

# The Wise Fox

# A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees December 2012

Dear Jaycees,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! I am excited for the month ahead - the holiday season and many wonderful Jaycees events!

Thanks to everyone who braved the cold and snow to help decorate the Common this past weekend. Thank you to Bob Gillis and Kathy Brady for chairing the decorating and nativity scene set-up. Thanks to Monica Rigamonti for coordinating the holiday banners around the Common and on Central Street. The center of town looks great!

I am looking forward to seeing many of you next weekend at Progressive Dinner. Don't forget the next GM and our annual Yankee Swap. Please also consider helping out with assembling Fruit Baskets and save the date for Caroling on the Common and the Kids' Christmas Party. There are so many opportunities to get involved and socialize with members this month. I truly hope everyone is able to participate in something.

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season and a happy and healthy new year! Sincerely,

Heather Loew Chapter President



**Vice President: Andrea Cummings** 

# Minutes from the last meeting – Andrea Cummings

Please contact Andrea if you would like to see the minutes.

# **Sunshine Report – Andrea Cummings**

We sent sunshine to Dave Reid and Mike Savage for recent surgeries. Please contact Andrea at acummings617@yahoo.com with any sunshine requests.

### Wise Fox – Jennifer Franco

If you have anything you would like placed in the Wise Fox please email Jen at <u>jenfranco13@yahoo.com</u> by the last Sunday of the month.

# Electronic CPG Library – Bob Gillis

Please continue to pass any new CPGs on to Bob so he can add them to the library.

# **Inventory Coordinator – Preeti Varma**

Don't forget to let Preeti know if you need to borrow any inventory and make sure she knows if you are holding any inventory yourself. Preeti can be reached at <a href="mailto:pvarma787@comcast.net">pvarma787@comcast.net</a>.

# Individual Development

Vice President: Max Loew

### Meetings and Programs and Yankee Swap – Wednesday, December 12

Thanks to Andrea Cummings for the great treats at the November GM. Join us at the next GM on Wednesday, December 12 at 7:30 at the South Foxboro Community Center. We will discuss upcoming events, socialize and enjoy some treats. We will also be having our annual Yankee Swap! If you are interested in participating please bring a wrapped present valued at \$10 or less. This is always a fun event and lots of laughs!

# Progressive Dinner - Saturday, December 8

Thanks to Sandy Emery, Helene Savage and Monica Fisler for chairing this year's Progressive Dinner. The event will be held on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> and everyone who responded with interest should have received an invitation in the mail. If you have not gotten one, please contact one of the chairmen for the details. Looking forward to seeing many of you there!

# Kids' Christmas Party – Saturday, December 22 11:00am -1:00pm

Thanks to Jen Franco and Maria Montanez for chairing this project. This special event is exclusively for Jaycee members and their children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Bring the kids out for crafts, music, refreshments and photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus! Each adult is asked to please bring a small wrapped gift valued at \$10 or less for Santa to surprise their child with. Join us on Saturday December 22<sup>nd</sup> at the South Foxboro Community Center at 11am. Please RSVP to Jen or Maria if you plan to attend.

# Trivia Night - Kathy Brady

Trivia night is back! Thanks to Kathy Brady for reviving the project at the new location – Pan City Grill at 60 Man-Mar Drive in Plainville. The next Trivia Night is to be determined so check the website for updates.

# Ski Trip – January 11-13, 2013

The annual ski trip will take place on January 11-13, 2013 at Stowe VT. If you are interested in the ski trip, please contact Max for more information.

# Community Development

Vice President: Vanessa Linke

# Fruit Baskets – Jen Franco - Sun, Dec 16, 2pm South Foxboro Community Center (upstairs)

It's that time again! Please come out to the Community Center to help with the assembly of the fruit baskets on the 16<sup>th</sup>! It's one of the most fun projects of the year and in just a couple hours of your time you can help 250 local families.

The Discretionary Fund is also looking for manpower to assist with their holiday food delivery on Monday evening, December 17. Volunteers are asked to arrive at St. Marks Church at 6:00p with a vehicle and a partner.

# Caroling on the Common – Julie Grant – Thursday, Dec 20 6:00pm (6:45pm at Doolittle)

Julie has already arranged everything to once again provide this annual sing-a-long event for the community. Please join us with your families and friends on the

Common before we head over to the Doolittle Home to bring holiday cheer to the seniors there.

# Sand for Seniors – Mohsen Khalifa Ongoing throughout winter

Mohsen is once again taking care of our local seniors' sand needs this winter. A Foxboro senior citizen can call Mohsen at (508)203-1670 or email him at <a href="mailto:mohsenkh53@hotmail.com">mohsenkh53@hotmail.com</a>.

# Adopt a Kid for Christmas – Maria Montanez

Maria has taken on this great project in which we Foxboro Jaycees make Christmas just a little brighter by providing Christmas presents to a local child. All the presents for this year's child are already bought and are awaiting their delivery.

# Publicity - Bob Gillis - ongoing

As publicity Chairman, Bob is coordinating our PR efforts with newspapers, community calendars, and websites. If you are a project chairman for a public event, please keep your Area VP and Bob Gillis in the loop, so that he can make sure information gets out to the community.

Holiday Banners - Monica Rigamonti – They are up! 5 new banners were purchased this year and now 13 beautiful red banners are hanging on Central Street and around the Common!

# \* HAPPY \* HOLIDAYS!

# Nativity Scene Setup – Kathy Brady – Setup complete!

Light snow flakes and freezing temperatures provided a fitting setting for the project, but didn't deter Kathy and her helpers from spending the chilly morning setting up everything. Of course, Kathy will again need lots of manpower to lift & transport the statues when they are taken down in January, so please plan on helping out then!

# **Decorating of the Common – Bob Gillis - Setup complete!**

Bob and his team put up lights, garlands, bows, and wreaths and now the Foxboro Common is ready for the holiday season. Thanks to all those who helped on the cold and snowy Saturday morning! Please also consider helping with the takedown in January ©

Also, although not a Jaycees project, I do want to mention how proud I was to see so many current and past Foxboro Jaycees helping out and donating to "Operation Sandy from Mass" in November. It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces contributing to a great cause.

In Jaycee Spirit, ~ Vanessa

# Way\$ & Mean\$

**Vice President: Deena Cummings** 

### "31 Gifts" Fundraiser – Pam Warren – Now through Dec. 8

Consider our "31 Gifts" fundraiser for holiday gift giving. Orders can be placed through Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup>. Orders can be placed online at <a href="https://www.mythirtyone.com/shop/eventhome.aspx?eventId=E2479278&from=M">https://www.mythirtyone.com/shop/eventhome.aspx?eventId=E2479278&from=M</a> <a href="YEVENTS">YEVENTS</a>. Check out all the details on our website or email Pam at <a href="loccgazette@yahoo.com">loccgazette@yahoo.com</a> with any questions.

Remember to contact Deena if you have any ideas or suggestions for a Ways and Means project!



Membership is the key to the future success of our chapter. Please tell your friends, neighbors and co-workers about the Jaycees and help us to grow!

Web Site — Bob Gillis — We have a lot of holiday/Christmas/December activities coming up; please let Bob know ASAP so he can get the information on the web site! A subcommittee met in November to discuss some updates to the format and Bob has done a great job incorporating some changes to the website already. Check out all the latest updates and event photographs at www.foxborojaycees.org.

**Membership Committee** — The committee will not meet in December so the next meeting will be in January. Contact Heather if you are interested in attending or have ideas for recruiting and activating members.

**Jaycees Apparel** — It's time to earn your Jaycees sweatshirt! You can get one by chairing a project or by being on the board. Also, please let Heather know if you need a Jaycee t-shirt or hat for any upcoming events.

# Happy Holidays!

