

The Wise Fox

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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations and welcome new members Kathy Cater, Elise and Eric Behn, who joined at last month's GM. We always say the best way to get to know other Jaycees is to jump right in and get involved. Well, Elise didn't waste anytime time, she immediately signed up to chair CPR Training. Way to go Elise!

Thank you to everyone who turned out for the Town Meeting on Feb 1st, where the State Hospital Property transfer warrant was approved. While no action was required on our part, just the presence of the Jaycees at this important meeting sent a positive message to the community and its leaders. Fortunately, the measure passed overwhelmingly and with little fanfare. But as anyone who has attended these meetings in the past can attest anything can happen so its great that we were prepared.

Coming up at this month's GM, in addition to ongoing project planning, is the report by the By-laws committee and a vote on the proposed changes. Lynda Walsh and her committee have put in many hours reviewing our By-laws and bringing them up-to-date. The committees notice is included in this newsletter.

And yes it is still that time of the year. The time to be thinking about the Jaycee elections. The nominations committee will be announced at the February GM and any regular member considering a board position should talk to a committee member 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.

Congratulations to the projects and Jaycees recognized last month.

Nominations for Project of the Month included:

- Christmas Tree Sales
- Santa Phone
- Discretionary Fund Holiday Fruit Baskets
- Santa on the Commons

Congratulations to Project of the Month - Kids Christmas Party

Nominations for Jaycee of the Month included:

- Sheri Duarte
- Cathy Hickey
- Dave Fisler

Congratulations to Jaycee of the Month - Michelle Rogers

In addition to the important work we have to do at the February GM, it's safe to say there are some Frog stories you don't want to miss. Hope to see you at the meeting!

Steve Tingle

SECRETARY'S REPORT ~ CARL BERTOLINO

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

Old Business Auditorium Committee (Tom Sawran) - Town meeting on Feb. 1st, 1999 be there. **Bill Hyland Memorial Fund** (Dave Brown and Paul Howard) - They are trying to shore up the numbers.

New Business Sausage Cart Lynn Freerksen Holding off. **Donations** (Scott Rogers) - Nothing Available. **Scott Steeves Benefit** - Bob Webster, Bob has made a motion and it was approved for \$100 to get two gift certificates for The LaFayette's House and Luciano's. Bob also has tickets if you are interested in going.

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 **Web Site Page** (Bob Gillis) - Constantly adding to it. If you have not taken a look at it, go to <http://home.ici.net/~jjaycees/> It presently has a Christmas & New Years theme. **Activation Chairman** (Tracey Apgar/Chris Hebert) - They are working on a new booklet. **Jaycee Week** - Lynda Magovern 4th week of January. **New Members** - Welcome new members Kathy Cater and Eric and Elise Behn.

Ways and Means (Lynn Freerksen) **Christmas Tree Sales** (Sheri Duarte) - All trees are sold **Haunted House** - Pauline Brown Donation meeting waiting to make the final payouts. **Bruin's Legends Hockey** (Tom Sawran) - March 27th, looking to be a great game.

Community Development (Pete Sorrow) **Share Program** (Pauline Brown) - Things are going well **Teddy Transfer** (Scott Rogers) Nothing new. **Senior Appreciation Day** - Lynn Freerksen Is scheduled for Feb 27th, 1999 1 thru 4PM **Winter Common Upgrade** (Dave Fisler) - Saturday for take down 10AM. **Nativity Scene Set-Up** (Matt Ferguson) - Saturday 23rd, at 10 AM for take down. **Santa Phone** - Bob Hickey 65 kids were called and one letter sent to the editor. **Caroling on the Common** (Linda Magovern) 50 people attended was held at the fire station. **Santa on the Commons** (Sue Zakhary) - Everything went very well. **Adopt a Kid for Christmas** - (Michelle Rogers) - Very successful. **Cable Auction** (Brian Sussie) - Bob Hickey is going to give Brian a hand. **Baby New Years** (Michelle Rogers) - Not sure yet we are running an ad. **Sand for Seniors** (Bob Hickey) - Running an ad. **Pancake Breakfast** (Dave Fisler/ Tom Whiffen) - working on committee. New Chairman and their projects **Easter Egg Hunt** (Pauline Brown), **Youth Scholarships** (Dave Britton), **Candidates Night** - (Bob Hickey) and **Mother's Day Essay** - Helene Savage

Individual Development (Tom Whiffen) **Meeting and Programs** - Nothing new. **Degrees of Jaycees** - Has new forms **Volleyball** (Bob Webster) - Mondays at 7pm. The cost is \$6. Competitive bunch of people **Progressive Dinner** - Sandy Emery and her committee have been worked hard. A great time was had by all. **Kid's Christmas Party** (Helene Savage) 41 kids lots of help. **Ski Trip** (Paul Kelly) - Jan 28-31. 42 people signed up. **Scat Night** (Hickey's) - Wine tasting 7 to 7 \$5.00 per person games start at 8 PM some time in Feb. **Superbowl Party** (Carl Bertolino) Jan 31st cost is \$5.00 for food and Beer. **Medieval Manor** (Dave Healy) - Dave will have more information in Fox. New Chairmen and their projects **CPR Training** - Elise Behn, **How to run a project/write a CPG** Bob Webster, and **Installation Banquet** - Linda Magovern. Chairman still needed for Associates Night.

Project of the Month Kid's Christmas Party Helene Savage
Jaycee of the Month Michelle Rogers
Frog of the Month Teresa Devlin



February Birthdays

Brian Smith ~ 2/2

Tom Sawran ~ 2/9

Lauren Bitar ~ 2/21

Jane Webster ~ 2/27

Ways & Means

By Lynn Freerksen

Bruins Legends Hockey Fundraiser - Tom Sawran

The Hockey Game will be played March 27 at the Iorio Arena in Walpole. Help will be needed to take tickets and at the membership booth. Call Tom to sign up.

It is wise to direct your anger
toward problems - not people;
to focus your energies on answers -
not excuses.

William Arthur Ward

Which can say more than this rich
praise, that you alone are you.

Shakespeare

We are what we repeatedly do.
Excellence, then, is not an act
but a habit.

Aristotle

Together
Everyone
Achieves
More



Who's Who by Bob Gillis

Hi everyone. Both this month's interview and web update are short; between Euro and Y2K at work, things have been even wackier than usual.

On the Web, I've made some changes to the front page of our site, scanned in and added some Santa on the Common pictures, and hope to have progressive dinner pictures on the site soon.

I've also added a page listing our email addresses. Any Jaycee who would like their email address listed on the web site, please email me at rjgilli@clipper.ssb.com and I'll add it. Note: No email address will be added without the owner's authorization. At this writing Dave Brown and Bill Byrnes have been added. Thanks, guys!

Turning to thoughts about this coming May and its board changes, I would love to maintain our web site for another year, unless someone else really, really wants to do it. And I'd like to state here for the record that I do not wish to be the Wise Fox editor next year. Someday, yes, but not next year. Things need to calm down at work a little first, and it doesn't look like that will be anytime soon.

Turing to Who's Who, I caught up with new member DAVE HEALY at the House's House during the progressive dinner. Dave is a familiar face not only at the haunted house but also around town. "I've wanted to join for a long time," he tells me. "I worked the detail at [the haunted house] for many years. Lynda Walsh invited me." Dave and Sharyn Higginbotham were sworn in the same night.

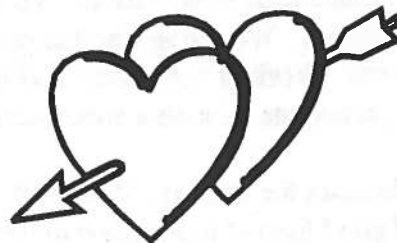
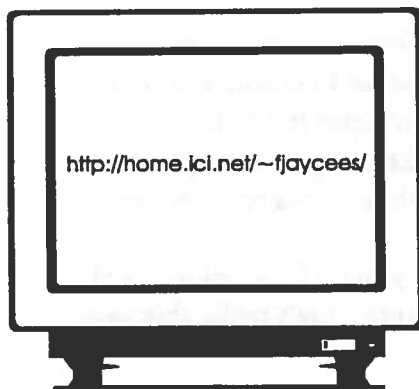
Born and raised in Foxboro, Dave now lives in Plainville and has three children: Ryan (9), Jason (8), and Sean, who is 6.

A fire fighter since 1983, Dave also teaches the CPR course offered at the fire station. He also writes occasional articles on fire safety and community health issues for the Reporter.

These days he's staying busy, going to school at Providence College to get his Bachelor's degree in Fire Science.

Dave's next project with the Jaycees? "The medieval manor," he says with a smile. For anyone who hasn't been to medieval manor, it's a very... fun and unusual dining experience. Dave explains that the restaurant is set up in a king's court style... Well, I'm saving the surprise for the Jaycees who go there.

That's all for this month. Happy Valentine's Day, everyone.



J **FOXBORO** Jaycees

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PRESS RELEASE

Event: Foxboro Jaycees 25th Annual Pancake Breakfast
Date: Sunday, March 28, 1999
Location: Foxboro High School Cafeteria
Inquiries: Linda Magovern, (508) 698-3922
<http://home.ici.net/~fjaycees>

The Foxboro Jaycees are proud to announce that they are running the 25th Annual Pancake Breakfast. The event will be held on Sunday, March 28, 1999 in the Foxboro High School Cafeteria on South Street. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 am until noon. At the door admission is \$4.00 per person, \$3.00 for senior citizens and \$1.00 for children under five years of age. The all-you-can-eat menu will consist of pancakes, sausages, orange juice, milk and coffee. All proceeds benefit the Foxboro Youth Basketball Association.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from the Youth Basketball players who will be selling them door to door in town. Keep a lookout for kids in your neighborhood for your ticket. Discount tickets for seniors and toddlers may be purchased at the event.

The Foxboro Youth Basketball Association is a program open to kids of Foxboro. It gives hundreds of both boys and girls between the ages of 8 to 18 an opportunity to learn and play the sport. Sixty volunteer coaches teach skills to 63 teams that are made up of over 600 youths. Children learn sportsmanship and self confidence. There are five age groups that are drawn upon to make up road teams for the Metro West and the South Shore Leagues. The Jaycee Pancake Breakfast is the association's biggest fund raiser. Money raised from this event is used to offset costs such as school gym rental fees, uniforms, registration fees and trophies.

Last year over 1,500 meals were served and the Foxboro Jaycees raised over \$3,000 for the Basketball Association. We are asking coaches to encourage your players to sell tickets. We are asking the community to purchase tickets for this worthwhile event. Work of volunteers and fund raisers like this gives the youths the chance to participate in such a successful program with no expense to the town.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, March 28, 1999. Come join us for a hearty meal with plenty of good food at a fair price to help a worthy cause. Let's make this year as successful as the past years.



Individual Development

Tom Whiffen



MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS – *Tom Whiffen/ Gayle Workman*

Come to an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner starting at 7:00 p.m. at the SFCC. This will be a good way to prepare for the budget meeting at 8:00 p.m. There will be a small fee of \$2 per person to cover cost.

DEGREES OF JAYCEES – *Dave Fisler*

If you've paid your dues and been to one General meeting you've already achieved the 1st degree... find out from Dave how to work your way up to 10th degree. Talk to him at the next GM or call him at (781) 326-1922.

VOLLEYBALL – *Bob Webster*

Be 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.

SCAT NIGHT/WINE TASTING – *Bob and Cathy Hickey*

Scat/Wine tasting night will be at the house of Scott and Michele Rogers on February 27th. At 7:00 p.m. there will be a wine tasting event with a professional wine taster. There will be a small fee to participate. Immediately following will be the card game Scat... don't miss the fun... even if you don't know how to play someone will teach you that night. For more info call Bob or Cathy Hickey at (508) 543-4046.

MEDIEVAL MANOR – *Dave Healy*

Dave had about 30 people sign up at the last GM... details soon to follow.

ASSOCIATES NIGHT – *Ed Groh*

Ed will be passing around a sign up sheet to be on his committee at the next GM.

INSTALLATION BANQUET – *Linda Magovern*

Linda has a committee and will be giving us an update at the next GM.

SKI TRIP – *Final Report*

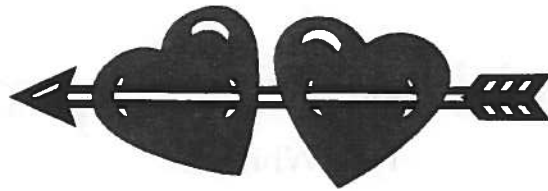
Almost 50 Jaycees and friends were treated to 3 beautiful days at Sunday River Ski resort. Congratulations to Paul Kelly and Cheryl Cushman for once again putting on a great trip. Many frog tales are already being circulated... eh "Bubbles." ☺

CPR TRAINING – *Elise Behn*

New member Elise Behn volunteered to chair this project. More information will be given at the GM.

HOW TO RUN A PROJECT/WRITE A CPG – *Bob Webster*

Bob Webster volunteered to chair this project. More information at the next GM.



MEMBERSHIP

Chris Hebert

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS, ELISE, ERIC & KATHY, WHO JOINED AT THE JANUARY MEETING.

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)- If you're a new member & haven't received a New Member's Guide, please let Tracy or me know.

Jaycee Week (Linda McGovern)- Linda placed a membership ad in the Foxborough Reporter to coincide with National Jaycee Week. Great job, Linda!

CHAIRPERSON NEEDED: NEW MEMBERS'
BARBECUE- please give me a call if interested in chairing this project.

BY-LAW REVIEW REPORT TO MEMBERSHIP

In accordance with ARTICLE XII, SECTION 1, The Bylaw Review Committee submits the following changes for approval.

ARTICLE I - SECTION 7 Life Member

Is a prestigious award given to a regular or associate member for outstanding service.

PROPOSED CHANGE

A life member is a member who has received The Life Member Award for outstanding service.

ARTICLE V - SECTION 7

At the Election Meeting, there shall be elected, in the following order, a President, Individual Development Vice-President, Community Development Vice-President, Ways & Means Vice-President, Membership Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, all of whom constitute the officers of the corporation and who shall, upon election, become Directors.

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POLICY #3 DUES AMOUNT:

The amount of thirty dollars and fifty cents (\$30.50) is paid by the corporation to the Massachusetts Jaycees and United States Jaycees for each regular member. In accordance with By-Laws Article III the Treasurer will invoice all regular and associate members two months prior to their anniversary date printed in the corporation's roster.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

Annual dues shall be thirty dollars and fifty cents (\$30.50). In accordance with By-Laws Article III the Treasurer/Dues Director will invoice all regular and associate members two months prior to their anniversary date printed in the corporation's roster.

POLICY #8 LIFE MEMBER:

The LIFE MEMBER AWARD may be presented at the five year anniversary banquet by the last life member for outstanding service. The chapter has awarded just five life members in its history. Every five years the LIFE MEMBER AWARD is reviewed for presentation at the five year anniversary banquet. The LIFE MEMBER AWARD is determined by unanimous decision of the past presidents and all the life members attending a meeting(s) organized by the last life member. This meeting should be timed prior to the five year anniversary banquet. This award does not have to be granted, however, all active members with more than ten years service should be considered.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

The Life Member Award may be presented at the installation banquet by the Life Member Committee. The Life Member Committee is comprised of the Past Presidents who are current members of the chapter and all the Life Members. Consideration for the Life Member Award may be initiated by either the convening of the Life Member Committee by the last Life Member, or by request of the Board of Directors. In the case of request by the Board of Directors, the President becomes the initiator of the Life Member Committee by request to the last Life Member. If the last Life Member declines to chair, then the President will appoint either a Past President or another Life Member to chair. This meeting should be convened yearly, prior to the installation banquet. This award does not have to be granted yearly, however, all active members with more than ten years of service should be considered. In either case the committee will give a final report to the Board of Directors at the April Board meeting.

As a general housekeeping function, we have changed the Massachusetts Jaycess to Massachusetts Junior Chamber of Commerce and United States Jaycees to United States Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Also, of POLICY #14, we fixed the typo and changed 30% to 35%. This was confirmed with the originator of the By-Law.

The By-Law Review committee will be presenting these changes at the February GM for a vote to change said By-Laws. After which a new copy of the By-Laws will be distributed to each member as an update.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Lynda Walsh at 543-2668.

Lynda Walsh
Project Chairman