



# Wise Fox

*A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees*

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## *A message from the President....*

Hello, Foxboro Jaycees!

June is here so that means it is time to get busy!

The first thing we need to do is get our budget approved. The Board of Directors has been working hard the last month to ensure we have a solid plan for our finances. Please come out to the General Membership Meeting if you want to see what the Board has come up with for the year. The GM is Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

Next up is the start to our Summer Concert Series! Max Loew has worked hard to put together a fantastic list of bands for the next few months. Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup> on Foxboro Common will be the start to the **Concerts on the Common**, beginning with the Foxboro High School Jazz Band. We hope to see you all there!

And then comes **Founder's Day**! This is the biggest fundraising day for the Foxboro Jaycees, and will be on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. The Jaycees will be running a number of projects, so please consider helping at any of the day's events. Sophia Manos and Pam Warren will be handling **Founder's Day Concessions**. Julie Grant has graciously agreed to lead our group in the **Founder's Day Parade** this year. And Stephen Strickland has taken on **Founder's Day Glow Items** a second year in a row. Lynda Walsh is handling **Manpower** for Founder's Day. If you haven't responded to her email invite through Sign Up Genius, make sure you do. We need all the help we can get that day! We are so grateful for all our chair-people's hard work to ensure these projects run smoothly!

I hope to see everyone at as many of the upcoming projects and events as possible!

Thanks!  
Deena

# *Secretary's Report*

Secretary: Pam Warren

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Welcome to summer, my fellow Jaycees

With this season comes a large number of our big projects – if anyone would like to check minutes to see what was discussed about a specific project, e-mail me at [locgazette@yahoo.com](mailto:locgazette@yahoo.com) and I will get you the information.

## ***Inventory Coordinator – Mike Stewart***

The Summer season can also mean backyard barbecues and other outdoor events. We have an inventory of coolers, tents and lots of other items that can be borrowed by active members. Contact Mike or me to arrange pick-up from Storage (as long as the dates do not coincide with a chapter event)

## ***June Anniversaries***

Fred Badger – 1986

Laura Franc – 2015

Paul Howard – 1979

## ***Wise Fox–Sandy Emery***

Please contact Sandy at [semery29@comcast.net](mailto:semery29@comcast.net) if you have anything that you would like placed in the Wise Fox.



Paul O'Sullivan  
Patty Reid  
Cheri Plumer  
Jennifer Hesford  
Andrea Johnstone  
Maria Montanez

**Be sure to wish them a Happy Birthday!!!**

# Individual Development

**Vice President: Andrea Johnstone**

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**GM Meetings and Programs:** Snacks for the June GM to be provided by Kelly Condon

**Founders Day work Party – June 11, 2016 Lynda Walsh.** Looking to have a small cook out after the field events for the workers to relax before heading back to the field for the fireworks



## **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)

June 9th at Dawn's House: Le Ly Hayslip's "When Heaven and Earth Changed Places," a "1989 memoir about [Hayslip's] childhood during the Vietnam War, her escape to the United States, and her return 16 years later"(Amazon).

September 1, 2016 at Lisa's House: Jeannette Walls' "The Glass Castle," a memoir of "resilience and redemption, and a revelatory look into a family at once deeply dysfunctional and uniquely vibrant. When sober, Jeannette's brilliant and charismatic father captured his children's imagination, teaching them physics, geology, and how to embrace life fearlessly. But when he drank, he was dishonest and destructive. Her mother was a greedy spirit who abhorred the idea of domesticity and didn't want the responsibility of raising a family. The Walls children learned to take care of themselves" (Barnes and Noble)

October 6, 2016: Emily St. John Mandel's "Station Eleven," the 2015 Arthur C. Clarke Award winning science fiction set in the Great Lakes region after a fictional swine flu pandemic, known as the 'George Flu,' has devastated the world. The novel focuses on the ability of the humans to find meaning through art and literature twenty years after the epidemic.

The Book Club will not meet during July and August.

**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.

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

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***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!

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

# Community Development

**Vice President: Bob Gillis**

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Jaycee friends, we're at that time of the year when the standard response is, "Because Founders Day." Everything else gets pushed aside because it's all hands on deck! The town's day-long birthday celebration (SATURDAY JUNE 11 THIS YEAR) is also the Jaycee's biggest one day fund-raiser – we need funds to make everything else we do possible. Please, PLEASE when you get the call/email say YES and come help with concessions, sell glow items, help set up, help take down... YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

**Publicity** - Please use social media as much as possible to let folks know you're attending Jaycee events, such as Founders Day, and share upcoming events. Also, any ideas to help publicize the chapter are welcome. You could, for example, post a picture of yourself helping the Jaycees on Booth Field on Founders Day on Facebook or Instagram.

**Treats for Troops – Deena Cummings** – ongoing, and because Founders Day.

**Sparky The Fire Dog Costume – Dave Reid** - Sparky the fire dog is in the market for a new suit; there is a community effort underway to buy him a new costume and he strolled the Common the day of the vendor fair to say hi - -he definitely needs some new threads (as they said in the dark ages when I was a kid). The Lions have already held a fundraiser for Sparky, and the Jaycees are selling Foxboro themed note cards and \$10 Sparky stuffed animals to raise funds for the new costume. Both cards and stuffed animals are available on Founders Day, where your help is needed.

**Concerts on the Common – Max Loew** -- Since 1991, the Foxboro Jaycees proudly present their FREE Summer Concerts on the Common series! 2016 Schedule begins two days before Founders Day (where your help is needed)... Join us Thursday evenings throughout the summer from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. All concerts are free to the public. FHS Jazz Ensemble Thu Jun 9 / Keytar Bear Thu Jun 16 / Ultimate Soul Band Thu Jun 23 / Victims of Gravity Thu Jun 30 / I'm No Hero Thu Jul 14 / The Gobshites Thu Jul 21 / Aquanutz Thu Jul 28 / Nate Watkins Thu Aug 4 / Mieka Pauley Thu Aug 11

**Founder's Day Parade – Julie Grant** – **THANK YOU** to the awesome Julie Grant for chairing this event! Julie has arranged for a horse-drawn wagon and Pam Warren will be adding flowers to the wagon! Seamus the pony will be back as well! We need LOTS of Jaycees to march alongside the wagon and hand out candy to the kids. All Jaycees and their families are VERY welcome to walk – we get cheers, it's really cool.

**National Night Out – Sophia Manos** - Tue. August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Much more about this next month, because Founders Day.

Finally, not a Jaycee project but the Foxboro Farm stand will open Saturday, July 9 for the 2016 summer season. **Please consider volunteering!** They have been active since the early 1990s and all profits from the Farm stand go to the Foxboro Discretionary Fund to help with the food pantry and school lunch programs, along with providing produce coupons to those who may need them. The Farm stand hours are Mondays-Saturdays 10am-6pm, Sundays 12pm-6pm. Please contact Laurie Bubencik at [lbubencik@comcast.net](mailto:lbubencik@comcast.net) or 508-543-0528 for more information or to volunteer. Again, they open July 9, which is a month after Founders Day, where your help is needed.

**MEMORIAL DAY CROSSES:** You may have noticed that 29 crosses appeared on Foxboro Common at sunset before Memorial Day. These twenty-nine crosses – each one with the name of a Foxboro resident who gave their life for this country while serving in the military, is placed at the foot of Foxboro common each Memorial Day. The 29 names begin in World War I and end with Viet Nam. The beautiful metal crosses were created by the late Cliff Curry, a master craftsman whose expertise in metalwork was well known.

After Cliff died, Tom Sawran took over the privilege, ensuring that the crosses were placed each Memorial day. Tom created a custom-fitting base for the crosses to perfectly fit on the iconic Foxboro Common fence.

With Tom's passing in 2013, the Foxboro Jaycees have assumed responsibility for the memorial, and each year, on the Sunday night before Memorial Day, with no fanfare, they quietly affix the memorial to the Common fence, to ensure that these 29 Foxboro heroes are always remembered.

Thank you Kathy and Lynda for taking such good care of this very important task.

See you on Founders Day.  
Bob

# Way\$ and Mean\$

**Vice President: Lynda Walsh**

**Director: Pam Warren**

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## **Shoe Drive – Dawn Hadley - Ongoing**

Dawn continues to accept slightly used shoes and sneakers that will be refurbished and sent to folks in need. The chapter gets so much per pound and people that can't afford can get the shoes they need. This has been very beneficial to our coffers, raising money for the chapter. Thank you so much Dawn for continuing and all the folks who have donated, please keep it up.

## **Concerts on the Common Concessions – Heather Loew**

In order to raise additional money for the concerts, the Jaycees have a concession stand at every concert. This year Heather has stepped up to chair the concessions and team up with her husband Max, who is running the Concerts. Heather would like folks to take a week and help her out by manning the stand, so if you're going to be there to enjoy the concert, why not step in to help Heather and the chapter out. Really not that difficult, Heather will have the items there, all you need to do is sell, sell, sell. We're talking candy, soda, waters, all of which folks are going to want while enjoying the show. So, please reach out to Heather and let her know which Thursday you can help.

## **Concerts Fundraising – Max Loew**

Max has been able to get a few donations/sponsorships. Please, if you know a company that would like to sponsor one of our concerts, let Max know. In return for their \$500.00 sponsorship, they will receive free publicity on our website, they will be able to set up a table the night of the concert, hang their banner on the bandstand, and become part of that night's festivities.

## **FOUNDERS DAY, JUNE 11<sup>th</sup>, ALL HANDS ON DECK!**

This is the largest fundraising day for the Jaycees. We'll have a few projects going on at the field from early morning till late into the nights. We'll need all hands on deck for the day in order for us to be successful. Remember that all the money we raise, goes to fund our Community Development Projects, etc. You should have received an email asking you to sign up for shifts, please do so.

7-9 am We need folks to meet us at the inventory building and gather up all the items needed for the day, so if you're an early riser and have a vehicle to help, please let Pam Warren know.

If you have a special job you like to do at concessions, please contact Sophia Manos or Pam Warren, so they can expect you during your allotted time.

We will also be selling Notecards and taking donations for the Sparky Outfit. If you'd like to get away from the hustle/bustle of concessions and help me out selling the cards, let me know.

3-4 pm We'll be needing folks to help clean-up and pack-up the items used during the day and get them back to the inventory building.

We need all our Jaycees back on the field at 6:00 to start selling our light-up items for the fireworks. Please think about giving a couple hours of your time to help Steve Strickland out selling the items. We promise to be all done, and have you back at your blanket with your family before the first boom of the fireworks goes off.

Wishing all project Chairmen good luck on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, and thank you for stepping up!



# Membership

**Vice President: Laureen House    Director: Kelly Congdon**

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Looking forward to seeing you all at the June GM, I have new Foxboro Jaycee keepsake for all that attend the meeting!

Come check it out, meet our new members, bring a potential member and get involved with the upcoming projects!

## ***Who's Who – Stephanie O'Neil***

This is a project that helps us learn a little more about our fellow members. Stephanie will have a quick conversation with a member of the Chapter and write about what she has learned about this person. Make sure you check it out in the Wise Fox each month.

***Membership Committee*** - The Membership committee will meet again TBA. Currently the committee consists of Sandy Daniels, Dave Fidler, Deena Cummings, Kathy Brady and Lisa Jolicouer. Anyone is welcome to this meeting, please RSVP to Laureen. The topic of the night will be Recruitment.

It is imperative to the continuation of the Foxboro Jaycees as a viable Chapter to recruit and activate regular members from the ages of 18 to 41. We have on paper 84 members, 62 of them Associates, 22 regular members. This year we were lucky enough to add to the BOD 2 new regular members, Kelly Condon and Kevin Bean. Kelly has been a member for just about a year, and Kevin just signed on in April, but he is jumping right in. We need the ideas, support and manpower of each Chapter Member to get involved with the various Membership activities, especially recruitment. We all love this Chapter, so let's all spread the word and help others to experience the Foxboro Jaycees.

## ***Welcome Booth Upgrade – Chairman Monica Rigamonti***

Formerly referred to as the Membership Booth, but it is so much more. Monica did an excellent job of creating a wonderful display for us! Thanks Monica for taking on this task.

***Membership Information Table - Election Day, May 4<sup>th</sup> – Laureen House – Chairman*** – I would like to thank the following individuals for providing manpower for this event; Paul Lanza, Lisa Jolicouer, Kristen Nicholson and Bob Gillis. We did not get any membership leads, but we were visible to the Community.

***Spring Fair, May 14<sup>th</sup>*** – Monica Rigamonti, thank you for all you did to make the table welcoming and speaking with prospective members. We had 3 people inquire about becoming members.

***Founder's Day Welcome Booth June 11<sup>th</sup> – Kelly Condon, Chairman*** – Kelly will be holding the free raffle for prospective New Members on Founders Day. Bring by your friends, neighbors and relatives so that they can enter the raffle.

***Concerts on the Common Welcome Booth, Thursdays June – August – Kristen Nicholson, Chairman*** – at the June GM Kristen will be sending around a sign-up sheet, asking for Volunteers to Welcome residents to the Concerts, provide information about the Jaycees and have some kind of small token for the kids. Please help Kristen make this a success and volunteer for a night.



**National Night Out Welcome Booth, Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> – Stephanie O’Neil, Chairman.**

**Call Committee –CHAIRMAN NEEDED** -This committee is being formed to assist the Chairmen of the Month’s projects to complete phone calls to members for assistance with the projects or reminders of the events. Please speak to Laureen for more details and concept of the committee

**Recruitment Week – Kelly Condon, Chairman** This committee is being formed to organize and complete a recruitment week. Ideally this would be great to have happen prior to Founder’s day. Please speak to Kelly for more details and concept of the project.

### **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 will assist members with younger children to have shirts.

**Jaycees Lanyards- Laureen House, Chairman** - The membership committee came up with the idea of purchasing lanyards for both the Jaycee members and non-member volunteers. The idea is so that each member participating with a Project, especially one in Public, you will have a name badge. Volunteers will receive lanyards as well, to be returned after the event for which they are volunteering. Repeat volunteers, i.e. Jordan, Devlyn, Meagan, Caitlin and Emma, will receive one which they may keep.

### **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](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>

### **Active Citizen Framework**

Join us for a webinar on May 31, 2016 at 8:00 PM CDT.

**Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5176968408083350017>

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

### **Adopt a School and JCY**

Join us for a webinar on Jun 10, 2016 at 7:00 PM CDT.

**Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4428350523149149441>

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

### **Chapter sponsorship: membership and money**

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

**Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4681562553092592897>

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

### **Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and Go Kickball**

Join us for a webinar on Jun 28, 2016 at 8:00 PM CDT.

**Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6160683869268590081>

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

### **92nd Street Y Ben Franklin Circles**

Join us for a webinar on Jun 29, 2016 at 8:00 PM CDT.

**Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7305261182781302273>

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

### **UNICEF End Human Trafficking**

Join us for a webinar on Jul 26, 2016 at 7:00 PM CDT.

**Register now!**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3450699970043641091>

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.

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PS- check out our new prospective members!

