

Wise Fox



A Monthly Publication of the Foxboro Jaycees – October 2022



Happy Halloween Month, Jaycees!

Thank you to everyone who came out for the September General Meeting - we enjoyed an Ice Cream social and got to work on our Jaycees business: event planning and welcoming new members! Our next in person meeting will take place the second Wednesday

in December: mark your calendars!

As we transition to fall, easing back to in-person events offers a chance for people to re-connect. ID projects such as Book Club and restaurant gatherings for music bingo have returned to in-person, and other fun activities are in the works! Can you help us plan a game night?

In exciting news, the Jaycees Fall Vendor Fair is coming! We would be so grateful for your Jaycees support: helping with the raffle, concessions, or logistics with vendors to ensure our event runs smoothly will go a long way to making this very important Ways and Means project a successful one! We would so love to see you! Bring your friends and family!

Deena Cummings





Secretary's Report

Pam Warren

Fall is in full swing, the weather is getting cooler, and your Jaycees are getting BUSY! We had a great in-person meeting for September, and I am looking forward to our Fall Vendor Fair. The holiday season is coming quickly, and we have lots of projects that would be great for

First-time chairpersons to take on... Join us on Zoom for our October 12th meeting to see all that we have planned. 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 lccgazette@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 September 2022 GMM:

August 2022 Jaycees of the Month – Ken Wills & Bill Long: Ken & Bill spent many hours on the common to plant the more than 14,000 flags for the “Stakes are High” project. A very long day to make a powerful display and raise awareness of the epidemic of opioid overdoses in recent years. Thank you so much for making a difference! (Also nominated was Kris Long for organizing the entire project)

August 2022 Project of the Month – Concerts on the Common – Max Loew and Marc Rivard: Congratulations to Max and Marc for organizing and running a very successful concert season. Only one show was missed due to the weather, and they even found a last-minute replacement band when one had to cancel for a personal issue. It was wonderful to spend each Thursday this summer with friends enjoying great music. (Also nominated were National Night out and the Concert Concessions)

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...

October Birthdays:

David Reid	7 th
Lynda Walsh	9 th
Laura Franc	11 th
Marc Rivard	11 th
Vanessa Shirley	12 th
Mark Emery	13 th
Paul Kelly	24 th
Kenny Wills	25 th
Marian McCabe	27 th
Pam Warren	31 st
Sandy Daniels	?

October Anniversaries:

Paul Kelly	1972
Ed Groh	1989
Bob & Jane Webster	1989
Lynda Walsh	1993
Tom Whiffen	1996
Mike & Helene Savage	1997
Andrea Johnstone	1998
Monica Fidler	2003
Pam Warren	2010
Jade Cummings	2016
Jordan Cummings Dee	2016
Devlyn House	2016
Robert Reid	2016
LaNecia Wood	2016
Colin McNelley	2017



A sea of colored flags were planted on the common for the Stakes are High, thanks to the efforts of our Jaycees of the Month – Ken Wills and Bill Long.

Co-chair Mark Rivard introduced each band for our Project of the Month (and the entire summer) – Concerts on the Common





Individual Development

Vice President: Sophia Manos

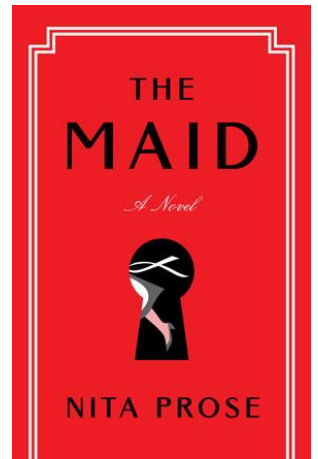
General Membership (GM) Meeting will be via Zoom for October

Book Club – Lisa Jolicoeur – 10/6/2022 - 7pm (in person and Zoom)

On Thursday, September 1, 2022, the Book Club convened IN PERSON (Hybrid/Zoom available) at the cozy home of Sandy who provided an array of delicious sweets, veggies and dip, tea, soda, and wine. Thank you to Sandy for such an inviting space to discuss Nita Prose's "The Maid" and other books.

Nita Prose's "The Maid" follows Molly, a socially awkward Grand Regency Hotel maid who embraces her job with vigor: clearly, the structured expectations of her job are a perfect fit for her. Molly's Gran helped her interpret the world, but Gran's recent passing has left Molly disoriented and vulnerable to shady characters who take advantage of her and frame her for murder and theft.

Book Club members discussed Molly; her character traits were lovable but also frustrating because we could not imagine someone being so vulnerable and blind to the deceit of others, but we were also angry at those who took advantage of her because they could. Her landlord, for example, made her home not safe due to irrational and mean-spirited eviction threats; someone she thought cared for her stole her nest egg, the Fabergé she and Gran worked so hard to build for her to go to school; coworker Rodney whom she thought liked him but entangled her in his crimes; and her mean-spirited, lazy, thieving boss who stole tips from the other maids. There were definitely some rewarding characters who provided a satisfactory ending to the story: doorman Mr. Prescott and his daughter who watched out for Molly and stepped in when they realized she was being framed; Juan Manuel, an immigrant co-worker who was also taken advantage of but who showed courage and loyalty; Giesele, the widow of the murdered man who was a potential suspect, victim of abuse, and surprising friend to Molly; and Mr. Snow, the hotel manager who recognized Molly's solid character and loyalty to her job. Although Gran was not in the story, her voice resonated through Molly's memories. The book has been produced in film but appears unavailable right now: <https://deadline.com/2020/12/florence-pugh-the-maid-for-universal-1234657335/>



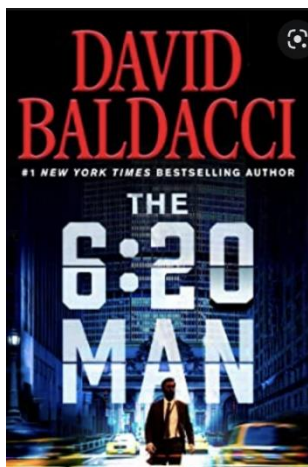
We watched some clips with the author: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cfu37sZWzBA>

We had a great deal to discuss in the story. While we found it a page turner, several of us did find the first-person narrator a bit frustrating at times because she was a bit too vulnerable.

For these reasons, the book earned mostly all 2s and 3s: 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."

Sandy presented three books for the November choice: Lessons in Chemistry, Thank You for Listening, and The Last Resort: A Chronicle of Paradise, Profit, and Peril at the Beach." Additionally, Sandy recommended "Things You Can't Do In the Dark"; Lisa C recommended "House Across the Lake"; and Lisa J. has continued with the Louise Penny Detective Gamache series.

October Book Club Choice: "The 6:20 Man" by David Baldacci. - Lisa J. will host and Zoom will be available.



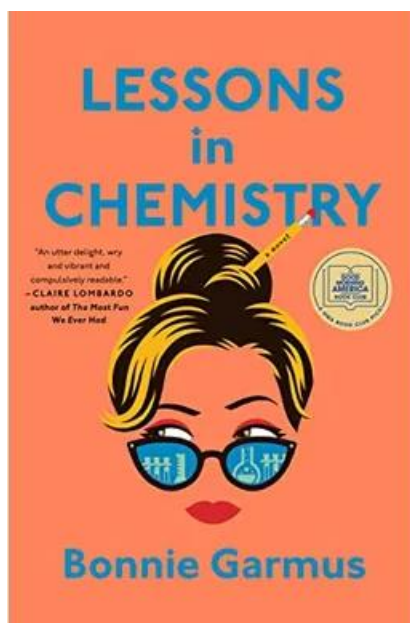
A cryptic murder pulls a former soldier turned financial analyst deep into the corruption and menace that prowl beneath the opulent world of finance, in this **#1 New York Times bestselling thriller from David Baldacci.**

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.

November Book Club Choice: "Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • GOOD MORNING AMERICA BOOK CLUB PICK • A must-read



debut! Meet Elizabeth Zott: a “formidable, unapologetic and inspiring” (PARADE) scientist in 1960s California whose career takes a detour when she becomes the unlikely star of a beloved TV cooking show in this novel that is “irresistible, satisfying and full of fuel. It reminds you that change takes time and always requires heat” (The New York Times Book Review).

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an *average* woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind. True chemistry results.

But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show *Supper at Six*. Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking (“combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride”) proves revolutionary. But as her following

grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

Martha will present book choices for December at our next meeting!

Upcoming Projects:

Scat Night & Lobster Bake at the Long home

Oct 22, 2022 at 5pm – Kenny Wills and Kris Long

The Fall is upon us, and with it finally comes scat night!

This time with crustaceans: It's Lobstah!

Keep summers on Cape vibe going on a cool October evening

Please **RSVP** for this event by clicking here: **[SURVEY](#)**



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

Jaycees Monthly Night/Day Out!

Meet and Grets – Chair Needed

A fun time for all members and family.

The monthly gatherings have not worked out much so far. It is understandable when there are no set

dates while waiting for responses etc. Instead, a calendar date will be set for each month for a certain outing/event. Then updates about outings will be sent out as date approaches, but it would still be great if members would offer responses/feedback as some events may require headcounts.



Please see the calendar at the end of this newsletter for October (SCAT NIGHT) and November (TRIVIA & CORNHOLE)

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

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



Development

Vice President: Lynda Walsh

Now this is my time of year! Good food, sweatshirts, chilly nights, and Football. Relax and enjoy this month, because Community Development is going to need your help during the Holiday season.

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.

Thank-you Turkeys for Vets – Lynda Walsh - November 19th

Each year we send out a sign-up flyer for Veterans who would like a turkey for Thanksgiving as a thank you for their service. We've teamed up with a few folks from town who donate money to the cause. We also have help from our Friends at the South Foxboro Community Center, who donate four yummy whoopie pies, along with our friends from the Farmstand who normally donate butternut squash. Each year a class from the Taylor School also create cards to go along with our packages. We will be meeting at the Community Center and asking for folks to pick up packages and hand deliver to our town Veterans.

Common Decoration – Chairman Needed – November 26th

This year the town will be funding lighting that will go around the common fencing and light up the large pine tree. But we're still going to do our gig, which will be the bushes around the memorials, as well as the bandstand. The town will be donating \$500.00 for us to light up the lamp posts with white lights. This year will take a little coordination with the town to be sure our lights match what the company will be using, etc. If you're interested in chairing this project, let me know.





Nativity Scene Set Up and Take Down – Chairman Needed – November 26th

Each year we bring the Nativity set to the common and arrange it on the bandstand for the holiday season. Then we return it to our safe inventory building to be protected. Our vintage set was refurbished a couple years ago, and it looks like new. If you're interested in helping, please let me know.

Light up the Town – Chairman Needed

The Jaycees team up with the Recreation

Department for this event. Normally, the Jaycees are responsible for inviting Santa and the Mrs. to arrive by Firetruck and help with the tree lighting and listen to children's wishes.

Fruit Baskets – Chairman Needed

Each year our fruit baskets get delivered with the Discretionary Fund's packages to folks in need in town. Our friends at Partners Health join us financially and physically to create the baskets of fruit we purchase from Stop and Shop.



Caroling on the Common – Chairman Needed

This is an annual event. We team up with The Foxborough High Holiday band and sing carols on the common. In years past, we've gone to the Doolittle Home after and caroled to the seniors there. We offer hot cocoa to the participants as well as cookies. If you want to chair this fun little project, let me know.

Holiday Light Contest – Pam Warren & Bob Gillis

Once again Pam and Bob want to run a town-wide Holiday Light Contest.... This year we will not be awarding prizes, just bragging rights to the winners! If you'd like to help Bob and Pam judge the houses, let them know.

Kids Wishing Tree – Chairman Needed

A couple years ago when we were in the midst of Covid, a young boy came up with the idea of a wishing tree where folks could hang their wishes in hopes of them being answered in the upcoming year. If you'd like to take this on, let me know.

NY Eve Kid's Party – Chairman Needed

We'd like to get back to having a NY Eve Kid's Party for the youngsters of town to participate in the count down and party with all their friends. If you have any ideas and would like to chair this, please let me know.



Town Holiday Banners – Monica Rigamonti

Each year we put banners on the light poles around the center of town, eighteen to be exact. The majority of them are torn and have gotten beaten up over the years. Normally the town's Highway Department places them for us, but they've told us that they won't put up any that have been damaged, and won't put them up unless there are 18 to place. The board would like to purchase new ones, and there will be a vote at our upcoming meeting. Thanks, Monica, for your help.

Completed Projects

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

Pam raised funds for this walk and participated, along with Ed and Sylvia Miller, Sophia Manos & Alexander Mills (and two small dogs). They raised \$1100 for Alzheimer's Research and are still fundraising through the end of October. You can donate here: [Jaycees ALZ Team Page](#) Thank you, Pam, for making strides toward a cure!

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.



Our Alzheimer's walk team posed for a group photo and got Photobombed by Pat Patriot! Pictured: Pam Warren, Sophia Manos, Alexander Mills, Pat Patriot, Sylvia Miller and Ed Miller



Ways and Means

Vice President: Kris Long



Hello Fellow Jaycees!

Fall is a time for food, fires, friends and the fall vendor fair!!

Come on down to the common and enjoy all of the above!

Looking for all amateur photographers, we are looking to produce a new set of Notecards, we are looking for Fall landscapes as well as Winter wonderland! Your photos will be voted on and if selected will be used for our next set of Foxboro Note Cards! As a thank you to those who are selected you will receive a package of the newest note cards! Spread the word, all photos can be emailed to Krisma3535@gmail.com.

Have an idea to raise some money for the chapter, no idea is too big (haha) or too small, please share your ideas, and get involved!!

Kris

Note Cards - Kris Long

We still have some of our current note cards that could make great Thank you cards!!

Fall Vendor Fair – Deena Cummings & Committee

Fall Fair Concessions – Pam Warren

Fall Fair Raffle – Alicia Bryant

Our Fall Vendor Fair is scheduled for October 15th on the Town Common. Registration forms have gone out to potential vendors and we have over 50 folks registered and 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. Alicia will be gathering items from our vendors for The Raffle to help generate additional funds. If you have anything you would like to donate, let her know.





Membership

Vice President: Amy LaBrache

Happy Fall!

So many fun and exciting activities are coming up! Fall Vendor fair, and so many holiday / winter projects. See something you are interested in learning more about? Reach out! Many of us are happy to co-chair something with you! This time of year has to be one of the busiest and most gratifying times. Please if you can help,

Membership has been fairly quiet this past month. We are going to be holding a New Member social / gathering this January to all get together. Hoping that many of our seasoned members can come out too. More information to follow but it will be held at a local establishment and hope you can all make it! More info to come out soon!

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 in November. 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.



OCT2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5 Yom Kippur	6 Book Club – 7pm	7	8
9	10 Columbus Day	11	12 <i>GM on Zoom 7:30 PM</i>	13	14	15 <i>Vendor Fair on Common 9am – 3pm</i>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22  Lobster Bake and Scat Night
23	24 Diwali	25	26 Board meeting on Zoom	27	28	29
30	31 <i>Happy Halloween!</i>	1	2	3	4	5

NOV2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1	2	3 Book Club – 7pm	4	5  Casual Cornhole @ Squadron 21 5 pm
6 Daylight Savings Ends – Fall Back!	7	8 Election day	9 <i>GM on Zoom 7:30 PM</i>	10	11 Veteran's day	12
13	14 Wicked Trivia @ Conrad's 6:30 pm 	15	16	17	18	19 <i>Turkeys for Vets at SFCC</i>
20	21	22	23 Board meeting on Zoom	24 Happy Thanksgiving!	25	26 <i>9am - Common Decorating & Nativity set up PM - Light up the town</i>
27	28	29	30	1	2	3