

LAKE OF THE WOODS LIONESS LIONS

LOW DOWN

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President's Corner

By Lioness Lion Donalda Lovelace LOW Lioness Lions President

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Last month's meeting was memorable! Thank you, Lioness Lion Sherri, for leading the way! Whoever encouraged us to take a stroll through the Clubhouse in our costumes deserves our thanks. It is unscheduled and unscripted events such as this that increases our visibility and gives others the view that we are fun and enjoy our many benevolence and fund-raising projects. This is a neat way to encourage others to join us. This was my first year in costume, my costume was not very original, but I had more fun than I have ever had at an October meeting.



On another note, you know our finances are not as strong as we would like, but we still are able to expand our support to those in need, as noted by the over \$300 of personal donations collected at last month's meeting, for turkeys to be given to customers of Lions/Lioness Food Pantry. At the November meeting we will be collecting Santa Claus tree ornaments to decorate a tree for a fundraising Gala for Living Waters Clinic, a medical clinic for low income people. I want to thank all the Lionesses who worked this month on the Hand and Foot Fundraiser, and our Book Sale.

Please take note of the Agenda in the LOWDOWN we have two legal documents that need approval. The new Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws which you received by email needs our approval. If you can't find your email from Lioness Karen Cakouros, please call or email me with questions. Additionally, we need approval of a one sentence resolution authorizing the Board to establish a 501 c3 Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions Foundation. This is important, and needs your immediate attention.

Please say hello to our newest members left to right, Doris Williams, Connie Shelton-Devans and Donna Steffensmeier. Take time to say hello, invite them to sit with you and make them feel at home.



And finally, my hope for you all is a peace filled Thanksgiving, with family friends and good food! We are all so blessed!

T...Turkeys, tablespreads, being together,
H...Happiness and homes to protect us from all weather,
A...Aunts and uncles, a reunion in Fall,
N...Nieces and nephews, family members all!
K...Kind-hearted kin coming over for dinner,
S...Surely you'll have fun, but you won't get thinner!
G...Gourds and pumpkins, mouths open wide.
I...Indians and Pilgrims we remember with pride.
V...Very special times-there could even be snow.
I...Imagine what it was like at Plymouth long ago.
N...Never forget how the settlers led the way,

WHAT DO I BRING CHECKLIST?

Wilderness Food Pantry—At least 2 food items in a reusable bag or double plastic bag. If you have extra plastic bags at home and can double bag some, that would be great. It saves the workers time when they are helping the clients.

Christmas Ornament—See Pg. 5

**Lake of the Woods Lioness
Lions Club**

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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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The Insider's View

Minutes from the
October 26, 2017
BOD Meeting

ATTENDANCE: Donalda Lovelace, Janite Hamilton, Linda Shnayer, Jonnie Feterle, Maureen Otero, Millie Davis, Jayne Owiesny, Karen Cakouros, Karin Mollard, Carol Greeney, Nikki Buell and Julie Phend.

CALL TO ORDER: President Donalda Lovelace called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The September minutes, which were previously distributed, were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Administrative and Benevolence Financial Statements were provided and accepted for filing.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- A resignation was received from Corky Thomas. Ms. Thomas has relocated to Northern Virginia. The resignation was accepted with regret.
- A request for MAL status was received from Jan Lemieux and Sharon Kaltenmark. The requests were granted.
- Thank you letters were received from Locust Grove Elementary School and Locust Grove Primary School for the generous donation of back to school supplies for the school year 2017-2018.
- The LOW Lioness Lions Club Foundation, Constitution and By-Laws was discussed- President Donalda Loveless distributed copies of the By-laws of the LOW Lioness Lions Club Foundation, Inc. She indicated that the membership will have to approve the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Foundation. There will be a resolution that the membership will have to approve establishment of the Foundation by the Board. Walter Diercks, a Virginia attorney drafted the Foundation documents and is the legal counsel for LOW LIONS, LOWLINC and who has volunteered to be the Licensed Registered Agent for the club. The Board of Directors will also be Board of Directors for the Foundation. The Foundation will have no members. President Lovelace will discuss this issue with the club membership.
- A request was received and approved to provide a Christmas tree for a Gala fundraiser for the Living Waters Community Clinic. A request will be made to all members of the club to provide a Christmas ornament for the Mr. and Mrs. Santa themed Christmas tree.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

1ST Vice President-Linda Shnayer

- Linda Shnayer provided sample copies of a draft Lioness member satisfaction survey. A motion was made and approved to form a committee to further develop the survey for the club's membership. The survey could possibly be presented to the club membership in March.
- The Lioness Club will partner with the Lions Club for a fundraiser on Monday, December 4th at Harry's Alehouse. 10% of the sales for dinner will be split between the two clubs.
- The Chriskindmarkt fundraiser for December is progressing smoothly.

Tamers-Karen Cakouros and Carol Lee

- Karen Cakouros announced that she had received a large number of requests to have the Dinner meetings dinner begin at 6:00 P.M. instead of 6:30 P.M. President Lovelace will consider this during the winter months and then request to poll the entire membership to determine if this is something that should be continued.

MORE

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Directors-Carolyn Gordon, Millie Davis and Carol Greeney

- A mixer is planned for the November 9th Meeting.
- Carol Greeney discussed the February 17th dinner fundraiser. She spoke with the club manager and presented the menu he has planned for the event. The event will be formal and tickets will be \$55 per person. Ticket sales will begin shortly after Christmas.

Immediate Past President- Maureen Otero

- Maureen Otero asked present board members to let her know if they will consider continuing in present position for next year's board.

No board meeting for the month of November.

The December board meeting will be held on December 7th.

Without further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Janite Hamilton, Secretary

Lioness Lions Committees & Activities

Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions Club Membership Meeting

Agenda
November 9th, 2017

5:30PM-6:00 PM -Social Hour

(Bar Open 5:30 pm -6:30 pm)

6:00 PM Call to Order and Guest Welcoming

President Donalda M. Lovelace

6:05-6:06 PM Pledge of Allegiance

President Donalda M. Lovelace

6:06-6:08 PM Invocation

Chaplain Melissa Daly

DINNER

6:45 PM **ACTION ITEMS NEEDED**

Approval of LOW Lioness Lions Club, Inc. 501 (c)(4) Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws
Action Item

7:00 PM Approval of Resolution to establish a LOW Lioness Lions Club Foundation, Inc. 501-(c)(3)

Introduction of Guest Speaker Crystal Hale, Executive Director of Orange County

Department of Social Services

7:25 PM **CRYSTAL HALE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

7:30 PM Committee Reports

7:45 PM Birthdays

7:50 PM 50/50 Raffle

7:51 PM Adjournment

Share and Care

By Lioness Lion Ann Walker

Paula Hornaday has returned home after a stay at Dogwood, where she received rehabilitation therapy.

Diane Ogranovitch's husband, Serge, underwent back surgery on October 2 and is recovering very well.

If you know of a Lioness Lion in need of our caring thoughts, please contact Ann Walker: 972-4338

Lioness Lions Committees & Activities

Chriskindlmarkt

By Lioness Lion Gail Stoner

The 7th Annual LOW Chriskindlmarkt will be held on Saturday, December 2nd, from 9:00am till 3:00pm at the Community Center. The Lioness Lions reserve a few tables each year and sell gently used Christmas decorations. We will also have a wonderful bake sale table with cakes, cookies, candy and pies generously donated by our members. Please keep us in mind as you begin to decorate and find you have good Christmas decorations you no longer use. The event includes many other crafters and artisans displaying their wares. It will be a fun day!

Donated items will be received on Friday, December 1st from 5:00 till 8:00pm at the Community Center. If you are unable to bring your donations on Friday evening, contact Gail or Karin and we'll make other arrangements. Please mark prices on your items with labels or masking tape as you place them in your box if possible since time is very limited on Friday evening. Also, Helene Burns has kindly offered to use her garage to hold donations for those who can't bring them to the Community Center on the evening before the sale. She will also post more valuable items on websites in Lake of the Woods for pre sales. Her phone number is 540-412-0798 and her address is 402 Confederate Drive.

Sign-up sheets will be at the November meeting for helping either Friday evening or Saturday and for the bake sale. Thank you for all your help in making Chriskindlmarkt a very successful fundraiser for our Benevolence Fund.

Call Karin Goetz @ 540-972-0955 or Gail Stoner @ 540-388-2540 if you have any questions or would like to help. It really is a lot of fun and helps you to get into the Christmas spirit! Thank You!

Chriskindlmarkt Bake Sale

By Lioness Lions Claudia Low and JoAnn Zwickl, Co Chairs

It's the most wonderful time of the year, again! In addition to the Lioness Christmas Decoration Sale at Chriskindlmarkt, we will also have space for the marvelous Christmas and Holiday cakes and cookies our members create every year. We will have sign-up sheets to volunteer at the November Lioness meeting. Those of you who can bake, please consider baking a little extra to share with us that day so we can add to our Benevolence Fund. If you can't, we understand the time constraints on all of us at this time of year and ask that you consider a small cash contribution to our Benevolence Fund. The students and others who benefit from this will greatly appreciate your generosity. See you all on Saturday, December 2, in the Community Center! We will be sending out detailed information via an email in a couple of weeks. Thanks for your help.

White House Ornaments

By Lioness Lion Marian Rood

We have no ornaments remaining for sale; however, we will submit one more order. If you would still like ornament(s) call Marian Rood (540) 412-0214 by **November 10th** to place an order.

Lioness Lions Committees & Activities

Childhelp Christmas Wrapping

By Lioness Lion Jayne Owiesny

We are looking for volunteers for the Childhelp Christmas present wrapping party on December 20th. We need people from 10 a.m. until about 12:30 p.m. or until all gifts are wrapped, and lunch will be provided. Sign-up sheets will be on the tables at the dinner meeting. If you have questions please contact Jayne Owiesny at 708-224-8897 or jayne.owiesny@gmail.com.

Ornaments for Living Water Community Clinic Support

By Lioness Lion Carol Greeney

The Living Water Community Clinic is located on Route 20 in Locust Grove and is there to serve low income residents who do not have health insurance. It is a wonderful facility and serves so many in our community.

Each year supporters of the clinic have a fundrasing Gala. This year the Gala will be held at our Clubhouse on November 17 from 5:00 to 9:00 P.M. We have been asked to support their efforts by decorating a Christmas tree which will be auctioned at the event. Our Board of Directors has voted to support this worthwhile community event by decorating one of these trees.

Each tree must have a theme and we have chosen ***Here Comes Santa Claus***. We are asking each and every Lioness to help by bringing **two (2)** ornaments to our November meeting. We ask you to bring **Santa, Mrs. Claus and/or Rudolph** ornaments to help us create a tree of which we will be proud! Remember the oath you took when you were inducted, *"Every member shares, so that the burden of providing services for the less fortunate members of our community, will not be so heavy."*

We will be decorating the tree the morning of the event at 10:00 A.M. at the Clubhouse. Please contact Carol Greeney if you are willing and able to help.

Hand & Foot Tournament

By Lioness Lion Linda Shnayer

A special thank you to all who have participated in the Lioness Hand & Foot Tournaments! We had a great year of fun, met wonderful new players, and exceeded fundraising expectations. As we enter the holiday season, we will postpone future games until February 2018.

While we take our holiday from the tournament, should you or your friends like to learn to play Hand & Foot, please contact me at lshnayer@hotmail.com or 540-412-1021. We always welcome newcomers to the game.

Also, we're looking for volunteers for next year to assist with shuffling decks of cards, sharpening pencils, copying scoresheet, set up, etc. Should you be available to assist, please give me a call.

Lioness Lions Committees & Activities

Lions Wilderness Food Pantry Fundraiser and Winter Clothing Drive

By Lioness Lion Barbara Francis

The LOW Lions Wilderness Food Pantry is helping our less fortunate neighbors during the holiday season with a winter clothing drive and a fundraiser to provide Thanksgiving and Christmas gift cards to 150 - 200 of our clients.

Gently used winter clothing such as coats, gloves, scarves, hats and sweaters can be deposited in the box outside the Lions Velona building at LOW, in the box on the Food Pantry porch or at Flat Run Church. Donations may be tax deductible and if you wish to obtain a tax receipt, please contact 540-972-9657. Donations will be accepted through the winter season. Clothing will be distributed throughout the holidays.

We are again collecting funds to purchase gift cards that can be used solely for holiday food such as turkeys, ham and vegetables. Donations should be sent to the LOW Lions Wilderness Food Pantry, Box 605, Locust Grove, Virginia 22508. Please indicate on your check that the donation is for the holiday Turkey program. You will receive a receipt indicating your donation to the Food Pantry.

Wilderness Food Pantry clients are very grateful for the food they receive from the Food Pantry. A huge thanks to the Lioness Lions for volunteering in many ways and for your generous donations. Your generosity at the recent Lioness meeting is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact me at 540-972-9657.

2ND HALF DUES ARE DUE

Members who have not paid the full amount of \$80, must pay the \$40 balance, by **December 31st**.

If you don't recall if you have paid the full amount, please email Karin Mollard at kmollard@comcast.net

The Treasurers will be on hand at the November and December dinner meetings to accept payment

If you cannot attend one of the dinner meetings, please submit \$40 via mail to:

LOW Lioness Club
Attn: Karin Mollard/Jayne Owiesny, Treasurers
P.O. Box 811
Locust Grove, VA 22508

From the Tamers

By Karen Cakouros and Carol Lee

The Lake of the Woods Lioness Lions Club November 9th Dinner meeting will be held at the Clubhouse with a 5:30 p.m. social gathering followed by dinner at 6:00 p.m. Please remember to call or email the Tamers by Monday, November 6th if you are not attending or need a Special meal. Dinner will be buffet style. A no-call or no-show will cost you \$18.00 if you are unable to attend this meeting,

This month's meeting is a **MIXER**, so we hope you all are "ready for some football"

Tamers:

Karen Cakouros (972-9043) Email: karenkak@comcast.net

Carol Lee (972-8920) Email: carol.lee4@comcast.net

NOTICE: We RSVP E-mails & phone calls. If you can't attend, you may have your meal picked up.

Dinner

Herb Roasted Pork
Roasted Red Potatoes
Green Beans
Carrot Cake
Coffee & Tea

Vegetarian Menu

For vegetarian meal,
please call the Tamers

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

Twister's Corner

By Lioness Lion Jonnie Feterle

HAPPY THANKSGIVING



Since George Washington's time, Thursday has been the day, and this was solidified by Abraham Lincoln's proclamation in 1863 designating the national day of **Thanksgiving** to be the last Thursday of **November**. Later that was amended to the fourth Thursday in **November**.

On this holiday, a Thanksgiving meal is prepared with all the trimmings; families gather together and talk, while others watch a game or a parade filled with pilgrims, Indians and other colonial figures. Some families may even have their own yearly Thanksgiving traditions.

What comes to mind when you think of Thanksgiving? Do you picture a time of thankfulness toward God—or is it merely one of eating, partying or watching football?

1. According to popular legend, where did the male "tom" turkey get its name?
2. At the first thanksgiving, were there more Pilgrims or Indians enjoying the meal?

LOW Lioness Lions 2017-2018 Calendar

Nov 9	Dinner Meeting
Nov 25	Book Sale
Dec 2	Chriskindlmarkt
Dec 7	BOD Meeting
Dec 20	Childhelp Christmas Wrapping

Happy Birthday Lioness Lions

November 2 Jan Lemieux
November 3 Barbara York
November 10 Karin Goetz
November 15 Mary Nolan

November 16 Connie Skelton-Devens
November 20 Ann Walker
November 23 Flo Clarke
November 23 Sharon Hutto

From the Editor

By Lioness Lions Gail Hardin
Editor, Lioness Lions LOW DOWN

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

Email: gail_hardin@yahoo.com
Phone: (540) 972-5698

Handbook Corrections

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

Resignations:

Corky Thomas

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