

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, July 19
Jaycees General Membership Meeting
6:30pm

Tuesday, August 2
Board of Directors Meeting
6:00pm

Wed. & Thur., August 3 & 4
Dragon Boat Practice
6:00pm

Saturday, August 6
Dragon Boat Races
All Day

August 10- 14
Bemidji Jaycees Beer Garden
Wed.-Sat. 3pm-Midnight; Sun. 11am-3pm

Tuesday, August 16
Jaycees General Membership Meeting
6:30pm

Tuesday, August 23
First City of Lights Planning Meeting
6:00pm Office

Tuesday, September 6
Board of Directors Meeting
6:00pm

Hello Fellow Jaycees!

I just wanted to thank you all for a wonderful start to my year. I had always hoped to be President someday and I really appreciate all YOU do in this chapter. I may have set high goals for this chapter and myself for the year, but with the talented group of individuals that we have I think that we can accomplish them all.

It was great seeing everyone at the 72nd Bemidji Jaycees Water Carnival and a big thank you to all those who came out to help! We have General Membership Meetings every month and various other small projects that are coming up. Of course, in September we have our Fall All State Convention where we get together with other chapters around the state and celebrate our achievements together. If you are interested in going, please contact our State Delegate, Eva Fisher. We are a never-ending group, always moving, growing and doing amazing things for our community and individuals.

I had mentioned before and I hope to fulfill this goal but I would like to meet each and every one of our members, sometime throughout the course of my year. So, if you see me out and about come up and say, "Hi!" I hope you are all fulfilling your hopes and dreams as well, so keep on keepin' on! Have a great summer and again, Thank you!

In Jaycee Pride,

Twila Bolte
84th President
Bemidji Jaycees 2016
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Public Relations VP

Hello to all my fellow Jaycee friends out there, my name is Josh Peterson and I am honored to be serving as your Public Relations Vice President for 2016. Being apart of this organization is a childhood dream. Now that the year is half over, I look back at all we have done and accomplished as a group.

This organization describes a lot about me as a person. As a kid growing up in Bemidji, I have seen this city go through many changes. Some good, some bad. However, one thing that has not changed is the dedication of the Bemidji Jaycees to make our community and our state a better place for everyone.

This organization stood up and single-handedly saved Christmas for the City of Bemidji. And, for myself, has fulfilled a childhood dream to some day chair Water Carnival also. I was truly blessed to have so many awesome committee members and a truly amazing Co- Chariman Missy Malone who was there along side me every step of the way. The Water Carnival Committee did an exceptional job leading the way in all their specific areas. A huge thank you goes out to Nicole McKinnon-Crenshaw for her awesome job running family day, RandiSu Tanem and Jackie Wolden for the incredible job running the entertainemnt tent, Crystal Hegg for stepping up and doing an amazing job running our headquarters, Char Blashill for being my swiffer and creating our new human foosball event as well as managing our fireworks display, Sarah Schmidt for her hard work with the medallion hunt and putting together all of our Water Carnival swag, and Brittany Green for her awesome job managing our parade. A huge Water Carnival thank you also goes out to Brad & Eva Fisher and Ryan Thomas for spending the past year collecting, prepping, and hauling our many pontoons.

Looking to our next major event, we are already thinking about Christmas. Our first First City of Lights meeting will be August 23, at 6:00pm, in the Jaycee office. If you have ideas for the 20th Annual Night We Light please plan on attending the meeting. I am excited to be chairing this event again for its special anniversary and I have some big ideas!

I have now been a Bemidji Jaycee for two full years and, in that time, I have learned many things and have built long lasting partnerships and friendships. I only see great things happening for our organization and continuing growth within by reaching out to areas in our community we haven't touched and by engaging our city to join us and help make Bemidji the shining star city of Minnesota.

We Are Jaycee Strong!

Josh Peterson

2016 Public Relations Vice President

In Jaycee Pride