



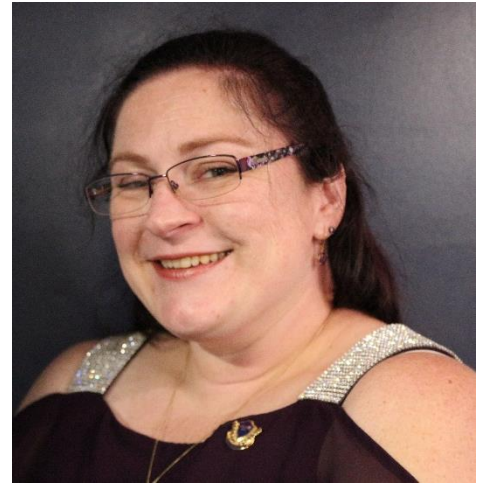
Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees – November 2020

So it's November, our chapter was lucky to have our 60th Awards Banquet and celebrate all of our winners from the 2019-2020 year. It was possibly the smallest yet maybe the most meaningful banquet yet:

- #1 We are still an active chapter with many worthwhile projects.
- #2. We had a successful banquet that was safe, happy, and healthy during the pandemic.
- #3 We celebrated our chapter's and our individual member's accomplishments in a relaxed supportive style.

November is the month to be thankful, this year particularly it has been harder for many people to fill themselves up with thankfulness, myself included. Keeping it to the Jaycees, I am thankful to have gained new members to the chapter and that we have been able to pull off quite a few projects since March.



So being November we have a new President of the United States. However, not of the Foxboro Jaycees, it is going to feel like a very short term because it is already half over. I am too old to do a 3rd term, so I am actively seeking next year's candidate to be elected and installed in the spring. If you are new to the chapter, will be under age 40 on May 1, 2021 and would like to consider the position, don't hesitate to shoot me an email. I would love to spend some time helping you consider the position, also I am happy to have you shadow a few things to help you make your choice. Likewise, if you have been in the chapter awhile and would like to consider the office I would love to chat. It is definitely something to consider, It can be a rewarding position and sometimes it is more fun to just jump in and give it your all. You will have the Chairperson (last president) and Board to guide and assist you. Just ask my sister who became President the very next term after she joined because the chapter because we did not have anyone who was of age and willing that year and I had not rejoined yet.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the General Membership Zoom Meeting on 11/11/20 at 7:00 pm social and 7:30 Business Meeting Start.

Happy Veterans Day to all of our Veterans and I wish all Jaycees, their families and loved ones a safe, happy and healthy Thanksgiving!

In Jaycee Spirit

Your President of the Foxboro Jaycees

Jeanne Suttie Christian



< Pat Patriot and "The Wise Fox"

Secretary's Report

Pam Warren



October was a quiet month. Our Meeting was run (Very quickly) by IDVP Kris Long with the biggest item being a discussion of a “last Minute” project – we decided to participate in the “Trunk Or Treat” event being put on by the Rec Department on Halloween. Check the individual VP reports to learn more... I have complete minutes available from every meeting. If you are unable to attend but would like to know details of what happened, or even just what was discussed about a particular project, you can request a copy, just send me an e-mail locgazette@yahoo.com and I will pass them on. With the social distancing, we are holding meetings via Zoom – it’s a great opportunity to reacquaint yourself with your fellow Jaycees without having to leave your home! I hope to see you all at our GM next week.

Sunshine - Two of our members underwent Shoulder Surgery in October – we extend a hearty Speedy Recovery to Ken Wills and Paul O’Sullivan. Also, sincere sympathy and love to LaNecia Wood and family on the loss of the baby. 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 wisefox@foxborojaycees.org 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.

Our Award Winners from October 2020 GMM:

September 2020 Jaycee of the Month - Ali Lindquist: Ali is a Brand-new member who was very active, helping out with 2 of the yard sales and the set-up and take down of the Flags for the Stakes are High Project. We hope to see more great things from Ali! (Also Nominated were Amy LaBrache and Marc Rivard for Hosting the Yard Sales, Kris Long for Running the Stakes are High, and Kathy Brady for all her help with the Yard Sale)

September 2020 Project of the Month - The Stakes are High - Kris Long: Kris managed to pull off this much needed awareness event even in the midst of our current pandemic. She engendered lots of community goodwill, got non-Jaycees to help and even the folks at the Orpheum acknowledged the project with a big message on their sign. Thank you for bringing attention to the Opioid Crisis and all those lives lost to it. (Also nominated were the Yard Sales for bringing needed revenue to the chapter)

Congratulations to our winners!!!!

November Birthdays:

Dave Brown
Carl Bertolino
Bob Gillis
Lindsay Deneault Hobart
Mary Suttie Sorensen
Grayson Franc
Andy Gallo
Robbie Reid

November Anniversaries:

Paul O'Sullivan	1989
Jim Philbin	1994
Cindy McCann	2006
Sharon Hall	2014
Stephen Strickland	2014



Individual Development

Vice President: *Kris Perry Long*



Well wasn't that snow so much fun? I'm looking forward to this year coming to a close, but before we say goodbye to 2020, we have what we hope will be some entertaining events that we will do our best to have, Covid safe of course!

If you have any ideas you'd like to see happen, please don't hesitate to give me a shout or shoot me an email. No idea is a bad one!

As we enter the colder months, more isolation can occur. If you or someone you know suffers from addiction, depression or any mental health problems please reach out. Support and guidance are so important. You are not alone. Stay warm and safe!!

Kris ~

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The Installation Banquet was held 10/24 at Rally Point, I have to say it was really great to see some of our members face to face! We were able to have the awards part of the night live on Facebook, so if you missed it you can go to our page and check it out.

Awards for 2019-2020

Key Man

Chairman of the year

CD Project of the year

ID Project of the year

Mem Project of the year

WM Project of the year

New Project of the year

Project of the year

Officer of the Year

Presidential Appreciation

Presidential Spirit

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Amy LaBrache

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New Foxboro Sign - Kevin Mack, David Fisler, Ken Wills & Kathy Brady

September 2019 GM Cookout with Jaycee Senators - Susan Gillis

Membership Booths - Amy LaBrache

Vendor Fair - Deena Cummings

Kids New Year's Eve Kids Christmas Party - Amy LaBrache

Stakes are High: Increasing Awareness of the Opioid Crisis - Kris Long

Lisa Jolicoeur - Treasurer

Sarah LaBrache

Ken Wills

Susan Gillis

Nick Hadge

Zack Hadge

Knights of Columbus

Father Donald Wininiski MS La Salette Shrine

Congratulations to all our Award Winners!

Progressive dinner: As we get closer to the time, it will be determined if we can hold this fun evening.

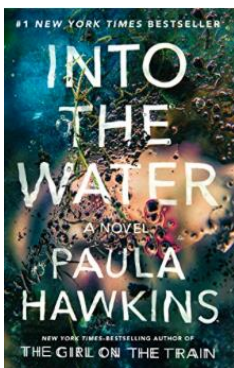
Trivia night!! Marian has been doing a fantastic job putting some fun nights via zoom together. Grab a pizza, pour yourself a beverage and tune in for some fun and laughs! Next Game night will be on November 12 at 7:30 pm

Book Club

Year round this club has run, Covid did not interfere. Via Zoom you will discuss the monthly book (s) from the comforts of your home! More Information is included below about the upcoming Books. Next Book Club meeting is November 12 @7pm

Next book for November 12th: Paula Hawkins "Into the Water"

Book for December 3rd: "Christmas at Little Beach Street Bakery": A Novel by Jenny Colgan



Zoom link will follow with a reminder as we get closer to the date. Everyone is welcome to join whether you read the book or not, but we do discuss the book as well as topics the book inspires. Have you read other titles? Please share with us!! We love hearing what everyone is reading and where you find the books! Bring your own drinks and snacks to the Zoom meeting and join us!! Email Lisa with questions or if you would like the Zoom link.



Courage does not always roar.

*Sometimes it's the quiet voice at the end of the day
that says "I will try again tomorrow"*



At the installation Banquet: Key Man Amy LaBrache (left), Board Members and Award Winners show off their New Hoodies (above)



Development

Vice President: Lynda Walsh

Darkness to Light – Amy LaBrache – November 15th

Amy will be holding an on-line virtual training of this course. It's meant to give all an awareness of child sexual abuse. How to handle it if you witness something or notice changes in our kids behavior. We all need to take this course to be comfortable once we start up our Junior Jaycees program. An email blast will be sent out for sign up.

Gold Star Students – Kris Long

Kris will be working on getting some sort of recognition program for the kids who have been affected by the recent school changes in their schedule remotely/in person. It's taken time for kids to adapt to these changes, and some should be recognized for their efforts.

Town Halloween Trick or Treat – Kris Long/Amy LaBrache

Kris, Amy and others packaged up small treat bags to hand out as part of the towns Halloween Event this year. Glad we could be part of the town activity. Thanks to all who came out in costume to help.

School Computer/Laptop Drive – Sophia Manos

Sophia is still accepting laptops, etc. for folks in need. Thank you Sophia for jumping in on the request from the school superintendent to get these donations and getting them into the hands of kids and others in need.

Honoring our Vets – Lynda Walsh ~ November 21st

This year will be a little different. We will be asking folks to come to the community center to pick up their turkeys, and other gifts. We'll need help at the community center on November 21st from 9am to noon to help with the pickups.

Decorating the Common – Chairman Needed ~ November 28th

Normally this takes place in conjunction with the Nativity Scene set up and is traditionally done on the Saturday after Thanksgiving (Nov. 28th this year). We have lights, bows, and boughs to decorate the common. If you're interested in leading this project, please let me know.



Nativity Scene Setup/Take down – Chairman Needed ~ November 28th

We have a fully restored nativity set that needs to be taken from our storage facility and set up on the bandstand on the common. In most recent years the Knights of Columbus have helped with trucks and manpower. If you're interested in chairing this event, please let me know.



Common Holiday Banners – Monica Rigamonte

Monica has been in touch with our friends at the Highway Department and our banners will go up in plenty of time for the holiday season. A couple are in the process of being repaired, but others have weathered the storms pretty well. Thanks Monica for taking care of this each and every year.

Holiday Light Competition – Pam Warren/Bob Gills

Pam and Bob have been discussing how to get a town wide lighting wars started. This would not be a fundraiser like the Gingerbread House competition. Folks would enter their own homes and others would drive around to judge them, small prizes would be awarded in several different categories. For example, “The Clark Griswold Award”, “Most Colorful,” “Most Traditional,” “Best Theme,” etc.



Light Up the Town – Chairman Needed ~ November 28th

This annual event usually happens the Saturday Night after Thanksgiving. We team up with Foxboro Recreation that evening to light up their Christmas Tree on the Common and celebrate our day of decorating the common. Each year, our dear friends Santa and the Mrs. arrive by fire truck to help with the lighting and meet with the children of town. We’re not sure how this is going to go this year, but as soon as we get word from Foxboro Rec. we’ll need someone to coordinate Santa/Mrs. and Foxboro Fire. Let me know if you’d like to work with Foxboro Rec. if in fact this event is going to take place.

Santa Drive By – Amy LaBrache

After seeing how well the Easter Bunny enjoyed riding around Foxboro to visit the town youngsters, Amy is hoping that Santa would like to take a ride around town to check in on some of the town littles. Amy will be doing some phone calling and will let us know how this is going to be accomplished. Thanks Amy for thinking outside the box.

Adopt a Kid/Senior – Chairman Needed

Each year we get a child’s wish list from the towns’ discretionary fund and shop for them. We also look for a senior who may not have ties with Santa and purchase small gifts for them. Currently, we are unsure of how the discretionary folks will be handling this holiday tradition, but if you’re interested in this, please let me know.

Fruit Baskets – Chairman Needed

This is a project that everyone loves. We put together fruit baskets to be delivered with the towns discretionary deliveries of food/toys for the holiday. Again, we are unsure of how this will work this year, but need someone to coordinate the project if need be.



Caroling on the Common – Chairman Needed

Chairing this project entails coordinating with the High School Holiday Jazz Ensemble to perform on the common and notifying the Doolittle Home that we’ll be there to carol also. Due to Covid we’re not sure that the band will be able to perform and we certainly don’t want to put any of the seniors at the Doolittle home at risk. Maybe, this year we go back a few years and actually do some old fashion caroling outside at a few places around town. If you’d like try and figure something out for this years event, please let me know.

So, we’ve got a couple busy months coming up, hope we can run as many as we can safely. A lot will depend on where the town is in respect to Covid, and what they will allow us to do. If you have any community development ideas, feel free to reach out to me, lynda1061@aol.com, or 774-266-3140. If there’s a project that interests you, let me know or call the Project Chairman.



Ways and Means

Vice President: Sophia Manos



I want to take this space to remind everyone to stay vigilant and safe out there – still.

We look to 2021 to see if we will have any of our traditional Jaycee Ways and Means projects this year so here are some more ideas hopefully coming soon in these stressful times.

As such if anyone has **any new fundraising ideas for the board to discuss and bring up at the GM, please reach out to me at wm@foxborojaycees.org**

Stay safe and healthy everyone. Be smart out there. This is *still* not over.

Current PROJECTS

Foxboro Facemask Fundraiser -

We have one more batch of 100 “Entering Foxboro” masks for sale for the remaining Fall. Great to help keep your face warm in the coming Winter! Still showing off safety and Foxboro pride! We will be considering some design modifications as long as they are in budget. But right now the adjustable grey still seems quite popular in Foxboro.

Please reach out to Lynda or Sophia for an order.



Pat Patriot Approves of these masks!

\$8 each

2 for \$15

Virtual Raffle / Silent Auction – TBD – Marian McCabe, chair

This option is being explored. If anyone has access to any cool items or experience prizes to auction off, please let Marian or myself know. I tried asking Pat Patriot if he would let us auction off a date with him, he kindly demurred. Oh well, let us know what cool things you may come up with!

***In the queue* PROJECTS**

Virtual or Hybrid Paint Night –November, Kris Long, chair - November

Paint night Zoom party

Stay tuned for more info about the Paint Night Party presented by Kris!

Electronic Waste Recycling Fundraiser – TBD - Spring Cleaning

You may have seen some of these in adjoining towns nearby and hopefully there is still some tech junk to be had! This is a good opportunity to raise money, while properly recycling used electronics. Hold up is just trying to find a more reasonable upfront fee.

“Appraisal Night” Fundraiser – Chair Needed

This is another possible fundraiser. We are thinking of allowing ticket holders to gather some “antiques” or items from their homes and see if they are treasure or bunk. This is very preliminary, so let us know if you have thoughts about getting this running.

ON-GOING PROJECTS



NOTECARDS FOR SALE! Year-round.

Send notes to pen-pals to stay in touch with a “touch” of Foxboro! These blank on the inside 5x7 size note cards have room for quick notes of care or a short story. :)

Let us know when you want some, and we can arrange delivery.

Membership

Vice President: Amy LaBrache



What a good month! We participated in the town's drive thru Trick or Treat event, as well as having our Installation banquet. It was nice to be out in our community doing what we do as well as coming together whether in person or virtually. In this upcoming month we will be looking for creative ways to honor the upcoming holidays as well as being out in the community. Also, invite a friend to join our online GM!

Please, if you have any new and exciting ideas for me, please reach out at afoxb1@icloud.com. I am always looking for anything you have to share!

See you all at the meeting!

Amy

Virtual Zoom Q and A- We held a virtual Q and A in October and had a new prospect join and ask questions in a relaxed way. We will be looking to schedule another in the near future and will announce the date at the GM.

Junior Jaycees- Last month we had our meeting and discussed background checks and other procedures. If you are interested in hopping onto our meeting this month it will be TBA at the GM. With this month having a major holiday, we need to coordinate with board meetings and GMs that are being moved.

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! (We have not been able to have one of these in a while – contact Lisa if you want to be featured!)

Membership Committee – If you are interested in sharing ideas and thoughts, please join me at the next “in person” GM at 7 PM.

Jaycees Apparel – I have plenty of T-Shirts!! If you need a T-shirt, please let me know. We have also purchased Junior sized t-shirts, so if your child is participating in upcoming events, they will earn a t-shirt as well! I will have them at the GM. A few members have express interest in ordering hoodies and possibly fleece. If you are interested, send me an email at afoxb1@icloud.com.

Website – Bob Gillis – Thank you Bob for doing a wonderful job keeping our website current and looking good! 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.

Be sure to “Like” us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/FoxboroJaycees>) and Follow us on Twitter (@FoxboroJaycees) or find us on Instagram (foxborojaycees) and you can always find the latest updates at www.foxborojaycees.org. Please email Amy with any questions, or new ideas Afoxb1@icloud.com



And Finally....

Deena is doing an "Unofficial" Project for Homeless Veterans and is seeking donations:

Below is a list of items being collected for the Christmas stocking care packages my friend Amber and I are putting together for homeless veterans in Springfield, Brockton and a couple other locations around the state. I mentioned looking for some items for about 25 packages (although we will put together more if we have the supplies) at the Board Meeting. Currently our intention is to make 20 male packages and 5 female packages.

Bottled Water

Socks (white/black/gray)

Hand Warmers

Gloves / Hats (if we don't collect enough of these for each care package, they will be donated to a shelter)

Disposable Masks

Toothbrushes (we have 25 of these already, but more will just provide us with supplies for more stockings)

Individually wrapped Stain Wipes (we have enough tide/shout wipes for 25 packages)

Travel size products:

Deodorant

Toothpaste

Hand Sanitizer

Tissues

Chapstick

Listerine Ready Tabs (preferably the 8 count packages)

Listerine Pocket Packs

Food:

Granola Bars

Protein Bars

Tic Tacs (any flavor)

Gum (any flavor) (we currently have enough gum for 25 care packages)

Drink Packets (we currently have enough True Lemon / Crystal Light packets to put two per care package)

Nut Butter individual packets (peanut butter / almond butter, etc.) (we do have 25 of these already)

Female:

Feminine hygiene products if travel size or don't take up too much space

Also, we are not against other suggestions for items to put into the packages, so if you have any ideas, let me know. Kris did drop off the leftover candy from Halloween that we are going to add to the care packages.

We have some items of almost everything on the list. If anyone has any questions about what I am doing, please let me know.

Thanks!

Deena

