



Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees – September 2018

Hello Fellow Jaycees,

Let me state on the record that this is the first President's Report I have ever written for the Wise Fox. Yes, I do write my Individual Development reports where I theoretically "drop my pants" each month and have fun. Those who know me well are not shocked by my warped sense of humor. That is just the way I roll. But this time it is very different as I have to be the bearer of bad news. Max Loew has decided to resign his position as President of the Foxboro Jaycees. It was a very difficult decision for him as he needs to spend some time dealing with some personal issues. However, he has not left the Chapter and will continue on as a member and help us with events, etc. I am so glad that he is staying on as he is a vital member of the Jaycees and a great friend!



The VP of Individual Development is next in line to take over should the President not be able to complete his duties. After meeting with the Board, I have decided to accept this responsibility and will take over as President immediately while also continuing on as VP of Individual Development. It will be a challenge but I will work hard to keep the Chapter moving ever forward. I also have an awesome Board of Directors to work with and to make sure I stay in line (which is good!). I hope I can count on all of your support.

And now onto the report...

August was hot but we had some even hotter projects. Community Service Night Out (formerly National Night Out) was a huge success! This year the date was moved to the week after the traditional National Night Out and we were able to get more involvement from other organizations. Kudos to Lynda Walsh for a job well done!!!!

Another successful year of Concerts on the Common came to a close. The bands rocked as always and Open Mic Night was well attended! (we may have to bring it back next year!). Thank you to Max Loew for his usual awesome job of chairing this project and booking such great acts! Thanks to Pam Warren "aka The Concessions Queen" once again as she was the backbone of our concessions stand each week slinging water, Ring Pops, chips, candy etc. with abandon! And a special thank you to Lynda Walsh for being there every night and helping with setup and breakdown!

September/October will be very busy as well. McGinty Family Fun Day is Saturday, September, 8. While not a Jaycee run project, we have taken part in it each year along with our fellow town organizations. If you would like to help, please contact Lisa Jolicouer who is chairing the Jaycee crew once again. Even if you can't help, come on out to the Common, wear your Jaycee shirt proudly and support this great event. (and look for Sophia Manos and I at the Home Depot crafts table trying to avoid having our fingers crushed by hammers! That is worth the price of admission alone!)

Our fall Vendor Fair is Saturday, October 13. This is one of busiest and biggest fundraisers of the year! All hands on deck! If you can help out, please contact Deena Cummings!

We also have a new feature which will start with this edition of the Wise Fox. The section will be called Shout Outs! If you would like to recognize a Jaycee for something they have done, have been doing or if they are going above and beyond the call of duty, you can mention them here. Please send any Shout Outs to our Wise Fox Editor, Pam Warren.

Finally, I would like to announce that we will be receiving an update from our Exploration Committee as promised at the October General Membership Meeting (October 10). While I know it is hard to make every GM due to personal schedules and just plain life in general, this is important information as it will help us to decide the future of the Chapter.

Thank you everyone. I really look forward to the rest of this year. Please let me know if you have any concerns, questions, project ideas, etc.

Marc Rivard
President

September Secretary's Report

Last month's meeting minutes - Copies available by request.

Sunshine - If anyone would like Sunshine sent please contact any Board Member with details.



Wise Fox - Pam Warren continues to amaze with her diligence and dedication to the Wise Fox and the chapter. Thank you Pam! If there's something you would like published, contact myself or Pam.

Congratulations July Award Winners:



Jaycee of the Month - Dave Reid – Dave is our biggest cheerleader. Every event he is there and posting positive comments, photos and video on Social Media

Project of the Month – Scholarship Committee – Lisa Jolicoeur – This was a returning project that had not been run in years. This project put the chapter in the spotlight in a positive way, utilized a full committee and brought us a bunch of excellent applicants, while also benefitting a very deserving candidate

September Birthdays

Mellyssa Coutinho

Fred George

DJ Jolicoeur

Sophia Manos

Helene Savage

Mike Savage



September Anniversaries:

Carl Bertolino 2017

Bob Hickey 1993

Malinda Vance 2014

Ryan J White

Chapter Secretary

Individual Development

VP: Marc Rivard

Fall is almost here but you couldn't tell by this hot weather!!! Soon it will be time to break out the pumpkins, sweatshirts, etc. (Oh and I almost forgot...ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL????)

We have some great projects going on!

Current Projects:

Book Club meets the first Thursday of every month: Next Meeting : October 4th at Lisa J's house to discuss any or all of the summer reading titles and pick titles for monthly discussions for the upcoming months. Everyone is welcome to attend! We have been reading the following five titles this summer :



"The Red Hat Club"
"Little Fires Everywhere"
"Before We Were Yours"
"State of Wonder"
"Library at the Edge of the World"

The Walking Club meets at 7:45am on Saturdays at the bike path in Mansfield (meet behind Jimmy's Pub)

Trivia Night is the third Wednesday of the month at Game 7 Sports Bar , 60 Man-Mar Drive in Plainville, MA. Kathy Brady chairs this project. (We came in 1st last month...Go Jaycees!!!)

New Projects (Chairman needed)

If anyone would like to chair one of these, please let me know.

Providence Bruins (Fall/Winter)

Scavenger Hunt (Fall)

Ryan White has volunteered to chair the Camping/Fishing Trip. The Committee e-mailed a flyer, but if you missed it – here are the details:

2018 Foxboro Jaycees Camping Getaway September 28-30, 2018 Myles Standish State Forest

Price depends on participation, we're hoping to keep under \$50 per person for the weekend Friday through Sunday (including food).

Before the Jaycees jump into our busy season, let's all get together for some fun and relaxation. Bring your family to join in on the fun! In hopes that we'll get 15 to 30 people, we've reserved a group site for \$70 for the two nights.

Proposed event plan:

Friday night: folks will arrive and set up their tents, etc. Group supper at 7pm.

Saturday morning: Group Breakfast. Folks can discuss what their plans are for the day and get others to join in. There are many different things to do in the area; Capt. Johns Fishing, Plymouth Plantation, Edaville Railroad, King Richards Faire, many other things within the park, Hiking, Beach Swimming. Lunch will be "on your own"

Saturday night: Group Supper. Spend the evening talking about your day's activities sitting around the campfire.

Sunday Morning: Group Breakfast. Pack up and head home

If anyone has games they would like to bring (Horseshoes, Cornhole, Poker, etc.) Let us know.

We need to know how many are interested as soon as possible... Please email Ryan White at ryanwhite2510@gmail.com or Pam Warren at loccgazette@yahoo.com ; or Lynda Walsh at lynda1061@aol.com . Once we have a better handle on interest we will break everything down better price wise and additional information. Please RSVP by the General Meeting on September 12

I am always looking for new ideas for projects and guest speakers. Please keep sending them!!

2018-2019 General Membership Snack Sign-Up

September – Sophia Manos

October – Kelly Reid

November – Bob "Webmaster" Gillis

December – Pam "Xmas Cookie" Warren

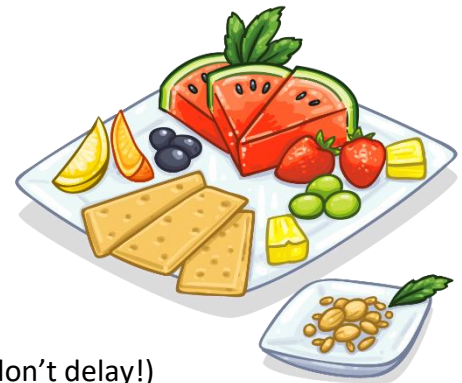
January – Deena "Lord" Cummings

February – Lynda Walsh

March – Mary Sorensen

April – Ryan White

May – TBD (we need a volunteer – you have 7 months...sign up now, don't delay!)



Social Media

I have been tasked with running the Jaycees Twitter and Instagram accounts. I am putting a call out to our Chapter! If you have a Twitter or Instagram account, please make sure to follow the Jaycees pages:



Instagram – foxborojaycees

Twitter - @FoxboroJaycees



Tell your friends, family, co-workers, etc.! The more followers we have, the more exposure to potential new members!!

I have also added all General Membership meetings for the next year as events on our Facebook page. If you plan to attend, please make sure to click that you are "Going" to that specific meeting. It looks much better when people see more than 2 or 3 attending and this might entice more folks to join us. It is all about growing our chapter!!

Thank you everyone!

Marc Rivard

VP Individual Development

(Ayatollah of Rock N' Rollah, He Who Shall Not Be Named)

Community Development

VP: Sophia Manos



Completed Projects:

**Community Service Night Out - Public Safety & Service Groups – TUESDAY
AUGUST 14th. 6-8PM**

Lynda Walsh - Chairperson & Superhero

This year's National Night Out was a week later, more inclusive of other neighborhood organizations, more kid centric and a great success!

Bubbles! Balloons! Bouncy House! and more. Happy faces from these pictures:



Thanks Pam for taking all these great shots!

Thanks 1 million times again to Lynda for running this wonderful event.



This is a great project to learn how to run for next year and if any other members would like to really have an impact on the community and experience working with so many in this town, I highly recommend it.



CONCERTS ON THE COMMON

It was a great season of wonderful bands some first timers and some returning favorites, open mic night really showcased how much talent locals have to offer. Our thanks again go out to Max for booking all of the bands, helping with set-up and doing another all-around great job with this prominent and popular summer tradition.



SEPTEMBER!

MCGINTY FAMILY FUN DAY –September 8th 11:30am - 3:30pm



13th Annual McGinty Family Fun Day to support the McGinty Scholarship Foundation! Games, crafts, bouncy house, live music, food, raffles, princesses, so much more!!!
\$5 per person on the Common.

The Jaycees offer a \$50 donation for the day's events as well as some manpower. We will also have our membership booth and spin game at the ready! We will need volunteers for the table as well as for some kids event tables and possibly some general runners.

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/EVENTS/697005633839229/](https://www.facebook.com/events/697005633839229/)

KEEP IN MIND...

- WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S – SEPT 22nd

[http://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2018/MA-](http://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2018/MA-MassachusettsNewHampshire?team_id=480076&pg=team&fr_id=11262)

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- FOXBORO COMMUNITY FARM STAND – JULY 7 THROUGH SUMMER.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS -

<https://www.facebook.com/foxboroughfarmstand/>

UPCOMING ANNUAL HOLIDAY PROJECTS:

- Fruit Baskets for discretionary fund - a family favorite!
- "Adopt" a kid and senior for Christmas.
- Decorating the Common
- Nativity Scene
- Caroling on the Common





Ways and Means

Vice President: *Deena Cummings*



Note Cards – Lynda Walsh

We still have lots of pretty note cards with scenes of Foxboro available. If you would like to purchase any, please let Lynda know.

Concerts on the Common Concessions – Pam Warren

Thank you, Pam, for once again running Concerts on the Common Concessions! We appreciate your hard work to ensure that we had tasty treats for sale at every concert.

Kenny Chesney Raffle – Lynda Walsh

Thank you to Lynda for running this fundraiser! We raised quite a bit of money for our community, and we were able to send two people to see Kenny rock Gillette!

Fall Vendor Fair – Deena Cummings, Lynda Walsh and Committee

Our 2nd Annual Fall Vendor Fair will be held October 13th from 9am-2pm. Registration will be open from July 30th – October 5th. If you are interested in joining the committee or helping the day of the event, please let me know!

Fall Vendor Fair Concessions – Pam Warren

Pam has agreed to run the concessions stand at the upcoming Fall Vendor Fair. Please be on the lookout for signup sheets, she will need lots of help the day of the event.

Fall Vendor Fair Raffle – Sophia Manos

Sophia has stepped up to chair the raffle during our vendor fair. If you are interested in helping at the raffle table at any point the day of the event, you can let Sophia or me know.



Members: We have a number of Ways and Means projects next month. We are always looking for members to join our committees and to be available to help at the projects. If you are interested in chairing, joining a committee or just helping the day of an event, please let me know, we'd love to have you!

Thanks, Deena

Membership

Vice President: Jeanne Suttie Christian



Welcome to fall...

The board has decided on a printer for shirts, so if you are owed a shirt or sweater please let me know. We will be putting together an order form so if you would like to purchase a shirt or sweater that will be possible.

Who's Who – Lisa Jolicoeur

This is a project that helps us learn a little more about our fellow members. Lisa has begun to solicit members for information - and will have a quick conversation with a member of the Chapter and write about what she has learned about this person. Watch for more in future newsletters.

Membership Committee - The next Membership Meeting will be announced via email soon, when we will revisit discussions and entertain new ideas for increasing membership, Jaycees Swap, Who's Who, and all things membership. We have some great ideas from our last meeting. Please contact Jeanne Suttie Christian with any questions.

Membership Table – Chairman needed

Fall Vendor Fair – October 12th

Election Day (November)

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. Please contact Jeanne Suttie Christian if you need a shirt or sweater. 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 Jeanne. This will assist members with younger children to have shirts.

Website – Bob Gillis – Bob 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>.

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 Twitter or Instagram -- you can always find the latest updates at www.foxborojaycees.org. If you are planning to attend 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/playlist?list=PLsYAnFEwYvBxrvttMeydF761v1NZr_0f1

A list of the upcoming scheduled National training Webinars can be found at <https://jci.cc/en/news/21568>

As always, please email Jeanne with any questions, comments, concerns, project ideas, or to volunteer your services to the Membership Area. Sweetjeans20@comcast.net

Shout Out!!

This is a new section that we hope to have in every edition.... If you have someone you would like to recognize, send the information to Editor Pam Warren at locgazette@yahoo.com
Anyone can send a shout out to anyone else... lets send some positive vibes out there!



Shout out to Vanessa Shirley! Vanessa helped Lisa restructure Jaycees documents and fix some programming glitches all the way from Ireland! Yay for Jaycees friends who have awesome technology skills!

Vanessa and her husband, Sam, were in Greece recently – Here they are enjoying some history

The last Word...

Fall is “officially” here. The Kids are headed back to school, pumpkin spice is showing up everywhere, the calendar is down to just 4 pages and before we know it, the Holidays will be upon us. This is a busy time for everyone – especially for the chapter with many important projects coming up. I know that everyone cannot come to all of the events, but I would hope that we can all make time to attend at least one. And if you can spare some time to help out – those of us who bear the lions share of the workload would appreciate any and all help that can be given. Even if it’s just an hour of your time to spell someone off at Fall Vendor Faire in October, to help out with Decorating the common in November or to assemble a few fruit baskets in December (just to name a few), it would be a huge help.

October will be a very important General Meeting – The Exploration Committee will be presenting their findings and recommendations for the future of the chapter. I encourage Everyone with an interest in seeing this great organization into the future to attend.

Off my soap box for now...

Pam Warren
Wise Fox Editor