

# The Wise Fox

October 2008

A monthly publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

## *From the President:*

It really is amazing how many people are saddened over the news of the Haunted House. I've been getting e-mails and phone calls from people and groups I've never talked to before, telling me how sad they were to hear about our bad news. At the same time, we've been getting requests to help a lot of others with our knowledge, experience, and equipment. As a chapter, we decided we'd help others with the lending of our equipment. However, the chapter didn't feel that it was in our best interests to donate our time without receiving the substantial contribution it would require to make up for what we would've made had we run the house ourselves.

Now, that doesn't mean that any individuals who feel like helping either the Orpheum Haunted Theatre or the Mansfield Haunted Hollows shouldn't help out. It just means that we shouldn't be promoting the Jaycees involvement in any way. So, as discussed at the General Meeting, if you choose to work at either of these events, both of which are good community projects, I would appreciate it if there was no Jaycee apparel worn. The organizations responsible for running these projects chose to run their projects without the Jaycees. Although we wish them success, we shouldn't be volunteering our name and Haunted House reputation. While we won't be getting any of the credit for entertaining the community, we shouldn't risk taking the blame for someone else's potential issues either.

On a brighter note, I'd like everyone to welcome Heather Loew to the Board. She has volunteered to be the Ways & Means Director. It's always nice to see newer members getting involved with the operation of the chapter. She's been to her first Board Meeting, and is already helping Fred out with W&M.

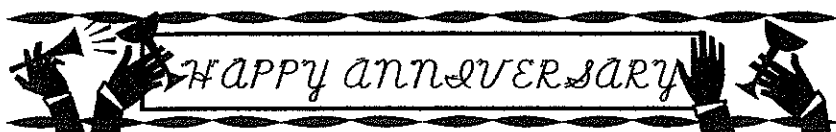
We do have a lot of projects coming up, and it would be nice to see some of the people who were most vocal against the decision to cancel the Haunted House to use some of that energy to run some other worthwhile projects. There are projects in all areas that need chairmen and manpower, so feel free to turn some of that energy into help for the community.

I'm still looking for a regular member who's willing to take over CDVP for the remainder of the season. You get full credit and there's only 6 months left, sounds like a bargain to me. Please call me if you think you can help out.

See you all at the Meeting, Mike



If you are aware of anyone that needs  
a little sunshine, please call or email  
me with the details.



Andrea Cummings - 10 Years

Monica Fidler - 5 Years

Lynn Freerksen - 15 Years

Ed Groh - 19 Years

Cathy Hickey - 15 Years

Paul Kelly - 36 Years

Gerry McNamara - 10 Years

Jerry Norwood - 46 Years

Dawn Rossi - 3 Years

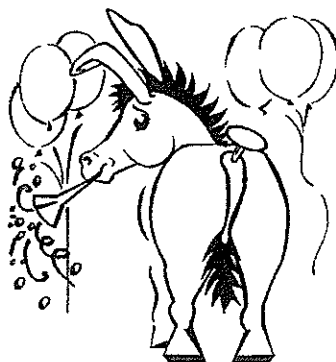
Mike & Helene Savage - 11 Years

Lynda Walsh - 15 Years

Bob & Jane Webster - 19 Years

Tom Whiffen - 12 Years

Jennifer Widmer - 4 Years

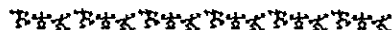


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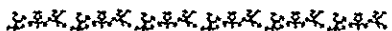
**Project of the Month:**  
Concert on the Common  
Concessions

**Jaycee of the Month:**  
Bob Gillis

## BIRTHDAY



Sandy Daniels  
Mark Emery  
Paul Kelly  
Vanessa Linke  
Dave Reid  
Lynda Walsh



## *Individual Development – Julie Grant VP*

Several members have been contributing towards Meetings and Programs refreshments/meals. Thank you to Kris Long for her homemade treats, and Andrew Hewitt who surprised us with his treats as well.

Sandy Emery continues to help people keep track of their progress through Degrees of Jaycees. If you would like to track your progress in the Jaycees, you may download a form from the Foxborough Jaycee website.

Looking for a contractor or want to let people know about your business? Contact Bob Gillis who puts everyone out there through his Networking page!

Do you enjoy reading but want to be social rather than reclusive with your read? Join Laureen House and her wild and crazy book club. Check the Jaycee website for updated information, or call/email Laureen to be put on her email list.

I heard the New England Revolution game was quite the experience. Mike Savage said the people watching was unforgettable, and the game was great. Their seats were outstanding, and the price was right- free! I wish I hadn't missed it, but it was the same day as the Ahern Open House.

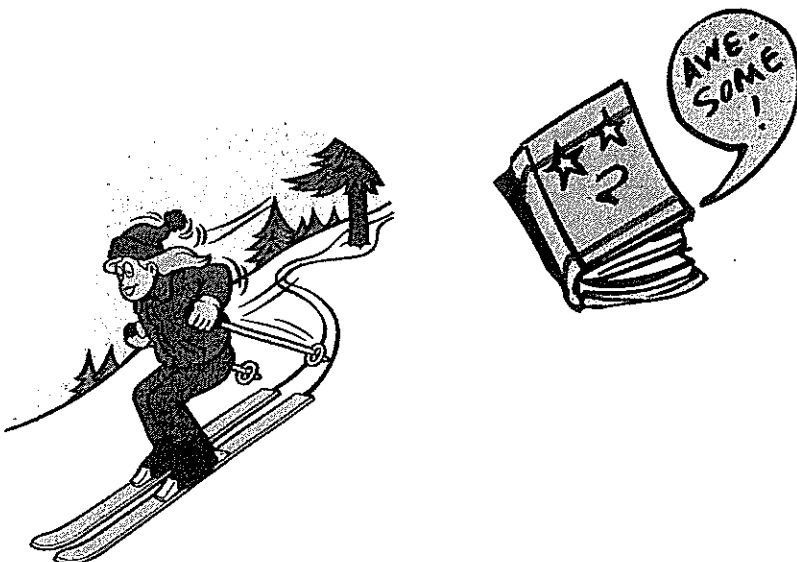
The Scavenger Hunt will be run by Jen Widmer in conjunction with the New Members Social on October 25th.

Our one and only, original Jaycee Christmas party will be December 13th, and unlike many of our past projects, already has a chairperson! Jen Widmer will be sending out invitations to our Progressive Dinner within the next couple months. More information will be forthcoming.

We are still looking for a chairperson for the Kid's Christmas Party.

The Clam Bake and Jaycee Open will not run due to lack of interest.

Do I dare suggest another "Chairman Needed" project? How about the ski trip? This was always one of my favorites. We used to rent an entire Inn- the meals and the hot tub were awesome! And what was cool was that people could cross country ski or go shopping if they didn't want to downhill.





Ways & Means — Fred Badger VP  
Heather Loew - Director

Ways & Means- October, 2008

I would like to take a moment to welcome Heather Loew as the new Ways & Means Director. Heather was sworn in at the September GM. Thank you Heather. I look forward to working with you during the upcoming months.

**Concerts on the Common Concessions-** the final income amount is \$308.22. We were really hurt by the 2 rain outs at the end of the schedule. We were looking to make far more than what was budgeted. Thank you to all who helped staff the concession booth.

**Craft & Vendor Fair-** Helene Savage & Monica Fidler- the date is November 8, 2008 from 10:00-2:00 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. There will be a request for manpower and Helene will be at the next GM with a sign up sheet. Vendor response looks very good so far. If you have some time available on 11/8, your help would be appreciated at the fair.

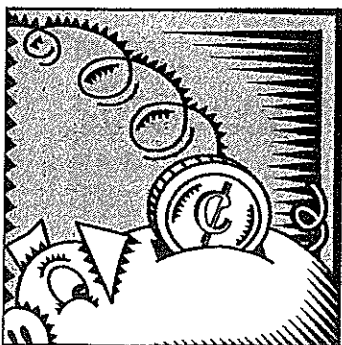
**Orpheum Ticket Sales-** Monica Rigamonti- Monica is looking into the possibility of selling tickets to December's production of the Wizard of Oz through the chapter. The full cost of the ticket will be paid to the chapter who will then pay the Orpheum half price. More details will be available in the upcoming weeks. Monica has spoken to Bill Cunningham and she will be providing more details as the time draws closer.

**Website Advertising-** advertising space will be made available on the Jaycee website. Bob Gillis will be managing this project and will provide details on the website. If you know anyone that would be interested in this service, please have them contact Bob.

**Scrapbooking-** Deena Cummings is chairing this project. The location is to be determined. For an entrance fee, people will get together with other scrapbooking enthusiasts and share ideas, techniques and materials. More information & details will be available during the upcoming weeks.

**Stadium Concessions-** I've looked into this as a replacement for the haunted house. We would be required to staff a concession booth at Gillette Stadium for 20 events with a crew of at least 12 people and no more than 18 people. After a lengthy discussion at the board meeting, it was determined, based on our current membership level, this might be more than we could commit to at the present time. I will look into other alternatives at the stadium and report on them by the October GM.

Fred Badger  
Ways & Means VP



# Membership – Vanessa Linke VP

Mark Kerchoff Director

**"Recruiting success is not dependent upon your ability to recruit as much as it is dependent upon your willingness to continuously ask people to join Jaycees."**

-- Mike Marshall 77th President, United States Jaycees

I am shocked to think that three quarters of the year are already over and that we are already in October. Where has the time gone?

Remember, I challenge all of you to recruit at least 1 new member before the end of this calendar year - and as an extra incentive, I am offering a prize to the Foxboro Jaycee who recruits the most new members between now and December 31, 2008, to ensure that our holiday projects can be successful. If you have any questions about the Membership Challenge, let me know.

This years' **New Member Social** is in its planning stages, and the date has been set for **Saturday, October 25th**. Please plan on attending to welcome our new members to the Foxboro Jaycees and use this as the opportunity that it is to socialize with all of our chapter members! **Chairperson Deena Cummings** should have more information for you by the GM.

If you have chaired a project and would like to receive a sweatshirt as a reward for your hard work, please contact me with your choice of size (M,L,XL,2XL,3XL). Foxboro Jaycees sweatshirts (**Activation Apparel**) are available for Jaycees who chair a project during the 2008-2009 year. If you are in need of a t-shirt or hat, feel free to let me know as well.

If you are still currently planning a Jaycees event which does not specifically call for a related Membership Booth project, please contact me and I will give you a booth, brochures, magnets, etc. so that we can make sure the community knows that your event is sponsored by the Foxboro Jaycees.

To make sure you always know what is going on with the Foxboro Jaycees, check out the **website** at <http://www.foxborojaycees.org> (thanks to our wonderful webmaster Bob Gillis) and sign up for website updates to your email address and/or let Wendy Kerchoff know if you want to be added to our Foxboro Jaycees email distribution list.

As always, please call me (see Wise Fox roster) or email me ([membership@foxborojaycees.org](mailto:membership@foxborojaycees.org)) with any questions, comments, concerns, project ideas, or to volunteer your services to the Membership Area.

Happy recruiting, everyone - see you at the GM!  
Vanessa



## **ONGOING MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE:**

Recruit at least **1 new member** by the end of the calendar year.

We will give a **\$25 gift certificate to the Jaycee in good standing who recruits the most members** between now and 12/31/2008 (must be sworn in AND dues paid).



## *Community Development – VP Needed!*

Well, here it goes, this is my first report ever as vice president. I somehow missed this step on the way to President.

As you can tell by the weather, summer is definitely over, and we have a lot of community development projects on the horizon. If you see something you're interested in please call me and let me know. It would be nice to have all these projects manned as soon as possible. Some of these are quite easy to run, so if any of the newer members are interested in running projects, this is a good time to start. Either call me or your mentor to explain what all the projects consist of.



**Nativity Scene Repair  
Nativity Scene Set-up / Take Down  
Winter Common Upgrade  
Adopt-A-Kid for Christmas  
Fruit Baskets  
Christmas Caroling on the Common  
Santa on the Common**



We also have some other projects currently going on. Kathy Brady is working on the "Foxborough" sign repairs on the Common. She is also looking into what repairs are needed at the Hyland Skate Rink. I'm sure she'll be looking for some help at the rink when the scope of the work is determined, please try to help out if she calls you for this.

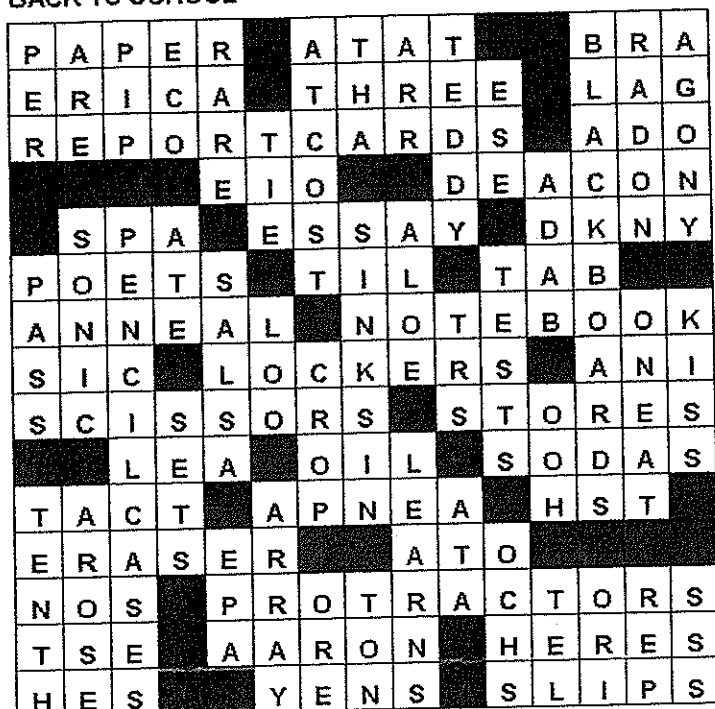
Helene has volunteered to run Santa Phone this year and will be calling for "Santas and Elves". Deena is still running DVD's for Veterans, she will be handing this off to Monica Rigamonti later this winter when she gets redeployed. Vanessa is still running the Book Drive, but is looking for someone to take this project over. So, if you have any DVD's or books please get in touch with them and make arrangements to drop them off. Also keep an eye out for Wendy's Publicity ads in the Reporter to see when everything is happening this fall.

Hope to hear from you  
Mike Savage – ( CDVP Needed )

**Bring a friend to the next  
General Membership  
Meeting!**

## Answers from last months puzzle

### BACK TO SCHOOL



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## Who's Who

A great big welcome to Mohsen Khalifa! Mohsen finally joined us after spending a few camping trips with us! Make sure to say hello when you see him at the next GM!

Mohsen was born in Cairo Egypt and lives in Foxboro now. He has been married for 23 years to his wife Cindy. Together, they have two children. Sammy is a freshman at MIT and Sarah a senior at Foxboro High School.

When I asked Mohsen what he does when he isn't at GM's, he said "I am semi retired engineer and business man and I currently work part time as a school bus driver for the Foxboro schools".

What brought Mohsen to the Jaycees is the fact that he likes to help others and that he has a lot of time on his hands. And don't forget all the kind people he have met on his previous camping trips with the Jaycees!

Mohsen's hobbies are mostly outdoor as well as hands on activities, but he is open to try new things.

Mohsen is also a part of Foxboro Cable access right now! In his "younger" years he was a volunteer EMT. He even has a pink stork for delivering a baby girl at the ambulance on the side of the road!

Welcome Moshen! We are glad to have you in our group!

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## Wizard of Oz Fundraiser

Calling all families and friends! Do you or someone you know love the Wizard of Oz? Come on out on December 5th at 7:30 pm at the Orpheum Theater to see Dorothy, Toto and all of their friends.

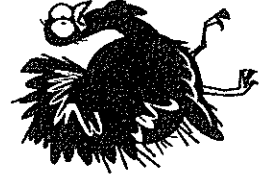
Tickets will be \$22. Half of all the proceeds will remain with the Jaycees. Money is not needed at this time. I am just starting to look for a rough headcount to give to Bill Cunningham. If you are interested at all, please contact Monica Rigamonti at 508-543-1433 or via email at mozer16455@comcast.net.

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