Wise Fox – corrected Community Development Report April, 2017

Community Development April, 2017 Outgoing VP: Bob Gillis, Incoming VP Sophia Manos

Jaycee friends,

It has been an honor serving as CDVP these past two years; I believe I will serving on the board next year as a mentor / director as needed position; I am happy to do so.

First, I am so happy to say that Sophia has stepped up to be CDVP. The incoming board, for the first time in years, has "new blood" and folks who have not been on the board before. My one piece of advice; tradition is important but the chapter is LONG past the "But that's the way we have always done it" years of the 1990s and 2000s. If you have NEW ideas, we WELCOME them! And also, if you need help, if you have a question, email! Pick up the phone! We're happy to assist!

Begin report thingy:

Candidates Night (Sophia) will be Thursday April 20 at FCA at 7. Invitations have gone out, responses will be tallied, and the script will come together. Sophia is also moderating the event that night. This is a very important project and it's SO appreciated.

Sand for Seniors (Sophia) – With full understanding that we have gotten snow in May, I think we can call this one complete and I have to offer my profound thanks to Sophia for taking this one on.

Concerts on the Common: Mighty Max has the eight shows scheduled and they are listed on the web site and our FB page; I will add them to Meetup along with band profiles as we get closer. Thank you again Max!

Easter Egg Hunt (Monica Fisler) will be Saturday April 8 at 10am sharp. We will again place over 2500 eggs on the common and offer free picture downloads of pictures with our Bunny. Many thanks to new Membership VP Devlyn House who will once again play the Easter Bunny. Monica will let us know when the egg stuffing will be.

I love Cadbury Easter Eggs. That has nothing to do with anything; just wanted to see if you're actually reading this.

Founders Day Parade: (CHAIRMAN NEEDED). The Jaycees walking in the parade and handing out candy is perfectly fine, and we absolutely understand that the days of two dozen Jaycees working on a float have passed. BUT – this year's theme is "The History of Foxboro" and on June 10 it would be great if the Jaycees could do MORE than just march. We have available a horse drawn carriage (speak to Lynda Walsh for more info) and since the Jaycees have been integral to the Town and its history for 55+ years AND predate Founders Day itself, it would be wonderful to get a chairman who could gather some folks together and do something memorable, even decorating that wagon. Please speak with Sophia if interested.

Treats for troops – Sophia – ongoing.

As I step down as a VP (again) -- please allow me to say sincerely -- Deena Cummings, you absolutely ROCK as president. No one has ever been president two years in a row. We appreciate EVERYTHING you have done for this chapter and community, your leadership, sense of humor, and especially your service to the country. THANK YOU and God bless you my friend!

Lastly, whether I'm on the board next year or mentoring, I ask the new board and ALL members to keep me appraised at robertxgillis@aol.com of all Jaycee events ASAP so I can get them on the web site and on FaceBook.

I wish the new board every success and will continue to be an active member of this awesome Jaycee family.

Peace! Bob