

FOXBORO JAYCEES WISE FOX – JULY 2008

From the President - Mike Savage

Founder's Day is over, and as all who were there know, it was a great success. It's nice when the weather cooperates. The manpower turnout was a little smaller than we had hoped, but everyone worked hard and hung in a little longer than their shifts were supposed to be. Concessions, Slush, Membership Booth, Pony Rides, Worker's Party, and Glow Items... All the projects were successful. It was a very full day, and I haven't heard anything bad about the day, which is always a good thing. The Budget Meeting also happened last month, and I'm happy to say it passed with no complaints. As far as meetings go, everyone seemed happy with "social time" before the meeting. But we decided to postpone it until after the summer when we will hopefully have larger turnouts at the meetings. This month Linda Magovern will be supplying us with food for the meeting. We've just recently decided to run a membership booth at Mansfield's "Family Fun Night", which is on Tuesday July 8th from 6:00p.m.until dusk. If some of our more charismatic and influential members would be kind enough to show up and donate a little time to the booth, it would be greatly appreciated, and a great help. If you can, please let Vanessa know. There are also many fun projects running that it would be nice to see more friendly faces at. Volleyball is running on Tuesday nights @ 6:00 at the Booth Playground. Concerts on the Common are on Thursdays from 7:00 to 9:00. The Camping Trip is still looking for a couple of people, July 17-20. And Pawtucket Red Sox (Aug. 3) and Block Island Social (Aug. 2) are being booked now, if you are interested, you should get your name in soon. Foxboro Family Night Out is August 5, we are still looking for manpower to assist the Police as well as families to just show up and enjoy the night. I hope everyone is enjoying their summer, and hopefully I'll see more of you at some of the coming events. Mike

Ways & Means - Fred Badger (VP)

I'd like to thank those that helped with the Founder's Day projects. It was a successful day thanks to the project chairmen and everyone involved. Concerts on the Common Concessions is still in need of your help. If you can make change, this job is for you. Plus, you get a free concert. What more could you ask for? Please come by during the next several Thursdays and be part of the excitement. The first 2 concerts were excellent. The remainder of the schedule should be just as good. The concert schedule is on the web site.

Glow items 2 may take place at Hough's Neck in Quincy depending on the date. Manpower for this project will be needed to sell the remaining glow merchandise. If you can spend a few hours your help will be greatly appreciated.

The Haunted House at the Orpheum Theatre is likely not going to take place this year. If that is the case, we maybe able to conduct the Mini Haunt at the Walpole Mall. More info to come in the coming weeks. We're looking at a November timeframe for the Craft Vendor Fair. Wendy Kerchoff will be sharing her experience with us to get this project off and running again this year.

Membership - Vanessa Linke (VP) & Mark Kerchoff (Director)

Bob Gillis has spent some quality time on the Website and not only resolved all the issues we had with the server outage at the beginning of this month, but also completely re-vamped the navigation menu - and added a GAZILLION pictures of the 2008 Founders Day events - so please be sure to check it out and drop him a line on how you like the new look at <http://www.foxborojaycees.org>! Also, Andrew Hewitt's awesome Foxboro Jaycees' Myspace page can be found at <http://www.myspace.com/foxborojaycees>. I want to thank all the great Jaycees that pitched in to make Founders Day such a success this year! Many of you stayed much longer than your assigned shift - some of you all day and all night - and I wanted to tell you that we appreciated that! As MEM VP, my special 'thank you' goes to Linda Magovern for chairing the Membership Booth this year. Speaking of the membership booth, I am still looking for Jaycees to take shifts at the Concerts On the Common Membership Booth for the following days: July 10, 17, 24 & Aug 14. Please email or call me if you are available any of those evenings. A big 'thank you' to those who have already signed up, because I am actually out of town for a few of those concerts. If anyone is interested in picking up the coordination of the booth & manpower for it, please let me know as this is technically still a 'chairperson needed' project. Two very exciting Membership inventory developments have taken place this last month: 1) Foxboro Jaycees Sweatshirts (Apparel) are now available - and are given out to Jaycees who chair a project during the 2008-2009 year. If you have chaired a project and would like to receive your sweatshirt, please contact me with your choice of size (M,L,XL,2XL,3XL). As always, if you are in need of a t-shirt, also feel free to let me know. 2) We have purchased a folding table and light-weight, table-top display booth, so in the future, as chairman of a membership booth project you have the option between the sturdy wooden booth or the new table-top display (Membership Booth Upgrade). I'm in process of fixing up the table-top display board with pictures & information, and it should be ready by the beginning of July. As a very last-minute opportunity, we are in discussion with Mansfield Family Fun Night, held on Tue July 8 (rain date July 9), to set up a Membership Booth (thank you, Linda M, for informing us!). Jen Widmer stepped up to chair the project and I'm excited to see us reach out into surrounding communities. I hope many of you visit the event in your Jaycees t-shirts - it can only help our recruiting efforts! Finally, unfortunately, I will not be at the July GM, as I have to visit the lovely city of Pittsburgh for work, but want you to know that you are welcome to call (see wise fox roster) or email me (membership@foxborojaycees.org) with any questions, comments, or concerns, between now and the next time I see you.

Individual Development - Julie Grant (VP) & Jen Diederich (Director)

What's new with ID? . . . I begged, I pleaded, I suggested... Still no chairmen for the following: Canoe Trip, Whale Watching, Whitewater Rafting! If you need details, see last month's novel!

Come out to the July G.M. for Linda Magovern's refreshments. Linda went all out the last time she hosted, and her baked macaroni was great!

It was suggested to me that we bring back speakers to our General Membership meetings. Well, I had a speaker, where were you?! Grab a friend and go to the booth playground to play

Pick-up Volleyball with Bob Webster and John Zarella and the gang on Tuesdays at 6:00. The cost is \$1.00 for members and \$2.00. Associates vs. Regulars Volleyball is going to be in late July or early August, so start getting in shape now, and stay tuned for further announcements as to the venue, etc.! If you would like more details, call Kris Long.

If you are more of a spectator than a player, enjoy watching the Pawtucket Red Sox or the New England Revolution. It is much more fun to go to a game in a group. Talk to Greg Widmer (Sox) or Kris Long (Revolution) if you are interested in going. And don't forget to add August 2nd to your calendar if you would like to go on the Block Island Social. Bring your bike, beach chair, cooler, shopping money, appetite, or book. Plenty to do on this day trip! In the past we have rented canoes and bikes, hung out at the beach, or you can even ride horses on the beach! There are great restaurants all over the place to where you can dine outside by the ocean.

Jen Diederich now has between 14 and 16 people booked for the camping trip. There are still a few spots left- book now, or regret later! The dates are July 17th -20th. This is a great time, and an opportunity for non-gym exercise.

Tom Whiffen loves to organize spectacular day hikes for everyone. He will tailor your hike according to your physical ability- yeah right!

Talk to Laureen House if you are interested in joining the book club. You may check the Jaycee website for current information. The next book discussion will be The Golden Compass on July 16th at 8:00 at Monica Rigamonti's house.

Print out a Degrees of Jaycees form from the Jaycee website and start keeping track of your Jaycee Participation. It is much easier if you do it as you go along. Contact Sandy Emery if you have any questions.

Tom Sawran's Founders' Day Workers' party was a great break for us before going back down to the field to sell glow items. Thanks for the food, drink, and your lovely hospitality Tom!

And Founders' Day Manpower was successful, as reflected by the well-run projects!

CALLING ALL GOLFERS!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We need a chairperson for the Jaycee Open... that is all I am going to say!

Secretary - Wendy Kerchoff

Happy June to everyone! It's about time we saw some nice weather, don't you think? Speaking of "sunshine", if you know of any Jaycee that is in need of some, please contact me.

Can you believe it is already July?! Where HAS the time gone? This last month there has been a lot of Sunshine for the Jaycees. Everything from a new baby girl for Jennifer and Jeff Alsop to the sad passing of Andrew Hewitt's dog. If you know anyone in need of a little Sunshine, please let me know! This month we received a nice thank you card from The New England Sinai Hospital Foundation for the donation we sent in memory of John Cushman. It's nice to know our donations are appreciated.

Community Development - Tom Whiffen (VP)

We are currently involved in a number of ongoing projects through the Spring and Summer. Vanessa Linke is running the Book Drive. If you have books you would like to donate – please give Vanessa a call.

Deena Cummings is running DVD's for Veterans. If you have DVD's you would like to donate - please give Deena a call.

Publicity is going well with Wendy Kerchoff making sure the Foxboro Jaycees are well represented in the Foxboro Reporter. She will be looking into how we can get ourselves into the free sections of the other local town papers.

Kris Long chaired My Hero Essays which is written by school kids talking about their Hero (Mom/Dad/Relative/Guardian or other influence in their life.) The winners will be in the paper soon!

Concerts on the Common chaired by Kris Long and Wendy Kerchoff is every Thursday night. Many of our favorite bands will be returning along with a few new surprises!

The Relay for Life was very successful Thanks to Jen Widmer for putting together a team of Jaycees to take part in this Nationwide project that raises millions of dollars for Cancer research.

The only chairman needed right now is Family Night Out manpower or if you have an idea that we can do that night. The Foxboro Police are currently running this project the first week in August and need some support. This project brings families out on the common to learn about how to protect their kids from daily dangers in society. If you would like to chair this project...please let me know. Let me know if you have any CD ideas!

Treasurer - Deena Cummings

When looking for a reimbursement, you must fill out the expense form that is provided online. All receipts and documentation must be stapled to that expense form. Also, when giving Deena checks to be deposited, please write the Line Item (LI) right above the name and address. THANKS!!!!

Chairman Needed

The following projects need chairman! Can you help?

Concert on the Common Concessions – Chairman Needed

This project runs along with the concerts for the summer. You don't have to do it by yourself. Feel free to put a committee together to help you weekly. Please let me know if you are interested.

Haunted House – Chairman Needed

I know it is early, but who knows, maybe someone will step up with plenty of time to spare and take this on. If you are interested, please contact me. We can discuss the in's and out's of the project.

Concerts on the Common Membership Booth---Chairman Needed

In the summer we run Concerts on the Common on most Thursdays. We have the membership booth up on the Common to let the public know who we are. If you are interested in running this project, please contact Vanessa.

Whale Watching-Chairman Needed

Canoe Trip-Chairman Needed

White Water Rafting-Chairman Needed

Family Night Out Manpower-Chairman Needed

Glow Items II-Chairman Needed

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