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## The Jaycee 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!*

The International Jaycee Creed, adopted in 1947

C. William Brownfield's words have since been translated into 100 different languages and are still recognized today as the Jaycee Creed.

## From the President...

Hello Jaycees,

First off, Happy (belated) New Year! I hope everyone had a great time ringing in 2008. As incoming President of the Portland chapter, I'm very excited to see what good things this new year will bring to the Jaycees. I'd like to thank the previous Board of Directors, particularly past President (and new Chairman of the Board) Brian Annand for doing such a fabulous job in 2007. Together, Brian and the '07 Board not only brought a lot to table throughout the year, but also set the stage for 2008 to be another great year.

We've already started this year off with a bang, holding a combination Membership/International event at the Greek Cusina on January 11th. With a great turnout, it seems that everyone found something of interest at the Greek, from breaking plates to Mediterranean dancing. We also had a great turnout at the Mochitsuki International event, ending with a stellar live performance of Japanese music and dancing.

I'm looking forward to being a part of another great Board of Directors for this new year. In my position as VP of Community Development for the past 2 years, I've seen the chapter grow both in numbers and in strength; I'm excited to see where 2008 will lead our chapter to.

I hope to see you all at our upcoming events!

*Camille Keonjian*

*80th President*

*Portland Junior Chamber*



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Business Development Governmental Activism  
Building Personal Skills  
Community Action **WE HELP PEOPLE.**

## International Corner

Contributed by Robert Gierek



Welcome to the International Corner. I am your International VP, Robert aka “Rowbear” (as they say en francais). This was our first month of the year so what better way to inaugurate our new international emphasis than with a New Year celebration internationale. On Sunday, January 27, several of the Jaycees went to celebrate the New Year at the 12th annual Mochitsuki 2008, a Japanese American New Year celebration with a Hawaiian twist. Since Portland’s first sister city relationship was made in 1959 by linking Portland to Sapporo, Japan, what better way to learn more about our sister’s culture? There we watched a performance of Japanese drum group Portland Taiko, sampled both Japanese and Hawaiian cuisines, and even watched (and sampled) mochi in the making. If you have an event you would like us

to attend or if you would like to get involved with the international development of our Portland chapter, please contact myself at [robert.gierek@gmail.com](mailto:robert.gierek@gmail.com) or any of the board members. Happy New ‘International’ Year!!

## Fun at The Grotto



The Grotto: The Individual Development committee organized this event. Many of our members attended and volunteered for various duties such as the petting zoo and serving people hot cocoa-cocoa.



VP Membership Deanna Honse bonds with Milo the llama at the Grotto

## Post Holiday Party Wrap Up

by: Brian Annand

Post Holiday Party: Brian Annand, Chairman of the Board (2007 Jaycee President) hosted a post holiday white elephant party in his home. We had potluck style for our food which was fun. He had a great turn-out of members. We played some games and the highlight of the evening was the white elephant gift exchange. There were a couple of popular items that people kept taking from one another. One of them was the birds. See pictures below. If you have never attended a white elephant gift exchange, this is a must do! We will be having this party again next December, so if you want to find out what all the fun is about, you'll have an opportunity to find out then.



Brian is very happy that he now has the very popular "white elephant" gift that everyone seemed to want.

## Blanket Drive



Deanna, VP of Membership and Leanne Sype, former Secretary/Newsletter Director holding signs to inform drives our Blanket Drive at the Tigard Postal Annex

Tigard Postal Annex Blanket Drive: The membership committee organized a blanket drive to receive blankets (and coats) throughout the community to donate to various homeless shelters. We received many donations. A big thank you to all that helped and also donated items. Our hats go off to Leanne Sype for coordinating this and getting the word out in various publications about this drive.

## Photo of the Year Contest

Photo of the Year Contest: Kyle Robbins and Amy McMullin attended this fantastic event that benefited the Outdoor School program, an educational program that brings kids out of the classroom and into the outdoors. Kim Silva of the Outdoor School of Multnomah County said that the event raised over \$10,000!! We're glad the Jaycees were able to help out with such a great cause.

## February & March

| Monday | Tuesday                          | Wednesday                                    | Thursday | Friday | Saturday                                    | Sunday |
|--------|----------------------------------|--|----------|--------|---|--------|
| 4      | 5                                | 6 February Jaycee General Membership Meeting | 7        | 8      | 9 Chinese New Year Festival                 | 10     |
| 11     | 12                               | 13   | 14       | 15     | 16  | 17     |
| 18     | 19 Cooking Lesson at Sype's home | 20   | 21       | 22     | 23 Jaycee State Convention in McMinnville * | 24     |
| 25     | 26                               | 27   | 28       | 29     | 1 Classic Wine Auction                      | 2      |
| 3      | 4                                | 5  | 6        | 7      | 8 Cosmic Bowling                            | 9      |

\* For more information to the Oregon Jaycees website at [www.oregonjaycees.com](http://www.oregonjaycees.com). For questions and further information, contact Michele at [michele@bdgllc.net](mailto:michele@bdgllc.net).

*Note: you can buy tickets for the convention on the Oregon State Jaycee website*

More details to come in your email as we get close to the dates of each event and as events may get added. Should you ever have questions about the events or anything else, please contact anyone on the Board of Directors and or visit our website at [www.portlandjaycees.org](http://www.portlandjaycees.org)

Come Join Us



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