

# THE Leader

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Hey Everyone,

I thought Spring had finally sprung but was fooled on April 1st with a Blizzard! Nevertheless, we plan to have a great April with several activities. These include Bowl For Kids Sake on April 4th, Wine Making ID April 5th, Indoor Olympics on April 12th, Neighbors Day on April 26th in the morning and Beer Wine Cheese on April 26th in the afternoon along with our socials! We have many volunteer opportunities this month to be active in the community and in the Jaycees. Many other events abound in the La Crosse area so get ready to roll up your sleeves and get your volunteer hands involved!

Alex Lueck, Chapter President

## Local Volunteer Opportunities

### WisCorps

608-782-2494  
www.wiscorps.org  
staff@wiscorps.org

### Wafer

Erin Waldhart  
608-782-6003

### Meals on Wheels (Mobile Meals)

Melissa Greco  
608-784-4623  
lacrossemobilemeals@gmail.com

### Place of Grace

608-782-6224

### Boys and Girls Club

Mike Desmond  
608-782-3926  
mikedesmond@bgcgl.org  
www.bgcgl.org

### Coulee Region Humane Society

Animal Shelter  
Liz Meil  
608-781-4014  
www.couleehumane.com  
liz.meil@couleehumane.com

*“Change your thoughts  
and you change your  
world.”*

*-Norman Vincent Peale*

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Catered for Kids Sake: Alex Lueck, Alicia Nielsen, Suzy Stock, Casey Scheuerell, David Charles

## March Recap

March 1st saw this year's Polar plunge. Team members (Dan Wribalski, Alicia Wribalski, Laurie Sonsalla, and Tara Parrott) raised \$2,642 for Special Olympics in the Coulee Region!

Hall renovations wrapped up just in time for Regional Training, which took place March 9th at the Jaycee Hall. More help will be needed soon for some heavy lifting. Contact Casey S to help out.

The Bad Tournament on March 15th was a huge success. Organizers saw double the teams and triple the income from last year! (see write up on page 3)

New member orientation was March 18th at the Jaycee Hall. In attendance were 4 new members and 8 current members (see write up on page 4)

Seven members attended this year's Big Brothers Big Sisters, Catered for Kid's Sake on March 27th. Delicious and filling food was had by all!



The Jaycee Spotlight column introduces a new, current, or former Jaycee member each month to help members get to know other members, learn about the history of the Jaycees, and to find out what people do outside of the Jaycees. If you have a recommendation for the spotlight contact [heatherdutcher@centurylink.net](mailto:heatherdutcher@centurylink.net).

## Jaycee Spotlight

Name: **Tara Parrott**

Years & Position: **less than 1, general member**

Employer & Job: **CCLS, Program Director**

Why did you join the Jaycees? **To be more involved in the community... and because Alicia convinced me to.**

Favorite moment as a Jaycee: **Polar Plunge: it was fun, lots of people for a good cause. Who can't have fun jumping in cold water in WI in the middle of winter?**

One Random Fact: **Currently getting a masters in Organizational Leadership at St. Mary's University... ok, how about two random facts, I am the oldest of 6 kids!**



Tara Parrott

## Upcoming Events

- Apr 3 Volleyball (Alicia Nielsen)
- Apr 4 Bowl for Kids Sake, 5:45pm (Suzy Stock)
- Apr 5 Winemaking 101, 3:30pm (Suzy Stock)
- Apr 10 Volleyball (Alicia Nielsen)
- Apr 12 Pancake Breakfast (Katrina Rykal)
- Apr 12 Indoor Olympics (Kelly Goyette)
- Apr 13 Light It Up Blue (Adam Weissenberger)
- Apr 15 Social Meeting—TBA
- Apr 17 Volleyball (Alicia Nielsen)
- Apr 22 Board Meeting
- Apr 24 Volleyball (Alicia Nielsen)
- Apr 26 Neighbors Day (Alicia Wibralski)
- Apr 26 Beer, Wine and Cheese Festival (Kelly Goyette)
- Apr 29 5th Tuesday Social—TBA
- May 3 Pitch, Hit and Run (Onalaska Jaycees)
- May 4 Brat Barn, Festival Foods, Onalaska
- May 6 General Membership Meeting—Jaycee Hall
- May 10 Wienerfest
- May 18 Big Bikes for Little Tykes
- May 20 Social Meeting—TBA
- May 27 Pitch, Hit and Run (La Crosse Park and Rec)

MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR 6PM UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. NAME IN PARENTHESIS IS THE COORDINATOR.



2014 Bags Tournament

## 2014 Saint Patrick's Day Bags Tournament

The second annual JCI La Crosse Paddy's Bags Tournament was again a success this year. We had 26 teams this year, 12 more than last year and tripled our income from last year and kept Stolpa's so busy they could hardly keep up!

Please keep an eye out in late summer for details on another tournament close to Halloween. Everything is still in the planning stages but more information will be out as soon as we have it!

Thanks to everyone who helped make this event such a success!



2014 Bags Tournament

## New Member Orientation

You may ask, "What is New Member Orientation?" As a new member to the La Crosse Jaycees, JCI WI and the United States Junior Chamber, you gain valuable knowledge and get introduced to the United States Junior Chamber organization. It allows you to gain knowledge of the Local, State, National and International Structure. It also covers the history of the Junior Chamber and its storied roots. Does your place of work have a Vision and Mission statement? So does the United States Junior Chamber. The Vision and Mission of the United States Junior Chamber states as follows:

The Vision:

"To Be the leading global network of active young citizens"

The Mission:

"To provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change."

How does this vision and mission parallel what you do today at work and home? There is much more to learn and if you want to learn more about the New Member Orientation, talk to a Board member about setting up an orientation.



New Member Orientation

Join us for Neighbor's Day 2014

Saturday, April 26th, 2014  
Black River Beach Neighborhood Center  
8:00AM — 2:00PM





# BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

Sign up and raise funds for Bowl for Kids' Sake.

To sign up go to: [www.firstgiving.com/7RiversBBBS](http://www.firstgiving.com/7RiversBBBS)

Click

- "Start Fundraising"
- "La Crosse Bowl For Kids' Sake 2014"
- "Teams"
- Suzy's Jaycee Team or Jaycee Team #2—"Join Team"
- Follow Registration Instructions



## Bartenders Needed for Beer, Wine and Cheese Festival

Saturday, April 26, 2014

2:00PM-6:00PM



The La Crosse Area Autism Foundation will be hosting "Light it up Blue, La Crosse" This year's event will take place April 13, 2014 at Fox Hollow Golf Course. The event will start at 5:30pm with an Autism vendor expo, face painting and bouncy house for the kids. The expo will highlight local businesses that specialize in autism therapies. It is a great way to talk with professionals in the area. The event will end with the release of the blue lanterns into the night sky at dark.

We invite you to come out and support LAF, who is dedicated to help families of ASD Autism Spectrum Disorder children in and around the La Crosse area. All proceeds will benefit LAF. Lantern purchase can be done online at [www.laxautism.org](http://www.laxautism.org)

In the event of a weather delay please check the website, Facebook and Twitter, searching La Crosse Area Autism.

For more info contact member: Adam Weissenberger, [laxautism@gmail.com](mailto:laxautism@gmail.com), 608-618-0523

# JCI Wisconsin and La Crosse Jaycees 7th Annual

# IND R OLYMPICS

**"80's Classic Movie Take Over"**

## April 12th

**hosted at local downtown  
La Crosse establishments**

**must be at least 21 years old to participate**

\$90 Jaycee Teams or \$105 Non-Jaycee Team Fee includes: Bar Game Competitions, Saturday Opening & Awards Ceremony/Social for 3 players per team. Cash/Prize Packages based on # of Teams. Additional social tickets can be purchased for \$25 per person at registration the day of the tournament. \*\$20 late fee for all teams registering and paying after the March 10, 2014 deadline.

**Join us on Facebook @ JCI Wisconsin 7th Annual Indoor Olympics**

**For more information**

**Steve Moddie [evp@jciwisconsin.org](mailto:evp@jciwisconsin.org)**

**Kelly Goyette [kgoyette99@gmail.com](mailto:kgoyette99@gmail.com)**

**Limited Number of Team Entries Accepted! Jaycee Team pre-registration guaranteed for those teams registered and paid in full prior to February 2, 2014.**

**After February 2nd, the event is open for public registration with limited teams openings.**

### **3 person Team Pre-registration Entry**

Checks made payable to JCI Wisconsin Jaycees must accompany this registration form to be considered pre-registered. We reserve the right to refuse registrations based on meeting and/or exceeding capacity. **Must be at least 21 years old to enter and participate.** Send this completed form and check to:

**JCI Wisconsin Jaycees, PO Box 1547, Appleton, WI 54912-1547**

\_\_\_ \$ 90 Jaycee Team consisting of at least 2 Jaycee members (\$110 after 3/10/14 if space is available)

\_\_\_ \$105 Non-Jaycee Team consisting of less than 2 Jaycee members (\$125 after 3/10/14 if space is available)

**\*\*All teams will represent an 80's Classic Movie by Title (Team Name), Costume, etc... \*\***

**Top Three Choices for Team Name: Themed "80's Classic Movie" (No duplication of Olympic Team Name Entries)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter/City Representing: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # of Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail of Team Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd Team Player: \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Team Player: \_\_\_\_\_

JCI Wisconsin and La Crosse Jaycees  
**INDOOR OLYMPICS**



**Holiday Inn**  
**200 Pearl Street**  
**Downtown La Crosse**  
**800-HOLIDAY**

<http://www.holidayinn.com/lacrossewi>

**\$129 Single/Double Occupancy 2 Queen Beds** (plus local taxes/parking)

Special Rate for Indoor Olympics Only (mention code JCS when making your reservation)

*Room Block Reservation Deadline: March 8, 2014*



**Responsibility Matters-Always have a Designated Driver**

JCI Wisconsin and the La Crosse Jaycees will not tolerate drunk driving.  
We thank you for being responsible in using a designated driver so everyone  
enjoys the event with a safe return home.



<p><u>January</u>  7 General Membership Mtg  21 Social Membership &amp; Recruitment Meeting  28 Board Meeting  31 Year End Convention (Manitowoc)</p> <p>New Member Orientation</p>	<p><u>May</u>  4 Pitch, Hit, &amp; Run – Onal JCs  6 General Membership Mtg  10 Wienerfest - Social  18 Big Bikes for Little Tykes  20 Social Membership Meeting  22 Pitch, Hit, &amp; Run – LAX P&amp;R  27 Board Meeting</p>	<p><u>September</u>  2 General Membership Mtg  7? End of Summer Bash  16 Social Membership Meeting  18-21 Applefest Parade  20-22 Mid Year Convention - Wausau  23 Board Meeting (review POA)  25-28 Oktoberfest Apparel Booth  TBD Oktoberfest Socials  30 Fifth Tuesday Social</p>
<p><u>February</u>  1 Year End Convention (Manitowoc)  4 General Membership Meeting  8 Project Fair Potluck social  15 Brewfest (Manitowoc)  18 Social Membership Meeting  25 Board Meeting</p>	<p><u>June</u>  3 General Membership Mtg  5-8 Nat'l Convention  14 Freedom Fest  17 Social Meeting &amp; Family Picnic (TBD)  24 Board Meeting (review POA)  25-28 USJC Annual Meeting - Baltimore  28/29 Riverfest Set-up  30 OYA/OYW Nominations due</p>	<p><u>October</u>  7 General Membership Mtg  12 State Volleyball  15 Board Mtg  20-26 Jaycees Week  22 Social Membership Meeting  28 Barrel and Tag Party  TBD Thrill the World  31 TFT Barrel Delivery</p>
<p><u>March</u>  1 Polar Plunge  4 General Membership Mtg  9 Southside Pubcrawl  11 Project Fair Results Mtg  15 St Patty's Day Parade/Social/Bags Tourney  18 Social Mtg/New Member Orientation @ JavaVino  25 Board Meeting (review POA)</p>	<p><u>July</u>  1/8 General Membership Mtg  3-6 Riverfest  15 Mid Year Awards Due  15 Social Membership Meeting  22 Board Meeting  TBD Thunder Ride  29 Fifth Tuesday Social</p>	<p><u>November</u>  2 JCI WI Brew Bash - Appleton  4 General Mem. Mtg &amp; Elections  TBD Rotary Lights  18 Social Membership Meeting  21 TFT Toy Drive – LaX Center  25 Board Meeting  27 Thanksgiving</p>
<p><u>April</u>  1 General Membership Mtg  3/4 Bowl For Kids Sake  12 Indoor Olympics (La Crosse)  15 Social Membership Meeting  26 Neighbor's Day  26 Beer, Wine, &amp; Cheese Fest  22 Board Meeting  29 Fifth Tuesday Social</p>	<p><u>August</u>  1 Relay for Life (Logan HS)  5 General Membership Mtg  8-10 Irishfest  15-17 Komfest  19 Social Membership Meeting  22-23 Ona Community Days  26 Board Meeting  TBD Funt, Pass, Kick</p>	<p><u>December</u>  2 General Membership Mtg  5 TFT Barrel Delivery  13 TFT Give Away Day  16 Mixed Board Meeting (rv POA)  14 Second Half Awards due  TBD Social Membership Meeting  TBD Christmas Potluck  OTS/Holiday Party  Year End Banquet  TFT Appreciation Party</p>

All dates and times are tentative. Check the Upcoming Events for updated information.



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# JCI WI & US

## Aged Out?

Do you still want to be part of the Jaycees? Consider joining the National Jaycee Alumni Association.

To learn more go to [www.jayceemember.com](http://www.jayceemember.com) and click on 'alumni join' on the right side of the screen.



Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD  
June 25-28

World Congress, Leipzig Germany  
November 24-29



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