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President's Message

Hello Jaycees!

Hello everyone! Six months have gone by in 2013 already and we are about to celebrate Americas Independence and birthday! RiverFest will be starting this week and if you haven't heard, we are bartending at the beverage tent. If you haven't signed up, let a Board member know or stop down during RiverFest and we will get you all geared up! River-Fest is our biggest fundraiser that helps our Chapter be sustainable to do Community projects such as Toys for Tots, Big Bikes for Little Tikes, Relay for Life and Pitch, Hit, Run. It is also a very fun event to attend. As we celebrate the Nations Independence and birthday, I invite you to look back and review the last year since your birthday. What would you have done differently or what have you learned that changed your outlook on life? How would you grade yourself? Now, I would like you to look ahead to the future one year.

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President's Message Cont.

What would you do to give yourself an A grade for the coming year? What sort of choices would you make to go to the next level in life whether its at work or at home? How did you challenge yourself? How did you challenge others? How did you influence the Community? Take some time on a nice sunny afternoon and either sit in the sun or in the shade and reflect ahead one year to answer these questions. Over the next year, look back on what you had written down to see if you are on track. I would like to challenge each of you to do this not only to better yourself but others around you. Lets celebrate Americas Independence as well as our Independence. Have a great 4th of July!

Alex Lueck
78th La Crosse Jaycees President

Membership Renewals

<u>For August:</u>	<u>For Sept:</u>	<u>For Oct</u>
Angela Menezes	Heather Suby	Alicia Wibralski

Jaycee Spotlight

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. Here is this month's interview:

Name: Alex Lueck

Years in Jaycees & Position: 2 years, 78th President

Employer & Job: Xcel Energy, Project Designer

Why did you join the Jaycees?

For many years, the Jaycees have been known as a pillar of the community and THE group to be part of because of their activities they do in the community for the community. Also, the past Jaycees I knew highly emphasized the Jaycee mission and the fun involved with giving back to the local area. All of these characteristics of the Jaycees matched my own set of values so it was a natural fit.

Favorite moment as a Jaycee: Its hard to pick one so I will pick two: Traveling to Germany for the twinning exchange and being the 78th President.

Tell us one random fact: My family hosted two different sets of International Diplomats when I was twelve years old as part of traveling diplomat tour that stopped in Tomah. The diplomats were from Australia, Iraq, Iran and Denmark.



Upcoming

- July 2 RiverJacks Social-6 pm
- July 3-6 Riverfest 11 am-1 am daily
(5 pm start time on Wednesday)
- July 16 Chapter meeting-6 pm @ Jaycee Hall
- July 17 Stand Up Paddle Boarding @ Pettibone Lagoon-TBA
- July 27 Thunder Ride @ Oktoberfest Grounds-TBA
- July 30 Social-La Crosse Loggers game @ Copeland Park-7:05 pm

Get on your Calendar

- Aug TBA Relay for Life
- Sept 20-22 Mid-Year Convention-Wausau
- Oct 11-13 State Volleyball-Oshkosh

Individual Development

Have you heard of the newest craze in the water sport world? Its called Stand Up Paddle Boarding or SUP. SUP is a variation of surfing where riders stand on a longboard surfboard and use a long paddle to propel through the water. UWL's Outdoor Connection is offering free orientation clinics every Wednesday through out the summer at the Pettibone Lagoon. We would like gather a group together on July 17th to give this new sport a try! Please contact Alex Lueck or Wilh Krause by July 10th if you are interested as we need to register ahead of time to make sure spots are available. Here is a link to the website: http://www.uwlax.edu/recsports/OC_SUP.html
Hang Ten!

July Socials

On Tuesday, July 2, there will be a Pre-Riverfest social at RiverJacks starting at 6 pm. And Loggers Fans, the fifth Tuesday is upon us again! We are going to have a social at the Ballpark on July 30th! We are going to get a group together to watch some baseball in the Grandstand seats. Ticket and game information will be coming soon.

Toys for Tots

The initial planning meeting for Toys for Tots was a great success! Interested members learned about the project from past chair and committee members. A Chair/Co-Chair and committee members are still needed for this annual project put on by the Chapter. The chapter organizes all parts of the project including— participation registration, media, sorting of new and used toys, and dropping off and picking up of toy barrels. If you are interested in being a part of the project, talk to Kyle, Cindy, Katrina, Jamie, Kelly, or John to learn more and to volunteer for a position.

Riverfest is upon us!

Hey everyone, Riverfest will be here in just over a month and I still need some help!

RIVERFEST WILL BEGIN WEDNESDAY, JULY 3RD AT 5:00 PM.

Riverfest: July 3rd – July 6th, 2013

July 3rd hours are 5:00 pm – 1:00 am. July 4th – 7th, 11:00am – 1:00am. Bartenders needed! Some of the many incentives include a paid bartender license, Jaycee Bucks, and a button. Oh, and some free beer too. Sign up for 25 hours get a free Riverfest button! Sign up for 25+ hours-get a free Riverfest Button and \$10 in Jaycee Bucks!

Special Events:

Wednesday, July 3: Cheaptrick Concert

Thursday, July 4: Fireworks

Friday, July 5: Walk a Mile

Saturday, July 6: Dragon Boat races

If you are interested in volunteering please let me know! - Katrina Meyer—treena_meyer@yahoo.com

Thunder Ride

We are looking for a Chair person for the 2013 Thunder Ride to Cure Diabetes. This is a great first project for someone who has not chaired a project before. This person will be in charge of picking up food from Ardie's and bringing it to the event and recruit 6-8 volunteers to assist them for the afternoon. The event is July 27th at the Oktoberfest Grounds starting around 1pm. Contact [Kim Lien](#) or [John Race](#) if interested.



La Crosse Volunteer Opportunities

As there has been more expressed interest in getting involved in the local community, this section will list volunteer opportunities that are going on in the La Crosse area each month. These are not specific Jaycee events, but members are invited to participate. If you know of any upcoming community events that could be added to this list, please email information to jrace18@hotmail.com.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY – WOMEN BUILD

Attention all female Jaycees!! The Jaycees are looking to form a Women Build Team to participate in the 5th Annual Habitat for Humanity Women Build. Construction of the house began on May 16th on the corner of 9th and Denton St. Dates for Women Build teams are available from now until November/December. Dates are first come, first served. Only one team builds per day. Building happens mostly on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays; however, some Wednesdays could be arranged. Teams must raise \$1,000 in order to build.

If you've ever been interested in seeing what goes in to building a house, gaining some new skills or helping out a family in our community this event is for you! Contact [Kim Lien](#) for more information.

Youth Outdoor Fest

When: Saturday, July 13

Location: Pettibone Beach

Tasks: Concessions and Registration

Website: <http://www.cityoflacrosse.org/index.aspx?NID=1785>

June Recap

Summer was almost here for the month of June. The weather caused the rescheduling of the Pitch Hit & Run events. The top scoring youth from across the state competed at Miller Park (picture, next page). At the chapter meeting, James Branaum, a current member, walked the chapter through a improv and public speaking individual development workshop. The planning meeting for Toys for Tots recruited members to be on the committee as the project unfolds over the remaining months of the year. Nine Jaycees volunteered during the Freedom Fest Concert at UW-La Crosse on Saturday, June 15. The Family Picnic for Riverfest was a success and very delicious. Top dishes were taco dip, venison pasta, and twizzlers. At the family picnic, members learned about Riverfest, signed up to volunteer at the Jaycee Beverage tent, and received their button for volunteering. The brand new Jaycee t-shirts have been finalized and ordered. They will be ready for Riverfest. And lastly, Riverfest setup took place on the fifth weekend of the month to prepare for the event in early July. The weather has been on and off, but we hope for great weather for Riverfest and the rest of the summer!



La Crosse Jaycee members volunteer at the 2013 Freedom Fest held at Veterans Field at UW-La Crosse on Saturday, June 15.



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JCI WI & US

Some upcoming state events:

- August 31—Pig Out Batter Up
Lake Geneva and Milwaukee
Email went out in May with information
- September 20-22—Mid Year Convention
Wausau
Click on image to right
- October 11-13—State Volleyball



JCTV Episode 12



JCI Wisconsin

Mid Year Convention
September 20-22, 2013



Howard Johnson Hotel
Wausau, WI
2101 N Mountain Road
1-800-928-7281

Rate: \$70/night for Standard King or Double Occupancy (plus taxes)

To ensure rate, book your rooms by August 20th

JCI Wisconsin Room Block

Schedule of Events
(Tentative)

<p><u>Friday, September 20 - HoJo's</u></p> <p>6-10:00 p.m. Registration 7-7:45 p.m. FAB Meeting 7:45-8:45 p.m. Exec. Board 8-9:00 p.m. Competitions 8:45-9:30 p.m. First Timers 9-12:00 a.m. Social Event</p> <p><u>Saturday, September 21 Morning</u></p> <p>Off Site-Westwood Conference Center 1800 Westwood Center Blvd</p> <p>8:15-8:40 a.m. Breakfast 8:30-9:00 a.m. Registration 9-Noon Training Forums 9-10:30 a.m. Senate Meeting 10:30-Noon Foundation Meeting 12-12:30 p.m. Lunch</p>	<p><u>Saturday, September 21 Afternoon</u></p> <p>Off Site-Westwood Conference Center 1800 Westwood Center Blvd</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Project Fair Set Up 12:45-1:15 p.m. Delegate Certification 1-1:45 p.m. Regional Caucuses 1-5 p.m. Project Fair 2-5 p.m. Corporation Meeting 6:15-7:15 p.m. 2013 Presidential Reception (By Invite from Pres Brian) 7-7:30 p.m. Cash bar Reception 7:30-8:30 p.m. Formal Awards Dinner 8:30-11:00 p.m. Year End Awards 11-12 midnight Social/Dance</p> <p><u>Sunday, September 22 HoJo's</u></p> <p>8-10:30 a.m. Training Forum</p>
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JCI Wisconsin Mission
"To provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change in Wisconsin."

Chapter T-Shirts

The shirts have been ordered. Recently, members voted on the front logo and back quote for the *Brand New* La Crosse Jaycee shirt. Members signed up for their shirt size at the family picnic and extras have been ordered to accommodate members who were unable to attend. Each shirt costs \$5 to purchase for members and the Chapter is covering the remaining cost. The shirts will be available for pick-up at RiverJacks on Tuesday, July 2 or at River-fest to be worn at all future Chapter projects to promote and show support for the Chapter. Remaining shirts will be on first come, first serve basis and will be available at the hall.



2013 Pitch Hit & Run State Champions at Miler Park

Our very own Kelly Goyette (second from the right) represented our Chapter and the State organization during the competition.



2013 Calendar of Events

<p><u>January</u></p> <p>5 Regional Training 6 Year End Banquet 12 Social at Varsity Club 14 TFT Appreciation Party 15 General Membership Mtg 22 Board Meeting</p>	<p><u>May</u></p> <p>1-4 – Nat'l Conference - STL 4 Pitch, Hit, & Run – Onal JCs 4 Wienerfest - Social 7 General Membership Mtg 11or18 Big Bikes for Little Tykes 21 General Membership Mtg 22 Pitch, Hit, & Run – LAX P&R 28 Board Meeting</p>	<p><u>September</u></p> <p>3 General Membership Mtg 7? End of Summer Bash 17 General Membership Mtg 22 Applefest Parade 20-22 Mid Year Convention - Wausau 24 Board Meeting (review POA) 26-30 Oktoberfest Apparel Booth Oktoberfest Socials</p>
<p><u>February</u></p> <p>1-3 Year End Convention (Milwaukee) 5 General Membership Mtg 9 Project Fair Potluck social 16 Brewfest (Manitowoc) 19 General Membership Mtg @ Stein Haus 26 Board Meeting</p>	<p><u>June</u></p> <p>4 General Membership Mtg 5-8 Nat'l Convention - Seattle 15 Freedom Fest 18 General Membership Mtg 25 Board Meeting (review POA) 29-30 Riverfest Set-up 30 OYA/OYW Nominations due TBD Family Picnic</p>	<p><u>October</u></p> <p>1-6 Oktoberfest Apparel Booth 1 General Membership Mtg 15 General Membership Mtg 21-27 Jaycees Week 22 Board Meeting 26 Thrill the World TBD State Volleyball</p>
<p><u>March</u></p> <p>2Polar Plunge 5 General Membership Mtg 9 Southside Pubcrawl 12 Project Fair Results Mtg 16 St Patty's Day Parade/Social/Bags Tourney 19 General Membership Mtg/New Member Orientation @ JavaVino 26 Board Meeting (review POA)</p>	<p><u>July</u></p> <p>2 General Membership Mtg 3-6 Riverfest 15 Mid Year Awards Due 16 General Membership Mtg 23 Board Meeting TBD Thunder Ride</p>	<p><u>November</u></p> <p>2 JCI WI Brew Bash - Appleton 2 TFT Barrel Delivery 5 General Mem. Mtg & Elections 9 Rotary Lights 19 General Membership Mtg 26 Board Meeting TFT Toy Drive – LaX Center</p>
<p><u>April</u></p> <p>2 General Membership Mtg 16 General Membership Mtg 19 Bowl For Kids Sake 20 Neighbor's Day 23 Board Meeting 27 Indoor Olympics (Manitowoc) 27 Beer, Wine, & Cheese Fest 30 Fifth Tuesday Social</p>	<p><u>August</u></p> <p>2 Relay for Life 6 General Membership Mtg 9-11 Irishfest 20 General Membership Mtg 27 Board Meeting Ona Community Days Kornfest TBD Punt, Pass, Kick</p>	<p><u>December</u></p> <p>3 General Membership Mtg 7 TFT Give Away Day 10 Mixed Board Meeting (rv POA) 14 Second Half Awards due 17 General Membership Mtg 17 Christmas Potluck OTS/Holiday Party</p>