

Welcome

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Wow... I will be honest as I write this month's article I am truly exhausted. And I couldn't be happier. The tired I feel is the kind you feel after a hard day's work (multiplied by 105) I just got done reviewing our chapter books (summarizing all the events we have run this quarter). Just reviewing them was tiring, let alone thinking back to all the work the chapter has done made me so proud. Thinking of how many times I laughed, the hugs I received, the smiles I shared....Is why, when I get up



in the morning I will look for better ways to lead our chapter. Even though I feel our first quarter was very successful I know the rest of the year can be great. If on December 31 I am not totally spent, then I will have let you all down. I give you my word that will not happen. I only have one chance as President to give back to this chapter that has meant so much to me. If you haven't had the chance to come out to one of our events, please stop cheating yourself. The more you put in the more you will get out. If I have not had a chance to get to know you, please seek me out. I am here to make your time in the chapter the best I can. I cannot wait for the sun to rise so I can get back to work on being the best L.E.A.D.E.R I can be.

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I truly hope that the old saying is true – “April showers bring May flowers.” In fact, that is quite pertinent to the Community area of opportunity. In May, we will be cleaning up the Jaycee Boat Launch and Musket-awa trail. This includes picking up garbage and planting flowers. If this sounds like something you are interested in helping out with, contact me ASAP! We would like to knock this out of the park this year and need a strong leader to get us started!

We have 3 collections going on in April and May. First, Amy Silvis found out that the local baby pantry is in desperate need of diapers and other baby items. There is such a shortage that they are limiting mothers to 6 diapers when they come in. That would only last 1 day, if it is stretched! PLEASE look for coupons or just pick up a pack of diapers and bring them to the April Membership meeting. We are also accepting any other baby items you are willing to donate. We have been so blessed with all the new Jaycee babies in the past couple of months. Let’s make sure that other Muskegon moms have what they need to take care of their babies. Amy and I will make sure that they get delivered to the correct place. Thanks everyone!

Not only are we collecting for two legged babies, but for the four legged babies as well. Our very own Beryl Gabel volunteers at the Noah Project and we would like to help them out! They are always in need of the following items: Canned dog and cat food (for making the medicine process easier and as a treat), treats for both dogs and cats, toys (especially stuffed animals), cat litter, towels, and blankets. Any of those items or paper towels, bleach, and detergent would be greatly appreciated.

As you hopefully know by now, Relay for Life is June 4 and 5. This year’s theme is birthday. Sticking with that, we would like to decorate our station with a birthday party theme. In order to make sure all monetary donations go to the American Cancer Society, we are asking for some items to be donated to help the cause. The items we need are: Streamers, Napkins, Plates, Cups, Party Hats, Party Horns, Birthday banners, Piñatas, Candy. If you have any questions about these items, or Relay for Life, please contact Kelly Horness at secretary@muskegonjaycees.org.

I know we are asking a lot for the April meeting, so if you are not able to bring multiple items in but still want to donate, we will continue collecting items in May as well. Also, if you want to drop things off to me in between meetings, I would be glad to set up a time to pick them up.

I hope to add a community event to the calendar in April and May, so keep your eyes open for emails! The weather is so nice; I hope to get us outside and helping the community!

Finally, we have this month’s trivia question: Charles Hackley was Muskegon’s most famous philanthropist. He is well known for many things, but what was he known for loaning out of his own home? Hint: he eventually built a building in downtown Muskegon to handle this full time.

Answers and questions (about anything community) can be sent to me at community@muskegonjaycees.org.

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“HELLO MUSKEGON!!!!” Ok, if you’ve ever played RockBand with me, you know that’s my favorite thing to scream during that little swirly bonus session! The first quarter is behind us, and your Individual Development is charging ahead with more incredible programs for you!



Do you fondue? Jamey Keena is chairing her very first project for our chapter and it’s a legacy project for the Muskegon Jaycees- THE FONDUE PARTY! By all accounts, eating the melted-cheese dish of fondue is a Swiss tradition. Numerous references agree that cheese fondue originated high in the Swiss mountains, the product of thrifty Swiss cow herders who spent long hours in the snow-covered pastures with sparse provisions. Like the American cowboys of the Wild West, the Swiss herders used what they had to sustain them, in this case an abundance of cheese products, loaves of bread and bottles of wine to help ward off the chill. The dish made its way from the fields onto the tables of the Swiss aristocracy by way of kitchen servants who prepared the simple dish with the nobles’ finer quality cheeses and wines and served it with the houses fresh assortment of crusty bread.

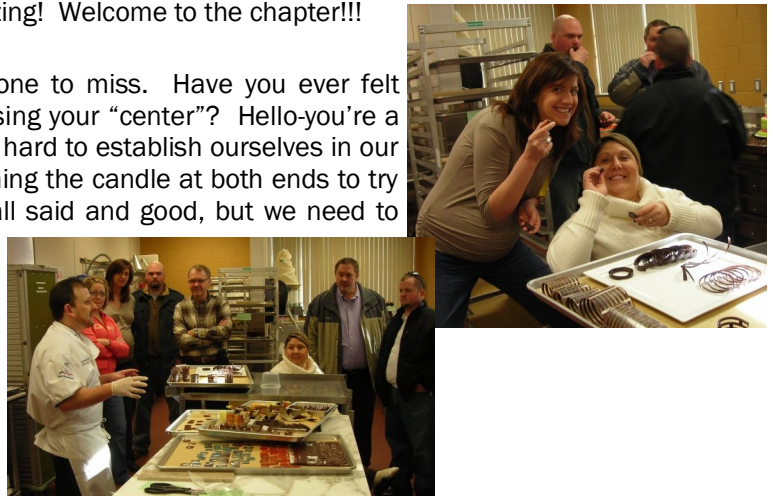
Join us May 15th, 5 pm at the Casa de Collee. For just \$5 per person you will enjoy the yummiest event of the year. Jamey Keena will be getting her feet wet with her friend of over 20 years, Kris Collee, who will be graciously hosting the event. We will be recruiting a few “chefs” in the kitchen to teach them how to make and prepare the fondue, passing on the tradition. *Let us know if you’re interested in joining us for prep!!* Each participant will receive instructions on “how-to-fondue”, a lesson about fondue etiquette and history, and our top-secret recipes.

Our next great event is 400,000,000 years in the making! New member and brave soul, Jackie Huss, has stepped forward to chair “Night at the Museum” on May 17th from 5:30-7:00 pm at the Lakeshore Museum Center (430 W Clay Ave, Muskegon). This is also Jackie’s first project with our chapter and she is rocking this one out! The Lakeshore Museum has recently unveiled a HUGE new exhibit “Michigan: From the Depths of Time” which has been receiving rave reviews in our community! This is your chance to join us for a private open house at the Museum, explore this new exhibit and the other incredible collections, and learn about what has happened throughout time to make this wonderful landscape that we enjoy here in Michigan. This is an event for the whole family (bring your nieces/nephews or even neighbor kids!) and there will be a special program for the children. Pay close attention to the exhibits and there is a special prize for one lucky young boy or girl! For the grown-ups, there’s a giant beaver. No really, you can have your picture taken with the giant beaver!!!

Huge thanks to Jamey and Jackie-you are both amazing! Welcome to the chapter!!!

Lastly, our April 27th Membership Meeting is not one to miss. Have you ever felt pulled in a million directions, out of whack and missing your “center”? Hello-you’re a Jaycee! We’re young professionals who are working hard to establish ourselves in our careers, with families, gigantic social lives, and burning the candle at both ends to try to make a difference in our communities. That’s all said and good, but we need to find BALANCE in our lives. Mike Harrison of Centermark Coaching is joining us at our membership meeting and will show us how to find that happy medium that we are all seeking. Ahhhhhh, I feel balanced already just thinking about it.

Don’t miss this meeting!



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There is nothing like sunshine and some nice bouts of rain to get me excited for spring. I hope everyone that went to See the CIM had a good time! It is always fun to learn how businesses run and to go on a behind the scenes tour. We will be exploring other local business in the Muskegon community. If you have desire to see something specific let your Management team know and we will make it happen!

We can't thank everyone enough who supported the two fundraisers this past month! Hope that everyone headed out to Buffalo Wild Wings on the 14th and grabbed a bite to eat and tasty beverage. This is such easy way for our chapter to raise money.

Are you as excited about sharing the details of your job as I am? I know I always look forward to people asking me what I do for a living, because I like sharing my experiences and what my job has taught me. If you are just dying to share what you do for a living, then we have the perfect opportunity for you. The Management Team would like to have a Soapbox session at each membership meeting, to give all members the chance to stand up and share your exciting profession. We are looking for volunteers to sign up for each meeting in advance, and prepare a 3-5 minute talk. Please contact Amber or Beryl if you are interested.

Senator's Corner

I asked your Chapter President, Andy Squires, if I could place an article in the monthly newsletter from the Senator's point of view. Here is my first article.

What is the JCI Senate? The idea for the JCI Senate program was begun in 1951 when JCI President, Phil Pugsley, and John Armbruster were talking about a publication that Mr. Armbruster was sending out to past officers of the USJCs. The publication played an important role in sustaining friendships that formed through the Jaycees. President Pugsley was interested in a similar publication for the alumni of the Jaycees and asked Mr. Armbruster to be the publisher. The publication was sent to JCI alumni throughout the world and served as a continuing conduit of friendship to former members. Many of these elder statesmen were becoming mentors to younger JCI members and also serving in a large role as leaders in their respective countries. However, many past members were getting less involved with the Jaycee movement as there were no ties to the organization. In 1952, JCI Representative to the United Nations, met with Phil Pugsley, where they discussed what could bring former members back to the fold. One idea was a special "honor" that could be presented to former members. Many local chapters were honoring their past members with gifts. Why couldn't that same money be spent through Junior Chamber International and be put to work for a cause that the former and current members all believed in? Boxer and Pugsley came up with the idea of a group of "honored" members that, once formed, could be used to help spread the concept of the Junior Chamber and its mission throughout the world. Membership in this group would also help strengthen Junior Chamber International by giving its former members a lifelong tie to the organization. The "JCI Senate" idea was voted on at the 7th JCI World Congress in Australia in September 1952 and included in the JCI Bylaws. Since then, Junior Chamber members in over 90 countries have been honored. Today, a Senatorship has become a coveted honor that recognizes outstanding contribution and service to JCI and its member organizations. By providing Life membership, there is a link with an organization that continues to bring the Junior Chamber vision to thousands of young adults the world over. Fees paid for a Senatorship are used to provide for the continuing growth and opportunity of JCI to young people. The United States JCI Senate was formed, and its' Constitution and Bylaws adopted, in Atlanta, Georgia on June 20, 1972.

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From your Great Chapter

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Spring is such a great time to be Jacyee!! We have so many great events planned!!!! The membership team is preparing to bring some really fun and exciting things to the table. Please take out your calendar and jot these dates down:

April 23, 2010: Finally Friday Relay for Life Birthday Party

When: 5:30pm-7:30pm

Where: Fricano's Pizza

\$10.00 gets you unlimited pop and pizza, Relay for life is filling walking slots and welcoming any donations for this great cause.

May 5, 2010: New Member Orientation

When: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Where: Tara Macks House

Calling all new members!!! Please join us in a short education on the Greater Muskegon Jaycees, a run down of what degrees are and anything else you may want to know. After your brains are full with jaycee lingo I would like to invite you to stay and enjoy a nice BBQ, prepared by your Jaycee Vice Presidents and some fun outdoor game. This is sure to be both educating and fun!!! I PROMISE!!

May 16, 2010: Sunday Funday at the Ballpark

When: 12:00pm-7:00pm

Where: 5/3 Ballpark

Please join us in our 2nd Annual Region C picnic and baseball game. we will car pool from Muskegon and head to Comstock Park where members of Region C will join us. While the Whitecaps take on the South Bend Silver Hawks the Presidents will take on the 5/3 burger!!!!!!

May 21, 2010: Finally Friday- Happy Hour at Dockers Tiki Bar

When: 5:30pm- ?

Where: Dockers Tiki Bar

Join us for a fun filled happy hour with your friends on the beautiful deck at Dockers! Bring a friend or two!!!

June 13, 2010: Sunday Funday at Craigs Cruisers

When: 2:00pm-5:00pm

Where: Craigs Cruisers on Pontaluna

Join us for an afternoon of mini golf, batting cages and go carts!!! This one is for the kids or the kid in all of us!!!

June 18, 2010: Finally Friday-Drive-In, Drive Out

When: Dusk

Where: Getty 4

Join us for a fun night at the Drive In!!!!

June 30, 2010: Jaycees take over Summer Celebration

When: 5:30pm-?

Where: Heritage Landing-Summer Celebration Mainstage

Attention music lovers.....this is for you!!! Please join us while we take over Summer Celebration and listen to the musical talents of Four Finger Five (local favorite) and O.A.R!!!!!! Much more details to come on this!

Thank you to all of you, each and every one of you made first quarter a successful one! I would like to take a moment to congratulate and than the following members for becoming a part of this wonderful organization during first quarter:

Welcome New Members!!

Ellen Berends
Jamey Keena
Audrey Beckman
Ben Chartier
Catherine Mott
Jon Baker
Dan Rinsema-Sybenga
Mickey Wallace
Merica Stoffan
Jeff DeWitt
Susan Franklin

Dan Ramirez
Dawanna White
Tighe Wierengo
Lindsey Skinner
Phillip Kayswer
Kevin Huss
Jackie Huss
Erin VanderWier
Kally Baetzel
Leah Anton

Welcome Back!

Keyon Chavis
Steve Fox
Brian Tierman
Geoff Nolan



THANK YOU!!! We are so excited to see such a great group of individuals join this organization!!! We look forward to seeing you out and about!!!

CARD CORNER

Work on commission? Have a hobby or side job you would like to promote? Your business card could be here! Only \$25 annually and supports printing *The Shore!* For \$50 your ad will appear in *The Shore* and on the Greater Muskegon Jaycees website at www.muskegonjaycees.org.



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CONGRATULATIONS

Welcome to the world...Reed Thomas Cutler. He was born on Friday, March 26 at 5:01 pm. Weighing in at 6 lbs., 8oz and 19" long. He is very handsome! Mom, Dad and baby are all doing well.

Congratulations Justin and Stephanie!



CALENDAR

Monthly Membership Meetings

6 pm, last Tuesday of the month:

Alleyways

2675 Henry St

Muskegon, MI 49441

Board Meetings (Members Welcome)

6 pm, Chamber of Commerce
Second Tuesday

At A Glance ...

Membership

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.

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

Birthday Hit List April/May

April Babies:

Justin Cutler

Kate Darga

Jamie Helsen

Jay Keessen

Jennifer Way

Morgan Witmer

May Babies:

Darrin Miller

Heather Ross

Lindsey Skinner

Marc Vanderstelt



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Mission: To create a positive change within our organization and communities by providing young people with an organization of shared values through personal and professional development, social and cultural diversity, networking, and community development.

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- That the brotherhood of men 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 the earth's great treasure lies in the human personality; and
- That service to humanity is the

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