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Happy New Year?

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Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a happy and safe holiday season.

Thank you to everyone who helped out during the Fall and Holiday season. All of the projects went well because of the Jaycees and friends who stepped up to chair them, to work on a committee or showed up to lend a hand.

It's hard to believe January is here already. And, now its time to start thinking about what we've got in store for the Winter and Spring. While the pace is slower this time of the year, some of our projects require a lot of advance planning and active committees. So take a look at the projects listed in this newsletter, or better yet come to the GM on Jan 13th, and sign up for a project.

This is also the time of the year to start thinking about the Jaycee elections. Over the next month or so, I encourage all regular members interested in being on the Board to give some thought about how they might best contribute. Position responsibilities are listed in the chapter by-laws. Serving on the Board is a great way to make a contribution to the chapter and to the community. It also gives you the opportunity to gain some leadership and management skills.

Nominatons for Project of the Month included:

Teddy Transfer - Scott Rogers Web Site - Bob Gillis Share - Pauline Brown WiseFox - Jen Debrosse November GM - Tom Whiffen

Congratulations to Project of the Month - Haunted House Break-Up Party chaired by Ken Wills

Nominations for Jaycee of the Month included:

Rita Gould Sheri Duarte Michelle Rogers

Congratulations to Jaycee of the Month - Helene Savage

See you in January! Steve Tingle



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JECRETARY REPORT FOR DECEMBER

The meeting started at 8:10 pm and 36 members attended.

Old Business Auditorium Committee (Tom Sawran) – Nothing new until the next town meeting. Bill Hyland Memorial Fund (Dave Brown and Paul Howard) - They are trying to shore up the numbers. Camp Lincoln Hill Status (Lynda Walsh) – We can use our building and tennis courts to sell the Christmas Trees. State Jaycee Meeting (Steve Tingle)-The Foxboro Jaycees made an impressive showing with 7 members going to the state board meeting. The Foxboro Jaycees won two awards, Steve's Outstanding Leader award and Pauline Brown's best Project of the year.

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) - Tony Connor Bone Marrow screening process had a fantastic turnout. 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 Feb. 20th, 1998. All invited who wish to attend. Bruin's Legends Hockey (Tom Sawran)- We were given a money-making proposition: to sponsor a hockey game between the Foxboro Police Dept. and Bruin's Hockey legends. The Police Union wanted to try another avenue to try to raise money. They thought that this was something they still wanted to do (play) and they thought of us to be the benefactor of the money. A lot of questions still had to be answered but this was time critical so a motion was made and passed that: Tom Sawran and his Committee are authorized to use the Jaycee name for a hockey game to be taken place on March 27th with the Foxboro Police Department against the Bruin's Legends Hockey team, when and if all concerns have been addressed satisfactorily.

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) - Things are going well. Mentor Program (Mike Savage) So far all new members this year have a seasoned Jaycee that they can contact 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/ It presently has a Christmas & New Years theme. Activation Chairman (Tracey Apgar/Chris Hebert) - They are working to make sure that all new members are active. Jaycee Week -Chairman Needed. New Members - No new members joined this month.

Ways and Means (Lynn Freerksen) Haunted House (Pauline Brown) - Final meeting Dec 16th, 7:30pm Christmas Tree Sales (Sheri Duarte) - All is going well. Still have a few spaces open if you would like to help for a shift or two.

Community Development (Pete Sorrow) Share Program (Pauline Brown) - Things are going well. Share will take place one week early on Dec 19th, 1998 just in time for Christmas. Teddy Transfer (Scott Rogers) The reporter will be running an article shortly. Senior Appreciation Day- Lynn Freerksen has a tentative scheduled for Feb 20th, 1999. Will we see you there? Winter Common Upgrade (Dave Fisler) - Lights were fixed and new lights have been added to the collection. Nativity Scene Set-Up (Matt Ferguson)-Thanks to all that helped in setting it up. Santa Phone - Bob Hickey will be conducting this project the Sunday and Monday before Christmas at Homeowners Advantage, Inc. on Bird St. 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) - Santa will be at the Commons Dec 12th around noon. Adopt a Kid for Christmas - (Michelle Rogers) - We bought for 2 boys and 2 girls. Thanksgiving Food Delivery- Not many Jaycees showed up to help on Nov. 23rd, 1998 from 6 to 8pm. Cable Auction (Brian Sussie)- Thanks for taking on this project. Baby New Years (Michelle Rogers)- Thanks for taking on this project. Pancake Breakfast (Sorry I did not write down the Chairmen's name) but someone did take this project on. 1 will let you know in the next report

Individual Development (Tom Whiffen) Meeting and Programs - We had the New Massachusetts President come to a meeting and Tom and his crew had great decorations and cookies. Degrees of Jaycees - Dave Fisler got the paperwork and is going forward. 40th Anniversary Celebration (Lynda Walsh/Sandy Smith) It is being taken off the list. 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 worked hard. The food was good, the booze was plenty and the conversation overflowing. Kid's Christmas Party (Helene Savage) On Dec 12th @ 9 to 11 am at the SFCC. Ski Trip (Paul Kelly)- Jan 28-31. Get the deposits in quickly! Scat Night (Hickey's)- More information to follow. Superbowl Party (Bertolino's) Jan 31th More information to follow. Please go to the GM so that you can sign up and find out the cost for the food and beer. Maybe \$7 to \$10pp for the beer and food. Medieval Manor (Dave Healy)- Dave will have more information to come

Project of the Month Haunted House Break-up Party Kenney Wills Jaycee of the Month Helene Savage
Frog of the Month Paul "Shrapnel" Goddfrey

Meeting Ended around 11PM

Individual Development

Tom Whiffen

MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS - Tom Whiffen/ Gayle Workman

You never know what might happen or who might show up...but you know there will be plenty of drinks and snack foods.

DEGREES OF JAYCEES – Dave Fisler

If you would like to learn how to achieve the highest degree as a Jaycee...talk to Dave and get a degree form from him or call him at (781) 326-1922.

VOLLEYBALL – Bob Webster

On the first Monday night of 1999 we had 19 people come out! (21 if you include fans) All we need is you. Why not start that New Year's resolution to lose weight at 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.

SKI TRIP - Paul Kelly / Cheryl Cushman

So far 42 people are gearing up to go to Sunday River. Slopeside condos, 3-day lift tickets, indoor pool, Jacuzzi, saunas, parties, free pizza and beer. You still have a chance to sign up...get \$240 to Cheryl by January 10, 1999 and you'll be joining us. (Checks and credit cards accepted.) Any questions please give Cheryl a call (508) 543-6983.

SCAT NIGHT – *Bob and Cathy Hickey*

Bob and Cathy will be hosting Scat night some time in February. More info at the next GM...which is January 13 at 8:00 at the South Foxboro Community Center.

MEDIEVAL MANOR – Dave Healy

Dave will be giving us more info at the next GM...which, of course, is January 13 at 8:00 at the South Foxboro Community Center.

SUPERBOWL PARTY – Carl Bertolino

Carl will be hosting the big party on Sunday, January 31st. More info at the next GM. Did I mention that is on January 13 at 8:00 at the South Foxboro Community Center?

KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY - Helene Savage (Final Report)

A record turnout and 40 happy children is the final report. Super job Helene!

CHAIRMAN NEEDED:

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

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.

ASSOCIATES NIGHT – The one time of the year when we get to roast the RFO people who wander among us calling themselves "Associates." This project, which runs in March, involves a large committee, which will put on dinner and a show at the Community Center for the "Geritol Gang."

INSTALLATION BANQUET – One of the most important projects of the year. A formal evening which includes appetizers, dinner, awards presentations and the swearing in of the new President and his/her board.



Who's Who January 1999 by Bob Gillis

Well Happy New year everyone! Hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas season. First to the Web, I've given the Jaycee Internet site a decidedly seasonal flair, and I have recently added pictures of the breakup party and progressive dinner. More

good stuff to come.

This month's who's who interview was one of the most enjoyable I've conducted. Paul Lanza is a familiar face at Jaycee events, and rightly so: He's been a member since 1984!

I caught up with Paul at the haunted house last October when he was dressed as the widow Pengerghastly, an ancestor (or descendant) of the previous year's Miss Pengerghastly.

Paul makes a very convincing old lady, and his hilarious lines as he guided ("Help me to the pub, I need a Sasperilla") had me in stitches.

"People worry I'm a little too much into the character," Paul begins with a smile. "But after playing the biker guy and then Father Damien a few years back, I decided it was time for a change." It should be noted that Paul makes numerous sacrifices to bring Penderghastly to life, such as shaving his mustache, and enduring some dirty looks from people in line who snarl, "Get away from me!"

Paul's impressive Jaycee history goes back a full 14 years, and it's obvious this guy is very proud to be a Jaycee. Paul explains, "I was invited to Vinnie Michell's house for a clambake back in '84. It was the annual bash. Mike Lenahan was the Jaycee president back then, and my wife was in the Newcomer's Club, so I'd crossed paths with the Jaycees before. On a Jaycees harbor tour, everyone was saying I should join. At the time I felt I wasn't a joiner, and I didn't have time. But I went to the Jaycee volleyball game." He joined right after that. "I won rookie of the year my first year. I also got the most new members my first year—14. That was unheard of back then"

Paul also has the unique distinction of being named an associate twice, because the age requirement for associates changed during the fourteen years since.

"I've done everything," he says of his associations with the chapter. I ran a cabbage patch doll fund raiser and socials and stuff.... I've done zillions of things: Pancake breakfast, founder's day, all of it..."

"What comes to mind as the most memorable?" I ask.

Paul smiles. "Not memorable, but we did a fund raiser years and years ago, selling ice scrapers outside Cumberland Farms. That really stunk. It was cold, and nobody wanted to buy the things. That was years before we did Christmas trees... I've helped repair the roof at the Little League field, worked Elder's Day, sold Christmas trees..."

He adds, "I'm into this town... I joined [the Jaycees] to help people... That's the essence of it... I truly believe in the essence of it... The Jaycee principles. We do so much for the community, and I honestly well up with pride. It keeps me

coming back. The enthusiasm is infectious. Seeing all the new people like yourself coming in and having a good time - it's great."

Paul's work is as impressive as his Jaycee achievements. A manager for an inhouse consulting engineers group at the MWRA, Paul's responsible for much of the wastewater treatment, water and supply for Boston -- serving about two million people. ("The second biggest after Chicago,") he adds.

He also served on the Industrial Development Commission from 1977-1994 and got the vote for the Foxboro Sewer study committee and served as chairman of the water and sewer commission.

Paul, I sincerely enjoyed my talk with you! You're accomplishments both in the Jaycees and for Foxboro are very impressive. Thanks again for a great interview!



Foxboro Jaycees,

Thank you all for your continued support in our adopt-a-child program.

A special thank you for the fruit baskets and those who helped moving the toys, put them in alphabetical order and deliver. You guys are the best!

Lorraine Garland

Foxboro Discretionary Fund

January Birthdays: Paula Berolino 1/9 and Sheri Duarte 1/24

If you would like your b-day listed in the Wise Fox please call Jennifer D.

