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Dear Friends,

Can you believe that it is already February? I can't believe I'm saying this but time flies when you are having fun and being extremely busy. I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome Jennifer Widmer to the Board of Directors. She is our new Secretary. Thank you for stepping up and helping us out in these last couple of months. Thank you Liz for all your hard work you did this year. Many of you don't know but Liz did much of her secretarial duties on her laptop flying the friendly skies while on business trips. We all know your work schedule has been absolutely crazy and we appreciate all the hard work you did this year.

Looking at our agenda, we have accomplished so much in the past couple of months. Thank you to everyone who has stepped up and chaired a project recently. Thanks also go out to those members who have served on committees or helped out on the day of those projects.

Thanks go out to new project chairman, Tom Whiffen, and Krystie Apgar. Tom will be making very important manpower phone calls for the Doolittle Home Auction. So, keep March 19<sup>th</sup> open on your calendar. Krystie is our new chairman for Youth Scholarships. If you are interested on being on her committee and reading some great essays, please contact her.

However, we have so many new projects that are still available for people to chair. Remember, any project can have a co-chair as well as a committee. You are not doing this alone. There are people who are willing to help.

Within the CD area, projects such as Senior Appreciation Day, Easter Seals Volleyball, and Candidates Night all need a chairman. One of our biggest projects in the ID Area, Installation Banquet, also needs a chairperson. I know it is hard to believe but June and Founder's Day is not that far away. Check out the Ways and Means report and see if any of those projects interest you. And finally, within the Membership Area, we need a chairman for Jaycee Week. I hope at the February GM we can cross out that ever-popular person, *Chairman Needed*, and replace it with Jaycee members.

Sincerely, Monica Rigamonti

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# Secretary's Report Secretary's Report

#### Secretary's Report – Jennifer Widmer

Minutes from Last Month's GM - Accepted



#### Sunshine committee

- Sue Gillis- Get Well card
- Beth Coleman- Thinking of You card sent
- Linda Strano- Get Well card sent
- Cheryl Cushman- Thinking of You card

#### *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

January Wise Fox sent out. Thanks Sandy.

#### Cards and Letters of thanks and appreciation - Sandy Emery

Card sent to Lovely Agency for use of the phones for Santa Phone. If you have any thanks to send out on behalf of the Jaycees, please let Sandy know.

#### 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

Possible Bylaws changes concerning membership age will be discussed at the February General Meeting. It is important to come and cast your vote on this issue.

#### New Project Chairmen

- Easter Egg Hunt- Bob Gillis and Lauren
- Founders Day Glowsticks- Monica Rigamonti
- Doolittle Manpower: Tom Whiffen
- Youth Scholarships- Krystie Apgar
- Founder's Day Slush---Susan Gillis

#### Chairmen Needed

• Senior Appreciation Day

- Easter Seals Volleyball
- Candidates Night
- Installation Banquet
- Jaycee Week
- Founders Day Shooting Gallery
- Founders Day Pony Rides
- Founders Day Soccer Shootout
- Founders Day Concessions



#### Awards

Membership Awards: Rookie of the Quarter: Keith Mueller

• Project of the Month: Book Club

Jaycee of the Month: Krystie Apgar

• Frog of the Month: Fred "Lightweight" Badger



John Blowers Stephanie Maziarz Tom Sawran Brenda Correia Adam Nolin Jane Webster Kris Long Jimmy Olivett

Be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!!!



Vice President: Monica Joshi Director: Tom Whiffen

#### Who's Who-Bob Gillis

Bob thank you for taking on this project. Look for Bob's write up on Keith Mueller.

#### Activation/Mentor Program-Sandy Emery

We've found some new mentors. Thank you Amy George and yes, our President Monica. If you are interested please let one of us know.

#### New Members

Have not had much activity this month. If you know of someone who might be interested in joining, invite them to come to the orientation this month and stay for the meeting.

#### Web Site Page-Bob Gillis

WE just renewed our domain name. Thank you for keeping up with the website Bob.

#### New Member Orientation – Monica Joshi

The orientation will be held before the GM on the 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have not attended previously please plan on being there.

#### Jaycee Week - Chairman Needed

Still looking for a chairman! This project is a great way for us to get out into the community and introduce people to the Jaycees. If you are interested in running it, please let us know.

#### New Member Orientation

Wednesday, February 9, 2005 at 7 pm (before the GM)

#### South Foxboro Community Center

(If you have not attended one previously, please plan to be there.)

### Individual Development Individual Development

Vice President: Bob Gillis Director: Jenn Allsop

#### **Brief Reports**

I remember a few years back, we were having a GM that was going to a loooong meeting, so we were all asked to keep the reports as short as possible. Really short. My friend Kathy Brady, then treasurer, presented this report and sat down: "Organization: Solvent. Bills: Paid. Indictments: None. Any questions?" A perfect, succinct report, containing all the necessary info in a concise package. In that spirit, and that it's colder than the Oort Cloud out there, and this winter has sapped my energy, and I am so sick of snow and ice that you will often find me sobbing for no apparent reason, I present this month's ID report in the same brevity.

#### Meetings and Programs-Kathy Brady/Amy Correia

February GM: Guest speaker Maria Kent from Saint Augustine's. Also, in honor of February and Valentine's Day-we will have an assortment of sweets....cookies, chocolate, cake, and it's free!!!



#### Book Club-Laureen House

March 24<sup>th</sup>, Sandy Smith's house. Book: The Good Earth by Pearl Buck.

#### Degrees of Jaycees-Bob Gillis

Many thanks to the Jaycees who have expressed renewed interest in this project; the following have upped their degrees: Kris Long: 9, Yvonne McNamara: 8, Monica Joshi: 6, Susan Gillis: 6, Adam Nolin: 5, Monica Rigamonti: 6

#### Networking-Bob and Sue Gillis

Your business listed on the website. Email me if you'd like to be added.

#### Ski Trip-Cheryl Cushman and Paul Kelly

We hope all attendees had a great time and no fires were set. Looking forward to the frog stories.

#### Scrapbooking - Jenn Allsop

Was held on January 29; Jenn will have a report at the February GM.



#### Scat Night – Judy Wood

Fun card game! Always a blast! Judy and Mike Wood's house on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. Bring your quarters and be there!

#### Committee to abolish winter—Bob Gillis

Canceled due to reality check. Nice to think about, though. I hate the snow!

# Associate's night – Committee We've had our first meeting. We decided not to do a video this year, but will be featuring a very nice sit down dinner and many fun surprises. Details as soon as we have them. Installation Banquet - Chairman needed New board! New members! Awards! Dinner and Drinks! Get dressed up! Want to be the hero who runs it? Please? Stay warm! And Go Pats!



Vice President: Dave Fisler Director: Susan Gillis

#### Haunted House 05-Chairman needed

This year this project will be a little more involved, as we currently have no place to run it. A committee is looking into new locations; however I would like to have the chairman on board to work with this committee.

Any interested parties please call me. Thank you!

#### Founders Day

I am putting on all the Founders day projects early this year. If you are interested or have any questions on these or any of the projects please call me.

- 1) Glow sticks-our soon to be Chairman of the Board-Monica Rigamonti
- 2) Concessions-Chairman needed
- 3) Ponies-Chairman needed
- 4) Shooting gallery-Chairman needed
- 5) Soccer shoot out-Chairman needed
- 6) Slush-Sue Gillis



This month we speak with new member Keith Meuller

No stranger to the Foxboro Jaycees, Keith Meuller (or Shadow) has already established many friendships and an impressive Jaycee resume even before he joined the chapter at the 2004 HH breakup party, participating in most of our projects and lending a helping hand wherever needed. Our "2004 Best rookie guide" also recently won Jaycee Rookie of the Quarter.

He grew up in Wrentham and works these days as a Computer Technician / System Administrator for the Town of North Attleboro.

To warm up to the Jaycee questions, we talk about his favorite food ("Gotta love a good Prime Rib") restaurants ("Bugaboo Creek, Ruby Tuesdays") Sport ("Patriots Football"), drink ("I stick with my beer") and TV shows ("Stargate SG-1, Stargate Atlantis, Battlestar Galactica (do we see a theme here?"))

Keith, how did you learn about the Foxboro Jaycees?

"12 years or so ago, some friends of mine were in or associated with the Plainville Jaycees, I did the haunted house with them for 1 year when it was at the old State School (man I miss that place), they disbanded shortly there after. Years later, Carl Bertolino asks to borrow my oven to keep food warm for the haunted house, I asked if they needed help, and the rest is history."

Why did you join the Jaycees?

"I enjoy helping others, and the past 2 years doing the haunted house made me realize how much I liked the group and what they did."

What would you like to accomplish as a Jaycee?

"Community service, personal growth, new friends."

Will you swear an oath of eternal loyalty to the cult of Jaycees?

"Eternal may be pushing it!"

Keith, welcome to the Foxboro Jaycees and thank you for all your hard work! We're glad to have you!

## Community Development Community Development

Co-Directors: Andrea Cummings Amy Correia

#### Electrical Common Upgrade Tom Sawran

Tom is doing a great job with this project. The committee got together last week to discuss with Jack A how the Jaycees can help him with this project. More will be discussed at the GM.

#### Sand for Seniors---Mike Wood

Thank you Mike for taking on this project. I'm sure that Mike has been very busy the last couple weeks with all the storms we have received. If anyone is interested in helping Mike deliver sand to the seniors, please give him a call.



#### New Year's Baby Gift---Jennifer Widmer

Still waiting for the news of who the newest member of our town is... More info to follow.

#### Doolittle Home Support---Tom Whiffen

Thanks for helping assemble the Blue wave for helping out the day of the auction.

#### Easter Egg Hunt-Bob Gillis and Lauren Bitar

Bob and Lauren will be heading up this project. It is scheduled to run March 26, if you are interest in helping with this project, please contact either of them.

#### Youth Scholarships-Krystie Apgar

Thanks Krystie for taking on this important project. I'm sure we will hear more about this at the GM.

#### Chairman Needed

Pancake Breakfast Manpower Senior Appreciation Day Easter Seals Volleyball Candidates Night

#### February 2005 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5 Scat Night-Mike and Judy Wood's 6PM
6	7	8	9 New Member Orientation, 7PM General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center	10 Book Club Tom Whiffen's house	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Taunton Jaycees Mardi Gras State JC Board Meeting
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27	28					

#### March 2005 Jaycee Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5
7	8	9 General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center	10 Associates Night (tentative)	11	12
14	15	16	17	18	19 Doolittle Auction
21	22	23	24 Book Club-Sandy Smith's	25	26 Easter Egg Hunt
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