# JCI SOUTH SAINT PAUL in ACTION

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# Creed:

#### We believe...

- That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life;
- That the brotherhood of man transcends 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 of men;
- That earth's great treasure lies in human personality;
- And that service to humanity is the best work of life.

# Our Mission:

We are a nonprofit organization committed to the growth and development of our members to become the next generation of leaders within the community. Our members are thoroughly engaged and connected to the community through active involvement and volunteerism.

#### A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

#### We Are Making a Difference in Our Community

Around December, an article was released from the Rapid City Journal that still haunts me. The article was titled, "With the Jaycees' demise, Rapid City Toys for Tots is canceled this year". The article focused on the Rapid City Jaycees, and their Toys for Tots Drive Project. This project had a huge impact as it gave away over 3,000 toys a year to needy kids in the community. The chapter had folded due to lack of membership. The lack of this project left a hole in the community that other non-profits tired to fill but just couldn't. There was just too much need. The other sad part of this story was that, in 2014 at the Board of Directors Mid-Year retreat, we met a former Rapid City Jaycee who spoke very highly about the organization and the impact it made in his leadership development.

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## MEETINGS:

#### Members Meetings:

• JUNE 9, 2016
The Croatian Hall– SSP
6:30 PM

#### **Board of Directors:**

• JUNE 23, 2016 TBD- 7:00 PM

## SOCIALS:

#### **Chapter Socials:**

- Taps for APPS 6/22/16
- Beauty and the Beast 7/22/16

\*see 'Socials' on page 3 For more details

# EVENTS:

#### Events:

- · Road Runs
- JCI 22 Social
- KAPOSIA Days BINGO
  - Event Recaps

# Beauty and the Beast: JCI 22 July Social



- Where: Chanhassen Dinner Theatre
   501 W 78th St, Chanhassen, MN 55317
- When: Friday, July 22, 2016
- Time: 6:00 pm

Join us for dinner and a show at the Chanhassen Dinner Theater for our July JCI 22 social.

Returning now for the first time in over a decade - the mega hit Beauty and the Beast! Tickets range from \$80-\$85 depending on the seats. Fortunately Kahra has a coupon for a \$15 discount on each ticket, limit of 12, as long as they are purchased by May 8th! It isn't enough to RSVP, tickets will be purchased once Kahra has the money in hand. She accepts cash or check in person or sent via mail! If mail works best for you, PM Kahra for her address and remember RSVP AND PAYMENT ARE DUE BY May 8th!!!

## LEADERSHIP:

#### President:

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#### Public Relations VP:

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#### Chairman of the Board:

MN – Josh Regan South St. Paul *- Alicia R.* 

#### 'Sponsor a Jaycee' nominations:



We are seeking nominations for our 'Sponsor a Jaycee' project. nominate a deserving candidate for sponsorship.

Due to the ongoing nature of this project we will continue to make the nomination torm available via our newsletter (page 17) and öther sources. Contact the project coordinator, Tiffah with any questions you may have at: tiffany.scott33@gmail.com



# JCI 22 SOCIAL:

# Taps and APPS Happy Hour benefitting Neighbors Incl

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2016 – WABASHA BREWERY= 6-8 pm



Join the SSP Jaycees as we gather to support Neighbors Inc. during a fun-filled evening of beer tasting, light appetizers, games and a silent auction. Be the first to check out Wabasha Brewing Company's brand new taproom! Must be 21+ to drink. Space is limited and proceeds will benefit Neighbors Inc. of SSP.

\$25 PER PERSON — REGISTERE ONLINE AT:

https://everyeventgives.com/event/tapsapps/

WHAT'S GOING ON AT STATE:

#### Minnesota Jaycees Calendar

Check out MNJaycees.org/Calendar for all the happenings going on statewide. Road run opportunities are everywhere!

# A letter from our President:

It saddens me that this chapter does not exist anymore because the chapter made such an impact on the community and it's members at one time.

The story of Rapid City Jaycees haunts me because these stories of chapters folding due to lack of membership and the community suffering are becoming more familiar. Even with this huge amazing project, the chapter still folded.

The two elements "leadership development" and "create positive change" are intertwined in her mission of JCI USA. We are developing young leaders AND training and teaching them to create positive change in the world. We, as members of JCI South Saint Paul, are making a huge difference in our community. We have huge events coming up that are so much fun and that the community can't wait for us to hold for them. These events meet huge needs, and I am so proud of what we are doing and the impact we are making especially as we go into the month of June.

However, in this, we have to remember that it is our members who run these projects who make the impact (and not the projects themselves). The members, who chair the projects, serve on boards, volunteer at the projects, and so on, are the ones who are making the difference in the community. Without the members, the projects become empty. We have great members, and need to keep adding passionate members to our organization to teach them to create positive change (and keep making a difference in our community). Because of these members, we will keep having great projects that make a difference.

I thank you for investing and giving as members to these chapter and impacting our community. Thank you to everyone who is stepping up to run a project and all those who keep participating in one form or another. You are making a difference in our community.

Thank you for your on-going commitment to the mission and vision of JCI South Saint Paul,

President Gwen

JCI South Saint Paul

Read the full article about the Rapid City Jaycees here:

http://rapidcityjournal.com/news/local/article 2bb4ea50-79fe-5aa0-8cfd-70c60c8c6756.html

# JUNE ROAD RUNS

#### June 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			SASSY BY SUMMER BEGINS	* New Munich Membership Social	3	
* St. Paul Volunteer fro Grand Old Days		6 7	* Austin Cook- Out Social	SSP GM MEETING * St. Paul June Social	* Brainerd Jr. JCI Movie in the Park  * Goodhue Volkfest	SSP CITYWIDE CAMPOUT  * Goodhue Volkfest  * Lake Elmo Social
SSP CITYWIDE CAMPOUT  * Austin Take A Kid Fishing  *Goodhue Volkfest  * Lake Elmo Dart Tournament		3 14	15	16	* St. Paul Volunteer at Stone Arch Bridge Fest	* New Munich Munichfest  * St. Paul Volunteer at Stone Arch Bridge Fest  * Shakopee Rock the Garden Beer Sales
* St. Paul * St. Paul Volunteer at Stone Arch Bridge Fest	2	0 21	SSP SOCIAL 22	SSP BOD MEETING	24	SSP KAPOSIA DAYS BINGO * Northwest Area Golf Fundraiser
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\*For more details, please contact Kahra Biehl at 320-310-7305 and keep an eye on SSP's Facebook page for updates and additional events!



#### Political Debate

JCI South St. Paul are hosting a political debate on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at the South St. Paul High School Auditorium. A political debate is important for the voters of South St. Paul to help them understand who and what they are voting for. Watching a debate is a very important for the voters, they can learn about the candidates and the issues before they election. The political debate, that we have all come to know as a tradition is only about 50 years old. The first televised (for a national audience) was between Kennedy and Nixon. Nixon was so worn-out and hurt from the experience, that it was another 16 years before another national debate happened again.

A debate is kind of like a job interview as tough questions are asked to person running. Community members can watch and see how the candidates respond. This shows us how each candidate acts under pressure. They force the candidates to know about their community, and the issues surrounding them. They have to speak intelligently about the upcoming issues they face.

Debates are so important for voters to know what they are voting for.

Today, most voters wait until October to start paying attention to whom they are going to vote for. Research has shown that voters learn from debates after watching a single debate. Voters are more able to describe the platform of the candidates and are more promoted to start looking for additional information on each candidate.

Step up to help plan and run this important part of the election process. We have a member, Jimmy Francis, who is running for mayor. It would be great to set up a committee to plan and run this event. We can help show our support to every person running by making this a great community event. Contact President Gwen Labovitch if you are interested in being on the debate committee.



The South Saint Paul Jaycees would like to extend our sincerest thanks to all of our community supporters, who continuously make our events and projects a huge success!

- Mayor Beth Baumann, Deb Griffith and the South St. Paul Mayor's Youth Task Force
  - Twin City Truck and Van Rental
    - Gertens of IGH
    - The Croation Hall
  - South Saint Paul Fire Department
    - South Saint Paul Police

Here are some upcoming State and National Conventions and Meetings that each member may want to consider attending. One of which is a highly coveted Cruise; several of our SSP Chapter members are attending.

JCI USA Annual meeting to be held in Detroit; everyone is invited. Josh, the MN state chapter President will be there lets show our support!!

The CLOSEST A JCI WORLD CONGRESS WILL EVER BE is in Quebec. This usually takes place in Japan!

\*\*See Below for MORE information\*\*

#### 2016 JCI USA Annual Meeting



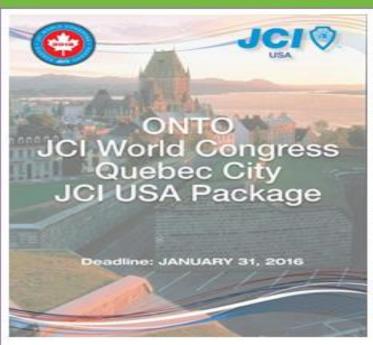
The Annual Meeting is a conference of fellowship. friendship, education, and funl

At this meeting:

- the association honors Ten Outstanding Young Americans, which is the Jaycees' signature event and highlight of the conference
- the Jaycees recognize previous year's outstanding members, chapters, leaders and programs
- members reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and benefit from dozens of classes, trainings and general sessions

Register now for the 2016 National Meeting in Detroit, Michigan from September 22-25. Early Registration ends December 31, 2015.

#### JCI USA ONTO World Congress Quebec



Register now for the 2016
JCI World Congress in
Quebec Canada through
the JCI USA ONTO
Package. The ONTO
Package is provided as a
convenience to assist
with hotel and conference
registrations. The ONTO
Package deadline is
January 31, 2016.

Download the ONTO JCI World Congress Quebec City JCI USA Package.

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That economic justice can best be won by free men

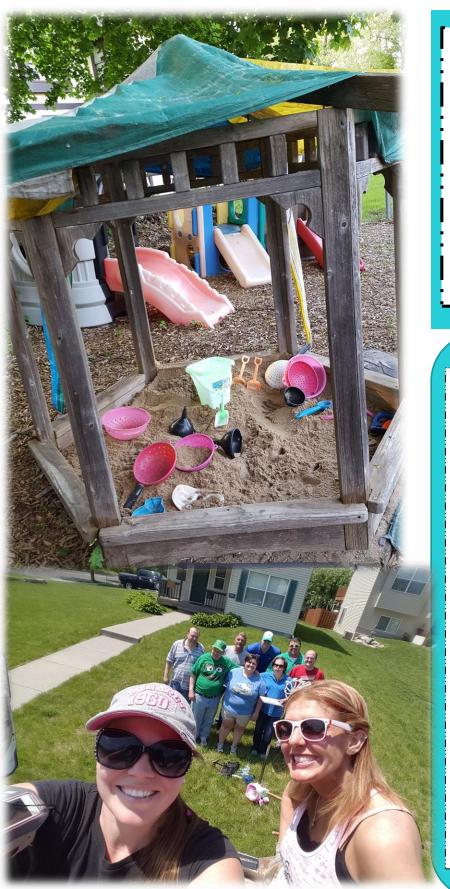
through free enterprise;

That government should be of laws rather than of men;

That earth's great treasure lies in human personality;

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

# SANDBOX DAYS RECAP:



# **NO ONE**

can do EVERYTHING

## **BUT EVERYONE**

can do SOMETHING

We gathered to fill the sandboxes of residents of South Saint Paul and surrounding communities during our annual Sandbox Days fundraiser event! We thoroughly enjoy this event each and every year and the excitement displayed by those who have placed orders and during delivery makes it all the more enjoyable! We thank **GERTENS and TWIN CITY** TRUCK AND VAN RENTAL for their continued support and all of our volunteers for making this project a HUGE success each year!

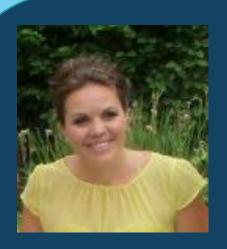
# CITY-WIDE CAMPOUT:



The South St. Paul Jaycees are proud to serve the community during the annual City-Wide Camp Out each year! Families had a blast as they came together and enjoyed relay races, face painting, costumed character, and many more visitors from the SSP Fire Department and SSP







We are excited to learn more about our new and renewing members!
Check out our monthly 'Member Spotlight' to get to know your fellow JCI SSP Members; discover exciting things you may have in common and learn interesting and maybe even surprising facts about your friends' that you never knew.

Name: Savannah Lori Lee

Date of Birth: April 2nd

Occupation: Transcription | Sales & Marketing Assistant; Freelance Portrait

Photographer

Favorite Color: Pink or Yellow

<u>Best Place to Vacation:</u> Our Lake Home in Northern MN; on Dead Lake OR Disney World

Favorite Sports Team: None

Favorite Song: "In Christ Alone"

Favorite Music Group: Phil Collins, Celine

Dion, Celtic Woman & Celtic Music

What's on your reading list: Anything from

Ayn Rand, Francine Rivers

If you won the lottery, what would you do with your winnings? Invest in my children's futures, build-up TTY and support stillbirth research and prevention.

Favorite Food: Buffalo wings & Salads
Favorite Bath and Body Works Scent: I don't
buy Bath and Body Works, but I do love: lilac,
vanilla, freshly mowed lawns and bleached
whites drying in a cool breeze.

Why did you join the Jaycees? To volunteer & make a difference and socialize.

<u>Caribou or Starbucks:</u> Neither, I don't drink coffee.

What is something that we do not know about you? I had my marriage and child care license before I had my drivers license. Favorite Quote:



Please help us collect Pop Tabs for the MN Shriners Hospital for Children.

Turn the tabs into Camp PM Chris Piekarski at any 2016 Convention.

Help us keep track of the tabs you collect by filling out the Pop Top Google Doc.





Nominator Information

#### "Project Eddie" Nomination

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Name of Nominator:		Phone Number:		
Email Address:				
Nominee General Information				
Name of Nominee:		Phone:		
Address:		_Zipcode:		
City:	Email Address:			

#### Nomination Questions:

- How do you know the nominee?
- 2) What qualities do you see in this person that would make them a great Jaycee?
- 3) How do you think this person would benefit from being part of the South Saint Paul Jaycee?
- 4) What current or future project would this person like to be involved in?
- 5) What is the reason, in your opinion, should "Eddie" sponsor this person for membership?

#### Follow-up Questions:

- 1) For the first year of membership, we have found those who attend half the general membership meetings, be a part of one project, finish their first degree of their passport, and attend three Jaycee events within the first year tend to get the most out of being a Jaycee member. Do you believe this person has the time, energy, and passion to do these items for their first year?
- 2) Would this person benefit the most from half or full membership paid for?
- 3) If selected, would you like to contact the person or would you like us to contact them?

Please return email finished application to Membership VP Gwen Labovitch at Labovitg@yahoo.com











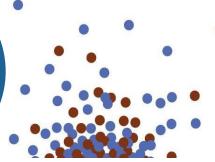




We have no June Birthdays:We look forward to celebratingOur members in the coming months!



Welcome New & Renewing Members:



# Leadership Development

Networking, Training and Member Recognition



# Ask about our South Saint Paul Jaycees Apparel!

Stay fashionably up-todate, and comfortable as you volunteer. Ask how you can get your hands on our chapter apparel!

Questions? Comments? Would you like to see something added to the contents of this newsletter? Contact Savannah - Public Relations - VP at: sleyde@tayloredtoyou.org







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