

## A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees - August 2019

HI Jaycee Friends!

July went by soooo fast, I am not sure where the time goes, now we enter the dog days of summer. Most people who know me, know that I despise the heat and do not enjoy summer all that much. This time of year, I am dreaming of cool nights and literally thinking in apples and pumpkins, planning Halloween costumes and trying to pick where to go apple picking, Haunted house visiting, and the hotter it is the more I think... "Bring on the Bers". Until then, I hope everyone else enjoys the rest of the summer. Plan to attend a concert on the common or two.

Your board has been working very hard, we just opened the Fall Fair Registration, please spread the word via Facebook and by word of mouth. Everyone knows someone trying to sell something, so let them know about our Fall Fair.



HEY! Guess what???? We have 6 new members!!!! They are taking on projects, winning awards and bringing new life to our chapter.

ASSOCIATE Jaycees, Are you feeling like something is missing in your life???? Have you noticed that you do not feel as fulfilled as you use too??? Do you miss the old days???? We do too and we miss you!!! Come and visit a General Membership Meeting and give us a hand or just lend some support in our mission to stay a driving force in the community.

The Stakes Are High project, chaired by Kris Long, is going to make an everlasting impression and raise awareness of addiction. Be a part of it.

Believe it or not the holiday season is just around the corner, we are looking now to find Chairmen for the major projects. We are planning a Cookout for the beginning of September, enter it in your calendar now September 11th. Should be a great time, See you there.

Sincerely your President, Jeanne Suttie Christian

## Secretary's Report

#### **Pam Warren**

Minutes from last month's GM - Accepted, if a member would like a copy, contact me or any Board Member.

**Sunshine** – Can you believe it's August already?!?! If anyone wants to send some Sunshine – let me know. It can be a Congratulations, get well, sympathy, thank you.... Get me the details.

**Wise Fox-** If you would like to have something posted in the Wise

Fox email me at <u>wisefox@foxborojaycees.org</u> and I will get it included – ANYONE can add to the Wise fox – not just the board. I highly encourage Project leaders to post about events and am always looking for members who have made a difference to praise in the Shout-out section.



June 2019 Jaycee of the Month – Mike Mills: Mike was a HUGE help with Founder's Day. He came to the rescue with the float, providing a generator at the last minute so the band could play as well as doing a ton of work during the construction. He then spent most of the day helping out with the concession stand, playing referee and helping to calm frayed nerves in the tent – Thanks Mike! Also Nominated were Jen D'Amato and Katherine Lee for their work on Glow Items, Kevin Mack and Kenny Wills for getting the Float done in such fine fashion.

June 2019 Project of the Month – FD Glow Item Sales – Jen D'Amato and Katherine Lee: Jen and Katherine jumped right in and volunteered to run this project during their very first GMM and they did a terrific job! They came out early to sell stuff during the field events, brought bags to go out and sell before dark, then spent the whole evening in the tent selling out on some of the items. Also nominated was the Award winning Float – thanks to Kris and the committee for another memorable parade entry for the Jaycees

Congratulations to our winners????

## **August Birthdays:**

Sandy Emery
<b>Bill Dempsey</b>
Sue Gillis
Mike Mills
Julie Grant
<b>Monica Fisler</b>
<b>Heather Loew</b>
Ryan White
Collin McNelley

## **August Anniversaries:**

1989
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## Individual Development

## **Vice President: Bob Gillis**

**Meetings & Programs – Bob Gillis** - two things going on in this area:

**September GM cookout** – I am planning a cookout starting an hour before the September GM at the South Foxboro Community Center, open to all current Jaycees and their kids; the chapter will pay for the hamburgers and hot dogs (I'll take care of hamburger buns, hot dog rolls, utensils and plates) -- we will have a

sign up for each person to bring something -- pasta salad, condiments, soda, dessert, etc). PLEASE RSVP when you get the email and indicate what you will bring. There will be a list so thirty people don't bring ketchup or something. Full details coming soon. The Jaycee Senators are also invited and don't need to bring anything, just show up! Anyone with a grill they would be willing to truck to and from the SFCC please CALL ME or EMAIL ME!

**Individual Development Survey** – **Bob Gillis** - I have created a survey and am asking you to take it. I am interested in YOUR feedback in Individual Development (or ID), that is, the projects we do for us, for our own amusement and relaxation, and for personal growth and fun. The survey has three questions:

- 1. Your name (if unsure of this one, I really can't help you)
- 2. LIST OF POSSIBLE PROJECTS there are about 30, some we have done and do every year, many are potential IDEAS. Please check any that you would attend if you were available when it was held. (No commitment at this point)
- 3. Your ideas for guest speakers

The survey is open until August 15. To take the survey click here: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SBQB9Z8">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SBQB9Z8</a>

#### **Project Leaders Needed**

Yes, it's August but the holidays will be here before you know it. We need people to step up and chair these projects; the BOARD CANNOT DO IT ALL -- help is available; CPGS are there; PLEASE help us ensure these important events are run. If you would like to chair or co-chair one of these events please call me or email me at robertxgillis777@gmail.com

- Friendsgiving Meeting November GM
- Progressive Party First or second Saturday in December
- Fruit Baskets Coordinate with Discretionary Fund
- Nativity Set-up Saturday after Thanksgiving
- Common Decorating Saturday after Thanksgiving
- Caroling on the Common Held during the last week before Christmas, usually that Thursday
- Holiday Banners Around the Common
- Jaycee Liaison to Foxboro Rec for Light up Foxboro
- Santa on the Common

## **Ongoing Projects**

**Amerada – 9/6 – 8 in Canada – Pam Warren** Amerada (Amer = America, Ada = Canada) is the second longest running International event in all JCI Worldwide. Hosted this year by JCI Brantford (Ontario, Canada) This is an international event for Jaycees to expand boundaries, make lasting friendships and above all: HAVE FUN. Everything is included in your registration fee – Lodging, Food, Beverages (adult and otherwise), Competitions and prizes!

Registration is online at <a href="https://forms.gle/rR72Kkjnm46RNRDE7">https://forms.gle/rR72Kkjnm46RNRDE7</a>

This Year' event is at NET Camping Resort, 2325 Victoria Ave, Fenwick, ON LOS 1C0



Cost if registered in advance is only \$140 (in Canadian \$). If you pay upon arrival: \$150

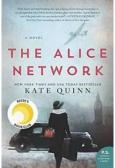
#### **AMERADA CREED: WE THINK:**

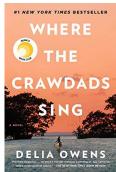
That Tug-of-War transcends the sovereignty of mud puddles; That economically speaking, Amerada is almost free (but not quite) That horseshoes should be thrown be people, not worn by horses; That Earth's great treasures are on the inside of a beer bottle; And that participation in Amerada is the BEST DESCISION OF YOUR LIFE



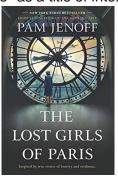
The event alternates each year between the US and Canada, so next year a chapter in the US will host. President Jeanne and Secretary Pam would like for our chapter to bid for the opportunity. The MA Senate group has said they would assist, and we are talking to the CT Jaycees to see if they are interested in helping as well. We are researching a potential venue (please feel free to let us know if you have any ideas) and there is an excellent CPG available on how to run this Project. Pam has helped run Amerada a couple of times with the New York Jaycees and is an Amerada Fellow.

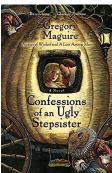
**Book Club – Lisa Jolicoeur** - On Hiatus until October – Summer reading titles: "The Alice Network," "Where the Crawdads Sing," "Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine, "Lost Girls of Paris, " and "Confessions of an Ugly Stepsister." We also talked about Kristen Hannah's "The Great Alone" as a title of interest.











**Trivia Night – Kathy Brady** – TBD (usually 3rd Wed) 6:30-9pm (Red Stone Grill in North Attleboro) – We've won six times in a row which ties Dan's record. Please join us August 21 for a night of fun!

Walking Club – Laureen House / Lisa Jolicoeur – "Going Strong," Saturdays 7:45am @ bike path in Mansfield / meet behind Jimmy's Pub

**By-Law Review Committee – Deena Cummings – Ongoing –** Deena is forming a committee to review our By-Laws and make any necessary changes

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Peace,

Bob





## Vice President: Lynda Walsh

#### **UPCOMING PROJECTS:**

#### Concerts on the Common: Max Loew

We're well past the half-way point of our Concert on the Common Series, if you haven't made it up to a show, pencil us in. Max has done a terrific job having a variety of groups.

August 1 – Ashley Jordan

August 8 – Gobshites (Irish) ~ rescheduled from rain-out in June

August 15 – Eddy's Shoe (in memorial for Mike Jackson) ~ rescheduled from June We were approached by Ed Underwood asking permission for his son John to sell ice cream during our concerts. John and his dad have been attending our Concerts for years. John has Epilepsy and all proceeds go to the Epilepsy fund. John and Ed attended our July Membership Meeting and after hearing what John has accomplished and that he and his dad have made it many of concerts in supporting us, the membership in attendance in July welcomed John and Ed. This may open the door for other non-profits to want to join us and sell their wares on the common. The Board will evaluate any request and bring before the chapter to discuss. So, come on up to the common, meet John and enjoy an ice cream while listening to some great music.



### NEW PROJECT – The Stakes are High Flag Project – Kris Long ~ August 25-September 1st



Remembering Our Loved Ones. Taking Aim at the Epidemic This is a project that will give awareness to the lives lost to the opioid crisis. A different colored flag will be planted on the Foxborough Common for each life lost from 2015 through 2018. Kris has the Stakes are High Website up and running, we have a link on our page and we are anticipating folks to order individual flags for their loved ones. She's also in the process of ordering the over 7000 colored flags to be planted on the common on August 24<sup>th</sup>. We'll be looking for volunteers to help place the flags. **Dave Fisler** has stepped up to map out where the flags will be placed. We will be holding an event on September 1<sup>st</sup> at 11am with some speakers, outreach tables, as well as music on the common, please try to help make this NEW project a success. Volunteers also get a 30% discount on all merchandise on

the website (T-shirts, sweatshirts, etc.) use code FAMILY30 at checkout.

#### Wiffleball Tournament - Amy LaBrache ~ August 10th

The board is in support of sponsoring a Jaycee team of four to play Wiffleball as part of the Fundraiser for The Foxborough Police Relief Association. This year proceeds are given in memory of Joe McDonald who was a police officer here in town and who passed unexpectedly in March. Max, Marc, Sophia, and Kris will be the team as of right now, but we could have substitutes and as always, we'll need our cheering squad. If you can make it, it will be held Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 9am start, 250 North Street, WRENTHAM, MA. The cost is \$160.00 per team (Cash only).

#### Community Night Out – Amy LaBrache ~ August 13th

Amy has reached out to the Police Department and emailed other community organizations to join us in an evening of togetherness. As mentioned, this is a spin-off of National Night Out, with a local flair to it. We've planned small events for the children and information tables for the adults. Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 6-8.

#### Diversity Day - LaNecia Wood & Lynda Walsh

LaNecia and I will get together soon to further discuss the possibilities of pulling together the community for an event that will show our diversity within our town. Inviting different cultures, religious groups, and of course all of our non-profits in our 'boro. More to come...

#### McGinty Fun Day - Lisa Jolicoeur ~ September 14

The Jaycees will be offering manpower help as well as sponsoring volunteer lunch. This is an event that we've helped out on for many years. Cindy McGinty, who lost her husband Michael on 9/11 wanted to give back to the community that surrounded her and her sons after this tragedy in her husband's memory. All proceeds go to fund scholarships given in Mike's name.



#### Alzheimer's Walk - Pam Warren/Marian McCabe ~ September 14

Pam and Marian will be walking and are welcoming anyone who would like to join them. Many of us have family and friends that have been touched by Alzheimer's and/or Dementia. It's a short walk around the stadium area to help raise money for a cure. Please reach out to Pam or Marian if you would like to participate or to donate.

#### Darkness To Light Training – Amy LaBrache TBD

Darkness to Light is a program that is meant to bring awareness to Child Sexual Abuse. It is sponsored by the YMCA nationally. Locally in town we have a committee that is charged with bringing awareness and educating people who work with children either as a volunteer or in a day care setting. Because the Jaycees are looking to involve more young children, we need to get our members trained in the program. Amy is a certified trainer and will be holding a training most likely in October.

#### Foxborough Flag Display – Max Loew ~ July 3

The Jaycees have offered to assist the scouts with putting up and taking down flags around the center of town. The flags go out for nine different holidays. The next will be August 7<sup>th</sup> for Purple Heart Day. Please let Max know via email <a href="lowwfrequency@yahoo.com">loewfrequency@yahoo.com</a> if you can help on any of these occasions. A listing will be on our website also.

Purple Heart Day (August 7th)
Patriot Day (September 11th)
POW\*MIA Day (3rd Friday of September)
Veterans Day (November 11th)

#### **PROJECT LEADERS NEEDED:**

If you're interested in chairing any of these projects, or have any questions regarding them, feel free to reach out to me, <a href="mailto:lynda1061@aol.com">lynda1061@aol.com</a> You could always check our website and view a past Chairman's Planning Guide (CPG) to get more specific information about what a project entails.

**Fruit Baskets:** The Jaycees put together fruit baskets to be delivered by the town's Discretionary Fund along with presents for children and other items to Foxborough's less fortunate during Christmas. We've been doing this project for

many years and it's one of our Pride Projects for the Community Development Area of the chapter. The chairman would be responsible to gather a committee who will order/pickup fruit, baskets, and wrapping will be done at the South Foxboro Community Center. The Chairman will coordinate with the Discretionary Fund to see when deliveries will be and when the baskets will be needed. A real feel-good project!



**Nativity Set up/Take down:** Each year the Jaycees are responsible for placing the nativity scene on the bandstand and then taking them down. The chair would need to coordinate pick up of the large and heavy statues to be taken to the common for display. This normally happens the Saturday after Thanksgiving, so that it's visible for the town's Lighting of the Tree held later that Saturday afternoon.

**Common Decorating:** The Jaycees have done what we can to decorate the common. The chair would coordinate folks to get our Christmas decorations from storage and decorate the common with garland around the poles and lights on the bushes. This usually takes place along with the Nativity Set up and has been done on the Saturday after Thanksgiving.



**Caroling on the Common:** Traditionally held the Thursday before Christmas. The Jaycees invite the Foxboro High Holiday band to perform and welcome town folks to sing along with them. After the caroling is completed we all head over The Doolittle home and entertain the seniors there. The Chair would need to coordinate with the music director at the high school and the Doolittle home.

**Light Up the Night Liaison:** The Jaycees team up with Foxborough Recreation to hold a tree lighting event on the common. The Chairman would be tasked with ensuring that our Santa and Mrs. arrive to greet the children of town (normally arrive by Foxboro Firetruck). You will work with the Foxborough Rec coordinator to help plan the event. This traditionally has been held the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

**Santa on the Common:** For the past few years, the Orpheum has requested our Santa and Mrs. to be a part of a holiday party at the Orpheum, and then sit with the Children on the Common. One year we held the Santa on the Common directly after the Orpheum party so Children at the event were able to visit with the couple and in other years we've held it separately. The Chairman would need to coordinate with the Orpheum if need be, and decide whether to hold the public event on that day or at another time where the towns children can sit with Santa and the Mrs.

**Sponsor a Child for Christmas:** This is in conjunction with the Foxborough Discretionary fund, we are given a name and information about a child in Foxboro that is in need and shop for that child. The chairman for this project would reach out to discretionary fund to be given the name/age/list of a local youth, shop for that child and give it to the discretionary fund.

**Sponsor a Senior for Christmas:** The chairman would reach out to either a senior center or senior facility to request a senior who may be delighted to receive a gift this holiday season.

#### **ON GOING PROJECTS:**

#### Repair of Foxborough Sign on the Common – Kathy Brady

Kathy and Kevin will be reaching out for help with the finishing touches to our beloved Foxborough Sign and will be looking for folks to help with the transportation and installation of the remodeled sign.

#### Nativity Scene Repair – Jeanne Suttie Christian

Jeanne is still investigating having the nativity statues repaired, costing out replacement costs and how to get the community involved with raising funds etc.

Lots of upcoming projects, especially for our upcoming Holiday season. Again, if you're interested in chairing any of these projects, feel free to reach out to me <a href="mailto:lynda1061@aol.com">lynda1061@aol.com</a>. If you'd like to know more about a specific project you can always reach out to the chairman listed.

Enjoy the remainder of your summer, and enjoy the little break in Jaycee work because the long list of Holiday projects are right around the corner. If you have any community development ideas, feel free to reach out to me, <a href="https://linear.com">lynda1061@aol.com</a>, or 774-266-3140.



# Ways and Means

**Vice President: Sophia Manos** 



## **ONGOING PROJECTS**

#### **CONCERT ON THE COMMON, CONCESSIONS - Pam Warren**

Come out to listen to some good local 'tunage' and help Pam sell the kids some penny candy. And thirsty adults some water and soda.

Pam will need coverage of the concession stand for upcoming concert on August 15<sup>th</sup>. Please let me know if you can help cover sling the candy. Do not worry you will not be alone, and I will have the candy.

## **CONCERT ON THE COMMON, SPONSORSHIPS - Lynda Walsh**

3 Concerts Left for this summer, but if anyone is interested in learning from the master about securing local sponsorships for next season, the time is now. Please let me know and we can coordinate with Lynda the who, what and when's of working with sponsors for our summer concert series.

## **UPCOMING PROJECTS**

### FALL VENDOR FAIR - Deena & Lynda, Co-Chairs - LOOKING TO TRAIN MORE OF US!!

If you are interested in joining the Vendors Fair Committee with me, please let me know or reach out to Deena. These projects are our major annual fundraisers and it is important we have folks who can run them even when Deena is not off getting married.;)

FALL VENDOR FAIR CONCESSIONS - Pam.

Looking for a co-chair to learn from the concession queen.

FALL VENDOR FAIR RAFFLE - Marian McCabe & Jeanne Christian

Our thanks to new member Marian for stepping up to run her first project! As I promised she would not do it all solo, Jeanne volunteered to help her, but let Marian take the reins.

## **NEW PROJECTS**

## NEW YEAR'S EVE CONCERT AT THE ORPHEUM - Marc and Max.

Marc and Max brought up a great idea to further partner with our friends (and fellow Jaycee, Bob) at the Marilyn Rodman Performing Arts Theatre for a local way to bring in the new year by listening to some cool rock cover bands, enjoying some Chinese food and even a toast at midnight! Marc and Max are working hard to get some cool bands lined up. Stay tuned here for more.

#### SOUTHERN NE ADMIRALS SEMI PRO FOOTBALL CONCESSIONS - Max and Pam

Max also brought up another chance to branch out a bit more as he, Pam, Amy, superstar junior Jaycee in training, Sarah and others went to the July 27th Admirals game in Mansfield and said they had a great time and sold some concessions. Thanks to you all!

Next game is August 10th.

As always - we appreciate everything you *all* do to make sure we raise the funds we need to continue our work in the community.

# Membership

#### Vice President: Amy LaBrache

July has been a quiet month in Membership, however we did welcome a new member to our chapter at our June GM. Please join me in welcoming Paul Mbimeh. Paul came to us with his friend Peter to the June GM and was so inspired by what we do, that he had to join! We are so excited that you have joined us and we are excited to see you at some of our upcoming events!



As last month we are really focusing on recruitment and retaining our members we already have. We have been doing an amazing job the last few months with swearing in at least a member a meeting, however us seasoned members need to get out to projects to help mentor our new members so that they are supported and want to keep coming back. If you haven't been to a GM lately, please join us!

Have a wonderful rest of the summer and I look forward to seeing you all at the GM and upcoming events.

#### Amy

Who's Who – Lisa Jolicoeur This is a project that helps us learn a little more about our fellow members. With some new members joining, I am sure we are going to have some exciting reading ahead of us! If Lisa sends you a questionnaire, fill it out and send it back – you could be featured in a future Wise Fox!

Membership Committee – I am looking to put together a committee that will meet to discuss and share new ideas on how to increase our membership. If you are interested, please let me know!

Concerts on the Common Membership Booth- Thank you to everyone who have been supporting this for me. With my new job it has been difficult to arrive on time. I really appreciate all of your help

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. We have placed an order for shirts and they should be arriving shortly... Please contact Amy LaBrache if you need a shirt.

Website – Bob Gillis – Thank you Bob for 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 at http://www.foxborojaycees.org.

**Jaycee Photographs**: if you have any pictures of Jaycees or Jaycee events and would like to share them on the website please forward them to Bob. He will ensure that they are included appropriately.

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