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A Message From the President



Welcome and congratulations to new member **Tom Mogon** who joined us at the last GM.

Its hard to be believe Fall is upon us. I hope everyone has enjoyed the summer and found something to their liking in our line-up of projects. Its seems like there's always something going on. So much for the lazy days of summer....

As you may have read in a recent Sun Chronicle article and from the difficulties of the Jaycees on a state level, it is no secret that many civic organizations are struggling these days. There are many reasons to be sure: fundraising, family life and commitments, work schedules -- especially in two income households, and the inability of groups to adapt to these challenges. The Foxboro Jaycees have been extremely fortunate during the nineties not only to survive but actually to thrive. We have a large, dedicated membership, and we have solid fundraising resources in the Haunted House, Glow Stick and Christmas Tree Sales projects. We should all be proud of our organization and our service to the community.

This year is the tenth anniversary of the Haunted House. The committee is busy at work planning this year's extra special event. Much work remains, and there are still some key positions available. And as with last year, there are added costs associated with the auditorium's infrastructure to be addressed. After 10 years of Haunted House successes it might be tempting to forget how much individual effort goes into this event and to take for granted how much the income drives our annual budget. This is a very important project for the Foxboro Jaycees and the community we serve. I hope that you will not wait for the manpower call to get involved this year, but rather pick up the phone and call **Pauline Brown** or **Lynda Walsh** and offer up your services.

Congratulations to all Jaycees nominated for August 1998 awards:

Nominations for Project of the Month included: Share, Pauline Brown; July GM Program, Gayle Workman; PawSox Game, Keith Magovern; Ceiling Fans, Pete Sorrow; PTO Calendar Lynda Walsh; Karen Mordaunt Move, Pete Sorrow.

Congratulations to Project of the Month -- Wise Fox, Jennifer Debrosse

Nominations for Jaycee of the Month included: Tracey Apgar, Pete Sorrow, Ed Groh, Keith Magovern, Jim Hebert.

Congratulations to Jaycee of the Month -- Scott Rogers

Steve Tingle
President

To find out more about our
President, check out Who's Who
this month!



Secretary's Report

May General Meeting: The meeting began at 8:10pm. There were only 33 members out of 110.

Donations: (Scott Rogers) **Foxboro Skates Booster** – This is for the newly organized youth ice hockey association begun last year. We gave as a donation \$100 since the town covers not all funds.

Secretary's Report: (Carl Bertolino) **Sunshine Fund** – Paul Godfrey had an industrial accident and will be out of work for a short period of time. A get-well card was sent. Also, Tracey Apgar's son will be undergoing heart surgery. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. **Inventory Control** - Chairman needed. I haven't done anything on this yet but I know I will be chasing down someone when I have a minute. **Wise Fox** (Jennifer Debrosse) – Congratulations for receiving "Project of the Month". Another fine job done. **By-Law Review** – Lynda Walsh held her first meeting Wed., August 26. She and her committee are going over new national guidelines and other topics and will be informing the general membership of our intentions.

Treasurer's Report: (Helene Savage) Funds from old accounts are now being closed. **Dues Director** -Tracey Apgar requests that those who have not yet paid their dues to please do so.

Membership (Chris Hebert) **Mentor Program** – A chairman for this project is still needed, please give Chris a hand. **Web Page** (Bob Gillis) Bob has made many changes. If you have access to the net, go take a look and admire his hard work at <http://www.home.ici.net/~fjaycees>. **New Members:** Tom Mogan Welcome, Tom. Tom was sworn in at this GM. **Who's Who** (Bob Gillis) – Bob is looking for participants to be interviewed for his article in the Wise Fox. Please let him know if you are interested. **Jaycee Activation Apparel** (George DiChico) – Chico is working on it, but if you need a hat give Carl Bertolino a call. **Concerts on the Common Membership Booth** – Some names were picked up and will be called for future GM's. **Activation Chairman** – chairman needed.

Ways and Means: (Lynn Freerksen) **Haunted House** (Pauline Brown) There was a meeting Thursday, August 20. Check out the site of Haunted Houses and see what is coming down the pike in the future for scare tactics and gizmos: <http://www.hauntworld.com/menu.html> **Haunted House Concessions** (Helene Savage/Tracy Apgar) – no news yet

Individual Development: (Tom Whiffen) **Volleyball** – chairman needed. This will start shortly after the school year begins. **Meetings and Programs** (Gayle Workman) – If anyone has any suggestions, please let Gayle know. **Degrees of Jaycees** (Dave Fisler) – no news. **PawSox Game** (Keith Magovern) Fun was had by all. **Family Day** (Teresa Devlin) Date is set for Sept. 6, 1:00-6:00pm. It looks like a great menu and there was be fun and games. **Paw-Sox Game II** (Keith Magovern) – Due to extra tickets we will be running this again scheduled for Aug. 27th. **Pick-Up Softball** – (Ed Groh and Bob Hickey) – cancelled due to lack of interest. **Canoe Trip** (Steve Krug) – everyone had a ball and everything went well. **Clam Bake** (Kenny Wills) Date is set for Sept. 12 at Camp Lincoln Hill. **Jaycee Open** (Fred Badger) Date is set for August 29th. Registration is at 7:30, Shotgun starts at 8:00am. **Softball Challenge** (Ed Groh) Cancelled because we were unable to set up a date with the Taunton Jaycees. **Associates vs. Regulars Softball** (Ed Groh/Robert Hickey) Took place Aug. 17th at the Jaycee Field. Game began at 6:00pm and refreshments were served at the Groh's residence afterwards. **Scavenger Hunt** (Steve Krug) Scheduled for Sept. 12 to meet at Camp Lincoln Hill about 2:00pm. **Block Island Social** (Teresa Devlin) Took place on Sat., Aug. 15. **Frisbee Golf** (Kevin Coleman) – Looking to take place on Oct. 10.

Community Development: (Pete Sorrow) **Share** (Pauline Brown) Share is Aug. 29th at the South Foxboro Community Club. **Camp Lincoln Hill Repairs Fence and Building** (Pete Sorrow) Construction is completed. A small amount of painting still has to be done. Otherwise, the project is complete. **Teddy Transfer** (Scott Rogers) – Preparing for the start of the school season and activating children to collect bears in their classrooms. **Concert on the Commons** (Jim Hebert) – project done. Good time had by all. Nice job, Jim. **Karen Mordaunt Move** (Pete Sorrow) – Final Report. Due to some great friends, the Mordaunts are in their new home. **Cable Access Grant/Family Night Out** - Cathy Hickey & Kevin Coleman – There was a great turnout on Aug 4. It was well represented by many different community organizations. **CYO Basketball Clinic** (chairman needed). If interested, call Pete. **Rodman Ride for Kids** (George DiChico) – no news. **Breast Cancer Walk** (Linda Magovern) – The walk will take place on Oct. 4. Anyone interested in picking up sponsors and walking, contact Linda Magovern. **Ceiling Fans** (Pete Sorrow) – final report. They have been installed at the South Foxboro Community Club. Thanks Dave and Pete. **PTO Calendar** (Lynda Walsh) – all set. Everything has been submitted to the PTO Calendar Committee. **Elder's Day** (chairman needed).

Secretary's Report

Awards:

Project of the Month: Wise Fox (Jennifer DeBrosse)

Jaycee of the Month: Scott Rogers

Frog of the Month: Jennifer DeBrosse (it's amazing the Wise Fox Editor didn't know who the secretary was)

Membership Awards:

Carl Bertolino for 5+ years

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM (not bad for a budget meeting)

HAUNTED HOUSE SEASON IS UPON US!

THERE ARE STILL POSITIONS NEEDED TO BE FILLED!

BE A PART OF 10TH ANNUAL HAUNTED HOUSE!

FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO BECOME INVOLVED

CONTACT: PAULINE BROWN

OR

LYNDA WALSH



First up on the world wide web business, I've updated the Jaycee site with some of our upcoming activities, and hope to get a revised org chart up there soon. I'll also update the haunted house pages as that time comes closer. As always, your ideas and suggestions are encouraged and appreciated. By the way, if any of you want to give your Jaycee event some additional publicity, call me and I'll write it up for the Foxboro Reporter. Now to the interview... As Jaycee president Steve Tingle and I sat for our "Who's who" interview, he asked me an interesting question: "Did you ever think of interviewing yourself?"

That brought a laugh, and memories of my almost-frog. Yes, I told him, in the first who's who! I nearly got lynched (or frogged) for it. As before, this month continues the grand tradition of interviewing people who are not me. Remarkably, Steve has been in the Jaycee chapter for only two years! I say "remarkably" because Steve is such a frequent presence at Jaycee events that it's hard to believe he's only been a Jaycee for two years!

"I grew up in the East Greenwich part of Rhode Island," Steve explains. He and his wife Heather were working in Rhode Island and Sharon, and wanted to buy a new house. After a year in Sharon, they bought a place in Foxboro. The couple have a 2 and a half year old daughter, Emily.

Steve works at Fidelity in the strategic planning and fianc,e group, and describes his job as "Long range planning," and, "evaluating what direction the business is going." He works very long hours.

Steve, who ran SHARE and was the chapter's treasurer last year, describes his introduction to the Jaycees: "I went to a GM with John Zirella years ago... It was a great meeting; everyone was really nice. But I just didn't have the time. I'd just moved into the house and the hours at Fidelity were long... But I was left with a very favorable impression... After Emily's birth, I really wanted to be involved with the community..."

He continues, "I did a lot of [community service] when I was younger, and I always had one eye on the Jaycees. I was really impressed with the Jaycees. I wanted to get involved with them, there was something for everybody."

BG: "You've been president for a few months now. How's it going so far?"

ST: "Pretty well. I'm trying to juggle work, family and the Jaycees."

BG: "What was your biggest challenge so far?"

ST" [laughs] "Hoping the rain would stop on Founder's Day! But Lynda's float was great, and I was happy with the glow sticks. Besides the haunted house the glow

ST: "No, not really, but it's still early. Last year's board was great and an excellent training ground. Things are running very smoothly with the new and old members."

Steve concludes, "I took this on as a learning experience. The Jaycees give you skills in dealing with people, negotiating, delegating, etc. You learn management skills you might not get at work."

Steve, thanks for the great interview!

Ways and Means

by Lynn Freerksen

Haunted House - Pauline Brown

Only 1 month until Family Night at the Haunted House. Construction has begun and help is needed nights and weekends. There is always something to do so wear your work clothes and join the fun. Don't forget it takes everybody in this organization to make this project a success. If you are a new member this year, be sure and be at the guide training night to get familiar with all the Haunted House procedures (date to be announced soon). Also, please help out manpower by signing up early and as many nights as possible.

Haunted House Concessions - Helene Savage & Tracey Apgar

Helene and Tracey are already hard at work wheeling and dealing for the best prices on soda and candy. If you can help out in any way call Helene at 543-6231. And for the faint of heart don't forget to sign up and work concessions as many nights as possible. See dates above.

Christmas Trees Sales - Chairman Needed

I know it's early but the trees must be ordered early so I am looking for a chairman as soon as possible.

If anyone has any Ways and Means CPG's please get them to me as soon as possible. I am looking for raffles, placemats, concessions, etc. Thanks, Lynn



HAUNTED HOUSE DATES

**** Family Night ~ Thursday October 15th****

**Haunted House Dates: October 16,17,18,21,22,23,24,25,
27,28,29,30**

Individual Development

Tom Whiffen

MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS – Tom Whiffen / Gayle Workman

Chuck Shumila of *Family Choice Mortgage* will be giving us the inside scoop on money saving hints for home mortgages and financing.

DEGREES OF JAYCEES – Dave Fisler

Get a degree form from Dave if you'd like to chart your progress as a Jaycee and be recognized for participation.

SCAVENGER HUNT – Steve Krug

The Scavenger Hunt will be held on Saturday, September 12. Call Steve at 543-8526 for more details.

CLAMBAKE – Kenny Wills.

Following the Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, September 12th at Camp Lincoln Hill. Call Kenny at 543-0347.

FRISBEE GOLF – Kevin Coleman

Saturday, October 10th – for just \$5 you will receive a disc, a round of Frisbee golf and food to follow. No experience is necessary. This is a fun inexpensive time for the whole family. For more info call Kevin at 543-1879 or sign up at the next GM.

VOLLEYBALL – Chairman needed.

PAWTUCKET RED SOX II– Keith Magovern (Final Report)

PICK-UP SOFTBALL – Ed Groh and Bob Hickey (Final Report)

ASSOCIATES vs. REGULARS SOFTBALL – Ed Groh (Final Report)

JAYCEE OPEN – Fred Badger (Final Report)

BLOCK ISLAND SOCIAL – Theresa Devlin (Final Report)

FAMILY DAY – Theresa Devlin (Final Report)

Happy Birthday!

Beth Maddestra ~ 9/2

Firm Locke ~ 9/5

David Britton ~ 9/22

Michele Rogers ~ 9/26

Pete Sorrow ~ 9/28

Nancy Williams ~ 9/29



1998 Haunted House Update "The Haunted Village"



Mark your calendars!
Show Nights: October 15 (Family Night)
16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30

Wanted to give everyone a quick reminder that the house is coming up soon.

At this point we have the license, power is being installed, and the septic situation is being handled.

We have quite a few positions still open on the committee, as well as a couple rooms that need chairpeople.

Thank you **Dave Fidler** and **Warren Cherry** for spending this last weekend installing the new power service to the house.

Tom Sawran has graciously volunteered to oversee the septic system again this year.

Mike Savage has decided to see what Helene's position really entails, by volunteering to be this year's treasurer of the house.

Bob Hickey will be forming a committee to get the word out to the public about our event, he informed us that he will be this year's publicity chairman. **Kevin Coleman** volunteered to help out with large signs, and has promised us great tee shirts.

Nancy Williams has stepped up to be this year's procurement coordinator.

Pete Sorrow will oversee any construction this year.

Pete Jamieson has expressed an interest in being this year's maintenance person.

Tom Whiffen is tossing the idea of helping out by being this year's creative director.

Mark Emery will be this year's head room chair.

Lauren Bitar will work her magic with our make-up this year.

Chico, although working nights, has volunteered to be clean-up coordinator.

Lynn Butler and **Lynda Walsh** will be making manpower calls.

We are looking for...

a person to take on our **house break refreshments**, this person would be responsible for getting some type of food for us during our break period.

a guide that would take on the position of **head guide**. This person would hold a couple pre-house meetings about the tasks of a guide as well as help out with a script for the guides to follow.

Rooms

Auditorium - "Town Square" Chairman Needed

First Hallway - Chairman Needed

#1 - Tom Sawran

#2 - Chairman Needed

#3 - Chairman Needed

#4 - Lynn Freerksen

#5 - Paul Godfrey & Matt Ferguson

Hallway - Chairman Needed

#6 - Chris Mullen

#7 - John Tyler

#8 - Ken Wills

#9 - Pat MacKay

#10 - Fred Badger

Courtyard - Mark Emery & Bob Hickey



Thank you everyone who has stepped forward to become key players this year.

If you have any suggestions or would like to help out any of the committee members, please, please, please give them a call.

This is the time for all good little Jaycees to help out as much as you can. Remember, this is the one project that helps fund most of our projects in the coming year.

Any questions or suggestions, feel free to give Pauline Brown or Lynda Walsh a call.

Pauline Brown
Haunted House Chairman

Lynda Walsh
Assistant

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