

Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

May 2008

Well, I don't know if anyone has seen any pigs flying, or if hell has frozen over, but it is TRUE—I have actually become the President of the Foxboro Jaycees. I truly am looking forward to the upcoming year, and to see what we, as a chapter, can accomplish. For those of you who attended the Installation Banquet, you have already heard me mention what I would like the chapter goals to be this year, but for those of you who did not attend the banquet, the following are some highlights:

- **Membership**--I think Membership needs to be our primary goal as a chapter. Vanessa and I have already discussed some new avenues that we can use to attract new members, which I hope will be successful.
- **Associates**--I would like to make a special plea to the Associate members to assist us in the membership area. I think you can be most effective in membership recruiting projects.
- **Mentor Program**-- There hasn't been quite the same focus on Mentoring over the last few years, and that really makes it more difficult on the new members to jump in and feel comfortable in their first few months/projects.

Now, having said that, let's get down to business. It's the start of a new year, and that means Founder's Day is right around the corner. At this time, we are still looking for chairpersons to run the Founder's Day Concessions, Manpower, Float, Membership Booth, Concerts on the Common Concessions, and Mentoring Program. Many of these projects will set the tone for the rest of the year, determining how much we earn, and how visible we are in the community.

Now that that's taken care of, I would like to thank the outgoing board for making the transition go very smoothly. I also want to thank Jen Widmer for making available all of the information that I needed. She was nice enough to put everything in very simple terms so even I could follow it ☺. I would like to wish the new board all the best for the new year. I think we have a great, albeit small, group, that seems to be on the same page. If we can get some new, active members, run all the necessary projects, and enjoy ourselves in the process, I think we'll all have a great year.

Happy to be here, Mike Savage



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As you can see there are still spots available on this year's board. If you are interested in joining the board and want to learn more about the chapter, please contact Mike Savage.

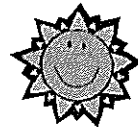
Secretary's Report

Outgoing Secretary: Monica Rigamonti
Incoming Secretary: Wendy Kerchoff

Minutes from Last Month's GM- Accepted

Sunshine

Sympathy card was sent to Jen Diederich for the passing away of her aunt
Sympathy card & donation sent to Cheryl Cushman for the passing away of her father
Flowers were sent to Bill Long for the passing away of his father



If you know of anyone who needs sunshine, please let Wendy know.

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–Wendy Kerchoff

If you have information that you would like to add to the Wise Fox, please email Wendy at wendy@kerchoff.us. Also, if you move, please send me your new address.



Cards and Letters of Thanks and Appreciation – Chairman Needed

This project entails sending out cards or letters on behalf of the Jaycees. If you are interested in running this project, 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:** Easter Egg Hunt
- **Jaycee of the Month:** Deena Cummings
- **Frog of the Month:** Wendy Kerchoff

Community Development

Outgoing Vice President: Mark Emery Outgoing Director: Mark Kerchoff
Incoming Vice President: Tom Whiffen

Book Drive – Vanessa Linke

This project involves collecting books at the GMs for donation to the Dana Farber Hospital book center. Bring all books to the next GM. No text books please.



Publicity---Monica Fisler---Chairman Needed

This project entails putting an ad in the Foxboro Reporter to tell about upcoming Jaycee events/projects.

DVDs for the Veterans – Deena Cummings

We supply DVD for veterans who have been injured. Bring all DVDs to the GM for donation.

Literacy Challenge---Wendy Kerchoff---FINAL REPORT

This project is completed! If you receive the Foxboro Reporter you would have seen the great pictures of all of this year's recipients.



Concerts on the Common –Wendy Kerchoff & Kris Long

I would like to thank Wendy and Kris for taking this on. This project runs from June to August. Stay tuned for the list of bands.

Candidates Night –Kathy Brady & Lauren Bitar---FINAL REPORT

Thank you KB, LB, Julie and Monica for a job well done. There were a lot of candidates this year and it ran very smoothly.



Easter Seals Volleyball- Jen Diederich

This project was to raise money for Easter Seals by getting a team together and playing a few games of volleyball for a good cause. Unfortunately the weekend that this was going to be held was a bad weekend for us. We were not able to play this year.

My Hero Essay Contest- Kris Long

This will take the place of Mother's and Father's Day essays. It is a contest about heroes by students in the public schools.

Youth Scholarships – Dawn Rossi ----FINAL REPORT

Dawn and her committee read many essays this year and she has sent in the list of the top finalists. In June, either watch graduation or read in the paper to know who are our winners.

Relay for Life – Jen Widmer

This is scheduled for 6/20 & 6/21. It is an all night event for American Cancer Society. Contact Jen if you are interested in being a part of our team. You can sign up online as well.



Founders Day Float – Chairman Needed

This project can be building a float, arranging a band to perform during the parade, or even something completely new that we haven't thought of yet.

Keep Kids Alive Concessions--- Wendy Kerchoff

We sold concessions during this event which was run on the common and then donated our proceeds to Keep Kids Alive-Drive 25.

Ways and Means

Outgoing Vice President: Monica Fisler

Incoming Vice President: Fred Badger



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 Pony Rides – Julie Grant---June 7th

Thank you Julie for taking on this project and bringing out your horses.



Founder's Day Slush/Ice Cream – Vanessa Linke---June 7th

Thank you Vanessa for taking on this project. Right now we are in the middle of talking to the Founder's Day Committee and the Ice Cream vendor in terms of the amount of electricity that needs to be used. More information at the next GM.

Founder's Day Glowsticks – Cindy McCann---June 7th

Thank you Cindy for taking on this project. It's always fun to see all the glow items on Founder's Day. If you are interested in helping please contact Cindy McCann.



Concert on the Common Concessions – Chairman Needed

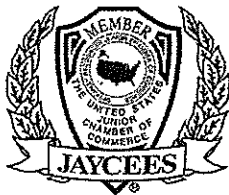
This project runs along with the concerts for the summer. You don't have to do it by yourself. Feel free to put a committee together to help you weekly. Please let me know if you are interested.

Haunted House – Chairman Needed

I know it is early, but who knows, maybe someone will step up with plenty of time to spare and take this on. If you are interested, please contact me. We can discuss the in's and out's of the project.



Membership Awards

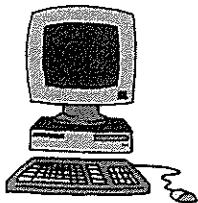


Sharon Hall----1 year

Membership

Outgoing Vice-President: Wendy Kerchoff
Incoming Vice-President: Vanessa Linke

Outgoing Director: Bob Gillis
Incoming Director: OPEN



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!

Who's Who---Wendy Kerchoff

Coming soon.....articles on new members and Did You Know write-ups on veteran members.

Activation/Mentor Program – Chairman Needed

There are plenty of shirts, hats and mugs left if anyone needs them! Just give me a call or email me and I will bring one for you to the next GM!

Founder's Day Membership Booth - Chairman Needed---June 7th

Can you believe June is right around the corner? If you would like to help out with the membership booth this year, please let me know!

Concerts on the Common Membership Booth---Chairman Needed

In the summer we run Concerts on the Common on most Thursdays. We have the membership booth up on the Common to let the public know who we are. If you are interested in running this project, please contact Vanessa.

End of the Year Awards

Officer of the Year----Monica Fisler
Chairman of the Year---Kathy Brady

Director of the Year----Andrea Cummings
Rookie of the Year-----Vanessa Linke

Keyman Award-----Monica Fisler

Frog of the Year-----Kris Long

ID Project of the Year-----Camping/Hiking Trip (Kathy Brady)

CD Project of the Year-----Christmas Tree Sales (Kris Long)

W&M Project of the Year-----Scrapbooking Fundraiser (Monica Fisler and Wendy Kerchoff)

Membership Project of the Year--Website (Bob Gillis)

New Project of the Year-----Craft Fair/Vendor Night (Wendy Kerchoff)

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Individual Development

Outgoing Vice-President: Vanessa Linke

Incoming Vice-President: Julie Grant Incoming Director: Jennifer Diederich

My goodness, my first year on the board is over -- time truly does fly when you are having fun. I appreciate everyone pitching in to make it a very successful year. A special "thank you" to those of you who have chaired an ID project or helped out with Meetings and Programs over the last 12 months - I was truly blessed having so much help! Please let Julie and Jen know if you are interested in chairing upcoming projects or have ideas to enrich the program even more. I know Julie is excited to take on the ID area and I am sure that in her hands and with the help of Jen D. it will be another great year.

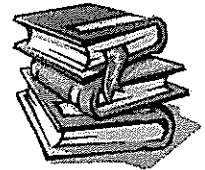
Meetings and Programs- Chairman Needed

Another year is starting and Julie is looking for people willing to take on either Meetings and Programs as a whole or people that are willing to sign up for individual months. At the May GM, the Widmers will treat us to snacks to make sure we have a productive meeting. Julie would like to stress that a meal is not necessary at an 8:00 meeting since most have already eaten supper. Snacks and/or desserts are more than adequate. Don't let the feeling that you cannot provide a good enough menu stop you. Meals are nice once in a while and greatly appreciated, but again, not necessary.

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:

- May Book: "The Last Town on Earth" by Thomas Mullen
Meeting: May 21, 8:00 pm, hosted by Beverley Orr
- June Book, "Isabella Moon," by Laura Benedict
Meeting: June 18, 8:00 pm, hosted by Monica Fisler



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, May 3, 9am -12pm, at her house and we are looking forward to another fun morning filled with pictures, creativity, memories & laughter. Come and join us!



Degrees of Jaycees-Sandy Emery

Now that another Jaycee fiscal year is over, it is a great opportunity to reflect on the work you did. 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!!!

Individual Development Continued...

Founders Day Manpower - June 7th -- Chairperson Needed

We are in need of someone to organize the helping hands for this year's Founders Day. If you are interested, please let Julie know as soon as possible.

Founders Day Work Party - June 7th -- Chairperson Needed

We are looking for a location & host for the FD Work Party to reward those Jaycees who are working the important event. If you are interested in chairing the project, please let Julie know as soon as possible.

Pick-Up Volleyball -- Chairperson Needed

It's time to put this summer favorite back onto the schedule. Who would be willing to chair This weekly fun get-together? Tuesdays @ 6pm at Booth Playground during the summer months.

White Water Rafting / Canoe Trip -- Chairperson Needed

Is anyone interested in planning a water sport/recreation outing for us this summer?

Camping/Hiking Trip---Jen Diederich

Jen picked up this year's Camping/ Hiking Trip, so we can all start planning our long weekend away this summer! If you want to be part of the project committee, be sure to let Jen know.

Pawtucket Red Sox Game -- Chairperson Needed

Here is another summer tradition that is looking for a chairperson - please let Julie know if you are interested in chairing this outing.

Jaycee Birthdays



Kathy Brady
Sharon Hall
Cathy Hickey
Lisa Jamieson
Mindi Sohr

Bill Byrnes
Bob Hickey
Derek House
Monica Rigamonti

May 2008 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Keep Kids Alive	2	3 Scrapbooking 9-12 pm at Emery Estate
4	5 Foxboro Election Day	6	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14 GM---SFCC--- 8PM	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Book Club---8 PM @ Beverley Orr's house	22	23	24 Founder's Day Boot Drive
25	26 Memorial Day	27	28 Board Meeting	29	30	31

June 2008 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Founder's Day
8	9	10	11 GM---SFCC---8PM (Budget)	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17	18 Book Club---8 PM @ Monica Fisler's house	19	20 Relay for Life Summer Begins	21 Relay for Life
22	23	24	25 Board Meeting	26	27	28
29	30	1	2			

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Meetings and Programs

Don't miss the next GM on Wednesday, May 14th, at 8:00 PM

**Come and support your new president, Mike Savage and his new
Board of Directors.**

Snacks will be provided!