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It is hard to believe we are already a full month into 1999. As we approach our annual meeting and elections (March GMM) I encourage everyone to consider taking the next step. If you have been a member but haven't been to many projects - commit to attending a project in the next month. If you have been to lots of projects but never worked on one - commit to working on a committee or volunteer to chair a project. If you have chaired projects - then run for the Board of Directors. I am sure you have heard it before, but you will only get out of the Lansing Jaycees what you put into the Lansing Jaycees. Being involved in projects or being on the Board of Directors allows you to learn or refine people skills and project management skills. It gives you an opportunity to take on tasks such as public relations, fundraising or managing projects you might not encounter in your normal work activities.

I am 3/4 of the way through my term as President. While it has been a challenge it has also been a very rewarding experience. I have learned a lot about myself and about group dynamics. The Lansing Jaycees provide many opportunities to grow and learn - it is up to you to take advantage of them.

Michelle Walk

70th President

M E M B E R S H I P D E V E L O P M E N T

FORE!!!

Join us Tuesday, February 2, 1999 for our General Membership Meeting (GMM). 5:30 p.m. for social hour. Buffet dinner including dessert (\$12) follows at 6:30 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. we will hear from Nicole Vrabel and Stephanie Hall, representatives from the Oldsmobile Classic LPGA Tournament held annually in East Lansing.

GMMs: First Tuesday of each month Best Western Midway Hotel near Saginaw Hwy and I-96.

WHOSE DUES ARE DUE:

March

February

Cheryl Cerqueira
Therese Edgett
Tim Godfrey
Paul Rathbun

Gina Bailey
Cindi Hickey
Tom Kinder
Michelle Orłowski
Jim Piotrowicz
Tim Salisbury
Bruce Umpstead

If you have already submitted your dues - Thank You!!!

Jaycee Volleyball is ready to Spike!

Our new Jaycee co-ed Volleyball lineup follows: Ann, David, Kathy, Margaret, Michelle, Susan, Stacy, Tim, Tom, Rick, Valerie and Vijay. Go Team! Call Margaret with any questions. All games are Sundays at Gier Community Center. Jan 31: 3:30 (Superbowl Sunday) Feb 7: 8 PM, Feb 14: 7 PM, Feb 21: 8 PM, Feb 28: 6 PM. Come and cheer us on!! **WINTER WEEKEND GETAWAY** Friday - Sunday, Feb 5 - 7, 1999 Trout Creek Condominiums Call Winston

Think Spring. Think Jaycees Annual Banquet!

That's right. It's time to start thinking about our social event of the year and planning an "exhausting" evening for fellow members **Rick Alleman, Diane Brewer, Bob Heger, and Jim Piotrowicz!!** If you'd like to chair or help the committee, just call or email Valerie Wojno or Teresa Dittmer. February's **Happy Hour** will be Friday, **February 19th** from 6:00 to 8:00pm at **Tripper's** in Frandor. What a great chance to have fun, unwind, exchange volleyball tips, and maybe shoot some pool with your Jaycees friends!

INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

Plans, Um, Underway for, Um, Another Jaycees Speechcraft. After 1997's successful run, we've decided to do it again! This April on Monday evenings, we're hoping to run another Jaycees/Toastmasters speechcraft. (For those who attended in 1997, feel free to participate again! We'll have new things for you to practice!) We just need five to ten members to make the project a go. To help us plan better, please let us know if you're interested in attending or if you'd like to be on the committee. For more information contact Teresa Dittmer or Tim Godfrey.

MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT

NEWSLETTER TEAM NEEDED!!

Your Capitol Correspondent committee is running on borrowed time and we need new people to join and/or take over the running of the newsletter. Thanks to Margaret, Michael and Craig who have done a wonderful job but have fulfilled their commitment with last month's issue of the Correspondent. This great project is both fun and necessary. Please call Stephanie if interested.

C OMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Model Legislature - March 13

- Discover how a bill becomes a law
- Find out how the media and lobbyists affect legislator's decisions
- Meet fellow Jaycees from around the state

April 1999

Easter Egg Hunt WKAR Auction

If you are interested in helping on any of these projects, please call Gina or Bruce. Thanks for the support.

1998-99 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Chairperson of the Month

Thanks to **Ann Tingay** for coordinating Poly-Hockey in **November**. This was the first project Ann has chaired and she did a fantastic job of keeping track of details and of recruiting enough volunteers to work.

Correspondent she wrote. Her timely publication of the chapter newsletter over many months earned **Margaret Eisele** the chairperson of the month award for **December**. Thanks Margaret!!!

Jaycee of the Month

We didn't scare her away! After several weeks of working on haunted house, **Kim Edison** joined the Lansing Jaycees. This newcomer to the chapter has been involved in many other projects as well including MSU Concessions and Ele's Place. Congrats to our **November** Jaycee of the Month.

Congratulations to **Winston Feeheley** for being selected as the Jaycee of the Month for **December**. Winston has become increasingly active in chapter activities over the past few years. He has successfully organized several fun events including happy hours and this year's ski weekend. Winston has also shown his Jaycee spirit by volunteering at several community events.

The Jaycee Creed 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.

LIVING A LIFE OF FAITH IS NOT PASSIVE OR LAZY. IT IS DOING THE BEST WE CAN AND THEN LETTING GO.

Annual Meeting and Elections March 2, 1999

The current Board of Directors is nearing the end of their term. Elections for your 1999 Board of Directors will be held at the Annual Meeting during the General Membership Meeting, March 2, 1999. We must have a quorum ($\frac{1}{2}$ of the current eligible membership plus 1) for the vote to take place. Therefore, if you cannot be present to vote, please fill out the proxy located in this newsletter and return it to Stephanie Steere via mail or fax. To be eligible to vote, you must be a member in good standing. This means that your dues must be current and that you do not owe the chapter money for any reason. You can pay any balances due the chapter up to 7:00 p.m. on March 2, 1999. Due to the change in the U.S. and Michigan Jaycee program years, this will be a short year. We will have elections this March, with those elected serving from May 1999 through December 1999. Elections will be held again in the fall, with those elected serving from January 2000 through December 2000. This March we will also vote on bylaw changes that will move our annual meeting when elections are held, from March until the fall.

If you have questions, please contact a member of the Elections Committee (Stephanie Steere or Cindi Hickey).

If you are interested in running for a position on the Board of Directors, you need to complete a letter of intent. Please contact the Elections Committee for more information. Nominations will also be taken from the floor during the annual meeting prior to elections taking place. **JAYCEE OPPORTUNITY WORKSHOP**

- What are the responsibilities of the President?
- What responsibilities do the Board of Directors have?
- I am a member, now what?
- All these questions answered and more!!!

On **February 22, 1999**, the **Jaycee Opportunity Workshop** will be held from **7-9 p.m.** (location to be confirmed). This will be an orientation to the Board of Directors and their responsibilities (a must for anyone considering running for the Board). We will also talk about how to get involved in projects and what a suggested progression path for new

members is (a must for new members). We will also cover some Jaycee history and talk about how the Lansing Jaycees are linked to the Michigan Jaycees and the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce. **Meet and hear from the Michigan Jaycees President, Janie Connor!!!** This will also be your opportunity to get your questions answered on the proposed revisions to the bylaws. **PROXY**

The undersigned, being an individual member of the Lansing Jaycees in good standing, hereby designates or the elections chairperson to vote in my stead at the Annual Meeting of the Lansing Jaycees to be held on Tuesday, March 2, 1999 or at any adjournment thereof, of any issue to come before the meeting, and at the election of Directors and the President.

This proxy is given: With instructions

Without instructions

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

President (vote for one)

Director (vote for 10 only)

The top ten vote recipients will be elected to two year terms.

Resolutions

Vote in favor of any resolution brought before the meeting

Vote against any resolution brought before the meeting

Signature of Individual Member

Name of Individual Member (Print)

Date: , 1999 at Time

HOW TO USE THIS PROXY

Fill out completely. Complete voting instructions if you wish. Be sure to sign and date it. Last dated and timed proxy replaces any previous proxies. Deliver proxy to Stephanie Steere, or the person that you designated, by Tuesday, March 2, 1999, prior to the Annual Meeting.

Mail To: Stephanie Steere