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Welcome

Andy Squires, President
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Oh yeah, the dog days of summer are here. And what a summer it has been! This weekend marks the end of half of my year as your president, and as I write this, I have just finished packing my bags to go to Michigan Jaycees' summer convention. It is with guarded enthusiasm that I approach this event. I am so excited to see how the state views all the great projects that our chapter ran last quarter!

As excited as I am to see how we did, I am more excited knowing all of the great things your VPs have planned for you the remainder of the year. I wish all of you could see how passionately they speak when planning the events that will carry us through the end of 2010. When the chapter voted this group into office at the end of last year, they certainly knew what they were doing! If you ever want to get truly fired up over what the Jaycees can do for you, I challenge you to give one of them a call. They definitely keep me on my toes and inspire me to do more. It is often said that the average life span of a Jaycee is 2 years. I know it took me that long to truly get the big picture. If I would have ducked out or chosen not to stay involved, I have no idea how my life would have turned out. I do know that I would not be as well rounded or have nearly as many friends as I have now.

As my year as president draws closer to the end, I want to make sure I can repay Jaycees new and old alike for all the chapter has done for me. If any of you think I will go quietly into the night, you don't know me very well! It is my duty to make the next few months the very best this chapter has seen in the last 76 years! I hope each of you come out to see all of the great things we do. See you soon!

Andy Squires
 76th President
 Greater Muskegon Jaycees



Andy is a friend to all, from Parrotheads to Hell's Angels!

COMMUNITY

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Although I am not always successful, I try to read the Muskegon Chronicle every day either on Mlive or in print. I have to tell you all that recently it has been a very depressing experience. There is a lot going on in our community that worries me and many of our fellow Muskegon residents. It seems that every week we read about another shooting or act of violence happening right under our noses. I am not proposing that we are able to find the shooters or even that we should put ourselves in any of these situations. What I am saying is that now, more than ever, it is time for us to step up and help our community. It may not seem that picking up trash or donating school supplies makes all that big of a difference, but it does. Everything we do in our community affects more people than we can possibly imagine.



In second quarter, I participated in prepared write up at the State Level. For those of you who don't know what this is, it is an essay about a topic provided by the Michigan Jaycees which is submitted for judging with quarterly books. (If you would like more information about how you can participate in write up or any quarterly competition, please contact any of your board members). The topic I wrote on was "How do you feel the Jaycees impact the world?" Amongst a lot of other things, I wrote about how a single rain drop can affect a whole lake. As the raindrop hits the surface of the lake it causes ripples that spread outward. When another raindrop hits the lake some distance away, its ripples eventually reach the ripples of the first raindrop. Soon, the entire lake is covered and changed.

I am asking all of you to be raindrops. Every action we make to help this community will cause ripples and the more ripples we make the more effect we can have. We have some great events coming up that can be your first drop in the lake:

Meet the Candidates – in early September, we plan to have a forum where you can come and hear what all of our local candidates have to say about how they plan to represent the community and how they can help improve things. Be an informed voter and come out to this event. We will send out details as soon as we have them.

No More Sidelines – We would like to host No More Sidelines for a sports day/afternoon in late September. This organization is dedicated to helping children and young adults enjoy sporting events and other community events. More information on this event will be forthcoming.

Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies to Christmas in July. Principal Monroe of Marquette School was very excited to get them and promised that they will be put to good use!

Thank you also to everyone who came out to Hoffmaster State Park August 7 to help us clean up! Although the trails were well taken care of, Eddie Fan became the trashiest Jaycee by walking the beach. It was a hot but rewarding day!

And now for the reason you all read my ramblings, trivia! This month's trivia question is:

Why does August have 31 days even though July (the month before it) also has 31 days? And, where did the extra day come from?

Think you know the answer? Email me at community@muskegonjaycees.org and see if you are right!

Dani LaFleur

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"And if you hold on tight to what you think is your thing, you may find you're missing all the rest."

So, I was listening to Dave Matthews Band one day (I know-SHOCKER!) and this line really spoke to me. It's easy to get settled in to an idea of what "type" of person we are and falling into a rut of always doing the same things. Individual Development in our chapter is all about offering you opportunities to step outside your comfort zone! You might hear about an event and think "I love____, this is my passion and something that I really enjoy doing" and we think that's great! But what WE really love is hearing people say, "I am not the type of person to do ____ and I can't wait to come out and try it!" We hope that you find some upcoming events that inspire you to try something new, step out of that comfort zone and know that you're not missing out on anything in life!

MKG Cribs-Monday, August 23rd 5:30-7:30 Hackley & Hume Historic Site (448 W Webster Ave, Muskegon).

Once again, Jackie Huss is rocking out another event for us! Join us for a free private tour of the Hackley & Hume Historic Sites, and learn how the real rock stars of Muskegon's Lumbering industry lived it up! We will visit these amazing homes and will learn about the history of the Hackley and Hume families. This is a FAMILY FRIENDLY event, and Jackie will lead a separate special tour designed just for families and children, as well as an "adults only" tour which will offer special insights into the homes by our very own Dani LaFleur. Following the tours, join us on the lawn of the homes for Victorian games and popsicles!

Young Professional's Book Club: Who Moved My Cheese? -Monday, August 30th 6 pm at the Coffee House (255 Seminole Road, Muskegon).

Even if you haven't started reading this month's selection, there's still time to jump in and join us! This book will help us all learn how to better deal with change in our lives and I think that's something we all can use help with! Please contact Diva Chairwoman Teresa Dunn to join in.

You CAN CHANGE the World-Tuesday August 31st Membership Meeting @ Alleyways

Malaria kills. \$10 can save a life. It's that simple! To support our efforts to purchase bed nets for our Nothing But Nets campaign, we are asking members to bring returnable cans and bottles as well as your loose change (get it, can change?) to our next membership meeting. Can't make it but want to participate? No problem, we will be collecting cans and change on Saturday September 4th as well! Just let us know and we'll pick them up. Congrats to new member Zack Kilbourne for stepping up and chairing his first project with us!!

Making Music with the WSSO-Saturday, September 25th 7 pm @ the Frauenthal.

MUCH more info to come from our Master of Motivation Mickey Wallace, but mark your calendars! Special ticket pricing of only \$11--aren't those Jaycee hookups nice?!

See you soon Jaycees!

Kari Fan & Chris Annis

MANAGEMENT

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Beryl Gabel

Wow....what a summer it has been!! I am certain that the statement “time flies when you are having fun” is true. I cannot believe that Labor Day is only weeks away. I hope that each of you has enjoyed the amazingly hot weather. I want to thank everyone who has come out to support the Management events over the past couple months. I know how busy summer can be, so thank you for lending a helping hand.

We all joined the Jaycees for different reasons. Many of us joined to help make a change in our community, meet new people, or for the networking aspect of the organization. Similarly, we all continue to be Jaycees for various reasons. Whatever your reasons may have been to join and to remain a member, there is one that thing that brings us all together. We are all members of this organization and we all want to see it succeed and continue to provide opportunities for its members and our community.

In order to maintain our status as the “best young person’s organization” we have to have the funds to do it. That is why you will continue to hear me push various fundraising projects through out the remainder of the year. It is so vital to our organization that we have funds to continue to run the projects you love. With out the money in the bank account we are not able to “be the change we want to see in the world”.

I encourage you to attend projects that help raise funds that support all of the other projects we run. We have various opportunities for each of you to get involved with our Chapter that aren’t about growing the general fund but about growing you as an individual and impacting our community.

MEMBERSHIP

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Summer is sadly coming to an end, however the membership team has so much more in store for you all!!!! We promise to end the summer with a bang!!! As always, take out your iphone, your blackberry, your droid, your old school planner and jot these great dates down. Remember our events are intended to be FUN and social; please do not hesitate to bring a friend, a co-worker or family member you feel would benefit in some way, shape, or form from our organization.



Tara Mack with Nick Bessinger
at the Silvis' Tiki Party

August 29, 2010: Sunday Float Bash

When: 11am-?

Where: Happy Mohawk Canoe Livery

\$11.00 and a grilling entrée will get you a fun filled day of tubing and camaraderie.

September 12, 2010: Sunday Funday-Family Picnic

When: 4:00pm-7:00pm

Where: Beachwood Park

The membership team would like to offer a family fun picnic to welcome in the fall. Hot Dogs, burgers, snacks and s'mores will be on the menu. Bring the family for a good ole night with your fellow Jaycees.

September 15, 2010: New Member Orientation

When: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Where: To Be Determined

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. This is sure to be both educating and fun!!! We PROMISE!!

September 17, 18 and 19: Michigan Irish Festival Craic Committee

When: Varies

Where: Heritage Landing-Michigan Irish Festival Grounds

Have you ever been curious about the Michigan Irish Festival? This is a great opportunity to check it out. What we are looking for our members to volunteer and act as the Irish Festival Craic Committee. "Craic means good time, party, having fun". These Volunteers will greet in ALL the entertainment venues by making them feel welcome at the festival and the West Michigan community. Volunteers will provide information, pick up tables, sell the 50/50 tickets while providing the best customer service known to mankind and generally have a good time. This is a perfect fit for the Jaycees as we all like to have a good time and we get to help another organization out. If you are interested in helping out the Irish Festival please go to www.michiganirish.org and fill out the volunteer application. See you all there!!!

SENATE CORNER

To help some of you understand ME a bit better, a little insight from...

60 Minutes Correspondent Andy Rooney (CBS)

As I grow in age, I value women over 40 most of all. Here are just a few reasons why:

A woman over 40 will never wake you in the middle of the night and ask, "What are you thinking?" She doesn't care what you think. If a woman over 40 doesn't want to watch the game, she doesn't sit around whining about it. She does something she wants to do, and it's usually more interesting. Women over 40 are dignified. They seldom have a screaming match with you at the opera or in the middle of an expensive restaurant. Of course, if you deserve it, they won't hesitate to shoot you if they think they can get away with it. Older women are generous with praise, often undeserved. They know what it's like to be unappreciated. Women get psychic as they age. You never have to confess your sins to a woman over 40. Once you get past a wrinkle or two, a woman over 40 is far sexier than her younger counterpart. Older women are forthright and honest. They'll tell you right off that you are a jerk if you are acting like one. You don't ever have to wonder where you stand with her. Yes, we praise women over 40 for a multitude of reasons. Unfortunately, it's not reciprocal. For every stunning, smart, well-coiffed, hot woman over 40, there is a bald, paunchy relic in yellow pants making a fool of himself with some 22-year old waitress. Ladies, I apologize. For all those men who say, "Why buy the cow when you can get the milk for free?", here's an update for you. Nowadays 80% of women are against marriage. Why? Because women realize it's not worth buying an entire pig just to get a little sausage!

I think Andy Rooney is a really smart guy!

By the time you read this article, I will have returned from the Summer Assembly in East Lansing and have attended an Awards Assembly for this GREAT Chapter and a Senate Meeting, where I currently sit as the Communications VP for the JCI Senate. I am in high hopes that this GREAT Chapter brings home a lot of "Woodies" for their achievements - you Rock!

On August 18th, I will be attending my FIRST EVER Summer Exhausted Rooster Steak Fry. In the past years, this has been a "Men Only" event, so I am excited to attend and reminisce with some of the other "Exhausted" members of this GREAT Chapter. I am hoping to bring back some great insight to this organization from your past members.

See you at the next event, All my love!

Your Senator,

Deb Mogdis

JCI #62260

MGMT continued

2011 Elections

We will be holding nominations for the upcoming 2011 Board of Directors during the September Membership Meeting. Elections will take place at the October Membership Meeting and the officers will begin their transition period beginning December 1, 2010. This gives all incoming officers the opportunity to be trained by their predecessors and become familiar with their positions.

The Nominating Committee comprised of myself, Kris Collee and one other person to be determined, will be in charge of assessing and certifying the qualifications of all nominees for the offices of which we are seeking nominations. It is the responsibility of the Elections Committee to assure the nomination of at least one (1) candidate for all available elected positions. As per the bylaws, those on the Nominating Committee are not eligible to vote in the upcoming election.

Nominations shall be made by the Elections Committee or from the floor at the September Membership Meeting with no nominating speeches. Additional nominations for Director positions will be accepted from the floor at the October Membership Meeting. Additional nominations for an Executive Office must notify the Elections Committee seven (7) days prior to the night of elections in October.

Positions that can be nominated and voted upon are the following: President, Management Area of Opportunity Vice President, Individual Area of Opportunity Vice President, Community Area of Opportunity Vice President and Membership Area of Opportunity Vice President. In addition to these positions, 2 directors per area of opportunity can also be nominated.

Positions that are appointed by the incoming President are the following: Executive Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster.

Any member in good standing who has been on the Board of Directors for any fiscal year may run for President of the Chapter.

All other positions (including those appointed by the President) require that you have been a member of the chapter in good standing for six months prior to the date of nominations to run for a position on the Board.

A member in good standing means that you have no outstanding debt to the chapter, i.e., dues, convention fees, etc., and you are currently enrolled as a member of the Greater Muskegon Jaycees.

We will be holding a Potential Officers Training (date to be determined) that will give you a broader perspective on each of the available positions, including job descriptions, who you report to, etc. This will give you an opportunity to learn about the Board of Directors in detail and help you to determine which position is right for you.

In the meantime, if you know that you would like to be nominated for a position, or want to be considered for an appointed position, please contact myself or President Andy Squires. We would be glad to talk with you and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you,

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Andy Squires – 2010 President – Phone: 231-903-7686 Email: squireboy@comcast.net

PICTURE PAGE

Silvis Tiki Party



Teresa Dunn, Dani LaFleur, Andy Squires, and Chris Annis



This group is ready to PARTY—especially Ashlyn!



VISITORS! State Board members and friends, with Andy, who tried to get that garish shirt into as many photos as possible.



Hostess Amy Silvis and son Owen, just hangin' around.



Chris Annis, Andy, and The Shirt



Close-up of host and our EVP, Josh Silvis



AT CARBON after the Tiki Party, to support Mickey Wallace's double album release!

PICTURE PAGE



Trashy Jaycees at Hoffmaster State Park Clean-up



The group at Buffalo Wild Wings Happy Birthday Kari Fan!

International Potluck



Junior Jaycees Emma & Henry Fox, attending another fun event!



Tara Mack sampling the International fare.



Chairperson Erin Vanderwier, with newly crowned Iron Chef Jaycee Dani LaFleur.

Convention



The group was for the celebratory Can-Can, until they realized Kris Collee was suffering from monoditis. Quite a predicament!



Lookin' good, gentlemen!

CARD CORNER

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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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 August/September

September Babies:

JC Cisneros

Kari Fan

Kasey Rose

Kelly Horness

Keyon Chavis

October Babies:

DJ Hilson

Dani LaFleur

Andrea Twinning



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The logo for the Michigan Junior Chamber of Commerce, featuring the word "JAYCEES" in a large, stylized, bold font with a swoosh underneath. Above it, the text "The Michigan Junior Chamber" is written in a smaller font.

Michigan Junior Chamber of Commerce

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To be the organization of choice for people between the ages of 21 and 40 throughout the state of Michigan.

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 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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