

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### September 2

Board of Directors Meeting  
Jaycees office - 6PM

### September 8

Lakeland Public Television Pledge Drive  
LPTV Studio

### September 9

Haunted House Planning Meeting  
Peanut Room, Cattails - 5:30PM

### September 12-14

Fall Convention

### September 13



Punt, Pass & Kick  
BSU - 9AM

### September 16

Sept. General Membership Meeting  
Peanut Room, Cattails - 6PM

Greetings!

Let me take this opportunity to let you all know that you're all doing a fine job! Our next general membership meeting is September 16th, and I hope you'll join us.

Speaking of meetings, we have a new meeting place. Due to conflicts at the Elks Lodge, our meeting location has changed effective with this month's meeting. We will now be congregating in the Peanut Room at Cattails. The day and time hasn't changed, we will still meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.

Without giving away any surprises, we'll be electing a new board, who, most notably, won't be me.

Don't forget to like us on Facebook for all the latest Jaycee news, visit our website at [www.bemidji-jaycees.com](http://www.bemidji-jaycees.com), and get updates via our text club by texting bemidji-jc to 77948.

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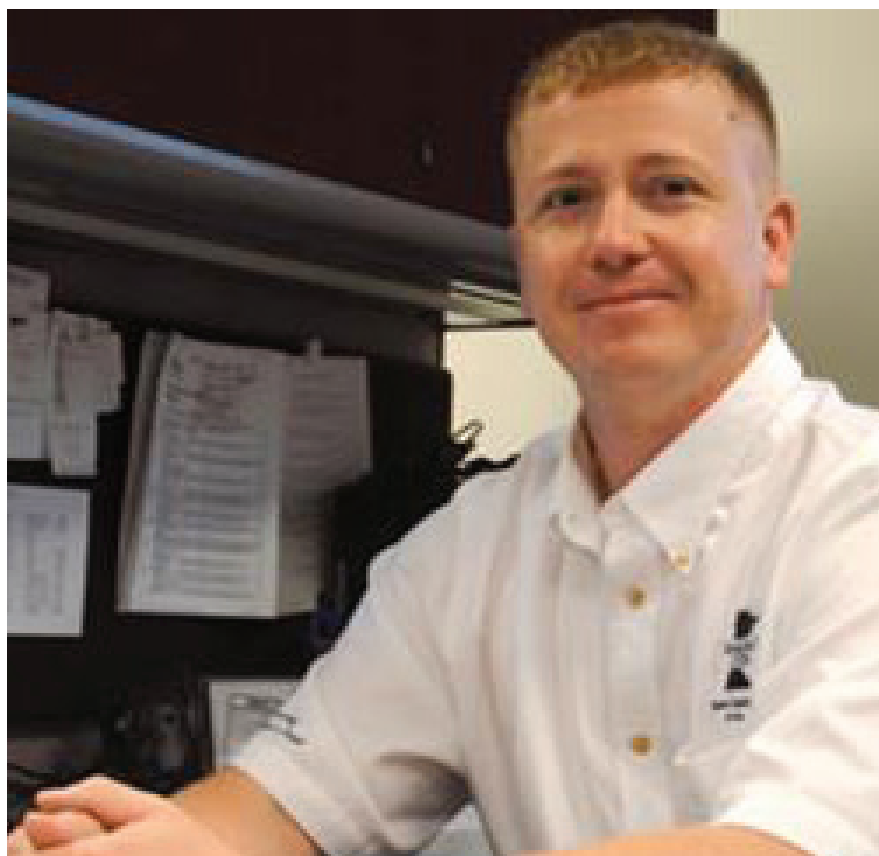
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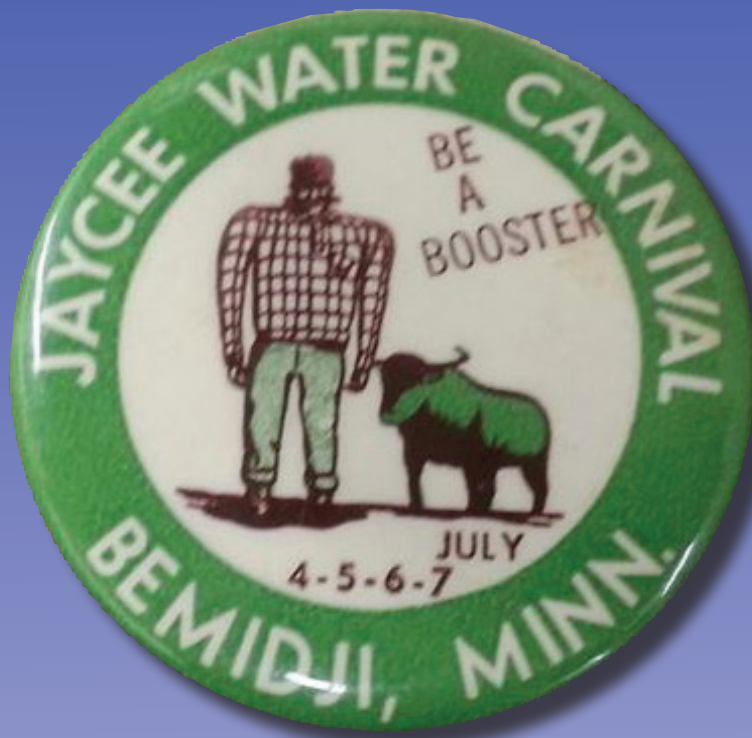
Meet Brian Ophus, one of this year's Ten Outstanding Young Minnesotans, nominated by the Bemidji Jaycees! Brian started helping veterans through his Wounded Warrior Guide Service, a nonprofit he started to take veterans into the outdoors for recreational therapy.

## INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

Hello Bemidji Jaycees! I am so happy to see that many of you have been turning in your degree information online. Keep up the good work! I am equally excited to see how many people have been interested in competitions. I hope we have a few compete in Jeopardy at convention. (Hint, hint)

Also, thank you to everyone that has supported my many events in the past few months, from the socials to the record breaking Water Carnival we all just put on! You are all an amazing group of people and I am very proud to be part of this amazing organization! Thank you for your continued support and I hope you have an amazing end to your summer!

*Twila Bolte ~ Individual Development VP*



The 1957 Bemidji Jaycees Water Carnival button has found its way home to the Bemidji Collection of Bill Batchelder, courtesy of 3rd generation summer residents Sammie and Larry McConkey of Kerville, TX. The button collection is on display at Bemidji Woolen Mills.

## PUBLIC RELATIONS

Fellow Jaycees, we are in need of some help! Due to the continued development of the south shore of Lake Bemidji, we are no longer able to launch our 4th of July fireworks show from land. We are in great need of 6-8 pontoons, donated, that can be stripped down to their platforms to form a launching pad that we can put on the water. If you have one, or know of someone who has one, please contact Char Blashill at 218-766-4258.

We will be lending our services to Lakeland Public Television's annual pledge drive on Monday, September 8, from 7-10pm, so be sure to watch for us and call in with your pledge to our local public television station!

Also, any Jaycees that are in town on September 13 and not attending convention, we would love your help at this year's Punt Pass and Kick contest, starting at 9am at BSU.

*In Jaycee Spirit ~ Stacey Bahr, Public Relations VP*



Well done, Carrie Johnson, on a successful Beltrami County Fair Beer Garden! This was Carrie's first time chairing a project.



The Jaycees recently presented Courtney Gifford a check for \$1,100, to benefit the future Paul Bunyan Inclusive Playground. The donation was made possible by proceeds from the 2014 Sandbox Fill and a recent Facebook "likes" campaign.

*In Jaycee Pride*



## JAYCEE CREED

### WE BELIEVE:

That faith in God gives meaning  
and purpose to human life;

That the brotherhood of man tran-  
scends the sovereignty of nations;

That economic justice can best  
be won by free men through free  
enterprise;

That government should be of  
laws rather than men;

That earth's greatest treasure lies  
in human personality;

And that service to humanity is  
the best work of life.

- C. William Brownfield



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