



Wise Fox

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Hi Fellow Jaycees,

It's hard to believe that a year has gone by so quickly and this is my last letter. I have thoroughly enjoyed having the opportunity to be the Foxboro Jaycee President. This year has definitely been a learning experience. I'm sure all of you will make our new incoming President feel just as welcome as you have made me feel.

I wanted to thank my board first and foremost for the tremendous job they have done. Thank you Tom Marks, Deena Cummings, Heather Loew, Vanessa Linke, Jen Franco, and Monica Rigamonti. They made some of my vision a reality this year and I can't thank them enough. I know that the incoming board will do just as well. I also wanted to thank Dave Fisler. As you all know he's been the active one in the past and he gave me the opportunity and supported me this year as he stepped back a little.

As I look back at the year it's just amazing how much we accomplished. As our chapter changes and evolves so do our projects and our goals. I think we did an excellent job in balancing both. We started the year with the Spring Fair on the Common which was a huge success and rolled right into Founder's Day Concerts on the Common, and National Night Out. We headed into Fall with Birthday Wishes Pumpkinfest, and right into Winter with some of our favorite projects Fruit Baskets, and Caroling on the Common. We just kept rolling through the "little" winter we had. (I'm sure Mohsen Khalifa appreciated it as Sand for Seniors Project Chairman). We did a great job reaching out to the community and really getting our name out there. Out of the past 48 weeks I think we've been in the paper 45 times. Whether it was a true advertisement for a project in the calendar section or a full blown press release with pictures-we were there! Not only did we reach out to the community, but we also took time for ourselves with Team Trivia, Pick-up Volleyball, Book Club, Camping/Hiking, Progressive Dinner, Scat Night, Golfing, and Bowling. Just touching the tip of the iceberg for what we do for ourselves. We made some money with the Vendor Fair, Scrapbooking, Donations, a Gold Party, online Fundraisers, restaurant nights and of course Founder's Day. We found new ways to reach more people through Meet Up and swore in 7 new members and provided additional training through projects and orientations. And I'm only doing highlights. Again, a tremendous year and a great job done by all who made the commitment. Thank you!

To Heather Loew and her incoming board: I wish you nothing but the best next year. Remember to tell a friend, neighbor, and acquaintance about the Jaycees and the good work we do. Again, you'd be surprised at how many people don't know.

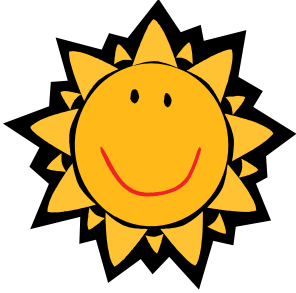
Have a great rest of the summer!

Sincerely,
~ Monica

Secretary's Report

Secretary: Monica Rigamonti

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



Sunshine committee

*** No Sunshine was given this month.

If you know that someone needs some sunshine, please contact Monica (up until May 1st). 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. 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.

*** As the year is coming to an end, this project will become a Chairman Needed. If you are interested in learning how to produce the Wise Fox every month, please either contact Monica Rigamonti or Sandy Emery. Sandy will happily show you how to do it!!!

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---Scrapbooking Fundraiser

Jaycee of the Month---Sandy Emery

Rookie of the Quarter---Helen Serena

*** It has been a pleasure being your Secretary this past year. Good luck to all those who are going to be on the Board of Directors next year. Being on the Board is a wonderful way to learn more about the Jaycees and be an active part in making important decisions about the chapter! It is a great experience!!! ***

Individual Development

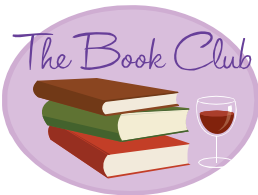
Vice President: Tom Marks

Meetings and Programs

Come out to elections and support this important part of our chapter business.

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.



Book Club-Lauren House

This month's book is *Defending Jacob* by William Landay. Meeting will be on Wednesday April 25th at 7:00 pm at Lauren's House. Going forward the group will be meeting the 3rd Wed. of every month at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Lauren House for details.



Trivia Night-Kathy Brady

Trivia Night has resumed and is now taking place at Waxy O'Connor's in Foxboro. The next competition will be on Monday, April 16th. Get there between 6-6:30 p.m. for a good seat.



Installation Banquet – Sandy Emery

This year's event will take place at the Lafayette House on Saturday, April 28th at 6PM. This is the time when we recognize those who worked so hard to make this another successful Jaycee year. Please be sure to RSVP with your meal selections by April 20th. Please call Sandy Emery if you have any questions, at 508-543-3634.

Community Development

Vice President: Deena Cummings

Director: Jen Franco

Publicity - Pam Warren

If you are running a project and need publicity, please contact Pam.

Sand for Seniors - Mohsen Khalifa

Thanks to Mohsen for taking on this project this year!

Easter Egg Hunt – Deena Cummings

Even though we had to reschedule due to the rain, the event took place on Sunday and was a success. Thanks to all for your help!

Candidates' Night - Dave Brown – April 26th

Each year the Foxboro Jaycees host a forum at Foxboro Cable Access to allow each candidate for the upcoming election (selectman, town clerk, board of health, housing authority, etc.) To speak to the public, introduce or re-introduce themselves, take questions and express their qualifications and reasons for running for office. The forum is broadcast live and rebroadcast repeatedly up to Election Day.

Concerts on the Common - Max Loew

Every summer the Jaycees run free concerts on the Common for the residents of Foxboro. Max is still planning the schedule, but the calendar of events will be available soon

Concerts Fundraising - Heather Loew and Dave Brown

Founder's Day Parade - Chairman Needed

The Jaycees participate in Foxboro's Founder's Day Parade each year. In the past we have built a float, but for the last few years we have simply gotten a group of Jaycees, and future Jaycees together, put on our blue shirts and marched during the parade. If you are interested in putting something together for this project, let me know.

Relay For Life - 6/22-6/23

Each year the Jaycees gather a group to participate in and support the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life. The event will take place at the Ahern Middle School track the evening of June 22nd into the 23rd. More info to follow.

Way\$ and Mean\$

Open Position

Craft/Vendor Fair – Heather Loew- Co-Chairman Needed

We are still looking for a Co-Chair. The date has been set for this project and Heather has received over 19 registration forms for this year already. It will be held on Saturday May 19th, with a rain date of the 20th. She is looking for a few good committee members to help make this project a continuing success. Heather is looking for a Co-Chair for this project since she will be busy doing “other” things at that time. Someone who will be able to coordinate the vendors, do some research by making some phone calls, and available the day before and the day of the event. Please let Heather or myself know if you are interested.

Tupperware Online Fundraiser - Jen Franco

Great job coordinating this Jen. Thank you. I hope everyone gets to enjoy all of their products.

Founder’s Day Concessions – Chairman Needed

Please let me know if you are interested in chairing or co-chairing this project. We are looking for a chair person or co-chair who can help organize the event for the day. They will need to be well organized before the day as well as through the end of the project that afternoon.

Founder’s Day Pony Rides – Julie Grant

Julie has again volunteered to Chair this project. Thank you Julie.

Founder’s Day Glow Items – Chairman Needed

Please let me know if you would like more information about these projects or have any suggestions for the area.



Membership

Vice President: Heather Loew

Membership is so important to keep our chapter going. Remember to talk about the Jaycees and let your friends and neighbors know that we would love to welcome them to the organization!

Web Site - Bob Gillis

Our website is the best way for the chapter and the community to find out about us, so please help Bob by sending him information on our events! Check out all the latest updates and event photographs at www.foxborojaycees.org.

Social Media

Check out our social media pages on Facebook and Meetup for another way to keep up to date with the chapter.

Membership Booth – Chairmen Needed

We will be setting up the membership booth at the following upcoming events – *Spring Fair on the Common, Founders Day and Concerts on the Common*. We need a chairman for all of these events to organize and set up the membership table and talk to prospective members. Please let me know if you are interested in any of these.

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

Bob takes a trip down memory lane in the Who's Who this month.



April Jaycee Birthdays

*Cheryl Cushman
Lauren House
Mohsen Khalifa
Tom Marks
Dan McComiskey
Brendan O'Reilly
Scott Rogers
Bob Webster*

Be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!!

Who's Who



By Bob Gillis

This month we chat with new member Diego. He's originally from Argentina and moved to Rhode Island in late 2001.

BG: Welcome! You have an interesting job!

Diego: I work in the Information Security field, currently for Industrial Defender, a company based in Foxboro. We focus on securing automation control systems, and more specifically, on power plants and power distribution centers.

BG: Very cool – I love the tech stuff ☺

Diego: I'm currently studying for a technical certification for my field, and I hope to get back to school in September 2012; I'll pursue a BS probably on computer networking (depends of the number of credits I get from my studies in Argentina).

BG: What do you do for fun?

Diego: I enjoy hiking, photography, dancing, exercising, reading (self help and fantasy are my favorite genres) and I was hoping to learn to ski this winter, and of course we had no snow. I'm scheduled for a scuba diving class on June, I hope the oceans are not going to get dry.

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

Diego: I found about the Jaycees thru meetup.com – I like the objectives of the organization.

BG: 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?

Diego: I haven't been active, hope to change that soon.

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

Diego: One potential place to recruit for members are high schools, or the parents of younger kids, kindergarten, elementary school, etc.

BG: I really like that idea. What kind of music do you listen to?

Diego: I listen to music while I exercise, mostly dance hits.

BG: Have you ever met a famous person?

Diego: I met Donald Trump, but I'm not particularly proud of it. I was working at one of his hotels in Atlantic City.

BG: That is funny! What is your idea of perfect happiness?

Diego: Doing what you want to do, along the people you love.

BG: What do you consider the most overrated virtue/skill?

Diego: The most overrated skill has to be the ability to make money. Most of us admire rich people, but they can be very unhappy or even bad dishonest persons.

BG: What do you most value in your friends?

Diego: Honesty

BG: Who is your favorite hero of fiction?

Diego: El Zorro

BG: Who are your heroes in real life?

Diego: Randy Pausch

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

Diego: I would like to work on some issues on the city regarding the environment.

BG: Anything else you'd like to add?

Diego: I hope to be a good member of the group.

BG: Welcome Diego! We are very happy to have you as a member!



**Elections for the 2012-2013 Board of Directors will take place
at the April 11th GM.**

Come out and participate in the election process.

Nominations include:

Heather Loew	President
Monica Fisler	Chairman of the Board
Max Loew	Individual Development VP
Deena Cummings	Ways and Means Vice President
Andrea Cummings	Secretary

Open Positions:

- Treasurer
- Community Development Vice President
- Membership Vice President
- Community Development Director
- Ways and Means Director
- Membership Director
- Dues Director
- Donations Director
- Presidential Director

April 2011 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 General Meeting 7:30 PM S. Foxboro Community Center	12	13	14
15	16 Trivia Nite-Waxy O'Connors 6PM	17	18 Book Club	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Book Club 7PM House's house Board Meeting 7:30 PM	26 Candidates Nite	27	28 Installation Banquet 6PM Lafayette House
29	30					

May 2012 Jaycee Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo
6	7	8	9 General Meeting 7:30 PM S. Foxboro Community Center	10	11	12
13 Mothers Day	14	15	16	17	18	19 Craft and Vendor Fair Foxboro Common
20	21	22	23 Board Meeting 7:30 PM	24	25	26
27	28 Memorial Day	29	30	31		

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Meetings and Programs

**Don't miss the next GM on Wednesday, April 11th at 7:30 PM
at the South Foxboro Community Center.**

**Come and participate in the election process, when we elect our
2012-2013 Board of Directors**

