### **HAPPY V-DAY!**

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from the desk of the

co-editors...

Strange Factsi

The right lung takes in more air than the left.

"I am." is the shortest complete sentence in the English language.

The most common name in the world is Mohammed.

#### WHO'S WHO

by Bob Gillis February, 1998

Due to the unique time-travel aspects of publishing deadlines, I'd already submitted my who's who column for January before "Santa on the Common," so although you'll read this in February, it's really my first opportunity to talk to everyone. Sue asked me to pass along a huge and heartfelt THANK YOU to every Jaycee who helped make Santa on the Common such a success and good time. This was truly a team Jaycee project and we made a lot of children very happy. A very special thanks to Fred Badger, who as always did a wonderful job as Santa!

Before we talk to Chrissy Tardiff, this month's "who" interviewee, I thought I'd introduce a special potential Jaycee. Now ordinarily we don't interview potential candidates, but I'm pretty sure this particular person will be a member of the chapter in the future.

Matthew Craig Rogers, the son of Jaycee Wise Fox Editors Scott and Michele Rogers, was born on New Year's Day, 1998 at 8:17 p.m. Matthew, who weighed in at 8 pounds and 13 ounces, was

As most of you know, January was a very busy month for us. Matthew has joined our family and is doing great. We want to thank all of you who sent us cards or called to express your well wishes. It means a lot to us! Also, an extra special thanks goes out to the Hickeys, the Workmen, the Wilhelms and the Bertolinos for the "meals on wheels". These meals were great and made a difficult week much easier! Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated!!!!

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20½ inches long and has the distinction of being the first baby born in both Quincy and Foxboro in 1998. As you may recall, Matthew was actually due on December 20. "We were a little worried," Scott explains. "But on New year's Eve we made chili, did Foxboro First Night, and then two hours after midnight, it was time!"

Scott and Michele, congratulations on the new arrival!

On the interviewing theme, for some time I've been stalking – I mean, asking – a certain Jaycee for an interview. You know who you are – don't be shy; millions are waiting to hear your story! To everyone else (especially newer members) if you'd like to be interviewed here, please give me a call (543-9435). The interview only takes a few minutes and I won't put anything you don't want in print – this is just a fun way to introduce yourself to the chapter.

This month's interviewee is a new Jaycee, but someone who's definitely not new to the chapter! Chrissy Tardiff has actually been associated with the Jaycees for nine years, helping out at the Haunted House each October. She recently joined the Jaycees on the famous final night of the Haunted House that included confetti-like showers of popcorn, human bowling, friendship, and good spirits.

"I came to the Haunted House nine years ago and fell in love with it," the Plainville resident begins. "I love being a front guide!" This past year, Chrissy was dressed in a blue graduation gown and cap, and goodnaturedly accepted our reaction to her... shall we say... "crisp and clear speech" during the Haunted House tour. Having led the group behind Chrissy's on more than one night, I can assure you her groups knew she

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was in charge and they never got lost!

She smiles at that; she loves the Haunted House and adds, "Every year is always a year to remember."

Chrissy works as a photographer at J.C. Penny, a job she finds rewarding and challenging. "I love kids," she beams.

"But some must be difficult," I prompt. "Kids can be a handful, especially when you need them to sit still for a picture..."

Chrissy nods. "Sure, but it depends... Some you talk to, some you play with and some want nothing to do with you." However, Chrissy loves the challenge and usually gets the little ones to smile – at least for a second for that perfect picture!

In addition to her job, Chrissy loves to go clubbing with her friends Rita Gould and Becky Semple (both of whom joined the chapter last October after Chrissy introduced them to the Jaycees), particularly at the Hong Kong in Plainville. "I love to dance!" she adds.

Now that she's joined, Chrissy says she's looking forward to participating in many more activities besides the Haunted House. Chrissy, we're very happy you've joined us! Happy Valentine's Day, everyone!



Strange facts (con't)

The average American moves 12 times in a lifetime.

At 90 degrees (F) below zero, your breath will freeze in midair and fall to the ground.

An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.

## WAYS AND MEANS PETE SORROW

Brain teasersi

What is the difference between a north wind and a north road?

How many times can you subtract the number -2 from the number 46?

A woman dropped a few coins in a beggar's bowl. The woman is the beggar's sister but the beggar is not the woman's brother. How are they related?

#### Pancake Breakfast Raffle -

Melissa Constantine has sent out letters to local businesses for raffle donations and has received some nice things already.

Congratulations to the chilifest chairman, Helene Savage, for the PROJECT OF THE MONTH!!!!!!!

Please keep in mind that we have three Ways and Means projects for the month of June, which are connected with Founders' Day. These projects are the Shooting Gallery, Concessions and Glow Sticks. If you would like more information on these projects, please ask me.

Pete Sorrow Ways and Means VP









### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHRIS HEBERT

SHARE Program (Beth Maddestra) -Pickup of packages & registration for March packages is scheduled for February 28 at the South Foxboro Community Center from 10-11 a.m. Cost of the regular package is \$15 (mini packages are \$8) along with 2 hours of community service. Any Jaycee community development project counts as community service, as does attendance at the monthly GM. Also, Beth can always use volunteers to help out, beginning at 9 a.m.

Community Center Table Upgrade (Sandy Smith) - Sixteen new tables were purchased and are now set up at the Community Club. The tables look wonderful and didn't collapse once during the entire GM! The Community Club powers-that-be have requested that the remainder of the funds allocated for the tables be used to install ceiling fans. Please note: the carving of initials into the new tables will definitely be frowned upon!

**Publicity Chairman (Lucy Wilhelm)** - Lucy will be handling various publicity jobs for the chapter. Let her know if you have any Jaycee news to be published.

Elders' Day (Susan Zachary) - This project has officially been renamed "Senior Appreciation Day", at the request of the people at the Senior Center. It will be held on February 21, from 1-4 p.m., at the Bethany Church. The theme will be "Springtime in the Country" and will feature line dancing and a country style menu. Please volunteer to help out at this fun and heartwarming project.

Road Race (Lynn Freerksen) - Plans are well under way for the race to be held on May 2nd at the Ahern School. Proceeds will be split between the new Senior Center and the Foxborough Recreation Department. If you'd like to help out, please let Lynn know.

Human Services Auction (Steve Tingle) - By the time you read this, two lucky people will be looking forward to an evening spent at the musical "Phantom of the Opera", followed by dinner at the Capital Grille, to which they will be chauffeured in a limousine - all of which was donated to the auction by our chapter. In addition, several Jaycees will have spent the day lugging and tugging and getting their faces on camera. Great job, Steve!

Winter Common Upgrade (Ken Wills) - As of this report, the Nativity Scene has been taken down and returned to Camp Lincoln Hill and the

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Answers to page 3 teasers:

The wind comes from the north but the road is going to the north.

Only once.

They are sisters.

### **CASINO NIGHT**

When: Saturday, February 28th

Where: Bus leaves Ocean State Job Lot @ 3:00 p.m. & arrives

@ Mohegan Sun @ 4:30 p.m.

Price: \$20.00 per person refundable upon arrival

\$10.00 food and \$10.00 gambling coupons

Return: Bus leaves Mohegan Sun @ 10:30 p.m.

#### **SEATS ARE LIMITED!**

If interested, please call Beth Maddestra @ 541-0052 by 2/10/98.

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lights have been turned off till next Christmas. Compliments to Kenny for some nice new additions to the decorations this year.

Sand for Seniors (Jim Hebert) - Luckily, there hasn't been a huge amount of snow yet this winter. Jim has delivered sand to about 14 thankful seniors and is hoping that spring will be here soon.

Pancake Breakfast (Kenny Wills/Chico DiCicco) - The Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 5, at the Foxborough High School cafeteria. Lots of people will be needed to staff this project, so please be sure to volunteer when manpower gives you a call.

Foxboro Building at CLH Upgrade (Pete Sorrow) - Pete is fixing up our chapter's building at Camp Lincoln Hill to better house the Nativity Scene when it's not being used. If you'd like to lend a hand, give Pete a call.

Easter Egg Hunt (Helene Savage) - Congratulations to Helene for taking on another important project so soon after joining the chapter. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 11 at the Foxborough Common. Please be sure to offer Helene your help.

Youth Scholarships (Dave Brown) - Dave has gotten his committee together and they are preparing to read and judge the high school scholarship submissions.

Mothers' Day Essays (Julie Grant) - Julie will be looking for a committee to help her read

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I hope that this letter finds everyone well rested from the holidays and that you're ready to get back into the Jaycee happenings. We've got quite a few projects coming up in the next couple of months and we're needing your help.

Lynn and Julie are looking for help in our Membership Area. They are looking for chairpeople to run another Call Night and someone to run our New Members BBQ. Jaycee week is going on and Chris Hebert is running an ad in the *Reporter* inviting people to come to our Orientation that will be held just before our February GM from 7:15 to 8:00. Hopefully we will get a good turnout. If you know of anyone who has been interested in joining, invite them, tell them you'll drive them and introduce them.

Bob and John are gearing up for some fun projects this month from our Individual Development Area. Beth Maddestra is planning a fun Casino Night at Mohegan Sun and Gayle Workman has promised us fun at Scat Night. Gayle is also working on CPR and First Aid Training for us. Bob Webster is planning How To Chair a Project and Write a CPG. This is an important training seminar for new comers to attend to get a feel for what exactly goes on behind the scenes of well-run projects. Lynn Freerksen and her committee are working on gathering information about our Associate members to help prepare for their special night happening at our March G.M., a show not to be missed.

Chris and Bill have quite a few projects on the Community Development agenda. Ken and Chico, with the help of their committee for the Pancake breakfast, have started the ball rolling with ticket distribution and will be looking for manpower for the day. Lynn Freerksen and her committee are well on their way for the Road Race and will also be looking for major help for that day. Susan Zakhary and her committee are planning a fun day for the Seniors of Foxboro; you're sure to have fun helping out on this project.

With one project left on their agenda, Pete and Sheri have had a super year in our Ways and Means Area. Melissa Constantine is exploring donations for the Raffle at our Pancake Breakfast. If anyone has any ideas, please help Melissa out with her first Jaycee project.

Steve Krug will have a Nominations Committee formed by the February G.M. Each of you should be thinking of next year. Everyone will be receiving a call from a committee member asking if you would like to be a part of the board next year. I encourage each of you to think about what you would like to see the chapter accomplish next year and what position on the board you feel you could contribute time and ideas to.

Congratulations and thank you to all who have made yet another successful month. See you all at the February GM. Please remember if you have any questions or suggestions to give me call.

Working with you and for you.

Lynda

Strange againi

Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.

Every time you lick a stamp, you consume 1/10 of a calorie.

If NASA sent birds into space, they would soon die. They need gravity to swallow.

#### Has anyone written a CPG on the project "How to write a CPG"?

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT LUCY WILHELM

**Donations** approved at January GM:

\*\*\$100 {board approved} to the Foxboro High School Basketball Program

#### Sunshine:

A Get Well card was sent to Paul Dean for some recent surgery.

Another Get Well card was sent to Warren Cherry.

#### New Chairpeople:

Dave Brown - Direct Mailer

Lynn Freerksen - Associates' Night

Bob Webster - How to run a project/Write a CPG

Lucy Wilhelm - Super Bowl Party

Helene Savage - Easter Egg Hunt

Dave Brown - Youth Scholarships

Bill Maddestra - Camp Lincoln Hill Fence Repair

Julie Grant - Mother's Day Essays

#### Awards:

Project of the Month - Haunted House and Santa on the Common

**<u>Naycee</u>** of the Month - Helene Savage

Frog of the Month - Linda Magovern

There is only one happiness in life - to love and be loved. ~
George
Sand

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If thou remember'st not the slightest folly that ever love did make thee run into, thou hast not loved. ~
Shake-speare

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

If you see these Jaycees, wish them a great day!

\*\*Birthdays for February\*\*

~Lauren Bitar Feb. 21 ~Tom Sawran Feb. 9 ~Brian Smith Feb. 2

~Jane Webster Feb. 27



#### An hour of right down love is worth an age of dully living on ~ Aphra Behn

How do I love thee? Let me count the ways. I love thee to the depth & breadth & height my soul can reach ~ Elizabeth Barrett Browning

#### MEMBERSHIP LYNN FREERKSEN

#### Happy Valentine's Day!

Activation Apparel - Carl Bertolino - Carl is back to square one and is looking for the best price and quality hats.

Jaycee Week - Chris Hebert - An ad will be placed in the Foxboro Reporter this week and there will be an orientation at 7:15 on Feb. 11 at the Community Center before the GM for anyone interested in learning more about the Jaycees.

Direct Mailer II - Dave Brown - Our ad will appear in the next issue of the Val-Pak Coupons.

Web Site Page - Scott Rogers - www.ici.net/customers/fjaycees

New Members BBQ - Chairman needed.

Call Nite II - Chairman needed.

Pancake Breakfast Membership Booth - Chairman needed.@@









#### Send flowers or candy or jewelry to your special valentine!

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and judge the winners of this fun contest. Let her know if you'd like to help.

Camp Lincoln Hill Fence Repair (Bill Maddestra) - Bill will be organizing manpower to fix the fence at the Camp. If you can help, call Bill.

Chairpeople Needed

Meals on Wheels Candidates' Night Teddy Bears for Tots
ANYONE INTERESTED IN CHAIRING ONE OF THESE WORTHWHILE PROJECTS CAN CONTACT ME OR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR,
BILL KING.

~~~Chris Hebert, CDVP~~~

#### THANK YOU NOTES...

I would like to thank the Jaycees for sending a lovely floral arrangement in response to my Grandmother's death. My Grandmother spent most of her adult life dedicated to community service so it is especially rewarding to know that I have been able to follow in her footsteps through my involvement in the Jaycees. In a time of need, family gather together to offer support and daily being able to view the beautiful flowers that were sent remind me of the family of friends I've been privileged to make in the Jaycees. Thank you all for your thoughtfulness.

Sandy Smith

Dear Foxboro Jaycees,

12/2/97

Thank you so much for the very generous donation to the Taylor playground. It will certainly help us as we repair and renovate.

We hope you all enjoy the holidays and thank you again! Sincerely, The Taylor PTO

To thank you for your kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated.

Ed Groh & Family

Words alone cannot express our appreciation for your generous contribution to the Brielle Bowman Leukemia Fund. With heartfelt thanks from the Bowman Family

A thank you card was received from the Children, Staff and Board of the Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps.

Dear Friends 12/18/97

On behalf of all the children who benefit from the Rodman Ride for Kids, thank you for your kind donation. Your contribution helped us reach a record \$643,000 to improve the lives of thousands of kids, their families and their communities across Massachusetts.

We deeply appreciate your commitment to the Ride. We depend on you, along with our riders and volunteers, to continue the excellent work of agencies dedicated to helping kids.

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Again, thank you for making a difference in children's lives.

Sincerely, Bobby Orr and Larry Bird, Co-Chairs

Another thank you was received from Don Rodman.

Dear Friends 1/1/98

On behalf of the Foxboro Discretionary Fund, I would like to thank you for your help and involvement in the Christmas 1997 "Adopt-A-Child" program.

More than 150 Foxboro children and their families enjoyed Christmas this year due to the warm and caring people such as yourselves, who made it all possible.

I hope that your holidays were made more special knowing that you helped make a child's Christmas a very happy one, and that on Christmas morning you took a few minutes to think about these children opening their very special gifts from you.

Many people took the extra time to shop for the gifts wanted by children as their "Christmas Wish". Some of these gifts were next to impossible to find, however, everything worked out, and I know these children were all happy with your selections. Others who could not shop contributed financially, which also is very beneficial because money is needed to buy clothing and toys for those last minute families who were not anticipated. Still others contribute financially and with food for the holiday for baskets. By working together we all made the holidays truly special for those who needed our assistance. How wonderful it is to give, as well as to receive!

With sincere gratitude, Lorraine Garland, Secretary for the Discretionary Fund {handwritten on the bottom}

Thank you, thank you - I can't say enough about how wonderful you all have been. Your support throughout the holidays was marvelous and it is so important to me that I know I can always depend on your organization to assist with the Discretionary Fund and people in need in our town.

#### **Foxboro Jaycees:**

Thank you for your donation to the Cairns Iris Fund for our town. Your generous contribution is helping in our efforts to reach our goal.

Sincerely, Janet Meeker - Coordinator

#### Hi folks,

The forget-me-nots were such a sweet and thoughtful gift. These will find a special place in our garden, not only to remind us of Patrick's birth but of all of you. As soon as I'm walking, we'll make our way to Raschels. Thanks so much for thinking of us. Pat, Jim, Chris & Patrick

I want to thank you all for the generosity your organization has once again shown towards our residents during the holiday season. Santa distributed the gifts we were able to purchase, due in part, to your considerable donation. Our residents' Christmas party was a tremendous success. Our ladies and gentlemen will be on the lawn cheering you on during the Founders' Day Parade, another one of their holiday events. Thank you once again! Sincerely, Patricia Rousseau, Van Dora Nursing Home Activity Director

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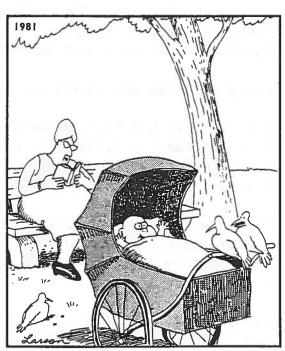
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To all the Jaycees:

Thank you very much for the card and beautiful flowers you sent in honor of Matthew's birth. The flowers came with an adorable beanie baby - a caterpillar with lots of colors. I'm sure Matthew will love it! We greatly appreciate all the calls and cards we received. Another special thanks to those who provided meals when we came home - it definitely kept us from starving! Also, thank you for the gift certificates to Raschels and the Common Eatery. We never expected Matthew to arrive in 1998! Then, when he didn't arrive until after 8 p.m., we thought that there was no way that he was the first. Surprises never end. Both certificates will come in handy! Thanks again for your thoughtfulness!!!

(Scott, Michele & Matthew Rogers) Sincerely,  $S + M^2$ 





"It's still hungry ... and I've been stuffing worms into it all day."

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The Foxboro Jaycees P. O. Box 169 Foxboro, Mass.

Dear members,

Once again, the Foxboro Jaycees have moved front and center, providing support for community projects. Clearly, you are the movers and shakers helping to make good things happen in the community, and your commitment is appreciated.

Your generous financial support is crucial to the Common restoration effort.

Eagle candidate John MacLaine and his fellow Scouts did an excellent job painting the fence. Existing benches have been repaired and 21 new benches will be fabricated. The Scouts will help in that effort also. Many of the lanterns have been rebuilt and rewired and the balance will be completed early next year.

One facet of this project will be to leave something in place whereby the Common will receive continual attention befitting the crown jewel of the community rather than periodic refurbishing. After all, we have to have an appropriate setting for the Jaycees musical heptagon which graces the village green.

Your participation in this project continues a longstanding Foxboro tradition. When the Common was first laid out in 1857, it was a private group that came forward to make it a reality. We chose that same method with the restoration effort of 1972, drawing on private funding and donations of time and talent, and have kept the tradition alive with the current 1992 effort and we thank you for being part of the program.

Thank you for supporting so many worthwhile projects within the community, and especially for your commitment to the Common restoration effort.

Respectfully,

Jack Authelet

Project coordinator