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Hey La Crosse Jaycees!!!
 I hope everyone is surviving the frigid temperatures of our great state!! I'm thinking a social in Mexico is in order!!! I'll get Jeff right on that!! We have a super packed February planned for all of you. There should be something fun for everyone! We will be starting out the month with Bowl for Kids Sake. We already have 3 teams signed up and can always make another one. If you don't want to bowl, please come out and cheer us on! There will also be a birthday social for Kristie Arens that night in downtown West Salem! You don't want to miss that one! We will be kicking off our MDA Shamrock fundraiser mid-month with a social to deliver the shamrocks to downtown establishments. Angie has some great ideas to make this fundraiser new and exciting and we have a very ambitious, but reachable goal amount. So, even if you're not Irish, put on some green and come out and help us raise some money for Muscular Dystrophy!! At the end of the month, we will be hosting the annual Wisconsin vs. Minnesota Border Battle Chili Challenge. Kyle has a fun event planned with competitions, shuffleboard and of course, Chili! Mild, medium or hot. Throw your favorite chili recipe into a crockpot and show us what you got! For those of you new to the Jaycee family, our membership development committee has planned a fun and exciting orientation to help you learn a little about our organization and meet some of our members. This will be an informal social at the Root Note on February 9th. Anyone is invited to attend! As you can see, we have started out the year with a busy schedule. As always, all ideas are welcome. This is YOUR chapter and we are here to serve you!

Heather Suby
 75th La Crosse Jaycees President
 "Make That Change"

MICHAEL JACKSON



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Border Battle Chili Cook-Off

The La Crosse, WI Jaycees are proud to be hosting this year's event!

Date: February 27th, 2010

Date: Noon Arrival and chili warm-up, 1pm Competition Judging

Place: Snuffy's Bar, 1903 Travis Street, La Crosse (corner of Travis and West Avenue)

Cost: \$5 donation for judging/sampling Chili

Chili: Categories are Mild, Medium or Hot. Please bring enough for adequate sampling. Prizes for top winners!

Games: Shuffleboard and Mechanical Bowling tournaments!

Contact: Chairperson, Kyle Olson, at 651-380-3774 or betonajetta@hotmail.com



JCI State Secretary

Date: February 27th, 2010

Time: 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Place: La Crosse Jaycees Hall, 502 Jay Street, La Crosse, WI 54601

Who: All Jaycees! Members from all chapters, regions, and States are welcome! No board experience required!

Cost: FREE!!

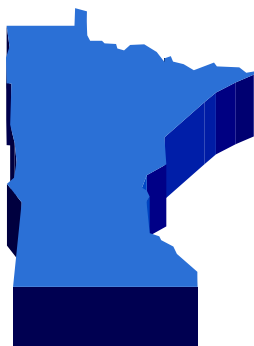
Why: To improve the leadership skills of ALL local chapter members

The La Crosse Jaycees invite your chapter to participate in a regional training Saturday, February 27. The training will start at 9:30 a.m., and run until 11:30 a.m. WI State President Renee and her crew are planning to attend. This will be a great way for your newer board members, or those thinking of joining the board to learn a thing or two about their position. A brief overview of all positions will also be available. Admission is free, and snacks / beverages will be provided.

Please let me know if anyone from your chapter would like to attend, and if a specific board position is of interest! I need to get a count to the WI State officers for appropriate supplies. Please e-mail me at betonajetta@hotmail.com with any questions!

Following training will be the annual Border Battle Chili Cook-off, also hosted by the La Crosse Jaycees!

Kyle Olson
JCI Wisconsin Secretary
Acting WC Region Director

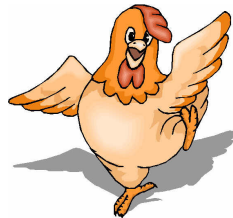


Management VP

Hello Jaycees!

Our first planned ways and means project will be a Chicken Q to raise money to run the chapter. We are looking for someone to chair this project that will be held on Thursday, April 8th at the VFW on 6th and Market Streets catered by Pogy's. A few things that this person would do is to get people to sell tickets for the dinners, organize people to help the day of the event and would be in contact with Pogy's. If you need more information or are interested in chairing this project please contact Dan Tyzenhaus or myself. Another project that we are checking into is working the Brat Barn at Festival, we will keep you informed of when this could happen. Also if you have any ideas for events that we can run please let us know as we are always looking for new ideas.

Donella Sarauer
La Crosse Jaycees
Management VP
608-386-1404



Secretary

To my fellow Jaycees:

Just a note to let everyone know, if you have anything to add to the agenda for any meeting, please let me know via email by 5pm on the Monday prior to the meeting. Any changes after that time will need to be added at the meeting. My email address is crickettejill@lycos.com. Hope everyone has a wonderful February and Happy Valentines Day. Make sure you come to Bowl for Kids Sake on Feb 12th to support our teams, and to help celebrate my birthday!! My actual birthday is Feb 15th.

Thanks everyone!

Kristie Arens
2010 Secretary
La Crosse Jaycees

Community VP

Hello everyone!

It's hard to believe it's February already. The year is off to a quick start and soon we will be busy with several community projects.

Please come cheer on the Jaycee bowling teams on February 12th at Features, as well as February 19th at South Lanes. Thanks to Angie who's off to a great start with the MDA Shamrocks project. We will be having several opportunities coming up to get out and support this project so don't miss those! And soon, our team of plungers will be jumping into the freezing river for Special Olympics. Please come and show your support for all these brave people. I'm sure a social will follow this event. We've already started working on Walkin' for Wishes as June will be here before we know it. Please let me know if you're interested in joining this committee.

Suzie Goyette
La Crosse Jaycees Community VP
608-397-5475

Community Director

Things are pretty slow in my neck of the woods, but I am always interested in hearing your ideas about community service projects! Plans are underway for Neighbors Day on April 24th - mark your calendar! And I hope to see ya'll out supporting Angie and her committee for MDA Shamrocks beginning this month. Who doesn't like chili and bar games?!? Join us for some Jaycee community building at the Chili Challenge on February 27th :)

Sara Halberg
Community Service
Director



Community Director

We are a month into the New Year and community fundraising is already in full swing!



Bowl for Kids Sake, a fundraiser benefiting the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the 7 Rivers Region, is quickly approaching. The Jaycees have 3 teams registered for the event, 2 bowling on February 12 at Features in West Salem and the 3rd bowling on

February 19 at South Lanes in La Crosse. Several bowlers are still needed for the team bowling on February 19. You can sign up or make a donation through the website <http://www.firstgiving.com/7riversbbbs>.

March 6 will mark the 12th annual Polar Plunge for Special Olympics in the Coulee Region and the Jaycees are gearing up for a great plunge! Our team is forming now and donations are being raised. Join the team and take the plunge (also "too chicken to plunge" if you want to raise money but not jump in!) or make a pledge to one of our team members by going to the website http://www.specialolympicswisconsin.org/pp10/team.asp?id_t=233

Plunging begins at noon, but the team will be meeting earlier in the day at Ye Old Style Inn for breakfast and liquid courage! There is a post plunge party at Baus Haus from 5P-8P, followed by Pat McCurdy at Neuies Varsity Club starting at 9PM. Hope to see you on the beach!

Alicia Stensberg
Community Development Fundraising Director
Polar Plunge Chairperson



MDA Shamrocks

ShamRock It!



We are getting ready to kick off our annual MDA Shamrocks Campaign again this year! This St. Patrick's Day fund-raiser is a Community Fundraising project with proceeds going to families that need assistance with neuromuscular diseases (Jerry's Kids Camp attendance, medical supply repairs, research hours, etc.). From February 15th through March 17th you will see businesses participating by selling MDA Shamrocks in the area.

This year we are working to team with other local organizations who share our same level of commitment to the community. By doing so, we hope to strengthen our relationship with these organizations and reach our goal of raising \$1,500 this year for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. We will be visiting local, participating establishments after our general meetings on February 16th, March 2nd and March 16th as well as taking part in the Irishfest Parade on March 13th. Keep an eye on our website and attend our general meetings to keep updated on our efforts and how you can help.



Angie Mattice
2010 MDA Shamrocks Chair

Individual Development VP

I am very excited for the coming year and the I.D. ideas we have coming up. At the last general meeting we handed out a survey to determine what new things people are interested in learning. Some of the things you can look forward to in 2010 are: wine tasting, game night, paint ball, and horseback riding. These ideas had some of the most votes. If you are interested in possibly teaching any of these I.D. events please let Dawn or I know.

Kelly Goyette
Individual Development VP

Membership VP

Thank you to the members that renewed in February and to our new members Hannah King and Brandon Furlano.

March memberships are due to the chapter by February 15. Renewal rate is \$45 for the year. Jaycee Bucks may be used to renew your membership. The following members are due for renewal:

Adam Binsfeld	Adam Bryhn
Zach Geier	Kimberly Grosskopf
Shannon Hoffman	Amber Leer
Jason Mickelson	Meghann Obieglo
Rachel Peterson	Rhett Rykal
Laurie Sonsalla	

Thank you!

Erin Behlen
2010 Membership VP

Social Director

Hey all! Hope everyone has started this year off right. If you didn't get a chance to attend a social this month, don't worry, we will have plenty more to come. Following the February 12th Bowl-for-Kids-Sake event, we will be congregating in downtown West Salem to continue the festivities and see what a small-town atmosphere can provide for entertainment.

For those that have free time over Valentines' weekend, turn your blackened hearts to red at Jeff Treder's house for Romance & Redneck Weekend. Ladies are meeting Saturday the 13th for a night of "Doing whatever it is women do when men aren't around". Guys will be heading over on Sunday the 14th to watch the Daytona 500 in full surround sound.

If you like Cajun food, stop over to Buzzard Billy's at 5:30 for Eat-Before-We-Meet on Feb 16th before our General Meeting. And if your appetite is still in overdrive, the Border Battle Chili cook off will interest you on Feb 27.

Sounds like a busy month so let the festivities begin!

Jeff Steidl
Social Director

Membership Director

Announcing - New Member Orientation!
Tuesday, February 9th - 7pm
The Root Note - 115 4th Street South, La Crosse

Come one, come all! We are having **New Member Orientation** this month at The Root Note in the heart of downtown La Crosse. It is a comfortable, sophisticated setting where you will learn about the La Crosse Jaycees and how you can get what you want out of your new membership...all while enjoying coffee or your drink of choice.



Our very own 2010 La Crosse Jaycees President, Heather Suby, will be our special guest and we look forward to getting to know our new members. All are welcome to attend orientation with our new members (guests, current members, anyone looking for something to do on a Tuesday night) and learn how the Jaycees give young people (between the ages of 21 and 40) the tools they need to build the bridges of success for themselves in the areas of business development, management skills, individual training, community service, and international connections.

Put it in your Blackberry, grab a friend and we'll see you there with coffee in hand on Tuesday, Feb. 9th.

Angie Mattice
2010 Membership Director

Jaycees February Birthdays

- Lisa Kitelinger—February 10th
- Kristie Arens—February 15th

(sorry if I missed anyone!)



February 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 7:00 p.m. General Meeting	3	4	5 Neighbor's Day Committee Meeting	6
7	8	9 New Member Orientation—Root Note 7:00 p.m.	10	11	12 Bowl for Kids Sake 9:00 p.m. Features West Salem	13 Red Neck Valentines Day Weekend—Jeff T's house
14 Red Neck Valentines Day Weekend—Jeff T's house	15	16 5:30 Buzzard Billy's Eat Before We Meet 7:00 General Meeting MDA Shamrock Social following meeting	17	18	19 Bowl for Kids Sake 6:00 p.m. South Lanes	20
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