

## A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

February 2010

## Hi There Everyone!

When I logged on to Facebook today, many of my friends posted a recommendation to go to urbandictionary.com for the definition of your first name. I've never been to this website, nor did I know what it was all about, but I did find some interesting stuff. When I looked up "Jaycee," I found, among other things, the following:

"...mainly a young girl often misunderstood in this world very bright strong and beautiful. at times may be considered insecure and a push over but overall a good hearted woman."

WOW. I would definitely agree with the "good hearted" part, but the rest? It's pretty ironic that a group that was first established as a men's organization is defined as an insecure young girl. Interesting.

We've had a relatively quiet month, but there has been lots of discussion about upcoming events, such as:

- Scat Night—Monica and Dave Fisler will be hosting this great event on February 20. This is always a great time to hang out with great friends! If you are interested in attending, please give them a call.
- **Gillette Stadium Events**—Vanessa Linke is eagerly awaiting the schedule of stadium events for the upcoming season, with the hope that the Jaycees can setup a calendar of volunteer opportunities that may bring some decent income to the chapter! If you are interested in helping out or have ideas, please let Vanessa know.
- Concerts on the Common—A small group will be meeting this week to brainstorm some ideas for fundraising for the Concerts on the Common. Please attend the GM to hear more about this great effort!
- **Nominations Committee**—It's hard for me to believe, but we are beginning to plan for next year's Board of Directors. If you have any interest in taking part in the committee or board position for next year, please let me know! You will not regret this great opportunity for personal growth and friendship!

We hope to see you at the General Meeting on February 10!

Helene Savage



Vice President: Julie Grant Director: Jim Fallon

**Sand for Seniors- Mohsen** has reported that he has only had one call since our last GM report, for a total of 15 calls for the season!!! We have put an advertisement in the Foxboro Reporter for this month and February, so we will see if it picks up. We actually had a couple people volunteer to help us deliver sand too, so clearly some people have seen our advertisement!

**Nancy Rivera** is still collecting used or new books that are in good shape for the **Book Drive**. Please contact Nancy and arrange for drop off. She doesn't have enough books to do a drop yet but plans to solicit in her neighborhood. She said she got quite a few that way last year.

Okay, I am sure there are other people out there besides Paul Lanza and Bob Gillis who have some **DVDs** to spare for **Veterans**. If you have any new or used DVDs please contact **Wendy** and arrange for drop off. Thanks!

**Common Decorations and Nativity Scene** have been put away until next year. Thank you so much to the people who came out to help pack everything up: Kathy Brady, Paul Lanza, Mike Savage, Dave Reid, Dave Brown, and Jim Fallon (who ripped his pants!).:0

Nancy Rivera is our Publicity chairman. This month we have the following:

- The General Membership Meeting- February 10th, 8:00
  - Save the Date! April 2nd Monster Mini Golf!
- The Jaycees provide Sand for Foxboro's Senior Citizens- During winter; we deliver buckets of sand/salt to home-bound seniors to keep their walkways slip-free. To arrange for a delivery, a senior need only give Mohsen Khalifa a call: 508-543-2621
  - Our Jaycee Book Club will be meeting February 17th, Ash Wednesday, 8:00 pm.
- Please visit our website at <a href="http://www.foxborojaycees.org/">http://www.foxborojaycees.org/</a> for more details on these and other projects.

By now you all hopefully know that **Jennifer Widmer** is collecting **Supplies for our Soldiers** in Iraq, most especially our fellow Jaycee Deena Cummings. Every month Jen has been sending a package to Deena with many different items that she may be missing- from candy, shampoos, cool pens, books, and magazines to ITunes cards, videos, and seasonal treats. This month we thought it would be fun to include some things relevant to Valentine's Day. Yes boys, Valentine's Day is right around the corner, **so buy your cards and gifts now**, not on February 13<sup>th</sup>, or 14<sup>th</sup>!!! . Please bring your donations to the GM or contact Jennifer Widmer to organize drop off.

Jennifer Fellows already has a committee for the Scholarship Application Review.

We are also looking for chairmen (yes I said men, meaning two), for **Concerts on the Common**. Even though this project does not take place until the summer, things should be planned now to make it go smoothly. This project would be a lot easier if two people chaired it. **Please contact me if you would like to chair this project.** Most of the set up work will be done- the sponsors, the bands are mostly repeats... The biggest thing is that you need to be there to open and close the bandstand. You can make arrangements to have someone open for you, and if there are two chairmen, they can alternate to make this more stress-free.

Concerts Fundraising- we decided that we would get to work on getting the sponsors right away. A small group of us are meeting at Dave Brown's house next Thursday to get this started. Dave Brown has offered to help with this project. He has a lot of good ideas and a contact at Patriot Place for sponsors. One idea brought up at the board meeting was to have one business sponsor each night. Please contact us if you are interested in this project.

**Literacy Challenge- Chairman needed.** In the past, we have helped out the Foxboro Regional Charter School buy books for their library. The school is challenged to read a certain amount of books and there are prizes awarded to the top class and individuals who read the most. Last year, there also was a Barnes and Noble fundraiser. A percentage of the gross sales went towards the school.

**Candidate's Night-Chairman needed**. The election is May 3<sup>rd</sup>, and we usually air Candidates' Night the second week of April. The location will have to be moved this year since FCA (Foxboro Cable Access) has relocated. FCA has suggested the high school, or the Ahern. I can reserve the Ahern auditorium. This project is not too involving. There are several of us who participate in it from year to year and are willing to help.

**Doolittle Home Bingo- Chairman needed**. I have a group of eighth grade girls at the Ahern who have formed a Community Service Club and would like to participate in this with us. This is a very easy project that really makes the residents at the Doolittle Home very happy. The school guidance counselor and I were thinking of Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, but that can be changed.



Who: Anyone can attend

What: Scat Night

When: Saturday, Feb. 20th

Where: The Fisler's

2 Highland Circle

Foxboro, MA 02035

508-698-9604

<sup>\*\*</sup>Please let us know if you will be attending and please bring either an appetizer or dessert and remember it is BYOB



#### Vice President - Vanessa Linke

#### **Director - Vanessa Caffin**

Dear fellow Foxboro Jaycees,

What a busy January we've had! Here are some updates on Ways & Means projects:

Gillette Stadium Events: I have reached out to the Patriots Fundraising contact and am awaiting the 2010 schedule and contract paperwork. I am also reaching out to some of our contacts in the community to see if they are interested in partnering with us to make it easier to raise the necessary manpower per event. If anyone is interested in chairing this event, let me know.

<u>Website Advertising:</u> If you would like to place an ad for your business (in addition to the member networking page), please contact Bob Gillis. Available ad spaces start at \$49.99 for 180 days.

<u>Monster Mini Golf:</u> Heather Loew is chairing Monster Mini Golf and the event date is **April 2<sup>nd</sup>** at the Monster Mini Golf in Norwood. Mark your calendars – and let all your friends know. We had a great turnout last year, but want to see even more people have fun playing mini golf while helping the Jaycees raise money!

<u>Orpheum Ticket Sales:</u> Thanks so much, Monica R., for pulling this together – thanks to Monica and the people who went to see RENT at the Orpheum on 1/29, we made a net of \$132 for the chapter!

If you are interested in running a Ways & Means project, 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. Some suggestions are:

Community Yard Sale	Spelling Bee
Spaghetti Dinner	Harlem Ambassadors
Golf Event (with Hole-In-One Insurance?)	Scrapbooking Fundraiser
Papa Gino's Flyer Fundraiser	Job Fair

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

~ Vanessa Linke



Vice President: Heather Loew Director: Max Loew

Jeff Lank, the US Jaycees President was in Boston over the weekend. Several members from the chapter as well as some Taunton Jaycees got together with him Saturday night for an impromptu social event. It was a great time with plenty of lively discussion. He gave us some great ideas for promoting membership that will help the chapter.

#### **Website – Bob Gillis:**

Bob has made some great updates to the website – please check it out! Also, due to some Google restrictions Bob will be making some behind the scenes changes to the site. As always, thanks so much for dedicating time and energy to the website. It's a great membership tool!

## **Membership Committee:**

The next meeting will be held in early March at the Loews' house. Please let me know if you are interested in joining us - we encourage everyone to help us increase chapter membership. If you have ideas for recruiting new members or other ways to increase our publicity around town, we are interested in hearing from you. Email me with any suggestions.

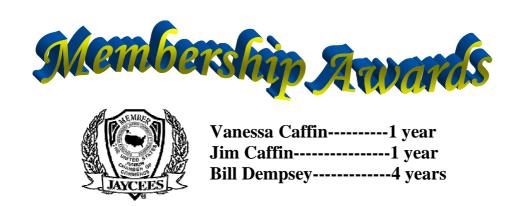
## **Activation/Mentor Program:**

The membership committee is currently working on the mentor program – stay tuned for more details. Please let me know if you are interested in mentoring any of the new members in the chapter. This is a great way to pass along experience and develop relationships in the organization.

## **Jaycees Apparel**:

Sweatshirts are available for Jaycees who chair a project or are a Board member. If you chaired a project and would like to get a sweatshirt as reward for your hard work, please contact me. We also have t-shirts if you need one for working at any of the upcoming events.

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 membership@foxborojaycees.org.





By: Monica Rigamonti

Minutes from Last Month's GM- Accepted

#### Sunshine----

\*\*\* Flowers were sent to Vanessa Caffin for recent surgery

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. Nancy sent out various thank you's to all the people who helped with the many holiday projects that occurred in December.

## 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:** Nativity Scene
- Jaycee of the Month: Julie Grant
- **Frog of the Month:** Monica Fisler for helping Santa Claus with his wardrobe malfunctions





Tom Sawran Jane Webster



Vice-President: Monica Fisler Director: Dave Fisler

Meetings and Programs- *Chairman Needed*. This month, Kathy Brady will be providing snacks for everyone. Thank you Kathy for your help this month.

Degrees of Jaycees- Vanessa is in the process of redesigning this form. If you have recently completed projects either as a project chairman or a committee member b sure to fill out the current form available on the website

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.

The February Book Club book is "Homecoming" by Bernard Schlink. The meeting will be on 2/17 at 8pm at Kathy Brady's home. The March book is "Cleopatra's Daughter" by Michelle Moran the place is to be determined.

Ski Trip – Julie Grant and crew just got back from the ski trip and had a wonderful time. For more details come out to the GM.

Scat Night – The Fisler's will be hosting Scat Night on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. Please see the flier in this Wise Fox. Please contact us at 508-698-9604 to let us know if you will be attending and what you will be bringing. It's bound to be a fun time so you won't want to miss it.

Installation Banquet – *Chairman Needed*. O.k. so this is a big year for us. If you would like to chair this event or help plan the festivities please let either Dave or I know.

## WHO'S WHO: Monica Fisler

Sometimes, instead of spotlighting a new member of the chapter, we will focus on members who have been in the chapter for many years. I decided to play the Number Game with Monica Fisler. Hope you learn something new about one of our veteran members.

137,058---the number of miles on her Honda Accord

2086---the number of emails that are in her work inbox

990---the number of miles from her work to the home office

526---the number of kids in her graduating class

25---the number of times she has moved

15---the number of miles from her home to work

11---the number of years she has worked in the Mutual Funds Industry

10---the number of states and/or countries that she has lived in

9---the number of years she has lived in New England

8---the number of games Auburn (her college alma mater) football team won this year

5---the number of years she has been on the Board of Directors

4---the number of years she has been married to Dave

2---the number of times she has spent in Hong Kong for New Year's Eve

# February 2010 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	б
7 Super Bowl 7pm	8	9	10 General Meeting 8pm	11	12	13
14 Happy Valentine's Day	15	16	17 Book Club 8pm	18	19	20 Scat Night! 6:30pm
21	22	23	24 Board Meeting 7:30pm	25	26	27
28 Wise Fox info is due!						

March 2010 Jaycee Calendar

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

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Don't miss the next GM on Wednesday, February 10th, at 8:00 PM. Come join us for some Valentine's Treats!

Start saving your quarters for Scat Night on February 20<sup>th</sup>!

