

# LAKE OF THE WOODS LIONESS LOW DOWN

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## President's Corner

By Lioness Zoila Ortega, LOW Lioness President

Tally up  
December is the month we tally up. What have we spent this year? How have we spent this year?

Lionesses have spent the last six months of 2011 doing many wonderful things. There was the:

- July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade
- Eye Glass Recycling
- School Supply Collection
- September Card Party & Fashion Show
- October Book Sale
- Halloween Trick or Treat at Clubhouse Point
- November Charter Night Dinner
- Collections for **Safe House, the Food Pantry & the now closed Sheltering Arms**
- Fire & Rescue Dinner
- Gift Wrapping at Childhelp

As we calculate how closely we were able to stick to our budgets in 2011, it is wise as well to calculate how we have spent our time. After all, it is time and health, and not money, that is our most precious commodity. To me, it appears that the last six months of 2011 were very well spent by Lionesses. We did a lot of GOOD with our valuable time. We, also, did a lot of good with

the monies we raised.

Christ Followers are expected to do good all year long. However, this expectation takes on extra importance during the Christmas season. And thus, Christmas being in December makes this the month of giving. In this sea-

son and through 2011, as is obvious from the list above, LOW Lionesses have indeed given.

For those who celebrate Christmas...Merry Christmas!

For All others...Season's Greeting!

### Agenda

Lake of the Woods Lioness Club  
December 8, 2011  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation by Phyllis Jones  
Introduction of Guests

Dinner

***Music by Orange County High School Singers***

***Flower arranging demo by Pitman Florist***

***Re-gift exchange***

Announcements and Committee Reports  
Announcement of Birthdays  
50/50 Raffle  
Food Bank Raffle  
Adjournment

## WHAT DO I BRING CHECKLIST?

Wilderness Food Pantry—At least 2 food items in a reusable bag or double plastic bag. **Also, gift bag (see pg. 3)**

Re-gift exchange —See pg. 3

**Lake of the Woods Lioness Club**  
Post Office Box 811  
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Meetings are held at the LOW Club House on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Social hour at 5:45 p.m.

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No BOD Meeting held in November. The next BOD meeting will be December 1 for November/December and will be included in the January LOW DOWN.

## **Lioness Committees & Activities**



District Governor Pat Isaac encourages LOW Lionesses at the Oct. 13th meeting to continue our many exciting activities.



700 plus children received over 2,000 candies from these smiling Lionesses on Oct. 31st at the LOW Halloween at the Clubhouse point. A great time was had by all!

### **Gift Cards**

### **By Lioness Zoila Ortega**

A limited number of \$25 gift cards for Giant, Walmart, Target, Bloom, Red Lobster, Olive Garden, and Longhorn will be available for immediate purchase at the Dec. 8th meeting as per member request. So, bring your checkbooks, or to place a specific order, email (nileperch@aol.com) or mail (1010 Lakeview Parkway) your orders before Dec. 3rd and they will be ready for you at the Dec. 8th meeting as well.

# Lioness Committees & Activities

## First Annual Christkindlmarkt

By Lioness Pat Berry

For all Lionesses, plans for our participation in the community craft fair on Saturday, December 10, are coming together. Here are the items we will be offering at our station:

- **Bake Sale Items** – We need everyone to bake something wonderful and drop it off at the Community Center between 9 A.M. and noon. If you have a conflict with delivering your pie, cake, cookies, etc. on Saturday, you can bring it to either Pat Berry (107 Edgemont Lane) or Margaret Findell (116 Mount Vernon Court) on Friday afternoon, December 9. Please call if you need directions.

We have plenty of volunteers for the noon to 2 P.M. and 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. shifts, **but I desperately need several people to cover the table from 4 P.M. until 6 P.M. Help!**

- **Christmas Items** – As you begin thinking about the holidays, check your boxes of decorations for Santas, globes, small trees, ornaments or absolutely anything that looks only gently used and we can add them to the table among the baked goods. It will add to the pizzazz of our table and draw additional customers.
- **Gift Cards** – A select number of cards ( Giant/ Walmart/ Sheetz/ Red Lobster/ Olive Garden/ Target/ etc.) will be available for sale.
- **Lioness Cruise** – We will include some advertising for the cruise in late May, so maybe we can sell the trip as an amazing Christmas present.
- **Odds and Ends** – We will also put the Lioness cookbooks in a place of honor.

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## Christmas Gifts for the Food Pantry

By Lioness Norma Ervin

Many of you have been interested in providing gifts for the Food Pantry clients. Betty Beck has suggested that we donate grab bags in transparent paper if possible. For the children they could contain small games or toys and books. For the adults, toothbrush and toothpaste, deodorant for men and women, aftershave, bars of soap, shaving cream and razors, knit hats and gloves, hand cream or lotion, nail kits or jewelry. The Lioness Club has been very generous with their time and money for many years to the Food Pantry and the people who come there really appreciate our effort. Please bring any items you wish to donate to our meeting on Dec. 8th.

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## Re-gift Exchange

By Lioness Jeannie Dietz

We will have a re-gift exchange at the Dec. 8th meeting. Look for that gift you have stashed away that you never used, wrap it, and bring it along for some fun and laughs.

## From the Tamers

By Lionesses Carol Greeney and Sue Merna

The Lake of the Woods Lioness Club December 8 meeting will be held at the Clubhouse with a 5:45 p.m. social gathering followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. If you are unable to attend this meeting, are bringing a guest, or need a special meal, please call Carol Greeney at 972-6739 or Sue Merna at 972-3600 by Monday, December 5. Please note that this is a set meal, so if you need a special meal, you must let us know by December 5. Also, please remember that "no-shows" (members who do not attend and have not called to cancel) and those calling after the deadline will be billed for the dinner. Dinner is \$16.00 and will be plated.

### December Dinner

**Cottage Cheese & Fruit Salad**  
**Bread Basket**  
**Sliced Pork with Sauce**  
**Mashed Sweet Potatoes**  
**Green Beans**  
**Brownie Sundae**  
**Coffee, Hot or Iced Tea**

## Twister's Corner

By Lioness Nora Simpson

The *real* Holiday To-Do List:

- Sing
- Smile at strangers
- Keep Learning
- Notice kindness
- Eat ice cream
- Hope
- Count your blessings
- Laugh
- Give quarters to  
Lea the Lioness
- Love

Greeters for December dinner meeting

Elaine Freeland  
 Pat Berry

***Scatter joy. Ralph Waldo Emerson***

## LOW Lioness 2011 Calendar

December 1 Nov/Dec BOD Meeting  
 December 8 Lioness Dinner Meeting  
 December 10 Child Help Holiday Program  
 December 21 Child Help Gift Wrapping

## Happy Birthday Lionesses!

December 6	Karen Cakouros	December 16	Lourdes DeSanto
December 6	Elaine Freeland	December 16	Pat Phillipo
December 6	Kathy Walters	December 18	Dorothea Barnes
December 12	Mary Lou McFarland	December 22	Joan King
December 14	Ruth Lemmerman	December 23	Donna Crawley
December 15	Judy Ayers		

**From the Editor**

By Lioness Gail Hardin  
Editor, Lioness LOW DOWN

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