

Happy New Year!

# The Wise Fox

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from the desk of the co-  
editors...



"Your wife took the new baby home in a cab  
an hour ago."

It is ironic  
that one of  
the few  
things in  
this life  
over  
which we  
have total  
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and yet  
most of us  
live our  
entire life  
behaving  
as though  
we had no  
control  
whatso-  
ever. ~ Jim  
Rohn

## WHO'S WHO

by Bob Gillis  
January 1998

This month we welcome  
Linda and Keith Magovern  
Rita Gould  
Becky Stemple



Happy New Year everyone!  
This month we welcome four new  
members to the chapter, so let's get  
right to the interviews. First up is  
Linda Magovern. She and her hus-  
band Keith joined the chapter in  
July, and I caught up with Linda on  
a night she was playing "maze  
monster" at the Haunted House.  
Keith, she tells me, is a Profes-  
sional Civil Engineer. Linda is a  
speaker chairman for the national  
association of life underwriters,  
and has "no problem at all" with  
public speaking, a task many find  
challenging (or even terrifying).

The couple's first contact with  
the Jaycees was the membership  
drive. "Lynn Freerksen was there...  
I got a T-shirt," Linda explains.  
"There are a lot of activities," Linda  
says, explaining that she was at  
the golf tournament, and Keith  
attended the Patriots event, and

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"Winners never quit and quitters never win." -Vince Lombardi

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also worked as a rear guide. "...I really enjoyed concerts on the common."

The South Easton couple is very proud of their 2 year old Pointer, Hershey, who often accompanies Keith on hunting and fishing trips. "Hershey loves fishing, but the dog almost tipped the boat over once!" she laughs. Back to the Jaycees, Linda adds, "I'm really excited about the upcoming events."

This month we also speak with Rita Gould and Becky Semple, two members who joined the chapter on the final night of the Haunted House -- so you can well imagine the decorum and dignity of the evening. "They dumped popcorn and raffle tickets on my head!" Rita recalls, laughing. "It was WILD." The Plainville resident was introduced to the chapter by long time friend Chrissy Tardiff (who will be featured here next month). Rita was a very memorable rear guide, because she would often sneak up to the group behind her and tickle or pinch the front guide. This caught at least one wizard formerly known as Merlin off-guard on numerous occasions. I'd be watching my group when Rita would strike, and by the time I could react, she was already laughing and running back to her group.

But not all of Rita's tickles went unpunished. She smiles as she recounts that "I got Tom Whiffin, and later he sneaked up behind me and grabbed my ankles. Scared the hell out of me!"

"Turning from assaults to work, what do you do?" I ask, trying to stay serious while interviewing a very fun person. In addition to being a representative for the United Way, Rita has worked for Hillsinger, an eye glass factory, for about two years.

"What do you do for fun?" I ask.

This brings more laughs and silly comments (we are, after all at the Haunted House breakup party during all this) but order is soon restored and Rita explains that she likes to go out with her friends to clubs, and also enjoys shooting.

"Shooting?" I ask.

She smiled. "12 gauge, 22 automatic... My best friend takes me out shooting. I want to go hunting next year."

With newfound respect for my gun-toting friend, I turn the conversation back to the Jaycees. Rita adds, "I enjoy everyone I've met in the Jaycees -- I'm really looking forward to the progressive dinner!" At this point, someone who used to be known as "Old Man Fixum" stops by, and there are more laughs, more silliness, and then Becky Semple sits next to Rita. The North Attleboro resident was also introduced to the Jaycees by Chrissy Tardiff. Becky also enjoyed the Haunted House, having rear guided and also worked in the rooms. "I was in the make-up room," she recalls. "Someone -- I don't know him out of costume -- said, 'You're gonna be in the show tonight.'" I loved -- absolutely loved -- it. I worked in the portrait gallery."

Becky is mother to four children -- Zachery (12), Andrew (11), Jacobb (10) and Gabriel (6). Amazingly, she still has time for kereoke, singing and skiing, and Jaycee activities. "I'm looking forward to the [Jaycee] Christmas activities. I think they're great people. They're a big family... It's awesome. Everyone is willing to help - -everyone!"

Linda, Rita and Becky, thanks for the great interviews and welcome to the Jaycees!

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You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individuals. To that end each of us must work for his own improvement, and at the same time share a general responsibility for all humanity, our particular duty being to aid those to whom we think we can be most useful. ~

Marie Curie

# INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way.

"The key to happiness and freedom is a sense of humor and a sense of humor is nothing more or less than the ability to laugh at oneself."

-Jim Unger

What one does is what counts and not what one had the intention of doing. - Pablo Picasso

Brrrrrrrr . . . want to keep warm this winter? Here's how: Grab your Wise Fox, grab your social calendar, and fill it up with all of the I.D. projects. You can't go wrong socializing with Foxborough's finest - that's right, us! Here goes . . .

**MEETINGS & PROGRAMS** - Bob Hickey - This month's guest speaker will be a representative from HEESCO to talk to us about a program they run that benefits our community's seniors (no, it does not involve money). I'll have something good to eat, so see y'all there!

**DEGREES OF JAYCEES** - Tracey Apgar - Degrees are in, so make certain that you are recognized for your hard work. Get a form to update your status from Tracey!

**PUBLIC SPEAKING** - John Zarrella - John will be presenting a member of the local ToastMaster brigade at a yet to be announced date.

**VOLLEYBALL** - Derek House - Going great guns at the Ahern School on Monday nights. From 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. (note the correct time, for this month at least). \$5 will get you sweatin' to the oldies (that's right, with the Associates)! For more information, call Derek!

**SKI TRIP** - Cheryl Cushman - Over 60 people going! Wow! Have fun, y'all!

**FIRST AID / C.P.R. TRAINING** - Gayle Workman - Learn to help others from Resusci Annie. Gayle will have details soon!

**SCAT NIGHT / GAMES NIGHT** - Gayle Workman - This annual winter favorite is just the thing to get together and have some (never competitive) fun. The Websters have donated their home again this year for this fun evening, one in which we all promise not to spill the dip, or dip in the spills. The date will be February 21, at 7:30 p.m. Tell Gayle if you're interested in participating.

**ASSOCIATE'S NIGHT** - Chairman Needed - HAVE FUN! BE THE ONE! Help us roast a group of really great old people, as the chapter's R.F.O.s enjoy their own special evening. Tell Bob H. or John D. if you're interested in chairing this important project. In an effort to motivate a potential chair (and I know you want to do it), I may regale the crowd with stories of the year Cathy and I chaired the project. I know, I know, the requests for this tale far outweigh the time I have to tell, but I'll do my best. To keep me quiet - volunteer! I'll be looking for you! ~~



Thought you might get a kick out of these...enjoy!

### STEVEN WRIGHT T SHIRT SLOGANS ...

Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.  
Drink 'til she's cute, but stop before the wedding.  
Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet Engines.  
I'm not cheap, but I am on special this week.  
I almost had a psychic girlfriend but she left me before we met.  
I drive way too fast to worry about cholesterol.  
I intend to live forever - so far, so good.  
If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?  
Mind Like A Steel Trap - Rusty And Illegal In 37 States.  
Quantum Mechanics: The dreams stuff is made of.  
Support bacteria - they're the only culture some people have.  
Televangelists: The Pro Wrestlers of religion.  
The only substitute for good manners is fast reflexes.  
When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.  
If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.  
Many people quit looking for work when they find a job.  
Dancing is a perpendicular expression of a horizontal desire.  
When I'm not in my right mind, my left mind gets pretty crowded.  
Everyone has a photographic memory. Some don't have film.  
If you choke a smurf, what color does it turn?  
Who is General Failure and why is he reading my hard disk?  
What happens if you get scared half to death twice?  
Energizer Bunny arrested, charged with battery.  
I poured Spot remover on my dog. Now he's gone.  
I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder.  
Shin: a device for finding furniture in the dark.  
How do you tell when you run out of invisible ink?  
Join the Army, meet interesting people, kill them.  
Laughing stock: cattle with a sense of humor.  
Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?  
For Sale: Parachute. Only used once, never opened, small stain.  
Black holes are where God divided by zero.  
All those who believe in psychokinesis raise my hand.

"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best. " Bob Talbert

### The Top 20 ABSOLUTE WORST things to say to a Police Officer:

20. "Aren't you the guy from the Village People?"
19. Sorry, Officer, I didn't realize my radar detector wasn't plugged in.
18. Hey, you must've been doin' about 125 mph to keep up with me! Good job!
17. That uniform makes your ass look really big.
16. I thought you had to be in relatively good physical condition to be a Police Officer.
15. I was going to be a cop, but I decided to finish high school instead.
14. Bad Cop! No Donut!"
13. You're not gonna check the trunk, are you?
12. Did you happen to attend the "Barney Fife" Police Academy?
11. Didn't I see you get your ass kicked on "Cops"?
10. I can't reach my license unless you hold my beer.
9. Wow, You look just like the guy in the picture on my girlfriend's nightstand.
8. I pay your salary!
7. So, uh, you on the take, or what?
6. Those sirens are hurting my ears, turn them off or I am NOT speaking to you.
5. Gee, officer! That's terrific. The last officer only gave me a warning, too!
4. I was trying to keep up with traffic. Yes I know there is no other car around, that's how far they are ahead of me.
3. Sorry, I can't hear you over the radio. No, I am not turning it down, I love this song. Either speak up or just leave me alone.
2. Well, when I reached down to pick up my bag of crack, my gun fell off my lap and got lodged between the brake pedal and gas pedal, forcing me to speed out of control.

And the #1 Worst Thing Not to Say to a Police Officer:

1. Hey, can you give me another one of those full cavity searches?

"Children have more need of models than of critics." Carolyn Coats

There are two gifts that we can give our children, One is roots the other is wings.

"May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's Resolutions." - Joey Adams

"A friend is a lot of things, but a critic he isn't."

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

*I would like to extend a great big "Thank You" to all those who volunteered their time & effort to help out in C. D. during the past holiday season. Every project was extremely successful. Special thanks to the following chairpeople-*

Becky Sempie- Caroling on the Common  
Susan Zachary- Santa on the Common  
Linda McGovern- Santa Phone  
Tom Sawran- Igo Scoreboard Installation  
Cathy Hickey- Discretionary Fund Delivery & First Night Sponsorship  
Chico DiCicco- Adopt-a-Kid-for-Christmas  
Gail Workman- Foxborough's First Baby Gift  
Kenny Wills- Winter Common Upgrade & Nativity Scene Repair/Setup  
Pauline Brown- Nativity Scene Repair & Discretionary Fund Fruit Bowls

*~Thanks also go to the following chairpeople of ongoing & upcoming projects:*

SHARE (Beth Maddestra)- The next pickup & registration is scheduled for January 24 at the South Foxboro Community Club, 10-11 AM.

Publicity Chairman (Lucy Wilhelm)- Lucy is always looking for ways to promote the Jaycee name in the community...please let her know if you have any ideas.

Elders' Day (Susan Zachary)- Plans are underway to make this a very special day for Foxborough's seniors. Please volunteer to help Susan as much as you can.

Road Race (Lynn Freerksen)- Scheduled for May 2. Lynn will need a lot of help with this important project, so please offer her your time & skills.

Human Service Auction (Steve Tingle)- Steve has plans in the works for a donation to go on the Big Board at the auction, which will be held in February. He will also be asking for volunteers to lug and tug during the auction.

Sand for Seniors (Jim Hebert)- Sand has been delivered to about 10 households so far this winter. If you know of any seniors who would benefit from this project, please have them contact the Jaycees.

Pancake Breakfast (Ken Wills/Chico DiCicco)- The breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 5. Ken & Chico are looking for a committee-if you're interested, please let them know.

Community Center Table Upgrade (Sandy Smith)- Sandy is in the process of purchasing 16 new tables & hopes to have them installed at the Community Club in the near future.

Foxborough Building at Camp Lincoln Hill (Peter Sorrow)- Work is in progress on the addition to the chapter's building at the camp. Pete will have an update at the next GM.

Mother's Day Essays (Julie Grant)- Thanks to Julie for taking on this project- early as it may seem, Mother's Day is not that far away!

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO MATTHEW ROGERS, FOR WINNING THE JAYCEES' "FIRST BABY BORN IN FOXBOROUGH" CONTEST, AS WELL AS TO HIS PARENTS, MICHELE & SCOTT!!

CHAIRPEOPLE NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:

EASTER EGG HUNT

MEALS ON WHEELS

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS

CANDIDATES' NIGHT

CAMP LINCOLN HILL FENCE REPAIR

Please see me if interested!

*~Chris Hebert*

*A Letter from Lynda:*

**Please join me in congratulating Michele & Scott and welcoming Matthew Craig to the world. Best wishes to you all.**

**It sure was a busy month for all of our areas. I'd like to thank everyone who contributed to the projects. Again, we were in the Reporter several times for our projects. Thank you to all for showing Foxboro the Jaycee Spirit. Special thanks go to each of the area Vice Presidents and their chairmen.**

**Now is the time to get geared up for a couple of our larger projects. Lynn Freerksen is looking for help with the Road Race and Ken Wills and Chlco are looking for help with the Pancake Breakfast. And as you will see from the agenda at our January meeting, there are many projects looking for chairmen. Raise your hand and volunteer to chair a project or sign up to help out on the committees.**

**I'd like to take this opportunity to remind people at the G.M.'s to try to curb their smoking and be aware of people around them. I plan on scheduling two breaks to help out. I realize it's hard, but if you could just try to keep it at a minimum, it would be appreciated. Steve Krug is investigating the possibilities of getting an air-filtration system for the community center.**

**Attention all chairmen: You will be receiving a letter in the mail from me. I'm asking you to fill out a couple forms about your project. Please do the best you can and return to me when you finish. This will help the board, as well as myself, during our end of the year awards and reports. Give me a call with any questions or suggestions.**

**Here we are over the half way mark and I'm proud to say that all areas have run the projected projects and our budget is running well. In reflection, time has flown. Many have said that at this time of the year, I'll be looking forward to the end of my term. I have to state that I'm still enjoying my Presidency and am excited about the months to come. I consider myself very lucky to have the board that we do and all of the support from the chapter.**

**As always, any problems or questions, give me a call.  
Working with you and for you.  
Lynda Walsh**

**We are here  
to add what  
we can to,  
not get  
what we  
can from,  
life. ~ Sir  
William  
Osler**

**If your ac-  
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excellent  
leader. ~  
Dolly Par-  
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**SECRETARY'S REPORT**  
**LUCY WILHELM**

**Donations approved at December GM:**

- \*\*\$1,000 to the Foxboro Firefighters' Thermal Headpiece Fund.
- \*\*\$ 100 to go to Foxboro's New Year's Baby

**Sunshine:**

Flowers and a card were given to Scott & Michele Rogers on the birth of their son January 1st {Matthew Craig Rogers}. Congratulations!

**New Chairpeople:**

- Gayle Workman - Scat Night
- Steve Tingle - Auction Donation
- Kenny Wills & Chico DeChico - Pancake Breakfast

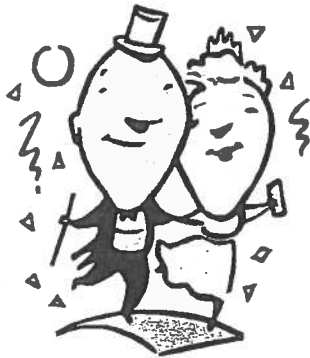
**Awards:**

**Project of the Month - November Share**

**Jaycee of the Month - Steve Tingle**

**Frog of the Month - Fred Badger**

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"Memorize this, it's your New Year's resolutions."

**\*\*Birthdays for January\*\***

~Paula Bertolino  
~Sheri Duarte

Jan. 9  
Jan. 24



If you haven't any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble. ~ Bob Hope

I worry that the person who thought up Muzak may be thinking of something else. ~ Lily Tomlin

Meetings are like panda matings. The expectations are always high, but the results are usually disappointing.

There is nothing wrong with making mistakes, just don't respond with encores. ~ Anonymous

By the  
husk you  
may guess  
at the nut  
~ Thomas  
Fuller

Fate leads  
the will-  
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drags  
along the  
reluctant  
~ Seneca

Better to  
be hurt by  
the truth  
than hurt  
by a lie ~  
Anony-  
mous

**MEMBERSHIP**  
**LYNN FREERKSEN**

**Happy New Year from Lynn & Julie**

**Jaycee Activation Apparel** - Carl Bertolino - Due to technical difficulties, hats have been delayed. More information available at the GM.

**Jaycee Week** - Chris Hebert - An ad will be placed in the Foxboro Reporter the week of Jan. 26 with an invitation to the February GM. A membership orientation will take place before the meeting February 11 from 7:15-7:45 at the Community Center for anyone interested in more information about the Jaycees or any upcoming projects.

**Web Site Page** - Scott Rogers - [www.ici.net/customers/fjaycees](http://www.ici.net/customers/fjaycees)

**Who's Who** - Bob Gillis - It's great to see Bob & Susan at so many projects this year. Congratulations to Bob on another interesting & informative Who's Who.

Don't forget the General Meeting - Wednesday, Jan. 14 @ 8:00 PM, South Foxboro Community Center - Bring A Friend! >

Dr. Willard Funk, the well-known dictionary publisher, was asked to select the 10 most expressive words in the English language. Here is the list:

- the most bitter word - alone
- the most tragic - death
- the most reverend - mother
- the most beautiful - love
- the most cruel - revenge
- the most peaceful - tranquil
- the saddest - forgotten
- the warmest - friendship
- the coldest - no
- the most comforting - faith



**OPENINGS ARE STILL AVAILABLE!**

## **Come on Back and Join the Foxboro Jaycees and Friends for our 25th ANNUAL SKI TRIP!**

**WHEN:** January 29 - February 1, 1998

**WHERE:** Sunday River Ski Resort - Bethel, Maine

**COST:** \$235 Per Person

**DEPOSIT:** \$50 by November 15 - Balance due by 1-10-98  
Checks payable to Sunday River Ski Resort OR pay by Credit Card!

### **WHAT YOU GET:**

- Cascades Slopeside Condos - 3 nights (4/room) with full kitchen
- Large Clubroom w/Fireplace, Indoor Pool, Jacuzzi & Sauna
- 3 Day Lift Ticket
- Fireworks
- Saturday Night Pizza Party
- Beer & Wine
- Tax & Gratuity
- Special 25th Anniversary "Superlatives" Awarded -- Don't Miss It!!

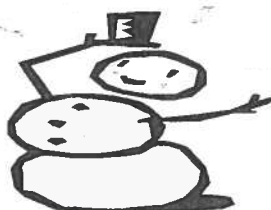
- Breakfast & Lunch in Condo or @ area Restaurants/Cafeterias
- Friday Night Pot Luck Supper or @ area Restaurants
- This is a great trip for Non-Skiers also!
- Non-Skiers get "Sunday River Bucks" to spend @ mountain shops
- Cross Country Skiing & Ice Skating available
- Guaranteed Learn-To-Ski Programs available
- This trip is open to non-Jaycees (no one under 21)

**This is the BIG one...a Milestone!** Anyone who has participated in the Ski Trip over the last 24 years will be receiving a notice to come and join the festivities and relive the good times! **Don't Miss It!!!**

Deposits and Questions:

Paul Kelly @ 207-928-2124 OR Cheryl Cushman @ 508-543-6983

Trip organized by Paul Kelly



Assump-  
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termite  
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~ Henry  
Winkler

Never let  
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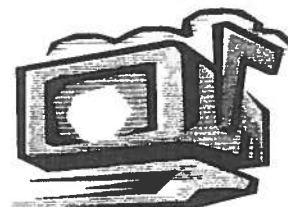
## **WAYS AND MEANS - PETER SORROW**

**CHRISTMAS TREES** - THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 205 TREES PURCHASED AND 201 TREES SOLD. THANKS TO KEVIN COLEMAN FOR CHAIRING THIS PROJECT - IT WAS HIS FIRST PROJECT AND HE DID AN EXCELLENT JOB. ALSO THANKS TO ALL THE HEARTY SOULS WHO BRAVED THE COLD TO SELL ALL THOSE 201 TREES. ALSO, THREE DOZEN WREATHS WERE SOLD, SOME DECORATED, SOME NOT. THE REMAINING FOUR TREES WERE DONATED TO THE DISCRETIONARY FUND.

**CHILIFEST** - HELENE SAVAGE DID A FABULOUS JOB ON HER FIRST PROJECT WITH ENTRIES FROM SEVEN RESTAURANTS AND EIGHT HOMEMADES. 140 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE CHILI TASTING AND VOTED IN THIS YEAR'S WINNERS. THEY WERE ODESSA'S RESTAURANT FOR THE COMMERCIAL ENTRY AND HELENE SAVAGE FOR THE HOMEMADE ENTRY. CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST RAFFLE** - MELISSA CONSTANTINE HAS VOLUNTEERED TO CHAIR THIS PROJECT. PLEASE TRY TO HELP HER OUT IN ANY WAY THAT YOU CAN. I'M SURE THAT SHE'LL BE ASKING FOR A COMMITTEE SOON.

**SINCERELY,  
PETE SORROW  
WAYS & MEANS VP**



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