

Wise FOX



A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees – September 2022



Warm greetings!

I hope August has been a healthy and peaceful month for all of you.

Will you join us for our in-person General Meeting, September 14th at 7:30 to discuss the success of our many summer projects? We will be celebrating all our hard work with ice cream sundaes. Please stop by to say hello!

The weather gods continued to smile upon Foxboro Common for Thursday night concerts, and after a little teasing with a gigantic downpour at 5:30 pm, the 6:00 pm National Night Out went on as scheduled with soggy Jaycees serving hotdogs and orchestrating activities for the huge number of families who turned out to recognize our responders! I am so grateful for the many Jaycees who made these events possible!

Work for the upcoming Fall Vendor Fair is in full swing! Mark October 15th on your calendar and join us to celebrate our local businesses and support the Jaycees. Can you help us with logistics, concessions, or selling raffles? We would love to see you!

Deena Cummings



Secretary's Report

Pam Warren

Welcome to Fall! My Favorite time of year with cooler weather, changing colors and comforting fall flavors. I am still fundraising for the Alzheimer's Walk that will be held at Gillette Stadium on September 24. If you want to walk with me (and Willow) or make a donation, you can visit my Facebook fundraiser page: [Pam's](#)

[Alzheimer Walk Page](#)

Our September meeting will be live and in-person at the South Foxboro Community Center. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces there! As always, if you are unable to attend our meetings, but would like to know what happened, or what was discussed about a particular project, you can request a copy of the minutes. Send me an e-mail loccgazette@yahoo.com and I will pass them on.

Sunshine - 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 2022 GMM:

July 2022 Jaycee of the Month – Ed Miller: Ed has been a very enthusiastic member – attending meetings regularly (even zooming in from Florida over the winter) and is always very positive about the Jaycees. He was a big help during the Car Show and manned the concessions stand with the Fire Department all day. Thanks, Ed, for all your help!. (Also nominated were Amy LaBrache and her entire committee for putting together and running the Car Show)

July 2022 Project of the Month – Car Show – Amy LaBrache: Amy and her committee did a fantastic job with the inaugural Car Show. Everyone involved spoke highly of how successful the event was. The business owners in the area were thrilled with the results, the entrants all had a great time and there is talk of this becoming an annual event! Great job!

If you want to see your name here – volunteer to run a project or even to come help out!

Congratulations to our winners!!!!

Something worth Celebrating...

September Birthdays:

Mike Savage
Helene Savage
Sophia Manos
Mellyssa Coutinho
DJ Jolicoeur

September Anniversaries:

Bob Hickey	1993
Carl Bertolino	2017
Kenny Wills	2019



Car Show Committee
Chairperson Amy LaBrache
making announcements
and handing out the
trophies on Car Show Day

Jaycee of the Month Ed
Miller helped the Fire
Department sell
Hamburgers & Hot
Dogs at the Car Show





Individual Development

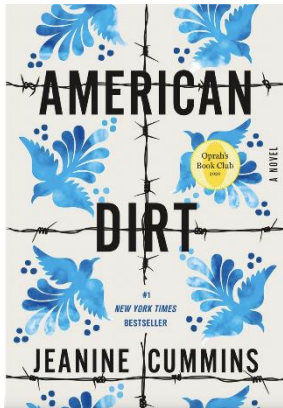
Vice President: Sophia Manos

General Membership (GM) Meeting back in person in September

We will be having our 2nd regular in-person GM meeting next week on Wednesday September 14th at 7pm at the South Foxboro Community Center. Join us for an Ice-Cream Social!

Book Club – Lisa Jolicoeur – 9/1/2022 7pm (in person and Zoom)

On Thursday, August 4, 2022, Book Club members met via Zoom for a rich and engaging discussion about "American Dirt" by Jeanine Cummins: *También de este lado hay sueños*. "On this side, too, there are dreams." The book opens with a heart stopping act of violence, followed by the beginning of an incredible journey. Lydia Quixano Pérez of Acapulco runs a bookstore, loves her son, Luca, and has a wonderful journalist husband who writes articles that include actions of a cartel leader who has woven himself into Lydia's life.



Survivors of the attack, Lydia and eight-year-old Luca soon find themselves miles and worlds away from their comfortable middle-class existence, instantly transformed into migrants, hopping trains toward the United States, which is the only place Javier's reach doesn't extend. Readers are introduced to a slew of interesting characters to enrich an understanding of the obstacles and challenges Lydia and Luca encounter.

Book Club members discussed interesting narrative with flashbacks immersed in the action; the limited choices immigrants face that force them to make hard decisions; the actions of the people who helped those in need; and how the story inspires people to want to help.

For these reasons, the book earned mostly all 1s and 1.5s: 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 - waste of hours of my life."

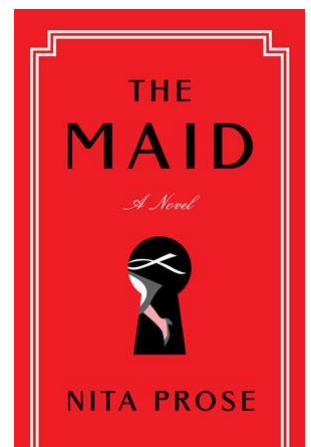
Exciting News: We will meet in person for our Sept. 1st meeting and include Zoom for those unable to attend in person! Stay tuned for details!

September 1st Book Club: "The Maid" by Nita Prose

Molly Gray is not like everyone else. She struggles with social skills and misreads the intentions of others. Her gran used to interpret the world for her, codifying it into simple rules that Molly could live by.

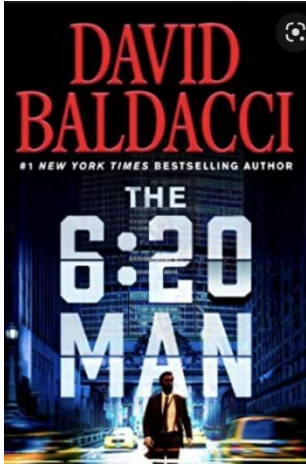
Since Gran died a few months ago, twenty-five-year-old Molly has been navigating life's complexities all by herself. No matter—she throws herself with gusto into her work as a hotel maid. Her unique character, along with her obsessive love of cleaning and proper etiquette, make her an ideal fit for the job. She delights in donning her crisp uniform each morning, stocking her cart with miniature soaps and bottles, and returning guest rooms at the Regency Grand Hotel to a state of perfection.

But Molly's orderly life is upended the day she enters the suite of the infamous and wealthy Charles Black, only to find it in a state of disarray and Mr. Black himself dead in his bed. Before she knows what's happening, Molly's unusual demeanor has the police targeting her as their lead suspect. She quickly finds herself caught in a web of deception; one she has no idea how to untangle. Fortunately for Molly, friends she never knew she had united with her in a search for clues to what really happened to Mr. Black—but will they be able to find the real killer before it's too late?



A *Clue*-like, locked-room mystery and a heartwarming journey of the spirit, *The Maid* explores what it means to be the same as everyone else and yet entirely different—and reveals that all mysteries can be solved through connection to the human heart.

November Book Club Choice: "The 6:20 Man" by David Baldacci



A cryptic murder pulls a former soldier turned financial analyst deep into the corruption and menace that prowl beneath the opulent world of finance, in this #1 *New York Times* bestselling thriller from David Baldacci.

Every day without fail, Travis Devine puts on a cheap suit, grabs his faux-leather briefcase, and boards the 6:20 commuter train to Manhattan, where he works as an entry-level analyst at the city's most prestigious investment firm. In the mornings, he gazes out the train window at the lavish homes of the uberwealthy, dreaming about joining their ranks. In the evenings, he listens to the fiscal news on his phone, already preparing for the next grueling day in the cutthroat realm of finance. Then one morning Devine's tedious routine is shattered by an anonymous email: She is dead.

Sara Ewes, Devine's coworker and former girlfriend, has been found hanging in a storage room of his office building—presumably a suicide, at least for now—prompting the NYPD to come calling on him. If that wasn't enough, before the day is out, Devine receives another ominous visit, a confrontation that threatens to dredge up grim secrets from his past in the army unless he participates in a clandestine investigation into his firm. This treacherous role will take him from the impossibly glittering lives he once saw only through a train window, to the darkest corners of the country's economic halls of power . . . where something rotten lurks. And apart from this high-stakes conspiracy, there's a killer out there with their own agenda, and Devine is the bull's-eye.

Sandy will present some choices for the November Book Club Choice! Thank you to Bev for introducing choices for the November Book Club Choice!

Some of the titles we discussed for potential future book club choices and/or personal reading include the following:

"Things We Do In the Dark" by Jennifer Hillier

"Thank You For Listening" by Julia Whalen

"Blood Sugar" by Satcha Rothchild

"Finlay Donovan's Killing It" by Elle Cosimano

"Vacationland" by Meg Mitchell More

"The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell" (Pecan Man author Cassie Selleck shared this title) by Robert Dugoni

Upcoming Projects:

Monthly Trivia Night at Conrad's Foxboro – Monday August 22 at 7pm – Chair Needed

Trivia DJ, Dan Maloof is back to his weekly questions about music, geography, and film. Now at Conrad's in Foxboro. We hope you can make it!!! Does someone want to take this on as chair?

Jaycees Monthly Night/Day Out!

Meet and Greets – Ideas & Chairpersons Needed

Have an idea for a social event you might like to host or run? Let us know!

September Event – an evening “cornhole” hangout.

Foxboro’s Squadron 21’ers (foxborocornhole.com) offers cornhole access for folks around Foxboro and neighboring towns. They call it a “hangout”.

Who would like to hangout and sling some beanbags this month?

Please email me at id@foxborojaycees.org if interested.

Scat Night & Clam Bake– (pending) Sept or Oct 2022 – Kenny Wills and Kris Long

The Fall is upon us, and with it we may try for that old favorite, Scat Night, combined with an old-fashioned Clam Bake. Look for an upcoming email poll/blast about it.

Rules of Scat can be found here (<https://gamerules.com/rules/scat-card-game/>)

Completed Projects:



Music Bingo! – Tuesday August 16th - 7:30pm at Box Seats in North Attleboro - Amy LaBrache, Chair.

August’s monthly night out was B-I-N-G-O

A few of us listened to some tunes while chowing on some yummy pub food. Congrats to Kris Long who won twice out of the four games! She had the lucky cards!

Keep your eyes peeled here and for emails about upcoming events when available.

Respond to me at id@foxborojaycees.org with your ideas!



community Development

Vice President: Lynda Walsh

Well, that was a quick summer! As the kiddos head back to school and we begin to see the trees changing their colors, and football is back on Sundays, it's time to renew your Jaycee duties! We'll have a ton of holiday projects coming up and they're going to need your help. Maybe you'd like to create something new for us to accomplish, or you'd like to chair a project, or maybe you could just help out at one of the many projects. Please try to find time to fit us in, we'd love to hear about your summer and if you're interested in any of our projects.

Upcoming Projects:

Friends of Foxboro Fire Truck Restoration – Kris Long

Kris will continue to work with the Friends of Foxborough Fire to develop some fundraising efforts.

WIN Waste Mgmt. Day – Chairman Needed

Our friends at WIN have reached out to us to team up for a day of clean up or something completely different. We need a chair who can keep open lines to see where we can help them. Brandon and the folks at WIN have already jumped in and helped us so much, we need to pay it forward to them. Let me know if you'd be interested in heading up our partnership.

Alzheimer's Walk – Pam Warren, Sept. 9/24

Pam has been busy gathering support for Alzheimer's by collecting sponsorships for her walk. If you'd like to join her and her dog, Willow for the walk, please reach out to her. It's always a very meaningful experience for all who walk for a family member, or a friend that is going through or has gone through this awful disease. Please support Pam in her efforts.

UPCOMING: Here's a list of projects that will be looking for Chairmen and helpers. Come to the General Membership meeting on September 14th to hear more and to sign up for one of the holiday projects.

Thank-you Turkeys for Vets
Common Decoration
Nativity Scene Set Up and Take Down
Light up the Town
Fruit Baskets

Caroling on the Common
Holiday Light Contest
Kids Wishing Tree
NY Eve Kid's Party

Completed Projects

National Night Out – Amy LaBrache

Amy LaBrache did a fantastic job working with Foxborough Police and Fire to celebrate National Night Out Against Drugs and Crime. She was responsible for getting many informational booths and lots of fun activities for the kids. Thank you AMY, great job!

Concerts on the Common – Max Loew / Marc Rivard

Max and Marc did a great job at booking some awesome groups to perform for us on Thursday evenings during the summer. Lots of variety, and lots of folks came out to enjoy. Thank you again Max and Marc for another successful Summer Concert Series on the Common!

Stakes are High – Kris Long

Kris Long was able to bring our community together to pay respect to the many of Massachusetts residents that lost their lives to opioid addiction. Nearly 15 thousand flags were planted on the common during the past week and on Sunday there was a memorial presentation with speakers and informational tables available. Thank you, Kris, for reminding us of those lost to this epidemic.



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.



Scenes from our final two concerts of the season:

Above: Jennifer Tefft brought her whole band this year and played a fantastic show of Original music and fun covers

Below: Wicked West was a last-minute replacement for the Day Trippers, but they came through with a great evening of Classic rock and heavy metal for our final show of the season.

Thanks to everyone who came out to enjoy the shows this summer and to all the bands for another great season of music and memories!





Ways and Means

Vice President: Kris Long



Hello Fellow Jaycees!

Happy Back to school month!!

I'm looking forward to my favorite time of year! Fall brings football, fires and fattening food!!

I hope to see some new faces as well as some of the older faces at the next in person meeting!!

Please keep an eye out for a survey monkey in regard to a good old fashion clam bake, Kenny and I are shopping around to get the most affordable lobster, clams and steak! After the clambake we will play a few rounds of scat!!

Enjoy the long weekend see you all soon~
Kris

Note Cards - Kris Long

We have some wonderful note cards that could make great Thank you cards!!

Fall Vendor Fair – Deena Cummings & Committee

Fall Fair Concessions – Pam Warren

Fall Fair Raffle – Chairperson Needed

Our Fall Vendor Fair is scheduled for October 15th on the Town Common. Registration forms have gone out to potential vendors and we have already received some back from folks eager to sell their wares. We will need lots of help on the day beginning with set-up, continuing in various areas throughout the day and ending with clean-up.

Pam will also need plenty of help running the Concession stand and would be happy to show someone new how it's done. The Raffle is a great first-time project for a new chairperson – there will be plenty of mentors available to help you learn.

Completed Projects

Concerts on the Common Concessions - Pam Warren

The concert season has ended – we had great weather all season. We even gave away a bunch of water on the hottest days. It was also nice to see a bunch of glow items around during a few of the shows.



Membership

Vice President: Amy LaBrache

Hello Fellow Jaycees!

September! How the summer flew! We had so many wonderful events this summer that really brought our community together! It was a pleasure working alongside all of you and I hope to see you all at the upcoming Fall vendor Fair! This winter will be a great time to maybe have a new member get together, and I have also put a bug in Sophia's ear about maybe putting together some new ID projects. If you have some ideas, please send them our way!!!!

Membership has been fairly quiet this past month, and hoping to see some new faces at our next GM. I am really looking forward to meeting a few new faces that have joined, but I have only seen on Zoom. Please join us on September 14th at 7:30 PM for an in-person meeting! This will be held at the South Foxboro Community Center on South St. Also, if you are a more seasoned member, this will be a great way to reconnect and see what we are up to! I am hoping to be there but might be tardy due to a work commitment. But from what I understand there are going to be some sweet treats.

As always, please reach out to me with any thoughts or ideas!

In Jaycee Spirit,

Amy

Virtual Zoom Q and A - Amy:

We will be holding a virtual Q and A soon. We will also be posting in other town's sites to see if we can get some interest in surrounding towns. We are the last chapter in MA, so many may not even know who we are!

Junior Jaycees:

We are so close! CORI's are being submitted and drafts for permissions slips are starting to be made! This is a very exciting adventure, and I will be looking for help to mentor this group of kiddos! Please let me know if you are interested!

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! Do you have any ideas for something new? Send me an email with your thoughts! If you are interested, send me an email at afoxb1@icloud.com.

Website – Bob Gillis:

Our all-star webmaster is 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 or social media, please forward them to Bob. He will ensure that they are included appropriately. You do not need to be on the board to contribute to the website, our social media, or the Wise Fox. If you have something to share, please send to Bob, Marc, Pam, or myself.

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 and she can invite you to the Group.