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# The Wise Fox

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**Congratulations  
Lynn Freerksen  
1999 Key Man**



Thanks to everyone who made this a great year for the chapter and for me personally. It was a rewarding experience to serve as your president. I will carry the fond memories and experience of the past year for many years to come.

In this day and age when so many civic organizations struggle with membership and finances, the Foxboro Jaycees are certainly bucking the trend. This is a special organization made up of many different individuals who have come together with common goals. You all are to be commended for the time, the energy and the commitment that collectively have made this organization successful year after year.

Because of everyone's hard work this year we have sworn in over twenty new members, contributed to the rebuilding of the state Jaycee organization, and are financially in a position to set aside several thousand dollars for a rolling contingency fund. But most important to me, is the knowledge that our commitment to individual development and community service in Foxboro is as strong as ever and that this organization continues to contribute enormously to the quality of life in this community.

I look forward to the new Jaycee year and the work of the new board, I am confident that Carl and his team will serve the membership well and guide this chapter to new success. And, one last time (at least in this column) I encourage each and every member to continue to do what they can for the chapter and the community. I can assure you, from personal experience, that you get out of this organization what you put into it.

Congratulations to everyone nominated for last month's awards and the winners.

**Project of the Month**

Nominations: By-Law Review - Lynda Walsh  
Scat Night/Wine Tasting - Cathy/Bob Hickey  
Associates Night - Ed Groh  
Youth Scholarships - Dave Britton

**Project of the Month: Senior Appreciation Day - Lynn Freerksen**

**Jaycee of the Month**

Nominations: Lynda Walsh, Bob Hickey, Lynn Freerksen,  
Dave Britton, Pauline Brown

**March Jaycee of the Month: Ed Groh**

**Congratulations also to our year end award winners:**

Lynda Walsh: Officer of the Year

Scott Rogers: Director of the Year

Helene Savage: Individual Development Project of the Year - Kids Christmas Party

David Fisler & Tom Whiffen: CD Project of the Year - Pancake Breakfast

Bob Gillis: Membership Project of the Year - Web Site

Warren Cherry: Ways and Means Project of the Year - Haunted House Shooting Gallery

Pauline Brown: Project of the Year - Haunted House

Cathy Hickey & Kevin Coleman: New Project of the Year - Family Night Out

Cathy Hickey: Chairman of the Year

David Fisler: Rookie of the Year

Key Man: Lynn Freerksen

## Secretary Report

The meeting started at 8:10 PM and 44 members attended! Thanks for coming.

**Old Business** Auditorium Committee (Tom Sawran) –No new information. Bill Hyland Memorial Fund (Dave Brown and Paul Howard) - They are looking to start a fire under the highway department so they can break ground soon. Stay tuned for more information Sausage Cart (Need Chairman).

**New Business** Donations (Scott Rogers) -Contacted all who have received help from us this year so that they can send a picture or two and a summary of what happen to our donation. Liaison Committee-(Robert Hickey) - This committee was set-up to monitor the business with Spooky World. The people on this committee are Robert Hickey, Dave Brown, Lynda Walsh, Steve Tingle and Tom Whiffen. If you have any questions, concerns, or information about Spooky World give one of them a call. the Massachusetts Junior Chamber of Commerce (MA Jcof C)\_(Lynda Walsh)- Lynda has taken on the roll of State VP of Membership (Congratulations Lynda) Massachusetts became number 1 in the parade of state and Foxboro is number 11 for having the greatest number of members in or chapter throughout the whole country. A motion was made and approved for \$250.00. This money will be used for the application fee needed to submit Tom Sawran to become a Senator within the MA Jcof C Nomination Committee- They had a very good response from all that want to be on the board. Elections (Dave Brown)- Members Elected to the following Positions: **President**- Carl Bertolino **IDVP**- Dave Fisler **CDVP**- Helene Savage **Membership VP**- Dave Britton **Ways & Means VP**- Tom Whiffen **Secretary**- Jennifer DeBrosse **ID Director**- Keith Magovern **CD Director**- Matt Ferguson **W&M Director**- Warren Cherry **Membership Director**- Frank Monett **Dues Director**- Paula Bertolino **Donations Director**- Lauren House **Presidential Director**- Robert Hickey

**Treasurer's Report (Helene Savage)** Financial Status-Things are really good, the income from the hockey game will be used for a rainy day fund for next years board. We are looking into setting up a couple of CD accounts. Dues Director- if you owe dues please get it in.

**Secretary's Report (Carl Bertolino)** - Sunshine Fund - Nothing new has been added this month. By-Law Review (Lynda Walsh)- New By-Laws were passed out at the meeting. CPG Review (Carl Bertolino)Nothing new to report so far. Inventory Coordinator- (Mike Savage)- Has the list of all things that belong to the Jaycees and where they are. If you need anything or have something we do not know about please call him. Wise Fox (Jen Debrosse)- This is Jen's last Fox and Gail first Thank you Jen and Good Luck Gail.

**Membership Report** Who's Who (Bob Gillis) - Bob has completed his last Who's Who for the Wise Fox. Web Site Page (Bob Gillis) - Constantly adding to it. Activation Chairman (Tracey Apgar/Chris Hebert) - They made a new booklet for all new members

with frequently asked questions and acronyms. New Members BBQ (Kenny Wills & Kathy Carter)- Will be on May 22 @ Kathy Carter's place. Mentor Program- (Mike Savage) anyone needing information should call him. Activation Apparel- (Chico) Shirts are available. Pancake Breakfast Membership Booth (Jen Debrosse)- Jen has signed up three prospective members. Chris will give all the information to Dave Britton to follow.

**Ways and Means (Lynn Freerksen)** Bruin's Legends Hockey (Tom Sawran)- the Jaycees raised ~ \$6,500.00 Way to go. . Pancake Breakfast Raffle (Lynn Freerksen)- Was able to raise \$96.00. Founders Day Concession (Chairman Needed) Founders Day Glow Stick (Frank Monett) Founders Day Shooting Gallery (Keith Magovern)

**Community Development (Pete Sorrow)** Share N.E. (Pauline Brown) Same thing is happening, they have been getting some good packages like steak. Teddy Transfer (Scott Rogers) They are going to have a pizza party for the class that has collected the most Teddy Bears. Look in the paper for some PR. Winter Common Upgrade (Dave Fisler) -Waiting for the ground to dry out. Pancake Breakfast (Dave Fisler/ Tom Whiffen)- Almost complete just paying some delinquent bills. Will be having a closing committee meeting soon Easter Egg Hunt (Pauline Brown)- Went well the rain held off. Youth Scholarships (Dave Britton) Received 72 applicants they narrowed the field to 10 and delivered those names to the Guidance Department of the school. Candidates Night - (Bob Hickey)-Keep an eye on channel 8 for the airing of the debate. Mother's Day Essay (Helene Savage)-Helene needs help so give her a call. Family Night Out (Helene Savage)-First Tuesday of August which is Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Concert on the Commons (Matt Fergerson)- Will be getting things going soon. Road Race- Dave Britton and Chico - Will have first meeting soon Founders Day Float (Pete Sorrow)- Is looking for ideas. Father's Day Essay (Kathy Hickey)- Will be starting this soon.

**Individual Development (Tom Whiffen)** Meeting and Programs (Tom Whiffen) - Wine tasting prior to the meeting. There will be a Beer tasting for the may GM by the Master Brewer of the Brew Moon Brewery. This will also start prior to the meeting 7:30 PM. Degrees of Jaycees (Dave Fisler) - Everything is going well. Volleyball (Bob Webster) - Mondays at 7pm. The cost is now \$5. There's a competitive bunch of people. Medieval Manor (Sharyn Higginbotham) Everyone who signed up will be notified as to what is going on. CPR Training -Elise Behn-Nine people showed up and was certified. Thanks to all who attended Installation Banquet (Linda Magovern) going well. Pawsox's Game- (Robert Hickey) Sunday May 16<sup>th</sup>, Start time is 1 PM. Camping Trip- (Frank Monet)- He has set it up to run from Aug 20<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Down on the Cape at a place called Sandy Pond Camp Grounds.

**Project of the Month** Senior Appreciation Day, Lynn Freerksen

**Jaycee of the Month** Ed Groh

**Frog of the Month** Paul O'Sullivan (Either "I did not know that cardboard burned." or "There is a real flame under that grill?"

Meeting adjourned late.

Please remember that if you are not paid up in your dues **you can not vote** in all the up and coming elections for the new board position and you can not run for a position either.

## Ways & Means ~ Lynn Freerksen

**Bruins Legends Hockey Fundraiser** - Tom Sawran Final Report  
With almost \$6500 raised there is enough money to start a rainy day fund. Thanks again Tom for a great new project. It was nice to see that the town supports the Jaycees as much as the Jaycees support the town.

**Pancake Breakfast Raffle** - Lynn Freerksen Final Report  
All prizes were delivered and all the winners were very excited to have won.

**Sausage Cart** - Scott Rogers  
Scott has taken this project on. If you are interested in looking into purchasing a slightly used sausage cart for Jaycee use, contact Scott.

**Founders Day Concessions** - Dave Fisler  
The Rookie of the Year steps up again and is running the concessions on Founders Day (June 12). Dave will be looking for help for this project - so sign up at the GM.

**Founders Day Shooting Gallery** - Keith Magovern  
Sign up to help repair, set up and or work the Shooting Gallery. This is always a popular attraction on Founders Day.

**1999 Haunted House** - Lynda Walsh  
It's never too early to start thinking of ideas or themes for the Haunted House. See Lynda with any creative ideas you may have.

Since this is my last report I'd like to thank all the chairmen and committee members who ran and worked on all the Ways & Means projects this year. A great job was done by all. I can't thank you enough. - Lynn

P.S. I hate it when this happens but two more Jaycees are moving out of state. We'll all miss Ron and Jennifer DeBrosse but wish them all the best in Ohio.

# Individual Development

Tom Whiffen

## **MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS** – *Dave Britton/John Zarella*

This Month the Brew Moon will be coming by to show us the finer points of beer drinking. The Beer tasting will be held before the General meeting.

## **DEGREES OF JAYCEES** – *Dave Fisler/Chairman needed*

One of the many ways to keep members motivated and award them is the degrees of Jaycees. Get your degree form from Dave at the next GM and see how many levels you can achieve.

## **VOLLEYBALL** – *Bob Webster*

Only \$5 to play Monday nights at the Ahern School gymnasium in Foxboro. For more info contact Bob Webster at 543-6959.

## **CAMPING TRIP** – *Frank Monett*

We will be having a camping trip to be held Aug 20-22. If interested please contact Frank at 339-3686.

## **PAWSOX GAME**– *Bob Hickey*

Go see the baby Sox for a great price. Bring the whole family at \$7 a ticket on May 16, 1999 at 1:00 pm. Call Bob for more details.

## **MEDIEVAL MANOR** – *Sharyn Higginbotham*

Sharon will be contacting you soon if you signed up to go. If you would still like to go give Sharyn a call.

## **INSTALLATION BANQUET** – *final report*

A great time was had by all – good job Linda and committee!

## **CANOE TRIP** – *chairman needed*

## **PICKUP SOFTBALL** – *chairman needed*



Happy Birthday!

Paul Dean ~ May 1

Derek House ~ May 9

Cathy Hickey ~ May 11

Bob Hickey ~ May 20

## Community Development

### **SHARE PROGRAM - Pauline Brown**

The delivery date for May is the 22nd. In addition to the usual regular package and/or vegetarian package, there is also a steak pack. The steak package consists of six individually wrapped steaks, absolutely delicious, for an additional \$13.00 each with purchase of a regular or vegetarian pkge. If you are interested in this month's share program, order date is on May 10th. Please let Pauline know before that date - 285-5462.

### **POSTAL FOOD DRIVE - Cathy Hickey**

The postal food drive is scheduled for May 8th, please contact Cathy if you are able to help. There is a need for manpower to unload the postal trucks when they arrive at the site for sorting.

### **ROAD RACE - Dave Britton**

The committee is looking into possible causes to donate funds raised at the race. If you know of any worthy causes, please contact Dave.

### **FOUNDER'S DAY FLOAT - Pete Sorrow**

This year's float will be constructed at Steve Krug's house. The theme for the 1999 parade is EDUCATION. A meeting will be held at the community club on May 19th at 7:30, a sign-up sheet will be passed around at the May meeting. If you have any ideas or know what is already being done by others, please call Pete.

### **BANDSTAND REPAIR - Steve Tingle**

Steve is looking into amount of supplies needed to repair the recent damages to the bandstand on the common.

### **TEDDY TRANSFER - Scott Rogers**

### **WINTER COMMON UPGRADE - Dave Fisler**

### **CANDIDATE NIGHT - Bob Hickey**

### **MOTHER'S DAY ESSAYS - Helene Savage**

### **FAMILY NIGHT OUT - Helene Savage**

### **CONC RTS ON THE COMMON - Lynn Freerksen**

### **CAMP LINCOLN HILL FENCE REPAIR - Derek House**

### **FATHER'S DAY ESSAYS - Cathy Hickey**

I would like to thank all the members who ran projects, helped on their committees, and provided the much needed manpower to make these projects a success. I have enjoyed working with all of you as the CDVP and congratulate Helene Savage for accepting the position for the coming year. I will give her as much help as I can and hope that all of you will do the same.

Final Report CDVP

Pete Sorrow



## New Members BBQ!

Saturday May 22nd ~ 4:00 pm - ?

at Kenny Wills & Kathy Carter's

2 Walnut Terrace, Foxboro

R.S.V.P ~ May 16th

698-0074

Rain or Shine!

If you are not a new member please let Kathy know what dish you'd like to bring.

Fun people, fun games, fun music - including Derek & Bob at the guitar!





# Membership Report

## May 2000

**By: David Britton**

Wow, it is hard to believe that this year is over and this will be my final Membership report. I am sitting here reflecting on our accomplishments this year and we all should all be proud. We are ending the 1999-2000 year with 19 new members. Three of these new members have already stepped up to board position for the 2000 - 2001 year. We continued to revitalize old projects and tried out new projects as well. I like to thank everyone who helped me run projects this year and help me make this area success. I wish Chris and Dave the best of luck for 2000 – 2001.

**Who's Who – Chairman needed**

**Mentor Program – Chairman needed**

**Jaycee Activation Apparel – Chairman needed**

**Web Site Page – Bob Gillis**, has agreed to continue maintaining the web site for 2000 – 2001. The site is <http://home.ici.net/~fjaycees/>.

**Activation Chairman – Chairman needed**

**JC Membership Information Social - Elise Behn**, Elise has contacted the Bethany Church and St Mark's Church and has setup dates for us in May to have a coffee/donut informational social.

**Call Night II - Chairperson needed,**

**New Members Barbecue – Elise Behn**, has agreed to chair this project and is planning on running this project in June. If you're interested in helping Elise out please let her know.

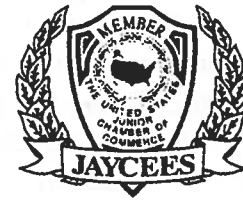
**Founders Day Membership Booth – chairman needed**

**Cable Access Video – Tom Whiffen/Lynn Freerkson**, will be working with Foxboro Cable Access to create a video about the Foxboro Jaycees. This will be aired in between events to get new members.

**Membership Booth Repair/Replace – Bob Hickey**, has agreed to see if he can repair the two membership booths that we have. Both of them are in pretty bad shape and require revitalization. If he is unable to repair them he will look into purchasing a new one.



# Year End Report Donations Committee 98-99



Scott Rogers-Director  
Sandy Emery  
Joan Ferris  
Laureen House  
Michele Rogers  
Dawn Wicklund

First, I would like to thank the donations committee for their support, guidance and assistance. It was a fun and enjoyable year. Additionally, I would like to thank Dave Britton, last year's Donation Director, for showing me the ropes and making the transition so easy.

It was my goal to appropriately review donations in a fair, equitable and consistent manner while looking out for inappropriate donations. I also hoped to leave the donations committee in better shape for next year's director, Laureen House. Donations can be a difficult area. There are few black and white issues and many requests fall into the gray area requiring personal interpretation. Hopefully, we achieved my goal.

## Lessons Learned:

1. It is better to have only a few pre-approved line items. Some years, we might run into financial difficulties. This would free up money for donations needed before the haunted house. It would be more financially responsible to evaluate things after the haunted house. As it turned out this year, we had to hold off on donations for a couple of months because we had cash flow problems.
2. It is essential to have a good, balanced committee with diversified backgrounds. Also, it is beneficial to have people that are new and not the core leaders.
3. Not all donations are appropriate. Some don't fit the Jaycee criteria, while others can be better served under other area projects.
4. It is better to err on the side of caution rather than make a poor donation.
5. It is better to have the donations committee evaluate the regular yearly donations on an annual basis. The committee is best able to perform the checks and balances needed from this position.
6. Email can be a viable alternative to a meeting when time or distance are a hindrance.
7. You can't please everyone all the time, especially in this position.

## Declinations- some donations were denied for the following reasons:

1. No Foxboro Connection
2. Political based donation
3. Given to another area (Community development)
4. No additional information from donation source
5. No tax Identification number

Recommendations:

1. Follow the by laws - they are a good starting point.
2. All donation requests must be in writing.
3. All donations must be followed-up in writing.
4. All donations should have some follow through, e.g. picture, copy of the flyer which can be presented to the GM and kept for chapter records.
5. The photos and follow-up information can be placed in a photo album and shown at the membership booth.
6. It's important to keep detailed notes to pass along to the next directors. You never know when things can come back to haunt you.
7. If a donation is approved by the general membership, the donations committee shouldn't interfere. If the donations committee comes across a significant problem, they should bring that to the attention of the board members for possible reevaluation.
8. Donations should have a direct Foxboro connection. This is not to say that out of town requests can't be evaluated and/or approved under limited circumstances.
9. When in doubt seek the guidance of the board. Remember that the donations committee doesn't control any money, they just make a recommendation.
10. Denied requests should die in committee. Bringing up every denied request creates too much busy work and sets up the potential for micro-management.
11. A flow sheet was helpful in tracking the status of various donations.
12. Require the Tax Identification number for large donations. This minimizes the potential for abuse.
13. Active or former active Jaycees should be given preferential and special consideration.
14. More consistency in the amount of awards. We generally recommended \$50-75 for an individual award, e.g. high school kid going to a conference. For a donation that would benefit a group, we suggested \$100-200, e.g. a soccer team.
15. We shouldn't have to chase down a donation. The organization should present info to us and promptly respond to our additional questions.

Income from Ways and Means Projects	\$44,485
Chapter Approved Donations during Budget Meeting	\$6,765
Additional Donations Approved throughout year	\$5,210
Total Donations 1998-1999	\$11,975
Percent of donations vs. Ways and Means income	\$26.9%

The above numbers are not exact but give us a general indication of how much we are spending on donations.

The donations director position has been valuable, challenging and a good learning experience.

Sincerely,



Scott Rogers

1998-99 Donations Director

1995 By-law review forming the Donations Committee.
96-97 Cathy Hickey, Director
97-98 Dave Britton, Director
98-99 Scott Rogers, Director
99-00 Laureen House, Director



# BOYDEN LIBRARY

FOXBOROUGH'S PUBLIC LIBRARY  
TEN BIRD STREET  
FOXBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS 02035

Adult Services (508) 543-1245

Children's Services (508) 543-1246

April 15, 1999

Scott Rogers  
Foxboro Jaycees  
578 Maple Street  
Mansfield, MA 02048

Dear Scott,

The following will respond to the questions you asked as we talked today:

1. The Easton Children's Museum pass was used 97 times in 1998. The pass admits up to four people at a cost of \$3.50 each (under age 1 is free). If the maximum of four used the pass each time, they would have paid \$1,358.00 without the passes. Even if only two people used the passes each time they were booked, the amount paid would have been \$679.00. Thus the \$200.00 per year cost is an appreciable savings to those visiting the museum.

2. Enclosed is the Museum Pass Program brochure given out at the Library, at Town Hall, and at other locations in the area.

3. The Friends of the Boyden Library Foundation has established the Mills-Konet-Wright Memorial Fund. Only the interest from this fund is used to pay for Family programs given at the Library during the year. No Town funding supports Library programming; rather, all programs are paid for from the Mills-Konet-Wright Fund with approval given by the Friends' Executive Board or from grants. The fund is named for Roy Milis, a very active Friends' volunteer whose family made a major gift at his death; Henry Konet, who left a special bequest to the Library on his death and who was very active in supporting various Town activities during his life; and Barbara (Babs) Wright, who was a middle school librarian in Attleboro and a member of the Boyden Library Board of Trustees at her death. Gifts to this fund are always welcome. The enclosed flyer lists recent events.

Let me know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

*Bertha*  
Bertha A. Chandler  
Director

**The cultural and informational center of Foxborough.**

**Providing activities and materials for leisure time and lifelong learning opportunities.**

# "1st Annual Beer Tasting Festival"



restaurant & microbrewery



Mr. Scott Brunelle, Brewer from Brewmoon in Braintree, is bringing four of his wonderful creations for sample by the world renowned beer drinking club, AKA "The Foxboro Jaycees". Come see if this up and coming, local brewery can topple Bud - the long standing unofficial beer of the Foxboro Jaycees.

**WHEN: MAY 12, 1999**  
**WHERE: SOUTH FOXBORO COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**TIME: 7:30-8:00 BEFORE THE GM**  
**PRICE: ZERO, ZILTCH, NADA**

A Special Thanks to John Zarella for setting this up.  
Free beer for the Jaycees - you might think he was going for key man or life member.

Might this become an ID project?

The Foxboro Jaycees Support responsible drinking.

Brew Moon Restaurant & Microbrewery has won over a dozen beer awards, including two medals at the 1998 world beer championships. Locations in Braintree, Boston, Saugus, Cambridge and Hawaii.  
[WWW.Brewmoon.com](http://WWW.Brewmoon.com)

**J FOXBORO Jaycees**

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