

Welcome

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- Tara Mack, Individual VP
- Heather Ross, Newsletter Editor

It is difficult to put into words how honored I am to have served as your 75th President of this great organization. I am thankful for the opportunities that becoming President has given me. However, I know that these opportunities are not over just because I will not be President any longer. As Jaycees, we continue to grow and learn with everything we do.

To my Board of Directors: I cannot thank you enough for all that you have done this year. It has been awesome to watch you grow as individuals and leaders in our chapter. We have had our share of unfortunate circumstances throughout the year, but you all rallied together and worked as a team to make the best of any situation that came our way. You have been my support system, which as any President can tell you, is a wonderful thing to have. I am very appreciative of your hard work and dedication to this Chapter.

To the Membership: I have enjoyed getting to know each of you and working beside you throughout the year has been a great experience.

As I move on to my position as Chairman of the Board, I am excited to see what 2010 has in store for me as well as the Chapter. President Andy Squires will do a fantastic job as your leader and he has an amazing group of people who will be serving on his board. Keep up the great work and success will come!

Thank you to all of you who have helped Build a Future in 2009!

Dena Squires – 75th President



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COMMUNITY

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I can't believe another year has gone by already. I would like to send a BIG Thank You to my Director Amy Potter for all her hard work and challenges we faced this year together.

For those that were at the last Membership Meeting, Thank you for all the great donations to help make a wonderful Thanksgiving Dinner and Christmas for our Adopt a Families. At the December meeting, we donated a portion of the fines and 50/50 to the rescue Mission for a few Christmas Dinners. Thank you to everyone who helped out!

Thank you for all the volunteers, donations, support, and chairpersons that were involved in Community Projects! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Molly Shepherd



Please note that the Greater Muskegon Jaycees have a new phone number. The new number is (231) 736-9561.

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The Snow is here and my time as your membership VP has come to an end. Barring a Christmas miracle we won't end the year with 90 members. Sometimes we fall short of our goals and as long as we give 100% there is no shame in that. I know that this board and chapter had some very high expectations going into the year. They wanted to grow their membership, have everyone at every event; they wanted to win every award at the state and national level. They want to make so much money we could hand out bags of it to everyone who needed it. Believe me when I tell you that this didn't come true due to lack of passion or effort. I have watched the growth of so many members this year, growth that cannot be measured with a piece of "Wood". At the start of this year there were so many new faces, in so many new places. There was no way any of them would make it through the year if they didn't improve as people. And improve they did. The friendships and bonds that were formed not only set us up for next year, but improves our quality of life. I wanted to thank you all for being such a huge part of Dena and my life. The one thing I look forward to is the friendships I will make over the next year. I want to thank everyone for all they have done this year and let you know I think it was one of my best years in the Jaycees. A special thanks to Justin for all his help as well. I wish you and yours a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and happy-n-safe New Year.

Sincerely yours,
Andy Squires
09 Membership VP

Birthday Hit List December/January

December Babies:

Julie Bailey
Nick Bessinger
Brian Nolan

January Babies:

Stephanie Cutler
Eddy Fan
Don Kalisz
Dave Ross
Josh Silvis
Jennifer Vanderstelt



**Be sure to attend our next
membership meeting!**

Tuesday, February 2
6 pm

The Hilt Building
Next to the Frauenthal Theater
Muskegon

This meeting will serve as our
Distinguished Service Awards
banquet. Please watch the
website for more details!

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Happy December everyone! I once again want to thank everyone who helped the Management team out this year by volunteering for our events! Although our fundraisers have not been a financial success this year, I am very proud of all the event chair people who ran them efficiently and the volunteers that stepped up and gave their time.

Management has a fun January coming up! On January 18, 19, and 20, 2010 we will be hosting a Texas Hold 'Em tournament at the Big Game Room. We will need volunteers from 4pm to 2 am each of those nights. I know they are during the week, but I would love to start the year off with a bang! If you can help out, please contact me at dani@lakeshoremuseum.org.

In both December and January, we continue to plan the 2010 Snowfest. The 26th annual Snowfest is going to shake things up! Here are this year's Snowfest Events:

- Distinguished Service Awards on Tuesday February 2, 2010.
- Trivia Night Charity Event on Wednesday February 3, 2010.
- Casino Night Speakeasy on Thursday February 4, 2010.
- Region C Social/Broomball on Friday February 5, 2010
- Battle of the Bowls, Kidsfest and Snow Cornhole on Saturday February 6, 2010.

If you want to know more about any of these events please visit our website at www.muskegonsnowfest.org. Or, if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Tara Mack at individual@muskegonjaycees.org.



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As the end of the year is quickly approaching, I wanted to take a moment to THANK each and every one of you for a wonderful year. This year was more rewarding than I could ever have imagined. Because of all of you the Individual Development commission was a successful one. This year we were able to learn how to ice fish, learn how to make yummy fondue, attend a baseball game with many other Region C Jaycees and have an experience of a life time in Glen Arbor learning the dos and don'ts of wine tasting. As a group we learned how to have lunch with our bosses, conquer our public speaking fears and how to properly utilize social networking. All of these events and more were such a joy to be a part of and I am so grateful I was able to develop as a leader and better my Jaycee career with all of you. So again, Thank you so much for allowing me to develop into this position and thank you for nominating me to my new challenging position. I am looking forward to serving you guys as the 2010 Greater Muskegon Jaycees Membership Vice President.

Tara Mack
2009 IDVP



Individual Team members, Stephanie Cutler,
Kari Fan and Tara Mack

This year has been such an incredible experience for me! As your ID director under the fabulous leadership of our 2009 IDVP, Tara Mack, I have learned so much about the Jaycees and had the pleasure of getting to know so many fellow Greater Muskegon Jaycees as well as Jaycees from all over the state of Michigan. This is the most phenomenal group of young professionals I have ever met! Thank you all for inspiring me and helping me to advance in my career as a Jaycee. I'm humbled and thrilled to have been elected your 2010 ID VP and I'm so excited for next year!!!

We have so many great projects already in the works for your Individual Development pleasure!!! Our very first project for the year will be our **"Biggest Loser"** competition. Because so many New Year's Resolutions involve weight loss, we want to help you to accomplish those goals in a healthy, supportive environment! This program will kick off January 4th, and will run through March 31st. We are partnering with the Omni and have lots of great things planned to help keep you motivated! The best part is, your \$10 entry fee is put into the pot and the overall Biggest Loser (as determined by percentage of weight lost) takes ALL!!! Knowing how competitive we all are, this is going to be interesting! Watch for more details to come soon & make sure to attend our next Membership Meeting, December 15th, as Lana Carson, owner of the Omni, will be joining us to share more about the Biggest Loser!

Happy Holidays,
Kari Fan

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CONGRATULATIONS

October 2009 Project of the Month—2nd Annual Wine Tour

October 2009 Business of the Month—Alleyway's

October 2009 Jaycee of the Month—Angie Margret

October 2009 Board Member of the Month—Heather Ross

(The November monthly awards will be presented at the December MM.)

Congratulations to Dave Ross on his new job at MedAssets (in Missouri). Dave and Heather want to thank all of the Jaycees for the years of memories. We will miss you all!

Congratulations to Julie and Mike Johnson on their December 19 wedding!

“With hard work and success comes reward.”

- Adam D. Pringle

CALENDAR

Monthly Membership Meetings

6 pm, last Tuesday of the month,
(with the exception of Nov. & Dec.)
various locations:
February 2—The Hilt Building

Board Meetings (Members Welcome)

6 pm, Chamber of Commerce,
second Tuesday

At A Glance ...

Membership

Hope to see you at the next Membership
Meeting!!!

As always, check the Website
for directions of locations and
listing of current events at
www.muskegonjaycees.org.

Jaycees had a blast at the Chamber
of Commerce Holiday Party!





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That the brotherhood of men transcends the sovereignty of nations;

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That the earth's great treasure lies in the human personality; and

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