



## A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees - June 2021

What could be more rewarding and normal than Jaycees Concerts on the Common, great projects, and lots of blue and gold gathering to find joy in celebrating our great town! Thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate our first concerts of the year, participate in the Straw Hat contest, and recognize the scholarship presentation in honor of Fred George, Jr. The weather smiled on us, and the turnout was fantastic!

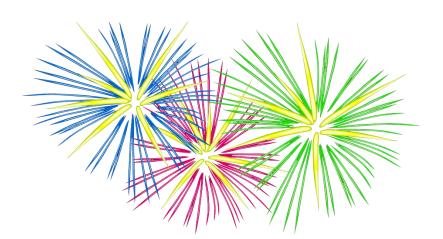
We are so grateful to Kenny, Marc, and Kevin who worked diligently to rebuild the bandstand before the Concert season started.

We continue to plan upcoming projects and hope you will join us! Fall Vendor Fair will be a huge step toward our positive fundraising efforts that had been shelved due to the pandemic. So, thank you to those who have reached out to help, and to those looking to get involved, we would love to have you!

Please join us at the next General Membership Meeting on July 14th at 7:30.

Have a fantastic 4th of July!

## Deena Cummings





# Secretary's Report

#### **Pam Warren**

July is here — Happy Independence Day!! Concerts are in full swing, and plans are well underway for more of our Big events — especially Amerada! This is the second longest running "International Involvement" project in all JCI Worldwide and has brought Jaycees and Senators together from all over the Northeast and Canada for more than 60 years. We



are also planning a return to in person meetings but Zoom continues for one more month. If you are unable to attend our meetings, but would like to know details of what happened, or even just what was discussed about a particular project, you can request a copy of the minutes. Send me an e-mail <a href="loccgazette@yahoo.com">loccgazette@yahoo.com</a> and I will pass them on. Zoom meetings are a great opportunity to reacquaint yourself with your fellow Jaycees without having to leave your home! I hope to see you all at our Zoom GM on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Sunshine** – It has been a tough year for Sympathies. If anyone wants to send some Sunshine – let me know. It can be a Congratulations, get well, sympathy, thank you - Get me the details. "Shared Joy is Multiplied; Shared Grief is Diminished" Please Share!

**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 would love to give a "Shout Out" to members who have made a difference – in the chapter or on their own.

## **Our Award Winners from June 2021 GMM:**

May 202 I Jaycee of the Month – Kenny Wills: Kenny worked hard to get the new Drum Riser and the Bandstand ready for our concerts to start and by our first event it looked Fantastic! (Also Nominated were Alicia Bryant and Kevin Mack for all their help and hard work with Kenny to get it Done)

<u>May 2021 Project of the Month</u> – Installation Banquet – Marian McCabe and Jeanne Christian: Marian and Jeanne did a great job organizing and running our annual Awards and Installation gathering and all who attended had a lovely time.

## Congratulations to our winners!!!!

#### **July Birthdays:**

Fred Badger
Paul Howard
Jim Philbin
Alicia Bryant
Catherine Schwarting
Sean Bowlen

#### <u>July Anniversaries:</u>

1984
1991
1993
1997
2002
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2019



## Individual Development

#### **Vice President: Sophia Manos**

We are open to suggestions for rejuvenating any former or starting a new ID project. Let me know!

Zoom trivia is on summer hiatus but will be back in September. There is a chance for live trivia coming back on the horizon as there is now a **Trivia night** at Conrad's in Foxboro! We will check in with our resident trivia gurus and update you soon!

We will be bringing back some **First Aid/ CPR training** opportunities for the chapter. For many of us, it may have been a few, or at least one-looong-year, since we have been certified. Let me know if you have any interest. Send me an email so I can get a count and stay tuned for more!

Let's make some teams and see who wins the Masters...of mini golf! Again, please let me know who is interested and if you have a favorite location to putt-putt, let us know that as well. Otherwise, a random location will be picked, perhaps from dartboard. Oh! Wait, what about darts?? Maybe in winter...





Reminder that the 63<sup>rd</sup> annual **JCI Amerada** will be coming to MA this September hosted by our chapter. Pam and Jeanne are finalizing the location at Camp Haiastan in Franklin. There should be some more solid plan, registration form and info on activities before the GM.

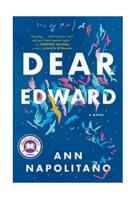
We have not had an in-person GM in quite some time. To lure people into taking that step back into being in the vicinity of people again, we can offer food! How about a GM cookout? The waning summer month of August? It will hopefully not be 95 degrees and pair nicely with the

penultimate concert of the summer. Stay tuned!

### Book Club – Lisa Jolicoeur - 7/1 (Zoom)

## This month it is "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hanna

On Wednesday evening, June 2, 2021, book club members gathered on Zoom to discuss Ann Napolitano's novel "Dear Edward," the story of a 12-year-old sole survivor of a plane crash that took the lives of his parents and brother as they were flying to California to relocate their lives. The novel follows alternating third person narratives: the first is the day of the flight, the details of the passengers, including of Edward and his family, so that the reader gets to know their life stories as the next plot line follows Edward as he recovers from his



injuries, is relocated to live with his aunt and uncle suffering from the loss of their family plus their own painful inability to conceive a child, and tries to come to terms with his new home and family. Edward's plot line follows his friendship with the girl next door Shay, the unfolding investigation into the cause of the crash, Edward's fame as a crash survivor which draws "Dear Edward" letters from family of crash victims which offer some background about the passengers when the narrative switches back to the day of the crash.

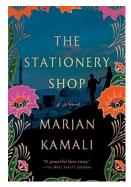
Although some of us were concerned about reading a book about a plane crash, the story was a touching story of survival and hope. We learned the story was inspired by the true story of a young survivor of a plane crash in 2010 in South Africa. That young survivor's identity was not public. This led to some conversations about victims of tragedies: what happens after the service and mourning - the victims leave the public eye, left to find their own way to recovery. This novel takes the reader along that long journey to healing and rebuilding and leaves us satisfied.

We talked about how often we notice people around us, such as on a plane or in a restaurant,



imagining their lives. We also discussed how the letters may have been invasive but ultimately helped Edward heal and find purpose to help others find closure.

We loved this book and rated it with mostly 1.5's and 2's and one 3 with 1 being "drop everything, turn off the phone, and read; " 2 being "good but leave the phone on"; 3 being "glad I bought it and read it but...."; 4 being "wish I had not bought it and would not recommend it to others"; and 5 being "wish I had not read it."



Next month, we look forward to Kristin Hanna's "The Four Winds" and in August, Marjan Kamali's "the Stationary Shop."

Everyone is welcome! Email <u>lisajolicoeur@gmail.com</u> to get on the mailing list for the Zoom link, bring your favorite snack and drink, and join us for some great conversation!

- Amerada 2021 9/11 9/13 Pam Warren & Jeanne Suttie
  - Location Camp Haiastan,
     Summer Street, Franklin
- GM Cookout August GM @ SFCC







### **Vice President: Lynda Walsh**

#### Darkness to Light - Amy LaBrache - TBD

Amy has been working with our friends at Marilyn Rodman Performing Arts (Orpheum) to hold a training for us and their volunteers. As we get closer to starting the Junior Jaycees, it will be important for all to take this child sexual abuse awareness training. Stay tuned for training date/time.



#### Concerts on the Common – Max Loew & Marc Rivard

Max and Marc have lined up a great list of concerts. I hope you get some time take out your lawn chair or blanket and come up to the common on a couple Thursday nights to listen to some great music and mingle with your Jaycee friends.

<>< Vapors of Morphine rocked the Bandstand on 6/17

#### September 11th Anniversary Memorial – Lynda Walsh

The Jaycees have held a memorial on the common every five years since the tragic events on September 11, 2001. It has been 20

years this coming September and we would like to hold a candlelit vigil on the common. It's a basic gathering, with FCA who displays the names of all those lost that tragic day, we pass out candles and red, white and blue pinwheels for the kids. If you're interested in chairing this, please let me know. You can make it whatever you'd like but we like it to be a place for folks to come reflect, and share their feelings/stories with one another.

#### National Night Out – Amy LaBrache – August 3

We'll be teaming up with Foxborough Police Department to hold this event that helps to prevent crime and drug abuse. It's exciting to know that Sgt. Val Collins will be working with us to make this a great community night on the common. Normally, we have a bounce house, a DJ, Foxboro PD, and Foxboro Fire as well as other information tables.

#### **COMPLETED:**

#### Decorated Straw Hat Contest – Lynda Walsh

We had about 14 contestants show off their decorated straw hats and there were many who took the time to vote for their favorite. We served up slices of birthday cake and it was a great evening of music and township.



The Winning Hat >>>



#### Fred George Jaycee Scholarship – Lisa Jolicoeur

Lisa presented this year's scholarship to winner Emma Sergei during the concert on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you, Lisa for taking care of this important project.

#### Bandstand Cleaning/Repairs – Ken Wills/Kris Long

Ken Wills and his crew did an awesome job cleaning up and revamping the stage area of the bandstand. Looks great under the lights! Thank you all who helped out with this.

#### Crosses for Memorial Day – Kathy Brady

Thank you, Kathy for ensuring our heroes were mainstage for Memorial Day. The crosses of the 29 men who lost their lives

during combat are an important part of Memorial Day here in town.

If you have any community development ideas, feel free to reach out to me, <a href="mailto:lynda1061@aol.com">lynda1061@aol.com</a>, or 774-266-3140. If there's a project that interests you, let me know or call the Project Chairman.



The FHS Jazz Ensemble opened our season on June 10<sup>th</sup>



Casual Mondays played a fun, upbeat set on June 24<sup>th</sup>



## Ways and Means

## **Vice President: Kris Long**



Hello my fellow Jaycees,

Happy Summer! Lots of great things coming down the gauntlet so exciting to see new projects and some of the older ones happening!!

So we were contacted by D' Angelo for a 10k giveaway! Our Local D' Angelo reached out and let us know they nominated the Foxboro Jaycees!! BUT we need your help, we need VOTES, you can vote once, so please spread the word and VOTE VOTE!! The link has been included and it will be on all of the Foxboro Jaycees social media platforms. http://www.dangelos.com/10kGiveaway

#### Fall Vendor Fair - Deena Cummings & Andy Gallo

Date to be determined. We will need help setting up and taking down, so if you have some extra time please think about coming up to the common and helping out.

#### **Fall Vendor Fair Concessions- Pam Warren**

Pam will be creating some fun new food ideas to sell at the fair, wanna cook and help out? Email Pam and sign up for a shift of two!!

#### Fall Vendor Fair Raffle- CHAIRMAN NEEDED

This is a pretty easy day of raffle that all vendors donate too! Email me or give me a call if you'd like to run this little money maker!!

#### **Summer Yard Sale - CHAIRMAN NEEDED**

This is a great way to raise money for the chapter please let me know if you'd be interested in running this.

#### **Concert Concessions- Pam Warren**

Pam has been doing a fantastic job selling all kinds of goodies. If you would like to cover or help out at a concert please let Pam know!

#### **Concert Sponsorship-Kris Long**

Still looking for sponsors for various concerts, please let me know if you know of a business that might be interested in supporting this wonderful event.

#### 02035 Masks- Lynda Walsh

We still have masks if anyone would like to purchase one.

#### Foxboro Note Cards - Lynda Walsh

These are really nice note cards that make great gifts. Please contact Lynda if you'd like to purchase them.

# Membership

### Vice President: Amy LaBrache

Hi Everyone! How exciting is it that our concerts are back!! I have to say between the beautiful weather and the very talented bands, these concerts have been very well attended! It has been so nice to see everyone with no masks. If you have some time to volunteer at the concessions or membership booth, please let Pam or myself know. We look forward to seeing you all!



I will be running a training for Darkness to Light in the very near future. If you are interested, or are interested in attending, please let me know. This WILL be a requirement for anyone who plans to help out with Junior Jaycees which is set to kick off late September/ early October. Hope to see many people there! Here is to a wonderful summer, I hope you enjoy with all of your family and friends once again!! In Jaycee Spirit,

Amy

**Virtual Zoom Q and A:** I am going to pause this project for a few months. I will be conducting these on a quarterly basis.

**Junior Jaycees:** A meeting will be held very soon! If you are interested in seeing what this is about, please reach out.

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! (This month we profile Marian McCabe – 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 expressed interest in ordering hoodies and possibly fleece. If you are interested, send me an email at <a href="mailto:afoxb1@icloud.com">afoxb1@icloud.com</a>.

**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.

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(@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



You can also join in the discussion anytime with our Facebook "Foxboro Jaycees Chat" – Just ask Secretary Pam she can invite you to the Group. Find out the daily Holiday, share fun memes or just ask your fellow Jaycees, "what's up?"

#### Who are the Jaycees?

Marian McCabe stepped up to be a Board Director over the past year, led virtual game nights, co-chaired the recent Installation Banquet, and has participated in a slew of events.

Marian grew up in Jamaica Plain and Needham and currently lives in Quincy. She still has family in Needham and Plymouth, and her son lives in Framingham. Marian had a busy career in retail until 2019 and now direct sales and is a Color Street stylist.

We have Pam Warren to thank for recruiting Marian to trivia nights and helping at Founder's Day concession stands: who could resist the great fun!! Marian has been a member for almost two years.

Marian's favorite project (pre covid) was the Spring Fair Raffle because it was the first project she chaired. Since Covid, however, she loved the Holiday light contest because it was a great way to get out and see all the creativity.

Marian notes that her grandmother was an important role model and taught her strength and love. She applauds the important influence of role models because they "teach young people to have a positive view in a negative world. My hope is that they pass it on."

Be sure to say hello to Marian at one of our upcoming events or watch for future virtual game nights!

