

LAKE OF THE WOODS LIONESS

LOW DOWN

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President's Corner

By Lioness Pat See, LOW Lioness President

"I would rather sit on a pumpkin and have it all to myself than be crowded on a velvet cushion."

~Henry David Thoreau

I literally do not know what happened to summer! Autumn officially begins September 22 and brings with it splashes of brilliant colors and pumpkins and scarecrows. I absolutely love it! For the LOW Lioness Club it also brings lots of fundraisers!!!!

Our fundraising season officially began with the Lion Golf Tournament fundraiser on September 11th. What fun!! We raised \$250 while being outside on a gorgeous day. Thank you to all the ladies who worked the tournament, and especially to Peggy Dowd for chairing it!!

Our next event on September 25th is a sell out!!! Thanks to the teamwork of Sharon Kaltenmark, Maureen Callahan, Jan Lemieux, Kathy Walters, and Val Protiva the Card Party and Fashion Show proves to be an all time winner. Just when we have caught our breath from

that event, we move on to the Community Book Drive on Friday, October 2nd. This event is chaired by Carol Lee, Catherine Rainey, and Marion Dumais. This is in preparation for the Book and Bake Sale on Saturday, October 3rd. Emily Slunt and Chris Wyant are chairing the Bake Sale. Both the Book and Bake Sale will be held at the Locust Grove Campus of Germanna Community College as part of the Lions annual Yard Sale. No rest for the weary, though—Carol Greeney has been very, very busy organizing an outstanding Monte Carlo Night at the Club House to be held on Saturday, November 14th. Then we rest. Whew!!!!

I want to remind you that at our next dinner meeting on Thursday, October 8th, our District Governor, Lion Norma Shoemaker will be joining us. The following Lions will be accompanying our District Governor: District 24C Region II Zone 1 Chairman, Lion Selven Powell; District 24C Lioness Club Chairperson, Lioness Doris Lanham; Lake of the Woods Lion President, Lion Jerry Davis; and Lake of the Woods Lion Liaison, Lion Tom Walker. This is a very special evening in that Lion Norma's presentation will be our program. She was chosen as District Governor because of her exceptional

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WHAT DO I BRING CHECKLIST?

Donations for Gift Baskets for Monte Carlo Night

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WILDERNESS FOOD PANTRY

Bring any non-perishable food items, especially needed sides (hamburger helper. Stove Top Stuffing, etc.), jelly

Lake of the Woods Lioness 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

Highlights from the
September 24, 2009
Lioness BOD Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Pat See, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attending were Pat See, Marue Biggs, Pat Confroy, Donna Crawley, Betty Girman, Carol Greeney, Marge Howard, Carol Lee, Jean McLallen, Linda Ogletree, Ann Walker, Tom Walker and Ann Wood.

Minutes from the August meeting had been previously distributed by e-mail and the Board accepted them as written.

The Treasurer's report was accepted and filed for audit.

President's Report – Pat See

- Although unable to attend the Lions Fall Conference due to health reasons, Pat, along with Ann Walker, attended the Zone Meeting on Tuesday evening, September 22, at which time Zone Chairman Lion Selven Powell discussed the District Governor's goals, including a membership increase of 113. Additionally it was announced that the *Bark of the "C" Lion* would no longer be mailed, but is available on the Internet.
- With respect to the Lions Golf Tournament, which was held on September 11, the Lionesses made \$250, and the Lions took in a grand total of \$8,100.
- She reminded the Board of the District Governor's visit next month and asked that we remain after the meeting is adjourned for a brief session with our distinguished guest.
- Storage at the Ferris Building is still causing difficulties. Carol Greeney will take all the casino supplies and inventory them prior to that event.
- With regard to correspondence, Suzanne Simpson requested MAL status beginning in November, through May 1.
- Concern has been expressed by several Lionesses that the program and announcements have become too lengthy and Pat will discuss this with the appropriate chairmen.
- Concern has also been conveyed to several of the Board members that there are too many demands placed upon each Lioness member, particularly in light of three upcoming events; namely, the Card Party, Monte Carlo Night and the Yard Sale,

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President

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talents and dedication to Lionism. This is the highest authority within our district. Accordingly, there is protocol to adhere to. When District Governor Lion Norma Shoemaker is introduced, everyone should stand and applaud. Also, when she has finished her presentation you are again asked to stand and applaud. Another special note: The Board of Directors is requested to stay after the general meeting to meet with Lion Norma.

Before I close, I want to remind you that the Greg McCrary books will be available at the October dinner meeting. October is also our Halloween Meeting. Costumes are optional.

It is my pleasure to serve with all of you. WE SERVE

A grandmother pretends she doesn't know who you are on Halloween. ~Erma Bombeck

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along with the regular requests to bring provisions for the organizations we support. The Board took these expressions of concern under advisement and an ad hoc committee will be appointed, chaired by Betty Girman, to review all fundraising events, as well as the support of charitable organizations in our area, to devise a plan and specific schedule for our future service activities.

First Vice President's Report – Marge Howard

- The annual Card Party and Fashion Show will take place tomorrow and should be most successful. She hopes to see all of us there.
- Monte Carlo Night takes place on November 14, and Lionesses have been asked to bring basket items to the October meeting.
- The Lions Yard Sale takes place on October 3. On Friday, October 2, Lionesses are asked to come help set up, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Germanna Community College, Locust Grove Campus.

Second Vice President's Report – Ann Walker

- The Food Pantry is planning a community-wide drive in November.
- Safe House will be collecting donations at the November meeting, with Sheltering Arms doing so in December. It was felt that there were enough other requests placed upon the Lionesses for the October meeting that it would be best to forego other collection efforts at that time. Furthermore, there will be no collections for either of these organizations in January.
- The knitting of neonatal caps has dwindled considerably and an effort will be made to encourage prospective knitters, perhaps through a special class.

Third Vice President's Report – Carol Lee

- The Phone Tree is now fully operational and prepared to act in the event of the need to contact all Lionesses with an urgent message.
- Regarding the book sale, we will be collecting books on Friday, October 2, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, and again from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. We will also be conducting sales at that time and are in hopes of obtaining assistance from the Boy Scouts in the late afternoon in transporting books to the Yard Sale site.

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- A discussion then ensued with respect to our supply of cookbooks, and the Board decided to sell them at the Yard Sale at a price of \$7.00 apiece, with two for \$12.00, but at a table separate from the Book Sale.

Tamers' Report – Marue Biggs and Betty Girman

- Preparations are underway for the District Governor's visit next month, with several guests attending.
- The LOW Clubhouse will be available for our January meeting; therefore, it will not be necessary for us to move this meeting to the LOW Church, as in past years.
- Betty suggested that to assist the Wilderness Food Pantry, henceforth each Lioness be asked to bring one food item to each monthly meeting, double-bagged in two plastic bags. Every Lioness who participates will receive a ticket and at the end of the evening there will be a drawing. The winner will receive her next month's dinner free. Everyone felt this was an excellent way to contribute to the Food Pantry and the suggestion was enthusiastically adopted.

Membership Chairman's Report – Linda Ogletree

- Four new members will be inducted in November.
- We no longer have a supply of membership cards; however, it was the consensus of the Board that they were not a necessity. Therefore, it was moved by Carol Greeney and duly seconded by Marge Howard that the membership cards be discontinued, inasmuch as the new members receive a handbook and badge. The motion carried.

Monte Carlo Night Report – Carol Greeney

- Everything is falling into place for this event and a committee meeting will be held this coming Monday evening. She asked for help in soliciting local businesses for gift certificates. Additionally, she wishes members to know that if they can't be there, for \$25.00 they can sponsor a table.
- The tickets are printed and are quite striking, with a design that coordinates with the evening's décor.
- The dress is black and white, and Lions will assist in serving as dealers.
- Tickets are \$25.00; \$30.00 at the door.

There being no further business to come before the LOW Lioness Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned.

Lioness Committees & Activities

LAKE OF THE WOODS LIONESS CLUB PRESENTS MONTE CARLO NIGHT

Saturday, November 14th
7 PM to 10 PM



Enjoy a fun evening in the Clubhouse Great Hall

**BLACK JACK! ROULETTE!
POKER! TEXAS HOLD'EM! CRAPS!**

*LIGHT SNACKS, SOFT DRINKS, CASH BAR
PRIZES*

The ticket cost is \$25. For tickets or information call
Linda @ 972-7713 or Ellen @ 972-9595
Price at the door is \$30

Proceeds go to the Lioness Benevolence Fund.

DONATIONS FOR GIFT BASKETS—MONTE CARLO NIGHT

Remember to bring donations for gift baskets for prizes at Monte Carlo Night to the October dinner meeting. For Lionesses who attended the September dinner meeting, you signed up to bring specific items for a theme basket. Please remember to bring those items marked for the designated basket. If you didn't attend the September meeting, please bring anything you would like to donate for the gift baskets.

Lioness Committees & Activities

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

By Lioness Linda Ogletree

The next induction for new members will be at our November meeting. Please get applications to Linda Ogletree (7713) by the October meeting. New members will need to be approved by the board no later than the 4th Thursday of October. You will find an application in the LOW DOWN.

The LOW Lioness Club currently has over 100 members. We have lost a few of our long-time members and will miss having them with us. We need to attempt to fill their void by enlisting LOW women who want to serve their community and who will be rewarded by the fellowship that Lioness offers. Let's make an effort to bring these women to our October meeting.

SAFE HOUSE

By Lioness Betsy Flanigan

There will be NO collection for Safe House in October. We will have our Christmas collection at the November Lioness dinner meeting. (Safe House holds Christmas parties in early December, so we need to have things ready ahead of time for them.)

As you begin your Christmas shopping next month, please keep Safe House in mind. They would appreciate toys and books for small children; video games and sports equipment for teens; gift cards for any age; and personal items for women such as lotions, jewelry, and grooming items such as hair dryers.

Thank you so much for your generosity!

2009 WHITE HOUSE ORNAMENTS

By Lioness Gail Hardin

We will be selling the 2009 White House Christmas Ornaments for \$19 each. Orders will be taken until November 1, and the ornaments will be available the latter part of November. There will be a sheet at the October meeting to place orders, and an ornament will be available at the meeting so you can see what it looks like. If you can't attend the meeting, you can place an order by calling Gail Hardin (5698) or Ann Walker (4338).

Proposal for Membership

The following individual is proposed for membership in the Lake of the Woods Lioness Club, sponsored by the Lake of the Woods Lion's Club, a part of the International Association of Lion's Clubs.



Name _____

Birthdate _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

Home Address _____

Home Phone _____

Business Address _____

Work Phone _____

Email Address _____

Names of Spouse _____

Is she/he a Lion/Lioness _____

APPROVAL

This invitation has been approved by the following:

Sponsoring Lioness _____

Date _____

Membership Chairman _____

Date _____

Board of Directors _____

Date _____

PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

Employment History _____

Volunteer History _____

Hobbies _____

Special Abilities (music, art, etc.) _____

From the Tamers

By Lionesses Marue Biggs and Betty Girman

The Lioness October 8 dinner meeting will be held at the Lake of the Woods Clubhouse starting with social hour at 5:45 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. If you are unable to attend this meeting, are bringing guests, or need a special meal, you must phone Betty Girman (972-2882) or Marue Biggs (972-5374). The cut-off date is October 3.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to vacation conflicts, please contact Carol Greeney (972-6739) from September 27 thru October 3 regarding dinner cancellations, reservations, guests, etc.

Remember "no shows" (members who do not attend and have not called to cancel) and those calling after the October 3 deadline will be billed for their dinner. Dinners are \$16.00.

The October dinner will be seated.

October Dinner

Plated Caesar Salad
Honey Glazed Ham w/
Rum Sauce
White Whipped Potatoes
Broccoli
Rolls and Butter
Cheesecake
Coffee, Hot or Iced Tea

Twister's Corner

By Lioness Laurel Buongiovanni

Witches flying past on broomsticks
 Black cats leaping here and there
 White robed spooks on every corner
 Mournful moaning in the air.

The Twister will be looking for everyone
 in their scariest/prettiest mask

The tail is twisting-twister's listening

LOW Lioness 2009 Calendar

October 2	Book Drive
October 3	Lions Annual Yard Sale
October 22	Lioness BOD Meeting
November 14	Lioness Casino Night

Happy Birthday Lionesses!

October 1	Martha Grandy	October 23	Kathy Merritt
October 1	Elaine Sibley	October 23	Pat See
October 4	Janet Buccola	October 29	Ellen Ambroziak
October 10	Sharon Kaltenmark	October 31	Marti Martin
October 15	Sharon Allen		

From the Editor

By Lioness Gail Hardin
Editor, Lioness LOW DOWN

The deadline for submission of newsletters articles for the November LOW DOWN is October 20. Please forward them either by email, or mail to Gail Hardin, (contact information below). For more information, call Gail.

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