

The Wise FOX

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A monthly publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

From the President:

Happy New Year Everyone!

Well, the holiday projects are over. We only need to wrap up a few things, such as cleaning up the nativity scene and the common decorations. If you are available to help on either of these projects, please call Julie Grant (nativity scene), or Sharon Hall (common decorations). All of the projects that I was able to attend went off great. They were well attended, got a lot of members out, and were a great representation for the community.

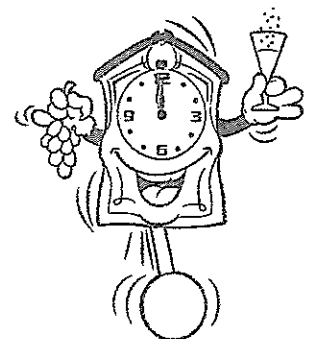
Coming up in the next couple of months, we're looking to have more social activities, from Scat Night to Bowling, and hopefully dinner night outs. The board has been discussing possible W&M projects at restaurants that would generate money just by getting people to mention the Jaycees when they patronize the restaurant we choose for a certain date. The Ski Trip is only a month away, so if you're planning on attending let Linda Magovern know as soon as you can. Immediately coming up we have Call Nights (Jan. 8 & 12) and a New Member Orientation (Jan. 14).

The membership challenge is still going on until April 1st. At this moment Heather Loew is in the lead. Her husband Max enjoyed himself enough at the Progressive Dinner that he decided to join. Welcome Max. I would still like everyone's primary goal this year to be increasing membership. Before we can run the larger W&M projects that allow us to do what we want for the community, we need to have the personnel to run them.

We've begun to put new recruiting measures in place for the future, so now we need to start bringing in new members. From the social network, to the good we do for the town, I'd like to think we have something to offer almost everyone. So, I encourage everyone to discuss the Jaycees with at least one person and try to get them to come to a meeting, a project, or even a social event. Hopefully when they meet the chapter they will see something they want to be a part of.

Again, I want to wish everyone a happy new year and hope to see everyone coming out and becoming more active. I'm sure that was your resolution.

Mike



Our hearts and thoughts are with Tom Sawran this month for the passing of his mother.

If you know someone in need of some sunshine, please let me know!

If you have any thank you cards to be sent on behalf of the chapter, please let Heather Loew know. She is ready to send out some thanks!

**December Award
Winners**

Project of the Month:
Craft/Vendor Fair

Jaycee of the Month:
Helene Savage

Frog of the Month:
Kris "I have the sign" Long



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!**

Deena Cummings
John Zarrella



**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY!**

Deena Cummings
Vanessa Linke
Vin Mitchell

Everything you want is out there waiting for you to ask.
Everything you want also wants you. But you have to
take action to get it."

-- Jules Renard (French Writer, 1864-1910)

Membership — Vanessa Linke VP

Mark Kerchoff Director

Dear Foxboro Jaycees,

I really want to thank all of you who have come out and worked or participated in one of our Holiday events - they get much attention in the community. Bob Gillis has been feverishly posting pictures of all our various holiday projects on our Website at <http://www.foxborojaycees.org> - be sure to check them out!

Activation Apparel: If you are in need of a Foxboro Jaycees t-shirt or hat, feel free to let me know - there are still plenty left! Sweatshirts) are also available for Jaycees who chair a project during the 2008-2009 year. If you chaired a project and would like to get a sweatshirt as a reward for your hard work, please contact me with your choice of size.

Mentoring: Linda Magovern is keeping a list of all current Mentors/mentees. If you'd like to volunteer to mentor, please let her know. Also, she is currently putting together some guidelines that will give mentors some ideas about how to stay in touch with their mentees.

The next Membership Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, January 7, at the Savage house at 7:30pm. If you have any ideas for the committee or you would like to join us, please let Vanessa know.

Call Night: Thank you, Helene, for offering to chair this project! It is to be held on Jan 8 & 12. She is still looking for some people to join the committee and/or to make calls - please talk to her if you are interested.

New Member Orientation is taking place right before the January GM @ 7:30pm. Sandy Emery volunteered to pick up the project and will be handing out newly revamped New Member Guides (thanks to Heather Loew and Monica Rigamonti!). I strongly encourage all newer members (and those of you who have never attended a session or might want a refresh) to attend this meeting.

Linda Magovern has offered to pick up Jaycee Week and will be running it at some point in the early months of '09. More info to come!

As always, I'd love to hear from you with ideas, questions or concerns.

~ Vanessa

EXTENDED!! MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE!

You still have a chance to win the recruiting raffle!

We will give a **\$25 gift certificate** to the Jaycee in good standing who **recruits the most members by April 1st** (must be sworn in AND dues paid).

PLUS, for recruiting just ONE new member, you are entered into an additional gift certificate raffle!



Community Development – Dave Fisler

Happy New Year, I hope Santa was good to everyone. I would like to thank all of our Chairmen for stepping up and taking on all these projects.

We have some continuing monthly projects,

Book drive chaired by Vanessa Linke, if you have any new or used books please bring them to the GM or contact Vanessa (828-674-7754).

DVD's for Veterans chaired by Deena Cummings, Deena is collecting new and used DVD's to distribute to the VA hospitals so patients and their families can be entertained while waiting treatments. If you have any DVD's please contact Deena. (508-543-5587)

Publicity chaired by Wendy Kerchoff, Wendy has been doing a great job at keeping us in a good light in the local papers. If you have a JC project that you wished advertised please contact Wendy. (508-508-543-1434)

Sand for Seniors, thank you very much to Mohsen Khalifa who picked up this project at the GM last month. If you are interested in helping Mohsen please call him (508-543-2621)

Santa phone; will be chaired this year by Helene Savage. Helene and crew made about 20 calls this year. Thank you to Helene and all the Santa's that stepped up so that some poor kid would not have to suffer with me as a Santa.

Adopt a kid for Christmas, chaired by Heather Loew. Heather has contacted the discretionary fund. She got a family, has shopped and delivered everything. Thank you Heather for a job well done.

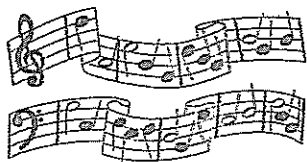
Nativity Scene set up and take down chaired by Julie Grant, was a smashing success thank you to Julie and all that helped. The Nativity scene made it onto the common with no fatalities.

Winter common upgrade, thank you to Sharon Hall who stepped up to decorate the common this year. Sharon ran a great project the poles are decorated and the lights are lit. Thank you to Sharon and those of you who came out and helped.

Santa on the Common; Chaired by Mark Kerchoff and Kris Long. Thank you for stepping up and taking this on, this project went well Santa and Misses Claus saw a fee less than normal, due to weather. All and All a well ran project.

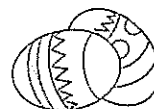
Caroling on the common, Chaired by Julie Grant, was as always a well received project by the town. Even with a few set backs Julie ran a great project

Fruit baskets, Chaired by LB and Bob Gillis. Thank you to the small army that came out and helped assemble 200 baskets.



Please keep in mind some up coming projects:

Easter Egg hunt
Band stand repair
Founders day Parade
Concerts on the common



Thank you again to all the chairmen that have stepped up to help during this holiday season. Please show your support and help were and when you can Dave Fisler aka Fiz



Individual Development – Julie Grant VP



Meetings and Programs- Great job everyone for remembering your Yankee swap gift and wearing your finest Jaycee apparel! Deena and Andrea Cummings provided us with some nice Christmas treats. We also had a surprise homemade pumpkin pie- hot from the oven, by Sharon Hall. Thank you also to Dina for organizing the swap! There are some pictures on the website of the swap and the group pictures. Take a peek!

Track your progress through Degrees of Jaycees! Download a form from the Foxborough Jaycee website, or contact Sandy Emery for assistance.

Bob Gillis' Networking page is a great way to get your business out there or to find a contractor or other business.

Book Club: The December book *Lamb: The Gospel According to Biff, Christ's Childhood Pal*, by Christopher Moore was discussed at Kathy Brady's place on December 17th. The next book club meeting will be Wednesday, Jan 21, 2009 at Lynn Freerkson's house. The book discussed will be *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald. If you need more information on future book club events, check the Jaycee website or contact Laureen House.

The Progressive Dinner on December 13th was so much fun! Jen Widmer and her committee did a wonderful job planning the event, with the exception of forgetting about me! This was a really fun Jaycee Christmas Party with 40+ attendees! Just check out the pictures on the website if you don't believe me!

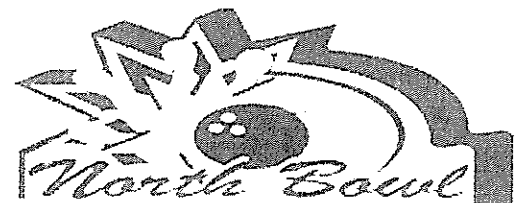
If you have not yet booked your dates for the ski trip, they are: 2/6, 2/7, and 2/8 of 2009!!! Linda Magovern has put together a nice mini-vacation. Linda has investigated many different activities to keep everyone busy at Loon Mountain! Quick, ask for the time off now!!!

Dawn Rossi has once again completed another successful Kids' Christmas Party. It was held on 12/7 at the recreation center on Mill Street. Check out the pictures on the Jaycee website. It looks like everyone had a great time!

Kris Long will be hosting Scat Night again this year! Do not miss this really fun night of cards! All you need to bring is a roll of quarters, a beverage, and a snack. Look for more information to come. The event will take place sometime in February.

Jen Widmer will be organizing another Family Fun Day on Saturday, January 31st, at 4:30. We will be bowling in North Attleboro. Costs are \$4 a game, and \$3 for the stylish bowling shoes!

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE JAYCEE WEBSITE FOR ALL OF THE WONDERFUL PICTURES OF OUR RECENT EVENTS! I AM AMAZED AT THE SPEED BY WHICH THEY ARE UP THERE! BOB AND HIS LITTLE CAMERA ELVES (WENDY & VANESSA) HAVE BEEN VERY BUSY SNAPPING AND POSTING! AWESOME JOB BOB AND FRIENDS!



Ways & Means – Fred Badger VP

Heather Loew - Director

Happy New Year to everyone. I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

The scrapbooking fundraiser is being chaired by Deena Cummings. It will be on January 24, 2009 from 9:00 - 4:30 at the South Foxboro Community Club. The cost is \$20 for Jaycees and \$25 for guests (lunch included). Be sure to tell your friends and sign up soon. Seating is limited.

We discussed a flyer fundraiser at the board meeting. This would be for a designated night at restaurants, local shops, etc. We are going to look into Barnes and Noble for January and Monster Golf for February. Hopefully this can be a monthly fundraiser. We will be in need of chairmen when these plans are finalized. More info to come at the GM.

Orpheum ticket sales to The Wizard of Oz was a success in December. Thanks to all who attended. We raised \$335 for the chapter. Thanks to Monica Rigamonti for organizing the event.

Fundraising ideas are always welcome. Send Heather or me an email with your thoughts.

Fred Badger
Ways & Means VP

Who's who

Well, here is our long overdue Who's Who with Brendan O'Reilly!

Brendan was born in Norwood, and lived his entire life in Foxboro. It's great to have another "Townie" with us! Brendan owns his own plumbing and heating company! The name is "O'Reilly Plumbing and Heating" and he can be reached at 508-813-5667.

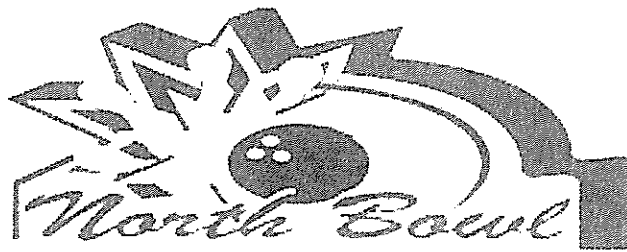
Brendan has been wanting to join the Jaycees for some time now. He is already involved with the Knights of Columbus. He is active with the Church and the Farm Stand.

There isn't much that intimidates Brendan. He enjoys Sea Kayaking, rock climbing and motorcycles. As for projects that Brendan would like to participate in, he is open to anything!

Welcome Brendan, we are glad to have you with us!



Bowling!



Come Bowl with us! Family Fun Day!

WHERE: Route 1 in North Attleboro
North Bowl

WHEN: January 31, 2009 at 4:30pm

PRICE: \$4 per game and \$3 for shoe rental



Scrapbooking!

Join us at the South Foxboro Community Center on January 24, 2009 for a day long scrapbooking event!

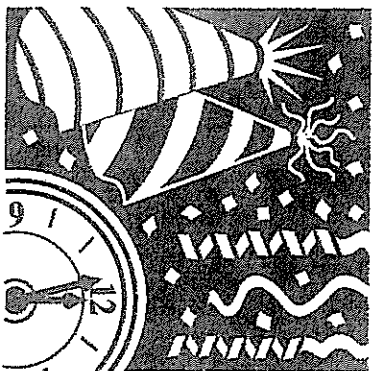
We will have lunch plus snacks and drinks for everyone. We will have door prizes to give away, plus lots of little raffles all day long!

Call or email to reserve your spot!
\$25 (\$20 for Jaycee's) gam - 4:30pm

Contact:
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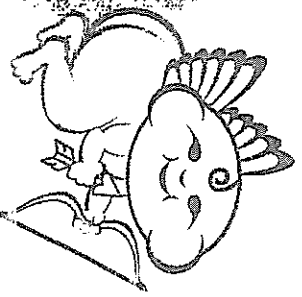


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	Call Night		New Member Orientation 7:30pm GM SFCC - 8pm							
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	4
						Family Fun Day Bowling 4:30pm	Scrippbooking Event 9am			

February 2009



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					Ski Trip	Ski Trip				
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Ski Trip			GM SFCC - 8pm			Valentine's Day				
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