

# LAPORTE JAYCEES TWISTER

## March 2009

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

I continue to be excited about our chapter and all that we do and am looking forward to working with each of you this year. As always please remember to mention the Jaycees to your friends and coworkers that you think might be interested in our organization. We all benefit from the variety of ideas and backgrounds that new members bring with them. If anyone has any suggestions for the board please feel free to talk to us at any time.

Thank you all for the people who have attended events in January and February. The new member participation at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July meeting was overwhelming. I would like to thank everyone who came to the 2009 Installation Banquet. The Awards Installation Banquet was a blast and I wanted to thank Sarah Poe and Joy Zigler for all the hard work to put it together. Congrats to the Year End Award winners. I am looking forward to a great 2009!

March is beginning to be a busy month. Some of the events include our Jaycee General Membership Meeting, March Membership Appreciation Night, and Jaycee 4<sup>th</sup> of July Meeting. April is proving to be even busier: Easter Bunny Pictures, Easter Egg Hunt, Port-A-Pit, and the Jaycees First Pancake Breakfast. Please stay tuned for more information on these events to follow.

We are well on our way of accomplishing our goals for this year. So congratulations LaPorte Jaycees, we are well on our way of having a fantastic year. Keep up the great work!

Have a safe and Happy St. Patrick's Day

*Learn, Lead, Succeed!*

Dawn Zigler, 2009 President



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The LaPorte Jaycees would like to take the opportunity to welcome new members

**Eric and Jillian Pointon** to our chapter!!

# **SUPERBOWL BASH WRAP UP**

I would like to thank all those who came to help and support the Super Bowl Dance. A special thanks to Sarah Poe and all her efforts that are greatly appreciated and to Joy Zigler and Metro Beverages for decorations and give-a-ways.

We once again experienced the kindness of community support; we value WalMart, Barney's, General Insurance, and Krogers for their kind donations toward this event. Along with Joy, Sarah, and I, Ron Lewis, and Tony and Bethani Morris helped fill all those jell-o shots that multiplied in numbers outside the door the entire night.

The Point'n Fingers Band once again put on some great entertainment for all Jaycees, friends and family that attended. Hope everyone had a great time.

Thanks, Angie Moser.



## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

The following member celebrates a birthday in February

**Lori Gerken**

## **BEACH BOWLING**

It's time to think about SUMMER!!!! We will be hosting our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Beach Bowling Bash on April 4<sup>th</sup> @ Casey's Lanes. Registration will be at 11:00am and bowling will begin at 12:00pm. Teams of 4 will bowl 3 games. 1st game will be regular bowling, 2<sup>nd</sup> game will be 9 pin, no tap and 3<sup>rd</sup> game will consist of various, fun skill shots. You do not have to be a good bowler to participate. This event is for everyone!! We will have lots of prizes, music, raffles and more. Dress in your favorite beachwear, grass shirt or coconut bra (Kayde)!! The cost is

\$48.00 per team which includes your bowling, shoes & goodies.

All proceeds will be going towards the scholarship fund and Easter egg hunt.

You can sign up at Casey's lanes or call Joy @ 325-3495.

# 2008 LAPORTE JAYCEES YEAR END AWARDS

The following awards were presented at the **2009 Awards Banquet** which was held on Friday, February 20.

Award of Excellence for Phone calls –Jackie Ohime

Project of the year for Deserving Children’s Shopping Tour – Bethani Morris

Project of the Year for Deserving Children’s Shopping Tour – Joy Zigler

David L Rumely JR Memorial KeymanAward – Joy Zigler

Exhausted Rooster Award – Sean Phillips

CJA – Suzie Miley

Officer of the year – Sarah Poe

Officer of the Year –Kayde Darnell

Rookie of the year –Rachel Weaver

Award of Excellence – 4<sup>th</sup> Dignitaries – Craig Menne

Award of Excellence – Flyover – Ashley Knoll

Award of Excellence – VIP Tent – Tonya Combs Thompson

New Project of the Year – Christmas Cards for the Troops and State Convention – Beth West

Chairman of the Year – 2008 Easter Egg Blizzard Hunt – Courtney Cerajewski

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Golden Plunger Award - Jeff Weston

## 2008 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester IN JAYCEES STATE AWARDS

Top 5 Sarah Poe #1 Top area – Individual Development Year To Date Growth

6 New Member Ads – Kayde and Sarah Poe

3<sup>rd</sup> parade of Chapters

Outstanding Project –Deserving Children’s Shopping Tour – Joy and Bethani

Outstanding Supporter – Roof Sit Committee LaPorte

## 2008 IN JAYCEES STATE Year-End Awards

Jonathon D. Stiller Memorial Award – Beth West (Outstanding State Director)

Fourth Place Parade of Chapters

Best Website – Cathy Homan

Best Newsletter – Angie Moser

15 New Member Ads – Kayde Darnell and Sarah Poe

YTD Growth – LaPorte

Joseph P. Craven Memorial Award - Dawn Zigler (Outstanding Local President)

## **PORT-A-PIT**

Well it is that time of year again! It is time to fire up the Nelson's Port-A-Pit cooker. We will be holding our annual Post Easter Egg Hunt Port-A-Pit chicken sale on Saturday, April 11, 2009 at Kabelin's West. Pick-up will be from 10am-2:30pm (pre-sale pick-up will be from 10am-12:30pm). We will be offering the traditional chicken at \$5.00 per half, and we are doing the ribs again this year for \$10.00 per slab (there are rib pre-sale tickets this year). In addition, we will be offering a new product, Pit-tatoes, for \$3.00 per serving.

This is usually a decent moneymaker for us and all we have to do is make sure we pre-sell, and then go stand in front of Kabelin's and hand out chicken and ribs while the Nelson's guy does the hard part.

Please make sure to pre-sell!!!!

Tickets are available from me, provided they haven't all been handed out by the time you see this article.

I would like to have the tickets and money by Wednesday, April 1, 2009. If you have any questions please call me at: 219-608-7028 or e-mail me at: [jwmeyers141@hotmail.com](mailto:jwmeyers141@hotmail.com).

Also, if everyone could start saving your plastic grocery bags and bring them the day of, it would be greatly appreciated. Look forward to see you all on April 11.

Josh Meyers

## **EASTER BUNNY PICTURES**

We will be doing Easter Bunny pictures at Krogers on April 4, 5, and 11 from 11am-3pm in the Floral Dept. We will be charging \$5 a picture with the bunny and the pictures will come in a folder. This project will take 3 people per day. One to dress as Easter Bunny, one to take the pictures, and one to develop and put in the folder. Please let me know when you would be able to help on the dates! It should be a fun time.

Kayde Darnell

## **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

We will be having our first ever pancake breakfast on April 18 at the Kingsford Heights Community Center from 7am-noon. We have one co-chair, but I'm looking for another to assist. Please keep that date open on your calendars. We will need a bunch of people to help with this project.

Kayde Darnell

# MARCH MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION NIGHT

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The LaPorte Jaycees have great things planned for '09 and we want you to celebrate with us! You are invited as a valued Jaycee member, future member, or friend and family supporter to join us on Saturday, March 14 at Casey's Lanes for our March Membership Appreciation Night.

Put your green on and get ready for fun! We will be meeting at 8:00 pm for cocktail and food specials. "The Current" Band will be providing entertainment beginning at 9:00. I hope you will come, bring a friend, and enjoy VIP seating, door prizes, and the chance to meet and mingle with fellow Jaycee members. Please call Angie to RSVP or with questions at: 219-575-2194 or e-mail: [angiemoser@prodigy.net](mailto:angiemoser@prodigy.net)

Angie Moser

## **STILL IN NEED OF CANDY DONATIONS**

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Courtney and Ashley are still looking for candy donations for the Easter Egg Hunt. They have received only a couple of bags of candy. Please if you or your place of employment can donate a bag or 2 let Courtney or Ashley know so that they can get the residents at the Golden Living Centers stuffing the eggs ASAP!

Ashley Knoll and Courtney Cerajewski

## **TWISTER EXTRAS**

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### **For Sale**

Longaberger Booking Baskets.

Many to choose from. \$15-\$20 each. Call Angie Moser at: 219-575-2194

Are you having a baby, getting married, or need to sell something? Let everyone know by announcing it in the Twister Extras column.

Please e-mail your information to be included to: [johime@comcast.net](mailto:johime@comcast.net)