



# Wise Fox

*A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees – November 2017*



What a month to reflect on! We had such a wonderful Fall Vendor Fair, with amazing turn out and revenue (approximately \$3,880!!). A job well done by Deena, Pam, Kellie, Fred, and Ed, our project chairs, and all the volunteers for the fair!

Max Loew also had a frighteningly fun event at the Fear Town Haunted House at the Seekonk Speedway. 45 minutes of twists and turns through wooded pandemonium with diehard Halloween fans! We enjoyed ourselves immensely and highly recommend this venue for future chapter outings!

Please welcome Fred George onboard as our newly appointed Membership Vice President! Fred was an active Jaycee in the early 2000's, and rejoined our chapter in July. Fred has already stepped up to Chair projects since activating this summer, and has now volunteered to take on the Board seat. We are grateful for him and all he continues to do for the Foxboro Jaycees! He will undoubtedly be a wonderful asset to expanding and strengthening our membership base.

Devlyn House has respectfully resigned as Membership VP in order to focus on his technical training program and other responsibilities. Devlyn is a hardworking, dedicated Jaycee. I am grateful to have had him on my Board this year, and look forward to collaborating on future Jaycee projects with him!



We are now entering one of our busiest seasons! There are numerous yearly projects that need Chairing! Please check out what we have coming up and get involved! We have something for everyone to participate in, and we can accommodate most people's availability: Caroling on the Common, Santa on the Common, Decorating the Common, the Nativity Scene, the Cereal Drive, Progressive Party, Restaurant Night, Turkey Delivery, Treats for Troops, Kids Christmas Party, Support a Senior, Support a Child, the Scavenger Hunt. As always, if you have an idea for a project, please let us know! If you've Chaired before, and can offer words of inspiration to a new Chair, please reach out. Knowing you are supported and valued can make all the difference to our new Chairs, in keeping them active and our chapter alive. A phone call on your drive to the supermarket can make a difference.

Sincerely

Mary Suttie Sorensen

## *November 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](mailto:sweetjeans20@comcast.net)

### *Inventory Coordinator – Fred George*

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.

Fred would like to do an updated audit of our Jaycee inventory and asks that all Jaycee inventory / property you might have please be returned ASAP. Fred can be reached at [Fgeorgejr67@hotmail.com](mailto:Fgeorgejr67@hotmail.com)

### *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.

### *Congratulations to our October Award winners:*

Jaycee of the Month – Marc Rivard for really stepping up.

Project of the Month – Stand United Against Hate And The New Member Social!

### *November Birthdays:*

**David Brown**

**Robert Gillis**

**Robert Reid**

**Mary Suttie Sorensen**

**Dwayne Williams**



### *November Jaycee Anniversaries:*

**Sharon Hall - 2014**

**Cindy McCann – 2006**

**Kim Slavin – 2015**

**Sean Kelly – 2016**

**Paul O'Sullivan - 1989**

**Stephen Stickland – 2014**

**Maria Kerrigan - 2016**

**Jim Philbin – 1994**

**Dwyane Williams - 2016**

Yours in Jaycees,

*Jeanne Suttie Christian*

Chapter Secretary

# Individual Development

**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 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. Email Laureen House at [ducla567@aol.com](mailto:ducla567@aol.com) for more details or to let us know you'll be there!

**Book Club – Lisa Jolicoeur** if you wish to get on the email chain for book club please contact Lisa at [lisajolicoeu@gmail.com](mailto:lisajolicoeu@gmail.com)

Book Club will meet on Thursday, November 2, 2017 at Lisa's House in Mansfield. "The Woman in Cabin 10" is the title! Perfect for Halloween!! There will be spooky, fall themed snacks and beverages! We will be reading "Fall of Marigolds" for December at Sandy Daniels' home in Foxboro and "Small Great Things" by Jodi Piccolt for January at Monica's home in Norton!

Everyone is welcome to attend! Introduce a friend to this great group!!

## October Book Club Summary

On Thursday, October 5, 2017, Book Club members met at Lisa's house where they were served hot apple cobbler with freshly picked apples from The Big Apple, almond spice bread, fruit, crackers and cheese spread, an array of delicious herbal teas, and wine. Happy to reconnect after our summer hiatus, the room was abuzz with conversations about travel, summer activities, family, and books.

We missed our book talks and talked a great deal about every book. Although we usually rate our books, we did not do so this evening because our discussions were so varied about each book since not everyone had read each book. There were enough members who read the books, however, and even those who had not were enthralled with our conversations. Topics inspired by our book discussions included history, current events, politics, food, fine wines, Downton Abbey, Lizzie Borden, the afterlife, movies, and so much more!!!

**"News of the World"** by Paulette Jiles Those of us who read this book loved it: In 1870, 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. We enjoyed the descriptions of the places the captain visited and the varied receptions he received. We also discussed how in today's world we



are inundated with news, so often that we take for granted that information is always within reach. Jiles crafts great details of people hanging on every word Kidd shares, and Kidd is thrilled when he arrives in a community with updated newspapers. The ending of the novel is satisfying.

**"Gentleman in Moscow"** by Amor Towles In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal and 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.)

Book club members who read this book had a great deal to discuss. We agreed that at first, the novel appeared to be limited in scope, but the richness of details brought a broad array of characters to life and made it feel as though they were not confined to one place. Additionally, there was great attention to food and lavish style, which made the Count a very likable and funny person. We enjoyed his liaison with the actress and loved that he made his little room something unique and fun.

Those of us who read this book enjoyed it very much and some even said they did not want it to end. As it turns out, one of our Book Club members attended college with the author!! Maybe he'll visit one of our meetings??

**"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.

Book Club members who read this book described it as powerful and well written, and they were happy to have read it because they learned so much about what the underground railroad really entailed. Additionally, the novel is full of great characters who illustrate the horrors of slavery. Members said, despite the heaviness, it was a great depiction of a harsh time period and journey.

**"Ruby"** by Cynthia Bond. (website: Full of life, exquisitely written, and suffused with the pastoral beauty of the rural South, *Ruby* is a transcendent novel of passion and courage.) Book Club members who read this book thoroughly enjoyed the writing style and interesting story lines. We agreed that the book reminded us of Toni Morrison's style, such as in *"Beloved,"* and some of the magical realism of Isabelle Allende. While some of the behavior seemed bizarre in the novel, such as Ruby's obsession with "ghosts," we loved exploring the reasons and ultimately the themes represented by such behaviors. Dealing with some heavy topics, the novel offered a unique approach and tenderness that we found compelling





# Foxboro Jaycees Progressive Dinner.... Progressive Party 2017

You are cordially invited to attend the 2017 Progressive Party

**Saturday, December 16, 2017 6:00 p.m. - ?**

This year we are changing this project up. We will be eliminating the dinner part and just having 2 rounds of appetizers. Depending on how many people sign up we will need either 4 or 6 app houses. We will all then gather at Mike and Helene Savages home for dessert at the end of the night.

For those of you who have never attended, the progressive party serves as our chapter holiday party. It is a fun and relaxing social event that you don't want to miss! In true Jaycee spirit, everyone who attends this event plays a role in making it successful, and it's a wonderful night out!

Here is how it works...you agree to fill one role for the night.

The following is more information regarding each role:

**Appetizer Cook** – each individual appetizer cook should bring two appetizer dishes for 20 people. Contact your host to coordinate food and cooking schedules.

**Appetizer House** - Plan to open your home to host an appetizer. Plan to have enough soda, beer, wine and/or punch to serve 20 people.

**Dessert Cooks** – Bring something sweet for dessert.

Due to the cost for hosts if you are not a great cook or baker and would like to just pass along your \$25.00 per person to one of the hosts you may also sign up for this option. Who you should pay will be on your invite.

Once you have been “assigned” to a role, the committee selects your name randomly to determine to which houses you will be attending for appetizers. Everyone will then meet up at one dessert house at the end of the night.

Each individual participant in this event will be asked to spend \$25 per person toward their food and/or supply purchases to make their role successful. For example, if you are a couple that is hosting, you should plan to spend \$50 (\$25 x 2) on drinks

The committee will be calling the roster over the next couple of weeks to confirm attendees, so please expect a phone call. You will be asked to make your first and second choice for your role. We will do our best to accommodate everyone's first choice and will notify you of your role as soon as possible. Once we have confirmed attendees and roles, you will receive an invitation with your role and assigned homes for appetizers.

This event takes a lot of planning to ensure its success (and so that we can determine your “assignments,”) so the favor of your affirmative reply is requested by Saturday, November 25.

We look forward to seeing you! If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Johnstone at:

[ajohnstone@gmail.com](mailto:ajohnstone@gmail.com) .

Thank you!





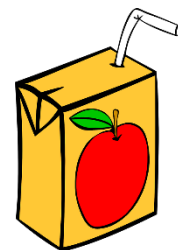
# Community Development

Vice President Sophia Manos

## NEWS:

The project to cook and feed Thanksgiving dinner for some of our Foxboro neighbors has been cancelled.

However, there was some silver lining to this news. In preparing for the possible project, Laureen House had been on the lookout for donations from all round to help make the day a success. She reached out to our local Ocean Spray company and procured an amazing donation of 32 Boxes of Ocean Spray Juices!



That equaled about 326 liters of delicious refreshing juice that was donated to the Foxboro Discretionary Fund!!! So, this donation was still an enormous help to our neighbors in need. Congrats and thanks to Laureen on this great outcome for the community.

## UPCOMING PROJECTS:

### ALERT!!!:

We are looking for chairs and volunteers for the following upcoming Fall & Winter events - this is the busiest time of the year for the Jaycees and a chance to continue to make a positive impact on our community.

**WE CANNOT CONTINUE  
WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS**



We are looking for volunteers for the **Turkey Day Tradition** of dropping off said bird to local veterans in conjunction with the big Foxboro-Mansfield football game.

The **deliveries will be on November 18th**, so no need to worry about missing any of the football game on the 23rd.

Do you have a truck or some spare time on the 18th? If Yes, please let Lynda Walsh know ASAP.

## WINTER / HOLIDAY / CHRISTMAS - PROJECT EVENTS!

**WE NEED MANY FOLKS ON-HAND FOR THE VERY BUSY DAY -SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH!**  
**WORK OFF THAT THANKSGIVING DINNER AND COME OUT FOR SOME DECORATING AND CHEER!**

**DECORATING THE COMMON FOR CHRISTMAS:** Each December, the Foxboro Jaycees decorate Foxboro Common with bows and wreaths, and place lights on the hedges at the foot of the Common and around the bandstand. The public is invited to help us do the decorating! **NOVEMBER 25TH**

**NATIVITY SET ON THE COMMON:** Each December, the Foxboro Jaycees set up the Nativity Scene on Foxboro Common, on the bandstand the Jaycees built in 1972. The Jaycees have been doing this since the 1960s, and store the set all year. **NOVEMBER 25TH**

**TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY:** We partner with and help the Foxboro Recreation Department with the Common tree lighting ceremony on **NOVEMBER 25TH**. We help out handing out cocoa, aid in crowd control, and of course the Jaycees own Santa and Mrs. Claus are the main event...no offense to the tree. )

**SANTA AND MRS CLAUSE ON THE COMMON:** We are bringing this event back this year thanks to a generous donation from Gil Campos Realty. The wonder Santa and Mrs. Clause will be on hand to spread cheer at the Orpheum Theatre during the ReMax holiday party. Then the Orpheum will be hosting the Taylor School's 101 Dalmatians Musical later that day. In between we will have Santa and Mrs out on the Common and hope to snag the audiences of each in between. Photo Ops and Candy Canes. **DECEMBER 2nd**

**CAROLING ON THE COMMON** - Each December, the Foxboro Jaycees invite the town to join us for an evening of Christmas Caroling at the bandstand. The Foxboro High School Christmas Chorus Band usually joins and provides the music. We bring the hot chocolate and cookies. People really like this event. Let's keep it going! **DECEMBER**

**ASSIST A KID FOR CHRISTMAS, ASSIST A SENIOR FOR CHRISTMAS:** We shop for some special gifts for a local child and senior who require some assistance and cheer. **DECEMBER**



**CHRISTMAS FRUIT BASKETS:** This is a big one and always pretty successful each year! The Jaycees, their family members, and partners from Brigham & Women's / Mass General Health Care Center and their families gather and create anywhere from 250 to 280 baskets of fresh fruit and snacks that we assemble like a perfect assembly line of joy!

Those baskets are delivered the next day by the Foxboro Discretionary fund as part of the meal boxes distributed to families in need. **DECEMBER**





### And coming soon in 2018, a new project!:

Chair Lauren House will be looking for manpower to help out in the Wounded Veteran's Motorcycle ride on Sunday, May 20, 2018! Get your motor running and head out on the highway...or to a parking lot! Wherever they need us to help out with set-up or strike down.

They Fought, We Ride ([www.TheyFoughtWeRide.com](http://www.TheyFoughtWeRide.com)). Boston is the founding Chapter in the Nation. Planning for the Ride begins soon, see Lauren for details.

## CURRENT PROJECTS:



Photo from Beaumont,

### St. Mark's Community Outreach Support Boxes – 2017 (on-going): Chair - Tabitha Gaston

#### Committee & Donations Needed!

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" or "blessing boxes" around town.

One of our newest members, Tabitha Gaston, stepped up immediately

to take on this important project. We cannot thank her enough for being so bold, willing, and able to take on this important project! Many thanks Tabitha!

But she will need help. Committee members are needed. If you are interested please contact me as soon as possible.

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.

Father Ed is gearing up to get this full tilt 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!

## HOMELESS SUPPLY LIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Shampoo    | <input type="checkbox"/> Small First Aid Kit  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush | <input type="checkbox"/> Thermal Socks  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste | <input type="checkbox"/> Small s Gift Cards<br><small>(to easily accessible restaurants or superstores)</small>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant  | <input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight Snacks<br><small>(trail mixes, granola bars, dried fruits, crackers)</small> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comb       | <input type="checkbox"/> Mints/Gum  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Razor      | <input type="checkbox"/> Bottle of Water  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chapstick  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Lotion  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scarf      | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Resources Guide  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat        | <input type="checkbox"/> Words of Encouragement   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves     |   |



## Pine Street Inn Cereal Drive:

Chair Deena Cummings is going need our help in gathering cereal boxes for Boston's Pine Street Inn over the next several Jaycee events.

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day! Pine Street uses 80 boxes of cereal each morning. This easy activity helps us to help Pine Street Inn meet an enormous need!

This could not be easier for us to contribute too as well! At the grocery store, pick up an extra cereal box and bring it to the Fall-Winter Jaycee events. **ENDS DECEMBER 10th!!!**



## Scholarship Award (on-going):

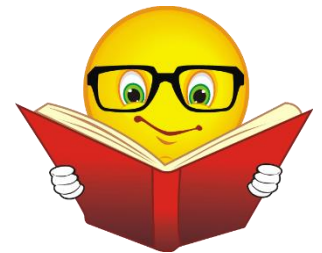
Chair - Lisa Jolicoeur



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.

Ads are out in local papers and schools. Fall semesters are under way but students will be happy to accept an award no matter what time of year!  
Do you know a worthy student?

Applicants must complete and submit the application via mail:  
Foxboro Jaycees Scholarship Program, PO Box 169, Foxboro, MA 02035  
Or inquire with [scholarship@foxborojaycees.org](mailto:scholarship@foxborojaycees.org)



## Attention NEW MEMBERS

### How to Chair a Project and Document it!

#### November General Membership Meeting Program

This months' program at the GM will give you all the tools you need to make your project successful and fun.

This project will be directed toward any member who is hesitant about running a project. We will discuss the steps to make your project successful. We will also show you how to document your project.

Always here to help/mentor, Program Chair: Lynda Walsh



# Ways and Means

Vice President: *Lynda Walsh*

## **Restaurant Night – LaNecia Wood**

LaNecia has secured the date of December 11<sup>th</sup> as the Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser. Great work LaNecia, as I'm sure they'll be busy on a Pats Game. Please print out flyer included here in this edition of the Wise Fox, and bring with you to Buffalo Wild Wings in Mansfield. Share the flyer with your friends.

## **Painting of Signs – Chairman Needed**

This will be much like our paint night, but we will be painting signs on wood. This is instructed by Megan Gaylor of Life Expressions Décor. The Chairman of the project can use the CPG from Paint Night as their guide to this new project. It's the perfect project for folks to create homemade presents for Christmas.

## **Haunted House Fact Finder – Michael Mills**

Many of us visited Haunted Houses throughout the month of October, and it brought back memories of our Haunted House, putting that little thought of can we do it again into our brains. Mike will still look to see what and where we could hold some sort of Haunt for next year.

## **Note Cards – Lynda Walsh**

We still have plenty of note cards. If you'd like to purchase some for your Christmas Cards or presents for your friends, just give me a buzz. Many have said, they make great Teacher Holiday gifts.

## **HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR FALL VENDOR FAIR CHAIRMEN!**

**Deena** and her committee did a fantastic job at making this NEW project a success!

**Kelly Reid** took on the Raffle and made some great additions by presenting each vendor who contributed a nicely made thank you card.

**Pam Warren** brought her concessions skills to the common and it went over very well

**Fred George** spent the day selling our popular note cards and raised an additional \$74.00.

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

Thanks

Lynda



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## THE JAYCEES OF FOXBORO

December 11, 2017 • 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM

321 School St. • Mansfield, MA • 508-339-4035

\*The 10% donation is contingent on the organization raising at least \$300 of pre-tax sales during the promotion (subject to change in our discretion). Other restrictions may apply. Please see participating location for details. ©2015 Buffalo Wild Wings, Inc.

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## Membership

Vice President Fred George

[membership@foxborojaycees.org](mailto:membership@foxborojaycees.org)



Welcome Colin McNelley! Colin is our newest Foxboro Jaycee. Nephew of Bob and Sue Gillis, Colin has Jaycee blood in his veins and our Creed in his heart. He has been looking forward to joining for a long time, and now that he is living in the area, he was very excited to be sworn in and to attend the GM last month. We are thrilled as well, and look forward to working with him!

Bob Gillis was entered into the New Member Referral Incentive drawing for a \$10 Gift Certificate to Dunkin Donuts. Why not bring some prospective members yourself, and be entered to win the next drawing? Any prospective new member is eligible regardless of age, although keep in mind we need members between 18-40 years old to meet the requirements of our National Charter.

If you have ideas or contributions of any kind that will strengthen and expand our membership, please be in touch! Also, consider joining our Membership Committee. If you enjoy recruiting, are creative, or just feel passionately about your Jaycee experience, we can use your input!

Each of us became a member to serve our community. As you volunteer and take on more responsibility, you are rewarded in many ways, but one of our favorites is with apparel! You will receive a Jaycees t-shirt and/or hat when you volunteer for your first Community Development or Ways and Means project. Lanyards are also available for active members; and non-members during events. You can earn a sweatshirt by chairing your first project or holding your first board position. \*\*If you are owed apparel, please contact Fred\*\*



One of our biggest means of publicity is social media! Please be an active participant on our pages by contributing photos, writing, video, etc. on your chosen platform. Bob Gillis does a great job maintaining our website, and he always welcomes feedback! Please subscribe to our pages and stay up to date on current projects and upcoming events, including some not listed here. We work together to stay together, and we need you to do so!

Best,  
Mary Sorensen

#### Additional Membership Information:

##### **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 Fred so that he can ensure proper sizes are available for you. 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** - 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**      <http://www.foxborojaycees.org>.

the entire Foxboro Jaycee web site has recently been redesigned:

Completely new theme that is very clean, organized and VERY mobile friendly on any device.

- Site is MUCH better at recognizing a mobile device and should display better on your phone / pad / tricorder...
- Main menu total reorganization – designed with fewer sub menus, more logical grouping and focuses more on new visitors to the site finding what they want quickly.
- VERY cool new way to display photos incorporated across entire site. Images load about 50 at a time for speed and format really nicely.
- Member Resources area consolidated -- things like expense form, CPGs, etc. much easier to find
- Contact – All consolidated so people can find us easier.
- History – New use of embedded tables into WordPress (rather than Excel spreadsheets that need to be downloaded) for annual / monthly awards, past presidents, key men, and book club – much easier to find on a mobile device. These tables are also searchable.
- New social media sharing offers 40+ ways to share content with click of a button on EVERY page and EVERY post. (Actually configurable to nearly 100 but didn't want to get too cluttered)
- **Online forms** – apply for membership, register for the vendor fair – no paperwork – just fill in and click. Online member form has been available several weeks and Deena and Lynda are vetting the registration vendor form
- **NOW AVAILABLE:** *PayPal (pay your dues, make a donation, pay for your vendor fair site, etc)*

Bob Gillis is doing a wonderful job keeping 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.

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/>) 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>)

# HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

