



A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

MAY 2015

Hello, All!

This is my first report as the Foxboro Jaycees Chapter President and I am excited for the opportunity to serve in this position during the next year and to continue to be a part of all the wonderful things our group will do for our Community!

It is hard to believe that yet another year has come and gone, but I just remind myself that time flies when you are having fun. And despite all our hard work, I have always had fun and enjoyed the experiences involved with running projects, being on a committee or even just being man power. The Jaycees run so many great projects every year and we always seem to have something going on. We have a number of important fundraising opportunities just around the corner with the Vendor Fair and our numerous projects on Founder's Day that will enable our Chapter to continue to provide the Community with events like the upcoming Concerts on the Common and National Night Out, among many others.

In closing, I would like to congratulate Vanessa Linke for her excellent leadership for the last twelve months as Chapter President. She did a fantastic job and I am immensely grateful to have her experience and support on the Board this year. I would also like to thank my fellow Jaycees who have also stepped up this year to serve on the Board of Directors with me. Many of you have served on the board for a number of years, and I look forward to continuing to work closely with you as we lead the Foxboro Jaycees to another successful year!

Deena Cummings

Chapter President
Foxboro Jaycees

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2015-16

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Secretary's Report

Vice President: *Dave Brown/Max Loew*

I would like to encourage our newer members to please come out to the GMs if able, and even co-chair a project with a more experienced member! Many of our new members have recently chaired a project and found it to be rewarding experience.

We had 16 members, 3 state senators and 1 guest at our April meeting and it was great seeing you all.

No guest speaker this month as it was election month.

GM MEETING MINUTES

No motions were made to be acted on at our meeting.

Elections were held

So elected unopposed:

- Deena Cummings—President
- Andrea Johnstone —Individual Development VP
- Secretary—Max Loew

It was also announced that the following aged members will be appointed to the following positions:

- Community Development VP—Bob Gillis
- Ways & Means VP—Lynda Walsh
- Membership VP—Laureen House
- Treasurer—Lisa Jolicoeur
- Director--Pam Warren
- Director –Mike Stewart

Vanessa Linke will be the Chairman of the Board

Happy Anniversary
Heather Loew (7)

Happy Birthday
Stephanie O'Neill, Monica Rigamonti, Mike Stewart,
Stephan Strickland, Malinda Vance



Congratulations to our March award winners!

Jaycee of the month
David Reid

Project of the month
Deena Cummings, Chair
Road Race

APRIL BOARD MEETING 4/29/2015

No motions were made at the Board Meeting. This was a joint meeting of the outgoing Board with the incoming Board

Minutes from last GM and beyond-

Minutes are always available on our website. If are having trouble finding some I suggest that you e-mail Bob Gillis.

Sunshine Report

Condolences were sent to Andrea Johnstone and Deena Cummings on the passing of their uncle Steve Cummings.

Inventory Coordinator —**CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

Electronic CPG's — **Bob Gillis**

When you write a CPG, please send Bob Gillis a copy for the website.

Wise Fox — **Jen Franco**

Jen Franco has agreed to continue as our Wise Editor (THANK YOU JEN). The Wise Fox contains everything going on in our chapter – please be sure to read and enjoy it, and maybe even sign up to chair a project! Thank you Jen for you continued good work. WE would love to find an understudy to work with Jen on the monthly newsletter. Let Max Loew know if you are interested.

Dave Brown

Ways & Means

Vice President: *Lynda Walsh*

Director: *Pam Warren*



Founders Day -

**MULTIPLE CHAIRMEN NEEDED
MANPOWER NEEDED**

Founders Day 2015 will be Saturday June 13. I'm in the process of setting up an on-line sign-up sheet and each of you will get an email with the directions. I'll be personally calling any folks that aren't signed up on line. This is a long day, but it quickly adds up to our biggest fundraising event for the year. Even if you can give an hour to someone who is there for the duration, it would be a huge help for them to get a break.

Concessions – Pam Warren

Award winner, Pam Warren will be gathering donations, and all the equipment, food and other materials needed for this huge undertaking. Please find an hour or so to help out. This has become one of our largest fundraising projects.

Kettle Corn – CHAIRMAN NEEDED

This project was a new project last year, created by Dave Fisler and Bob Webster and was a huge success. We're looking for someone to take this project on to run this year. You will be side by side with the concession folks for additional help. Please let Pam or I know as soon as possible if you're interested in chairing this.

Glow items – Stephen Strickland

Thank you to Stephen for stepping up and taking on his first Jaycee project. He will be purchasing the glow items that will be sold before the fireworks. If you're interested in helping out, you'd be sent out on the field with another member to sell these items. Please plan on supporting Stephen as chair of his first Jaycee Project.

Pony rides – CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Although this is a great project, run for many years, there's a chance that it will not be run. Our veteran chairperson cannot chair it this year. If you have the availability to get ponies/horses to the field and are willing to take this on, let us know. If you know of another fundraising event that would fit in good during the Founders Day Field Activities, please give me or Pam a call.

Spring Fair - Laureen House & Andrea Johnstone

May 16, 9-3 on Foxboro Common (Rain date May 17)

Laureen and Andrea have already received over 40 vendors registered for the event, as well as early raffle prizes for the day. Make sure you hook up with Laureen or Andrea to get your assignment for the day.

Shoe Drive – CHAIRMAN NEEDED - Ongoing

Huge thank you to Dave Brown for taking all the beginning steps to get this project up and running. He's been shipping boxes of shoes in for the past few months, and we've begun to receive checks for those shoes. Dave would like to hand this project over to another member, so if you're interested, please reach out to me or Pam.

Five Below fundraiser – CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Five below has reached out to us as a "flyer donation" week. All we need to do is come up with a flyer that folks can take to the Five Below store and present the flyer at checkout and a portion of that purchase will come to us. This seems like a fairly easy project and could be perfect for a newer member. And I know of someone willing to print the flyers up for you. We should pick a week that could be a busy week for the store, maybe Halloween week, or Easter. Let Pam or I know if you're interested in running this event.

If you have any new ideas or would like to know more about any of these projects, feel free to let Pam or I know.



Individual Development

Vice President: *Andrea Johnstone*

This month's report comes to you from Bob Gillis:

GM Meetings and Programs:

We will have motivational speaker Heather Harris at the May GM; also Lisa Jolicouer will be bringing goodies. Andrea will be passing around a sign-up sheet for bringing goodies to the GM for 2015-2016; please sign up for one of the GMs and bring us some treats. Also, if you have any ideas for speakers, please let Andrea know. It really encourages folks to come out to GMs when we have a program.

Trivia Night – Kathy Brady – TBD, 6:30-9pm

@ Game7 Sports Bar, 60 Man Mar Drive, Plainville, MA.

Usually the third Wednesday of the month, this will likely be May 20; (we always send out an email). This event remains exceptionally popular and is VERY family friendly so bring the kids, bring friends. Dan saves us a table at 6:30; you can order food (which is delicious) and game starts at 7:30.

Book Club – Lauren House – Various – 7-9pm

Book Club typically meets the first Thursday of each month, at rotating locations from 7-9pm. Please note, **however for the months of June and July only, the club will meet on the SECOND Thursday**, resuming the usual first Thursday in August.

For June 11th, we selected John Grisham's "Sycamore Row" for a meeting at Stephanie O'Neill's, and for July 9th, Kathy Brady will host for Gabrielle Zevin's "The Storied Life of A.J. Fickry: A Novel."



Email Lauren House at ducla567@aol.com for more details.

Walking Club – Lauren House/Lisa Jolicouer

Saturday mornings, 7:45am @ bike path in Mansfield on Fruit St. Email Lauren House at ducla567@aol.com for more details.

How to run a Project / Write a CPG – Derek House

We will reach out to Derek and will likely run this before a GM over the summer.

Boston Cannon Lacrosse Outing – Max Loew –

Sat, May 30th, 6pm @ Gillette Stadium, Foxboro MA

\$20/ticket. Max will have more details at the GM but may postpone this a few months.

Jaycee Reunion – Lynda Walsh – TBD Fall 2016

No update expected for a few months...

Restaurant Night – CHAIRMAN NEEDED

it's been a while since we've had a restaurant night; please let Andrea know if you would like to chair one – it's very easy; pick a nice place where we can chat that has good food and isn't too expensive; have people sign up and make the reservation, everyone pays their own way – that's it!

Founders Day – Saturday, June 13



While we do not have any ID projects on Founders Day, We DO encourage everyone to please help in one of the other areas on that day (concessions, parade, glow-sticks, kettle corn, etc.); there are MANY projects run by the Jaycees that day. **Founders Day is our biggest one day fundraiser of the year and we are very visible that day so please HELP!** And wrapping up on the ID note, please be sure to get out and enjoy the day as well!

If you have new ideas for ID projects please let Andrea know.

And Andrea, in deference to this being YOUR area, I will wrap up this report your way: "Goodnight!"

Bob Gillis



Community Development

Vice President: **Bob Gillis**

Director: **Mike Stewart**

Hello Jaycee friends!

I've never held the role of CD VP before; this is very important area for the chapter and I will need YOUR help to ensure a successful year. When we reviewed the completed projects for last year's awards, the board realized that many of the projects had been shared by board members, or were chaired by the same people each year – that needs to change. Did you join the Jaycees to be INVOLVED? I am challenging each Jaycee member – whether you have been around for months or years – to chair one project in any area this year. Your board, and the same folks every year, can't keep doing projects when we have so many able-bodied Jaycees available!

New Jaycee's: I have said this before and it bears repeating: we will not throw you into the deep end of the pool. You will have support. There is excellent chairman planning guidance, and anyone who has chaired a project previously will be happy to mentor you to a successful first project. Several brand-new members chaired important projects this year – Easter egg hunt, caroling on the common, and several others come to mind. It IS possible! This chapter can only succeed if new members activate and become more involved. End of speech, now on to the report:

Publicity – Bob Gillis - Ongoing

Bill Stedman at the Foxboro reporter told me that he would welcome a monthly press release from the chapter. I am going to coordinate that and I am asking you to send me any Jaycee information that you would like to see contained within.

Treats for Troops – Deena Cummings – Ongoing

This project will continue; Deena will let us know when we should begin collecting again; we will likely have another collection for our troops in late summer or early September.

Foxborough Common Sign Repair – Kathy Brady – TBD

More info to come

Wrentham Abbey Help – Lynda Walsh - TBD

Lynda will contact Sister Robbie to see what help they need with their spring landscaping.

Candidate's Night – Pam Warren – Thu, April 9th (FINAL)

This project is complete and already listed as final report, but I would be remiss if I did not compliment Pam on an exceptionally well done job on this very important project.

Thank you Pam ☺

Foxborough Clean Up Day – Mansfield Clean-Up Day (FINAL)

These were both held on May 2, thank you very much to the Jaycee's and friends who participated. If you got pictures, please let me know and I will post them on the website.

Founders Day – Saturday June 13th

Our town's birthday is also our biggest one day ways and means project of the year. I cannot possibly emphasize this enough, PLEASE volunteer at least a little of your time on Founders day to help the Jaycees raise the funds we need to keep all of our community development projects going throughout the year. As the cliché goes, this one is all hands on deck

Founder's Day Parade/Float – CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Sat, June 13th 8-11am

I sent out an email blast to the chapter: thanks to Lynda, we had a float last year for the first time in well over five or six years. However, I do not have ability or resources to construct a float for Founder's day. In my email to the chapter, I asked if anyone would be willing to construct a float for us. Unless I get a volunteer, I will chair this project, and we will march in the parade with our Jaycees and Foxboro Jaycees concerts on the common banners and hand out candy. So if you want to create a float NOW is the time to let me know! I'm not making phone calls on this one; you all read the Wise Fox, you all know its Founders day – this is a LOT to ask of any Jaycee – but if you did want to construct a float, you would become my personal hero. If we don't get a volunteer for the float, I will be looking for volunteers to walk and will be calling and sending emails. Feel free to bring along the kids in the family.

Relay for Life Team – CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Fri, Jun 19, 6pm -10am @ Ahern Middle School.

Many years ago, representatives from relay for life came to the Foxboro Jaycees for the first time asking if we would like to participate in this important event. One of the representatives asked this question: "would everyone in the room whose lives have been affected by cancer please raise their hand?" EVERY hand went up. Some of us have battled cancer, and ALL of us know someone who has lost that battle, or is battling it right now, or has fought the fight. The Jaycees participate in this event every year, and often do different themes each hour overnight: for example, Patriots, Hawaiian shirt, and so on. I would very much like a chairman for this event – please let me know as soon as possible. More importantly, PLEASE try to come down and participate even one hour of this event.

Concerts on the Common – Max Loew
Thursdays, June 11th through August 13

THANK YOU MAX! By early January, he had all the bands booked. Max does an exceptional job chairing one of our most visible projects of the year, a project that brings out countless town people every Thursday night for free concert on the common. Max has also stepped up to cheer the fundraising aspect of this project as well. For this and all he does, thank you very much Max! The full schedule for concerts is already on the Jaycee website, and I will be posting more band information as the concerts become closer. You can help by participating in a membership booth or concessions at one of the concerts

Sparky the Fire Dog Costume – Dave Reid – TBD
No update at this time

National Night Out – Lynda Walsh – Tue, Aug 4th
@ Foxboro Town Common

Thank you very much Lynda for once again chairing this critically important project! We are going to try to put more emphasis on drug abuse awareness, and substance abuse this year. The theme of the events is exactly that – awareness. This past year, we have seen what seems to be an epidemic of drug overdoses by young people. Yes, national night out is supposed to be FUN and we will still have treats and the bouncy house and face painting and so forth – but we want to emphasize INFORMATION for parents and kids to keep them safe. Much more to come

Have a great month everyone!
Bob

Membership

Vice President: *Lauren House*

I am happy to say that I was appointed by our new President to be the 2015-2016 Membership Vice President. Thank you Deena for your confidence in me, I am honored to continue on in this position. I am looking for someone that would like to be a Director in this area. This area is critical for our Chapter and having a new person to assist me throughout the year provides new insight, ability to accomplish more and rejuvenate our membership. Please consider volunteering for this position.

Please take the initiative and decide to organize the manpower for the following membership booth opportunities. You don't have to do it alone, you can organize a schedule and assign shifts to people willing to assist:

- **Spring Fair** - Saturday May 16 9-3pm, Foxboro Common/Rain Date Sunday May 17th

- **Founder's Day** – Saturday June 13th 9am-3pm
- **Concert's on the Common** – Thursdays, June 11th through August 13th
- **New Members Orientation** – Date to be determined by Chairman

Election Day Membership booth

I want to thank Lynda Walsh for Chairing this project; and Max Loew, Lisa Jolicoeur and Kathy Brady for their manpower that day.

Membership Committee

Would you like to participate in generating ideas for membership? Then I have a committee for you to join! We will meet periodically to discuss how to raise awareness of the Chapter, sign new members and activate current members. Please see me at the General Membership meeting, or email me at Ducla567@aol.com, if you would like to be on this committee.

Jaycees Apparel

You will receive a Jaycees t-shirt and/or hat when you volunteer for your first CD or W&M projects with the chapter. You can earn a sweatshirt by chairing your first project or holding your first board position. At this moment we are out of shirts and very limited supply for sweatshirts. Lynn's Graphics has been contacted to replenish our supply. If you are owed a sweatshirt or T-shirt please contact me so that I can ensure proper sizes available for you. Think ahead to Founders Day, we really want to have you participating that day at some point and making sure all have proper attire.



Website – Bob Gillis – Ongoing

Bob Gillis is doing a wonderful job to keep our website current. Please be sure to send him any pictures or Jaycees-related information you might have for Jaycees events so that he can post them at <http://www.foxborojaycees.org>.

Bob has synced **Meetup** to the website, as events are added to MeetUp they will also appear on the website and you can RSVP from either site. Also, did you know that each post and page from the website can easily be shared on social media, with just a click of a button? Please feel free to share information from the website to social media. This will help spread the word of the wonderful projects that we run.

Networking on Website: There is a special page on the site called Jaycee Networking, this allows members to share any information for your business or services on the website. This is a free perk of being a Foxboro Jaycee Member. (Chapter Bylaws do not permit you to utilize Jaycee information for non-Jaycee purposes, i.e. roster)

CPG on website: keep sending those CPGs to Bob and he will add them to the website archives for future reference. These Chairman Planning Guides are invaluable when used to run a

project. Check out the vast library he has been maintaining for the Chapter.

Jaycee Photographs: if you have any pictures of Jaycees, Jaycee events and would like to share them on the website please forward them to Bob. He will ensure that they are included appropriately.

Be sure to "Like" us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/FoxboroJaycees>) and find us on Meetup.com (<http://www.meetup.com/Foxboro-Jaycees/>) -- you can always find the latest updates at www.foxborojaycees.org. If you are planning on attending posted events, please be so kind to RSVP so that we have accurate headcounts!



U.S. Jaycees Training

If you are looking for some guidance or additional training, feel free to attend one of the upcoming US Jaycees Webinars. Recorded training sessions can be found on their YouTube channel (<http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLsYAnFEwYvBxW177hkqu4wKil2d4PBZnM>)

National training Webinars can be found at <http://www.jci.cc/local/media/usa/18989/2013-January-May-Webinar-Schedule-Released>

New Member Orientations

Join us for a webinar on **May 27, 2015** at 9:00 PM EDT.

Register now!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7419198064373243394>

Join us for a webinar on **Jun 30, 2015** at 10:00 PM EDT.

Register now!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2511244239795130370>

We will discuss the history of our organization, Active Citizenship Framework, how to make positive change in your community and be an active member of our organization.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

As always, please email Laureen with any questions, comments, concerns, project ideas, or to volunteer your services to the Membership Area.

Laureen House
Membership VP
Ducla567@aol.com



Adopt-A-School Day

Join us for a webinar on May 17, 2015 at 5:00 PM EDT.

Register now!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2905692938740476929>

This webinar will provide information about the Adopt-A-School Day program in Hawaii and how your local chapter can implement such a program to make an impact your communities.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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Junior Chamber Youth

Join us for a webinar on May 06, 2015 at 9:00 PM EDT.

Register now!

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3197558299380737537>

Learn about Junior Chamber Youth (JCY) Chapters, the benefits of having one in your community, how to start one, and ideas for planning JCY / Jaycee trainings and projects.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.