



Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees – September 2017

President's BLURB!

Happy September Foxboro Jaycees!

I'm so very proud of our chapter for stepping up and answering the call from our community to Stand United Against Hate! The event was inspiring, as were the Jaycees who volunteered; it helped to build a stronger community and laid the foundation for an entirely new and needed initiative to address the issue of diversity in Foxboro. The issue has been diminished, a taboo, but recent incidents in our community provided the spark that brought light to the issue. We have many members and potential community partners committed to keeping the fire burning and continue organizing events to promote tolerance, peace, and diversity in Foxboro. Please attend the New Member Social and September General Membership meeting, as Tabitha Gaston (who bravely posted about the incident with her family on Facebook which ignited the community to action) will be speaking to us about what we can do to further this cause. Father Ed may also be there to contribute to the conversation. Major kudos to Lynda Walsh for putting together the event in a matter of days, for advocating for the Jaycees with the Board of Selectman, and executing a wonderful program! Thank you to all those who attended the Selectman meeting in our Jaycee t-shirts, it was a powerful and significant showing of our passionate chapter! Kudos for National Night Out, another community building event that was very successful! Concerts on the Common has wrapped up after another fun season! Great work everyone!



Coming up:

McGinty Family Fun Day on September 9th, 11:30a-3:30p on the common! Enjoy an event for the whole family to support a scholarship fund in honor of Mike McGinty who was lost 15 years ago on 9/11. Please come show your support, wear your t-shirt, volunteer for a shift. Contact Lisa Jolicoeur for information!

New Member Social and General Membership Meeting on September 13, Social 6:00p-7:30p/GM 7:30-9:00p; South Foxboro Community Center. Join us for a cookout as we welcome new members that have joined in the past year, mingle with Jaycee Senators who will join in the comradery. Guests are welcome as always! This is a great meeting to bring prospective member to, as we will have a guest speaker (or two) at the meeting as well.

Fall Craft and Vendor Fair October 21, 9:00a-2:00p on the common. Contact Deena Cummings to volunteer for the many opportunities to get involved! We need **ALL HANDS ON DECK!** This is our first Fall fair and has the potential to be just as lucrative for the chapter as the Spring Fair if we have the same effort put forth. See you there!

With great pride and admiration of an inspiring membership,

Mary

September Secretary's Report

Minutes from Last Month's GM- Accepted

Contact Jeanne Suttie Christian if you would like a copy.

Sunshine – If anyone wants some Sunshine sent – for good or bad occasions – contact Jeanne Suttie Christian with the details at sweetjeans20@comcast.net

Inventory Coordinator – Jeanne Suttie Christian

Please 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 me to coordinate pick-up and drop off.

Wise Fox--- Pam Warren

Thank you, Pam for compiling our monthly newsletter – You are greatly appreciated! If you have anything that needs to get in to the Wise Fox please contact Pam Warren.

Class offering - How to write a CPG

This Class will be offered when we have at least 5 people interested in taking the class. Please call Jeanne Suttie Christian at 978-866-4327 with your interest.

Congratulations to our August Award winners:

Jaycee of the Month – Bob Gillis for the fantastic Web Site overhaul
Project of the Month – Trivia Night for the Win!



September Birthdays:

Kristyn Britton
Mellyssa Coutinho
Fred George
DJ Jolicoeur
Sophia Manos
Helen Savage
Mike Savage



September Jaycee Anniversaries:

Bob Hickey – 1993
Malinda Vance -2014

Yours in Jaycees,
Jeanne Suttie Christian
Chapter Secretary

Individual Development

GM Meetings and Programs: Our September Meeting will begin at 6 with a New Member Social and Barbecue.

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 – Lisa Jolicoeur if you wish to get on the email chain for book club please contact Lisa at lisajolicoeu@gmail.com

Summer Reading & Book Club Updates/Reminders

What's on *your* summer reading list?? We are interested and hope you'll share your favorite summer reads when we meet on October 5th to kick off the fall book club meetings! Save the date! Book Club Meeting! Everyone is welcome!

These are some of the favorite titles we picked to read this summer. Perhaps you are reading one?

"News of the World" by Paulette Jiles (From the Publisher: It is 1870 and Captain Jefferson Kyle Kidd travels through northern Texas, giving live readings to paying audiences hungry for news of the world. An elderly widower who has lived through three wars and fought in two of them, the captain enjoys his rootless, solitary existence.)

In Wichita Falls, he is offered a \$50 gold piece to deliver a young orphan to her relatives in San Antonio. Four years earlier, a band of Kiowa raiders killed Johanna's parents and sister; sparing the little girl, they raised her as one of their own. Recently rescued by the U.S. army, the ten-year-old has once again been torn away from the only home she knows.



"Gentleman in Moscow" by Amor Towles (From the Publisher: A *Gentleman in Moscow* immerses us in another elegantly drawn era with the story of Count Alexander Rostov. When, in 1922, he is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, the count is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the

most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him a doorway into a much larger world of emotional discovery.

Brimming with humor, a glittering cast of characters, and one beautifully rendered scene after another, this singular novel casts a spell as it relates the count's endeavor to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a man of purpose.)

"Belgravia" By Julian Fellowes (writer of *Downton Abbey*): (From the Website: It's the eve of the Battle of Waterloo, 15th June 1815. The Duchess of Richmond throws a magnificent ball in Brussels for the Duke of Wellington. The guests include James and Anne Trenchard, who have made their money in trade. Their beautiful daughter Sophia has caught the eye of Edmund Bellasis, the son and heir of one of Britain's most prominent families. Twenty-five years later, when the two families are settled in the newly developed area of Belgravia, the events of the ball still resonate. Because behind Belgravia's magnificent doors is a world of secrets, gossip and intrigue...

"Underground Railroad" Colson Whitehead (From the Publisher: Winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, the #1 *New York Times* bestseller from Colson Whitehead, a magnificent tour de force chronicling a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South. Cora is a slave on a cotton plantation in Georgia. Life is hell for all the slaves, but especially bad for Cora; an outcast even among her fellow Africans, she is coming into womanhood—where even greater pain awaits. When Caesar, a recent arrival from Virginia, tells her about the Underground Railroad, they decide to take a terrifying risk and escape. Matters do not go as planned—Cora kills a young white boy who tries to capture her. Though they manage to find a station and head north, they are being hunted.

In Whitehead's ingenious conception, the Underground Railroad is no mere metaphor—engineers and conductors operate a secret network of tracks and tunnels beneath the Southern soil. Cora and Caesar's first stop is South Carolina, in a city that initially seems like a haven. But the city's placid surface masks an insidious scheme designed for its black denizens. And even worse: Ridgeway, the relentless slave catcher, is close on their heels. Forced to flee again, Cora embarks on a harrowing flight, state by state, seeking true freedom.

"Ruby" by Cynthia Bond. (From the Website: Ephram Jennings has never forgotten the beautiful girl with the long braids running through the piney woods of Liberty, their small East Texas town. Young Ruby Bell, "the kind of pretty it hurt to look at," has suffered beyond imagining, so as soon as she can, she flees suffocating Liberty for the bright pull of 1950s New York. Ruby quickly winds her way into the ripe center of the city—the darkened piano bars and hidden alleyways of the Village—all the while hoping for a glimpse of the red hair and green eyes of her mother. When a telegram from her cousin forces her to return home, thirty-year-old Ruby finds herself reliving the devastating violence of her girlhood. With the terrifying realization that she might not be strong enough to fight her way back out again, Ruby struggles to survive her memories of the town's dark past. Meanwhile, Ephram must choose between loyalty to the sister who raised him and the chance for a life with the woman he has loved since he was a boy.

Full of life, exquisitely written, and suffused with the pastoral beauty of the rural South, *Ruby* is a transcendent novel of passion and courage. This wondrous page-turner rushes through the red dust and gossip of Main Street, to the pit fire where men swill bootleg outside Bloom's Juke, to Celia Jennings's kitchen, where a cake is being made, yolk by yolk, that Ephram will use to try to begin again with Ruby.

Walking Club – Laureen House / Lisa Jolicoeur - Saturday mornings, 7:45am @ bike path in Mansfield / Fruit St. Email Lisa Jolicoeur or Laureen House for more info or to let us know you'll be there!

Join the Saturday Morning Walkers in Mansfield!

We meet at the Fruit Street entrance of the Mansfield Bike Path (just past the Mansfield airport) and walk for about an hour at a leisurely pace, enjoying nature, great conversations, and great company! We meet around 7:45, walk to Mansfield Center, and return around 9:00 to the Fruit Street entrance.

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.

Scavenger Hunt – Chairman Needed - We already have people interested in being involved. This is an old project that is not difficult to run. If you are interested in chairing this project, email Max Loew at loewfrequency@yahoo.com.



Ways and Means

Vice President: *Lynda Walsh*

Restaurant Night – LaNecia Wood

LaNecia has been working hard on trying to get Buffalo Wild Wings, trying to get confirmation from management there. Stay tuned, more details in the October Wise Fox.

Fall Vendor Fair – Deena Cummings

The date has been set for October 21st with a rain date of the 22nd. Deena has already started to receive registration forms, folks are excited, and this is going to be another huge project for our chapter. Mark your calendars now so that you'll be able to help out during the day.

Fall Vendor Fair Concessions – Pam Warren & Ed Miller

Thank you, Pam and Ed for taking on this project. A crisp fall fair will certainly increase peoples appetite, and we're just the folks to help them with that. Pam and Ed will be looking for help serving up burgers and dogs.

Fall Vendor Fair Raffle – Chairman needed

We've decided to have the Fair Raffle as it's own project. If you'd like to chair this, Deena Cummings, who has run the raffle many times is willing to sit with you to go over the Planning Guide.

Note Card Sales – Chairman Needed

Hoping to sell our famous Note Cards at the Fall Fair. If you're interested in running this project let me know. The note cards are already printed, you'd just need to sell, sell, sell.

Haunted House Fact Finder – Michael Mills

Mike continues to investigate the possibilities for us to bring back our signature project. If you have any suggestions, reach out to Mike!

Thank you to **Pam Warren** for running Concerts Concessions again this season, great job!

If you have ideas other fundraisers, feel free to let me know.

Thanks
Lynda



Pam's Mom, Joan, and Bill Dempsey help out at the Concert Concession stand

Community Development

VP: Sophia Manos



CURRENT PROJECTS:

Stand United Against Hate - A night of togetherness and friendship

The ever amazing Lynda Walsh once again puts together an important event when people need it most!

This past Thursday the 24th, we hosted a two hour family-friendly gathering on the Foxboro Common to celebrate Foxboro friendships and try to forge some new ones in an effort to combat hate. The social media response to this event was overwhelmingly positive and encouraging as was the turnout!

It was a great night. Per the suggestion of many around Foxboro (even some Selectmen!) this may be a new annual event that will be

looking for chairs and perhaps a committee next year. This is a project that has great potential for growth. We may hold another one in April as part of National Diversity Month. Stay tuned.:)

Thanks Lynda!



Foxboro Community Farm Stand

The farm stand has been going strong! Some Jaycees have individually signed up and served and we thank you for that. They close at end of September, so if you have not already, please sign up to volunteer a few hours this summer. BUT we can also make it easier for you! Please sign up for our Jaycee Volunteer Day at the Farmstand!

We are looking for Jaycees be able to fill in the slots for Friday September 15th (most all slots currently open), pick a Jaycee friend and sign up 2 at a time! Contingency day is Tuesday Sept 19th. Please

let me know when you sign up! I can be reached at smanos235@gmail.com

Remember, It is all about trying to branch out and build more relationships within the community. This is an excellent opportunity to do so. Not an official Jaycee project, but an easy way to contribute to Foxboro. Sign up is here: <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/6775657374/1851569/false#/invitation>

Scholarship Award:

The Foxboro Jaycees are pleased to announce a 2017 Scholarship Program: a \$500 scholarship will be awarded to an individual enrolled in a two or four year college, a technical institute, school of nursing, post graduate

school or other accredited secondary program who demonstrates a commitment to community service. The Scholarship Committee, chaired by Lisa Jolicoeur, met to finalize the application process and will provide updates at the next membership meeting: the goal is to begin soliciting qualified scholarship candidates for the fall semester, but students will be happy to accept an award no matter what time of year!

FOXBORO NEVER FORGETS



13th Annual Family Fun Day

BENEFITTING THE MICHAEL G. MCGINTY

SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

September 9, 2017

11:30 – 3:30 Foxboro Common



Not a Jaycee event but one you must attend! Foxboro's Michael McGinty died in the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. As one of the many ways to honor his memory, his wife Cindy hosts an annual "Family Fun Day" on Foxboro Common — and all proceeds benefit the scholarship in Mike's name. You'll see many of our community organizations and friends lending a hand that day! Only \$5 for a day of fun and for a great cause!

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Moonwalk Inflatables ** Caricatures ** Crafts ** Games
Selfie Station ** Giant Bubbles ** New England Patriots Magician
Personal Best Karate Demonstration ** Home Depot Crafts
Prizes ** Balloon Art ** Live Music by Thirty Six Red
Face Painting ** Tattoos ** Cookie Decorating ** and More!
Rain Location: Foxborough Regional Charter School, 131 Central St.
RAFFLES (close at 3:00pm) Food Sponsored by:
The Foxboro Rotary Club & The Foxborough Regional Charter School
Entry \$5 per person

COMING UP VERY SOON!!!!

McGinty Family Fun Day is September 9th!

If you have not seen the sign-up sheet for volunteers please check it out here and come by and lend a hand. we hope to have a good Jaycee presence. Even if you can't volunteer, come on out with the kids and enjoy the day!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508094da4af2ea5fe3-mcginty>

Addendum to [Membership info](#):

[New Member Social before the next GM on September 13th!](#)

[Keep your eyes on your E-Mail boxes. Invites are coming your way](#)

St. Mark's Community Support Boxes – 2017 (on-going)

Father Ed Cardoza from St. Mark's initiated efforts to give to those in need in the community. In addition to all they do for the Discretionary fund, Father Ed is starting a program where those of our neighbors who may find themselves in an unfortunate situation can find items necessary for their daily needs and well being: deodorant, shampoo, feminine hygiene products, razors and the like that can be placed in strategically placed "charity boxes" around town.

This could be a great Jaycee FAMILY based project. Some of the full Jaycee families may have fun gathering donations and working on how to best help place these. It's another way to give back to the community and especially those in need that may need more than just a warm meal to function day to day.

We are all going to work towards this effort, but if anyone would be interested in taking this on as a chair, please let us know as soon as possible. Father Ed has not started yet, but is gearing up and we would like the Jaycees to make this a regular project / volunteerism.

This will be an on-going venture to end the year and beyond, but for now a chair for the Fall-Winter would be great!

COMPLETED PROJECTS:

National Night Out, took place August 1st on the commons, It was miraculously put together quickly by Lynda to keep up with the annual tradition. Out thanks to all those who came out that night! We got to see some police demos. had a cool multi room bouncy house and got to see the fantastic new Sparky the Firedog costume in action!

Concerts on the Common, Our thanks again to Max for running the concerts again this year and doing such a great job listening to the actually accurate weather forecasts! Two concerts got rained out but it did not rain on the spirits of all the folks who came out for the others. Thanks again to Pam for running the concert concessions so well again this past year!



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We are looking for chairs or volunteers for the following upcoming Fall events:

Chairman Fred George is seeking volunteers for a Thanksgiving Dinner project coming this Turkey Day! More to come! We will need cooks, servers, cleaners, baggers and greeters to help bring a yummy warm holiday meal to some of your fellow citizens.

We are looking for chairs and volunteers for the Turkey Day Tradition of dropping off said bird to local veterans before the big Foxboro-Mansfield football game.

And coming soon in 2018, a new project!:

Chair Laureen House will be looking for manpower to help out in the Wounded Veteran's Motorcycle ride in Spring 2018! They Fought, We Ride (www.TheyFoughtWeRide.com). Boston is the founding Chapter in the Nation. From their website: "All proceeds raised go towards housing modifications to suite a comfortable living for the disabled veteran. Besides housing modifications, funds are also used to improve the quality of life of disabled veterans. Recreational needs, cars, and basic living needs are also other fields of charity the ride is dedicated to. The event is sponsored by the Italian-American War Veterans, a federally chartered non-profit veterans organization. They fought, and we ride, a bike run honoring the wounded veteran's of New England." Currently, they are looking for Manpower the day of the event. Special thanks to Derek House for making us aware of how we can play a small part to give back to those that gave so much.

Planning for the Ride begins in October, so more information after they commence planning.



Membership

Vice President: Devlyn House

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Thank you to all of you that made it to the last meeting, now let's hope we have as good a turnout at the **New Member Social** and September Meeting!

We have officially had a few new members join our chapter with more prospects on the way

Who's Who – Stephanie O'Neil

The Who's Who 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. This months she has highlighted Heather Lowe

New Member Incentive- Laureen 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 between 18-40 years old especially!

Membership Committee – The next Membership meeting is TBD, but is hopefully to be set in September. We have some great ideas and are in the midst of creating new and exciting social media platforms. Please contact Devlyn House.

Currently the committee consists of Sandy Daniels, Dave Fisler, Devlyn House, Laureen House, Deena Cummings, Kathy Brady, Mary Sorensen and Lisa Jolicouer. (Please let me know if you are interested in joining or leaving)

New Member Orientation – Chairman Needed – We would like to hold one Soon for all those who have joined in the last year.

New Membership Projects:

Membership Pamphlet: This project would require not only a chairman but also a committee to help bounce ideas off each other in order to create a pamphlet to hand out to potential new members.

Membership Presentation: This project would require not only a chairman but also a committee to help bounce ideas off each other in order to create a presentation for potential new members.

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 in for new apparel and I am awaiting their arrival. Please contact Devlyn 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 outgrown please recycle said shirt with Laureen. This will assist members with younger children to have shirts.

Jaycees Lanyards-Devlyn 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 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. 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 <https://www.youtube.com/user/usicc>

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

Devlyn House

Membership VP

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Who's Who – by Stephanie O'Neil



This month our featured Jaycee is Heather Loew. Heather is originally from Hingham, MA and has been living in Foxboro since 2005. She has two sons - Matthew (8 ½) and Tyler (2 ½). Heather is also married to Max, a fellow Jaycee. She is an accountant for a real estate firm in Boston.

Heather initially got involved with the Jaycees almost ten years ago. When she moved to Foxboro, she looked for community organizations to get involved with. She was familiar with the Jaycee organization already because her father was a Jaycee in her hometown. Heather has most enjoyed the sense of community and friends she has made in the Jaycees. She appreciates being involved in a group where everyone has the same sense of community service.

We spoke about the challenge of attracting new members. Heather believes that the best way to continue attracting people is to be visible in the community and doing events so people can see what we do. It is important to gain new members who want to get involved. We also spoke about making sure that people know the Jaycees is an organization for all ages and demographics.

Heather and I had a great conversation!

Happy Autumn!

