

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

May 2010

Dear Foxboro Jaycees,

I am unbelievably thrilled to be writing my first presidential Wise Fox report. Yes, the job description I have received is a bit intimidating and the responsibility event somewhat daunting. But, you have welcomed me into your chapter and made me feel at home and look at this as my opportunity to return some of the generosity I have received.

When other people ask me about the Jaycees, I tell them all kinds of great things, but also that it really comes down to **Positive Impact**. Whether visibly and loud or just quietly behind the scenes, whether in a large scale or one person at a time, we make a **Positive Impact** on the community, the chapter, each other, and even ourselves. I would like to ask each one of you to help make sure that we can continue to provide **Positive Impact** for many years to come by volunteering for projects, committees or even to chair projects.

On that note, I am calling out to all of you to please, PLEASE, volunteer your help at the various **Founders Day projects on June 12**th. The chapter needs your support for our fundraising and membership efforts, so mark your calendars. And, why not use this opportunity to bring along a potential member or two?

Looking beyond Founders Day, we already have a full schedule: The weekly **Pickup Volleyball** on Tuesdays at Booth Field is returning starting May 1st, the next **Team Trivia** night is scheduled for May 17th, Heather is still looking for participants and donations towards our Foxboro Jaycees **Relay for Life** team (June 18/19) and we are again nearing our **Concerts on the Common** season. If – after all that – you desire a vacation, Mohsen and his committee are already planning our annual weekend getaway **Camping/Hiking Trip** on July 15-18. And that's just the first half of summer! ©

Seeing how busy we once again are, I want to thank all of you for your continued service to the chapter, which has made it into the special chapter that it is now. Thank you for the help and encouragement over the last few weeks, and the many pledges of support that I have already received for the coming year. I am especially grateful to Fred, Heather, Julie, Andrea, and Helene who have volunteered to take on Board member responsibilities. I appreciate their support and am looking forward to working with them in the coming year – I have had the pleasure of working on Boards with them in the past and know that their knowledge, dedication, and enthusiasm will continue to be wonderful resources to the chapter.

I am excited to take on this Presidential position and be the chapter's 50th president. Let's go out and make a **Positive Impact**! I hope to see all of you at my first General Membership Meeting on May 12th!

~Vanessa Linke

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world."
- Mahatma Ghandi



Outgoing Vice President: Julie Grant Outgoing Director: Jim Fallon Incoming Vice President: NEEDED

Nancy Rivera has three cartons of books to deliver to Dana Farber. If you have used or new books that are in good shape for the **Book Drive**, please contact Nancy and arrange for drop off.

Nancy placed another great advertisement in the Foxboro Reporter for us this month. We have decided to skip advertising in May since it is a slow month. **Publicity** is a very important tool in recruiting members, reminding the community of what we do, and having people turn out for the events

Wendy Kerchoff has collected many **DVDs** to send to **Veterans**. We will be picking this project up again next November- just in time for the holidays!

Candidates' Night ran successfully and has aired many times- I know because my students keep telling me that they saw me on television! This project is such a great way for the citizens of Foxboro to get to know the candidates and we get some great publicity.

Concerts on the Common- Max Lowe has started booking bands. Tune into the website for more information as it is available. We will be passing a signup sheet around at the June meeting for people to come out and help with concerts and the booth.

Concerts Fundraising as I stated in my previous report, our committee has been successful in obtaining some contributions toward the concerts.

Dave Fisler and his bunnies completed a successful **Easter Egg Hunt**! Thanks Dave for running this wonderful community project.

Heather is organizing a team for **Relay for Life.** Click on this <u>link</u> to join the team. Relay for Life will take place at the John J. Ahern Middle School on June 18th and 19th. Contact Heather Lowe for more information.

Fred Badger is **repairing the Foxboro Sign.** He and his committee will be taking the sign down this Saturday May 1st and returning it to the common on May 8th.

Hyland Rink Repairs- **Helene** has been assessing the state of the rink and how much work it entails with her committee.

I need a chairman for the Founders' Day Parade. You can build a float or not build a float. The past two years I have just rounded up a group of Jaycees in their Jaycee t-shirts, walked with the banner, and rode our horses. We also had music that fit the theme. This year's theme is volunteerism.

We also need a new Vice President for this very important area! I have had a great time and learned so much in Community Development this year!!!



Outgoing Vice President – Vanessa Linke Outgoing Director – Vanessa Caffin Incoming Vice President – Heather Loew

Monica Fisler's <u>Scrapbooking Fundraiser</u> on Saturday, April 17th raised \$115 for the chapter – Monica, thanks for all your work putting this project together!

<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 \$59.99 for 180 days.

Julie Grant has volunteered to take care of <u>Founders Day Pony Rides</u> for us again this year. Thanks, Julie!

<u>Founders Day Slush:</u> Nancy Rivera has offered to take on this project for a second year in a row (thanks, Nancy!). She did a fantastic job last year and I am sure she will do so again.

Fred Badger will be taking on this year's **Founders Day Concessions** – thanks, Fred!

<u>Founders Day Glow Items</u>: Monica Fisler has kindly offered to take on the Glow Items this year. Thanks, Monica!

<u>Concerts on the Common Concessions:</u> Helene Savage has volunteered to chair Concerts on the Common Concessions this summer. Thanks Helene!

There are several other fundraisers in discussion for 2010-2011, and we will provide information as soon as it is available.

Please be sure you mark <u>Founders Day June 12th</u> on your calendar and please volunteer as much time as you can on that day.

We will truly need all the manpower we can get. It is the single largest fundraising day of the year for us and we need everyone to help us raise the money that we desperately need to fund all our 2010-2011 projects.



Outgoing Vice President: Heather Loew Outgoing Director: Max Loew Incoming Vice President: Julie Grant

Website:

As always, thank you to Bob Gillis for a great job on the website. Check it out to see what is going on and to see photos of recent Jaycee events, including many from the Installation Banquet and President's Party!

Membership Booth:

We will need volunteers to run the membership booth at Concerts at the Common and Founders Day. Please let me know if you are interested for these events. This is a great way to give out information on our chapter and help to bring in new members. Sign up sheets will also be available at the GM.

Activation/Mentor Program:

The membership committee has created a new mentoring program. Instead of the one-on-one mentoring we have had in the past, there will be a committee of mentors available to members. The committee will be comprised of new and veteran members that will be available to assist new members in the chapter. Stay tuned for more information on the program.

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 any of the upcoming events. If you are working at Founders Day, please let me know if you need a t-shirt. We are ordering some more to fill in sizes, so it will be helpful to know who needs one.

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.



Bill Dempsey----4 years



Outgoing Secretary: Monica Rigamonti Incoming Secretary: Andrea Cummings

Sunshine----

- *** Card sent to Sue O'Sullivan for recent surgery
- *** Card sent to Bill Dempsey for recent surgery
- *** Flowers sent to Jim Fallon for recent hospital stay

If you know of anyone who needs sunshine, please contact Andrea Cummings.

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-Sandy Emery

Thank you Jennifer for being the Wise Fox Editor this past year. Thank you Sandy for taking over this year. If you have information that you would like to add to the Wise Fox, please email Sandy at semery29@comcast.net. Thank you to all those members who are going green and now getting their Wise Fox via email!



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----- Jaycee Kids: Birthday Wishes

Jaycee of the Month------Jennifer Widmer

Frog of the Month------Paul Lanza for walking into the wrong house for the Easter

Egg Stuffing Party as well as not knowing that Bryden was the

Easter Bunny's son!



William Byrnes
Sharon Hall
Derek House
Gloria Welch

Vanessa Caffin Bob Hickey Monica Rigamonti





Outgoing Vice-President: Monica Fisler Outgoing Director: Dave Fisler Incoming Vice-President: Fred Badger

Dave and I would just like to say thank you to everyone who ran a project this year. A big welcome goes out to Fred Badger. Please help Fred out if you can.

Meetings and Programs- Chairman Needed. Stay tuned.

Degrees of Jaycees- *Chairman Needed.* Vanessa has redesigned the form. The new forms are out on the website. Please take a look and let her know if you have any questions.

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 May Book Club book is "The Leisure Seeker" by Michael Zadoorian. The meeting will be on 5/19 at 8pm at Beverly Orr's home. Book club has been a long standing project with several good books being read, good conversation. You do not need to complete the book to attend. If you recently read a good book that you'd like to share and get the club to read, going to the meeting is the best way. Hope to see you out at a meeting.

Installation Banquet – Sandy Emery. Sandy did an excellent job with this project. Hope everyone had a great time.

Bowling Outing – Julie Grant is planning a bowling outing on May 22nd. This will be similar to the bowling outing we did last year. More details will be provided at the GM

Pick-Up Volleyball – Bob Gillis – starts on May 4th at 6pm every Tuesday night weather permitting.

Camping/Hiking Trip – Mohsen Khalifa has volunteered to chair this project again this year. Please come out to the GM for more details. See the campsite at www.pemirivercampground.com/ttp://www.pemirivercampground.com/

Founder's Day Work Party – **Chairman Needed** – what a great way to get all the people who helped out to relax and get a bite to eat in between projects. If you are interested in running this, please let Dave or I know.

Personal Note from the Widmer's.

Thank you for all your love and support over the last six years. We are proud to have been members of the Foxboro Jaycees. We will miss each and every one of you as we travel back closer to our family in Illinois. You are all welcome in our home in Chicago, IL any time.

Love, The Widmers

May 2010 Jaycee Calendar

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

June 2010 Jaycee Calendar

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

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Don't miss the next GM on Wednesday, May 12th, at 8:00 PM. Rumor is Bob is bringing Blue Margaritas to the meeting for only \$1.

Countdown to Founders Day, June 12th. All hands needed on deck for the day. This is our biggest fundraising day of the year!

