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From Your President Crystal Hegg

with Jaycees from across the state...maybe even from across the country or beyond our borders!

Hello Fellow Jaycees!

As we kick off the summer season I know some of you are bummed by the lack of good weather, but don't despair, we are finding lots of ways to have fun. After a VERY successful Sandbox Fill on June 7th, I know many area children are enjoying their outside time even more. A big "THANK YOU" and fantastic job goes out to Kelli Hasbrouck for a great job chairing that.



We are deep into water carnival season and need everyone's help to make this year just as successful as ever. I want to send a GREAT BIG thanks to Will and Carolyn Fisher for chairing the Water Carnival this year and to all the sub-chairs. You are doing a fabulous job and I can't wait to see all the planning take shape when we open on July 2nd. Your dedication is inspiring and I know everyone will have a great time.

We are also gearing up for County Fair, Dragonboat Races and Relay for Life. Look for more information on those upcoming projects. When you're looking for info on what's up with the Jaycees, don't forget to check out our website and our Myspace pages. The calendars are updated regularly and that's the easiest way to see at a glance what is coming up. Speaking of coming up, we will have several special visitors attending the Water Carnival this year and it is a great time to come out and work a little while getting to mingle

We have several work nights and planning meetings coming up as well so please check your e-mails for dates and times. Some of the larger projects such as Oktoberfest, Haunted House and next year's Fishing Tournament need to get started as soon as possible so if you are interested in any of those and would like to help out and be involved in the planning, please let me know. We are always in need of chairpersons willing to step up and we will work with you through the process.

As always I would like to stress that this is a chapter made up entirely of members who felt the need to do something for their community or just wanted to get involved in something fun. It will only continue to thrive and work if we have all its members getting involved in some way or pitching in where they can. I have said it many times. This is YOUR chapter, and only you can decide how successful you'd like it to be and what part you will play in that success. Please let us know if you have any questions, or if there is something you have an interest in, but we may not be involved in. We are always looking for fresh ideas and new projects and any suggestions you might have. This is your year to make your mark on this chapter. What will your mark be? There is still time to find out.

With Jaycee Pride,
Crystal Hegg
75th President
"Make Your Mark"

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Management Development

Hello Jaycees!

There is still a lot to do for the upcoming Water Carnival and we have some planning meetings and even some training coming up. Beltrami County Fair is coming up July 30th through August 3rd. Unfortunately this is the same weekend as the Dragon Boat Races so we will need lots of members to help fill both projects.

On July 15th we will be holding both the Mid-Year review and a CPG training. The review will give us a chance to go over what we have left for the year both in projects and financially. The CPG or Chairman's Planning Guide training will go over what projects we have run this quarter and which ones still need the paperwork done. This is a great opportunity to better understand the planning process and have experienced Jaycees help walk you through the paperwork end. It is a skill you can apply to almost any business or event. We hope to see you there.

If you have any questions please contact President Crystal.

Beltrami County Fair

July 30 – Aug. 6

The annual Great Beltrami County Get-Together is just around the corner and we think we should get you involved! What fun is watching an event at the grandstand without something to snack on? The Jaycees will be manning the concession area during the main shows at the grandstand each night. Contact President Crystal if you're interested in this fun summertime event!

64th Annual Water Carnival July 2 – 6

By the time you are reading this, the tent should already be up and the carnival is set to get going just hours from now! All the Water Carnival info you can handle is located on its own page! Read on...

NEXT MEET: Carnival Starts Wed!

Community Development

Hello Jaycees!

Summer is the best time of year for community projects. The nice weather gets everyone feeling good and it's a great opportunity to get out in the area and get involved. Water Carnival is uppermost on everyone's minds, but let's not forget all the other activities going on. Dragon Boat Races are being held on August 1st and 2nd this year, so we are looking for members that would like to be on the Jaycee rowing team. If you're interested please contact President Crystal.

The annual Relay for Life is being held on August 8th at the Beltrami County Fairgrounds this year. We are looking into holding a "Night at the Movies" booth at the event and will need members to help make and serve popcorn, refreshments, candy, etc. We are still in the planning process so if you are interested let us know. The event runs all night and we can use any help we can get.

Congratulations to Kelli Hasbrouck for a successful Sandbox Fill, and Craig Harvey for organizing the Graduation Night gaming at the seniors' party. The baseball skills competition, Pitch, Hit and Run, only had 3 kids attending but we still had a great time. Thank you to the Bemidji Mudcats for helping us out with that.

There are always fun things to do around the community, especially at this time of year. Please help us out where you can and keep in mind that most community projects are family friendly and what better way to teach your family about charity, and the importance of helping others, than by getting involved in your community. Please contact us at any time with any questions, concerns or suggestions. Thanks for all your Jaycee and Community spirit!

Sandbox Fill

If you have been noticing the elaborate sand castle villages around the Bemidji area lately, chances are you can trace them back to our own Kelli Hasbrouck! She ran a

magnificent project and with help from the Bemidji Civil Air Patrol, she and her crew trucked in enough sand to create the first Minnesota desert. Congratulations to Kelli for a wonderfully run project and to the Civil Air Patrol and everyone else who showed up for their help!

3rd Annual
Dragonboat Races
Aug. 1 & 2

The sound of that beat-drum is echoing in our ears once again as the big sail-less regatta is just a month away! Have you been working on those muscle-y bods of yours, getting ripped so that you can serve as our dragon boat's engine? Darn it people, hit that chin-up bar! This is the perfect opportunity to impress that "special person" and show them how big 'n bad you are! Contact President Crystal for more information and we'll see you at the races!

NEXT MEET: Practices TBA

Relay For Life
Aug. 8

The annual walk against cancer event has a new home this year! It has moved to the Beltrami County Fairgrounds and the Jaycees are ready to handle the move with no problems. Like the other participants, the Jaycees will have a booth at the premises to help raise additional funds for the American Cancer Society. We are still floating around some ideas, but a "drive-in" movie theatre has been suggested. Any other ideas, contact President Crystal!

2nd Annual
Oktoberfest Bemidji
Oct. 3 & 4

We have had a few preliminary meetings through May and June but things have been in a holding pattern until the Water Carnival is over. Downtown Bemidji will once again become the New Ulm of the North this fall and we want you to come, lederhosen or not, and help us out while having some fun! Keep your eye on the Jaycees' MySpace page (see address on the last page) for meeting announcements!

NEXT MEET: TBA

Haunted House

It's been quite a few years since the Jaycees have been able to scare the bejesus out of unsuspecting locals at the Woolen Mills warehouse. The main reason for the lull in screams has been the inability to find a suitable location. If you have any site ideas, contact President Crystal. We are throwing around some alternate ideas ranging from an old-style Halloween party to a corn maze. If you have any ideas to contribute and return the family fun and terror to Bemidji this October, please let us know!

NEXT MEET: Lets hope there IS one!

ICE FISHING DERBY
FEB 7 (TENTATIVE DATE)

We are looking to return this occasionally annual event to Lake Bemidji for 2009! Last year's event never got too far off the ground due to lack of ice (at the time) but this year we will dump refrigerators into the lake if that's what it takes to cool those waters in time! Kevin Hegg has quite gallantly (read: been forced at knife-point) stepped-up to chair next year's gala. We are now confirming the date as to make sure that it does not interfere with other similar events in Park Rapids and the Brainerd Extravaganza. Stay tuned, anglers!

NEXT MEET: TBA

Individual Development

Will Fisher
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Hello Jaycees!

Summer is here, time to have some fun in the sun! Speaking of fun, convention is coming up real soon. I need your help to fill all the areas of competitions. That means the hand will be going into the Challenge Bucket once again. Put your wild and crazy suggestions in the bucket (within good taste). I will reach in and reveal the crazy thing I must do. So, if you want to have some fun, help me fill all competitions to help out the chapter in the process.

The topics for Speak-Up and Write-Up are **1)** As a Jaycee I am never alone, **2)** Believe in yourself and others will follow, and **3)** There is no day but today. If you or anyone you know has the gift for writing or knows how to speak with on topics given to them. Maybe you just need to brush-up on your skills! By all means, get to convention to compete and have fun.

Need a Debate team as well, a three person team to go head-to-head against another chapter on a totally random subject. It is quite a challenge, having the ability to be able to voice your opinion, and get the point across, is something everyone needs. Two speakers and one coach is all you need. The other areas are the interview/portfolio, where you place all your activities of your Jaycee career for the year in a book. Then at convention, you are interviewed. This will be going on at Fall-All State and Annual to see who will go on to Nationals.

I need someone for the Brownfield, a first year Jaycees, and among our, Jaycee family. To get me to something outrageous, we have to complete all positions. I've done it

before, so I am waiting to see what is next.

We are still having our socials before the General Membership Meetings, so come out mingle with the rest of the Jaycee family. In June, we had the BBQ at the beach a cook-out at the new Diamond Point Park. If you have a great idea for a social, don't keep to yourself, let us know. Socials start at 6:00pm, share those awesome ideas for all to enjoy.

- Having fun for yourself is a good thing!
- Having fun to make your neighbor smile will brighten their day!
- Having fun to make the world smile will make a brighter place for us all!

- Will Fisher
2008 Individual Development V-P
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Membership Development



Kelli Hasbrouck
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Ms Hasbrouck was delayed from her Sasquatch hunting trip and therefore unable to send-in her monthly heart-felt message to her fellow Jaycees. So her editor has followed-through on his promise to publish embarrassing pictures of all those tardy department authors! Head's up for the August issue! Kelli's editor is willing to bet that her article will be in time next month!

Love,
Kelli's Editor
"Capt. Fantastic"

Just A Reminder...

It's something new that has been the talk of the chapter recently; our New Team Concept! Lots of questions have been asked and what better place than to answer them as best as possible!

What is this? It's been nicknamed "Me and My Gang" and it is a way to encourage active membership and to get projects the involvement they deserve. Really, it's a glorified calling tree. Each board member has a team consisting of members and when help is needed, that board member, or captain, calls their members in an effort to mobilize them.

What is the benefit? Aside from the obvious, active membership and projects with the man-power to run them, there are also incentives. Depending on the level of activity, points are awarded to the team. They can be awarded for acts as simple as attending a Jaycee event all the way up to chairing an event. At the end of the year, the team with the most points wins an all expense paid trip to one of Neptune's moons! Well, okay we're still working on the reward but we do have some great ideas floating around. The teams themselves are listed here.

This is something that we all hope can get some juices flowing and get our membership a bit more active! If you have any other ideas that you would like to see for membership socials or projects please contact me.

- Kelli Hasbrouck

Membership Development VP

Me and My Gang Teams

Al Zutz - Team Ramrod

Molly Rucinski, Jerry Hemstad, Deb Hemstad, April Bohlman, Dave Smith, Tony Todavich, Matt Hemstad, Scott Kurtzweg, Liz Oxenreider, Brian Bissonette, Rich Blomberg, Dan Voss, Doug Fuller, Ronna Campbell and Danielle Stittsworth

Kelli Hasbrouck - Kelli's Peep's

Char Blashill, Scott Anderson, Abigail Johnson, Amy Winkelman, Jake Stoutenburgh, Philip Dorman, Dawn Palmer, Samantha Rich, Mareike Stoutenburgh, John Lyman, Scott Finnegan, Todd Merriam, Mandy Gazelka, Don Heinonen and Leslie Heinonen

Will Fisher - Fisher's Frozen Fishstix

Carolyn Fisher, Kristi Albright, Connie Olafson, Corey Stittsworth, Diana Stittsworth, Russ Hiltz, Tim Kunz, Jeffery Campbell II, Chris Vacek, Mychal Stittsworth, Auna Brule, Sandy Lewis, Joleee Wackerfuss, Janna Schiltz and Wayne Yoemans

Dave Geiger - Captain Fantastic & His Legion Of...

Nathan Preuss, Tonya Sandbo, Ken Roff, Ross Ladehoff, Dan Jaycox, Jason Rylander, Wanda Roff, Jerilynn Fuller, Jessica Evenson, Jeff D'Albani, Liz Sorenson, Steve North, Bill Batchelder, Everette Johnson and Lisa Johnson

Team Super Monkey Bowel Strong Grip

Dean Behnke, Ashley Lossing, Ryan Sorenson, Melissa Stokes, Tony Lossing, Michelle Johnson, Kevin Hegg, Shawn Rutledge, Karen Gannetta, Cathy Yoemans, Elizabeth Edwards, Carol Ann Peterson, Stephanie Anderson, Allen Swedmark and Doris Swedmark

The Super-Secret Yet Un-named Stealth Team

Jennifer Sanford, Bill Sanford, Jason Benton, Valerie Benton, Tina Gehrke, Becky Hiltz, Becca Wold, Craig Baker, Steve Sovde, Darwin Bohlman, Craig Harvey, Jamie Knutson, Susan Anderson, Tony Baker and David Wold

* **Some** members may not yet be placed on a team, so please do not cry if you do not appear as part of a team. Just contact Kelli, beg and plead to be included and you will probably get your wish!

Attention Shoppers!

As most of you know, we purchased a brand new trailer to store and haul our Water Carnival entertainment tent. This year will be the last that we pull that tent out of the old blue tent trailer. Therefore we now need to find a new home for it. We will be accepting sealed bids from any who wish to purchase the blue trailer. You must send your bid along with your name and contact information to the address below. The bid must be postmarked no later than July 1st and you must pick up the trailer no later than July 7th. It is being sold as is. There are no brakes, and no electrical, and its dimensions are 26' X 7 ½ X 6. If you have any other questions please contact us at 218-444-4401. The highest bidder will be notified on the 3rd. Bemidji Jaycees
Attn: Trailer Bid
PO Box 293
Bemidji, MN 56619



The Very Special Page for the 64th Annual Water Carnival



A Note From Your
Co-Chairs
Will & Carolyn Fisher



ITS FINALLY HERE!!!!

Please come down and help us out!
We'll see you at the carnival!

Your Co-Chairs,
Will (218)209-0921
Carolyn (218)209-0772

Final Schedule

Wed. 6/25- Tent Set-up 4 PM
Thu. 6/26- Tent Set-up (alt.) 4 PM
Mon. 6/30- Under Tent Set-Up 5:30 PM
Tue. 7/1- More Under tent Prep 5:30 PM

Wed 7/2- Merriam's Midway 5 PM
Bingo 5 PM
Entertainment Tent 5 PM
Band- **Fireline** 8:30 PM

Thu. 7/3- Merriam's Midway Noon
Bingo 5 PM
Entertainment Tent 5 PM
Show Choir 5 PM
Band- **Haz Beenz** 8:30 PM
Singled Out 9:30 PM

Fri. 7/4- Merriam's Midway Noon
Bingo Noon
Craft Fair Noon
Pie Eat Contest 3 PM
Twinkie Contest 3:30 PM
Entertainment Tent 4 PM
Band- **Fusion** 8:30 PM
Fireworks! Dusk

Sat. 7/5- Kid's Run Regist. 9 AM
Craft Fair 9 AM
Kiddie Parade 11 AM
Kid's Lunch Noon
Merriam's Midway Noon
Bingo Noon
Water Ski Show 3 PM
Entertainment Tent 4 PM
Button Winner 5 PM
Band- **Power Play** 8:30 PM

Sun. 7/6- Grand Parade Reg. 10 AM
Craft Show 10 AM
Merriam's Midway Noon
Bingo Noon
Grand Parade 1 PM
Parade Awards 3 PM
Family Events 4 PM
Entertainment Tent 4 PM
Bemidji Area Band 7 PM
Band- **Pelican Railroad** 8:30 PM

Mon. 7/7- Break-down All Day
Tent Take-down 5 PM

Upcoming Calendar

7/2 – 6- 64th Annual Water Carnival
7/7- Board Meeting 7PM at Jaycees Office
7/15- Mid-Year Review 7PM at Jaycee Office
7/22- General Meeting 7PM at T Juan's
7/30 – 8/3- Beltrami County Fair
8/1 – 2- Dragon Boat Races

Check Us Out!

Did you know that the Bemidji Jaycees have a webpage? Yeah! We've been kicked into the 21st Century! Log-on and see:

www.bemidjijaycees.org

We've also entered the Generation Y landscape called MySpace! The best part is you don't need to have a MySpace account of your own to access it, but it does help in order to see ALL of it.

www.myspace.com/bemidjijaycees

We're looking professional now complete with a downtown Bemidji office! You should swing by during one of our meetings, see it and say hello! Its where our board and other meetings are held.

522 Beltrami Ave. #20 (its downstairs)

Our general membership meetings are held every third Tuesday at [T Juan's Restaurant and Cantina](#). *However*, the July general meeting has been **moved to the 22nd!!!** Anybody and everybody are welcome to attend!