

# A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

August 2009

## Greetings,

Happy Summer (now that it is finally here!). I hope that you are taking time out to enjoy this fun-filled time of year. My first few months as President have flown by.

Believe it or not, we are gearing up for our fall projects. Discussions are underway for this year's Mini-Haunt, to be held at the old location of the Gap store in the Walpole Mall. This year's theme—The Wizard of Oz—lends itself to a number of different roles, so I'm confident that there is a perfect role for everyone. Why, you ask? Well, for those who like the more administrative side of things, we will have ticket sales, concessions, crowd control, numerous committee roles, food and beverage deliveries, etc. We would love to have your help.

For those who like the action that comes along with a show, we have a plethora of roles that may fit your personality, your inner self, someone you may have always wanted to become, etc. The more I think about it, the more I wish that I was casting for the show!

I ask you to consider the following when thinking about your beloved Jaycee friends and friends of Jaycees:

- Can you think of a good witch?
- Can you think of a bad witch? (Mike—you are not allowed to comment on this ③)
- Can you think of anyone who doesn't have, but would love to have a brain? (he-he)
- Can you think of anyone who acts (or maybe looks) like a lion, but doesn't have any courage? (he-he)
- Can you think of anyone who doesn't, but would love to have, a heart? (Not in this crowd! We all have big hearts ©)

If any of the above doesn't tickle your fancy, we have plenty of roles for flying monkeys (for which I know we have many) and Munchkins (we have those too). But in all seriousness, I ask you to consider even the smallest of roles to ensure that Vanessa and committee can run a successful show!

While preparations are being made for the Mini Haunt, we also need to begin planning for all of our fall and winter projects, so if you have some time to lend a hand with the remaining Concerts on the Common, Vendor Fair, the Jaycee Open, or any of our holiday projects, please let the area VP know. It's never too early to start planning for a great project, and we can always use your help and support.

Hope to see you soon at an upcoming event!

Glad to be your President! Helene Savage



Vice President: Julie Grant Director: Jim Fallon

- Book drive: if you have any used or new books that are in good shape please contact Nancy Rivera and arrange for drop off.
- DVD's for Veterans If you have any new or used DVDs please contact Wendy Kerchoff and arrange for drop off.
- Nancy Rivera has volunteered to be the publicity chairman. This is an important position that keeps us in the local papers.
- Concerts on the Common: Heather Loew has had many successful concerts on the common. A middle school parent even wrote to Helene to tell us how great one of the bands was. Check out the website for details on these fantastic bands!
- Kathy Brady has repaired the letters of the Foxboro Sign and will be doing more work to the rest of the structure in the future.
- Jim Caffin is working on the Bandstand Repair. If you have any ideas, or want to help Jim, give him a call.
- Jim Fallon has some ideas for the Nativity Scene Repair; we will continue with updates as time grows near.
- Kathy Brady has been trying to organize a group to do repairs to the Hyland Rink, but it has been tough due to the weather. Some work has been done, but more is needed. Call Kathy if you would like to help.
- We have added a new project that Jen Widmer has volunteered to take on. It is Care Packages for Military personal. We wanted to send things to Deena Cummings who is on deployment, and then we decided to extend it to others in the military as well. We will be taking collections of various things that people would love to have when they are away. We will give you some more specific ideas in the future.
- Family Night Out is August 4<sup>th</sup>. This project is very easy because the police run it, and we just need to provide them with some tables and chairs, set up our membership booth, and they also said it would be nice to have our concessions there. I really need a chairman for this project since I will unavailable that day. It would be great if I could get one person each for the membership booth, concessions, and bringing the tables and chairs up from the Community Center.

# WANTED:

**SUPPLIES FOR THE SOLDIERS-** We have created a new CD Project collecting supplies for our soldiers in Iraq, most especially our fellow Jaycee Deena Cummings. We are going to be sending a monthly package to Deena. The Jaycees will pay to mail the package and hopefully our fellow Jaycees will provide the supplies for the box. Please donate magazines, snacks, drinks, books, and other supplies to make a large sandy patch feel more like home. Please bring your donations to the GM or contact Jennifer Widmer to organize them.

**JAYCEE STUFF:** Mohsen is the new inventory coordinator and wants to know where all the Jaycee stuff is located. If you have anything to report call or email Mohsen.

**SETTERS/SPIKERS/SERVERS NEEDED:** Volleyball every Tuesday at Booth Field at 6pm. **PROJECT CHAIRMAN:** Looking for project chairman in all areas and for new projects that are in your mind to create. As incentive if you chair a project you get a FREE Jaycees Sweatshirt.



#### Vice President - Vanessa Linke

**Director - Vanessa Caffin** 

Dear fellow Foxboro Jaycees,

<u>Mini-Haunt:</u> I am thrilled to say that the idea of a Mini-Haunt was well-received by the chapter! This year's theme will be *The Wizard of Oz*, and we are already working on ideas for the flying monkeys.

The Walpole Mall is excited to have us and has confirmed that we can have the old Gap store, Bill Cunningham has graciously offered to let us use some of the Orpheum's Oz props, Bob Gillis has advised that he is already working on the website, Andrew is updating the Myspace page, and Vanessa Caffin has already had her first committee meeting and most of her critical committee positions are filled – all-in-all, a pretty good start. The next steps are to pull the permits and finalize the budget so that we can get started with construction soon.

Tentative plans are to run every Saturday & Sunday afternoon in October (starting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and probably ending with a bonus day on the 31<sup>st</sup>). However, there is plenty more work to do before we get there, so if you would like to help or have any ideas, have any of our HH material/props in your possession, have contacts for donations, etc., please be sure to let Vanessa know. You will hear much more over the coming weeks & be sure to check out the website regularly for updates.

<u>Concerts on the Common Concessions</u>: Nancy has faithfully been doing this project. Please offer to help Nancy Rivera at a concert or come purchase from our concessions stand -- and cross your fingers that the weather is good on Thursdays throughout August!

**Appraisal Day/ Vendor Fair:** Sandy Emery has offered to take over this project. Mark your calendars for Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> – this is the tentative date for the Vendor Fair and potentially including Appraisal Day. Thank you, Linda Magovern, for all the great prep work to get Sandy started.

<u>Texas Poker Night:</u> Derek House & Max Loew offered to organize this event, but because Massachusetts gambling regulations are quite strict, we are still in process of getting all of our necessary documentation straightened out. Details to follow.

<u>Town Scavenger Hunt</u>: Jen Widmer is chairing this fun project that promises to bring the town together for a great day. The first committee meeting for this project was held on July 29<sup>th</sup>. More info to follow at the August GM.

<u>Stadium Project</u>: I will continue to investigate our options at Gillette, but I suspect that at this point we need to shoot for next year (the season usually starts in April). If anyone is interested in chairing this project for the 2010 season, give me a call.

If you are interested in running any Ways & Means project, such as a Community Yard Sale, Spaghetti Dinner, Hole-In-One golf Insurance event, ticket sales, home party, or other fundraiser, feel free to give me a call so that we can chat. I have contacts, basic info, or perhaps even a CPG for most of the potential projects. I will gladly help you get the project started if you need support!

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



Vice President: Heather Loew Director: Max Loew

**Website - Bob Gillis**: The website welcomed its 200,000<sup>th</sup> visitor in July! What an accomplishment!! Thanks to Bob for a great job keeping us updated with all the upcoming events. If you have pictures from Jaycee events for the site, please give them to Bob via email or on a CD.

**Membership Committee:** The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30pm at the Loews' house. Please let me know if you are interested in joining us - we encourage everyone to help us increase chapter membership.

**Membership Booth - Chairmen Needed:** We need someone to chair the membership booth at the Concerts on the Common on August 20<sup>th</sup>. This is an excellent opportunity to promote the chapter. You can enjoy a great concert at the same time! Please let me know if you are interested in helping out.

**Activation/Mentor Program - Chairman Needed**: We are in need of a chairman for the activation/mentor program. There are several new members that need mentors, so let us know if you would like to coordinate this or if you are interested in being a mentor. Also, if you are currently a mentor and need ideas for the new members, there are great ideas listed on the website (under site map/documents).

**Apparel**: Sweatshirts are available for Jaycees who chair a project or are a member of the Board. If you chaired a project and would like to get a sweatshirt as reward for your hard work, please contact us for the size you would like.

If you know of anyone who is interested in joining the Jaycees, please let me know so that we can give them more information. Please encourage prospective members to visit the website or email me at <a href="mailto:membership@foxborojaycees.org">membership@foxborojaycees.org</a>





Lauren Bitar------ 20 years
Julie Grant------ 13 years
Jen Hesford------ 6 years
Mark Kerchoff------ 4 years
Wendy Kerchoff----- 4 years
Mohsen Khalifa------ 1 years
Stephanie Maziarz----- 2 years
Monica Rigamonti------ 8 years
Jeanne Suttie------ 3 years
Greg Widmer------ 4 years



By: Monica Rigamonti

Minutes from Last Month's GM- Accepted

#### Sunshine

- Sympathy Card sent to Martha Slattery for the passing of her mom
- Sympathy Card sent to the Caffin's for the passing of their dog
- Sympathy Card sent to Cindy McCann for the passing of her dog
- Thinking of You Card sent to John Zarella for his mother recovering from a stroke
- Congratulations Card sent to Tom Whiffen and Jen Diederich for their recent wedding



If you know of anyone who needs sunshine, please either call (774-847-9076) or email me at mozer16455@comcast.net.

## Inventory Coordinator - Mohsen Khalifa

If you have any Jaycee inventory at your house, please call Mohsen so he can add it to his list. If you would like any Jaycee equipment, please call Mohsen.

## Wise Fox-Jennifer Widmer

If you have information that you would like to add to the Wise Fox, please email Jennifer at neonlady79@hotmail.com. Also, if you move, please send Jennifer your new address.



#### Cards and Letters of Thanks and Appreciation – Nancy Rivera

If you need any cards or letters sent on behalf of the Jaycees please let Nancy know. You need to provide Nancy with all the necessary information.

#### 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:** Founder's Day Pony Rides
- Jaycee of the Month: Vanessa Caffin
- **Frog of the Month:** Dave Fisler----"When life gives you lemons, some people make lemonade, but not Dave!"
- **Membership Award:** Paul Lanza (25 years)



**ONLINE JAYCEES-** Would you like to save a tree or be better organized? Sign up today to receive your Wise Fox via email. It is full of color and you will receive it before all the rest of the chapter. Email <a href="mailto:neonlady79@hotmail.com">neonlady79@hotmail.com</a> if interested.



Vice-President: Monica Fisler Director: Dave Fisler

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer.

Meetings and Programs- *Chairman Needed*. This month, Nancy Rivera will be providing snacks for everyone. Thank you Nancy. If you would like to host one month or have any suggestions on speakers for Meetings and Programs please let me know.

Contact Bob Gillis if you are looking for a contractor or want to let people know about your business. He has created a great Networking page, take advantage of it. Especially now, you want to make sure you advertise your business.

Our wonderful book club is currently on summer vacation. They are enjoying reading on their own and fun in the sun (well, what sun we've had). They will regroup to discuss the last book on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Please stay tuned for more details.

Despite all the rain, they have been able to play volleyball. At least for a few weeks. Contact Bob if you are interested in playing. They play every Tuesday night (weather permitting) at Booth Playground. Remember it's \$1 for Jaycees and \$2 for non-Jaycees.

Thank you Mohsen for chairing this years camping/hiking trip. Can't wait to hear all the great stories from it.

Looking way ahead to next Ski Season the Jaycee Ski Trip for 2010 will be Friday, January 22nd through Sunday, January 24th. Julie has already reserved the Mountaineer Inn at Mount Snow, where we've gone in previous years. We will have a group rate on lift tickets and our room, with five star meals included. There will only be 25 rooms available, so you need to contact Julie, if you are interested in attending. She already has at least 10 rooms taken. And anticipates us filling up the entire inn so that we will have the place to ourselves as in the past. There is a 15 person hot tub overlooking the mountain, a sauna, bar, pool table, and a free wine and cheese reception. We can also bring our own alcohol.

It's time again for Trivia Night. Kathy Brady will be chairing another round at the Picadilly Pub on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please come out and help the Jaycees win or just enjoy a night out. Who wants to come out and play a round of golf? They Jaycee Open is looking for someone to chair it. There are some wonderful CPG's out there. If this is something you are interested in please let Dave or I know.



Dennis Brennan Sandy Emery Sue Gillis Julie Grant Yvonne McNamara Bill Dempsey Monica Fisler Janice Graves Heather Loew



# WHO'S WHO: Jim Fallon By: Monica Rigamonti

This person is not to new to the chapter. However he has not been formally introduced to everyone. I would like to welcome Jim Fallon to our chapter. I am sure many of you have seen him out and about in the last couple of months.

Jim was born in Stoughton, Massachusetts and now resides in Sheldonville, Wrentham. He lives with there with fellow Jaycee, Julie Grant. They have been dating for three years and friends for eight years. They bought their house a little over two years ago. They live there with their two horses and an Akita dog named Kumie. Julie's horse, Cherokee, is a Pinto Tennessee Walking Horse and Jim's horse, Johnny, is a quarter horse.

Jim is a service technician or high voltage linesman depending on the job he is sent to do. He is often sent to work at power plants throughout the country. He has traveled to Texas, California, and even the Cayman Islands!

Jim has a few different hobbies. He used to ride bulls in rodeos, but now sticks to riding horses. He enjoys camping, going to zoos and even learned how to snowboard this past winter. He likes trying new things and has started to play Jaycee volleyball on Tuesday nights. Lately, he is spending most of his free time on several home improvement projects and repairing many of his and Julie's old vehicles.

Jim is a member of the Baystate Trail Riders. It is a group that organizes rides for horse owners, preserves and maintains trails, and takes part in legislation that affects equestrian rights.

Jim might be a new member to the chapter but he has been participating in Jaycee events since 2001 when Julie invited him on the canoe trip, the white-water rafting trip and even got him to help her sell glow sticks during Founder's Day. The last couple of years you would have seen Jim during Founder's Day in the parade and at pony rides. He is also on the board of directors as CD Director.

Welcome to the chapter Jim!

# August 2009 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 Trivia Night	4 Volleyball Family Night Out	5	6 Concerts 7pm	7	1/8
9	10	11 Volleyball	12 General Meeting 8pm	13 Concerts 7pm	14	15
16	17	18 Volleyball	19	20 Concerts 7pm	21	22
23	24	25 Volleyball	26 Board Meeting 7:30pm	27 Concerts 7pm	28	29
30 Wise Fox Info is Due!	31		, I			

September 2009 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Membership Cmte. 7:30pm	3	4	5
6	7	8 Volleyball	9 General Meeting 8pm	10	11	12
13	14	15 Volleyball	16 Book Club	17	18	19
20	21	22 Volleyball	23 Board Meeting 7:30pm	24	25	26
27 Wise Fox Info is Due!	28	28 Volleyball	29	30		

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Don't miss the next GM on Wednesday, August 12th, at 8:00 PM

Come here about the upcoming Fall Activities including the Wizard of Oz themed Mini Haunt and bring some donations for the troops in Iraq!

