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Welcome to Our Newest Member!!



Nicholas Barbu
Full Time Student at MSU

The Lansing Jaycees is an organization of people ages 21-39 which promotes leadership training through community service.

We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 6 pm at Tripper's Restaurant, in Frandor, Lansing. Visit our website for a map to the meeting location or call us at (517) 853-8620.



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Part of **becoming a leader** is knowing how to achieve balance. The following article was written by the Junior Chamber World President and I think it says it all.

- Sara Ballard, 76th President, Lansing Jaycees

Achieve Balance

By Fernando Sanchez-Arias*

How can you be successful in your work without sacrificing your personal life? Is it possible to maintain that desirable personal and professional balance? How can you achieve a balance between your family and your work? Attaining a personal and professional balance is another key factor for success.

During times of crisis and in our hurried lives, when our jobs demand greater commitment, when competition for a new contract, a promotion or a raise in pay is increasingly fierce, when we feel pressured to focus more on the task and less on the process, we begin to feel the many effects of imbalance.

We experience this imbalance in our bodies and our relationships. We get sick and we get headaches, stomach disorders and skin disorders. Our families feel the need to ask us for more of our time. Our friends complain that they rarely see us and this sometimes creates a feeling of guilt that is detrimental to other areas of our lives.

Seeking Equilibrium

Every one of us must to live with the paradox of seeking balance in an environment in which it is natural to lose our balance. Changes in work schedules, technological progress, the economic crisis, globalization, social challenges, and environmental transformations have disrupted the natural balance a human being needs.

But even in this environment, there are some people who find physical, mental and emotional balance, as well as balance with their family, neighbors and peers. They use their time so they can work effectively, play sports, socialize, and maintain a healthy equilibrium in their personal and group activities.

To be fully effective, we all need the inner balance between personal demands (being more intelligent, handling our emotions better, being healthier and more spiritual), and social demands (being a good parent and spouse, being a good professional, a good friend and a good citizen).

Regaining our Balance

To achieve balance in our daily lives, experts recommend certain steps that are simple but powerful:

For Personal Balance:

1. Read 15 minutes before going to sleep.
2. Begin a 15-minute routine of conscious breathing when you get up.
3. Eat more fruits and vegetables, less fried foods and fewer foods made with flour.
4. Drink more water and juices, less coffee and alcohol.
5. Pray and be thankful when you get up, at each meal and when you go to bed.
6. Get some type of exercise every other day.
7. Keep a journal of your activities

For Social Balance:

1. Use an agenda or personal organizer to plan the use of your time each week. Learn to put first things first.
2. Assign your time to the different areas of your life. Take care of that area you tend to relegate.
3. Focus on working smarter rather than working harder.
4. Avoid the hero syndrome. Ask people for help.
5. Surprise your family or friends with unexpected activities.
6. Unplug yourself by turning off the cell phone and the television and give yourself the gift of time.
7. Begin to give an hour of volunteer service each week.

Achieving total balance is a challenge, but it is both possible and necessary. If we are creative and effective and ask for help, we can combine actions on the personal side, such as exercise, with actions on the social side, such as spending more time with our children. This will make us healthier, more productive, more dynamic, and more joyful people.

A Message from the Michigan Jaycees President

MICHIGAN JUNIOR CHAMBER Defining Membership

As many of you know, at the recent meeting of the United States Junior Chamber (USJC), a vote was passed to shift the responsibility of defining the age of membership to each individual State organization. Prior to that vote, the USJC had defined the age of membership to be twenty-one (21) to thirty-nine (39) inclusive. The USJC vote did not effectively change the definition of membership in Michigan or any other state. It simply provided Michigan and other state organizations with the ability to create their own definitions of membership within the age limitations of eighteen (18) to forty (40) inclusive.

Michigan Bylaw 2.1 currently reads:

Bylaw 2.1 - Membership Classifications Defined

(A) Individual Member - An Individual Member shall be a person between the ages of twenty-one (21) and thirty-nine (39) years inclusive, who meets the requirements for membership as established by United States Junior Chamber of Commerce Bylaw 4.2, and who is in good standing with the Michigan Jaycees and his/her Local Organization Member.

Currently, other than some housekeeping type changes, the Bylaws of the Michigan Junior Chamber are not in conflict with the Bylaws of the USJC. Therefore, no formal action to change anything in Michigan is required at this time.

The key word mentioned above is required. What the USJC Bylaw change has done is provided our State organization with the opportunity to evaluate whether our current definition of membership age (see Bylaw 2.1) is the right one to best serve the long-term interests of the Michigan Junior Chamber. This is a most interesting topic that I know has already generated a great deal of debate!

This is a very serious and important matter that will potentially impact our long-term success. On matters such as this, the words of our organization's oath of office ring true: *"You are charged with governing this organization according to the laws of democracy, under which every person who wishes to speak shall be heard, toward the end that in every matter considered, the best opinion shall prevail through the expressed will of the majority, and the best course of action followed."*

Decisions such as this one are not to be rushed... but rather to be considered carefully so that the best course of action can truly be identified and followed. As a result, I am proposing the following for the members of the Michigan Junior Chamber in the days ahead:

Ongoing Michigan Junior Chamber message board. Informal discussions of Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership by members. Postings on Completion of member survey (<http://www.geocities.com/mijcbluechip/survey.htm>).

April 23, 2004 Discussion of Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership by Executive Board of Directors at its regularly scheduled meeting.

May 7, 2004 Discussion of Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership by Board of Directors at its regularly scheduled meeting.

May 8, 2004 Survey related to Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership available at Spring Assembly.

Public Bulletin Board available for comments related to Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership at Spring Assembly.

Open Forum to discuss the Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership at Spring Assembly (after lunch program is complete).

June 5, 2004 Additional discussion of Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership by Board of Directors at its regularly scheduled meeting including evaluation of information received at Spring Assembly.

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Further courses of action, if any, will be based on the results of the Board of Directors meeting held on Saturday, June 5.

Currently, there is no plan in place to have any vote on this matter (Board or Constitutional) at Spring Assembly at Treetops.

The Michigan Junior Chamber is currently operating under the existing definition of membership (as stated previously in this communication), and that definition will not change prior to the June 5, 2004 Board of Directors meeting. No determination has been made as yet as to whether a vote on the Michigan Junior Chamber definition of membership will take place at that meeting or at a full meeting of the Corporation at some point in the future.

I encourage all members to continue discussing this tremendously important issue with each other and especially with members of the Michigan Junior Chamber Board of Directors. I am confident that together we will make an informed decision that is in the best long-term interest of our organization.

If you have additional questions regarding this matter please feel free to contact me (royle@mijaycees.org) or Executive Vice President Jennifer Hughes (hughes@mijaycees.org).

Keep doing great things... and keep doing them with Desire, Dedication, Determination, and Pride!!!

Timothy T. Royle
80th President
Michigan Junior Chamber

Membership Development

Please welcome **Nicholas Barbu**, our newest member, to the chapter. There are a couple of items to mention for May. Euchre night is scheduled for May 7th and Dinner & Dancing is on the 14th. A Membership Committee meeting will also be scheduled soon. Updates for these events will be sent out through the Jaycee Juice. The next Membership Information night will be held May 29th. We will be holding another drawing at the GMM on May 4th. Last month's prize, \$20 GC to Tripper's/Comedy Zone, will be included with another gift this month. Our winner, **Darrin Fowler**, was not in attendance at the April GMM. Every Lansing Jaycee is entered in the drawing, but you must be present to win.

Lee Abramson, Karen Brown, Jimi Carolan, Mike Flaminio, Michael Keeney, Steve Popp, and Jeff Sand were all at the Claddagh Irish Pub for Happy Hour on April 16th. We stopped at Pat O'Dell's to pick up Karen Brown's bowl, but didn't end up staying and playing any games – we will have to try game night next time. **Jill Klinger, Bill Snook, and Jeff Ferris** were trying to locate everyone that night...sorry we missed you!

Membership Information Night, April 22nd was quite successful. Most of the people there were Lansing Jaycees members (**Sara Ballard, Jimi Carolan, Mike Flaminio, Amy Miller, Tierany Myers, Pat O'Dell, Rachel Pavlik, Sheila Wiitala, and Matt Wiitala**), members of the state board (**Jamie Gazella & Dave Worthams**), or from other chapters (**Beth Wegienka – Ann Arbor & Niki Worthams – Kalamazoo**), but we had some guests in attendance also: **Renee Dolan, Travis Pasma, and Don Cooper**. We hope to see you soon! Thank you to everyone that was available that evening! The next Membership Information Night will be held June 29th.

Tierany Myers is the winner of the \$20 off membership dues. At the May GMM, we will hold the drawing for the \$20 off membership dues for the guests we had at the April GMM and the Membership Information Night. **Don Cooper, Travis Pasma, Renee Dolan, and Tiffany Leischner** are all entered in that drawing.

Thank you to everyone that signed up to be a mentor to our newest members. If anyone else is interested, please sign up online, or contact Jimi, or Pat.

Some June events include New Member Orientation on June 8th and Happy Hour on June 11th. We look forward to seeing everyone at some of the upcoming May and June events!

Jimi Carolan, Membership Development VP

Pat O'Dell, Membership Development Director

Individual Development (cont.)

For the month of April, Individual Development started off with a bang (actually with several samples of wine) on the Old Mission and Leelanau Peninsulas near Traverse City (see pg. 6). Needless to say, the month began very successfully.

From there, we had "Be a Hit at BAMB" where seven of us took turns batting softballs in the slow-pitch softball cage at the Baseball Academy of Mid-Michigan (BAMB) on Saturday, April 17th. Everybody got at least one turn in the cage with some of getting a good four to five turns. Each turn yielded at least 14 pitches so it was fair to say we got a good workout! The highlight of the afternoon had to be Jim Munson's aggressive foul ball knocking down a batting cage pad that had been hanging from the side of the cage. We then had a nice lunch at Leo's Lodge where we devoured some monstrous steak, tacos, and chicken caesar Salads. Among those who participated were: Amy Miller, Jim Munson, Steve Popp, Jill Klinger, Tierany Myers and her brother-in law Robert Leischner, and Matt Wiitala.

In May, we have the **Whitewater Rafting Trip** to West Virginia, May 28th-31st. This event is being chaired by Jill Klinger and Bill Snook (see pgs. 12-13). Even though the April 20th deadline has passed for you to send in your deposit, you can still contact Rivers in West Virginia (reservations are first-come first-serve). For more information please contact **Jill Klinger** at Klingejk@pps.k12.mi.us or (517) 282-3877.

Other upcoming events include rock climbing in Grand Ledge in June (date and time TBD) and a **Camping Cookout Class** at **Fenner Nature Center**, set for **June 21st**.

In July, we have our **Annual Camping Trip** the weekend of **July 23rd-25th** at **Orchard Beach State Park** in **Manistee**. For more details or to reserve a campsite, please contact **Andy Miller** or **Kathleen Hausbeck Miller** at **484-1892**.

If you have questions or have ideas about upcoming Individual Development projects or events, please contact Sheryl Soczek, ssoczek@mail.grandhotel.net or Matt Wiitala at mtwiitala@hotmail.com, 482-4615.

Sheryl Soczek, Individual Development Director

Matt Wiitala, Individual Development VP

Jaycee Creed

by C. William Brownfield

*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***

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday May 4th at Tripper's

Join the Jaycees at the May General Membership Meeting as we tackle America's number one fear...public speaking.

We have polled some Lansing Jaycees to see what their biggest phobia is and you'll get some advice on how to get over some of these fears.



You'll also get all the juicy details for these HOT May projects; Euchre Tournament, Grand Ball, Relay for Life, East Lansing Art Festival, Hawk Island, the White Water Rafting Trip and more. Don't forget to bring money for the Relay for Life brown bag auction.

Dinner is at 6:00 PM; Brown bag auction at 6:30; Meeting is at 7:00; and the public speaking workshop will be around 8:00. See you there!



The battle begins!



The Ann Arbor Jaycees and the Lansing Jaycees are pairing up for a UofM vs. MSU blowout party! If you are interested in planning this first time event please contact Sara Ballard at saraballard@comcast.net. This fundraiser will be designated for Michigan Jaycees Service Center repairs.

Individual Development (cont.)

Wine Weekend to Traverse City

8 individuals started out on April 3rd with a quest to learn more about wine-making and sample some of the fine wines produced on the Leelanau and Old Mission Peninsulas near Traverse City – and did we ever! Nine wineries and some sixty wines later, we were able to say we definitely appreciate wine.



We started out with fair skies on Saturday, April 3rd, only to come upon a snowstorm after we arrived in Traverse City. This bit of inclement weather could not deter us, however. We visited Bel Lago first and sampled ten different wines. From there, it was on to Black Star Farms, where the highlights included a Pear-flavored wine strong enough to make Molotov cocktails and the famed "Ice Wine," which gets its name because the grapes are left on the vine to freeze, thus allowing the sugar of the grape to concentrate and give it a sweet flavor.

We continued on to Black & Red (formerly Chateau de Leelanau); Ciccone Vineyard & Winery; Willow Vineyard; and Shady Lane Cellars. Dinner found us at the Freshwater Lodge eating dishes as varied as salmon, chicken, prime rib, and even elk! After all of that, three of us managed to find our way to the Turtle Creek Casino for a little while that evening.

Sunday found us visiting three more wineries on the Old Mission Peninsula. The highlights including a visit to Chateau Chantel, which has stunning views from its hilltop location and the tour we had of Chateau Grand Traverse. We learned that Rieslings are heavily produced in this area because of its latitude being so similar to Germany's, where the original vines were brought from.

Over the weekend we sampled Dry and Semi-Dry Rieslings; the above-mentioned Pear and Ice Wine; Chardonnays; Cherry Tart and Cherry Port, just to name a few. The whole experience gave us a deeper appreciation for wine-making and the art of sampling wine. Additionally, we enjoyed acres upon acres of cherry trees and were able to sample some wonderful local food products, such as Pumpkin Butter, Cheese, and Chocolate-Covered Dry Cherries.



The eight hearty souls who traveled out were: Sara Ballard and her friend, Carrie, Jimi Carolan, Mike Flaminio, Jeff Ferris, Sheryl Soczek, and Matt and Sheila Wiitala. Special thanks to Sheila who drove the rental van all the way up and back.

Based on this experience, we will definitely be doing it again. It was a great learning experience and nice to see another part of the great State of Michigan.

Matt Wiitala, Individual Development VP

Community Development had a great Easter Egg Hunt on April 10th! Now, we are looking forward to the following upcoming events:

Nursing Home Prom is the first event on the May calendar. On May 13th you have the opportunity to get together with the Ingham County Nursing Home Community to celebrate Nursing Home week with a prom. If you are interested in volunteering or getting volunteers organized and being the chair for this event please contact Rachel Pavlik at 337-2007 or rpavlik@ingham-mcf.org.

After the Nursing Home Prom, the next event is the Hawk Island Playground construction, running from May 19th to May 23rd. This play structure will be accessible to children of varying abilities. They are looking for volunteers to help build, provide day care, and cook for the workers. They are in great need of volunteers in the evenings during the week. Dinner and child-care will be provided for those who are working. If you would like to help with this project or if you would like to chair this event please contact Sheila Wiitala 482-4615 or shmwiitala@sbcglobal.net.

Did you know that the Lansing Jaycees have two parks in the area? We would like to make sure that the look good for the summer. We are looking for two volunteers to co-chair this event. It is tentatively scheduled for June 5th. The activities will include cleaning up the park and hopefully building a few picnic tables. If this is an event you would like to work or co-chair please contact Sheila Wiitala.

We have been asked to face paint at Ronald McDonald House's 5th anniversary 5k walk and we could use a few more volunteers. If you are interested please contact Sheila Wiitala.

We have also been contacted by Child and Family Services to help with their 5k run/walk on June 12th. Money is being raised for the Angel House Project. The walk will take place at Riverfront Park in Downtown Lansing. The jobs that we have been asked to help out with is handing out water, pointing people in the right direction, traffic duty, and many other duties. If you are interested in chairing this event or working this event please contact Sheila Wiitala.

As you can see have many events coming up and chair people are needed for all of them. Please do your part

and step up to the plate and chair an event. You will not have to do it alone - many of us will help you along the way! Many of the upcoming events entail getting volunteers together to go help with another organization's event. Hope to see you at some of these events!

Sheila Wiitala, Community Development VP

Rachel Pavlik, Community Development Director

Easter Egg Hunt

Thanks to all of our volunteers at the Easter Egg Hunt – as you can see below, you helped create a very special day for children of the Lansing community!



Community Development (cont.)

FRIDAY PHONE FUN!

Special thanks to all the Jaycees who answered phones at the WKAR TV Auction on April 23: ANGELA BACKUS, SARA BALLARD, TOM BARGES, TERI BRUNING, JIMI CAROLAN, MIKE FLAMINIO, DAN HARRIS, KRISTIN HYNES, KIM LUNDBERG, AMY MILLER, MATT MURPHY, PAT O'DELL, RACHEL PAVLIK, STEVE POPP, JOHN PULICE, AMY RADFORD, JEFF SAND, MATT WIITALA, SHEILA WIITALA, JAMIE WILMOTH, MIKE WOODSTOCK and former President CINDY HICKEY. Jaycees from Ann Arbor, Coldwater, Grand Rapids, St. Johns joined us so that most of the phones during our shift were answered by Jaycees!



Happy Birthday!

Troy Steere

Patrick Talty

Jason Whiting

Michael Keeney

Sarah Podjaski

Jim Munson

Membership Anniversaries

Joe McGinty
2003



Amy Radford
2000

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Well, maybe not ad,
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your name in print!

One of the Jaycee events that consistently gives me the most joy and provides me with the best memories is the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. My chapter in Battle Creek had a team when I was a member there. We walked in honor of Sue McMurtry, a long-time member of the Jaycees. Here in the Lansing Jaycees, we've been walking in honor of member Julie Stoner. Relay is a wonderful way to honor those we know who have been battling cancer. Not only do we honor our cancer-surviving friends and relatives, but we also raise money to find better treatments and to find a cure. Now is the time to get ready again for another 24 hours you will never forget!

Mark off May 15th and 16th on your calendar and make plans to walk, run, cook out, camp out, meet new people, win cool prizes and basically have the time of your life at the 2004 Meridian Township Relay for Life. We will be taking turns walking for a 24-hour period at Chippewa Middle School and in great Lansing Jaycee tradition, it is going to rain buckets all over us! I am done predicting sun for Relay. It will rain, just accept it, bring a raincoat and move on! Even in the rain, Relay is a blast!

For those not familiar with the Relay for Life, it kicks off with a cancer survivors' walk at 9:45 AM on Saturday. All cancer survivors are invited to lead off the walk and celebrate their victory over cancer. A cancer survivor is anyone who has ever been diagnosed with cancer, whether it was 10 years ago or yesterday. Around 9:30 PM on Saturday will be the luminary ceremony. This awesome, emotional ceremony is a way to celebrate the lives of all those who have had a cancer diagnosis. Luminary candles with specially decorated luminary bags will line the entire route of the Relay and names of survivors and those who have passed away from cancer will be read.

We will have a tent on site and room for a tent of your own if you would like to camp out. No, you don't have to stay the night to participate in Relay, but it sure is a lot of fun. All you card players simply have to experience the poker walk at 3:00 in the morning!

There is plenty of time to get involved and if you raise \$100 or more you get a nifty Relay for Life T-shirt! Relay packets and information will be available at upcoming GMM's. You can also sign up and print out pledge forms at the American Cancer Society Relay web site at <http://www.acsevents.org> (enter a Lansing zip code and choose Meridian Township). Or, you can just email me at kbmsu@aol.com or call at (517) 336-1217 and I'll sign you up and reserve a walking time for you!

Does this all sound like too much fun for you? Co-chairs and committee members are all welcome!

Karen S. Brown, Chair

District, Region and State News

- The Michigan Jaycees Spring Assembly will be held May 7th - 9th at Treetops Resort in Gaylord, MI.
- The Michigan Jaycees 4th Annual JCFAN Golf Scramble will be held Friday, May 7th at Treetops Resort in Gaylord.
- The USJC Government Affairs Leadership Seminar will be held June 12th-16th in Washington DC.
- MI Jaycees Outstanding Young Michiganders (held in conjunction with Mid-Year Training) will be held Saturday, June 21st at the Holiday Inn in West Lansing.

Visit <http://www.michiganjaycees.org> for more information about these and other upcoming events.

MSU Summer Circle Theatre



Hurry! Time is running out! You don't want to miss any of the fun final events chaired by your aging past president, Karen! Before I turn in my 40-year-old nametag for my walker, red hat and purple dress, I'll be chairing our second annual trip to enjoy fresh air and free theatre at the MSU Summer Circle Theatre!

The plays begin the second week in June with *The Fire Bug*. The third week in June brings us *Classics in Shorts* (Greek Classics). The final week of the series will be *The Attic, the Pearls and Three Fine Girls*. All shows start at 8:00 PM and pretty much go on rain or shine. Only lightning, tornados, hurricanes, volcanic eruptions, tidal waves and monsoons in the immediate vicinity of East Lansing will cause the plays to be cancelled! Check your June Capitol Correspondent for more information about this great event!

Karen S. Brown, Chair

Famous JCI Members

Junior Chamber International (JCI) provides leadership training to individuals throughout the world. The impact and importance of this training is demonstrated by the large number of Junior Chamber members who, after JCI training, have held high positions in their respective countries and international bodies. Although incomplete, here is a list of members whom we would like to recognize:

KOFI ANNAN – Ghana
U.N. Secretary General, member of the Macalester College, Minnesota., U.S.A. Jaycees

CHARLES LINDBERGH – United States
Famous American pioneer aviator

GEN. HUGO BANZER – Bolivia
President of Bolivia (1971-1978), JCI Senator No.15094

RAM BHATTARAL – Nepal
Pradha Panch (Mayor), Birnatnagar Town, Panchyat-Nepal (1982), past NOM Vice President

WILLIAM F. BIRCH – New Zealand
Minister of Energy, New Zealand, JCI Senator No. 4611

LOUIS BRIL – Belgium
Secretary of State (Belgium), President of local Jaycee organization (1978)

DR. KASAE CHANATWONG – Thailand
Deputy Minister, Kingdom of Thailand, (1979), Magsaysay Awardee

“BILL” WILLIAM J. CLINTON – United States
42nd President of the United States; 1976 member of Fayetteville Jaycees, AK, USA

HON. CHARLES COURT O.B.E., M.L.A. – Australia
Premier of Western Australia (1978)

RAMON V. DEL ROSARIO – Philippines
Philippines Ambassador to Japan (1986-), JCI President (1950-1951); former Philippines Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany

SIR EDWARD DU CANN – United Kingdom
Member of Parliament (England)

JUAN PONCE ENRILE – Philippines
Minister of Defense, The Philippines (1980-1986)

GERALD R. FORD – United States
38th President of the United States of America

ALBERT GORE, JR. – United States
Vice President of the United States; 1976 member of Smith County Jaycees, USA

PAUL GUIDIBO – Côte d'Ivoire
Minister of State of Côte d'Ivoire, Senator No 27466

REIJIRO HATTORI – Japan
President of Hattori Seiko Co. Ltd.; JCI Senator No. 777, Past JCI Vice President (1959), Director of XII JCI World Congress

ALAN HIGHET – New Zealand
Minister of Internal Affairs, New Zealand

HOWARD HUGHES – United States
Pioneer aviator, industrialist and filmmaker

FERNAND ICART – France
Minister of Equipment, France (1977), former president of Nice Junior Chamber Chapter

DON E. JONES – United States
Mayor, Bossier City in Louisiana, U.S.A.; JCI Treasurer (1984), Past National President of the United States Jaycees (1982-1983)

HON. DOUG LEWIS – Canada
Minister of Transport, Canada; held other ministerial portfolios; past Junior Chamber National President; JCI Senator

BENTHAM LIU – Republic of China
National Assembly Delegate in R.O.C.; President of R.O.C. Jaycees (1979), General Legal Counsel of Jaycees International (1981); JCI Vice President (1980)

WALTER MONDALE – United States
39th Vice President of the United States of America

RICHARD M. NIXON – United States
37th President of the United States of America; JCI Senator
Minister of State of Côte d'Ivoire, Senator No. 20984

DR. NYI-NYI – Burma
Ambassador of Burma to Australia (1978)

KEIZO OBUCHI – Japan
Former Prime Minister of Japan

JULIO PIERLUISI – Puerto Rico
Secretary of Housing, Government of Puerto Rico (1977), past officer of the San Juan Jaycees

KIM SANTOS – Guam
Miss World (1980)

HON. EDWARD SCHREYER – Canada
Premier of Manitoba (1975-1977), Governor General of Canada (1979-1984), Canadian Ambassador to Australia, Member of Beausejour Manitoba Jaycees, recipient of Outstanding Young Canadian (Vanier) Award (1974)

LIM GUAN SING – Malaysia
Minister of Communications & Works - Sabah, Malaysia (1979)

OLIVIER STIRN – France
Secretary of State for the Overseas Departments and Territories, government of the French Republic (1975-1976)

DR. BHEKH B. THAPA – Nepal
Minister of Finance (1977), Ambassador to the United States; founder president of Nepal Jaycees

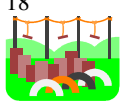

GANESH B. THAPA – Nepal
Senior Consultant to the United Nations; past deputy governor of Central Bank-Nepal; past national president of the Nepal Jaycees

SIR MALCOLM WILCOX – United Kingdom
Past President of the British Junior Chamber (1960-61), Director of the Midland Bank, Ltd. (England)

WANG TSIO-YONG, M.D. – Republic of China
Member of the Control-Yuan, R.O.C., JCI Vice President (1957)

PETE WILSON – United States
Governor of California, U.S.A.; member of the San Diego Jaycees, Calif.

Lansing Jaycees Calendar ~ May/June 2004

						1 Casino Bus Trip	<u>General Membership Meeting</u> May 4 th Tripper's in Frandor Dinner at 6 PM Meeting at 7 PM Public Speaking Workshop at 8 PM Contact: Sara Ballard (517) 388-1220
2	3	4 General Membership Meeting 6 PM Tripper's	5 Softball Game	6	7 - Euchre Night - Spring Assembly	8 Tulip Time Holland, MI	
9 - Mother's Day - Spring Assembly	10	11	12 Softball Game	13 - Grand Ball - St. John's Cider Mill	14 Dinner & Dancing	15 Relay for Life	
16 Relay for Life	17	18 	19 - Hawk Island Playground Build - Softball Game	20	21	22	<u>Softball Games</u> May 5 th – May 26 th Every Wednesday in May Come join the team...kist keep your eye on the ball! Contact: Matt Wiitala (517) 482-4615
23 Hawk Island Playground Build	24	25	26 Softball Game	27 	28 Whitewater Rafting Trip	29 Membership Information Night	
30 Whitewater Rafting Trip	31	1 June General Membership Meeting 6 PM Tripper's	2 	3	4	5 Jaycees Park Cleanup	
6	7	8 New Member Orientation	9	10	11 Happy Hour	12 Child & Family Services 5k Run/Walk	<u>Hawk Island Playground Build</u> May 19 th – 23 rd Come help build for our future! Contact: Sheila Wiitala (517) 482-4615
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Be a Volunteer in Your Own Town	
20 	21 Camping Cookout Class	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30				<u>Whitewater Rafting Trip</u> May 28 th – 30 th Come brave the waves for an exciting weekend of whitewater rafting! Contact: Jill Klinger (517) 282-3877



MEMORIAL WEEKEND

Whitewater River Rafting Trip

WHEN: Friday, May 28th – Monday, May 31st (actual raft trip on Sunday)

WHERE: RIVERS Whitewater Rafting Resort, located next to the New River Gorge National Park in Lansing, West Virginia

COST: \$99 per person [includes 3 nights camping, 1 guided river trip (6 ½ - 8 hrs), 3 continental breakfasts, 1 riverside lunch, 1 steak dinner]

FIND OUT MORE: www.riversresort.com/index.cfm

CARPOOLING: Jill's party van is already full, so we will need **more drivers!** Once we know who's coming, we'll try to arrange carpools based on what time people want to leave. (If people have to work late on Friday, there may even be a group who wants to leave really early Saturday morning.)

If you would like to go on a whitewater rafting adventure with us, here's what you do:

1. Call RIVERS at 1-800-879-7483 to reserve your spot. *Tell them you are with the group under Jill Klinger.* A deposit of 50% per person is required to make a reservation. Your reservation must be paid in full 30 days prior to the trip.
2. Call or email Jill and tell her you have made a reservation. Klingejk@pps.k12.mi.us or (517) 282-3877 (Jill won't have email access from 4/1-4/12 – emailing during this time is fine, just don't expect a response right away ☺).
3. Reservations are taken on a first come first serve basis. There is no guarantee that spots will be available, so call early!
4. Tuesday, April 20th is the last day to call Jill. You can still call Rivers after April 20th but it is first-come, first-serve **so call early.**

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FRIDAY: drive down to West Virginia (times will vary according to work schedules)

SATURDAY: Enjoy a continental breakfast, and then spend the rest of the day however you'd like. There are a few activities to enjoy right at the campground, and numerous other activities are only a short drive away. See info taken from website below.

SUNDAY: Eat breakfast and then head down the river! We will have lunch somewhere along the river. When we get back, we'll have dinner and watch a video from our rafting trip, while enjoying some drinks at the Red Dog Saloon (located right on the campground).

MONDAY: Have some breakfast, then head back to Michigan.

WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE AREA?

In addition to rafting, RIVERS has a full service campground. Our campground features a lighted volleyball court, horseshoe pits, game room, restaurant and saloon. We also offer climbing and rappelling classes. We have guided smallmouth and musky trips on the New and Gauley Rivers, as well as fly fishing for trout in many area streams. Our horseback riding is contracted by a horse outfitter approximately 10 minutes from our New and Gauley River Basecamps. We also contract our Mountain Biking and ATV Tours with independent outfitters that have excellent programs that are specialized to your interest and skill level. Both are less than 5 minutes from RIVERS New River Basecamp. If golf is your thing, Southern West Virginia has 8 beautiful mountaintop golf courses 30-45 minutes from RIVERS New River Resort Complex. Most are public and priced moderately. Some are semi-private with greens fees and cart rental can become a little pricier. RIVERS Reservation Office can arrange admission and tee times at all local golf courses and country clubs. Weekend tee times fill up fast, so reserve your trip and tee time as soon as possible. For help in planning or reserving any of these activities call our Adventure Travel Specialists. They can give you current prices, availability, brochures and any other information to help make your raft trip an adventure holiday. Call 1-800-TRY RIVERS (800-879-7483). FUN IN THE MOUNTAINS!

WHAT TO WEAR FOR RAFTING: (TAKEN FROM WEBSITE)

Flexible secure footwear is required (old sneakers or river sandals). We also have wet suit booties for rent. Comfortable swimwear, a ball cap or visor, sunglasses and sunscreen are optimum equipment. Running shorts worn over swimwear maximizes comfort for women. In spring and fall, wear wool or polypropylene and a windbreaker over swimwear, wool or Polartec socks under sneakers or wetsuit booties (available from rental center). DO NOT WEAR COTTON on the river. Cotton, when wet, is very uncomfortable. For cold and wet weather, wear a wetsuit and paddling jacket or polypropylene, pile fleece and a windbreaker. You may rent wetsuits, booties and jackets from RIVERS Rental Center the morning of your trip. (Most folks allow themselves 30 minutes extra to rent and put on wetsuits, etc.)

IF YOU CHOOSE TO RENT WETSUITS:

- Farmer John Wetsuit - \$15.00
- Booties - \$5.00
- Paddling Jacket - \$10.00
- Wetsuit Package Deal - \$27.00