



Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees November 2011

Hi Fellow Jaycees

Happy early Thanksgiving!!

So here I am sitting in the dark – take 2. Yes, unbelievable that we have lost power again. I hope everyone is safe and made it out of this early winter storm.

What an exciting time to be a Jaycee. I just love the Holidays. I love that we have a project for everyone to come out and help with. We've got new members running projects this year and that says something.

Our Wise Fox is a great source of information so please take a few minutes to read through it. If there is a project that you are considering chairing, please let the Vice President of that area know.

We had an opportunity a few weeks ago to meet with a National Vice President from Pennsylvania who gave us some good tips and it was very refreshing to know that some of the tips that she had recommended were things we were already doing as a chapter. As one of the last remaining chapters in the state of Massachusetts we should feel proud.

Thank you all for making it such a success.

I'll say it again, I can't wait to go into this holiday season with you all.

Remember to tell your neighbors and friends about the Jaycees.

Sincerely,

~ Monica

'Tis the Season--Save the Date!!

Winter Common Decorations

Date: Saturday, November 26

Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Location: Foxboro Common

*** The more people we have, the faster the project will be! Please come out and help one of our new members with her first project. Contact Maria Montanez if you are interested in helping!!!



Progressive Dinner

Date: Saturday, December 3

Time: 6:00 pm - ????

Location: Various People's Homes

*** This project is one of our more popular ID projects. We get dressed up and travel from home to home eating delicious appetizers and dinners. Then we all converge as a group at the dessert house and share our experiences. Please contact Pam Warren if you are interested in attending.



Kids Christmas Party

Date: Saturday, December 17

Time: 10 am to 12 pm

Location: McGinty Room in the Public Safety Building

*** Please contact Helen if you are interested in either helping her out or attending the event. We are asking that you provide a wrapped gift no more than \$10. More details at the GM.



Fruit Baskets

Date: Sunday, December 18

Time: 1:30-5:00 pm

Location: South Foxboro Community Center

*** This project epitomizes who we are---helping people who need help. All hands on deck for this important project. If you are able to come and help out, please contact Jen Franco.



Secretary's Report

Secretary: Monica Rigamonti

Minutes from Last Month's GM – Accepted –copies available if anyone would like to see them



Sunshine committee

*** Nothing to report this month. ***

If you know that someone needs some sunshine, please contact Monica. Call her at 508-353-1937 or email her at mozer16455@comcast.net

Inventory Coordinator – Mohsen Khalifa

If you need any Jaycee equipment for an upcoming project, please contact Mohsen. At mohsenkh53@hotmail.com. You can also call him at 508-543-2621. Please allow plenty of time to acquire what you need.

Wise Fox–Sandy Emery

If any project chairperson wants to put information in the Wise Fox, please send it to Sandy Emery. Her email is semery29@comcast.net. She needs the information usually by the last weekend of each month.

Electronic CPG Library–Bob Gillis

Once you run a project, please write a CPG (Chairman Planning Guide) so the next project chairperson will know what to do. Bob will happily put it on the website. Bob is also looking for any old, written CPG's that he can scan as a PDF file. Those CPG's will not be able to be altered, just read.



Awards

Project of the Month: 9/11 Memorial
Jaycee of the Month: Bob Gillis



November Jaycee Birthdays

Dave Brown
Bob Gillis
Carrie Todd

Be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!!!

Individual Development

Vice President: Tom Marks

Meetings and Programs

Our October meeting featured some tasty treats courtesy of Bob Gillis, and a wonderful presentation by Wendy Jergens of Reliv. Wendy provided the group with some great information on Reliv's health products.

Our November meeting will feature a Thanksgiving Dinner prepared by former key man Tom Sawran and new member Helen Serena. Don't miss out on this great spread!!! No charge. Just bring your appetite!!!



Book Club-Laureen House

The Book Club selection for November is "The Hunger Games," by Suzanne Collins. The meeting will be November 16th 8 pm at Monica Rigamonti's house.

Networking-Bob Gillis

Don't forget the networking page on the Jaycee website created & maintained by Bob Gillis. Several businesses are listed and we're always looking for more.



Trivia Night-Kathy Brady

The next Trivia Night will be Monday, 11/14 at Picadilly Pub on Route 140 in Foxboro. Try to get there by 6:00-6:30 p.m. to get a good seat.

New Member Social – Tom Marks

This year's new member social will be held at Tom Marks's house on Saturday, 11/12 at 7:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Tom, no later than this Friday, 11/4. His e-mail is tjmarks23@yahoo.com.

How to Write a CPG-Monica Rigamonti

Monica Rigamonti has graciously volunteered to chair this project. She needs to know which date, Thursday, November 17th or Thursday, December 8th works better for the people who signed up. Final date selection will be made at the November GM

Progressive Dinner---Pam Warren

This year's dinner will be on Saturday, December 3rd. Please contact Pam Warren if you are interested in attending. All jobs (appetizer and dinner cooks, appetizer and dinner houses) still need to be filled.



Kids Christmas Party -- Helen Serena

Thank you Helen for taking on your first project! The date for the party is Saturday, December 17 from 10 am to 12 pm at the McGinty Room in the Public Safety Building. Please let Helen know if you plan to attend.

Adult Bowling Night ---Chairman Needed

Community Development

Vice President: Deena Cummings

Director: Jen Franco

Publicity - Pam Warren

If you are running a project and want to publicize it in anyway, please contact Pam.

Nativity Scene Set Up - Chairman Needed

We take care of the set up, maintenance during the holiday season, and take down of the Nativity Scene on the bandstand of the Foxboro Common.

**** This isn't an overly complicated project, however coordinating manpower with available pickup trucks can be tricky. ****



Fruit Baskets - Jen Franco

We purchase items for and assemble fruit baskets to be delivered with the annual Foxboro Discretionary Fund holiday packages. Fruit baskets will be assembled on Sunday, 12/18 at the South Foxboro Community Center from 1:30-5:00pm. Please contact Jen if you are interested in helping.

**** This is a fun and simple project for a newer member to co-chair.. While organization is key, the actual time commitment is not severe. A great variety of people love to help out with this project and it is always rewarding to work with the discretionary fund! ****

Caroling on the Common - Chairman Needed

This project is coordinated with the Foxboro High School Band and the Doolittle Home. Carols are sung on the Common and then we travel to the Doolittle Home to sing to the residents.



Winter Common Decorations - Maria Montanez

The Jaycees decorate the Common for the holiday season. We put garlands and bows on each lamp post, lights on the bushes around the Bandstand and down by the South end of the Common. We will be decorating the Common on Saturday, November 26 from 9am-12pm. If you are interested in helping, please contact Maria.

Sand for Seniors - Mohsen Khalifa

The Jaycees provide sand for the senior citizens of Foxboro during the winter months. If anyone is in need of or knows someone else who needs sand, please contact Mohsen.

Adopt a Kid - Chairman Needed

The Jaycees buy gifts for children in need as referred to us by the Foxboro Discretionary Fund. (The Discretionary Fund is a community organization that helps out any individuals and/or families in Foxboro.)



Santa Phone - Chairman Needed

Santa and Mrs. Claus call the children of Foxboro during the holiday season.

Way\$ and Mean\$

Open Position

This area is very light going into the Holidays. Please let me know if you have any suggestions for the area.



Family Photo Day – Jen Franco

What a great way to make some money for the chapter. We made \$225 which is a great way to raise money without a lot of manpower. Jen, thank you for running the project and thank your husband as well.

Scrapbooking Fundraiser – Deena Cummings

Deena has volunteered to take this project on. She will be holding the Fundraiser on Saturday, February 4, 2012.



Restaurant Night – Jen Franco

Jen is looking to hold another restaurant night. We have a couple of ideas in mind. She will be able to provide additional information either at the GM or by the next Wise Fox.

*****Ways & Means*****

For the next few months we will be running the area by committee. If there is a project that you would like to see run please contact me either by phone or e-mail. If there is a project that you would like to chair from the list of ideas below please let me know.

Restaurant Night

Spelling Bee

Taste of Foxborough

Attention!!!!



There are still HH DVDs (a set of 4) available for \$15. Please contact Heather Loew if you are interested.

Membership

Vice President: Heather Loew

New Member Social – Tom Marks

Join us on Saturday, November 12 at 7:30pm at Tom Marks' house for the New Member Social. This is a great event to welcome the new members to the chapter and get everyone together for a fun, social night. Please RSVP to Tom if you can or cannot make it so that he has an accurate headcount.



New Member Orientation for Holiday Projects – Monica Rigamonti

Monica will be holding an orientation before the GM on Wednesday, November 9 at 6pm at the SFCC to give an overview of the holiday projects. This is open to all members – if you are new and want to learn more, or if you have been around a while and want a refresher on the holiday events. Please let Monica know if you will be attending.

Membership Committee

The next meeting is on Tuesday, November 1 at 7:30pm at the Loew's house. If you are interested in joining the committee, let me know. We are always looking for new ways to recruit members, so even if you don't have time to be on the committee, please send me your ideas!



Web Site - Bob Gillis

There are many upcoming events for the holidays so be sure to check out the website - www.foxborojaycees.org - for all the latest information. Chairmen, please make sure that you send Bob any updates so that he can keep the website current. He also welcomes any new photos of events that you have!

Social Media

Check out our Facebook page for another way to keep up to date with the chapter. We also have a Meetup group for membership - www.meetup.com/foxboro-jaycees -and have already gotten some interested members! Please check it out and join the group!

Jaycees Apparel – Heather Loew

Please let me know if you need a Jaycee t-shirt or hat for any upcoming events. Remember that you will get a Jaycee sweatshirt by chairing a project, or by being on the board.



Who's Who – Bob Gillis

Check out Bob's interview with one of our new members!

Who's Who

By Bob Gillis

We're very happy that our chapter has been blessed with an influx of new members recently, and this month new member Maria Montanez offered to be interviewed, so without further ado let's meet Maria!

Maria grew up in Needham, and she and her husband Greg moved to Foxboro over a year ago. She works at Fidelity Investments as a Communications Consultant, and went to school at Emerson College and studied Marketing and Branding.

BG: How did you find out about the Foxboro Jaycees? What made you decide to join?

Maria: My brother's band, "Central Ave Band" played the last two summers for the Concerts on the Common. I attended the show and noticed the Jaycees booth, and went to go check it out. Since I'm new to the town, I thought it would be a great way to meet new people and get involved with the community.

BG: I'm very fond of those concerts; I think it's an awesome community development project that not only gives something special to the town all summer but helps recruit new members like yourself ☺ Tell me, what Jaycee projects have you tried out? Have you chaired a project yet? What have you enjoyed or not enjoyed? Is there an event or project you're looking forward to?

Maria: I am chairing my first project on November 26, the Winter common decorations. Anyone who wants to help decorate the common for the holidays, feel free to e-mail me at bopbopareno@yahoo.com. Special thanks to Monica Rigamonti for mentoring me on this project!

BG: That's a great project to start with. People love it and you'll have lots of Santa's helpers that morning.

BG: The Jaycees are always evolving. Can you suggest a way for us to recruit new members?

Maria: I had not heard of the Jaycees before moving to Foxboro, perhaps include PR ads in other surrounding town newspapers to help expand reach.

BG: What kind of music do you listen to?

Maria: Dance, techno and 80's.

BG: We're going to get along very well, I love 80s music ☺ Have you ever met a famous person?

Maria: Yes, Anthony Michael Hall. My mother's friends with his mom, and his family has a house down the Cape.

BG: What is your idea of perfect happiness?

Maria: Doing what you love to do, and travel the world.

BG: What do you most value in your friends?

Maria: Loyalty.

BG: Any hobbies?

Maria: My hobbies include reading magazines, kickboxing, yoga, zumba and spending time with family and friends.

BG: Who is your favorite hero of fiction?

Superman

BG: YES! That's two fans of Kal-El who've recently joined! So... Who are your heroes in real life?

Maria: My family.

BG: Do you have a particular goal for your first year as a Jaycee — something you'd like to accomplish?

Maria: Learn new things and have fun!

BG: Anything else you'd like to add?

Maria: Go Pats!

BG: Maria, with those last two words you'll fit right in here in Foxboro ☺ Welcome, welcome to the Foxboro Jaycees and we are very happy to have you as a member!



If you owe dues, please send in your check ASAP. Vanessa, our dues director, is working hard to clean up the roster and get everything in order. If you continue to be past due, there is a **VERY** good chance that you will be dropped! We don't want that to happen so please send in your check or contact Vanessa if you have any questions!



November 2011 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Membership Committee-Loew's house 7:30 pm	2	3	4	5
6 Cash for Gold 6PM Fisler's	7	8	9 New Member Orientation— Holiday Projects 6:00-7:00 SFCC General Meeting 7:30 PM at SFCC	10	11	12 New Member Social—7:30 pm at Tom Marks's house
13	14 Trivia Night--- Picadilly Pub 6PM	15	16 Book Club 8PM @ Monica Rigamonti's House	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Happy Thanksgiving!!!	25	26 Winter Common Decorating and Nativity Scene 9am on Common
27	28	29	30 Board Meeting 7:30 PM			

December 2011 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Progressive Dinner
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 General Meeting 7:30 PM S. Foxboro Community Center	15	16	17 Kids Christmas Party 10 am – 12 pm @ McGinty Room (Public Safety Building)
18 Fruit Baskets 1:30-5:00 @ SFCC	19	20	21 Book Club	22	23	24
25 Merry Christmas!!	26	27	28 Board Meeting 7:30 PM	29	30	31

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Meetings and Programs

Don't miss the next GM on Wednesday, November 9th

Thanksgiving Dinner will be served!!! Bring your appetite!!!

Bring your friends, we are anxious to have new members!!

7:30 p.m. at the South Foxboro Community Center.

