

LAKE OF THE WOODS LIONESS LIONS

LOW DOWN

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President's Corner

By Lioness Lion Linda Shnayer LOW Lioness Lions President

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I am sending this note to you all with hope, love, and light. With so much uncertainty, it's a challenging time. I hope that you're staying healthy and finding ways to ease any stress or anxiety.

Our lives have literally been turned upside down this past few weeks as we have seen many community, state and national actions taken to stop the rapid spread of the coronavirus. The message has been consistent; stop gathering together in large groups in order to stop the spread of this highly contagious disease. In light of these decisions and those made by LOWA management, the following have been cancelled:

- The clubhouse is currently closed until April 30th. Therefore, the **Lioness April Dinner Meeting is cancelled.**
- The April Book Sale is cancelled.

One of our primary community service projects is in support of the Wilderness Food Pantry. Although we have a Community Food Drive scheduled for May 4th, the pantry is in immediate need of canned and boxed food items. You may drop donations at the Clubhouse Lobby or on the porch of the food pantry. The Wilderness Pantry is located on route 20 behind and to the right of the Locust Grove Town Center. You may also mail donations to: LOW Lions Club, P.O. Box 605, Locust Grove, VA. 22508. Please note in the memo section, "For Wilderness Pantry".

I know our members are strong, resilient, and adaptable. Together, we can make the best of the situation. Events like this do two things: They call on our resolve to face the challenge, and they make us take stock of what's important. Now is undoubtedly the time to focus on the home front and do what we can to take care of ourselves, our loved ones, and our community.

Happy Easter and Passover to each of you and to your family!

NO APRIL MEETING

**Lake of the Woods Lioness
Lions Club**

Post Office Box 811
Locust Grove, VA 22508

Meetings are held at the LOW Club
House on the 2nd Thursday of each
month. Social hour at 5:15 p.m.

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The Insider's View

Minutes from the
March 26, 2020
BOD Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm via conference call on Thursday, March 26, 2020 by President, Linda Shnayer. The following members were present: President, Linda Shnayer, Secretary, Claudia Low, Treasurers, Jean McLallen and Loretta LaTerra, 1st Vice President Jayne Owiesny, 2nd Vice President Ann Walker, Tamers, Rani Manhard and Ann Wood, Tail Twister, Donna Steffensmeier, Membership, Mary Szadvari, Directors, Barbara Francis and Gail Stoner, Immediate Past President Donaldal Lovelace and Connie Skelton-Devens, Scholarship Chair.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes of the February 27, 2020 BOD meeting, which were previously distributed were approved by Jayne Owiesny and seconded by Loretta LaTerra.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Loretta LaTerra

- The 2020 Foundation Report was unanimously approved and accepted for audit.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jean McLallen

- The 2020 Administrative Report was unanimously approved and accepted for audit.
- Discussion about a process for collecting dues.
This year only, you will have two options to pay your dues. The first one is to pay the \$80 in full or pay in two installments of \$40 each. The second payment will be due in December. The motion was unanimously approved and accepted by the entire board. Motion made by Jean McLallen and seconded by Claudia Low.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Linda Shnayer

- Update on the Orange Country Scholarship Pageant –
President, Linda Shnayer and 1st Vice President, Jayne Owiesny attended the March 2020 pageant to gather information about the LOW Lioness Lions taking over the pageant next year from the Gordonsville Lions club. They came away from the event with a good understanding of the event. The pageant is well supported by the school principal and teachers, ROTC, classmates and people of Orange County. The criteria for this event is based on poise, community service and grades, not beauty. In the brochure they acknowledged the Lions club and all they do. This will be a great avenue for the LOW Lioness to request the support of the Orange County residents for all of our community support services.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

1st Vice President: Jayne Owiesny

- 4th of July Parade – the board discussed all the possible issues with the current health problems and decided that we will not be participating in the parade this year. Next year we will make it a spectacular event.

2nd Vice President: Ann Walker

- Scholarship report given by, Connie Skelton-Devens, Scholarship Chair

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The Insider's View (Cont'd)

- **Germanna Community College**

As you know, Germanna had asked us to delay our pick up of the applications until March 23 due to the extension of Spring Break. Now, the college is going into virtual learning. I spoke to my contact in the Financial Aid this week.

The LOW Lioness Lions Board of Directors discussed the following options on how to proceed:

1. Delay the scholarships
2. Present scholarships in the fall
3. Give Germanna Community College the funds for all the scholarships that will be awarded with the stipulation that we participate in the selection of the winners. We want to be able to review all the candidate applications before they are selected.

The board unanimously approved and selected option #3.

Connie will talk to the Finance Office to see if this is feasible and get back to the board.

- **Orange County High School**

LOW Lioness Board of Directors discussed the following options on how to proceed:

1. We would not award any scholarships this year
2. Put an ad in the Lake Currents with a link to our scholarship application. This would be for LOW students only. We need to make sure that we have clarified all qualifications.

The board unanimously approved and selected option #2.

Connie will get back to the board when she is able to get in touch with the people from Germanna and Orange County High School.

- Safe House Report – thanks for all the wonderful donations of supplies and \$155.00. Everything is appreciated.

Immediate Past President: Donalda Lovelace

2020-2021 LOW Lioness Lions Slate of Officers

Since we will be not be having a LOW Lioness Lions meeting In April, Donalda will be sending out an email to all Lionesses so that they can vote on the upcoming LOW Lioness Lions Slate of Officers for 2020-2021. We need to make sure that we have a consensus. Please make sure that you vote.

New Business:

The following events and facilities have been canceled or closed at Lake of the Woods:

Craft Fair and Bake Sale

Volunteer Open House

LOWA Yard Sale

Casino Bus Trip

April Dinner Meeting

Lioness Book Sale

Committee Fair

Fitness Center

Community Center – meeting rooms not available

Clubhouse – only take-out meals Wed – Sunday 4-9pm – no events will be held

Fairways – Open on Monday and Tuesday, only take-out meals every other day

Woods Center – meeting room not available

Holcomb Building – you need to call and schedule an appointment to see the staff members

Lions/Lioness Selven Powell Golf Tournament will be rescheduled for later in the year

There being no further business to come before the LOW Lioness Lions Board of Directors at this time, the meeting adjourned at 8:42pm. Motion made by Gail Stoner and seconded by Linda Shnayer to adjourn.

Please be safe and stay healthy.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Low

Secretary

Lioness Lions Committees & Activities

Dues Time

By Lioness Jean McLallen

Now that the birds are singing and the buds are budding, it's time to start the process of collecting dues for the 2020-21 fiscal year. Because these are unusual times, and we are uncertain of when our next meeting will be, we are asking everyone to send their dues to our mailbox.

The check should be made out to LOW Lioness and mailed to:

Lake of the Woods Lioness
Attn: Dues
PO Box 811
Locust Grove, VA 22508

Also, because of the unusual circumstances we're all facing, for this year we are offering the option to pay the annual fee of \$80.00 as usual, or pay \$40.00 to cover only the first half of the year and pay the remainder in December.

If you have an questions, please contact Jean McLallen at 972-5793.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Care'N Share

By Lioness Jean Ann Daniels

Ellen Bearden's husband Bill is in Stafford Hospital with a blood infection and is receiving antibiotics. He is going to be transferred to a rehab facility in Northern Virginia. Ellen has not been able to visit due to the current situation with no visitors allowed in hospitals. Ellen would appreciate your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Please contact me at 540-412-2872 or jadaniels8@msn.com with any information for Care'N Share. If there is someone missing for this report it is because no one was notified or the Lioness didn't want anything mentioned.

March Dinner Speaker



LOW Golf pro, Chris Brode, gave a very interesting talk at the March meeting.

Lioness Lions Committees & Activities

Slate for 2020-2021 LOW LIONESS LIONS Club Board of Directors

By Committee Members: Donalda Lovelace, Immediate Past President, Past President Karen Cakouros, Past President Carol Lee; Julie Phend, and Arlene Rich. Slate was approved by the Board of Directors at the February 27, 2020 Board Meeting.

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From the Editor

By Lioness Lions Gail Hardin
Editor, Lioness Lions LOW DOWN

Please get information and articles for the May LOW DOWN to me by April 28th or as soon thereafter as possible. The newsletter will be distributed on or about May 1. Forward them by email at the address below, or call me if you don't have access to email..

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