

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees February 2013

Dear Jaycees,

I hope everyone is enjoying the winter and staying warm! It was great to see so many of you at the January GM even though it was a cold night. We had the pleasure of welcoming Kirsten, our newest member to the chapter. Kirsten recently moved to Mansfield and helped out with decorating the common in December. She is looking forward to getting involved in other events as well. We are happy to have her on board!

There are some great events on the calendar to get out of the house and join your Jaycee friends for a night out. Trivia Night is always a fun event and this month we will check out the newly opened Jake 'n Joes for Restaurant Night. We are still looking for some chairmen for future projects in all areas so read through this edition of the Wise Fox for volunteer opportunities.

As we think about the upcoming spring (and warmer weather!) we are also looking to the next board year which will begin on May 1st. Elections will be held at the GM on April 10th. Thanks to Monica Fisler for chairing the Nominations Committee and reaching out to members to fill positions for next year. As you know, this is a critical time for the chapter so we need volunteers to make sure that our chapter continues to be a great part of the community. Sincere thanks to those who have already offered to be on the board next year. Please take a moment to read through Monica's letter and seriously consider what you can do to help the chapter.

As always, I hope to see you at the next GM or an upcoming event!

Sincerely,

Heather

A letter from the Chairman

Hi Everyone,

I'm writing this letter to you as Chairman of the Board and Nominations Committee Chair. With much concern I must write that we currently do not have a President nor do we have any members who have expressed interest in becoming President. Over the past few years we've seen a decrease in board participation and we need help to keep this chapter moving forward. Our Chapter is in need of dedicated people willing to put in a few hours. At this point we will be looking to appoint members who have become associates if anyone is interested. Our by-laws state that we must have a President, Treasurer and a Secretary to function as a chapter. Currently we have one of those three positions filled. When I pick up the phone to call you please take a second to consider joining the board.

These are the positions currently available on the board:

- President
- Secretary
- Ways & Means Vice President
- Community Development Vice President
- Individual Development Vice President

We also have directorship positions available if you would like to get your feet wet. Those will be filled after we find VP's for each area.

If you have any questions please contact me at 508-698-9604

Monica Fisler

Chairman of the Board and Nominations Committee



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

A card was sent to Wendy Kerchoff with sympathy for the passing of her grandmother. A get well card was sent to Max Loew for his recent surgery. A card was sent to Derek House for the passing of his uncle and a card was sent to Paul Howard for his retirement. 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 pvarma787@comcast.net.

Congratulations to our award winners!

Project of the Month Fruit Baskets

Jaycee of the Month Kathy Brady

Individual Development

Vice President: Max Loew

Meetings and Programs

Join us at the next GM on February 13th at 7:30pm at the South Foxboro Community Center. We will discuss upcoming events, socialize and enjoy some treats courtesy of Vanessa Linke. We will also be reviewing the board positions for the upcoming board year to give an overview/refresher for all members.

Ski Trip – Julie Grant

The annual ski trip took place January 10-13th and the group had a blast at Stowe Mountain in Vermont. Thanks to Julie Grant for organizing another successful trip!



Trivia Night – Kathy Brady

As of this edition of the Wise Fox, the group will have met on January 30th for team trivia at Game 7 Sports Bar at 60 Man-Mar Drive in Plainville. It's always a fun time so

make sure you check the website for the next date and time to be posted!

Scat Night – Chairman Needed

We are looking for a chairman and host for our annual Scat Night. Scat is a card game similar to blackjack but you play to 31 and we play with a few quarters. It is a Jaycees favorite and a fun night for all! If you are interested in hosting the event, please contact Max.





Restaurant Night – February 21st

Join the Jaycees for a night out at the newly opened Jake n Joes for dinner! (At the former Piccadilly Pub location). The new restaurant should be opening in February so let's check it out.

We will meet at 6:30pm for dinner. Please RSVP to Max if you are interested.

Installation Banquet - Chairman Needed

We are looking for a chairman for this year's installation banquet. We hold a banquet every year to celebrate the past year's achievements and swear in the new board of directors. There is a detailed CPG online if you are interested in learning more about planning the event. Please contact Max if you are interested in chairing this project.



Providence Bruins - Bob Gillis - Sunday March 10

Bob is planning an afternoon out at the Providence Bruins game. Tickets are \$16. Contact Bob to sign up!

Networking - Bob Gillis

Don't forget the networking page on our Jaycee website. Several businesses are listed and we are always looking for more!

Community Development

Vice President: Vanessa Linke

Chairmen Needed for Upcoming Projects:

Relay for Life Jaycees Team— Chairman Needed Ahern Middle School Fri/Sat, June 21/22



Founders Day Parade – Chairman Needed – Saturday, June 18, 10am

Project Updates:

Easter Egg Hunt – Monica Fisler – Foxborough Common, Saturday, Mar 23

Monica has volunteered to take on this year's Easter Egg Hunt (Thanks! ©). The Egg Stuffing Party is scheduled for Thursday, 3/21, at the Fisler residence at 6:30pm. In case of inclement weather for the Hunt on 3/23, the rain date is Sun 3/24. Please let Monica know if you are able to help on any of those dates.

Sand for Seniors – Mohsen Khalifa – ongoing throughout winter

Mohsen has already made several deliveries! To receive a bucket of sand, a Foxboro senior citizen can call Mohsen at (508)203-1670 or email him at mohsenkh53@hotmail.com.

Candidates Night – Bob Gillis – April TBD

Bob Gillis will be chairing this years' Candidates Night for local Foxborough Town elections. Please let him know if you can help in any way and be sure to keep an eye out for the interview broadcast from our friends at Cable Access (http://www.fcatv.org/) later this Spring!

Concerts on the Common Fundraising – Dave Brown– Ongoing until June Committee Needed

Dave is willing to chair the committee this year, but he is looking for a few Jaycees willing to help with the efforts. Please let him know if you are willing to help.

Concerts on the Common – Max Loew – ongoing on Common Thursdays June through August Max has already found 4 groups out of an expected 9 concerts and is working on finalizing the schedule which will be posted as soon as available.



Publicity - Bob Gillis - ongoing

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. As publicity Chairman, Bob is coordinating our PR efforts with newspapers, community calendars, and websites.

Final Reports:

Nativity Scene – Kathy Brady and Decorating of the Common – Bob Gillis

A big thank you to Kathy and Bob along with their band of helpers who helped remove and safely store away the Nativity Scene and the Common decorations until next winter.



Vice President: Deena Cummings

Spring Fair – Vanessa Linke & Dave Fisler – Saturday May 18

We are looking for members to join the committee to run this project. If you are interested in joining this committee please let Deena know.

Spring Fair Concessions - Chairman Needed - Saturday May 18

We are looking for a separate chairman to run concessions for the day of the Craft Fair. Please contact Deena if you are interested.

Concert Concessions - *Chairman Needed* - Thursdays June through August Please contact Deena if you are interested in running this project.

Founders Day Concessions – Pam Warren – through Saturday June 18

Pam is looking for a planning committee. If you are interested in helping out please let Deena or Pam know.



Founders Day Pony Rides – *Chairman Needed* – Saturday June 18 Please contact Deena if you are interested in running this project.

Founders Day Glow Items – *Chairman Needed* – Saturday June 18 Please contact Deena if you are interested in running this project.

Membership

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!

Welcome New Member!

Welcome to Kirsten Aarsvold, the newest member of the chapter. Kirsten just recently moved to Mansfield and is looking forward to get involved in all that we do. Please introduce yourself and give her a warm welcome if you see her at the next GM or event.

For other new members, if you have not received your new member handbook, please contact Heather for all the membership materials.

Web Site — **Bob Gillis** — Bob does a great job keeping the website up to date with all the latest chapter information. He is also exploring more options to use the site for data management and document storage which would be a great asset to the chapter. Check out all the latest updates and event photographs at www.foxborojaycees.org.

Membership Committee — The committee met on January 15th to discuss the revival of the mentoring program and some ideas for upgrading the membership booth. Our next meeting will be held at the Loews' house on February 19th at 8pm. Please contact Heather if you are interested in attending or have ideas to contribute.

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 Birthday to Tom Sawran and Jane Webster!

