



A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

MARCH 2016

Hello Fellow Jaycees!

I know I've said it before, but sometimes I can't believe how fast time is going by. Winter this year has been so strange, but now that it is March, spring is just around the corner. And spring happens to be my favorite season! Hopefully it will mean longer bouts of the warmer weather we have been enjoying off and on the last few months and no more snow!

February was a relatively busy month for the Jaycees despite being the shortest. We raised some money for the chapter with another great Paint Night, chaired by Kelly Condon. A number of Jaycees gathered at Sharon Hall's home to play Scat and had a blast. The very next day a large group of Jaycees and family members travelled to Providence to enjoy a P-Bruins game.

Now that spring is on its way, we have a number of events coming up soon. The **Easter Egg Hunt**, chaired by Helene Savage, will take place on Foxboro Common, Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. Helene is looking for volunteers to help at both the Easter Egg Stuffing Party, Thursday March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm as well as at the event on Saturday. Please let her know if you are planning to help at either event.

I will be hosting a gathering of Jaycees to put together the care packages for troops overseas. We've spent the last few months gathering supplies, so now it is time to get the boxes packed and sent on their way! Please join me at 6pm on March 10<sup>th</sup> to prepare the care packages. I plan to attend the Easter Egg Stuffing party afterward, so if you can do both, please don't hesitate to help out!

\*Before I sign off for the month, I want to remind everyone that the current Board year is quickly coming to an end. As of right now, we are still looking for people to fill all positions on the Board of Directors. If you are interested, please let either me or Lynda Walsh know. We are more than willing to explain what each position does and what their requirements are for the year. \*

Thanks, and I hope to see everyone at the General Membership Meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>!

~Deena~

# Secretary's Report

**Pam Warren**

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## Sunshine –

If anyone wants some sunshine sent, for congratulations or condolences, please contact me (Pam) with the details.

## Meeting Minutes –

Spring is almost here and we are starting to get busy again so there is lots of interesting stuff in the minutes lately - If anyone needs a copy of the minutes from any meeting this year, just ask.

## Inventory – Mike Stewart

As we get into the spring and summer seasons, remember that we have items available to be borrowed for parties and functions – including the large coolers, pop-up tents and more. If you need to borrow anything from inventory – as long as it does not conflict with any official functions – please contact Mike or me to coordinate pick-up and drop off.

## Jaycee of the Month

**Lauren House** – She is always there to help when needed or chair a project, she has volunteered to co-chair Vendor fair again and was all over town as Mrs Claus during the Holiday season. Thanks Lauren for all you do.

## Project of the Month

### **Nativity set Repair – Kathy Brady**

Kathy went above and beyond by repairing and repainting the Nativity set before we set it up this year, making it look (almost) as good as new. Once again working quietly behind the scenes on a highly visible project.

## March Jaycee Anniversaries

William Byrnes – 37 years  
Cheryl Cushman – 24 years  
Monica Fisler – 18 years  
Patricia Kelley – 2 years

## March Birthdays

Patricia Kelley  
Cindy McCann  
Ed Groh  
Tom Whiffen  
Dave Fisler  
Max Loew

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Pam Warren*  
Chapter Secretary

# Individual Development

**Vice President: Andrea Johnstone**

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## GM Meetings and Programs:

Snacks for the March GM will be provided by Steve Strickland. If you have any suggested speakers, please let Andrea know. We will be welcoming our next guest speaker at the March GM; **Colleen Glynn** is the business manager for IATSE Local 11. They employ stagehands at Gillette and Xfinity, and many Boston venues.

## Installation Night – CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Installation night is where we swear in the new board members and celebrate the outgoing board and the year's achievements. Please let me know if you would like to chair this project.

**Trivia Night – Kathy Brady** TBD, 6:30-9pm @ Game7 Sports Bar, 60 Man Mar Drive, Plainville, MA – usually the third Wednesday of the month (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 time and game starts at 7:30.



## Book Club – Dawn Hadley

If you wish to get on the email chain for book club please contact Dawn at [dawn.hadley@state.ma.us](mailto:dawn.hadley@state.ma.us)

**March 3, 2016 - Dawn Hadley** – “Negroland” (\*change\*) Margo Jefferson’s depiction of “her own life and times as a child of the rigid and nearly invisible world of black elites in pre-Civil Rights, mid-century America. By turns, melancholic and hopeful, raw and disarming, she weighs the psychic toll of constructed divisions at the intersection of race/gender, caste and privilege. A moving memoir that is an act of courage in its vulnerability” (Isabel Wilkerson review). Dawn Hadley’s house 27 Elm St #14 Foxboro

## **April 7, 2016 – HOSTESS NEEDED – “Frankenstein”**

Classic April!! We will read Mary Shelley's classic "Frankenstein." Lisa will provide copies of the book.

## **May 5, 2016 – Stephanie O’Neill -"Slaughter House Five"**

By Kurt Vonnegut. Stephanie’s address will be provided to attendees.

**Walking Club** – Lauren House / Lisa Jolicoeur - Saturday mornings, 7:45am @ bike path in Mansfield / Fruit St. Email Lauren House at [ducla567@aol.com](mailto:ducla567@aol.com) for more details.

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

TBD – Please let us know if you are interested in participating in this project. Once we have a number we will determine the location and time.

**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!

**Providence Bruins – Bob Gillis – February 28 – FINAL**

By the time you read this we will have gone and had a blast! 21 people signed up to go.

**How to take better pictures – Derek House**

**Indication of Interest Requested**

Please let Andrea know if you are interested in participating in this project. Once we have a number we will determine the location and time. This will most likely run in April/May once the better weather arrives.



# Ways & Means

**Vice President: Lynda Walsh**

**Director: Pam Warren**

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**Shoe Drive – Dawn Hadley - Ongoing**

If you have slightly worn shoes/sneakers, bring them to the GM and we'll add to our growing collection.

**Notecards – Lynda Walsh**

Notecard packs are still available, you can contact me (Lynda Walsh) or, we have some at the Town Hall (Clerks Office) and at Cindi's Jewelry in the center. Going forward all of the proceeds will be to the chapter. We will be selling the notecards at the upcoming Spring Fair too.

**Spring Fair – Andrea Johnstone & Lauren House – May 14**

Spread the News! The Spring Fair is on May 14.

Lauren and Andrea are looking for committee members to assist with various tasks for the Spring Fair. The committee meeting will be held at Lauren's home on March 24th at 7:00pm. We are looking for people to assist with marketing, raffles, manpower, membership booth and door prizes. If you have vendor contacts please to the information and registration form posted on our website:

[http://www.foxborojaycees.org/pdf/Spring\\_Fair\\_2016\\_registration.pdf](http://www.foxborojaycees.org/pdf/Spring_Fair_2016_registration.pdf)

***Jaycees are asked to please RSVP to Lauren at [ducla567@aol.com](mailto:ducla567@aol.com) if you plan on attending on the 3/24 committee meeting.***

**Founders Day Concessions – Sophia Manos – June 11**

This is a huge fundraising project for our chapter, and needs special attention. If you could mark your calendar for June 11<sup>th</sup> and be sure to come out and work a couple hours, it would be greatly appreciated. Sophia will be looking for your help, even if it's just an hour or so. Thank you Sophia for stepping up!

**Founders Day Glow Light Sales – CHAIRMAN NEEDED – June 11**

We'll be looking for a chairman to coordinate the sales of glow/light up items for the chapter to sell during the Founders Day Fireworks. This is another important project that needs someone that has time to devote to this project, for the ordering of the product, coordinating teams to send out onto the field, and set up the main selling point.

Special thanks to **Kelly Condon**, Paint Night was a great success! Thank you all who participated and brought friends along. Thank you to **Dawn Hadley**, for your continued efforts on the Shoe Drive. Thank you **Sophia Manos** for stepping up to run Founders Day Concessions. Thank you to **Andrea** and **Lauren** for working hard on plans for the upcoming Spring Fair!

If you have any ideas on new fundraising projects, please share with me or Pam.

*Lynda*

# Community Development

Vice President: **Bob Gillis**

Director: **Mike Stewart**

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Greetings and salutations my Jaycee friends! Let's get right to the report!

**Publicity** – I have been seen many people updating their Facebook statuses to say they are attending a Jaycee event including general membership meetings: THANK YOU! Please continue to use social media, regular conversation, and anything you can think of to get the word out about the Foxboro Jaycees. There is no such thing as too much publicity.

## **Treats for troops – Deena Cummings**

### **Thurs March 10 at 6pm at Deena's House**

Deena is planning to box up the first shipment of goodies for our troops at 6pm on March 10 at Deena's house – before the Easter egg stuffing. Should not take more than an hour or so; please let Deena know if you can help.

## **Sparky the fire dog costume – Dave Reid**

Thank you to Dave for continuing to reach out to officials and other organizations to keep this going. The Lion's 50-50 raffle helped toward this endeavor, and the Jaycees are looking for other ways to contribute as well, Lynda Walsh has suggested we might do another note card fundraiser with a firefighter theme. Ideas welcome, more to come.

## **Sand for seniors – Kathy Brady**

I continue to be profoundly grateful to Kathy for taking on this important project. Kathy has reached out to the senior center and to the seniors themselves and continues to quietly drop off buckets of sand and salt to our seniors to make their walk safer.

## **Concerts on the common – Max Loew**

Kudos to the mighty Max who has already booked the majority of the 2016 season! He has posted the acts on the Foxboro Jaycees Facebook page, as we get closer to the season they will be posted along with the full schedule on the Jaycee website as well. Max, this is a huge endeavor, your fifth or sixth year chairing it, one of our most visible projects: thank you SO much for taking this on again!



## **Candidate's night – Bob Gillis & Pam Warren**

### **Thursday, April 14 at 7:00pm**

Each year the Foxboro Jaycees moderate a live televised event at Foxboro cable access for all Foxboro candidates seeking election or reelection. This is the 20<sup>th</sup> or so year we have done this. I have confirmed with FCA that candidate's night will be Thursday, April 14 at 7 PM. Just like last year, Pam and I are splitting up duties on this project –Because I live in town, I will send out the letters to all the candidates and Pam will follow up with them to see who RSVPs. We write the script together, and Pam will be moderating the event again while I stay happily and safely BEHIND the camera where I am most comfortable!

## **Easter Egg Stuffing– Helene Savage**

### **Thursday March 10 - Helene's House at 7:30pm**

Please let Helene know if you can help.



## **Easter Egg Hunt – Helene Savage**

### **Sat. March 12 – Foxboro Common – 8:30am set-up**

We need a lot of help at 830am to spread out 2500 plastic eggs across Foxboro common. Please let Helene know if you can help. The hunt is scheduled to begin at 9:30am. Check out the website for everything you need to know:

<http://www.foxborojaycees.org/?p=25858>

*I would like to thank Helene VERY much for chairing this highly visible an important event, and also sincerely thank Devlyn House for once again being our Easter Bunny! Hope to see you there!*

## **Founders Day Parade – CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

It can be a float or just a gathering of Jaycees together to march and pass out candy. Please let me know if interested. It is so very important for our Jaycee organization that we have a strong presence in the parade. Whether we have a float, or more likely are marching carrying our banner, I am asking YOU – you are reading this – to participate! It's a very nice walk, people cheer you the whole way, and I want the blue wave out in full force on Founders Day!

That's all for now friends, see you at the Easter egg and at the GM!

Bob

# Membership

**Vice President: *Laureen House***

**Director: *Open - Please consider volunteering***

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The Chapter year is coming to a close which means elections for new board members. If you are at all interested in working to grow and activate our membership now is the time to speak up. I am willing to assist in anyway, including being your Director for the year to help you along. Please feel free to reach out to myself should you have any questions concerning this position or the future of the Chapter.

## **Who's Who – CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

This is a project that helps us learn a little more about our fellow members. You would conduct a quick interview with a newer member and then produce a write up about that conversation. Easy as pie! Put your writing skills to work and introduce a newer member to the Chapter.

## **Membership Incentive**

For every name you provide to me for a potential member you will receive an entry into a raffle for a Jaycee Coffee mug. If that member joins the Chapter, you will receive an additional entry for the raffle.

## **New Members Orientation – April 13, 2016 6:30pm**

**Bob Gillis, Chairman**

This is for new and perspective members, designed to educate you on the inner workings of the Chapter. If you have not yet been to one, this is recommended. Please mark your calendars now.

## **Membership Committee – March 16 at 7:00pm**

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](mailto:Ducla567@aol.com), if you would like to be on this committee. The next meeting will be held at my home on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm. We will be discussing the future of the Chapter based on recruitment and activation. The BOD has been asked to participate in this meeting. Currently we have 21 regular and 61 associate members. We need to recruit more members between the ages of 18 and 41. As well as activate this age group. As of now we have no associate members stepping up to be on the BOD for the coming year, with an exception of Deena Cummings. We need your help, please contact Laureen and sign on to assist.

## **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. If you are owed a sweatshirt or T-shirt please contact me so that I can ensure proper sizes are available for you. Orders are going in after the next GM. We need to make sure that members have shirts for the Spring Fair and Founders day. Please contact Laureen if you need a shirt so that we have the correct sizes. Children size large will be ordered as well. If you have any child size shirt that your child has out grown please recycle said shirt with Laureen. This way members with younger children will have shirts.

## **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.



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and find us on Meetup.com



(<http://www.meetup.com/Foxboro-Jaycees/>) --  
you can always find the latest updates at

[www.foxborojaycees.org](http://www.foxborojaycees.org). If you are planning on attending posted events, please be so kind to RSVP so that we have accurate headcounts!

**US Jaycees Training Available:** 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>

#### **Nothing But Nets**

Join us for a webinar on Mar 22, 2016 at 8:00 PM CDT.

#### **Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5693171525137985281>

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

#### **Recruiting 101/Engaging members/Activation of members**

Join us for a webinar on Mar 23, 2016 at 8:00 PM CDT.

#### **Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8110894240149128705>

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

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

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