure lies in human personality.

Whatever your reasons for joining, the Jaycees offers endless possibilities to those willing to help themselves by helping others. In the following pages you will find upcoming socials to meet people at, community projects to help others, and great ID's to improve yourself. If you have any ideas on how the chapter can better serve your needs or the needs of others don't hesitate to contact a board member and let them know!

To Endless Possibilities,
Kyle Olson
73rd La Crosse Jaycee President

Leadman Triathlon

I'm looking for more volunteers to help out with the Leadman Triathlon on June 14th. It'll be held out at Coulee Golf & Bowl and starts around 7:30 am. There will be a meeting April 28th at 7 pm out at Coulee Golf & Bowl. Please let me know if you are able to help out.

Thanks,

Jon Hauser
2008 Leadman Triathlon Chairman

Chairman of the Board

*"If you think you can, you can.
And if you think you can't, you're right."*

- Mary Kay Ash.

Donella Sarauer
2008 Chairman of the Board

Membership V.P.

Hey Everyone,

Well since this is a special month MY BIRTHDAY!! let me start off by telling you all this month any new members that join will be for half price 25 bucks instead of 50 (The Jason's birthday month special) what a deal im giving out the presents on my birthday what the heck :) so get out there Jaycees and lets get some new members this month. Here are members that are lucky enough to be getting mail from me this month:

Frank	Doll
Melissa	Hehl
Abby	Herricks
Becky	Herricks
Cindy	Kreibich
Steve	Petersen
Amber	Rykal
Rhett	Rykal
Ken	Venner

Again Jaycees lets have an awesome month of new membership and renewals that will be the best present you all could get me :)

Jason Mickelson
Membership V.P.

Big Bikes for Little Tykes

Hey La Crosse Jaycees. I am glad to inform you that we have been invited back to support 95.7 The Rock's Big Bikes for Little Tykes. This year, the proceeds go to support Avery Valentine who has been diagnosed with Progressive Degenerative Neuropathy. The money will be used to make his dream come true - a family Disney cruise.

Here are the details:

Where: Southside Oktoberfest Grounds
When: Saturday, May 17, 2008, 12:00pm

I am looking for 15 volunteers to help serve brats, chips, soda, water, and beer. I hope you can help. This is a very fun event and a great way to raise money for a child in need and the La Crosse Jaycees. Email me at onlyonemmm@hotmail.com if you are interested in helping out.

Matt Morrison
Big Bike for Little Tikes Chairperson

Social Director

From Your Temporarily Absent Social Director!

Hey there Jaycee's! Well, spring is finally upon us and we know that it has arrived once Neighbor's Day has come and gone! First of all, for those of you who may not know, I am presently away from the area in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, completing a temporary job assignment. I arrived here, where it is still cold and snow has been seen to fly as late as July -ugh!, at the end of March and will be here until mid May. While I am away, I have asked Kyle to assist me with my social director duties; I tentatively planned, upon the presentation of the idea by Erin Behlen, to have us, as a group, attend the Beer and Cheese Tasting Event at the Brewery, after Neighbor's Day. Kyle voiced my opinion to the board and to the organization as a whole, and it appears that this social event was a go! I hope you all enjoyed it and I thank Kyle very much for his assistance in my absence. However, in looking into the future months, upon my return, I would like to schedule a MOA shopping trip, with an over night stay at a nearby hotel and an evening of bar hopping, and also during the summer months, possible baseball games - either to Milwaukee or to the Twin Cities, or both! Please email me and send me any other ideas you may have for fun summer socials! I look forward to hearing from you and I miss many of you and hope to see you all very soon! Until then, take care and enjoy the weather!

Amy

Individual Development

Happy Spring, Jaycees!!! (I think spring is here)

I wanted to thank everyone who took advantage of April's ID's. At Franciscan Skemp, we learned about how our mood is affected by what we eat and also got some helpful information from the Credit Counseling ID at U.S. Bank. Thanks, Erin E., for helping set this up!!

May is looking like a very busy month, but Kristie and I are hard at work coming up with some great opportunities for Individual Development!

Now that Spring has sprung, I'm sure all of you are looking forward to planting gardens and maybe doing some landscaping. Plan on attending the March 20th general membership meeting where we will hear from Brenda Pohlman who is a local master gardener!! She has agreed to share her expertise with us, so come with questions and ideas for spring planting!!



We are hoping to plan a more "social" ID event in May also, so look for emails from us!!!

As always, we are happy to plan ID's that you would be interested in. Several members have given us great ideas for the upcoming months, but all suggestions are welcome!!! Hope to see you at the next event!!!

Kristie Arens, Individual Development VP
Heather Suby, Individual Development Director

Chicken Q Wrap-Up

The Chicken Q was a BIG SUCCESS!

In one day, we sold 520 chicken dinners! The majority of the dinners went out the door between 10:45am and 1pm. I would say about 400 dinners were dished up, picked-up and delivered in 2 ½ hours!

How is this possible you might wonder? Because we had a remarkable group of workers that day! Many members took a vacation day, took an extended lunch hour or even lost hours to help out with this project. Wow! What dedication! I cannot thank you enough for helping out that day, we would not have made it without you. These wonderful members helped assemble the dinners: Kyle Olson, Dawn Wehling, Kayla Stalsberg, Tami Wolden and Erin Behlen. They also helped me out with the walk-in customers and pre-sold dinners. Cindy Kreibich, Mark VDH, Jeremy Kennedy and Kyle Olson all helped deliver dinners. A special thanks to Russ Stockel and Baggie for taking time to help with this event. And of course, thanks to Josh Pogreba who cooked the chicken and got us pumped up for the day.

We had some members come and pick up dinners that they had sold at work, which was a huge help.

The success of the project came from members selling dinners before the event. Our top seller was Laurie Sonsalla with 70 dinners, second place with 31 dinners was Erin Ersted and in third place was Cindy Kreibich with 26.5 dinners! Great job you guys!! Thanks to the fifteen or so other members who worked hard to pre-sell dinners!! You know who you are! Together we pre-sold almost 400 dinners!

Can you tell we had a great day?
Can you tell I think we should
run this every single year?
Maybe twice a year?



I have saved the best for last.
How much very needed funds did we raise for our chapter???
\$1,040!! That money will go a long way to pay our rent and
other bills. Thank you chapter members for helping make this
happen! You guys are fantastic!!!

One more thing...a special thank you goes out to Laurie Sonsalla and Pat Walz for all of the help and support you gave me in running this project. Also, thanks to those of you who helped keep me calm in all the stress of the first hour or so!! With your help, my first project was a success and I couldn't have stayed sane without you all. I'm actually looking forward to next year's chicken Q!!

Heather Suby
2008 Chicken Q Chairperson

Rockin' For the Road

Our friends at the
The Alpine Inn & Town of Shelby

Present

What: Rockin' for the Road (Benefit Show)
Featuring: Three Beers 'Til Dubuque & Mr. Blink
Live & Silent Auction

Where: Alpine Inn
W5717 Bliss Rd, La Crosse, WI
Tel: (608) 784-8470

When: Sunday May 25th
Gates Open at Noon - Showtime 3:00pm

Why: A benefit show to aid in the repair of Bliss Road

Tickets: \$20.00



Limited Parking, Shuttle Available
(call 784-8470 for shuttle times and ticket information)

Pitch, Hit & Run

Date: Wednesday May 7th (Rain day May 8th)
Time: 5:30 PM
Where: UWL Softball field
What: Registration & scoring

Calling all Jaycees!
Pitch Hit And Run is an annual project spearheaded and organized by the La Crosse Jaycees in conjunction with the City Park and Recreation department. We are anticipating over 100 area children to attend this competition to test their abilities at pitching, hitting, and running. The winning participants will have the opportunity to advance to regional, State, and even National competitions!

But we need your help to register the children, and score their results in each category of competition. To help with this event you may either sign up at a general membership meeting, or contact Kyle at:
Ph: 1-651-380-3774
E-mail: betonajetta@hotmail.com

Thanks,
Kyle Olson

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6 7pm General Meeting	7 5:30 Pitch, Hit & Run	8	9	10
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