

# Capitol Correspondent



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## 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**

The Lansing Jaycees is an organization of people ages 21-40 which promotes leadership training through community service. We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner from 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.) at Tripper's Bar and Grill in Frandor. Visit our website, [www.lansingjaycees.org](http://www.lansingjaycees.org) for a map to the meeting location or call us at (517) 853-8620.



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## Presidents Report

Dear Jaycees and Friends,

It is hard to believe that I am writing my last presidential article for the newsletter. It seems like just yesterday I was embarking on this presidential year with many goals in mind. I am proud of the accomplishments of this year and this year's board of directors. Our membership is smaller in numbers, but it is a stronger membership and a stronger chapter. We have had many challenges in the past few years and I am happy that we have weathered them and ended up stronger for it. I am excited to serve again in 2007 as the Chair of the Board. Congratulations to Sheryl and to all of her new 2007 Board of Directors. I am confident that 2007 will be a great year for all of us!

With the holiday season, we have the opportunity to end 2006 strong and show once again that "service to humanity IS the best work of life". In 2005 we started a new community project called "Stuff the Bus". It was a very successful event and we are ready to do it again! Please take the opportunity to help out with this project any way that you can, you will not be disappointed. It is a great opportunity to help out families in need in the Greater Lansing area. If you can come out for a shift on Saturday, December 9th, please do. If you would like to help wrap and organize gifts on the 10th, please do. We also need help delivering gifts to families. I had the opportunity to deliver gifts to two families last year and it was a wonderful way to really see the impact that it made to the individual families.

Have a happy and safe holiday season.

Amy E. Miller  
78th President  
Lansing Jaycees  
president@lansingjaycees.org

### **Lansing Jaycees Elect 2007 Board of Directors**

On November 14, 2006, we held our annual elections. Congratulations to the new 2007 Board of Directors! Sheryl Soczek will serve as our 79th President and Amy Miller will assist her as Chair of the Board. The elected 2007 Board of Directors includes:

- John Prush
- Carrie May
- Jamie Wilmoth
- Felicity White
- Michael Castelein
- Krik Mielke
- Portia Dyrenforth

There is still room for more people on the board. Michael Case has already stated that he is interested in serving and the new board plans to appoint him after they are inducted in January. If you are interested in helping out as well, it is not too late! Please contact President-elect Sheryl Soczek with your interests at [soczek@msu.edu](mailto:soczek@msu.edu).

### **Welcome To Our Newest Member!**

Welcome Shannon McGaughey! Shannon is a Complex Director at Michigan State University at Case Hall. Shannon was referred to the Jaycees by former member, Amy Radford-Popp. She is new to the Lansing area and excited to meet new people and get involved.

## Upcoming General Membership Meetings

DECEMBER: The December GMM will be held on December 5 at 7 p.m. (dinner/social hour at 6 p.m.). We will hold our annual White Elephant Gift Exchange at this meeting, so please bring a “gift” to pass. I wonder if the gun rack, meet grinder or Bay Watch Screensaver will make it back from previous years? Will there be a special Jaycee Clock? Whose face will be on it this year?

## Save the Date for the Year End Banquet!

The year end banquet will be held on January 20, 2007 at the Cadillac Club in Lansing. Come out and celebrate the accomplishments of the 2006 year and kick off the 2007 year in style! More information will be forthcoming and you can expect your invitation in the mail between Christmas and New Years!

## Individual Development

### Line Dancing

Join us for beginner level Line Dancing Lessons at the Whiskey Barrel Saloon! Line dancing is really fun even if you're not a country music fan. It's easy to learn the basics and you'll have a good time while you're learning. December 14 is the proposed date. Check the website or contact Kim Doughty for more information.

### Get Your Food On (GYFO)

Join us for dinner at “Tavern on the Square”, one of Lansing's newest restaurants! December 15, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Orion Smith (smithori@msu.edu) for more details and to make a reservation. The Tavern is located at 206 S. Washington Square Lansing, MI 48933.

## Community Development

### Stuff the Bus



Saturday, December 9th, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. The Lansing Jaycees have adopted 7 families with approximately 20 children for this holiday season. In order to help these families have a wonderful Christmas, we will be soliciting donations from WalMart shoppers to stuff a CATA bus full of gifts. We will need lots of volunteers to make this event a success. If you can volunteer for a 2 hour shift at WalMart on December 9th, to help wrap gifts on the 10th, or to help deliver gifts to a family, please contact Portia Dyrenforth at dyrenfor@msu.edu or 517-918-2786 or respond to the e-vite (coming soon).

### December JAMM (Jaycees Acting More Monthly)

For the December Jaycees Acting More Monthly (JAMM!), we will be collecting for Toys for Tots. Please bring a new, unwrapped gift to the GMM to be donated to Toys for Tots. Anyone bringing a gift to donate will be entered in a drawing for a great prize!

In November the Lansing Jaycees attended Unleash the Laughter, a comedy show to benefit Animal Resource Network.

# Unleash the Laughter



## Membership Development

### December Birthdays

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Carrie May       | December 12 |
| Kimberly Herlick | December 15 |
| Jamie Hutchison  | December 22 |
| Amber McGrath    | December 23 |



### December Renewals

Carrie May  
Erik Larson  
Amber Stover  
Jessica Fenby

I am taking on the challenge of newsletter editor for the year 2007.  
If you have any suggestions for change, please let me know.  
Thanks to Kim Tanner for all you've done with the Capitol Correspondent!

~John Prush

## December 1, 2006 – January 16, 2007 Calendar of Events

| Sunday                          | Monday                        | Tuesday   | Wednesday | Thursday           | Friday                 | Saturday           |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|-----------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
|                                 |                               |   |           |                    | 1                      | 2                  |
| 3                               | 4                             | 5<br>General<br>Membership<br>Meeting<br>~Gift Exchange | 6         | 7                  | 8                      | 9<br>Stuff the Bus |
| 10<br>Stuff the Bus<br>Wrapping | 11                            | 12  | 13        | 14<br>Line Dancing | 15<br>Get Your Food On | 16                 |
| 17                              | 18                            | 19  | 20        | 21                 | 22                     | 23                 |
| 24<br>Christmas Eve             | 25<br>Christmas Day           | 26  | 27        | 28                 | 29                     | 30                 |
| 31<br>New Year's Eve            | 1 (January)<br>New Year's Day | 2<br>General<br>Membership<br>Meeting                   | 3         | 4                  | 5                      | 6                  |
| 7                               | 8                             | 9   | 10        | 11                 | 12                     | 13                 |

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