

**Foxboro Cable Access, Inc.**



# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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*Celebrating 40 Years  
of Service to the Foxborough Community*

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# THE COMMUNITY AT YOUR FINGERTIPS



*"The best part of FCA local coverage in 2022  
is that it really is  
"THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING."*

*"With the Video-on-Demand streaming capability, citizens  
can watch their favorite events on the device of their  
choice at any time, at any location  
ON THE PLANET !"*

*"And... the viewer can pause, rewind or jump forward  
to find the part desired."*

*What could be better than that ? "*

**Paul "Cecil B. de" Beck**  
**FCA President**  
**Local TV Producer**  
**Professional TV Viewer**

*And, ...*

*"My greatest wish is that the entire FCA Sports Crew  
would have provided my coverage of ABC Wide World of  
Sports and all The Olympics from 1968 to 1998.  
We would have won every Emmy in sight!  
Oh, the Agony of Defeat ...  
It would have been a Thrill of Victory for sure."*

**Roone Arledge, noted ABC Sportscaster, retired**

Foxboro Cable Access, Inc. (FCA) is a non-profit organization established in 1982 as part of the License Agreement between the Town of Foxborough and Cablevision Industries, the franchise operator at the time. The License Agreement gave FCA the authority to establish rules for the use of the facilities, equipment, and channels provided by the cable franchise companies, now Comcast Corporation and Verizon. All cable subscribers in Foxboro are included as voting members of the Foxboro Cable Access corporation.

The corporation is managed by a nine member volunteer Board of Directors. Seven members are elected by the membership, while two are appointed by the Select Board.

The FCA Board of Directors operates under the FCA Corporate By-laws, revised in January, 2018. A copy of the by-laws is kept on file at the FCA Office at 28 Central Street in Foxborough. The Board elects officers and the President appoints volunteer operating positions from time to time as required to help manage the operation. The equipment and facilities provided for public access television are used by numerous trained individuals from the Foxborough community. Acting independently as volunteers, they produce programs of their choice which are cablecast to the community on the local public access channels, 8, 12 and 22 for Comcast subscribers, and on channels 39, 37 and 38 for Verizon subscribers.

## 2022 FCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

|                      | Term Expires |
|----------------------|--------------|
| PAUL BECK            | 2024         |
| MATT SHEA            | 2024         |
| DAN WILLIAMS         | 2024         |
| TIM ZERRIP (Retired) |              |
| RUTH MACKIE          | 2023         |
| ANNEMARIE ENGLISH    | 2023         |
| RICK PLASMATI        | 2023         |
| MARGARET CHAISSON *  | 2022         |
| LYNDA WALSH *        | 2022         |

\*Appointed by Selectmen

## CORPORATE OFFICERS

|                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Chairman       | Paul Beck         |
| Vice President | Lynda Walsh       |
| Treasurer      | Matt Shea         |
| Clerk          | Margaret Chaisson |

## VOLUNTEER OPERATIONS

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| President         | Paul Beck   |
| Vice President    | Lynda Walsh |
| Technical Advisor | Paul Beck   |
| Senior Archivist  | Deb Wendell |

## STAFF:

|                           |                               |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Executive Director        | Michael Webber                |
| Administrative Assistant  | Margaret Nash                 |
| Master Control Technician | Lauren Bitar                  |
| Engineers-in-Charge       | Mike Everson<br>Scott Daniels |
| Receptionist              | Janet Gavin                   |
| Gov't Mtg. Crew           | Paul Beck<br>Alexa Corriea    |
| Production Assistant      | Fanny Mizirhumbay             |
| Photos:                   | Michael Webber et al          |

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# OUR MISSION

## FCA MISSION STATEMENT

**To empower Foxborough citizens,  
government and educational institutions to communicate through media  
To manage an electronic forum for the free exchange  
of ideas and information, and  
To promote its use by providing access to media-making tools and educations.**

*FCA Board of Directors  
September 8, 2016*

To this end, Foxboro Cable Access has established and maintains satellite cablecast facilities in thirteen community locations in addition to the main studio and mobile production unit.



### Main Studio & Control Room

Equipped with multi-camera capability, several audio sources, graphics, Special Effects Generator, lighting grid and gobos, and options for remote Zoom guest via live fiber transmission or recording of talk shows, demonstrations or other events.

### Mobile Studio

Brand new 2022 Ford F450 chassis and engine with customized features, previously upgraded "box" with HD rack-mounted equipment and add'l hard wired cameras, video replay, SEG, graphics, audio sources, generator, and options for live fiber transmission or recording of sporting or other community events.

### Communication Arts Classroom Suite at FHS Media Center

Located on the 2nd floor of the FHS Media Center in two adjacent, interconnected rooms, this facility is equipped with 4 cameras, green screen, SEG, graphics, audio console & microphones, computers for editing and options for live fiber transmission.

### St. Mary's Church, Bethany Church, and Union Church

Each facility is equipped with multi-camera console with audio options and recording capability for worship services. Post Production editing is done by Video Ministry volunteers at FCA's Central Street Studio.

### Ahern Broadcasting Center

First established in 2010 and upgraded to HD in 2018, it is equipped with camera, audio and graphic equipment with studio desk for broadcasting "The Daily 2" a student-run daily news to each classroom. This well-attended co-curricular afterschool activity is supervised by a faculty advisor.

### Government Meeting Rooms at Town Hall & FHS Media Center

Equipped with 5 robotic cameras, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for remote participation and/or live fiber transmission, and digital recording of Select Board meetings and School Committee meetings.



### TV Center at FHS Gym

Equipped with 4-5 camera capability, video replay, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for live fiber transmission or recording of sporting events, graduation, class night or other events.



### TV Center at FHS Auditorium

Equipped with 11 - 13 camera capability, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for live fiber transmission or recording of school concerts, meetings or other events.

### Marilyn Rodman PAC

After years of making do with temporary production control equipment at the Orpheum Theater, in 2018 we finally set up a VERY compact, permanent recording console using a corner of the projection booth and a few seats in the back row. The versatile multi-camera arrangement makes it much easier to capture the variety of theatrical performances or large musical events that are held there.



### Cablecast Console at Boyden Library Community Meeting Room

Equipped with 4 robotic camera capability, SEG, graphics, audio sources, options for live fiber transmission or recording of meetings, programs or presentations by Foxborough Historical Society.



# FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ...

Dear Community Members,

I am pleased to present the FCA Annual Report for our PEG (Public, Educational, and Government) access TV station. This past year has been an exciting and productive one for our station, and I am proud of all that we have accomplished together.

One of the highlights of the year was the deployment of a new automated playback system in April. That same month Comcast activated a High Definition (HD) Channel (Comcast 1072), allowing our community programming to be viewed in its original HD format. Once the Verizon license renewal is complete, as is expected in early 2023, we will begin the process of formally requesting an HD PEG Channel for Verizon FiOS customers.

The playback system upgrades made it possible to start offering closed-captioning for select programming ... a very big step towards meeting the needs of EVERYONE in our community. While cost remains a factor, we fully expect to expand our closed-captioning services in 2023.

Indexing government meetings was another incremental step forward this year. In April, Deb Wendell began logging our government meetings with clickable timestamps, making it possible for viewers on our VOD website or youtube.com to find and jump to sections of meeting videos easily. The feedback has been very positive and appreciative.

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*"In other words, you can click on a specific time stamp in the listing below the video to go directly to a certain topic."*

**Deb Wendell**  
**FCA Senior Archivist**

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In total, community volunteers produced 507 locally produced programs in 2022. That includes 395 LIVE programs! Community engagement and viewership remain strong on our PEG channels and our online platforms. The FCA YouTube Channel reached 6,997 subscribers by year-end, with 239,300 views during the year.



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**Michael Webber**  
**FCA Executive Director**

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Our building sustained damage from a car accident in 2021, and after many delays, the repairs were completed in February 2022.

In addition to the repairs made to the building's facade, we also improved the rear interior entrance, adding stair treads and railings. On the outside, we repaired and repainted the rear wall of the building and replaced two large rooftop HVAC units.



Major upgrades to our Mobile Unit production truck also took place this year. The “box” section of the truck was removed and placed onto a brand new 2022 Ford F450 truck, bringing new life to a 22-year-old asset. This custom strategy allowed us to maximize the investments in HD equipment and configurations that have been made over the previous 10 years. A new generator, paint job, and roof rails were also installed to make the truck safe and reliable.

While the truck was being worked on, FCA volunteers did not stop or even slow production. During the early part of the Fall, we rented a U-haul truck for football season, and a temporary control room was actually built in the truck several weeks in a row to maintain our normal high production value coverage.

During the Thanksgiving Day Football coverage, with our new truck, volunteer Frank Giffune announced that he will retire from the Warrior Broadcast Booth after 18 years. Doug Suess took a few minutes at the end of the game to reflect on Frank’s contributions through many seasons and MANY weather conditions. Frank said, *“It’s been a great pleasure to work with everyone,”* and offered his best wishes for continued success.

In July, FCA was honored by the Select Board for supporting Town Government during the pandemic. Select Board member Mark Elfman said, *“It was truly a remarkable thing you guys did during the COVID pandemic — it was above and beyond what anybody could have asked.”* going on to say, *“It just seemed to me you had the ability to pivot on a dime, for us to be able to hold remote meetings, have remote access, and get business done while keeping our employees and our residents safe.”*

Public Policy remains a threat both at the state and national levels. We continue to monitor legislative activities and keep our elected officials aware of our needs and the positive impacts PEG Access offers on communities. Thankfully there have been no major legislative changes in 2022 that have negatively impacted our operations. That said, “cord-cutting” continues to have an impact on funding, which is an ongoing concern.

You can learn more about these topics and many more inside the pages of this Annual Report.

I want to thank the FCA Board of Directors, who work tirelessly for the organization for the support they offer all year long. I’m thankful for a wonderful staff that supports our mission every day. Most importantly, we express gratitude to the FCA volunteers who contribute countless hours to produce local programming. Your efforts have been instrumental in making our organization valued and respected within our local community, and also in the wider media landscape.

We are grateful for the support of our town and its residents. It’s been essential to our success. FCA has a long history of serving the Foxborough community, providing a platform for diverse and independent voices as well as citizen engagement. From the early days of analog broadcasting to its current state-of-the-art High Definition digital platform, FCA has continually adapted to meet community needs, and plans to continue that standard well into the future.

Sincerely,

*Michael Webber*  
FCA Executive Director

**LEFT CENTER:** Extensive structural damage to the front of the building **TOP RIGHT:** Cameras in place to cover concert event at the Ahern Middle School.

# PRODUCTION

Production schedules and routines gradually returned to normal following two years of the COVID pandemic. As restrictions eased and more people became vaccinated, the community resumed more regular operations. Audiences and spectators returned to events and our production crews could be fully staffed with volunteers.

Maintaining and supporting our 13 production facilities is an ongoing challenge. Nearly all facilities in recent years have been upgraded to High Definition; the production facility located within the High School Auditorium was the last remaining Standard Definition system.

## FHS AUDITORIUM

In January 2022, Paul Beck spent two weeks cleaning and reconfiguring the TV Center at Foxborough High School, a full featured production facility in the auditorium. This major project had been on a long hiatus due to the pandemic. A large assortment of older analog equipment was discarded. These



items were no longer needed and WELL past their useful life. The TV Center at FHS is a permanently installed facility comprised of 90% donated equipment from regional broadcast stations and networks. All are high-end Standard Definition broadcast equipment that now serves the FCA Community with “second life.” These assets have supported telecasts originating from the FHS Auditorium for over 10 years. Paul Beck and a crew of dedicated volunteers have provided ongoing engineering support and maintenance along with frequent “mini” upgrades as new donations become available.

As part of the January cleanup, five donated Ikegami HK-388W camera systems were installed replacing older cameras. These newer cameras can operate in the wide-screen 16x9 aspect ratio which is common for all current television production. The older “legacy” format of Standard Definition television was 4x3 aspect. Two of these more modern studio cameras were used for the Spring POPS concerts at the FHS Gym. They were intercut with our full-HD cameras for the concert, and folks were pleased with the wide-screen images.

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*Paul Beck  
FCA Producer and Technical Advisor*

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This experimentation continued into February 2023 where two FHS concerts were broadcast live and recorded with twelve cameras, all operating in the 16x9 wide-screen mode. The consensus is that this concept of covering musical or staged events in the 16x9 wide screen format works quite well for us. It has been a great learning experience and growth step for higher production values as we transition to a

planned fully High Definition telecasting facility at the FHS Auditorium. Detailed conceptual drawings of the planned upgrades were created in 2022 and discussions with the primary users are ongoing.

## MOBILE UNIT

The FCA Mobile Unit is a highly visible core production asset used to cover

countless community events since it was acquired in June 2000. “The Cable 8 Truck” as some refer to it, has



**LEFT CENTER:** A small portion of the older analog equipment donated to FCA for use at the FHS Auditorium being prepared for disposal. These items were used professionally from 1995—2014. The first load was taken to metal recycling in Spring, 2022. There were seven FULL pallets! The task took three trips. **RIGHT:** Badly rusted chassis from the 2000 Ford F450 van.

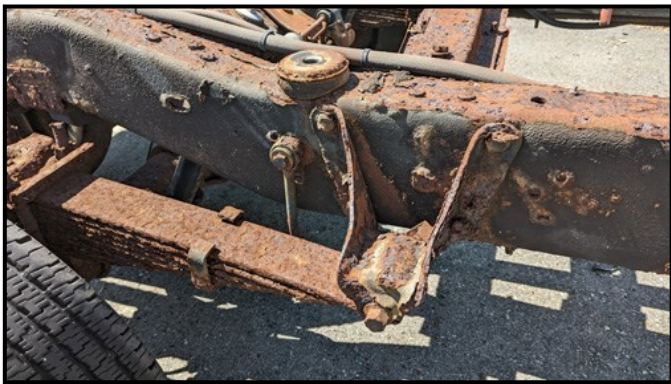


# PRODUCTION

become a symbol of our organization out in the community. Only the second vehicle in our history, the 2000 Ford truck replaced the original 1984 Ford Econoline van in which we had crammed with multiple upgrades of racks and gear.

Twenty-one years is well beyond any reasonably expected lifespan and as expected, technicians identified some concerns with the truck frame and other mechanical issues in 2020-21. After extensive discussion, a creative and cost-saving solution was devised to replace the Ford truck, while retaining the "Ctrl Rm Box" part of the truck, which included the configurations of production equipment and transfer it onto a new Ford chassis.

The truck was taken offline in late 2021 while work was being performed by Accelerated Media in Auburn, MA. Beyond the "box" transfer, other improvements were made at the same time, including:



- A Roof Rail System / Exterior Painting
- New Flooring in the production area
- New interior and exterior LED Lighting
- Power reconfigurations
- New I/O Connector Panel
- New Generator, Air Conditioner

Despite supply chain and labor issues, the work was completed successfully. The new truck arrived in October 2022, midway thru the Fall Sports season. It is now better equipped than ever to serve the community and help FCA achieve its mission.

## KEEP MOVING FORWARD

Overcoming challenges is a hallmark of success. At the outset of the Football season, our team faced a significant hurdle as volunteers stepped up to cover the production with our Mobile Unit still offsite and offline. However, through the collective expertise of our volunteers and staff, we were able to assemble portable equipment and load it into a rented U-haul truck, which served as a temporary production facility. Thanks to the dedication and hard work of our team, we were able to maintain the high standards of production that we are known for. Despite the challenges, we successfully supported 5-6 cameras, instant replay, graphics, and live streaming. There is always a profound sense of pride when we surmount obstacles and challenges. However, there was also a palpable sense of relief and appreciation when our "real" Mobile Unit returned in late October, enabling us to complete the season with all our regular equipment.

A similar challenge occurred months earlier with our largest production of the year: the annual POPS Concert. This weekend-long event involves students from the High School music department transforming the gymnasium into a concert hall and performing two three-hour concerts in two days. For 30 years now, FCA has partnered with the students to provide stage lighting, TV coverage, and voiceover announcements to support the performances. Hours of planning and preparations go into this event each year, including 12-15 hours of setup and testing Friday and Saturday before the first concert. This year, due to scheduling conflicts, that setup time was cut down to less than 6 hours. This required some creative planning and logistics and resulted in another success for FCA volunteers.

## OTHER NOTEWORTHY PRODUCTIONS:

- "Around Foxboro"
- "Artistic Flair" / "Art with Allison"
- Boyden Library Concert & Speaker Series
- Senior Center / Recreation Dept. Events
- FHS Football, Field Hockey, LaCrosse, Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Wrestling, Swim, Cheer
- "FHS Class Night" & "Graduation"
- FPS Concerts for Band, Orchestra & Chorus
- FPS Music Concerts: Band, Orchestra, Chorus
- "The MAP" / "Mental Matters"
- Youth Stage Productions at the MRPAC
- LRC Drama High School Musical
- "What's Up?"

# FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT

## MARILYN RODMAN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

This local entertainment venue has been increasing its activity levels over the past years, and FCA has been covering events on a regular basis with portable equipment. In 2018, three state-of-the-art PTZ cameras, 6 x 8 sq. ft of space was carved out of the projection booth to house dedicated video and audio equipment capable of recording multi camera theatrical performances. This is the thirteenth satellite production center that has been build around town to facilitate coverage of community events .

## SCHOOL SUPPORT

Perhaps FCA's longest running collaboration is with Foxborough Public Schools. Since 1984, students have had the opportunity to take a full credit elective course in Communication Arts. Although the class did not run in the Fall of 2022, it is designed to provide hands-on training in state-of-the-art studio, control room and digital production facilities, as well as message making, script development and media literacy.

The Ahern Broadcasting Club (ABC) continues to produce "The Daily 2" morning news show shown to students LIVE! over the school's closed-circuit TV network. ABC advisor Dan Williams has been at the helm since the beginning in 2010 and has been instrumental in its growth.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTARY

This special program tells the unique and unusual story of Foxboro's first white fire apparatus. FCA reached out to Town Historian Jack Authelet about the project and he provided details of the early days of local Fire Service and our town's penchant for the white vehicles. We were fortunate to have an intern from Bridgewater State College available to work with us on the project. Jennifer Krentzman coordinated the shooting schedules and completed the final editing. Fire Dept. Captain Andrew Puntini was excited to collaborate with us on the project and very appreciative of the opportunity to document another slice of local history.

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*"The documentary was focused on our 1938 Ahren Fox, which was Engine 2. It was the Town's first white fire truck and we have been that way since. It was found in Michigan and donated back to the Town. It needs extensive repair.*

*Our other antique is the 1928 Maxim, Engine 1. We reacquired it from a retired firefighter and we finished the restoration in house. It is currently running and driving and in good shape."*

**Capt. Andrew Puntini**  
**Foxborough Fire Dept., EMT Trainer**

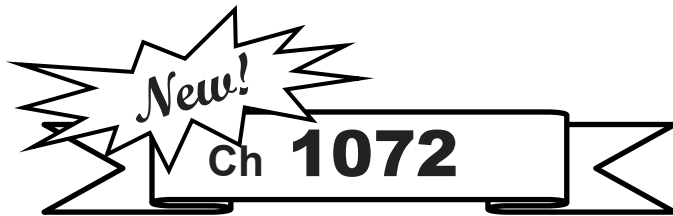
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**ABOVE:** This antique white fire truck was located across the country in Michigan but found it's way back to Foxborough in 2022. **BOTTOM:** Studio Volunteer Area decorated for our festive Holiday Social. **OPPOSITE PAGE, Right:** The high school jazz ensemble in performance during the Metropolitan Wind Ensemble Concert. **OPPOSITE PAGE, Bottom:** Statistics from our various social media accounts shows a wide range of programming offerings, are being enjoyed by a steadily increasing number of viewers.







## COMCAST HD CHANNEL

We strive to fill our channels with interesting, relevant content and to make the public aware of the many ways they can view it. Master Control, which is the origination point for all three PEG channels, internal networking components, our new HD Channel as well as our live-streaming equipment, required major upgrades to maximize the new cablecasting potential of closed captioning and high definition.

## FCA RADIO

Dave Udden continues to prepare weekly local news updates which are also cablecast on the audio track of the Government Channel. The new automated audio equipment allows him to expand the news format to include music, bumpers, channel IDs and really personalize the information with special holiday greetings from local personalities.



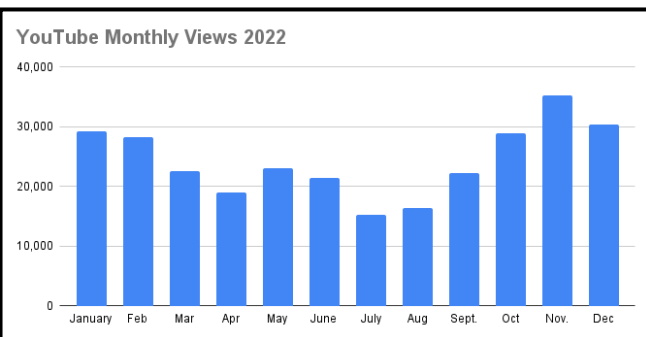
6,997 Subscribers YouTube



1,359 on Twitter



1900 Followers on Facebook



# PROGRAMMING

## PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNELS 8 & 39

Features programs produced by local volunteers along with outside programming that is sponsored by local residents.

## EDUCATION CHANNELS 12 & 37

Features LIVE coverage of regular and special meetings of the Foxborough School Committee continued in 2014. Programming from the US Department of Education and NASA is also cablecast, along with repeat playback of school sports and music programs. **Classic Arts Showcase** plays overnight daily. Public service announcements regarding Foxborough Public Schools and other area schools, The Boyden Library, and Foxborough YMCA are played around the clock.

## GOVERNMENT CHANNELS 22 & 38

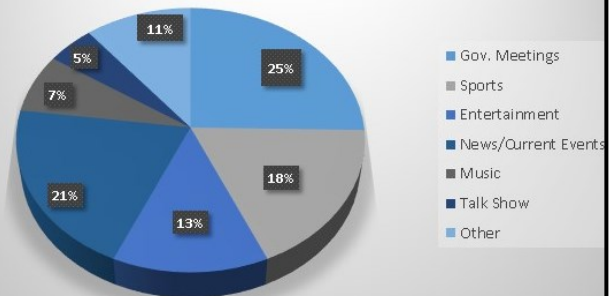
Features LIVE coverage of Select Board and other official town meetings are cablecast here, along with first run and repeat programming from the Senior Center/Council on Aging, and Foxborough's Historical Commission and Historical Society. This is the main location to find information regarding town meetings, town departments, community events and local non-profit organizations.

## COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Announcements from local government agencies, educational institutions and regional non-profit organizations are cablecast daily, in addition to Activated Emergency Cancellations and Election Information.



Category Breakdown for 2022 Programs



# COMMUNITY RESOURCES

## FCA SOCIAL MEDIA

We continue to promote FCA through our website, Facebook, Twitter and You Tube channel. Town residents and officials alike have applauded our ability to live-stream multiple meetings and events to the internet, often simultaneously across various media platforms.

The FCA website continues to be a major community outreach effort, providing ready access to general information, program schedule, production calendar and forms. FCA's presence on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter is another great opportunity for community interaction and is used to update information frequently especially during periods of activity, such as emergency conditions, high interest sporting events or public meetings.

## BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Repairs to the front of the building were completed early in the spring of 2022. Because the auto accident in fall of 2021 caused structural damage to the brick wall and window frames, access to the lobby area was restricted pending completion. It wasn't too long before conversations started about rebuilding the train layout. Ideas to expand the display led to discussions on other improvements to the lobby and entrance area which will be done in 2023.

The Foxborough Central Railway has quite a following among the passers-by at 28 Central St. As the year rolled around, our favorite Chief Engineer managed to produce a whole new assortment of "G" scale garden train stock and layout accessories, many of them with moving parts and whimsical holiday themes. This *temporary* layout still draws regular attention as fans await the new expanded display. We really appreciate all the concern expressed by the community, most especially the ones who helped crawl under the table to disengage the multitude of wires that connected power to the crossing gates, railroad buildings and village houses, dismantling the platform and packing the trains away for safe keeping and temporary storage.

Meanwhile, the 17 year-old HVAC units on building were due for a major upgrade and that was also accomplished in 2022.



**TOP:** Structural repairs were completed on the damaged front of the building, and a new AC system installed later in the year.

**RIGHT:** Count Dracula helps out during the Annual Rec Dept. Halloween Parade around town. FCA has participated as a business sponsor for many years.



# COMMUNITY RESOURCES



## JAMES R. ELLSWORTH MEMORIAL MVP TROPHY

Early in the 2000s, the Board of Directors created this award in recognition of our well loved past president, a football fan who directed our local game coverage for many years. The striking cus-

tom-designed trophy stands 18" tall with the names of 15 recipients engraved on brass plates. When additional space was needed, we added a 6" riser base. This year, we designate a special spot on the front of the riser to recognize high achievement among announcers.

## FCA SCHOLARSHIP

Since 1985, FCA has presented 40 scholarships to local town residents who are pursuing higher education in the field of Communications . There were no applicants in 2022.

## FALL COOKOUT & HOLIDAY SOCIAL

Volunteers welcomed the opportunity to get together in a casual atmosphere at these favorite annual events. After two years of limited interaction among our volunteers, everyone was anxious to re-instate our traditional holiday gathering. We took advantage of several great local options for catering, put together "goody bags" for the volunteers and their families, and enjoyed a wonderful afternoon catching up in the holiday spirit.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

FCA continues to maintain memberships in various regional and national media organizations such as the **Alliance for Community Media**, **MassAccess**, and **SMPTE** (Society of Motion Picture Engineers) as well as local and regional business associations, **Tri-Town Chamber of Commerce** and the **Foxborough Common Business Collaborative**.



## FCA AWARENESS

In today's challenging media climate, it is even more important to promote Foxboro Cable Access and its vital role in the local community. Our prominent location on Central Street gives us great visibility and numerous visitors drop in frequently to inquire about what we do here, how they can become involved or to see our wonderful train layout. We continued our increased presence in local print media through additional press releases on pertinent topics and paid advertisements in *The Foxboro Reporter*, in the Mail-A-Map program, and sponsored page in the Foxborough Business Almanac.

Foxboro Cable Access is a proactive, integral part of the entire community taking advantage of every opportunity to participate in activities sponsored by other organizations, assisting them in using our resources to further their own objectives.

Here is a list of other ongoing outreach efforts:

### Educational Support

- Annual Scholarships
- FHS Video Class, Ahern Broadcasting Club

### Free Training for Foxboro Residents

- Online Training, *Linked-In Learning*
- Volunteer Work Area, Computer Lab
- Special Interest Meetings and Presentations

### James R. Ellsworth Memorial MVP Award

- 2022 Recipient: Lincoln Moore
- Voice of the Warriors:

  - Frank Giffune 2003—2022

### Community Business Partnerships

- Foxboro Jaycees
- KBR Marble & Granite
- Foxboro Almanac / Mail-A-Map

### Technical Support for Town Depts

- Select Board, School Committee, Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Zoning Board, Personnel Board
- School Dept Webinars for Parents & the Community
- Foxborough Cultural Council
- Recreation Dept Theatrical Productions
- Drone Footage for Town Website & Brochures

### Conference Room Meeting Space

- Foxborough Historical Society
- Foxborough Youth Baseball
- Foxborough Jaycees

### Boyden Library Museum Pass Program

- JFK Museum, Boston

### FCA Crew ID Gear

### Ongoing Opportunity for Train Enthusiasts





# ORGANIZATIONAL ASSETS

**Vol-un-teer** *n. adj. vb.*  
to offer or give of one's own free will  
- Webster's New World Dictionary

*There is nothing more valuable to the organization as our people! It is amazing how each individual brings something unique and special to the production — above and beyond their operating role. We can only explain it as ... "The whole is greater than the sum of its parts.!"*

Margaret Nash  
FCA Administrative Assistant



## PRODUCERS

Foxborough Advisory Committee  
Foxborough Conservation Comm.  
Foxborough Select Board  
Foxborough Planning Board  
Foxborough Recreation Dept.  
Foxborough School Committee  
Foxborough Senior Center  
Foxborough Zoning Board

**pro-du-cer** *n.*  
1. one who is generally responsible for a film or play  
2. one who brings something into existence  
- Oxford English Dictionary

## CREW

### VOLUNTEERS

Charlotte Altman  
Brittany/Carl Anderson  
Julia Atkinson  
Faith/Lauren Baber  
Barreira Family  
Paul Beck  
Lauren Bitar  
Tom/Lisa Blake  
Judi Briggs  
Kevin Boyle  
Ellen Buke  
Megan Burke  
Aron Bush  
Rachel Calabrese  
Jack/Deidre Campbell  
Gail Chamberlain  
Deb/Mikayla Cloherty  
Jordan Collins  
Alexa Correia  
Don/Trish Cotter  
Jared Craig  
Karen Curran  
Drew Curran  
Barbara D'Entremont  
Scott Daniels  
Brooke Davies  
Mark/Sophie Davis  
Lizzie Davis  
Tom Devlin  
Kathy Devlin  
Rob/Kevin Decker  
Andrea/Mike DeSantis  
Jim DeVellis

Ann Marie English  
Mike Everson  
Mark Farinella  
Dave Fay  
Yara Fawaz  
Eric/Pam Feibel  
Ryan Field  
Megan Field  
Mary Flaherty  
Jayden Florestal  
Jenn/Meg Foley  
Monica Gallagher  
Bruce Gardner  
Moses Gaye  
Bob Gillis  
Paul Godin  
Jay Gordon  
Shrevas Jatling  
Teddy Joret  
Neil Kaiser  
Chris/Sean Kelly  
Carrie Kelley  
Rob Kerrigan

Shakirah Ketant  
Jaci Kirakofe  
James Krause  
Pete Lancot  
Jennifer LeClair  
Beverley Lord  
Juri Love  
Frank MacDow  
John/Sue/Mike McCabe  
Greg McGrath  
Ruth Mackie  
Steve Osborne  
Caroline O'Toole  
Neda-Joury Penders  
Rick Plasmati  
Melanie Plasechie  
Joey Polis  
Lisa/Anthony Porazzo  
Cathy Rangione  
Sandy Ray  
Vin Riccio  
Marc Rivard

**crew** *n.* a group of people working together  
- Webster's New World Dictionary

Heather Maguire  
Steve Miley  
Kaitlyn Molica  
Melissa Moore  
Jen/George Morrison  
Christine Mosby  
Gary Nash  
Russell Neale  
Ryan O'Leary  
Jaden Onwuakor  
Heidi Seshadri  
Sarah Ruter  
Addie Sham  
Matt Shea  
Kristin Siddle  
Bob Siteman  
Joshua Sitte  
Andrea/Tricia Slattery  
Heather Sougaris  
Mike Stewart

Mike Everson  
Foxboro Jaycee  
Paul Godin  
Neil Kaiser  
Kris Long  
Juri Love  
Jen Morrison  
Kevin / Neda Joury-Penders  
Marilyn Rodman PAC  
Alley Rodriques  
Matt Shea  
St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Dave Udden  
Michael Webber  
Deb Wendell  
Union Church of South Foxboro

Deb Storrs  
Doug Suess  
Kristine Sullivan  
Amanda Sullivan  
Marissa Sullivan  
Morgan Sylvestre  
Adam Taj  
Paige Taylor  
Nicole Thirault  
Steve/Amy/ Brooke Tierney  
Betty Travers  
Kristin Waryas  
Steve Waryas  
Ella Waryas  
Lucas Webber  
Nathan Webber  
Deb Wendell  
Tim Zerrip



## MILESTONES

### *In Memorium ...*

#### **CAROLYN GODIN**

March 28, 1937—May 8, 2022

We were all saddened by the untimely loss of Carolyn Godin this year. She and Paul have been stalwart volunteers for decades. Carolyn worked as crew on “Behind the Scenes” and many programs at the Senior Center and the Boyden Library. A multi-talented individual, she shared her skills and generous spirit to assist with many various studio projects and events.

We miss her ... and extend our sincere condolences to Paul, their children Stephanie, Valerie, Paula, Mark and Matthew, and their large family of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



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*Carolyn was a quiet, but impactful person in the FCA community. I will always treasure her beautiful handpainted Christmas greeting cards..*

**Margaret Nash**  
FCA Administrative Assistant

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### *Congratulations !*

**Tim Zerrip Retires from FCA Board ...** Tim got involved with FCA many years ago when his son was part of a youth program on skateboarding. He joined the board in 2004, and was a active contributor as well as an active crew volunteer on many school and community productions. He is retiring from the FCA Board of Directors this year, but plans to continue his work as a crew volunteer. We thank him for his good counsel and innovative approach to community service.

#### **Fanny Mizhirumbay Graduates from Southeastern Regional Vo-Tech ...**

Fanny was our student intern in 2022. It was hard to let go of her skills and strong work ethic, so upon her graduation, she was hired as our regular Lab Assistant. We look forward to working with her as she continues her education at Bridgewater State University. She is majoring in Media Arts, and we think she has a great future!

#### **Bevie Lord & Jared Craig, both individually recognized as Partners in Patriotism**

**“Noteworthy Neighbors” ...** It’s not a coincidence that these very active community volunteers are also very active FCA Volunteers, and we appreciate FCA being mentioned in their resumes. Well Done!

# FY 2023 BUDGET

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*“Though 2022 presented challenges with the purchase of a new mobile unit and rooftop heating units in addition to annual capital equipment upgrades, FCA remains in a strong financial position as we navigate 2023”*

Matt Shea  
FCA Treasurer

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## OPERATING EXPENSES

### Corporate

Operating Expense

|                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Corporate Total</b> | <b>300,825.</b> |
|------------------------|-----------------|

Operating Expense

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Production Total</b> | <b>96,275.</b> |
|-------------------------|----------------|

Operating Expense

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Programming Total</b> | <b>7,000.</b> |
|--------------------------|---------------|

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Total Expenses</b> | <b>404,100.</b> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|

## ESTIMATED REVENUE

Franchise Receipts (Comcast & Verizon)

|                 |
|-----------------|
| <b>400,000.</b> |
|-----------------|

Return on Investments

|               |
|---------------|
| <b>4,000.</b> |
|---------------|

Material Fees and Donations

|             |
|-------------|
| <b>100.</b> |
|-------------|

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|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Total Estimated Revenue</b> | <b>404,100.</b> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|

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The FCA revenues are based on the funds received from the town's contracts with Comcast Corporation and Verizon, and the interest earned on those funds.

Financial statements for Foxboro Cable Access, Inc. are prepared by

**BETRO AND COMPANY**

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# FCA SUPPORT PERSONNEL

## Paul Beck

*Active since 1988*  
 Board of Directors 1988 -  
 Vice-President 1988 - 1991  
 FCA Volunteer / Year 1988  
 FCA Volunteer / Year 2005  
 Cable Advisory Board 1990 -  
 Production Director 1991 - 1991  
 CVI Program Award 1991  
 CVI Edit Award 1991  
 Technical Advisor 1991 -  
 Treasurer 2004 - 2007  
 President 2000 - 2003  
 2008 -

## Lauren Bitar

*Active since 2000*  
 Master Control Tech 2000 -  
 ACM-NE Award 2008

## Margaret Chaisson

*Active since 1987*  
 Gov't Mtg Crew 1987 - 1988  
 Board of Directors 2008 -  
 Clerk 2008 -

## Alexa Correia

*Active since 2019*  
 Gov't Mtg Crew 2021 -

## Anne-Marie English

*Active since 2018*  
 Board of Directors 2019 -

## Mike Everson

*Active since 2003*  
 Gov't Mtg Crew 2003 -  
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2003  
 Engineer-in-charge 2008 -  
 ACM-NE Award 2008  
 ACM-NE Award 2010

## Janet Gavin

*Active since 2003*  
 Receptionist 2011 -

## Paul Godin

*Active since 1992*  
 Cable Advisory Board 1998 -  
 Board of Directors 2002 -  
 Clerk 2002 - 2007  
 Gov't Mtg Crew 2004 - 2007  
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2004, 2016  
 Vice President 2013 -  
 Senior Ctr Coordinator 2012 -

## Ruth Mackie

*Active since 2006*  
 Board of Directors 2018 -

## Fanny Mizhirumbay

*Active since 2021*  
 Student Intern 2021  
 Lab Assistant 2022 -

## Rick Plasmati

*Active since 2002*  
 Board of Directors 2008-2012-  
 Board of Directors 2020 -

## Margaret Nash

*Active since 1983*  
 Newsletter Editor 1985 - 1987  
 Production Secretary 1986 - 1991  
 FCA Volunteer/Year 1986  
 Video Club Advisor 1988 - 1995  
 Awareness Coord'r 1989 - 1992  
 Production Director 1991 - 1998  
 Board of Directors 1994 - 2002  
 Gov't Mtg Crew 1996 - 2001  
 Vice-President 2000  
 Clerk 2001 - 2002  
 Administrative Ass't 2002 -  
 ACM Regional Award 2002  
 ACM National Finalist 2003  
 Nat'l Telly Award 2004

## Matt Shea

*Active since 1995*  
 Cable Advisory Board 2008 -  
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2012  
 Board of Directors 2013 -  
 Treasurer 2018 -

## Lynda Walsh

*Active since 1992*  
 Board of Directors 2011 -  
 Vice President 2019 -

## Michael Webber

*Active since 1989*  
 Video Club 1990 - 1995  
 VC Exec Board 1991 - 1993  
 CVI Program Award 1991  
 Inventory Clerk 1993 - 1997  
 CVI Volunteer/Year 1995  
 Master Control Tech 1995 - 1996  
 Program Coordinator 1998  
 Operations Manager 1999 - 2005  
 ACM-NE Officer 2001 - 2007  
 Executive Director 2005 -

## Deb Wendell

*Active since 2004*  
 Project Assistant 2015 -  
 FCA Volunteer/Year 2014  
 Senior Archivist 2016 -

## Dan Williams

*Active since 2009*  
 Ahern Broadcasting  
 Club Advisor 2009 -  
 Board of Directors 2020 -

On behalf of the community and our volunteers, the FCA Board of Directors would like to thank the members of the Town's Cable Television Advisory Committee (CTAC) for their long-standing assistance with contract negotiations and their on-going support in many cable-related issues which affect the Town of Foxborough and its residents. We have secured a new ten year contract with Comcast, and have recently finalized a new ten year contract with Verizon.

### CABLE TV ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mark Stopa, Chairman  
 John Regan  
 Dave Udden

### EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

Michael Webber, FCA  
 Paul R. Beck, FCA  
 Manny Leite, Boyden Library  
 George Samia, Town of Foxborough  
 Aaron Hyre, Town of Foxborough IT