

#### A LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

OCTOBER 2015

Dear Fellow Jaycees,

Fall has officially arrived! Football has returned, the nights are getting cooler and we are heading into the busiest time of year for the Foxboro Jaycees.

September was a relatively quiet month for us. We provided manpower for McGinty Family Fun Day, so thank you to Lisa Jolicoeur for chairing the project and to everyone who was able to support the event. Thank you to Lynda Walsh, who worked with Chief O'Leary to arrange Foxboro Morning Out in conjunction with the annual drug take back initiative. This took the place of the rained out National Night Out event that is held in August every year. The Jaycees were joined by many other community organizations to ensure information was available to the public about groups that are working hard to support and combat the growing drug addiction crisis in the country and in our town.

I would also like to express my gratitude to Cindy McGinty for joining us at the September GM to share her story of how our community rallied behind her after the loss of her husband on September 11, 2001 and how she decided to share back that generosity in such a big way every year since.

The Foxboro Jaycees have long supported our community throughout the year with our many wonderful projects, but the most important time of the year for the good work we do is just around the corner. Help us ensure our Foxboro Common is decorated for the winter holidays, or come out to sing carols on the common with the community. We will be looking for Jaycees to put together Fruit Baskets for the Discretionary Fund's holiday food drive and someone to take on the task of providing sand to our senior neighbors throughout the winter. We are also looking for a chair person for our annual Progressive Dinner, as well as many other projects throughout the next few months.

Now is the time to step up to chair one of these many upcoming holiday projects. If you would like to take on a project, or offer to help another member, please contact the VP of the section or the chairperson. If you have already volunteered to chair a project, thank you!

See you at the October GM! ~Deena Cummings



# Secretary's Report

Vice President: OPEN

The secretary position remains OPEN. If you are interested in joining the board of directors, please contact Deena.



#### **Sunshine Report**

Condolences were sent to Monica Fisler and Family on the passing of her mother Asha Joshi. She was a wonderful woman and will be greatly missed.

#### <u>Inventory Coordinator</u> — *Mike Stewart*

Mike Stewart has volunteered to take over as our inventory coordinator. Thank you, Mike! Should you need to borrow anything from storage, please contact either Mike or Deena.

#### **Inventory Clean Up**

We will be organizing the storage area on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 12pm. If you are available any time that afternoon, please come join us as we work to ensure our equipment and supplies are stored neatly and tracked accordingly.

## **Congratulations!**



Jaycee of the month Lisa Jolicouer

Project of the month "Concerts on the Common"

Max Loew

### **October Anniversaries**

Monica Fisler
Ed Groh
Andrea Johnstone
Paul Kelly
Jerry Norwood
Helene Savage
Mike Savage
Andrew Steele
Lynda Walsh
Pam Warren
Bob Webster
Jane Webster
Tom Whiffen

## **October Birthdays**

Kristin Corley
Sandy Daniels
Mark Emery
Laura Franc
Paul Kelly
Vanessa Linke
Sara Parchesky
David Reid
Marc Rivard
James Romano
Jeremie Smith
Lynda Walsh
Pam Warren



# Individual Development

Vice President: Andrea Johnstone

**GM Meetings and Programs:** Snacks for the October GM to be provided by Lisa Jolicoeur Also, if you have any ideas for speakers, please let Andrea know.

Trivia Night – *Kathy Brady* – TBD, 6:30-9pm @ Game7 Sports Bar, 60 Man Mar Drive, Plainville, MA – usually the third Wednesday of the month (we always send out an email). This event remains exceptionally popular and is VERY family friendly so bring the kids, bring friends. Dan saves us a table at 6:30; you can order food (which is delicious) and time and game starts at 7:30.

#### **Book Club**

October 1st – Book Club will meet at
Matilda's and Joe's at 27 Sullivan Way in
Foxboro. The book is Harper Lee's new release "Go Set a
Watchman." Additionally, we will discuss "The Ups and
Downs of Being Dead" by M.R. Cornelius.

**November Book Club:** "The Nightengale" by Kristen Hannah. The book club will meet at Stephanie's House. **December Book Club:** "The Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins

January Book Club Topic: The group suggested several short stories referenced in "Fikry." More information will follow. Books that we discussed for future titles include David McCullough's "The Wright Brothers" and Erik Larsen's "Dead Wake." Thanks for a great evening!!:)

Walking Club – Laureen House / Lisa Jolicoeur - Saturday mornings, 7:45am @ bike path in Mansfield / Fruit St. Email Laureen House at <a href="ducla567@aol.com">ducla567@aol.com</a> for more details.

#### Jaycee Reunion - Lynda Walsh -

TBD Fall 2016. No update expected for a few months...

#### Restaurant Night - CHAIRMAN NEEDED

It's been a while since we've had a restaurant night; please let Andrea know if you would like to chair one — it's very easy; pick a nice place where we can chat that has good food and isn't too expensive; have people sign up and make the reservation, everyone pays their own way — that's it!

#### Christmas Projects - CHAIRMEN NEEDED

Please let me know if you would like to run either of these projects or would like more info:

- Progressive Dinner
- Kid's Christmas Party

# Ways & Means

Vice President: Lynda Walsh

Director: Pam Warren

#### Shoe Drive - Dawn Hadley - Ongoing

If you have shoes or sneakers that are slightly used, please bring them to the GM and Dawn will add them to our collection. Remember we get .20 cents per pound, it all adds up!

#### Road Race 2016 - CHAIRMAN NEEDED

The board would really like this to happen early spring, and we're hoping someone will step up to take this project on. If you're thinking about chairing this year's race, the time is now to step up. It takes several months to prepare for this. Deena and her crew have set the stage for us, doing all the leg work and a good understanding of what needs to be done to put together a road race. We need someone to step up and begin the planning for this year. If you're interested, feel free to reach out to Pam or me.

#### Notecards - Lynda Walsh

I will be using some of Bob Gillis and Pam Warrens photos of Foxboro and creating a nice note card package. These packages will be sold and the profits for the first six months will go to the Foxborough Flag Pole Fund. After that the Jaycees will receive the profits. We'll be changing them up every once in a while for a variety. Once a price is known for the production I will make a flyer and have information on the website.

#### Holiday Movie Fundraiser - CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Once again this year we'd like to team up with the Orpheum and run a holiday movie in conjunction with the Light up the Night program. Last year it was a big smash and many who came to see It's a Wonderful Life, hoped it could become a tradition. If you're interested in chairing this project, contact Pam or me.

#### Paint Night - CHAIRMAN NEEDED

Back by popular demand, a chairman is needed to hold our next Paint Night. We had a great turnout at our last event and we're hoping for the same. This was a great fun and brought in money to the chapters funds. Last time it was held at the community center, Holly and Andy supply us with everything we need. If you're interested in chairing, please contact me or Pam Warren.

If you have any ideas on new fundraising projects, please share with Lynda or Pam.



# Community Development

Vice President: Bob Gillis Director: Mike Stewart

Hi friends, I decided this month to keep the report short (that is, less than twelve pages). You're welcome.

#### Updates as needed:

#### **Publicity**

Please keep using social media to tell people about the Jaycee events and activities – even if we have it posted on the web and our own sites, add it to your Facebook / Tweets / Instagram, etc. PUBLICITY is critical to letting people know that Jaycee events are happening!

Treats for Troops – *Deena Cummings* – ongoing (Fall). Another package will be collected and sent in late autumn

#### Wrentham Abbey Help - Kathy Brady

Landscaping @ TBD – Thank you again to Kathy, Steve and Paul for their work with Sister Robbie.

Sparky the Fire Dog Costume – Dave Reid No update at this time.

# Foxborough Morning Out – *Lynda Walsh* Sept. 26th 10-2 - FINAL

I am profoundly grateful to Lynda to ensuring this event ran this year. If the Jaycees got information or made a difference to even one person who needed it, it's awesome. Many thanks Lynda and everyone who was there!

100 Years of Impact – Pam Warren / Laureen House – Until October 13<sup>th</sup> – While we won't make our 100 days deadline by October 13; I am proposing we continue this until the end of the year. No prize involved but please email Laureen, Pam or myself your acts of kindness and we will add them to the site. Would love to see 100 by 12/31 and you can be anonymous if you wish. There's so much bad news being reported, speaking for myself, I love reading and sharing these stories of kindness.

#### **Flagpole**

While not a Jaycee project, the chapter will be involved in some ways with the town-wide effort of raising funds to replace the flagpole on Foxboro Common.

Lynda Walsh is already putting together one such fundraiser. More to come.

#### Adopt a Kid - Lisa Jolicoeur

Thank you Lisa for taking this on!

#### **Adopt a Senior**

We're looking for a chairman for this one. Please let me know.

### Caroling on the Common

Thank you Stephanie O'Neill for taking this one on. More to come.

Winter Common Decorations – CHAIRMAN NEEDED
Nativity Set-up – CHAIRMAN NEEDED – we generally do these the same morning, USUALLY the Saturday after Thanksgiving. PLEASE consider chairing one of these; it's the Jaycees – not the town – that decorates the common for the holidays, and we have been putting the Nativity set up on the common since our incorporation in 1961! (NB: NOT that I was around then)! PLEASE let me know if you would like to chair this event. There are great CPGs available and manpower is always plentiful.

#### Holiday Banners – Monica Rigamonti

The ever awesome Monica has again agreed to coordinate getting our holiday banners up. You may not know that she and Maria Montanez created this back in 2011 and now it wouldn't be the holidays without these cheerful banners around the common!

#### Fruit Baskets – Sophia Manos

THANK YOU for chairing this Sophia! Sophia will be looking for lots of help as we assemble over 250 fruit baskets for the needy. This is the ultimate "feel good" holiday project and makes such a difference. More to come.

### Sand for seniors - Chairman Needed

My understanding is that Mohsen won't be doing this again this year; I still need to chat with him. What's involved: A Jaycee brings a bucket of sand to the doorway of seniors around town, for them to use to prevent falls on their walkways. It's very behind the scenes but rewarding. Please call me if interested.

# Membership

Vice President: Laureen House

#### **Membership Booths:**

<u>National Night Out – Thank you to Lisa Jolicoeur for running this membership booth.</u>

New Members Orientation – Oct 14 6:30pm – Bob Gillis, Chairman. This is for new and perspective members, designed to educate you on the inner workings of the Chapter. If you have not yet been to one, this is recommended.

<u>Membership Committee</u> - Would you like to participate in generating ideas for membership? Then I have a committee for you to join! We will meet periodically to discuss how to raise awareness of the Chapter, sign new members and activate current members. Please see me at the General Membership meeting, or email me at Ducla567@aol.com, if you would like to be on this committee.

<u>Membership Incentive:</u> If you provided a good lead or brought a guest to a Jaycee event as a potential member you were entered into a drawing for a \$25 Gift Certificate to Twenty8, via restaurant.com..

Lynda Walsh – 3 entries; Laura Franc – 1 entry; Lisa Jolicoeur – 1 Entry

#### **Jaycees Apparel**

You will receive a Jaycees t-shirt and/or hat when you volunteer for your first CD or W&M projects with the chapter. You can earn a sweatshirt by chairing your first project or holding your first board position. Finn's Graphics has been contacted to replenish our supply. If you are owed a sweatshirt or T-shirt please contact me so that I can ensure proper sizes available for you. Think ahead to Founders Day, we really want to have you participating that day at some point and making sure all have proper attire.

#### Website - Bob Gillis - Ongoing

Bob Gillis is doing a wonderful job to keep our website current, especially with all the great winter projects going on - 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 <a href="http://www.foxborojaycees.org">http://www.foxborojaycees.org</a>.

Bob has synced **Meetup** to the website, as events are added to MeetUp they will also appear on the website and you can RSVP from either site. Also, did you know that each post and page from the website can easily be shared on social media, with just a click of a button. Please feel free to share information from the website to social media. This will help spread the word of the wonderful projects that we run.

**Networking on Website:** There is a special page on the site called Jaycee Networking, this allows members to share any information for your business or services on the website. This is a free perk of being a Foxboro Jaycee Member. (Chapter Bylaws do not permit you to utilize Jaycee information for non-Jaycee purposes, i.e. roster)

**CPG on website**: keep sending those CPGs to Bob and he will add them to the website archives for future reference. These Chairman Planning Guides are invaluable when used to run a project. Check out the vast library he has been maintaining for the Chapter.

**Jaycee Photographs:** if you have any pictures of Jaycees, 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

(<a href="https://www.facebook.com/FoxboroJaycees">https://www.facebook.com/FoxboroJaycees</a>) and find us on Meetup.com (<a href="https://www.meetup.com/Foxboro-Jaycees/">https://www.meetup.com/Foxboro-Jaycees/</a>) --



you can always find the latest updates at <a href="https://www.foxborojaycees.org">www.foxborojaycees.org</a>. If you are planning on attending posted events, please be so kind to RSVP so that we have accurate headcounts!

<u>US Jaycees Training Available:</u> If you are looking for some guidance or additional training, feel free to attend one of the upcoming US Jaycees Webinars. Recorded training sessions can be found on their YouTube channel (<a href="http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLsYAnFEwYvBxW177">http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLsYAnFEwYvBxW177</a> hkqu4wKil2d4PBZnM)

National training Webinars can be found at <a href="http://www.jci.cc/local/media/usa/18989/2013-January-May-Webinar-Schedule-Released">http://www.jci.cc/local/media/usa/18989/2013-January-May-Webinar-Schedule-Released</a>

### **New Member Orientation**

Join us for a webinar on Sep 30, 2015 at 9:00 PM EDT.

#### Register now!

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6445791600 64036098

We will discuss the history of our organization, Active Citizenship Framework, how to make positive change in your community and be an active member of our organization.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

As always, please email Laureen with any questions, comments, concerns, project ideas, or to volunteer your services to the Membership Area.

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