

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

December 2004

Dear Friends,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving filled with delicious food and good company. I went to my parent's house for the holiday and to make a very long story short, my mom ended up with two turkeys. She didn't know what to do with the second turkey so I suggested donating it to a family in need or perhaps the fire department. So on Thanksgiving Eve night, my dad and I went to the Bedford Fire Department with a 17-pound turkey in hand. My dad asked if they could use it at the firehouse, and the firefighter was so happy. They decided to have their own Thanksgiving dinner at the firehouse. You should have seen the look on my dad's face when he gave that turkey to the firefighter. When he got back to the car, he gave me a big hug and a kiss on the forehead and said that it felt really good to help other people. He also understood a little bit more about what I do as a Jaycee. I am glad that I was able to include my family in the kinds of things that I do for the people in my community and know that my parents can do the same for theirs.

I hope in this holiday season, we are able to include our friends and family members in the many different projects that will be running this month. Please come out and lend a hand wherever you can. Whether it is setting up the nativity scene (12/4), decorating the Common (12/4), assembling fruit baskets (12/16), caroling on the Common (12/16), or helping with Santa on the Common (12/18), we have something for everyone! We have other worthwhile projects like selling Christmas Trees, giving sand for seniors, and participating in Santa phone. And although we work very hard in the month of December, we also know how to have fun. I look forward to seeing a lot of you at the Progressive Dinner (12/11) as well as the Kids Christmas Party (12/18). Please feel free to call project chairmen and ask if they would like any help.

I know that we always seem to be on the go. I know that it is hard to fit everything in. I understand how hard it is to help at different projects, go to many meetings, run a household, take care of children, and go to work. Please know how much I appreciate how hard people are working within this chapter. Your dedication is not going unnoticed. Not only do I hope to see many of you at the different holiday projects but I also wish everyone a safe and wonderful holiday.

Sincerely, Monica Rigamonti

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Secretary's Report

Secretary's Report - Liz Crimmins

Minutes from Last Month's GM - Accepted



Sunshine committee

- Card sent to Marie Crimmins as she twisted her ankle
- Card sent to Kenny Wills he broke his foot
- Congratulations to Paul Howard on Patti O'Hara they got married and bought a new home
- Congratulations also to Monica Joshi and Dave Fisler they are engaged!
- ♦ Another wedding congrats to Mark and Sandy Emery 25 years together!
- A card was sent to Sandy Emery as she was sick
- Flowers were sent to Laureen House for her surgery
- A card was sent to Lorraine Grants as she broke her arm

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 and appreciation - 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

A meeting will be set-up for early January, with the intent to have the amendment posed at the January GM.

GM Motions

- ♦ Motion to donate \$100 to Nick Britton in support of his Eagle Scout Project to repaint the fence and replace some benches on the Common Approved
- Motion to donate \$100 to the Journey to Resiliency program at Mansfield High School Approved
- Motion to donate \$100 to the Foxboro Scouting Pancake Breakfast, as the request was received too late for us to purchase space on the placemats - Approved

NEW PROJECT CHAIRMEN

- · Sand for Seniors: Mike Wood
- New Year's Baby Gift: Jennifer Widmer
- Santa Phone: Karen Curran
- Degrees of Jaycees: Bob Gillis
- Caroling on the Common: Joann Wason
- Santa on the Common: Joann Wason
- Kids Christmas Party: Jennifer Widmer and Amy Correia
- Winter Common Upgrade and Nativity Scene: completed by small groups of people (committee)

Chairmen Needed

- Scrapbooking
- Associates Night
- Roadrace
- Doolittle Auction
- Pancake Breakfast



Awards

- MEMBERSHIP AWARDS: Yvonne McNamara (5 years), Jim Philbin and Dave Britton (10 years), Paul O'Sullivan and Tom Sawran (15 years)
- PROJECT OF THE MONTH: New Members Social
- JAYCEE OF THE MONTH: Jennifer Widmer
- FROG OF THE MONTH:

Helene "I haven't touched an organ in 10 years" Savage

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.

Membership

Vice President: Monica Joshi Director: Tom Whiffen

Happy Holidays everyone!!! This has been a very busy month with lots of new members. Take a few minutes to say hello to them as you see them out and about helping with different projects. Thank you to those people who have taken on a project within the different areas.

Who's Who-Kathy Kelson-Reid

Be sure to read Cathy's tidbits on Jennifer Widmer. Thank you Cathy for continuing to do an excellent job!

Activation/Mentor Program-Sandy Emery

Thank you Joann for becoming a mentor to Keith. A thank you also goes out to Bob Gillis for becoming Thor and Niki's mentor.

New Members

We've had quite a lot of activity in the past month. We swore in 8 new members at the Haunted House. Two are official and we're waiting for additional information on the other 6. Tom and I would like to welcome to the chapter Keith Mueller and Jimmy Olivett.

Web Site Page-Bob Gillis

If in doubt, check it out on the website. Bob has made sure that the website stays updated and for that we all thank you.



Peter Christian

Gerry McNamara

Chris Olson

Rob Silver

Linda Strano

Joann Wason

Judy Wood

Mike Wood

Be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!!



Who's Who

As promised this month I will be introducing Jennifer Widmer to the chapter. Jennifer and her husband Greg, (or if you were at the New Members Social you may remember him as Dave) moved to Massachusetts from Chicago just last October. They moved out here because of work and only had a week to find a home. They got lucky and found one in Whitman and live there now. So she works well under pressure, a great quality in a Jaycee. They both work for insurance companies, Jennifer for Travelers Insurance and Greg at Liberty.

While Jennifer lived in Chicago she was a very active member of the Chicago Jaycees. This was a very large chapter with a ½ million dollar budget. She held positions on the Board of Directors and chaired projects like Santa Train, Basketball Tournaments, Golf Tournaments, Holiday Food baskets and the one that peaks my interest the most was a fund raising concert called The Last Fling. The Last Fling was a 3-day event she organized with carnival rides, games and stages with multiple performers. For this concert she brought in such acts as Blues Traveler, Dave Matthews and many local groups. She made over \$300,000.00 for ways and means with this one. She found us just in time! With the Haunted House's future unknown, her experience may be able to help us pull together a new big money maker. She also produced concerts in college so she brings in lots of experience. One notable concert back in her college days was Marilyn Manson.

As I said she found us just in time! How did she find us, you ask? Bob Gillis' fantastic web-site reeled her in. She knew she wanted to find another Jaycee Chapter to join after they moved so she went online to start her search for an active chapter. She happened upon our site and saw that we are one of the most active in Massachusetts with a great representation on the Web. The rest is history.

Jennifer has already jumped right in to being an active member. She put in many hours at the Haunted House, so some may remember her as Priscilla and has already signed up to chair the Kids Christmas Party and The New Years Baby. I am going to shoot to win that one. I myself and really excited about all the experience and new fresh idea Jennifer brings with her to the chapter and can't wait to join some of her committees. Welcome to Massachusetts Jennifer and Greg and most of all welcome to the Foxboro Jaycees, we are lucky you found us!

Community Development

Co-Directors: Andrea Cummings Amy Correia

Electrical Common Upgrade Tom Sawran

As stated in the Foxboro Reporter, the American Legion has donated \$300 to this project.

Fruit Baskets-Jenn Allsop

Fruit baskets will be assembled on December 16th. If you are interested in helping out with this project, please see Jenn for more details.

Holiday Share-Amy Correia

The date has been set for December 12th. A small group of Jaycees will be cooking a meal for a women's shelter. Contact Amy if you are interested in helping.

Adopt a Kid for Christmas-Monica Joshi

Monica had a lot of fun shopping for two little girls, ages 6 and 8. All the toys have already been dropped off to the appropriate people.

Winter Common Upgrade---Committee

This has been set for Saturday, December 4th at 10AM. At this time, we are only decorating the bushes, hanging the wreath under the Foxborough sign and decorating the poles with garlands. We are in the process of talking to Tree Tech and hoping they can get the lights in the big trees

Nativity Scene Set-Up and Takedown----Committee

This has also been set for December 4th at 10 AM. Thank you to all the people who have volunteered to get this project completed. We will be making calls for when the Nativity Scene will have to be taken down

Sand for Seniors---Mike Wood

Thank you Mike for taking on this project. If anyone is interested in helping Mike deliver sand to the seniors, please give him a call.



Santa Phone---Karen Curran

What is better than receiving a phone call from Santa Claus or Mrs. Claus? More information about this project will be given at the GM. If you are interested in making phone calls, please call Karen.

Santa on the Common---Joann Wason

The date has been scheduled for December 18^{th.} More information will be given at the GM



Caroling on the Common---Joann Wason

The date for this project has been scheduled for December 16th. We look forward to seeing everyone on the common to sing some Christmas songs. Don't forget that we also visit the Doolittle Home as well!

New Year's Baby Gift---Jennifer Widmer

Thank you for taking on this project. I am sure we will receive more information as the New Year arrives!

Road Race---Chairman Needed

The Road Race consists of running a race for a cause or a particular person. It was not run last year but perhaps it can come back this year.

Doolittle Home Support---Chairman Needed

As mentioned in the last Wise Fox, 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.

Pancake Breakfast---Chairman Needed

The time has come to think about waking up very early in the morning and flipping some pancakes! More information about this project will be given at the GM.



Wishing everyone a very safe and happy holiday!

Individual Development

Vice President: Bob Gillis Director: Jenn Allsop

Jaycee Friends,

December is an incredibly busy month for our chapter, and Jen and I encourage each of you, especially the new members – to try to sample at least some of the many activities and events we offer. There's something for everyone this month, and many events such as caroling on the common and helping with fruit baskets or discretionary food deliveries will make you feel great! All of the December activities will be constantly updated on the main page of the Jaycee web site, so please try to come out and help and enjoy these holiday projects.

GM ID raffle

Assuming I can find a copy of the sold out item, Jen and I will be holding a free raffle for a copy of the Red Sox championship DVD at the December GM.

Meetings and Programs-Kathy Brady/Amy Correia

KB tells us that there will be a Yankee swap at the December GM. This is a popular traditional activity and involves bringing a gift (no more than \$5) and then drawing numbers to see which gifts get kept or swapped. It's a lot of fun!



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 will be December 11. Cooks are needed! Please see Yvonne. (One word of advice to new female members: If Bob Webster asks to give you a Bromski, just say NO)!

Book Club-Laureen House

The book club will be reading "Gideon's Gift" for the December meeting, at Cathy Hickey's House, December 1, 8pm. The January book will be "Four Blondes." There is a new "Book Club" page on the Jaycee Web Site listing all previous club reads. I've been catching up on some of them and particularly enjoyed the Da Vinci code and have started "Lovely Bones." The club seems to have a gift for selecting interesting and thought-provoking books. Check them out!

Degrees of Jaycees-Bob Gillis

Degrees of Jaycees is a simple form you fill out to track your progress as a Jaycee. As you complete each section you move to the next level or degree. Chairing projects, serving on the board, giving me money, attending meetings... All of these count toward advancing your "degree." If you'd like to track your progress as a Jaycee, please see Bob Gillis. You can also download the Degrees form from the Jaycee web site. I'll have some forms at the December GM.

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, and you'll be added right away. We also run this list in the Wise Fox a few times a year. Many Jaycees have been adding their names recently.

Kid's Christmas Party - Amy Correia and Jennifer Widmer

Thank you new member Jenifer Widmer and Amy for chairing our annual kid's Christmas party, which will be December 18 at the SFCC. This is a nice event we have for the kids and families of Jaycees, which usually includes activities, goodies and a visit with Santa before he heads to the Common.



Ski Trip-Cheryl Cushman and Paul Kelly

This very popular Jaycee event is being held at Sunday River this year. To attend, you MUST get on the email list – please see Monica Rigamonti or Tom Whiffen to be added. I'm told this event is ALWAYS a very good time and an endless fountain of frog stories. If you doubt that, refer to the 2003 frog of the year.

Scrapbooking - Chairman needed

Collecting pictures and memories into a scrapbook can be very rewarding. A friend of mine recently spent weeks constructing a "memory book" for his eighteen-year-old son as he graduated high school. It's a great way to liberate all those pictures and souvenirs gathering dust and preserve them into a lasting keepsake. I'd really like to see someone take this project on; I'm sure response would be great!

Scat Night - Judy Wood

Thank you Judy for taking on the annual Jaycee card game. Historically this has always been a very enjoyable and informal get together. Date 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, and give Tom some rest!

From Jen and Bob

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all...

Ways and Means

Vice President: Dave Fisler Director: Susan Gillis

Haunted House-Dave Fisler

Thank you again to all of you who made this possible. I will be announcing a date for the Final meeting, soon.

If you have any receipts pertaining to the HH please get them to Joann by the December GM. I will be closing this project by January.

HH Tee shirt sales-Kris Long

Thanks to a generous donation solicited by Kris from the Patriots charitable trust, we made over \$250.00. Thanks again, Kris, for running this project.



Christmas Tree Sales-Mark Emery

Trees have been delivered, and the sales have begun. If you have not signed up to help us sell, then please do. Please call Mark at 543-3634 or come down to the camp and sign up for a day or two.

Camp Lincoln Hill Meeting

Date: Tuesday, December 14th at 8PM

Location: South Foxboro Community Center basement

We will be discussing and trying to figure out what do about the camp.

Please contact Monica Rigamonti via email (mozer16455@aol.com) or phone (508-543-1433) by Sunday, December 12th if you are interested in attending.

HERE'S THE NEWS YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR.....

Come on Back and Join the Foxboro Jaycees and Friends for our 32nd Annual Paul Kelly – Foxboro Jaycees Ski Trip

When:

January 27th - 30th, 2005

Where:

Sunday River Ski Resort - Bethel, Maine

Cost:

\$248 Per Person (4 people/unit)

Deposit:

\$50 per person due by 12/8/04 to reserve a space; balance due 1/7/05

Checks Payable to Sunday River Ski Resort -or- Pay by Credit Card

WHAT YOU GET:

Slopeside Condo – 3 Nights 4 people/unit (Cascades – 1 bedroom unit w/full kitchen) Large Clubroom w/Fireplace, Indoor Pool, Jacuzzi & Sauna 3-Day Lift Ticket –or- \$75 in Sunday River Bucks 3 Complimentary "Perfect Turn" Clinics (one per person per day; not for 1st time skiers) Saturday Night Pizza Party Tax & Gratuity

Breakfast & Lunch in Condo or @ area restaurants/cafeterias
This is a great trip for Non-Skiers also!
Non-Skiers get "Sunday River Bucks" to spend @ Mountain shops and restaurants
Cross Country Skiing, Ice Skating & Tubing available
Guaranteed Learn-To-Ski Programs available
BYOB
NOTE: There will be NO Friday Night Pot Luck Supper; Dinner is on your own

Deposits and Questions:

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Paul Kelly, Ski Trip Chairman

December 2004 Jaycee Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| | | | 1 Book Club-8PM Cathy Hickey's Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 2 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 3 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 4 Winter Common Upgrade, Nativity Scene Set-up 10AM Christmas Tree Sales 9AM-9PM |
| 5 Christmas Tree Sales 9AM-9PM | 6 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 7 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 8 General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center Chrismas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 9 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 10 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | Progressive Dinner Christmas Tree Sales 9AM-9PM |
| 12 Holiday Share Christmas Tree Sales 9AM-9PM | 13 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 14 Camp Lincoln Hill Meeting 8PM, SFCC basement Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 15 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 16 Caroling on the Common Fruit Baskets Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 17 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 18 Santa on the Common Kids Christmas Party Christmas Tree Sales 9AM-9PM |
| 19 Christmas Tree Sales 9AM-9PM | 20 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 21 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 22 Christmas Tree Sales 6-9PM | 23 | 24 | 25 Merry Christmas! |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

January 2005 Jaycee Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|----------------|--------|---------|--|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| | | | | | | 1 Happy New Year! |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 Ski Trip | 28 Ski Trip | 29 Ski Trip |
| 30 Ski Trip | 31 | | | | | |





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Meetings and Programs

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

Yankee Swap
Bring a \$5.00 gift and join in the fun!

