



Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees

September 2010

Dear Foxboro Jaycees,

Wow, it's September. Unbelievable. Where did the summer go?

Well, I am thrilled to report that at the August GM, we had the honor to welcome 3 new members to our chapter: Jen Franco and Joan & Bob German. Please make sure they feel welcome.

I want to congratulate Max Loew on a successfully completed **Concert** season. We had 10 fantastic bands, great attendance, lots of fun -- and not a single concert was rained out! Helene Savage can also be very proud of her **Concerts Concessions** season with good money made and few left-overs. And, of course Julie Grant's ever-present **Membership Booth** has not only brought out many current members to staff it, but also attracted the attention of many prospective members over the last few weeks.

All in all, it has been a pretty good summer for us, and I thank all of you for pitching in and making it happen. To celebrate, Fred Badger is working on putting together an **End-Of-Summer BBQ** for our extended Jaycees family -- I do hope you all join us for another great Jaycees event!

Meanwhile, Laureen House's **Book Club** is on the 99th book! -- I would like to encourage all of you to celebrate the 100th book with us in October and read "The Last Leaf: Voices of History's Last-Known Survivors" by Stuart Lutz and come to the discussion hosted by Lynn Freerksen on Oct 20th.

Finally, as an important note, I'd like to take the opportunity to remind you that our Foxboro Jaycees phone number changed to **508-203-1JCS (508-203-1527)** via a free online Google phone service. The 0712 number will only redirect people for another couple of weeks, so be sure you jot down the new number to give out!

See you at the September GM!

Yours in Jaycee Spirit,

~Vanessa Linke

"Everybody can be great... because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."
- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Secretary's Report

Secretary: Andrea Cummings

Minutes from Last Month's GM – Accepted –Andrea has a copy if anyone would like to see them



Sunshine committee

Please let Andrea know if there is any sunshine that needs to be sent out!

Inventory Coordinator – Moshen Khalfa

Please call Moshen to arrange to borrow any inventory items.

Wise Fox–Sandy Emery

Please contact Sandy at semery29@comcast.net if you have anything that you would like placed in the Wise Fox.

Cards and Letters of thanks and appreciation – Wendy Kerchoff

If you need a card sent please have all information sent to Wendy.

Electronic CPG Library–Bob Gillis

Please email Bob if you have an electronic copy of a CPG so he can add them to the library.



Awards-August

Project: Camping/Hiking Trip-Moshen Khalifa

Jaycee: Paul Lanza



August Jaycee Birthdays

Krystie Apgar

Andrew Hewitt

Mark Kerchoff

Mike Savage

Helene Savage

James Slattery

Jen Widmer

Nancy Williams

Be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!!!

Individual Development

Vice President: Fred Badger

Meetings and Programs-September Chairman-Bob Gillis

Bob is planning on having ice cream sundaes this month. Yum!

Monthly Chairmen Still Needed. Sign up list will continue to be passed around at the GMs.

Book Club-Laureen House



The September Book Club book is "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett. The meeting will be on Wednesday, 9/29 8p.m. @ Monica Fisler's home. October will mark the 100th meeting of the book club. It will be held at Lynn Freerksen's house (aka: my house). The book will be "The Last Leaf: Voices of History's Last-Known Survivors" by Stuart Lutz. The 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.

Networking-Bob Gillis

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.

Degrees of Jaycees-Heather Leow

Contact Heather for details and to enroll in this program. This is a good activity for new members.



Pick-Up Volleyball- Bob Webster

by the time many of you read this, the 2010 season will be over. Thanks to Bob for once again chairing volleyball. 2011 can't come soon enough.

PawSox Game - due to the lateness of the season and the PawSox schedule, we were unable to get to a game in time.

End of Summer BBQ - Chairman Needed - the date will be Sunday, September 19 at the Kerchoff's house from 2-6 pm. Bring your picnic lunch and beverage. A grill will be available for cooking. There will be games and activities for the kids. Please RSVP to me by September 12. See flyer in this edition.

Way\$ and Means\$

Vice President: Heather Leow



Yard Sale/Craft Fair on the Common

Wendy Kerchoff and I will be chairing a Yard Sale/Craft Fair on the Common October 10/2 (rain date 10/3). We will be selling items to profit the Foxboro Jaycees so please start looking around your house for donations! We will also be selling spaces for \$20 to individuals to sell yard sale items or to set up a craft/vendor table. If you have donations or are interested in helping with the event please contact Wendy or me.

Website Advertising

We have started to reach out to some local businesses plan to have committee meetings after Labor Day. If you are interested in joining the committee, please let me know. Also if you have a business that would like to advertise on the website, please contact me for additional details.

Haunted House DVD and Photos

Tom Whiffen and Bob Gillis will be combining talents to put together a disc set of videos and photos of past Haunted Houses – just in time for Halloween! If you are interested in purchasing this great collection please let me know.



Papa Gino's Fundraiser

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Papa Gino's fundraiser. It was a no cost project so thanks to your patronage we earned some money for the chapter.

Concerts on the Common Concessions

Thanks to Helene Savage for doing a great job with Concerts on the Common Concessions! We appreciate her hard work each week this summer making a profit for the chapter.

Community Development

Vice President: Wendy Kerchoff

Director: Deena Cummings

Publicity - We are now seeking a Chairperson needed for Publicity! Please let Deena or myself know if you are interested!



Teddy Bear Transfer - Monica Fisler and Bob Gillis are co-chairing this great project. If you would like to donate a teddy bear, please bring it to the next GM. All “bears” must be new with no choking hazards on them. Thanks!!

Doolittle Home Auction Manpower-Chairman Needed

Yup, it's that time again! If you'd like to chair the manpower for this awesome event, please call myself or Deena!

If you have any projects that you are interested in bringing back or starting new, please let Deena or myself know! We are open to any and all suggestions!



**Note: New Jaycees Phone Number:
508-203-1JCS (508-203-1527)**

Membership

Vice President: Julie Grant

Who's Who - Bob Gillis

Bob Gillis has done another great Who's Who article on one of our long time Jaycee members, Paul Lanza. Be sure to read Who's Who to learn many things you don't know about Paul!



Web Site Page - Bob Gillis

Bob Gillis continues to run the amazing Jaycee website that I know I rely on to keep me in the loop in between meetings. It is remarkable how fast Bob gets the pictures and information up there!

Jaycees Apparel-Julie Grant

If you need Jaycee apparel, please call or email me before the next meeting or event so I can get it to you.

Concerts on the Common Membership Booth

The Concerts on the Common Membership Booth gave us some great membership leads, and was the perfect way to give several people information on the Jaycees. I couldn't believe how misinformed people were about us!

New Member Social

We need a chairman for the New Member Social-please contact Julie if you are interested.



Who's Who By Bob Gillis

Paul Lanza has been a Foxboro Jaycee since 1984 and has been involved with all of our projects over the years, and is well liked and respected as a great guy and someone who get things done. Recently he's been trying out some Jaycee projects he'd never had a chance to enjoy, such as Christmas fruit baskets, and the Easter egg hunt. Paul always brings a smile and energy to any event. He's also well remembered for his incredible enthusiasm for the Jaycee haunted House and his hilarious guide character, the Widow "Penderghastly," an elderly woman with a love of Sarsaparilla. Paul was kind enough to agree to be the interviewee this month.

Bob Gillis: Paul, you've been in the Jaycees for many years. What achievement are you most proud of?

Paul Lanza: It's a toss up for attaining 26 years as a Jaycee and being awarded Rookie of the Year when I first joined.

BG: You were a fixture at the Haunted House since it began. Do you miss the Haunted House or has its time come and gone?

Paul: That's a double edge sword. I do miss the camaraderie, but I don't miss burning the midnight oil day after day, or burning out my personal tools. Over the years, I've destroyed a few drills and a circular saw. I do miss entertaining the crowds and seeing the innovation of my fellow haunted house workers. I miss the way everyone pulled for each other and how we all did whatever we could to help another. It was a wonderful experience that I'd do again if we could get enough help to build and run the show.

BG: Was co-chairing the Haunted House the hardest thing you've ever done?

Paul: Not in the least! I loved working with Fiz. We had different styles and different strengths and we worked wonderfully as a team. In fact, I am the only person to ever chair the Haunted House as well as chair a room [during the same year]. I thoroughly enjoyed working with Steve Holtzman to build a room. There were so many great Haunted House chairmen before us that I took the best of what I had seen (after 19 years, you do see and learn a lot!) and added my own ideas.

BG: Funniest Jaycee memory?

Paul: The night I was sworn in as a Jaycee was the annual clambake meeting. There had been a lot of alcohol consumption. Toward the end of the evening at Vinnie Mitchell's house, Scott Rodman high dived into a kid pool (4 feet around, 12 inches tall). It's hard to top something like that!

BG: How can the Jaycees recruit new members?

Paul: First, I believe we should approach anyone who was formerly a Jaycee and convince them it's time to join again. If they cared enough at one time, then maybe we can get them for a second. Secondly, we could plan some fun, free events that would target our core membership demographic. At the event, Jaycees would approach attendees and one on one explain what a dynamic and wonderful group we are. Lastly, I believe each of us should talk about the Jaycees to anyone we think might consider joining. We should approach even older people as age has little to do with loving our community.

BG: You're "retired" but busier than ever?

Paul: People often assume that being retired equates to being a coach potato. I will now take on projects that I didn't have the time before I retired. I also have a lot of people ask for my help since they know I have so much time on my hands. I started a home business doing lawnmower refurbishing and repairs. I love doing that!

BG: Which living person do you most admire?

Paul: At the risk of embarrassing him, I'd say Steve Holtzman. He has a perspective on life that I'd like to follow for my own.

BG: Who are your real-life heroes?

Paul: Anyone who serves in our military, particularly away from their family. I wish more people would honor them and that the government would do a better job of providing assistance for their personal sacrifices.

BG: What is your most treasured possession?

Paul: My Springer Softtail Harley...of course!

BG: What do you consider your greatest achievement?

Our children that are now adults. They've become such terrific people and wonderful humans

BG: Who has been the greatest influence on you?

Paul: My maternal grandfather. My grandparents would take care of me for long periods during the summer and I'd see how hard my grandfather worked and how innovative he could be. He'd take a broken tool and make a different tool out of it. He would tackle any project no matter how difficult.

BG: Paul thanks for taking the time to talk to us.

End of Summer *FAMILY BBQ*



Sunday, September 19

2:00 - 6:00 pm

Mark & Wendy Kerchoff's Home
40 Carpenter St., Foxboro

Bring your lunch & beverage
(A grill will be available for cooking)

Games and activities for the kids



Please RSVP to Fred by September 12
508-316-0335

September 2010 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Labor Day	7	8 General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Family BBQ Kerchoff's Home 2-6 PM	20	21	22 7:30 Board Meeting	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 Book Club 8PM Fisler's House	30		

October 2010 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Yard Sale/Craft Fair on the Common
3 Yard Sale/Craft Fair on the Common (rain date)	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 General Meeting 8:00 p.m. S. Foxboro Community Center	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 7:30 Board Meeting	28	29	30

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Meetings and Programs

**Don't miss the next GM on Wednesday, September 8th at 8:00 p.m. at
the South Foxboro Community Center!**

**For your dining pleasure-Ice Cream Sundaes
Please join us to see what is happening in the chapter.**

