



Wise Fox

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A message from the President....

Hello Fellow Jaycees!

I am greatly saddened that the summer has flown by and September is here already. Dark and cool mornings have arrived and the sun sets far too early! I am not ready for the fall despite the return of football. (We all should know that football makes everything better.) Although, for you Pumpkin Spice fans, your fall coffee choice is back! And I am sure all our members who are teachers or students are excited to be back to school. ☺

With the advent of September, we have a few important projects to take part in. Lisa Jolicouer has once again graciously taken on the task of coordinating Manpower for the **McGinty Family Fun Day** event taking place on September 10th. Please try to take part, either as a participant at the event or as a member of our manpower team. Your support for this great event is appreciated.

Bob Gillis and Lynda Walsh have once again ensured that Foxboro will remember the anniversary of the terrorist attacks on September 11th, 2001 with a candlelight vigil on the Common. The 15th anniversary memorial will be held at 7pm on 9/11/16.

We are also going to bring back the **Pine Street Inn Cereal Drive**. We ran this project last year and it was a huge success. Please consider chairing this project so we can help members of our greater community area. If you are interested, please contact Bob Gillis.

Please join me in welcoming our newest member, Mary Suttie Sorenson. She was sworn in to the chapter during our August General Membership Meeting. We are excited she has decided to join us in making a difference in our community!

And finally, now that September is here, it is time to start thinking about chairing one of our many upcoming holiday projects. That busy time of the year is coming fast and the list of projects will be on the agenda next month, so stay tuned!

I hope to see everyone at the General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, September 14th.

Thanks,
~Deena~

Individual Development

Vice President: Andrea Johnstone

GM Meetings and Programs: Snacks for the September GM to be provided by Bob Gillis who is looking for someone to fill in for him as he is going to Bruce Springsteen that night



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

Join us on 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 free 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).

Join us on 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.

Watch for Book Club announcements for future meetings and RSVP that you would like to join us! We have great conversations about a range of topics and enjoy each other's company once a month! :)

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 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!

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.



WHOS WHO

Hello fellow Jaycees! This month's featured Jaycee is our Wise Fox editor Sandy Emery.

Sandy is originally from Buffalo, NY. She came to Foxboro for a job where she met her husband Mark. She has been living in town for 37 years. Sandy is currently a Quality Manager at a plating shop in Norwood. She and her husband have two grown children - one who lives in Foxboro and one in Daytona Beach. They also have two grandchildren. Sandy really enjoys camping. She usually spends her summer weekends camping down in Plymouth, along with a couple of additional camping trips.

Sandy first learned of the Jaycees at the Founder's Day Membership Booth. She dove right in and was on the e-board her first year. Sandy says the accomplishment she is most proud of since joining the Jaycees is when she became the Keyman in 2006. She says she hasn't typically taken on big projects but has done a variety of things for the chapter, such as serve as treasurer and Wise Fox editor. One project she has always enjoyed running is the Progressive Dinner, as it brings together old and new members of the chapter. One thing she's found most enjoyable about the Jaycees is that it's a great outlet for meeting people. The Jaycees have also introduced Sandy to other ways to get involved in Foxboro. She was the Jaycees' liaison from the board for Founder's Day, which led her to ultimately running the Founder's Day Parade for over 10 years.

Sandy has also been my neighbor for the past three years and I just met her during our Who's Who interview! It was great chatting with her about the Jaycees!

MEMBER NEWS:

Bill Byrnes finishes 33 years of running at least two miles a day...every day without fail (outside).... and starts year 34 !

That's 12,054 days (including 9 Leap Years)

Congratulations Bill!!

Community Development

Vice President: Bob Gillis

Publicity - I would like to thank Dave Reid and all the other people who are updating Facebook and other social media when they attend JC events. It really helps get the word out about us.

Treats for Troops – Deena Cummings – Deena would be very grateful if someone would take over this project; we want to send out another box of goodies to our soldiers in Afghanistan before the end of the year.

Sparky The Fire Dog Costume – Dave Reid - we collected money at the concerts for Sparky, and Lynda arranged for a \$500 grant from the state Jaycee trust, also for Sparky. This is an ongoing project and we are grateful for everyone's help.

Concerts on the Common – Max Loew -- the summer concert season ran like clockwork; no show was rained out, and for the most part we got good numbers of people for the shows. We ran an ad in the Foxboro reporter thanking the bands, the sponsors, the community, and Foxboro cable access for all they do to make the shows possible. I am tremendously grateful to Max for booking such a great variety of musical acts, and to everyone who helped make the shows possible including setup and breakdown.

Founder's Day Parade – Julie Grant –I cannot express enough appreciation to Julie Grant for taking this on. Thanks to Julie, not only did we have a horse-drawn wagon float in the parade, but Julie brought another friend and pony, and also we had Bob Webster and Caitlin Savage taking care of Shamus the pony, and Julie rode one of her horses with Penny on side saddle as usual! To hear the cheers as the Jaycees went by – and there were about 20 of us – was an incredible feeling. Thank you so much Julie for everything! Also, a special thanks to Helene Savage for once again picking up the candy that we throw to the kids!

National Night Out – Sophia Manos - no lightning or tornadoes to cancel the event this year – a PERFECT evening weather-wise, the Foxboro Police Department and Sophia did in AWESOME job organizing and running this critically important event. The kids had a great time, Pat patriot led everyone in the glow stick parade, we all signed a large poster board thanking the police and fire Department for all they do, personal best put on an impressive demonstration of their martial arts skills, and much information was presented about drug awareness, self-defense, and crime prevention. Also, it is so important to emphasize the strong connection and respect and appreciation this community has for its police department. The night when perfectly – Sophia, a job very well done! And thank you to all Jaycees who participated and assisted in the event as well.

Cereal collection for Pine Street Inn- CHAIRMAN NEEDED. A great project for a new member! Last year, Jen, Deena and Andrea's sister, worked with the Jaycees and gathered a tremendous amount of breakfast cereal to be donated to the Pine Street inn. We want to do this again, it is a very easy project to run, everyone buys breakfast cereal and it's an easy thing to ask people to simply grab an additional box of breakfast cereal to donate. Please see me if you're interested in chairing this project.

Finally, and most importantly, we hope you will attend two important September 11 events this month:

12th Annual Family Fun Day to benefit the Michael G McGinty Scholarship Foundation

Saturday September 10, 2016 - While not a Jaycee project we are always honored to remind you to attend the Annual Family Fun Day to benefit the Michael G McGinty Scholarship Foundation. Mike McGinty was a Foxboro resident and beloved husband and father who died in the World Trade Center on 9/11. The McGinty Scholarship recognizes local high school graduates who are as committed to serving the community as Michael was. All day Saturday! \$5 per person includes Moonwalk Inflatables, Caricatures, Crafts, Selfie Station, Play Dough Station, Games, PBK Demo, Prizes, Balloon Art, and Live Music by Thirty Six Red, Face Painting, Temp Tattoos, and more! Food by donation. Raffles tickets for purchase. Raffles close at 3, Location: Foxboro Common

September 11, 2016: Jaycees candlelight memorial as we remember the 15th anniversary of 9/11/2001, Foxboro Common, 7PM-8PM – Lynda Walsh and Bob Gillis - The Foxboro Jaycees invite you to a candlelight memorial on September 11, 2016 to remember the events of 9/11/2001. As with the candlelight vigils we held on the first and fifth and tenth anniversaries of 9/11, there is no official program or schedule; Cindy McGinty will speak this year, we will have the National Anthem, and then we leave it to you to choose how to spend this time. Stay the entire hour, or only a few minutes. FCA is covering the event. Talk to each other, say a prayer or have a good thought, whatever brings you comfort. For the kids we have pinwheels and glow sticks, for the adults we have candles. We'll play appropriate music, and on the projected screen, and on your TVs at home, you will see the list of names scrolling by. We once again take comfort in being together, as a community, to find strength in numbers, and take a few moments to remember the 3000 innocent souls we lost, and what happened to us, on September 11, two thousand and one.

Peace,
Bob

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Vice President: Lynda Walsh

Director: Pam Warren

Shoe Drive – Dawn Hadley - Ongoing

This project has continued for the past few years, and has become one of our ongoing projects. Dawn has done a fantastic job at bringing in new revenue to our coffers. Please consider donating slightly used shoes and sneakers to the cause. The shoes/sneakers are refurbished and sent out to folks in need and each pound of shoes we send is worth \$\$ in our budget. If you have any footwear you're considering throwing away, please bring them to our September GM or give Dawn a call.

Note Cards – Lynda Walsh

We will be selling notecards at the upcoming McGinty Day as well as during our 911 15 Year Memorial. Feel free to give me a call if you're looking to purchase them.

Community Fundraiser – Lynda Walsh

Sparky will be at the McGinty Fun Day and looking for donations. We will also have the mini Dalmatians available for anyone who donates more than \$10.00.

Paint Night – Chairman Needed

Back by popular demand and I'm looking for someone to chair this event. Fairly easy project, but very important fundraiser for the chapter. Basically, you get in touch with our Jaycee friend who runs these for us, pick a date that works for all, collect the money, paint a beautiful picture and have fun doing it. We open this up to the public as well as Jaycees, so it makes it a real fun event for folks to join in and possibly show some interest in joining us. If you're interested, feel free to give me a buzz or email me.

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

Membership

Vice President: Lauren House Director: Kelly Congdon

New Member Incentive- Lauren House

There is a new incentive for those of you referring new members to the Chapter. If you provide contact information /bring a prospective member to an event you will receive an entry into a monthly drawing for a \$10 Dunkin Donuts Gift Certificate.

Who wouldn't want someone to pay for their iced coffee/Coolatta/donut? Any prospective new member is eligible regardless of age, although keep in mind we need those 18-40 year olds especially!

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 Fisler, Deena Cummings, Kathy Brady and Lisa Jolicouer. Anyone is welcome to this meeting, please RSVP to Lauren. 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 78 members, 62 of them Associates, **16 regular members**. We all love this Chapter, so let's all spread the word and help others to experience the Foxboro Jaycees.

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. Please contact Lauren 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 Lauren. This will assist members with younger children to have shirts.

Jaycees Lanyards- Lauren 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. Lauren has purchased name cards to go in the lanyards name card holder. If you have already received a Lanyard and would like a name card please see Lauren at the meeting.

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!

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