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Message from the President

Welcome and congratulations to new members Mary and Carolee Jackson who joined at the November GM. And a belated welcome to Joe Lavasseur, as well as Mona Viera and Brian Soucy who joined the last night of the Haunted House. Welcome back former members Paula Bertolino, and Norm and Doris Pelland. We've got a lot of new faces around; over the past two months we have activated sixteen new or previous members. So if you see a face you don't recognize, make it a point to introduce yourself.

And speaking of new members, it was great to see so many of our new members turn out for the nativity scene set-up and Christmas tree pick-up. We were done in record time due to all the manpower and enthusiasm. Thanks to everyone who came to help.

At last month's meeting we had Mike Coppola, Foxboro Selectman Chairman, speak to us regarding the status of the state hospital property and, in particular, the auditorium building. His message to us was that while the state has begun the process of turning the property over to the town, there is still much to be done and decided. Not the least of which is a town meeting in January at which time the voters of the town will have their say on the property. Chairman Coppola also indicated that one of the next steps should be a meeting of all organizations interested in playing a role in the property's use. This is a situation we most definitely want to have a say.

In November the State Jaycees had a re-organizational meeting. The Foxboro Jaycees were well represented with six members attending. To date, the membership drive to strengthen the state and put it back in good standing with the national organization has been successful. At this meeting a new state board was elected and I'm confident we will find them understanding of and responsive to the local chapters. The Foxboro Jaycees received special recognition at this meeting -- Congratulations to Pauline Brown, her committee, and everyone who helped make the 1998 Haunted House the MA Jaycees Outstanding Project of the Year!

Congratulations to all Jaycees nominated for October 1998 awards:

Nominations for Project of the Month included: Teddy Transfer, Scott Rogers; Web Site, Bob Gillis; Rodman Ride for Kids, Chico; Breast Cancer Walk, Linda Magovern, Haunted House Concessions, Helene Savage and Tracey Apgar.

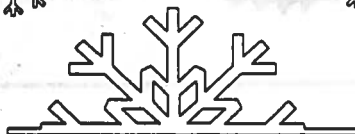
Congratulations to Project of the Month -- 1998 Haunted House, Pauline Brown

Nominations for Jaycee of the Month included: Dave Fisler, Lynda Walsh, Helen Savage, Mike Savage, Jen Debrosse, Pauline Brown, Tracey Apgar, Pete Sorrow, Derek House, Kevin Coleman, Warren Cherry

Congratulations to Jaycee of the Month -- Linda Magovern

Hope to see you in December! Happy Holidays!

Steve Tingle
President





Secretary Report for November

The meeting started at 8:10 pm and 47 members attended.

Old Business Auditorium Committee (Tom Sawran) - A guest speaker, Mike Cappola, Foxboro Selectman, was invited to the meeting to talk to us about the auditorium. He was very informative and hopeful about our future in using the hall for the Haunted House. Thanks to Mike for his time. Bill Hyland Memorial Fund (Dave Brown and Paul Howard) - \$17,000 has been raised for the skate parks. Dec. 9 at the SFCC a meeting will be held. Another \$2,200 will be needed. Camp Lincoln Hill Status (Lynda Walsh) - We can use our building and tennis courts to sell the Christmas Trees.

New Business Sausage Cart - The Jaycees have been given the option to purchase a Sausage Cart to sell stuff at the Patriots games and other events. Lynn Freerksen said she would be interested in finding out more information and reporting back to the membership. Donations (Scott Rogers) - \$650 was given to the Tony Connor Bone Marrow screening process that took place on Nov 21st, 1998. With that donation approx. 17 Jaycees donated blood to help find a match for Tony and others who may need a marrow transplant. State Membership Meeting - held on Nov. 21st, 1998, All invited who wish to attend.

Secretary Report (Carl Bertolino) - Nothing new here and everything is running well.

Treasurer's Report (Helene Savage) - All is going well and the numbers look good!

Membership Report Who's Who (Bob Gillis) - Jen Debrosse will be taking on this project when Bob is ready to give it up at the end of this season. Thanks, Jen! Mentor Program - Mike Savage has been making sure that new members have another member that they can call for information. Jaycee Activation Apparel - Chico is working on it. Web Site Page (Bob Gillis) - What a sight! If you have not taken a look at it, go to <http://home.ici.net/~fjaycees/> Activation Chairman (Tracey Apgar/Chris Hebert) - They are working to make sure that all new members are active. Call Night - Chairman needed. Please help! New Members - There were two new members that joined but I was unable to get their names. If you see new people around, say Hello.

Ways and Means (Lynn Freerksen) Haunted House (Pauline Brown) - Take a look at the financial statements. Yahoo! Haunted House Concession (Helene Savage/Tracey Apgar) - Another stellar job! Christmas Tree Sales (Sheri Duarte) - We will be picking up the trees on Sat Nov. 28th, 1998 and setting them up at the camp on Oak Street.

Community Development (Pete Sorrow) Share Program (Pauline Brown) - Things are going well. Share will take place one week early on Nov 21st, 1998 just in time for Thanksgiving. Teddy Transfer (Scott Rogers) - Approx. 70 stuffed animals were dropped off at the fire station for use when needed. Thank you, Scott for all your dedication and all your elves. CYO Basketball Paul Howard will talk to Dave Fisler and see what he can do to help. Senior Appreciation Day - Lynn Freerksen will be taking on this project next spring. Will we see you there? Winter Common Upgrade (Dave Fisler) - Thanks, Dave for taking on this project. BTW, the lights are still up from last year! Nativity Scene Set-Up Matt Ferguson will be setting up the manger on Sat Nov. 28th 1998. If you can, please help with the set-up. Santa Phone - Bob Hickey will be conducting this project the Sunday and Monday before Christmas. Caroling on the Common (Linda Magovern) We will be singing on the Commons on Dec 17th, 1998 with some of the High School Band. Santa on the Commons (Sue Zakhary) - Sorry, no new information, but please come out and give her your support for the children. Adopt a Kid for Christmas - Michelle Rogers has talked to Lorraine Garland and will be receiving information on a child that needs help this Christmas. Thanksgiving Food Delivery - If you can help, it will take place on Nov. 23rd, 1998 from 6 to 8 pm.





Secretary's Report, continued

Individual Development (Tom Whiffen) Meeting and Programs - We had Mike Cappola come by for a visit and talk to us about accepting the deed on the auditorium. Degrees of Jaycees - Dave Fisler got the paperwork and is going forward. 40th Anniversary Celebration (Lynda Walsh/Sandy Smith) It's progressing, nothing new. Volleyball (Bob Webster) - Mondays at 7pm. The cost is \$6. All are having fun. Haunted House Break-Up Party - Kenny Wills and his crew did a great job. Progressive Dinner - Sandy Emery and her committee have been working hard. The dinner will be Dec 5th, 1998. Hopefully we will see you there. Kid's Christmas Party (Helene Savage) Will be on Dec 12th @ 9 to 11 am at the SFCC.

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| Project of the Month | Haunted House- Pauline Brown |
| Jaycee of the Month | Linda Magovern |
| Frog of the Month | Peter Sorrow (No soup for you!) |

Meeting Ended at 10:25PM

ANAGRAMS - Remember what an anagram is? A word or phrase made up of the letters from a different word or phrase.

Example: horse = shore

Now for some great anagrams...

The Morse Code = Here Come Dots

Slot Machines = Cash Lost in 'em

Snooze Alarms = Alas! No More Z's

A Decimal Point = I'm a Dot in Place

Eleven plus two = Twelve plus one

George Bush = He Bugs Gore

Ronald Reagan = A Darn Long Era

"That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind", Neil A. Armstrong
= A thin man ran; makes a large stride; left planet, pins flag on moon! On to Mars!





☺Who's Who ☺

December 1998

by Bob Gillis

Sunday, November 8: I am still reeling from the haunted house break-up party – and have once again lost my voice (so much laughing and shouting “Evil! Beware the corn!” will do that to you). Kenny and Rita (and all others involved with putting the party together) *THANK YOU* for a great swan-song to the 98 Haunted House.

Speaking of Jeb, Chris Mullen told me that in last month's Who's Who he forgot to include three of the kids who worked his room: Bill Wivell's daughters Melissa, Laura, and Amy. Chris says all three worked very hard and he wanted to be sure they were also credited with a job well done.

On a personal note (what else to expect from the “Most compassionate guide?”) I'd like to say thank you for the honorable mention award for best guide. It's my first award as a Jaycee and really means a lot to me. ☺

Other things: My interview with Paul Lanza will run next month, and I encourage new Jaycees (and there are a lot of you!) to give me a call for a who's who interview. And to that mysterious woman who keeps promising to do Who's Who: I want that interview! Readers want to know what Quenton Tarantino is really like!

On the World Wide Web, our Jaycee web site now features many pictures from the haunted house (thanks Sandy Smith for taking such good ones). I recently added pictures of Chris Mullen and Bob Hickey. Also, I found a Jaycees brochure at the auditorium and have scanned in sections of that as well. It's pretty cool.

This month's interview took place at the break up party, and features new Jaycees Mona Viera, and Joe Levasseur. Shannon Leary, who worked the dorm room last year and guided this year, was also present, and kept trying to be interviewed (providing many laughs!) Shannon understands that at age 16 she has five more years before she can become a Jaycee, but asks me to note that she works at CVS, wants to be Jaycee, is treasurer of the debate team, likes Karate and skiing, and her all-time favorite movie is “Ghost.” Stay tuned, we might we swearing her in 2003 when she turns 21!

First up in Mona Viera of Foxboro, who was sworn in this month. I guided with Mona one night, and we unfortunately got several of the “groups without a pulse...” Our name for these dead groups? Varsity Losers! (I guess you had to be there, but it kept our spirits up, anyway)

Mona begins, “I live right near Steve Tingle and John Zarella -- The Jaycee president and the Unibomber!” [referring to John's costume] The lifelong Foxboro

native, a sales person for Rochelles, was introduced to the Jaycees during the Concerts on the Common and Family Night out. "I met Dave Fizzler, and he said check it out... Matt Ferguson also played a role in getting me here."

Mona, who made it for nearly every night of haunted house construction, explains, "I supervised the kids—"

"Young adults!" Shannon Leary interrupts.

"Whatever!" everyone yells back.

Mona speaks fondly of Tom Whiffen. "I owe him so much," she begins. "Tom got me through [guiding]" She adds with a smile, "...and he said if I didn't become a Jaycee I couldn't be his rear guide!" Tom and Mona recall their most memorable group – a tall man named "Hershey" looked to be trouble, but turned out to be one of their best groups.

Mona says she sees the Jaycees at something positive in her life. She has one son, Jimmy, who is 4 years old. A picture quickly follows, and we all agree Jimmy has nice eyes.

Sitting next to Mona is another new Jaycee, Joe Levasseur, one of the two man team who ran this year's blacksmith room

"I owe everything to Tom Whiffen!" he begins with an evil smile. "No, seriously, [being creative director] is Tom's job but he did it very well." Joe credits Tom with everything about the blacksmith room: "The basic skit, the skeleton, it was all Tom's idea and it worked well."

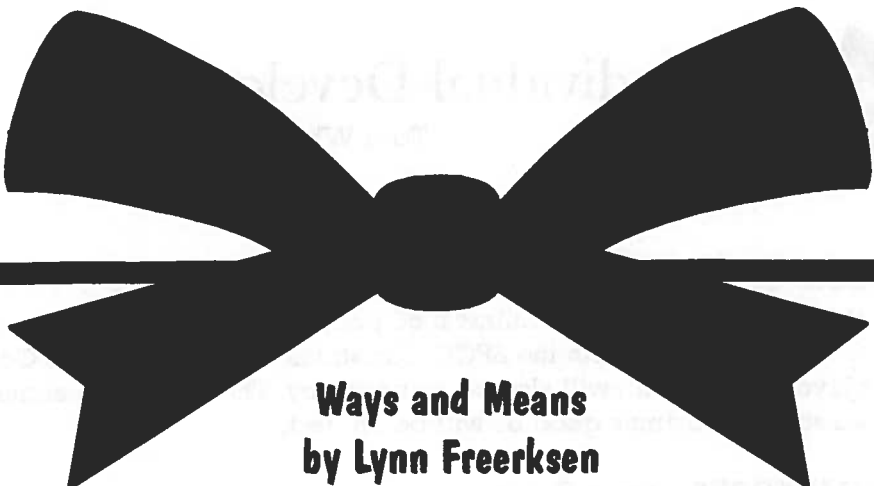
Joe credits Mona with "dragging him down" to the Haunted House, to help Dave and Warren with some electrical work. "I was "volunteered" to do the room," he explains. George came to me and said, "Oh, yeah, Joe, we're doing a room. I joined two weeks later, the same night as Mona."

(One line I kept using in Joe's room was that the oven was not for pizzas. I stopped that the night they handed me a pizza box!)

Joe's an electrician and hails from Raynham. He tells me he enjoys mountain biking, hiking, and skis all over New England. While he enjoyed the haunted house, he adds that, "It's hard doing the same skit each night. When you're the skeleton, you can't move or cough, or anything."

I think everyone will agree that Joe and George did a great job in that room, especially for a first time.

Mona and Joe, thanks for the interviews! That's all for this month. Merry Christmas, everyone!



Ways and Means by Lynn Freerksen

Christmas Tree Sales ~ Sheri Duarte

Sign up to sell Christmas trees at Camp Lincoln Hill. Trees are being sold every evening and weekends. Call Sheri to schedule a time or stop by and sign up. And most importantly, BUY a tree from a Jaycee!

**Since my area is a little light this month
here are a few holiday quotes:**

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

**He exists as certainly as love and
generosity and devotion exist.**

~Frances P. Church

**I am as light as a feather, I am as happy
as an angel, I am as merry as a schoolboy.**

**I am as giddy as a drunken man. A Merry
Christmas to everybody! A Happy New Year
to all the world!**

~Charles Dickens, A Christmas Carol

Ring out the old, ring in the new,

Ring happy bells, across the snow;

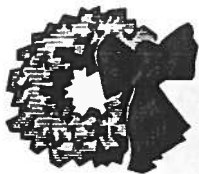
The year is going, let him go;

Ring out the false, ring in the true

~Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Although my area is light, this is the busiest time of year for Community Development. So remember to help out as much as possible on any CD projects. Guaranteed to give you that warm fuzzy feeling.

Have a great Christmas and a Happy New Year! Lynn



Individual Development

Tom Whiffen



MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS – Tom Whiffen/ Gayle Workman

We had a great turnout at the last GM...almost 50 people! Don't miss this meeting, as we will celebrate the Christmas season with the SFCC Christmas wonderland. Eric Corey, the new Massachusetts Jaycee President, will also be stopping by. The usual refreshments will not be served...instead some Christmas goodies will be offered.

DEGREES OF JAYCEES – Dave Fisler

Dave has done a great job of letting all the new members know how to work their way up the levels of Jaycee stardom. If you don't know how to achieve a degree, but would like to, talk to Dave at the meeting or give him a call at (781) 326-1922.

VOLLEYBALL – Bob Webster

Come out all you couch potatoes to the Ahern School gym every Monday night at 7:00. For just \$6 you get exercise and good competitive volleyball. All skill levels welcome. Call Bob Webster at 543-6959 for more info.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER- Sandy Emery

This great event is December 5th in a house near you. By the time you read this Wise Fox the dinner will have been a great success...more details and Frog nominations at the General Meeting.

KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY – Helene Savage

Helene and committee are already well underway with this project which will now be held from 9:30 am to 11:00 am on December 12th. If you have a Jaycee kid and haven't already signed up please give Helene a call ASAP at (508) 543-6231

SKI TRIP – Paul Kelly / Cheryl Cushman

Every year the Jaycees make a pilgrimage to Sunday River to live it up. Slopeside condos, 3 day lift tickets, indoor pool, Jacuzzi, saunas, parties, free pizza and beer (if you're a Jaycee that last one should really get ya!) \$50 deposit needs to be in ASAP and the balance by January 10, 1999 (Checks and credit cards accepted.) Please give Cheryl a call (508) 543-6983.

CHAIRMAN NEEDED:

Please call me (508) 553-9687 if you're interested in one of the following projects:

SCAT NIGHT – Organize a night, usually in February, where Jaycees get together and play the card game SCAT. Knowing how to play the game is not important. Finding a place to play, and getting tables, chairs and refreshments is what is needed.

FIRST AID/CPR TRAINING – If you are certified in either of these and would like to teach a one-night course to those looking for certification...please let me know.

SUPERBOWL PARTY – Looking for a person to find a place (maybe your house), and organize all the food for Sunday, January 31st.

MEMBERSHIP

Chris Hebert

Jaycee Activation Apparel (Chico)- If anyone has participated in a Community Development or Ways & Means project, but hasn't received their t-shirt, please let Chico or me know.

Web Site Page (Bob Gillis)- Bob has been updating the Jaycee website page- be sure to check it out at <http://home.ici.net/~fjaycees>.

Mentor Program (Mike Savage)- Mike has taken over this important project, which involves matching up new Jaycees with a buddy. If you would like to be a mentor, or haven't been assigned one, give Mike a call.

Activation Chairman (Tracy Apgar/Chris Hebert)- Thanks to Tracy for taking on this project...if you're a new member & haven't received a New Member's Guide, please let Tracy or me know.

Call Night- Chairperson needed. Please let me know if you're interested.





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Lorraine Garland

SEASON'S GREETINGS

