

LAKE OF THE WOODS LIONESS LIONS

LOW DOWN

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President's Corner

By Lioness Lion Jayne Owiesny, LOW Lioness Lions President

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I have to begin by admitting that I was remiss in my previous letter by not including that 3 scholarship recipients attended the June members meeting via Zoom. It was wonderful to have them participate and I apologize to Connie and her committee for not including that.

A big thank you to new and continuing board members and committee leads. This year remains a challenge so please be patient and supporting as we all try to get as back to as normal as we possibly can in spite of the obstacles caused by the pandemic.

On August 9th, the ribbon cutting ceremony took place for the new Lions Pavilion at Hollyfield Park. We had our Lioness ladies attending decked out in purple. We did receive a nice acknowledgement of our contribution of the picnic tables and our name appears on the plaque. If you get a chance, stop by and take a look.



Our drive to help out with school supplies continues through the 13th of August since the schools have pushed back the school year opening date. If you wish to contribute, please either mail your check, made out to the LOW Lioness Foundation, to Claudia Low at 116 Eagle Court, or bring to the August 13th members meeting. Claudia has done an outstanding job once again in collecting this year even with all the challenges.

Speaking of the August 13th members meeting, this time it will be held at the Sweetbriar Pavilion commencing at 5:30. See the details on page 4 for the meal. There will be **no Zoom** as Wifi is not reliable at this venue. We will practice social distancing and please wear your mask. We are having a mask contest with prizes awarded. See the article on page 4 for more details.

On Saturday, August 15, we'll be having a yard sale at the Sweetbriar Pavilion from 9-1. See Gail's article on page 5. Tell all your friends and come to shop for bargains.

Our directors have been reaching out to the newer members to keep in touch. A terrific idea to make sure the members feel connected and valued during the time we can't have our dinner meetings. I appreciate the effort to keep people involved.

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August 13th Membership Meeting

Sweetbriar Pavilion at 5:30 p.m.

NO ZOOM

Speaker Charles Brewer on History of Gold at the Lake (Who's sitting on a gold mine).

Boxed sandwiches from the clubhouse (preorder through the tamers) see details in article—Page 4.

**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
July 23, 2020
BOD Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm via Zoom on Thursday, July 23, 2020 by President, Jayne Owiesny. The following board members were present: President, Jayne Owiesny, Secretary, Claudia Low, Treasurers, Diane Pittman and Loretta LaTerra, 1st Vice President Kathy Merritt 2nd Vice President Gail Hardin and 3rd Vice President Darcy Jennings, Tamers, Rani Manhard and Ann Wood, Tail Twister, Colleen Cameron, Membership, Donalda Lovelace, and Mary Simmons, Directors, Gail Stoner, Barbara Francis and Arlene Rich, and Immediate Past President Linda Shnayer.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes of the June 25, 2020 BOD meeting, which were previously distributed were approved by Donalda Lovelace and seconded by Ann Wood.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Loretta LaTerra

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: Diane Pittman

- The 2020 Administrative Report was approved and accepted for audit.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Jayne Owiesny

- The next Lioness "dinner" meeting will be held on Thursday, August 13 at the Sweetbriar Pavilion, directly beside the LOW Community Center. The meeting will start at 5:30pm. ZOOM will not be available for this meeting. Our dinner speaker will be Charles Brewer, President of the Civil War Study Group speaking on "History of Gold at LOW" Who's sitting on a gold mine? . LOW clubhouse will be providing boxed wrap or sandwiches, a small salad, chips and a cookie. Jayne will be providing water and soda. This is a BYOB if you would like to bring your favorite wine. Please make sure you bring your own cup. The meal cost is \$14.15. You MUST RSVP your menu selection to Ann Wood and/or Rani Manhard by August 8. They must confirm the selections by August 9. Please see the menu selections in an article by Ann Wood and Rani Manhard in the LOWDOWN. We will **only be accepting checks** for payment, no cash. Please make sure that you are wearing a mask. If you do not feel safe sitting at one of the picnic tables in the pavilion, please bring a folding chair to sit on the outside of the pavilion.
- Connie Skelton-Devens request to be put on Member at Large Status was approved by the BOD.
- **LOW Lioness Membership Handbooks.** All advertisements and edits have been sent to Christine Getty. We are hoping to have the new Member Handbook in September.
- **2020-2021 Fundraisers –**
The following **Lioness Fund Raisers** were unanimously approved by the entire BOD. Check detailed information in the LOWDOWN.
Lioness Yard Sale, to be held at the Sweetbriar Pavilion on Saturday, August 15th from 9:00am – 1:00pm. See detailed information in Gail Stoner's article in the LOWDOWN. Helene Burns will be accepting donations until August 8, please give Helene a call to arrange a convenient time to drop off your items. She can be reached at 540/412-0798. Please price your items before dropping them off. Masks will be required for everyone working the event.

MORE—See Pg. 3

The President's Corner (Cont'd)

The latest directory is currently being updated by Christine Getty and we hope to have this available in September. Details to follow on how this will be distributed this year.

I appreciate everyone's patience and support as we navigate these stormy waters. At least we are not alone in discovering new ways of meeting and raising funds to support our community. Stay safe and healthy, Ladies. I hope to see many of you at Sweetbriar Pavilion on August 13.

The Insider's View (Cont'd)

2020-2021 Fundraisers (cont'd)

Scavenger Hunt – to be held on a Saturday in the Fall. Carleen Delio has agreed to chair this project and will be asking for volunteers. Keep watching for details. This will be a really fun activity and possibly include our children.

White House Ornaments – we will again be selling the White House Ornaments, Mary Szadvari will chair this project. Look for details to come in the LOWDOWN.

Dave's Coffee Cakes, <https://www.davescoffeecake.com/> – Linda Shnayer and Mary Simmons will be sharing samples of these delicious cakes at our Lioness Meeting on Thursday, August 13. Orders will be placed on line and delivered in time for Christmas. Details to follow.

Jayne is still looking for other fund raising suggestions.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

- Arlene Rich – the three directors, Arlene Rich, Barbara Francis and Gail Stoner have been contacting the members that have started within the last three years to see how they are doing, asking if they need anything and if they are aware of all the Lioness activities that they can support. They have received great feed-back and will be doing this on a monthly basis.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Claudia Low - School Supply Drive Update** – things are going really well, working with the Locust Grove Primary school principal and the Orange County Special Education department to see how we can support the children with supplies and the mental health issues that might come up during these changing times. Please send your donations, checks made payable to LOW Lioness Foundation and mail to Claudia Low, 116 Eagle Court, Locust Grove, VA 22508 or drop off the check at her home. The committee will be doing our shopping on Monday, August 10 and delivery our goodies, on behalf of the LOW Lioness Lions to the school on Friday, August 14. Thanks everyone for supporting this project.

There being no further business to come before the LOW Lioness Lions Board of Directors at this time, the meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Please be safe and stay healthy.
Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Low
Secretary

August 13th Lioness Meeting

By Lionesses Rani Manhard and Ann Wood

The August 13th meeting will take place at Sweetwater Pavilion beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The clubhouse is delivering us boxed Greek Wrap sandwiches in your choice of

1. Chicken
2. Gyro Meat
3. Shrimp
4. Portabella Mushroom

The wraps include mixed greens with red onion, Kalamata olives, cucumber, cherry tomatoes, and feta cheese topped with Greek dressing.

The box will also include Potato Chips, Tortellini Salad, and Chocolate Chip Cookie.

The cost is \$14.15, check only, made out to LOW Lioness — NO CASH. Please provide your menu choice to Ann Wood or Rani Manhard by August 8th. If you order a box and do not show up, you will still be required to pay for it.

In order to maintain Social Distancing for the protection of everyone, please pick up your sandwich and beverage when you arrive, and leave your check in the collection box. There will be lists by each sandwich type for who ordered which sandwich. We will begin eating after the invocation.

There will be water and soda provided and a sampling of Dave's coffee cakes (one of our new fundraisers). If you prefer wine, please bring your own.

Mask Contest

By Lioness Jayne Owiesny

At the August 13th membership meeting, we will have a mask contest. Please wear a mask and all attendees will vote on these 3 categories,

- Best coordinated with your outfit,
- Most unique mask, and
- Most naughty mask.

Prizes will be awarded in each category. Since wearing a mask keeps us all safe, let's have fun with it.



New Fundraisers

By Lioness Jayne Owiesny

Due to the pandemic, we've had to cancel our fundraisers where lots of people gather in an enclosed space for the foreseeable future. We've conducted a brainstorming session and have suggested 2 new fundraisers that we are moving forward on.

There will be a scavenger hunt open to the Community. This is being headed up by Carleen DeLio (big thanks Carleen) and more details will follow.

We will also be selling Dave's coffee cakes on line closer to the holidays. We will receive \$4.00 for every cake sold. I understand that these cakes have been available at the Bizaare Bizarre in Richmond and are delicious. We will have samples at the August 13 members meeting for you to try.

LOW Lioness Lions Yard Sale

By Lioness Gail Stoner

The Lioness Lions Club is having a yard sale on Saturday August 15th at the Sweetbriar Pavilion beside the Community Center from 9:00am - 1:00pm. This event is to sell the items we would have sold at our Spring Craft Fair last March that had to be canceled due to the COVID 19 virus. These items have been stored in Helene Burns garage and we need to get them sold to clear her space and for a fundraiser for our club.



Helene will be happy to accept more household goods to sell at this sale until Saturday August 8th. You may bring them to her garage at 402 Confederate Drive by that date. Please call Helene at (540) 412-0798 to arrange a time to bring your donations. We cannot accept linens or clothing. If possible, please mark your items with yard sale prices, although we will accept them unmarked also.

You may also bring items to the Sweetbriar Pavilion on the day of the sale starting at 7:30am till about 9:00am.

Give Helene a call if you would like to work a 2-hour shift that day to help sell items. Shifts are from 7:30am-9:30am, 9:30am-11:30am, and 11:30am-1:30pm. The last shift would also help pack up for the Lions to pick up what we don't sell to use at their yard sale.

We always have a lot of fun working our Yard Sale events!! Hope you can come out and join us to help! If not, just come over for a good time shopping for treasures!! We also plan to sell some very nice hand-made face masks! Please plan to wear your mask and practice social distancing at this event for everyone's safety.

Helene has already sold a lot ahead of this sale, and we hope it will be a successful fundraiser for our Lioness Community Services including Wilderness Food Pantry, ChildHelp, Orange County Student Scholarships, and more! Thank you for your help and support!!

Share and Care

By Lioness Carol Lee

Mary Szadvari's husband Joe is in the hospital with medium to severe blockage of his carotid artery. Please pray for the medicine to help.

Please contact me at 540-972-8920 or carol.lee4@comcast.net with any information for Share and Care.

In October 2019 the Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions sponsored a dog to be trained through the Service Dogs of Virginia to assist people with disabilities. This is where Wylie comes into the picture.

The story starts here:

Updated information from The Service Dogs of Virginia due to the pandemic:

Dogs in training are not going to school during this time of social distancing. This will certainly delay their placement dates, but these are extraordinary times we are living in. The dogs don't forget cues they have learned, that's the good news, but they will need to brush up. The bad news is that many of them are at a point in their training where they need to practice in more challenging settings, out in public, and that can't happen right now. We hope we can help our clients who are waiting for their dogs sooner rather than later, but the virus will dictate the schedule.

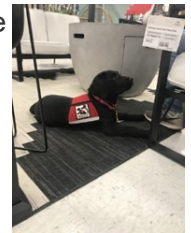
Following is some history about what Wylie has been up to. She is adorable, but has a mind of her own and loves a belly rub.

This is the first email update on the dogs in the current round of dog sponsorships.

Mom Holly gave birth to 10 adorable puppies that all share many of the same attributes. We've never had so many siblings in training and it's fascinating to see what characteristics are genetic. As a group, they are extremely affectionate, reveling in physical contact. Though not uniformly brave, they all show great recovery and the ability to build confidence. Each has unique challenges that make training interesting and so far, they are all on track to become working dogs.

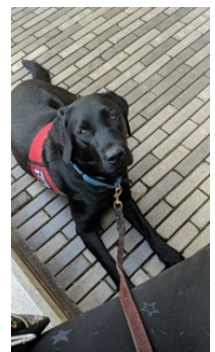
This is our adorable pup Wylie

Wylie just began her advanced training, a few months later than her siblings. We didn't have room for her until a few volunteers came forward to offer a home to a few of our other dogs in advanced training. Now that she has started, she shows signs of being a gem. She didn't skip a beat making the transition from her puppy home and is eager to train. She is gentle, even-tempered, and loves a belly rub. Thus far, Wylie seems to have all the best traits of her siblings rolled up into one package.



This is the second update we received, and yes she is still adorable.

In training, Wylie prefers variety with short sessions to keep her performance consistent. She is smart but a bit independent and has to sometimes think about whether or not to comply with something she doesn't feel like doing. At home, her favorite thing to do is snuggle. In bed, she is next to the pillow; on the couch, she is always touching. She isn't at all pushy, but she is right there. It's a good thing social distancing is not a requirement for dogs.



We will be receiving another update on Wylie in late July and the last and final update at the end of the year.

Lioness Lions Committees & Activities

August 2020						
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Mondays— Eyeglass Recycling*
 August 7—Wilderness Food Pantry
 August 12—Wilderness Food Pantry
 August 13—Dinner Meeting — Last day to contribute to School Supply Drive
 August 15—Lioness Yard Sale
 August 21—Wilderness Food Pantry
 August 27—Board Meeting
 August 29—Book Sale
 August 29—Wilderness Food Pantry

September 2020						
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Mondays— Eyeglass Recycling*
 September 4—Wilderness Food Pantry
 September 9—Wilderness Food Pantry
 September 10—Dinner Meeting—SAFE House Collection
 September 18—Wilderness Food Pantry
 September 24—Board Meeting
 September 26—Book Sale
 September 26—Wilderness Food Pantry

October 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Mondays— Eyeglass Recycling*
 October 2— Wilderness Food Pantry
 October 8—Dinner Meeting
 October 14—Wilderness Food Pantry
 October 22—Board Meeting
 October 23—Wilderness Food Pantry
 October 31—Book Sale
 October 31—Wilderness Food Pantry

*May not be held due to COVID-19

Volunteer & Information POCs for Above Lioness Events

Eyeglass Recycling—Nancy Strain, 972-7141

Wilderness Food Pantry—Nicki Buell, 412-0104 or Karen Cakouros, 972-9043

Book Sale—Helene Burns, 412-0798, Sherri Lasover, 412-9854, and Ann Walker, 972-4338

Yard Sale—Helene Burns, 412-0798

From the Tamers

By Rani Manhard and Ann Wood

The Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions Club August 13th Dinner meeting will be held at the Sweetbriar Pavilion at 5:30 p.m. The clubhouse is delivering boxed meals, and the price is \$14.15 (Checks Only—made out to LOW Lioness). NO CASH

See More Detailed Article—Page 4.

Rani Manhard (540-972-7859) Email: ranilow@verizon.net
Ann Wood (540-972-3326) Email: callwood@aol.com

Dinner

Delivered by Clubhouse
Greek Wrap sand-
wiches
Potato chips
Tortellini salad
Chocolate chip cookie

See additional info -
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OUT OF RESPECT AND COURTESY TO ALL, PLEASE REFRAIN FROM TALKING WHEN ANY-ONE IS AT THE PODIUM, ESPECIALLY OUR GUEST SPEAKER.

In consideration of others at our dinner meetings, you are asked to kindly refrain from beginning the meal until after the invocation and introduction of guests. Thank you.

Twister's Corner

By Lioness Lion Colleen Cameron

In the Julian calendar, the month of August was named after Augustus Caesar because many important events in his life occurred during that month.

The Old Farmer's Almanac said if the first week of August be warm, the winter will be white and long!

Christopher Columbus set sail from Spain on August 3, 1492. Martin Luther King made his I Have A Dream speech on August 28, 1963.

LOW Lioness Lions 2019-2020 Calendar

August 13 — Dinner Meeting
August 15 — Lioness Yard Sale
Sweetbriar
August 27 — Board Meeting
August 29 — Book Sale

Happy Birthday Lioness Lions

August 6	Carleen Delio	August 18	Emily Slunt
August 7	Diane Pittman	August 23	Doris Williams
August 14	Jean Ann Daniels		

From the Editor

By Lioness Lions Gail Hardin
Editor, Lioness Lions LOW DOWN

Please get information and articles for the September LOW DOWN to me by August 26th or as soon thereafter as possible. The newsletter will be distributed on or about September 1. Forward them by email at the address below, or call me if you don't have access to email..

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Please forward any additions, changes, or corrections to your Handbook to the Editor (see contact information to the left of this column.)

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