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“Wherever you go, there you are” - Jan Kabat-Zinn

The plan is in, the calendar is set, and we are ready to go. February is going to be an exciting month as we really kick off with twelve members attending the Year End Convention and the chapter’s first Project Fair Potluck. This will be a great month to prepare us for the year.

As the above quote reads, “Wherever you go, there you are”, and for us it can be rewritten as *Wherever we go, there we are*. As a chapter, we get to make an impact on others in the community. We get to make choices on how we act, perform, and lead this chapter. We get to move this chapter to where we want it to be. Wherever we go, we get to be there! You make the difference to get us there! Come with, do your part, and celebrate when we get there!

John Race
2013 Community VP

State Convention

Chapter members are making their way down to Milwaukee for the weekend for the Year End Convention. They will get 2012 awards, network with other chapters, and learn new skills to bring back to us. Good luck and have fun!

Special Notice

There will be a special election for the office of President at the next two General Meetings on Tuesdays, February 5 & 19, 2013 at 7 pm. Please email jrace18@hotmail.com if interested.

February 2013

Feb 1-3 Year End Convention—Milwaukee

Feb 5 Member Meeting at 7 p.m. Jaycee Hall

Feb 9 Project Fair Potluck 5 p.m. Kyle & Sara's 1407 Kane Street

Feb 16 Brewfest—Manitowoc

Feb 19 Member Meeting at 7 p.m. TBA

Feb 26 Board Meeting at 6 p.m. Jaycee Hall

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Upcoming Project

We are looking for a Chair person for the MDA Shamrocks community fundraising project. This is a great starter project for someone who has not led a project before. The two main responsibilities are to contact local establishments to ask to sell the shamrocks as a fundraiser and coordinate the selling of the shamrocks at the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Contact John Race or Kim Lien if interested.

JCTV

Checkout Episode 2 of JCTV! Click on the picture.



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Chapter Renewals Due

<u>For February:</u>	<u>For February:</u>	<u>For February:</u>
Kim Lien	None	Kelly Goyette
Jason Hollerman		
Rhett Rykal		

Indoor Olympics

Teams are forming now for this year's Indoor Olympics on April 27th in Manitowoc. This year's theme is *Rock 'n' Roll Olympics*. Come dressed as your favorite rock stars and roll into victory. Jaycee teams need to consist of at least 2 Jaycee members and non-Jaycee teams are allowed. For more info: <http://www.jciwisconsin.org/Registration%20Form%20Manitowoc%204-27-13.pdf>

PROJECT FAIR POTLUCK SOCIAL Saturday, Feb 9 starting at 5 pm

All are welcome to the party! Bring a friend, a dish to pass, and beverages of choice. Socializing and games, with an opportunity to learn about some great upcoming Jaycee projects!

The JCI mission statement is: "To provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change." In other words, each project we run is intended to improve the persons involved. Lately our chapter has had a difficult time finding persons willing to participate in or run our many projects. We need to evaluate all projects to determine which best suit our membership's needs. What better way than to learn about all our chapter has to offer than in a laid back, fun environment?

Don't forget your pillow – space is available for hearty parties!

Kyle Olson
Management VP

Passport to Leadership

How many of the following activities
have you done?

Participated in an Individual Development Project; Chaired or co-chaired a chapter project;
Brought a prospective member to a chapter activity; Led the Junior Chamber chapter in reciting the
Pledge of Allegiance; Served as an active member on a chapter project?

If you answered yes to most or all, then you are on your way to becoming a 3rd Degree Jaycee! The Degree process is part of the Passport to Leadership Program that the United States Junior Chamber has set forth to get members in Junior Chamber chapters activated and involved. The program is split into three phases and within each phase you earn degrees by completing a set of tasks.

- Phase 1 which is 1st to 3rd Degrees is built on **Involvement** which is designed to get our new members orientated with the Jaycees.
- Phase 2 encompasses 4th-6th Degrees and is built on **Experience**.
- Phase 3 covers Degrees 7-10 and is the **Leadership** section.

Each phase is designed to challenge and stimulate your individual growth as well as the Chapter's growth. To get our chapter started on the path to obtaining our degrees, I will be having a race around the bases to the 4th Degree. As you complete a degree you make it to the next base. Once you have made it home, you will have your 4th Degree and be almost half way to being a 10th Degree Jaycee!

As an added incentive, the first two active members to reach the 4th Degree that are not currently VP's or past Presidents will receive a free membership when they renew. For the list of tasks and how to get started on your Jaycee Degrees, please contact me via email or at a meeting.

Lets get started!

Membership Area

February brings us to the Sweetheart Month with Valentines Day. It also brings us deeper into the winter season. The good news is that spring is only 60 days away! We begin February with the State Convention from Feb 1-3, the General Meeting on the 5th and meet up again on the 9th for the first annual Project Fair! We continue the month with a trip to the Manitowoc Jaycees annual Brewfest to give them a hand. If interested, talk to Rhett Rykal or Kelly Goyette. Business after 5 continues on February 18th with a visit to Courtyard by Marriot. The month ends with the Polar Plunge in the first part of March!! There are many activities to be involved in by following the links below. Enjoy the continuation of 2013 and may your resolutions still be holding true!

Check out these sites for local events: La Crosse Convention and Visitors Bureau - <http://explorelacrosse.com/>;
Events at La Crosse Center - www.lacrossecenter.com/; Pump House Regional Arts Center -
www.thepumphouse.org/; Viterbo Fine Arts - www.viterbo.edu/finearts1.aspx; La Crosse Community Theatre—<http://www.newlct.org/>