

Cherry Valley Jaycees take home nine awards

CHERRY VALLEY – The Cherry Valley Jaycees chapter as a collective received nine awards at the Illinois State Jaycee 2008 End of the Year General Assembly.

The Cherry Valley Jaycees chapter won International Project of the Year for a Moonlight Bowl Project done in the spring of 2008. This year they will be hosting another Moonlight Bowl in the fall. Katy Dabbs, Veronica Corwin, Jay Onken, and Katie Onken received the Illinois Jaycee's Presidential Award of Excellence. Jessica Onken, 2009 President of Cherry Valley Jaycees, received her third degree status and was named an Outstanding Treasurer for 2008. Veronica Corwin was the Runner-up for Outstanding Local Director for 2008.

The Cherry Valley Jaycees also have a State Chairman in their chapter. Marcia Schlarmann was awarded The Outstanding State Chairman for her work with Camp New Hope, a camp for adults and children with developmental disabilities. Marcia raised awareness of the camp and encouraged chapters to sponsor campers, which helped the state raise over \$40,000 for the camp. One of the projects she started in 2008 was the collection of Coke Points. The Jaycees are still collecting Coke Points in 2009. Email codes to cherryvalleyjaycees@gmail.com or drop them off at the Cherry Valley Library.

The Cherry Valley Jaycees are a not-for-profit group of men and women the ages 18-40. Local Jaycee chapters across the State of Illinois provide emphasis in the following areas: Community Outreach, Individual Development, International Involvement and Economic & Business Expansion. Each local chapter also belongs to the Illinois State Jaycees, the US Jaycees, and the Junior Chamber International. For more information about the Jaycees local events or joining the Cherry Valley Jaycees go to www.cherryvalleyjaycees.org or email cherryvalleyjaycees@gmail.com.