



Nevada Lions Club

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Club Newsletter

June 2009

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President: Jerry Radke
1VP: Janice Schmidt
2VP: Charlene Jarboe
3VP: John Beals
Secretary: Dick Smith
Treasurer:
Loren Heckathorne
Membership Chair:
Dick Couser
Tail Twisters:
Steve Jordening
Bob Hunter
Charlie Lloyd
Jim Fenn
Lion Tamer:
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Directors:
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Charlotte Miller
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Vice District Governor:
Jerry Roland
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Thank You!

Thanks to Janice Schmidt and JoAnn Nady for leading the ISU Dining teams and to Charlene Jarboe for organizing the Int'l Youth Exchange dinner.

President's Message



This year is almost over and it is time to reflect on our activities of the past year. Just over a year ago we celebrated our 60th club anniversary - quite an accomplishment. Prior to that we sponsored the first campus club in the state of Iowa: the Iowa State University Lions Club. Our most recent fund raising project was started to help the Nevada Community recycle used paper. To date this project has recycled over 97,000 pounds of newspapers and other paper. Thanks to Lion Bob Hunter for keeping this project going. Another successful fund raiser was the pancake and sausage breakfast served to the RAGRRAI bicyclists on July 23, 2008. Thanks to Lion Charlene Jarboe for chairing the event and to the Nevada Firefighters for allowing us to use their fire station. Other contributions our club made to the community include floats in the 4th of July and Lincoln Highway Day parades, sponsoring youth baseball, serving a dinner meal to the International Lions Youth Exchange Students at the their camp, and providing eye glasses and hearing aids to needy individuals. We also participated in the September Puppy Fest at the prison in Rockwell City and held Lions Sight Night during Halloween in Nevada. Other successful fund raisers included serving food for ISU Dining, taking tickets at the ISU home football games, providing a pancake and sausage supper at the Nevada/ADM basketball game, and holding Pancake Day on Sunday, 29 March 2009. Most recently we provided two teams to ISU Dining to serve breakfasts and dinners to the Odyssey of the Mind participants. Thanks to Lions Janice Schmidt and JoAnn Nady for leading these teams. At the May 2009 Nevada High School Graduation, Vice President Janice Schmidt presented \$1000 scholarships to Rebecca Dubberke (McDaniel Scholarship) and Ashlee Nagle (Maliet Scholarship). Thank you Janice for doing this and chairing the meetings that I missed during my recent surgery. I also wish to thank the following Lions for their work during the past year: Bob Hunter for the paper recycling project; LaNair Niblock for his work with the eye glasses and hearing aids; Willy Morfitt for organizing the ISU football workers; Jack Argotsinger, Charlie Lloyd, and Charlene Jarboe for serving on the scholarship selection committee; and Paul Malsom for his work on public relations and several other committees. Thanks to all of you Lions who supported our projects this past year. Recently eight Nevada Lions were trained to provide eye screening to pre-school children through the Lions' KidSight program. We need a Lion to chair this project.

Although we had a very successful and fun year, there were a few missed opportunities that we need to consider in the future. Our membership has shrunk due to the transfers of the Jamiesons to a club in Wisconsin and Jean Bodensteiner to a club in New Mexico. I had hoped for several new Lions to replace them. So far, there have been none. Also we passed on several opportunities to help our community. We need to remember that even though our main focus is on sight and hearing, there are many other ways that Lions can serve their community.

Lastly, there are several more things to consider for the future. We need to endeavor to bring some of the firemen into our club as branch members and to continue working to start a LEO Club in the Nevada school system. New fund raisers would be beneficial. Should we think about ways to improve our club? Orientation of our new (and old) members continues to be a weak point. Sponsors of members should strive to teach them about Lionism. Perhaps the Tail Twisters could work "Lions Information" into their fines. Many clubs are on a "pay as you eat" procedure for their meals - the treasurer or secretary collects at the door each meeting. This could reduce the cost of being a Lion. More emphasis could be placed on members working on projects rather than striving for perfect attendance.

President *Jerry Radke*

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June Celebrations

Member Birthdays

JoAnn Nady 27 June 56

Partner Birthdays

None

Wedding Anniversaries

Jerry Radke 04 June 15

Susan Radke 04 June 15

Dick Settle 11 June 27

Paul Malsom 18 June 32

Charlie Lloyd 20 June 27

Club Anniversaries

Janice Schmidt 23 June 5

Officers for 2009-2010

President - Janice Schmidt

1st Vice President - Charlene Jarboe

2nd Vice President - John Beals

3rd Vice President - Bob Hunter

Secretary - Dick Smith

Treasurer - Loren Heckathorne

Lion Tamer - John Wheelock

Directors - Steve Jordening and Tom Haller

Tail Twisters - Charlie Lloyd and Jim Fenn

Public Relations - Paul Malsom

Immediate Past President and Webmaster - Jerry Radke

Installation of the new officers will be at one of our June meetings and District Governor Elect Jerry Roland will be asked to perform the task.

Upcoming Events:

The annual Independence Day Parade is coming up soon. Lions Fenn, Wheelock, and Malsom should be making arrangements for a float. Shortly thereafter, our club will be serving a bologna and sweet corn dinner to the International Lions Youth Exchange students at the 4-H camp near Luther. Charlene Jarboe is chairing this activity. Later this summer, we will hold our annual Family Night Picnic and Awards program with the vice presidents in charge. Please let Jerry Radke know your nominations for 'Lion of the Year' and 'Volunteer of the Year'. Lets all get behind our new president and make 2009-2010 a great year for Lionism.

Extra Bits of Information

KidSight: This is a Lions program to screen pre-school children between the ages of four months to four years. Each Lions Club conducting screenings must have their workers trained by a certified trainer. The Nevada Lions Club had eight Lions trained on 23 April 2009 by Dennis Crabtree and Len Ringgenberg. Screeners need to be retrained every six months or conduct screenings during that time period. The eight trained Nevada Lions are John Beals, Bob Hunter, Loren Heckathorne, Willy Morfitt, Janice Schmidt, Dick Smith, Susan Radke, and Jerry Radke. One of these eight will need to serve as chairperson for KidSight in the Nevada Lions Club.

Membership Categories: There are several categories of membership, which are fully explained in the Lions Clubs Standard Form Constitution and By-laws. They are Active, Member-at-Large, Honorary, Privileged, Life Member, Associate and Affiliate.

Members cannot simultaneously hold membership – other than Honorary or Associate — in more than one Lions club.

Club Budgets: Clubs maintain two separate budgets: activities and administrative. The activities funds of a Lions club, consisting of funds raised from the public through club projects, may only be expended to satisfy a community or public need. The administrative budget is what finances club operations. Its income comes mostly from club dues.

MANE Events

May 26-30 - ISU Dining Fund Raiser

May 27 - Dinner Meeting, Willy Morfitt

June 1 - Board Meeting, Loren Heckathorne

June 4-7 - Lions State Convention, Mason City

June 10 - Dinner Meeting, Charlene Jarboe

June 24 - Dinner Meeting, Steve Jordening

July 4 - Independence Day Parade, Fenn, Malsom

July 6-10 - International Convention, Minneapolis

July 13, 5 pm - Serve Meal to Youth Exchange Camp

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