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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**

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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 for a map to the meeting location or call us at (517) 853-8620.



Presidents Report

July 3, 2007

Dear Members:

Congratulations, the year is ½ over! The main goal I set for the chapter this year was to update our Website. That goal has been met. Now to my next goal, get our name out there. To do this, I will need everyone's help. If you have any ideas on advertising, community service projects or anything that will help us get noticed, let me know.

I need everyone's help. I am looking for individuals who are interested in mentoring some of our newer members. Each mentor would be responsible for keeping in contact with the new member, answering questions they may have about the Jaycees, helping them with projects and helping them complete CPG's. If you are interested, please let me know.

As I look at our calendar, I am excited about the number and variety of events we have coming up this month and this summer. I am even more excited at the number of new members that are running these projects. Congratulations to all of you that have taken a step forward to chair a project!

I am sure most of you have noticed some Haunted House e-mails starting to surface. Yep, that's right it is time to start thinking about the 2007 Haunted House, chaired by Troy Steere. Troy has already put several hours into this project and soon will be ready for the help of the rest of the chapter. The Haunted House is the chapter's main fundraiser for the year and we need everyone's help to make it a success. There are several ways members can be a part of the house: planning, construction, marketing, haunting, cooking (for volunteers), finding sponsors (food & monetary), donation of items, etc. The list really does go on and on. Anything you can do is appreciated.

I know November is a long way away, but it is time to start thinking about the future of our chapter. Our future starts with all of you. I would like all members to start thinking of being a part of the 2008 Board of Directors. If being part of the board interests you or you would like to know more about the commitment it takes, please let me know. Now is a great time to start seeing what you can do to be a part of the history of the Jaycees!

Have a great July and enjoy your summer!

Sheryl A. Soczek
79th President
Lansing Jaycees

General Membership Meeting

The July GMM is our Annual Jaycee Picnic!

Tuesday, July 10th at 6:30 PM at Patriarche Park in East Lansing. Please note the change in date, time and location! Patriarche Park is located at 1100 Alton Road in East Lansing. Alton Road is located just south of Saginaw Highway between Abbott Road and Hagadorn Road heading east. The main course, tableware, and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass. If you want an adult beverage, Beer and Wine only are permitted.

Membership Information

July Birthdays

Darrin Fowler 07-01
Briana Craig 07-12
Sheryl Soczek 07-19
Patrick Brazil 07-25
Matt Wiitala 07-27



July Renewals

Kim Doughty
Darrin Fowler
Amber McGrath
Tracy Prush
Brian Reed
Orion Smith
Felicity White

Committee Information

Membership: Share your ideas on how to activate our current membership and how to attract new members. Contact Felicity White at fwhite@tomieraines.com with questions.

Haunted House: Please contact Troy Steere at troy-steph@juno.com for more information.

Public Relations: Leadership...Friendship...Citizenship: Membership in the Lansing Jaycees! Let's get ourselves out there. Come help plan who we want to be our target audience, how we want to contact them and be a part of our largest marketing campaign yet! Contact Sheryl Soczek at soczek@msu.edu with questions.

Upcoming Events

Lansing Jaycees Softball: Only one game left! The last game is on 7/12/07 at 6:15 at Sharp Park. Contact Matt Bauer at pikabeans@aol.com for more information.

Wine Tasting Event: Join us for an elegant evening at Dusty's Cellar on July 20th at 6:30pm where we will embark on a journey through the vineyards of the world! A wide variety of red, white and sparkling wines will be offered. After the wine tasting all wines tasted will be offered at special prices for the day. The cost of the tasting is \$20.00 per person. For more information you can contact Maria Mugweni at mmugweni@yahoo.com.

Euchre Night: We will be traveling to Trish Gronda's house located at 236 S. Sheldon in Charlotte on Friday July 13th for a night filled with Euchre. \$5.00 buy in and 25 cents for each Euchre. Contact Carrie May at carriemay@aol.com for more information.

Jackson Harness Raceway: Saturday, July 14th is dollar night! Prices are \$1.00 each for bets, programs, pop, hot dogs, popcorn and beer! Post time is 7:35 PM. Lets meet at Frandor at 6:30 PM and car pool to Jackson, MI from there. For more information contact Sheryl Soczek at Soczek@msu.edu or Mike Spaulding at navy_1_01@yahoo.com.

Texas Hold'em Tournament: The Lansing Jaycees are sponsoring a tournament from Thursday, July 12 – Sunday, July 15. Thursday 5pm to 2am Friday 5pm to 2am Saturday 2pm to 2am Sunday 2pm to 2am Bring friends, family or just yourself. The tournaments are \$60 buy in for the main event. There may be a "fort knox" tournament for \$100 buy in. Live Action Cash tables are fixed limit Texas Hold'em and 7 Card Stud Omaha: great if you don't want in on the tournament. Contact John Prush at john@prush.com for information.

Line Dancing Lessons: We will be heading out to the Whiskey Barrel Saloon on Thursday, July 19th for some line dancing fun! Doors open at 7:00 PM, lessons are from 7:30 – 9:30 for the cost of \$5.00. Be sure to wear something cool like a T-shirt, as you will sweat! The Whiskey Barrel Saloon is located at: 410 S. Clippert Street in Lansing. For more information contact Mike Castelein at thepopal@comcast.net.

Happy Hour: Time for a bucket of beer! This month's happy hour will be on Friday, July 27th at Crunchy's located at 254 West Grand River Ave. in East Lansing from 5 – 7 PM. For those of you that are good singers, Karaoke starts later in the evening! For more information, contact Felicity White at fwhite@tomieraines.com or Eric Letzgus at letzgomsu@yahoo.com.

Henry Ford Museum – Rock Stars Cars & Guitars Exhibit: Saturday, July 28th is the date! We will be meeting at the Okemos Park and Ride at 8:00 AM and carpool to Detroit. Our first stop will be at Eastern Market (www.detroiteasternmarket.com) for some shopping and lunch. We will meet again at Noon and drive to the Henry Ford Museum to view the "Rock Stars Cars & Guitars" exhibit (www.thehenryfod.org/museum/rockstars.com). For those of you that are not interested in going to the Eastern Market, meet at the Okemos Park and Ride at 11:00 AM and we will see you at the Museum. The cost of the exhibit is \$15.00 and closes at 5 PM so there is plenty of time for a nice dinner before heading home for those that may be interested. Contact Alex Briseno at xandrab@hotmail.com for more information.

Camping Trip: This years camping trip will take place August 3 – 5 at Sleeper State Park in Caseville. Cost is \$25.00/person, which includes: lot, firewood and supplies, Friday night food (pie iron pizza's) and the meat for the Saturday night potluck. We have five lots and can put up to 4 people and no more than two tents on each lot so reserve your spot now. For more information or contact Teresa at teresar@mescosys.com or Amy Miller at millerae@gmail.com.

Detroit Tigers: Wanna play hooky from work on a nice summer afternoon day? Are you interested in going to a WEEKDAY Afternoon Tigers game in August? The dates available for special group rates are Aug 9 vs. Tampa Bay at 1:05pm and/or Aug 23 at 1:05pm vs. Cleveland. Tickets range from 10.00 (right field) to 40.00 (upper deck box), price includes food and non-alcohol drinks. Must have a min of 15 people to get the discount. Please email Eric at letzgomsu@yahoo.com if interested and where you would like to sit. (night games are also available, but most at the post-GMM preferred an afternoon game) If I get enough interest (15+) then I will make reservations. Thanks!

Texas Hold'em Tournament: Coming soon! Save the night of Thursday, August 16th. Contact John Prush at john@prush.com for more information. Format the same as July tournament.

Concessions Fundraiser: Looking for a committee for a NEW fundraiser! The Old Town Blues Festival is September 21-22 and we would like to sell concessions at this event. If you have any great ideas for what product(s) to sell, we want to hear them! The chapter has not done concessions in a long time, therefore we will be starting from scratch! Please contact Amy Miller at millerae@gmail.com if you are interested in participating or want to pass along ideas. The first committee meeting will be held soon!

Drinking and Driving Don't Mix: Know the Law

Summertime is great for parties, mixers, and other casual events which may include drinking alcoholic beverages. Here is a refresher on Michigan's Drunk Driving Laws. Please remember to be responsible

<http://legislature.mi.gov/doc.aspx?mcl-257-625>

- (1) A person, whether licensed or not, shall not operate a vehicle upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of vehicles, within this state when, due to the consumption of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance, the person's ability to operate the vehicle is visibly impaired.
- (2) The owner of a vehicle or a person in charge or in control of a vehicle shall not authorize or knowingly permit the vehicle to be operated upon a highway or other place open to the general public or generally accessible to motor vehicles, including an area designated for the parking of motor vehicles, within this state by a person if any of the following apply:
 - (a) The person is under the influence of alcoholic liquor, a controlled substance, or a combination of alcoholic liquor and a controlled substance.
 - (b) The person has an alcohol content of 0.08 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine, or, beginning October 1, 2013, the person has an alcohol content of 0.10 grams or more per 100 milliliters of blood, per 210 liters of breath, or per 67 milliliters of urine.

A person, whether licensed or not, is subject to the following requirements:

(a) He or she shall not operate a vehicle in violation of subsection (1), (3), (4), (5), or (8) while another person who is less than 16 years of age is occupying the vehicle. A person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a crime punishable as follows:

(i) A person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$200.00 or more than \$1,000.00 and to 1 or more of the following:

(A) Imprisonment for not less than 5 days or more than 1 year. Not less than 48 hours of this imprisonment shall be served consecutively. This term of imprisonment shall not be suspended.

(B) Community service for not less than 30 days or more than 90 days.

(ii) If the violation occurs within 7 years of a prior conviction or after 2 or more prior convictions, regardless of the number of years that have elapsed since any prior conviction, a person who violates this subdivision is guilty of a felony and shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$500.00 or more than \$5,000.00 and to either of the following:

(A) Imprisonment under the jurisdiction of the department of corrections for not less than 1 year or more than 5 years.

(B) Probation with imprisonment in the county jail for not less than 30 days or more than 1 year and community service for not less than 60 days or more than 180 days. Not less than 48 hours of this imprisonment shall be served consecutively. This term of imprisonment shall not be suspended.

4) A person, whether licensed or not, who operates a motor vehicle in violation of subsection (1), (3), or (8) and by the operation of that motor vehicle causes the death of another person is guilty of a crime as follows:

(a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), the person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 15 years or a fine of not less than \$2,500.00 or more than \$10,000.00, or both. The judgment of sentence may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n. If the vehicle is not ordered forfeited under section 625n, the court shall order vehicle immobilization under section 904d in the judgment of sentence.

(b) If, at the time of the violation, the person is operating a motor vehicle in a manner proscribed under section 653a and causes the death of a police officer, firefighter, or other emergency response personnel, the person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 20 years or a fine of not less than \$2,500.00 or more than \$10,000.00, or both. This subdivision applies regardless of whether the person is charged with the violation of section 653a. The judgment of sentence may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n. If the vehicle is not ordered forfeited under section 625n, the court shall order vehicle immobilization under section 904d in the judgment of sentence.

(5) A person, whether licensed or not, who operates a motor vehicle in violation of subsection (1), (3), or (8) and by the operation of that motor vehicle causes a serious impairment of a body function of another person is guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment for not more than 5 years or a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 or more than \$5,000.00, or both. The judgment of sentence may impose the sanction permitted under section 625n. If the vehicle is not ordered forfeited under section 625n, the court shall order vehicle immobilization under section 904d in the judgment of sentence.

Calendar of Events

July						
<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 GMM: Annual Picnic Patriarchal Park	11	12 Poker at Trippers	13 Poker at Trippers Get Your GAME On	14 Poker at Trippers Jackson Harness Raceway
15 Poker at Trippers	16	17	18	19 Line Dancing Lessons	20 Dusty's Wine Tasting	21
22	23	24 Lia Sophia Jewelry Fundraiser	25	26	27 Happy Hour	28 Rock Stars, Cars Guitars Museum Trip
29	30	31 New Member Orientation				

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August						
<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
			1 Trivia Night	2	3 Camping Trip	4 Camping Trip
5 Camping Trip	6	7	8	9 Detroit Tigers Game	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 Poker at Trippers John Prush B-Day!	17 Poker at Trippers	18 Poker at Trippers
19 Poker at Trippers	20	21	22	23	24	25 Canoe Trip
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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