



Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

February 2008

The month of January has flown by and I am sure I am not the only one who continues to write 2007 on all my papers and checks. While many of you have started out with personal New Year's resolutions hopefully you have thought about some New Year's resolutions for the Jaycees like I suggested in the last Wise Fox. The month of February is slow in the Jaycees. Since this month is slower for projects I thought I would introduce some of you to some of our smaller less recognized projects that go on in the Jaycees year round.

We have smaller projects in the Jaycees that draw and affect a different crowd that don't always get the recognition. If I miss any don't think it was for any reasons other than I just plain had a brain lapse. The book club has been going on for a few years now and draws a good diverse group of Jaycees every month. Check out the website if you are looking for some good reading these winter months, and read a book and join them at the next meeting. Speaking of the website, I can't give Bob enough kudos on the website. Literally I say, "Bob how about this or that," and it is there before I can hit the refresh button. Thank you Bob! The book drive is a project close to my heart that began in 2007. We are collecting slightly used books to donate to the Dana Farber Cancer Hospital library for cancer patients and their families to read while at the hospital or even take home. Thank you for all your donations and as you begin your spring-cleaning don't forget to bring your books to Vanessa at the next meeting or social event. Meetings and Programs has been coordinated by Vanessa this year and I want to thank all those individuals who have volunteered for individual months to bring out the food and decorations. We have had many large meals recently that some of you have missed out. We are not a chips and soda chapter any longer. Come out and share some new ideas you have for projects large or small and it would be a great way to keep the meetings going in this cold winter weather.

We have a few exciting projects coming up in the next couple of months. Scat Night is right around the corner at the Long's house. This is always a fun night of food, drinks, cards, and for some moneymaking and for others money losing. I am now looking to raise a college fund so my quarters will be prepared for some good card playing. Doolittle Home is also coming up in March and we are starting to look for some volunteers. Jaycee Week will also occur in March to gain some new members into our chapter. We are also starting a new project collecting DVDs for our veterans. If you have any DVDs that you would like to donate, please contact Deena Cummings. Thank you to all the new chairpersons that have volunteered in the next few months. Come out to the next meeting and you might surprise yourself and get inspired to be one too.

The spring will be coming around soon and soon my term will end. I am starting to make calls looking for the 2008-2009 board. Maybe this is the year for you to increase your volunteer activity with the Jaycees. Maybe you are looking for the chapter to make a change and want to be a part of it. Maybe you would like to get involved in the chapter in more details and this would be the way to do it. No worries...this is just the start of my search for the new committee. Have a great February, stay warm, and I hope to see all of you with rolls of quarters at Scat Night!!

Jennifer Widmer



What: Orpheum Ticket Sales Fundraiser

When: Friday, February 8th at 7:30 pm

Show: Beauty and the Beast

Where: The Orpheum Theatre in Foxboro

Cost: Tickets are only \$22!

This is a fundraiser for the Foxboro Jaycees. We will get half the ticket sales back. If you are interested in going to see this production, please call Monica Fisler as soon as possible for more details. You can also email her at mjoshi04@comcast.net for more details.

American Cancer Society Fundraiser

LOVE FOR LIFE GALA

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2008

7:00 PM—MIDNIGHT

CHRISTINA'S (2 WASHINGTON STREET, ROUTE 1 FOXBORO)



DINNER, DANCING, CASH BAR

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S RELAY FOR LIFE OF GREATER FOXBORO

The Jaycees have been generous enough to donate a table for 10. The first 10 people who are interested in attending will get to do so. Please let me know as soon as possible as this is on a first come first serve basis. You can contact me at home at 508-698-9604 or by e-mail at mjoshi04@comcast.net

Community Development

Vice President: Mark Emery Director: Mark Kerchoff

Book Drive – Vanessa Linke

We are donating used books to the Dana Farber Institute for their patient library and already delivered over 300 books last year (2007). Vanessa will continue to collect books in 2008 at meetings or other get-togethers. Please let her know if you have any questions.



ALS Fundraiser---Bob Hickey

The event is scheduled tentatively for March 2008 at the Mansfield SportsPlex. More details to follow at the GM. This will be a waffle ball tournament for 5 person teams.

Publicity---Monica Fisler

This project puts an ad in the Foxboro Reporter to tell about upcoming Jaycee events.

Sand for Seniors – Mark Emery

Basically we deliver sand and salt to senior citizens of Foxboro. The seniors really appreciate this service. We received a very nice letter from Paula Delaflor thanking us for her delivery.

DVDs for the Veterans – Deena Cummings

Supply DVD for veterans who have been injured.

Doolittle Home Manpower – Andrea Cummings----March 1st

This will be to supply manpower to lug and tug items to be put up for auction.



Literacy Challenge---Stephanie King

This project entails the Jaycees going into the Charter School here in town and seeing which class can read the most in a given time frame. See Mark if you are interested.

Concerts on the Common – Chairman Needed

This project runs from June to August. We hire bands for the Thursdays in these months. The first band is usually the Foxboro High School Jazz Band.

Easter Egg hunt – Chairman Needed

Run an Easter egg hunt for little kids on the Common .

Easter Seals Volleyball- Chairman Needed

This is to raise money for Easter Seals by getting a team together and playing a few games of volleyball for a good cause.

Candidates Night – Chairman Needed

Run a candidates night for local elections.

My Hero Essay Contest- Chairman Needed

Run a contest about my heroes in the public schools.

Youth Scholarships – Chairman Needed

Get a group together to read over the essays supplied by the Guidance dept. And prioritize according to the criteria in the bylaws.

Way\$ and Mean\$

Vice President: Monica Fisler

Haunted House – Mark Emery

Mark has scheduled the final closeout meeting for this project. It will be on Wednesday, February 13th (night of the GM) for anyone who is interested. The meeting will be at the Community Center at 7:30 p.m.



Orpheum Ticket Sales – Monica Fisler

The Orpheum has been generous in letting us run this project again. The show is coming up very quickly. February 8th at 7:30p.m. If you are interested in going to see “BEAUTY AND THE BEAST” please let me know immediately. I will be reserving tickets. Call me at 508-698-9604.

Scrapbooking Fundraiser – Monica Fisler

We had a great time scrapping. The response from the non-Jaycees were good. Thanks to everyone who helped set up and clean up.



Did You Know?

As you know, small articles are written up on our new members introducing them to the chapter. When we don't have new members to learn about, older, (sometimes wiser) and more seasoned members will be spotlighted on. This month's “Did You Know” is all about Lynn Freersken.

Did You Know...

- ◆ Lynn joined the Jaycees at the haunted House in 1993?
- ◆ Lynn has held many board positions: Secretary, IDVP and director, W&M VP and director, and Membership VP and director?
- ◆ Lynn was Keyman in 1999?
- ◆ Lynn received a Frog for ordering a six foot sub on a 7 foot board and going to pick it up in my 5 foot Hyundai?
- ◆ Lynn's favorite projects are Concerts on the Common and Senior Day?
Lynn has worked at the Learning Link in Plainville for 18 yrs **and** she has owned it for 3 years?
- ◆ Lynn's parents live in Mansfield down the street from her brother?
- ◆ Lynn has a son, Mike, who is 26 and lives in Attleboro?
- ◆ Lynn loves to read and makes it to the Book Club when she hosts?!
- ◆ Lynn loves movies from the 30's and 40's?
- ◆ Lynn loves the TV show “My Name is Earl?”

Secretary's Report

Monica Rigamonti

Minutes from Last Month's GM- Accepted

Sunshine

No Sunshine to report this month.



If you know of anyone who needs sunshine, please either call (508-353-1937) or email me.

Inventory Coordinator – Kathy Brady

If you have any Jaycee inventory, please let Kathy know. You must see Kathy Brady to sign out any Jaycee equipment.

Wise Fox–Monica Rigamonti

If you have information that you would like to add to the Wise Fox, please email Monica at mozer16455@comcast.net. Also, if you move, please send me your new address.



Cards and Letters of Thanks and Appreciation – Wendy Kerchoff

If you need any cards or letters sent on behalf of the Jaycees please let Wendy know.

Electronic CPG Library–Bob Gillis

The CPG's are available for download on the website. This is a password-protected area, please contact Bob for the username and password. If anyone would like to submit a CPG in electronic/softcopy please email them to Bob.



Awards

- **Project of the Month:** Santa on the Common
- **Jaycee of the Month:** Mark Kerchoff
- **Frog of the Month:** Jen Widmer for giving birth on the side of the highway!

Jaycee Birthdays



**Pam King
Kris Long
Tom Sawran
Jane Webster**

Happy Belated Birthday---Stephanie King

Individual Development

Vice-President: Vanessa Linke



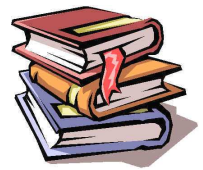
Meetings and Programs- Various / Chairpeople Needed

The Kerchoffs are treating us sweet people to sweets for Valentine's Day that should be able to satisfy even the most notorious sweet tooth! Thanks so much to all who have helped so far or have signed up for a month! I am still looking for volunteers to take on May and/or June - if you think you would like to organize provisions for either of those months, please let me know.

Book Club-Laureen House

Can you believe this book club is already on book #70? WOW! If you'd like to join us, let Laureen know that you would like to be added to the monthly Book Club email distribution list.

- February Book: "Dark Tide: The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919" by Stephen Puleo 2/20/08 8:00 pm at KB's apartment
- March Book: "The Princess of Burundi," by Kjell Eriksson 3/19/08 at Laureen House's home
- April Book: "The Namesake," by Jhumpa Lahiri 4/16/08 at Sandy Daniels' house



Networking-Bob Gillis

Let Bob know if you would like to have your business added – and for the rest of you: be sure to check out the list regularly to see additions! Bob "The Muffler Man" Webster and Pam King's "Sereena's Sweet Temptations Cheesecake" are the newest additions to our list of "Jaycee family" businesses.

Scrapbooking -- Sandy Emery

We are back on the calendar! The all-day fundraiser events have been fun, but they are just too far and few in between to keep up with the year-round happenings in our lives (not too mention 'scrapping all the years before we got hooked on scrapbooking). Sandy Emery is welcoming us on February 9, 9am -12pm at her house. Bring your pictures. Newbies welcome!



Degrees of Jaycees-Sandy Emery

Make sure you get credit for the blood, sweat, and tears that you sacrifice along with your time – download the form (http://www.foxborojaycees.org/b_degrees/b_degrees.html), fill it out, and send it to Sandy.



CPR/First Aid Training – Kris Long

Scott Rogers offered to teach some CPR courses and Kris will coordinate the details with him. They are currently working on pinning down the dates and times and we should know more by the February GM.

Scat Night – Kris Long—February 9th at 7:30pm

Our gracious host this year will be Kris Long – she's been looking forward to it for months already! Bring your quarters, some food to share and your beverage of choice and join us for a fun card game night at the Longs.



Associates Night – Chairperson Needed

We are still looking for someone to take on this project so that we can have a good time when we make fun of– (ahem) I mean *show our appreciation* to our Associate Members.

Ski Trip---Linda Magovern

Linda has been kind enough to take on this project - please let her know if you re interested in going to Nashoba Valley in Westford, MA, for a day trip - tickets are \$34, rental of ski equipment (optional) is \$22, and 2 hours snow tubing would cost you \$18.



Installation Banquet – Chairperson Needed

Wow, is it really already that time again? I can't believe this board's term is almost up. Please let me know if you would like to take on the Installation Banquet this year to thank our outgoing board and to swear in the new chapter officers.



Camping/ Hiking Trip – Summer '08 -- Chairperson Needed

We had so much fun last year, and I know a lot of planning goes into this event, so I wanted to have people start thinking about the camping trip. If you'd like to chair this trip, please let me know.



Scat Night 2008

- ◆ The Annual Scat Night is February 9th, 7:30 pm .
- ◆ Please join us in what promises to be a great night!
- ◆ This event is a BYOB (bring your own beverages) I will have some soda and hot cider, coffee and tea.
- ◆ Also everyone brings an appetizer or dessert to share.
- ◆ You will also need quarters to play....no pennies!
- ◆ Please RSVP to me by the morning of!

Thanks and see you then,
Kris

Membership

Vice President: Wendy Kerchoff

Director: Bob Gillis

Activation/Mentor Program-Monica Fisler

If you'd like to be a mentor, please contact Monica and let her know. We have shirts, hats and mugs in storage and plenty of them! If you need one, please let us know!

Who's Who-Monica Rigamonti

Check out the "Did You Know?" write-up about Lynn Freersken.

Web Site Page-Bob Gillis

Bob is continually making sure our Jaycee website is always up to date and looking good! If you have and pictures from any Jaycee events you'd like to see on the website, please forward those to Bob and he will work his magic!



New Member Orientation---Monica Rigamonti

Are you a new member and would like to learn the ins and outs of the organization in a small group environment? Come on out before the January GM and ask all the questions you want.



Call Night – Chairperson Needed

This call night will be in correlation with Jaycee Week. We are looking for someone to chair it! Please call Wendy if you are interested!

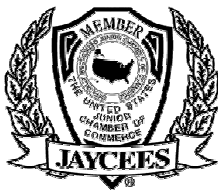
Jaycee Week---Committee Run

The committee will be meeting within the next two weeks. If you are interested in joining us, please call Wendy for more details. We are going to run Jaycee Week starting March 1st, expect a call soon!

New Members

Know anyone that is interested in becoming a Jaycee? Bring them to the next GM! We'd love to meet them!

Membership Awards



Melissa Riley-----1 year

Bill Dempsey-----2 years

Sally Carter-----3 years

Kris Long-----7 years

February 2008 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Groundhog Day
3 Super Bowl--- GO PATS!!!!	4	5	6 Ash Wednesday	7 Chinese New Year	8	9 Scrapbooking 9am-12pm at Sandy Emery's house Scat Night 7:30 pm at Kris Long's house
10	11	12	13 7:30 HH Close- Out Meeting GM-- 8PM— SFCC	14 Happy Valentine's Day	15 Relay for Life--- Valentine's Day Gala 7-midnight	16
17	18 President's Day	19	20 Book Club 8PM at Kathy Brady's apt.	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Board Meeting	28	29	

March 2008 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9 Daylight Savings Time	10	11	12 GM-- 8PM---SFCC	13	14	15
16 Palm Sunday	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Book Club---8PM at Laureen House's home	20 First Day of Spring	21 Good Friday	22
23 Easter 30	24 31	25	26 Board Meeting	27	28	29