

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

November 2004

Dear Javcees.

I, of course, can't start this letter to you without saying something about the Haunted House. In fact, this whole letter will be about HH. First and foremost, I have two words for everyone—IT'S DONE!!!!! Dave, thank you so much for taking on this gigantic project-again. Someone said in the early nights, "Build it, and they will come." And boy, did they ever come. We had a total of 7403 people visit the HH this year! I wanted to take this time to thank some people personally that have worked their hearts and souls these past couple of months. I know I can't thank everyone but just know how proud I am of everyone who took time out of his or her life to make this project happen.

Fiz, I know you didn't want to take this on again, but you did and you did a great job. Thank you for stepping up to the plate and making this project happen. I know it took a lot of your time away from work, family and friends, but know that we really do appreciate all your hard work and dedication.

To all the people who built and worked a room this year-thank you. Thank you Niki and Thor for being the Room Chair people. We got to see a labyrinth, an unsafe church, a crazy kitchen, Freddy Krueger, a strange circus act, a mad scientist with a cell creature who spits blood, the Spider's Den, the Bijou Museum, an abandoned campsite, a mineshaft, a swamp and finally travel in a time machine through an era of dinosaurs and a medieval torture chamber. I never thought it would all come together but it did and it came together beautifully!

Thank you to all the people who were guides this year. Monica, you did a great job with the script, guide training and managing everything that came your way throughout all the HH nights. I can't mention everyone, but just remember names such as Myra, Ruby, Lily, Mirabella, Sophia, Reverend Bob and Birdie. Of course, this is only my opinion, but GUIDES RULE, AND ROOMS SUCK!

You can't forget about Publicity. Thank you Tom and Yvonne for all your hard work. We were able to get the word out in so many different ways. Whether it was posters, flyers, the website, highway signs, newspaper articles, the spotlight, radio stations or those great lawn signs, people knew all about us.

Almost done...Thank you to everyone who worked in the concession stand and sold tickets. KB, you said simple and easy would work and you definitely have the numbers to prove it. Who knew that the "Creepy Meal" would be such a huge success! And on a personal note, thanks for always having great hot apple cider ready for me! Thanks to everyone who sold t-shirts and helped with the HH surveys. Randy, and Paul, thanks for being the ticket takers and timers. Karen, God bless you and all your wonderful meals that you cooked for us! Maintenance, thanks for fixing things and helping out when asked.

I know that there are so many more people to thank but I think everyone gets the idea of how grateful I am for everyone's hard work and dedication. You came in the rain, in the cold, worked late, and even worked through all the Red Sox games. I hope to see everyone at the Break-Up party. It is November 20<sup>th</sup> at the Legion at 6PM. Come and see who wins awards and take the time to enjoy some good company, good food and reminisce the good times of the past month. Everyone definitely deserves it!

THANK YOU, Monica Rigamonti

## A Note Resarding Dues

### Dear Friends:

You may have received a letter in the mail recently regarding your annual dues payment. If you have already mailed or delivered your dues payment as a result of receiving your notice, THANK YOU.

If you have not yet paid your dues, but may be overdue with your annual payment and have recently received a letter, I request your cooperation in making your payment of \$32.50 as soon as possible. You may deliver your dues payment in person to any board member, or mail it to the following address:

Foxboro Jaycees Attn: Dues Director PO Box 169 Foxboro, MA 02035

If you wish to discontinue your membership in the chapter, please contact me via phone at (508) 543-6231, or via e-mail at helene.savage@comcast.net.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation!

Helene Savage, Dues Director

## Secretary's Report

Secretary's Report - Liz Crimmins
Minutes from Last Month's GM – Accepted



### Sunshine committee

- Card sent to Dave Britton as he recovers from surgery.
- Flowers sent to Paul Dean for his surgery.

*Inventory Coordinator* – Dave Fisler Please let Dave know if you have any items missing or if you have anything to put back into the Jaycees inventory!

Wise Fox—Sandy Emery
October Wise Fox sent out. Thanks Sandy!

Cards and Letters of thanks - Sandy Emery
Sandy Emery, no activity. If you have any thanks to send out on behalf of the Jaycees, please see
Sandy.

Electronic CPG Library—Bob Gillis
Anyone with an electronic copy of a CPG, please email it to Bob. The CPG's are now available for download on the website. This is a password protected area, so please ask Bob for the username and password.

By-Laws Amendment Committee (membership age) – Dave Fisler
Dave is reviewing the questions posed by the GM and will get back to the membership with a recommendation.

#### GM Motions

Motion to authorize Dave Fisler to contract with psychic to work as part of Haunted House
 – NOT APPROVED

### NEW PROJECT CHAIRMEN

- Adopt a Kid for Christmas Monica Joshi
- Kids Christmas Party is being chaired by Jennifer Widmer and Amy Correira....
- Thanks everyone!!

### Chairmen Needed

- Winter Common Upgrade
- Nativity Scene Repair
- Nativity Scene Set-Up and Takedown
- Sand for Seniors
- Santa Phone
- Santa on the Common
- Caroling on the Common
- Associates Night
- Roadrace
- Doolittle Auction



#### Awards

- MEMBERSHIP AWARDS: Ed Groh, Bob & Jane Webster, Gordon Wilhelm (all 15 years!)
- PROJECT OF THE MONTH: Call Night Monica Joshi
- JAYCEE OF THE MONTH: Amy Correira
- FROG OF THE MONTH: Judy "What's My Line" Wood

Looking for a great way to meet new members? We are looking for some "experienced" Jaycees to take on being a mentor to our new members. It's a great way to make the new people feel at home, and you will have fun in the process! Please let someone in the membership area or Sandy Emery know if you are interested in becoming a mentor.

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Vice President: Monica Joshi Director: Tom Whiffen

Cathy has been very busy the last couple of days. Be sure to read the Who's Who. Thanks for your hard work Cathy.

Sandy will be busy in the next few weeks with the mentor program and all of our new members. Activation/Mentor Program-Sandy Emery Please let Sandy, Tom, or I know if you are interested in becoming a mentor. We could use everyone's help and it doesn't take much time.

Congratulations and thanks go out to our Webmaster Bob Gillis. Since the Jaycees website was created, we've had over 50,000 hits. Great job!!!

Haunted House Membership Booth

We didn't have anyone take on this project, but with the help of those who sold T-shirts we were able to have patrons fill out a survey and note whether they were interested in the Jaycees. Tom and I will be following up with the information we got back and hopefully be getting new members.

New Members

Tom and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Jennifer Widmer to the Jaycees. She's already taken an active role at the Haunted House and came out to sell T-shirts with no voice! Welcome aboard Jennifer!!



Dave Brown

**Bob Gillis** 

Randy Groves

Alan Ruiz

Al Silveira

Be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!!



### Who's Who

Well, it's been a little bit but we have lots of new blood in the Chapter this month. We've had 4 new members join since September; they are Stephanie Maziarz, Alan Ruiz, Thor Neilsen and Jennifer Widmer. I this month we will learn a little about Stephanie and Alan look forward to a little about Thor and Jennifer next month.

Stephanie Maziarz is somewhat new to Foxboro, she moved here 3 years ago with her daughter Cassidy. They have attended many of the community events run by the Jaycees and that got her interested in our Organization. She grew up in Dorchester and stated that there was a strong sense of community there. She sees the same in Foxboro and wants to be a part of it. What better way to promote that sense of community than to join the group that promotes it the most in Foxboro, us the Jaycees! Stephanie keeps a very busy schedule with school; she is a Biochemical major at UMASS Boston and hopes to transfer into Nursing. As if that isn't enough she also works, keeps busy with the student senate and her daughter's activities. She has not had a free moment to get up to the haunted house yet but has heard all good things. So, look for Stephanie and introduce yourself.

Alan Ruiz, has finally decided to join us! Alan first looked into the Jaycees last year after attending the Haunted House. He attended a few GM's so is name may sound familiar to some. He was busy with many other things at the time so he was unable to officially join last year but as soon as his time allowed he looked into the Jaycees again. Alan lives in Mansfield and is a Biomedical engineer making spinal implants. In his spare time he enjoys hiking, he is a Wilderness EMT and has hiked Mt. Washington and is a member of the Appalachian Mountain Club, he practices Karate, enjoys reading and he is also a part of the Mansfield Emergency Management Team. He said after attending the Haunted House last year and getting to know some of the Jaycee Members he thought it would be fun to be a part of a group that does all that we do. Let's show him he's right! We do have a blast with all we do.

# Individual Development

Vice President: Bob Gillis Director: Jenn Allsop

Meetings and Programs-Kathy Brady/Amy Correia
KB tells us that Bill Caspara will be at the November GM to talk about Camp Lincoln Hill.

Book Club-Laureen House
The December reading is "Gideon's Gift" by Karen Kingsbury. The club meeting will be held December 1<sup>st</sup> at Cathy Hickey's house, 8PM.

Degrees of Jaycees-Dave Reid

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complete each section you move to the next level or degree. Chairing projects, serving on the
board, attending meetings... All of these count toward advancing your "degree." If you'd like to
track your progress as a Jaycee, please see Dave Reid. You can also download the Degrees form
from the Jaycee web site.

Networking-Bob and Sue Gillis
There is a link on the Jaycee website that lists any Jaycee who has a business/service and would like to let other Jaycees know about it – our own "yellow pages." If you want your business listed, please see Sue or myself; you'll find us throughout October in cabin 5 at the Haunted House. We also run this list in the Wise Fox a few times a year.

Progressive Dinner - Yvonne McNamara
Thank you Yvonne for chairing our annual December blowout. New members, please come. This is a great opportunity to dress up, enjoy some great gourmet cooking and have a lot of fun. Date is set for December 11<sup>th</sup>, other details TBA.

Kid's Christmas Party – Amy Correia and Jennifer Widmer
Thank you new member Jennifer Widmer and Amy for chairing our annual kid's Christmas party!
Details TBA.

Associate's night – Chairman needed
Friends, let's give Tom Whiffen a break! No matter who chairs this project Tom is always the one who pulls a month of all-nighters editing and assembling the video! In the old days we used to have live skits, plays, etc, to "honor" our veteran members. Associate's night can be ANYTHING. Please consider chairing or co-chairing this fun and important project

# Vays and Means

Vice President: Dave Fisler Director: Susan Gillis



Haunted House-Dave Fisler

What a great year, thank you to all of you who came out and helped. The 2004 HH put over 7000 souls through this year. That is the most since 1999!!

There have been some rough times, but in the end it was well worth it. The break up party will be held on November 20th at the Legion. If you have worked the house you are invited to come out and join in the fun. Thank you again to all of you who made this possible.

Haunted House Concessions- Kathy Brady

Kathy did a great job, nearly grossing \$3000.00! She kept it simple and had a very competent crew to back her up. Thank you again Kathy and I look forward to hearing your final numbers at the GM.

HH Tee shirt sales-Kris Long

Thank you Kris for running this project. I look forward to hearing the final numbers at the GM.

Christmas Tree Sales-Mark Emery

Mark has stepped up to chair this year's tree sales. The delivery date is set for November 27th at the camp. Time to be announced.

WM note.

This will probably be mentioned in meeting and programs but I feel compelled to mention it here. The building inspector, "Bill Caspera", will be addressing the GM in regards to what is going to happen to Camp Lincoln Hill. What happens to the camp directly affects our ability to run the Haunted House, Christmas tree sales and other events up there. Please come out, listen, and feel free to offer an opinion as to where the chapter is going.



### Haunted House Breakup Party

Location: American Legion-Mechanic St. Foxboro Cocktails-6:00 PM Dinner-7:00 PM Awards and Skits-8:00 PM

# Community Development

Co-Directors: Andrea Cummings Amy Correia

Electrical Common Upgrade Tom Sawran

Tom is working on donations for this great project that when completed, will be enjoyed by all. Keep up the good work Tom!



Fruit Baskets-Jenn Allsop

This is a great project that is also very fun for everyone who helps out with it. If you are interested in helping, please call Jenn.

Holiday Share-Amy Correia

The date has been set for November 28. We are looking for a couple of people who can help out with this project. We will be planning a meal for a women's shelter. If anyone is interested, please contact Amy.

Adopt a Kid for Christmas-Monica Joshi

Monica loved shopping so much last year, she couldn't wait to do it again! Thank you Monica for stepping up and taking on this project.

Winter Common Upgrade---Chairman Needed

This project involves decorating the Common with lights, garland and bows. Tree Tech had expressed interest in helping out with the big tree lights last year since they did not like seeing Tom Whiffen holding on to a tree for dear life! If anyone is interested in making the Common all festive and bright, please contact either Andrea or Amy.

Nativity Scene Repair---Chairman Needed

Every year we need to inspect our Nativity Scene and see if there are repairs to be done. This could include retouching of paint or some small plastering. We want to make sure that our Nativity Scene is kept in good shape and displayed proudly in the Bandstand.

Nativity Scene Set-Up and Takedown---Chairman Needed

Once we have fixed up the Nativity Scene, we need a group of people to help bring it to the Common and set it up in the Bandstand. If anyone is interested in this project, please contact Amy or Andrea.

Sand for Seniors---Chairman Needed

This project involves bringing sand to the senior citizens of Foxboro. This is a good project for a newer member to take on. It is relatively easy and highly rewarding.



### Santa Phone---Chairman Needed

What is better than receiving a phone call from Santa Claus or Mrs. Claus? This project takes place within a couple of days and it brightens the life of every child who gets a call. Wouldn't you want to be a part of that??

### Santa on the Common---Chairman Needed

This project generally runs the same day as the Jaycee Kids Christmas Party. The children of Foxboro love meeting Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus. This is another great project for a newer member. Remember, you can always have a co-chair and a committee as well.

Caroling on the Common---Chairman Needed

This project is pretty self explanatory. Even though it usually is a cold night, it is always nice to see the town come out and sing Christmas songs together.

Road Race---Chairman Needed

We wanted to put this in the Wise Fox now to see if anyone is interested in chairing this project. It was not run last year but perhaps it can come back this year.

Doolittle Home Support---Chairman Needed

We received a very nice letter from Jack Authelet asking us if we could run this project again this year. This is a big project and it requires a lot of time and dedication. However, there are many people in our chapter that helped with this last year and can help again this year. If anyone is interested, please contact Amy or Andrea.

\*\*\*There are a lot of projects in this area that need Chairman. Please step up and chair a project. Perhaps more veteran members can co-chair a project with newer members. We need to utilize all of our resources and our depth of knowledge.\*\*\*

Thanks!!!!

## November 2004 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Book Club 8PM Sandy Smiths house	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 HH Breakup Party 6 PM American Legion
21	22	23	24	25 Happy Thanksgiving	26	27 Christmas tree delivery-Camp Lincoln Hill
28 Holiday Share	29	30				

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			1 Book Club-8PM Cathy Hickey's	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center	9	10	11 Progressive Dinner
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas!
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# Meetings and Programs

The GM is on Wednesday, November 10th 8PM South Foxboro Community Center

Bill Caspara will be speaking to us about the future for Camp Lincoln Hill



Happy Thanksgiving!!!