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The Bemidji Jaycee's Quarterly Newsletter

June 25, 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRI - WED
June 29 – July 4
Water Carnival
Paul Bunyan Waterfront & Sanford

TUESDAY
July 10 at Bemidji Jaycees Office
6:00pm
International Priority Project Dinner
6:30pm
Board of Directors Meeting

TUESDAY
July 17 at Bemidji Bowl
6:00pm
June Social: Who's that frog?
6:30pm
General Membership Meeting
After Meeting
July Social: Independence Day

WED - SAT
August 1 – 4
Dragon Boat Festival
Paul Bunyan Waterfront
Race on Saturday

WED - SUN
August 8 - 12
Beltrami County Fair
Fairgrounds

WATER CARNIVAL

Hello fellow Jaycees!!

We are only a few days away from the kick off of the 74th Annual Bemidji Jaycees Water Carnival!!! Things are going to be busy, busy, busy!!

We start off on Friday, June 29th at 4pm, with a soft opening and an ID College. The Individual Development College is a training that will help perfect your beer pouring skills, how to tell when someone has had too much to drink, how to check ID's and wristbands, and also serves as a social to kick everything off!

We have several amazing bands throughout the week, they start nightly at 9pm. There are also fun events happening throughout the week at various times in and around the tent!!

A few special events to note are:

- Saturday Kiddie events starting at 9am
- Sunday Hockey Day MN Breakfast starting at 8am
- Monday Evening the Junior Jaycees Color Run at 5pm
- Wednesday July 4th Warrior March at 11am

There are many other events running over the week, as well! We would love to see all of you there! For more times and information, please check out the Bemidji Jaycees Facebook Page, Active Members group or www.bemidjijaycees.com.

-- In Jaycee Spirit,

Billy Benso & Carrie Johnson
74th Annual Water Carnival Chairman

Pitch, Hit & Run

Our chapter participated in the Pitch, Hit & Run competition this year. Participants compete in either the Baseball Division or Softball Division and have the opportunity to advance through four levels of competition including Locals, Sectionals, Team Championships and the National Finals during MLB All-Star Week.

We hosted local competitions on May 5th with 13 kids attending and sectional competitions on May 26th with 34 kids attending. The winners in each age group were offered a spot to compete at the MLB Team Championship, held at Target Field in Minneapolis on June 24th.

National Finalists will receive an all-expense paid trip to MLB All-Star Week. Finalists will participate in an array of festivities upon arrival, including competing on-field prior to shagging fly balls during the Home Run Derby!

Results can be found at www.MLB.com.

In Jaycee Pride.

Sage Rojas
Bemidji Jaycee Member
BOD member

Dragon Boat Festival 2018

I am happy to announce that the Bemidji Jaycees are sponsors for the 13th annual Lake Bemidji Dragon Boat Festival, which will be held August 1st – 4th.

As sponsors, we get to have our very own team! We are looking for paddlers to participate in the race on Saturday, August 4th. Race times TBA.

We are also in need of a creative team name. If you have ideas, please send them to joshua.peterson7@gmail.com.

The 13th Annual Lake Bemidji Dragon Boat Festival features four days of fun for the entire family. Festival activities include great food, music, kid's activities, a parade of teams, cultural performances, camaraderie, and much more all along the shores of beautiful Lake Bemidji.

Please join us in competing or spectating & cheering us on!

In Jaycee Pride,

Amber Hynes
VP-Public Relations

The Lakes Area Dive Team recently received a $1,000 donation from the Bemidji Jaycees. The check was presented on Monday, June 18, 2018 at Paul Bunyan Park in Bemidji. Presenting the check is Bemidji Jaycee President Becky Kummet, left. Pictured on behalf of the Lakes Area Dive Team is Dan Carlson, right.

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Wow, has the first half of the year been busy!

Our chapter has continued to grow, we have been recognized at the state level for all of our paperwork that goes along with our projects. We also received Gold Chapter of the State of Minnesota at 4 continuous conventions. Then we can discuss how the chapter has helped our community, from the Brrrmidji Plunge, Youth Sports Competition to the Home, Sport & Travel Show to name a few that have happened so far this year.

We will soon be looking forward to voting in officers for next year's board members, make sure to come and check out a meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at Bemidji Bowl.

It has been a very busy year and I look forward to the new projects and returning favorites yet to come this year.

So, we look forward to seeing you at projects, come and join the fun this summer.

~In Jaycee Pride,

Becky Kummet
86th President
Bemidji Jaycees 2018