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A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

March 2008

We are hopefully coming to a close on our cold wintry nights and I think Spring may soon be around the corner for all of us. The chapter itself seems to be turning too in many different ways. We are becoming a new type of chapter who may have fewer members but are just as devoted to the success of the Jaycees in the community of Foxboro. We are also in a change--starting a whole new list of projects for our spring and summertime events, which I think, are one of the busiest times of the year for the chapter. Finally, we are coming close to a change on the board and the end of my term as President. Hopefully this change in seasons, chapter development, projects, and board will be a new great adventure for all of us.

The month of February is the time for one of my favorite projects, Scat Night. This year we all had a great time at the Long's house. There were six tables open to some serious and some not so serious card playing. It always is a fun time as everyone tries to remember how to count to thirty-one again and for some even how to strategize the simple game of Scat. More quarters fly around that you would think you are at a casino. For many without laundry facilities the bitter reality as their laundry money seems to disappear or for others their Diet Coke or Dunkin Donuts money for the week. Scat Night is always a great time and thanks for all those who contributed the quarters to Abigail's college fund since the Widmer's went home ahead. Sorry for those without the caffeine or clean clothes the next week.

For those who are still reading their Wise Fox and not using it as a coaster, you will see a lot of upcoming projects listed as Chairman Needed. This is the time to do something more than complain about projects not running or how they are running and do something about it. In my mind every member listed on the back page is eligible and more than able to run all of these projects. We have many community projects open too which is the reason many of us joined this chapter to help make our community a better place. Thank you to all those committed chairmen whose names are all over the Wise Fox and agendas as volunteers to run projects, to be on the committee, or just be a great cheerleader of support.

Speaking of support, I indicated that my reign is coming closer to its end as President. We are now in the search for the next President and board for 2008-2009. Saying that you are so out of it and don't know what is going on in the chapter? Well, I can't think of a better way of finding out more. Don't like the direction the chapter is going? Well, no one can help steer that boat better than our next President and Vice Presidents. Feel your time has passed by for that opportunity and you have missed your prime? Well, no time is better than the present to turn back the pages of time, go back to your prime, and make a change.

I hope to see all of you out at our upcoming meetings and events. March brings us the Easter Egg Hunt, Scrapbooking, Book Club, Associates Night, and Jaycee Week. April finds the ALS Fundraiser of whiffleball, the Installation Banquet, and elections. Before we know it, the summer will be here and it will be time for Founders Day, Relay for Life, Volleyball, and Camping. I hope to see all of you soon and even better your name on an upcoming ballot.

Jennifer Widmer

Community Development

Vice President: Mark Emery Director: Mark Kerchoff

Book Drive – Vanessa Linke

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



ALS Fundraiser---Bob Hickey

The event is scheduled for April 12th at the Mansfield SportsPlex. Check out the flyer in this month's Wise Fox.

Publicity---Monica Fisler

We've brought back this wonderful project that lets the town know what we are up to. The Foxboro reporter will run an ad the first Thursday of every month that lists the different projects that we are running for the month. If you are running a project and would like it advertised here please let me know (this does not take the place of placing your own ad for the project you are running). I hope everyone got a chance to enjoy the first ad last month. Look for the next one this Thursday 3/6.

Sand for Seniors – Mark Emery

Basically we deliver sand and salt to senior citizens of Foxboro. The seniors really appreciate this service.

DVDs for the Veterans – Deena Cummings

Supply DVD for veterans who have been injured. You can bring your DVD's (new or used) to the GM.



Literacy Challenge---Wendy Kerchoff

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.

Easter Egg hunt – Deena Cummings

This has been scheduled for Sunday, March 16th (I believe 1pm) with a rain date of Saturday, March 22nd. If you are interested in helping Deena, give her a call.

My Hero Essay Contest- Kris Long

Run a contest about my heroes in the public schools.

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 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.

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

Happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone. It's that time again to put on Founder's Day Projects. If you are interested in running any of them please let me know.

Founder's Day Concessions – Chairman Needed

The Jaycees are one of the main contributors of food on Founder's Day. This is an opportunity for the chapter to make some money and have some fun while doing it. As chairman you can select the foods you want to have (within reason of course). There are CPG's out on the website to help you as well.

Founder's Day Slush – Chairman Needed

We have some new ideas for this year. Please let me know if you are interested in running this project.

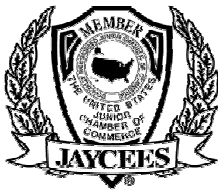
Founder's Day Glowsticks – Chairman Needed

Help light up the night of Founder's Day and get ready for fireworks. The Jaycees come out in full force to help sell glowsticks. Let me know if you want to be a part of this.

Founder's Day Pony Rides – Chairman Needed

The kids absolutely love this event. If you are interested in running this please let me know.

Membership Awards



Linda Magovern-----3 years
Cheryl Cushman-----16 years
Dave Fisler-----10 years
Bill Byrnes-----29 years

A request from our Treasurer, Deena:

If you have run a project this year that required the rental of the South Foxboro Community Center, (free or not), please contact Deena.

THANKS!!!

Secretary's Report

Monica Rigamonti

Minutes from Last Month's GM- Accepted

Sunshine

Card and Dish Garden sent to Bob Webster for the passing of his mother

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----CHAIRMAN NEEDED

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:** Scrapbooking Fundraiser
- **Jaycee of the Month:** Kris Long
- **Frog of the Month:** Kris "What are the Rules of Scat?" Long

Jaycee Birthdays



Lauren Bitar
Dave Fisler
Ed Groh
Niki Melish
Tom Whiffen

Nate Emery
Lynn Freerksen
Cindy McCann
Jeanne Suttie

Individual Development

Vice-President: Vanessa Linke



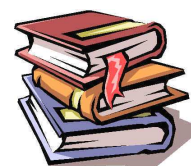
Meetings and Programs- Various / Chairpeople Needed

Bob Gillis has offered to arrange for food for the March GM. We will be having franks (hot dogs) and beans. All you can eat for \$2. 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

If you'd like to join us, please let Laureen know that you would like to be added to the monthly Book Club email distribution list. The next books are:

- March Book: "The Princess of Burundi " by Kjell Eriksson
Meeting: March 19, 8:00 pm, hosted by Laureen House
- April Book: "The Namesake " by Jhumpa Lahiri
Meeting: March 19, 8:00 pm, hosted by Sandy Daniels
- May Book: " The Last Town on Earth" by Thomas Mullen
Meeting: March 19, 8:00 pm, hosted by Beverley Orr



Networking-Bob Gillis

Be sure to check out the list regularly to see additions and please let Bob know if you would like to have your business added.

Scrapbooking -- Sandy Emery

Sandy Emery is hosting us on Sat, March 8, 9am -12pm at her house and we are looking forward to another fun morning filled with pictures, creativity, memories & laughter. Please join us.



Degrees of Jaycees-Sandy Emery

Download the form (http://www.foxborojaycees.org/b_degrees/b_degrees.html), fill it out, and send it to Sandy - you'll be surprised how many degrees you have without knowing it! Make sure you get credit for the blood, sweat, and tears that you sacrifice along with your time!!!

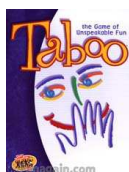
CPR/First Aid Training – Kris Long

Invensys is offering the following courses:

Mon 3/17 and Wed 3/19, Mon 4/14 and Wed 4/16, Mon 5/19 and Wed 5/21

"Courses include Adult, Child, and Infant rescue: CPR and obstructed airway techniques Adult and child defibrillation Heartsaver , AED or Healthcare Provider certification"

Call Kathy Costa at Invensys at 508-549-3258 to sign up and upon completion, the Foxboro Jaycees will reimburse you for the \$25 Invensys charges.

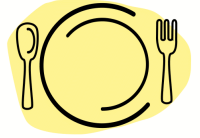


Associates Night – Monica Rigamonti

Come out to the March GM and play the popular board game TABOO. How well do you know the associate's? Check out the flyer in this Wise Fox Edition. Also, Collector's Editions of past Associate's Night on DVD are still on sale for \$5.

Installation Banquet – Linda Magovern

Linda was so kind to take on this project with the help of Sandy Emery and Lynda Walsh. They were already able to determine the date of April 26 and location of the Lafayette House on Rt. 1 in Foxboro. Dinner will be \$25, with a choice of Beef or Shrimp. Check out the flyer in this Wise Fox Edition.



Family Outing - Providence Bruins - Sun, March 16 @ 4pm

I received a call inviting us to watch a Providence Bruins game, and I, for one, would love to go. Group (10 or more) tickets are \$12 each (reg. \$18-\$25). Is anyone else interested? Please let me (Vanessa) know as soon as possible so that we can get enough seats together.

I am looking for Chairpeople for the following upcoming events. Please let me know if you are interested in chairing any of them. THANKS!

Founders Day Manpower -- Chairperson Needed

Founders Day Work Party -- Chairperson Needed

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

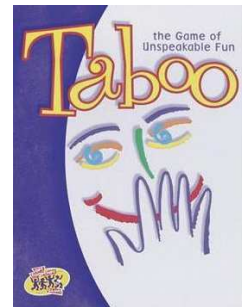
Associate's Night

Who: Fantastic Regulars

When: Wednesday, March 12th (after GM) at 8:30pm

Where: South Foxboro Community Center

What: Our version of the popular board game Taboo



Why: It is that time of year to roast those old timers....or should I say the RFO's!

Alcohol and Desserts will be provided. All past Associate's Night DVD's will be on sale for \$5 each!

Please RSVP to Monica Rigamonti at either 508-543-1433 or mozer16455@comcast.net.

ALS Fundraiser

What: Whiffleball Tournament to raise funds for the ALS Association

When: Saturday, April 12, 1pm to 8pm

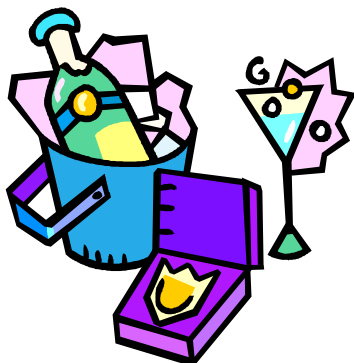
Where: Mansfield SportsPlex

Teams: 3-5 players, at least 1 female per team

Cost: \$100 registration fee per team (\$150 if received after 4/10)

Contact: Bob Hickey @ (508) 406-2242 or bobh@mansfieldsportsplex.com.

***There will have food, raffles, and will happily accept donations and corporate sponsorships! ***



*Installation Banquet
Saturday, April 26th, 2008
Lafayette House
Route 1--Foxboro, MA
Cocktails and Dinner
Installation of the 2008-2009 Board
Year End Awards
2008 Key Man Award*

Membership

Vice President: Wendy Kerchoff

Director: Bob Gillis

*****Membership for the Foxboro Jaycees is declining. If we as a chapter would like to remain as a chapter and run the projects to their best potential, we need more members! I'm asking everyone to wear their Jaycee apparel this first week of March more than usual. Talk to your friends and neighbors about the Jaycees! Invite a friend to a meeting! *****

*****Saturday, March 8th a few of us will be at the Stop & Shop in Foxboro from noon to 2pm with information about our organization. I hope to meet some future Jaycees while we are there. *****

*****If anyone has any ideas on how to create interest in the Jaycees, please feel free to contact me. I was hoping to have a call night the first week of March, but unfortunately, I have nobody to chair the project. I will be making phone calls this week on my own each night.*****

*****Please come out to the meetings and support your Foxboro Jaycees.*****

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 Ed Groh.

Did You Know...

- ◆ Ed is married to Jeanette and they have one daughter Jennifer?
- ◆ Ed's daughter Jennifer lives with fellow Jaycee member Paul Lanza's daughter Lauren?
- ◆ Ed is truly a townie (born and raised in Foxboro)?
- ◆ Ed joined the Jaycees in October 1989 at the same time as Bob and Jane Webster?
- ◆ Ed joined because Sandy Daniels (Smith at the time) was so persuasive to his wife that they come out to a GM?
- ◆ Ed was the IDVP at one time?
- ◆ Ed enjoys golfing when he has any free time?
- ◆ Ed is the star of many Associates Night skits? You might know him as Dick Groh.
- ◆ Ed has been in the Army/National Guard for 27 years?
- ◆ When Ed is not in active duty he is an army civilian at Fort Devens as a QA (quality assurance)?
- ◆ Ed is currently in active duty for 2 ½ years at Hanscom Air Force Base?
- ◆ Ed was in Iraq in 2003 to the beginning of 2004? His specialty was in Battalion Communications.
- ◆ Ed is a 1st down chain guy at Patriots games?
- ◆ Ed is a high school football referee and was the ref at the Division II HS Super Bowl between Walpole and Bishop Feenan?

March 2008 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Doolittle Home Auction @ FCA
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Scrapbooking--- 9-12 pm at the Emery estate Stop & Shop Membership Booth 12-2 pm
9 Daylight Savings Time	10	11	12 GM-- 8PM— SFCC Associate's Night	13	14	15
16 Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt Providence Bruins Game---4 pm	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 Easter Egg Hunt (Raindate)
23 Easter 30	24 31	25	26 Board Meeting	27	28	29

April 2008 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 April Fool's Day	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 ALS Fundraiser
13	14	15 TAXES DUE!!!	16 GM-- 8PM---SFCC	17	18	19
20	21	22 Earth Day	23 Book Club---8PM at Sandy Daniels's home	24	25	26 Installation Banquet @ Lafayette House
27	28	29	30 Joint Board Meeting			