



Wise Fox

A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees – September 2021

Happy September, Foxboro Jaycees!

I hope everyone enjoyed some outdoor activities over the past several weeks: concerts, hikes, community events. The fickle New England weather wreaked havoc on some of our concerts, but we were excited to defy Mother Nature's downpour for one concert: we relocated to Rally Point! Thank you to everyone who made that happen, especially our friends at Rally Point, and thank you to our friends who attended our shows this summer! Kudos



to **Max Loew** and **Marc Rivard** for an amazing schedule of talented performers; to **Pam Warren** for selling concessions on the Common; to **Amy LaBrache** for organizing the Jaycees information table; and to **Lynda Walsh**, **Amy LaBrache**, and **Lisa Jolicoeur** for the special activities during the Concerts this summer.

Kris Long brought Stakes Are High back to the Common this year to raise awareness of lives lost due to the opioid crisis. Kris once again did an amazing job mobilizing many amazing resources,



coordinating volunteers, and promoting awareness. Thank you to everyone who came out to support this event.

Have you enjoyed the "dog days of summer"? While ancient Greek astrologists associated the period of hot days of July into August with the rising of Sirius (the dog star), many of us are blessed to bask in dog days up close and personal with the love of our own dog. One of my dog days of summer included Nomi's first Jaycees event on Community Night Out!

With lots of great weather still ahead, we hope to see you soon! The Vendor Fair is taking shape with lots of returning vendors eager to participate as well as new vendors finding us. There are lots of opportunities to help, so please reach out if you would like to help with concessions, selling raffle tickets, and supporting our vendors. Thanks,

Deena Cummings

Secretary's Report

Pam Warren



September is here, the weather is turning cooler, and our Fall projects are kicking into high gear. I am very excited to be hosting Amerada here for the first time and am looking forward to helping bring back the Vendor Fair in October. This month we were hoping to have our first in person meeting since the pandemic began, but with the Delta Variant causing issues again, we have decided to continue with Zoom for another 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 locgazette@yahoo.com 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 September 8th.

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 August 2021 GMM:

June 2021 Jaycee of the Month - Lynda Walsh: (Also Nominated was Pam Warren)

June 2021 Project of the Month - Concerts on the Common - Max Loew & Marc Rivard: The guys have done a great job running this project so far – the Music has been fantastic, and we have had lots of people coming out to enjoy the warm summer evenings. (Also Nominated were Book Club & D’Angelo’s Giveaway)

Congratulations to our winners!!!!

September Birthdays:

Mike Savage
Helene Savage
Sophia Manos
Mellyssa Coutinho
DJ Jolicoeur

September Anniversaries:

Bob Hickey	1993
Carl Bertolino	2017
Kenny Wills	2020

My beautiful Blanca >>>





Individual Development

Vice President: Sophia Manos

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

- **Putt-putt Playdate (aka Mini-golf) – Saturday 8/28**
 - **Location – Golf Country in Easton – Sarah Bowlen & Sophia Manos**



We gathered on the mini putting greens on a beautiful breezy morning and played 18 holes of mini-fun!

Many thanks to Sarah Bowlen for recommending Golf Country!
Missed it this time? No problem. We hope to run this again in the future!



- **Amerada 2021 – 9/11 – 9/13 – Pam Warren & Jeanne Suttie**

- **Location – Camp Haiastan, Summer St in Franklin**



The 63rd annual **National Jaycees Amerada** is being hosted by our chapter. Pam and Jeanne are managing this weekend of games, food, and fellowship with Jaycees from around the larger geographic region than just Foxboro! Participants usually come from throughout the Northeast, including CT, NY, MI, and even Canada! The event will be at Camp Haiastan in Franklin. If you are interested in joining, please contact Jeanne or Pam for more info. The Registration form is included at the end of this newsletter. **Join for just the day on Saturday for \$50! All the food, fun and beverages are included.**

- **Softball Game & Cookout – Kris Long / Pam Warren / Sophia**

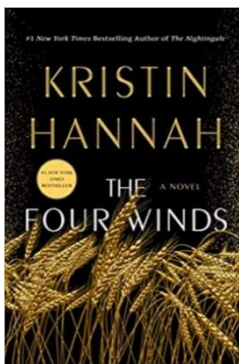
- **Location – Ball field TBD and then the SFCC**

Kris Long is inspired to bring back a Jaycee classic event of the Softball game and Cookout! Due to covid rates again spiking a bit, it still may not be likely to have an in person indoor GM. But Autumn will hopefully bring less rain, less humidity and a chance to hang outdoors for a friendly game of softball or wiffleball at a park. We can then have the cookout after game or at the South Foxboro Community Center. As with all things in these times, these attempts at gathering will evolve.

- **Book Club – Lisa Jolicoeur - 9/2 (Zoom)**

- **This month it is "A Single Thread" by Tracey Chevalier (historical fiction)**

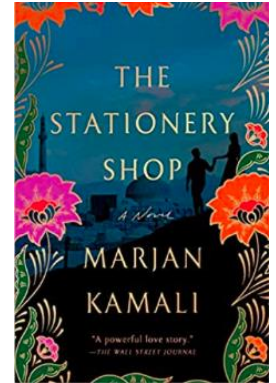
On Thursday, August 5, 2021, Book Club members convened via Zoom to discuss two fabulous books.



We briefly recapped our July discussions of the "The Four Winds," Kristen Hannah's popular best seller about a family of Depression era farmers struggling to survive and the westward journey to find a new life. We praised Hannah's writing, especially the details that brought the dust storms to life; Hannah includes many allusions to John Steinbeck's "Grapes of Wrath" (per Lisa) but rewrites the narrative in a way that focuses on the perspective of the women. We cheered Elsa, whose husband abandoned her and her daughter on

his family's farm, when she traveled herself to find a better life, instilling in her daughter a passion for education and social reform. Elsa finds love with Jack, a unionizer fighting for farmers' rights. The ending is heavy but affirming. This novel earned mostly 1's and 1.5's in a rating scale: 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."

After a brief discussion of "The Four Winds," we discussed Marjan Kamali's "Stationary Shop": set against an uprising in Tehran, the novel follows Raya and Bahman as they endure 1950s political upheaval in Tehran, strife between classes and gender equality, and young love that brings the story full circle to modern day in the United States. We loved discussing the characters in this story. Young Roya and Bahmin love each other but are separated on the eve of the violent 1953 coup d'etat in Tehran amidst chaos and fear, unsure of each other's fate until 60 years later when they are reunited in the United States. Kamali's writing is beautiful, and her characters inspired emotions. This novel earned mostly 1's and 1.5's in a rating scale: 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." Here is the link about the HBO series about "The Stationary Shop":



https://deadline.com/2021/07/prentice-penny-mozhan-marno-marjan-kamalis-the-stationary-shop-hbo-1234794633/?fbclid=IwAR0Y3bb1p-Burde43-69muaSSEmWAeB5LM8uCS2x2GCqHvQxiTxWQ_ZH1K4#comments

Upcoming Books:



<<< **September 2nd - "A Single Thread" by Tracey Chevalier** (historical fiction): Set in the 1930s, A Single Thread follows the story of Violet Speedwell, one of the many "surplus women" unable to marry due to a shortage of men after the First World War. Violet is headstrong and independent, determined to forge her own path and leave her own mark on the world — however, at 38, she is considered too old by much of society.



October 7th - "The Last Thing He Told Me" by Laurie

Davis (mystery thriller) >>>

We discussed many other books we hope to enjoy this summer: Alison loved "Vanishing Half" and is loving "Rose Code." Stephanie and Sandy enjoyed "The Good Sister." Stephanie is excited about "The Paper Palace." Lisa is loving "A Prayer for Owen Meany" and loved "Of Women and Salt." Everyone is welcome! Email lisajolicoeur@gmail.com to get on the mailing list for the Zoom link, bring your favorite snack and drink, and join us for some great conversation!

Finally...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-long-year, since we have been certified. Let me know if you have any interest. Send Sophia an email so we can get a count and stay tuned for more! **TBD – FALL**

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Development



Vice President: Lynda Walsh

Darkness to Light – Amy LaBrache – September 1st 6pm

Important save the Date.... Amy will be giving us the Darkness to Light training on Sept. 1st at 6pm at the MRPAC. Please try to make it, it will be important for us to have this training before we sign on for the Junior Jaycees. The town of Foxboro has a bylaw that requires workers, volunteers and organization leaders that routinely work with or are around children to attend sexual abuse awareness training.



(Above) Jennifer Tefft had her show moved inside to the Rally Point. Her Drummer was playing a Beer Case and a couple of cans – it was amazing!

(Right) The Gobshites played a set that was greatly abbreviated by a sudden rain storm.

September 11th Anniversary Memorial – Amy LaBrache and Sophia Manos

The Jaycees will hold the 20th Anniversary Memorial on the common, Saturday, September 11th, unsure of what time, as we work with Cable and others to work out the details. Stay tuned for more information.

Concerts on the Common – Max Loew & Marc Rivard - COMPLETED

Thank you, Max and Marc, another summer concert series completed. Although we missed a few because of weather, it's always nice to be all together for some great shows!



(Left) Eddy's Shoe finished off our season in a show that was rescheduled from July. Dedicated to Mike Jackson, they also played a tribute to Rolling Stones Drummer Charlie Watts who passed away the day before.

National Night Out – Amy LaBrache – August 3, 6pm - COMPLETED

Thank You Amy, National Night Out was great this year! Amy worked closely with Sgt. Val Collins and the Foxborough Police Department to organize this event that helps to prevent crime and drug abuse. Hundreds of people came out to enjoy the fun evening with music, great activities for the kids and even free Hot Dogs!



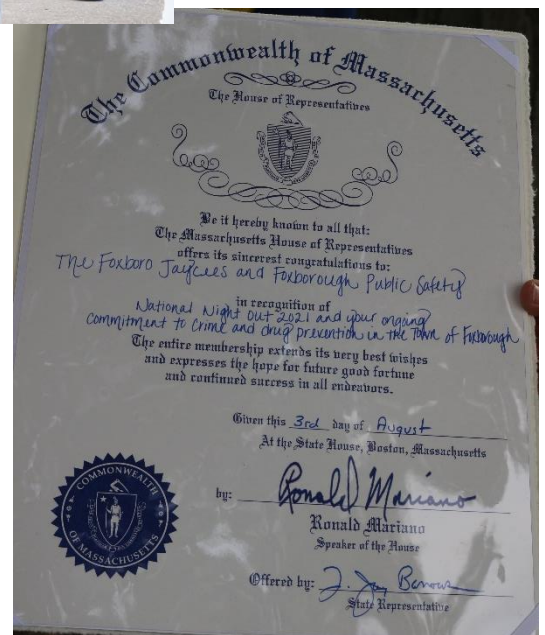
(Above) Ken Wills, Marc Rivard and Pam Warren prepared and distributed over 100 Free Hot Dogs, Bags of Chips and Bottled water donated by Stop & Shop

(Above) Pat Patriot took a turn behind the Grill to help Ken cook some Hot Dogs

(Left) Project Chair Amy LaBrache makes some announcements while FPD Sgt Val Collins looks on



The Massachusetts State Senate (Left) and House of Representatives (Right) each made a proclamation for the event. Senator Paul Feeney and Representative Jay Barrows were on hand for the presentations.



Stakes are High – Kris Long - August 21-29 - COMPLETED

Nice job Kris, the flags were so impressive! The Ceremony on Sunday, August 29th was moving with speeches from several members of the recovery community and tables with displays of available support services. Everyone pitched in to take down the flags when it was all over.



(Left) A sea of flags covered the Foxboro Common – with a different color representing each year. Each flag represents one life lost to the Opioid Epidemic.

(Above) Special painted rocks offer inspiration on a display table.

(Below) Chairperson Kris Long hosted the event, introducing each speaker while surrounded by photos of some of those who have been lost. A moment of Silence followed the program.



(Right) People took time to chat with the service providers at their Display tables



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: Kris Long



Summer is just about over! Bring on Fall and all the fun events to follow. Ways and Means is looking for fun, great money-making projects. If you have an idea please give me a call and let's talk about it!!
Kris

02035 Masks – Kris Long

We have plenty of Masks, Need some? Give me a call. 508-212-7206!!

Fall Vendor Fair – Deena Cummings

Oct 9th - Registration is open, we will need day of set up and break down manpower please contact Deena.

Fall Vendor Fair Concessions – Pam Warren

Pam will need some manpower for this as well. Please contact Pam.

Fall Vendor Fair Raffle – Andy Gallo

Andy will be running this day of event! This raffle is always a fun one, prizes are donated by the Vendors.

D'Angelo's 10k Giveaway – Kris Long

this was a fun chance to win money, unfortunately we were outvoted! Maybe next time!!

Summer Yard Sale – Amy LaBrache

September 18th at Amy's House. If you have something you want to donate to the yard sale, You can drop off your donation on the day of, and must pick it up at the end, if it does not sell.

Car Show – Amy LaBrache

Amy is doing some research on this idea and will have more information to come.

Concert Concessions – Pam Warren - COMPLETED

Pam did a GREAT job this season averaging about 50 bucks a show! Thank you, Pam,



Membership

Vice President: Amy LaBrache

I cannot believe that summer is just about over, and that Fall is upon us! Kids are back to school and our Teachers in the chapter are as well. I wish you all the best of luck this year!

Also with September, comes September 11th. A dark day in our history as Americans. If you have a few minutes on this day, take a moment to join us on the common that evening to remember those who were lost. More information will be with Sophia's update, I am sure.

Membership has been picking up with inquiries and I have had the opportunity to speak with several interested people. It is the part of my job that I truly enjoy is sharing my passion for what we do as a chapter. If you know of someone who might be interested, please feel free to share my information, or invite them to the GM! Read under the Virtual Q and A for how you can be entered in our raffle! One membership project I am looking to restart is Jaycee week. I am hoping to get this going in the early spring and I hope to have a few volunteers help with it! If you are interested, please let me know. The more we grow, the stronger of a chapter we become and the more projects we can do.

As always, if you have any new ideas, suggestions, please let me know. I am always looking for out of the box ideas!

Best,
Amy



Virtual Zoom Q and A: This will be held on September 26th. Something different is I will be holding a raffle for those who refer a friend! If you bring a friend to the next GM, an event, or the Q and A you will be entered into a raffle. If you cannot attend with them, just let me know ahead of time so that you will get credit!

Junior Jaycees: I will be holding a virtual meeting on September 18th. If you would like an invite sent, please send me an email to afoxb1@icloud.com.

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: If you are interested in sharing ideas and thoughts, please e-mail me.

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 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



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?”



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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Last Name:		First:	
Street address:		City:	State: ZIP Code:
Home phone: Cell Phone:		E-mail:	
Jaycee Chapter:		State/Province	
Age: <input type="checkbox"/> 18 - 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 21 - 40 <input type="checkbox"/> Over 41 Have you ever been to Amerada before? Y N How Many?		If No, Who referred you?	
How did you learn about Amerada?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Friend	<input type="checkbox"/> Flyer	<input type="checkbox"/> Website
<input type="checkbox"/> Facebook		<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

EVENTS YOU'RE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN: (DOESN'T OBLIGATE YOU)

<input type="checkbox"/> Horse Shoes <input type="checkbox"/> Wine Sucking <input type="checkbox"/> Whiskey Suck	<input type="checkbox"/> Tug of War	<input type="checkbox"/> Keg Rolling <input type="checkbox"/> Belching	<input type="checkbox"/> Beer Drinking <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball	<input type="checkbox"/> Arm Wrestling <input type="checkbox"/> Blind Canoe Race	<input type="checkbox"/> Pancake and/or Pickle Eating <input type="checkbox"/> Potato Humping <input type="checkbox"/> Texas Hold'em Poker
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REGISTRATION IS ALMOST FREE! (BUT NOT QUITE)

<input type="checkbox"/> Early Registration \$125 by Aug 20	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard Registration \$135 by August 30th	<input type="checkbox"/> Late Registration \$150 before 9/6 <input type="checkbox"/> *Saturday Only \$50 (No Accommodations - includes meals and competitions)
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Registration includes: Lodging for 2 nights, Breakfast Saturday and Sunday, Lunch and Dinner Saturday, Snacks throughout the weekend, * Beer and Soda for weekend, Awards and trophies and memories to last a lifetime. * must be 21 or older for alcoholic beverages * Saturday Only Registration includes Saturday's food and beverages, games, and memories. (no lodging)

LEGAL STUFF

By registering and attending Amerada 2021, you affirm that you are a legal adult in accordance with the laws of the United States of America. You accept responsibility for your actions and for any damages you cause. During Amerada some events are athletic in nature and some are alcohol related, while we are insured by the Foxboro Jaycees, you agree to not hold any parties including but not limited to JCI USA, JCI Canada, The Foxboro Jaycees, and AYF Camp Haiastan, liable for injuries, loss or damage to personal items and accept full legal responsibility for your own actions and choices.

Payments: Checks or Money Orders in US Dollars should be made out to: **The Foxboro Jaycees**
(PayPal is Available – Request invoice via e-mail)

Registrant's Signature

Send Payments to:

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