



President's Corner

By Lioness Carol Lee, LOW Lioness President

Well, fall is here. Don't you just love this time of the year? I can't wait for the leaves to start turning. If only they would stay on the trees and not in the yard. We can dream, can't we?

I am very pleased to let you know that our monthly meeting on Nov. 8 will be our charter night and more importantly, the 25th anniversary of our Lioness Club. I am also happy to report that Sharon Hart, Lion 24-C District Governor, will be attending our meeting. She has graciously rearranged her schedule so that she can be here to help us celebrate. We will also have many other special guests. In addition, we will have the Orange County High School Singers, so we will have a very special evening. I hope you can all attend this great event.

I want to thank Mary Szadvari and Diane Ogranovitch for the wonderful card party, fashion show and luncheon. Everyone had a great time, the prizes were unbelievable, the fashions were beautiful and the lunch

was really nice. It was a perfect way to spend the day. They had a wonderful committee and I thank them also for all their help. It is so important that everyone help out in these big events and so many Lionesses stepped up to the task. Once again, thanks to all of you. Great job!

There is a letter from one of our

Germana scholarship recipients that I hope you will all read. It is such a tribute to all of us who work very hard to raise money for our benevolence fund. It will make all of you feel really good about what we do as Lionesses.

My very best to all of you, and I look forward to seeing you at our October meeting.

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. Especially needed are peanut butter, jelly, canned vegetables and canned fruit

Head Start—See pg. 5

Bridges—See pg. 5

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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
September 27, 2012
BOD Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Carol Lee at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were Mary Altman, Ellen Bearden, Pat Berry, Laurel Buongiovanni, Karen Cakouros, Carol Lee, Connie Lemay, Zoila Ortega, Maureen Otero, Jean Priest, Michelle Senft, Emily Slunt, Beth Sundberg, Phyllis Taylor, Chris Wyant

The Minutes of the August 23, 2012, meeting which were previously distributed, were accepted.

The Treasurer's Report, given by Emily Slunt, was accepted and filed for audit.

Lionesses Phyllis Sakole and Sharon Allen addressed the Board. They discussed monthly donations and suggested a plan for assigning certain months for donations to each group.

President's Report: Carol Lee

- A letter of resignation from Lioness Madelyn Turley was read. Motion by Beth Sundberg, second by Pat Berry to accept with regret. Motion passed.
- A letter from Lioness Judi O'Neill requesting affiliate status was read. Motion by Zoila Ortega, second by Connie Lemay to accept. Motion passed.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

First Vice President's Report: Beth Sundberg

- Card Party/ Fashion Show and lunch for Sept 28, 2012 is set.
- Another 1 or 2 more houses are needed for the Holiday House Tour.
- The next Book Sale will be held on Sept 29, 2012.

Second Vice President's Report: Chris Wyant

- Following much discussion, the following schedule for monthly donations was developed:
 - SAFE House-3 months
 - Bridges-2 months
 - Head Start-3 months
 - School Supplies-1 month
 - Orange Free Clinic-1 month
 - Wilderness Food Pantry- monthly except JanMotion by Laurel Buongiovanni, second by Zoila Ortega to adopt this plan for 2012-2013 year passed.
- Discussion regarding a Lioness website was tabled until Oct meeting to allow for research.
- Candy left over from the July Fourth celebration will be used for the Annual Halloween event at the Clubhouse.

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Tamer's Report: Laurel Buongiovanni and Jean Priest

- Discussion regarding clarification of rules as they pertain to members who do not attend meetings and do not call ahead and do not pay for the meal. Additional letters will be sent.

Membership: Michelle Senft

- There will be an induction ceremony at the Oct meeting for one new member. All are asked to keep Michelle informed as to those who are working on the requirements for membership in order to schedule future induction procedures.
- Holiday House Tour tickets will be sold at the Oct and Nov meetings. The cost is \$10.

Director's Report: Maureen Otero and Connie Lemay

- Members are reminded to wear costumes for the Oct meeting. There will be prizes given in various categories.
- The Fire and Rescue dinner will be held at the Clubhouse on Nov 30, 2012.

Immediate Past President: Zoila Ortega

- Discussion regarding use of funds for Orange County High School. The choral group will be performing at the Nov meeting. Motion by Connie Lemay, second by Karen Cakouros to donate \$100 to the school's choral program passed.

Unfinished Business

- Design for certificates to be awarded to certain Lionesses was accepted.

Adjournment

- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.

Lioness Committees & Activities

Share and Care

By Lioness Jean Stutz

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Robert Wright and family on the passing of Lioness Jan Wright.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of former Lioness Carol Buck who passed away on September 4th in Evanston, IL.

Our deepest sympathy to Lioness Nancy Doseff on the passing of her daughter, Deborah Doseff Lossing, on September 24th after a long struggle with cancer.

Lioness Hilda Seary is on the road to recovery after having surgery in August. She looks forward to return to Lioness meetings in October.

Lioness Doris Velona continues to suffer with multiple health issues. Please remember Doris in your prayers for comfort and renewed strength.

Please keep these families in your prayers for peace and comfort. Remember those who are in need of our prayers. God pours His love into our hearts to flow out to others.

If you are aware of a Lioness who is ill, either at home or in the hospital, please notify me at 972-5408. A simple card can make someone's day brighter.

Letter from Germanna Scholarship Winner

The following is a letter that was received from Robyn Listee, one of our Germanna scholarship winners. It was a handwritten letter which really means a lot. I have typed this exactly as she wrote it. I know you will get a tear in your eye as you read it. Thank you, Lionesses, for all you do
Carol Lee

August 15, 2012

Dear Lake of the Woods Lionesses,

Please forgive me for the lateness of this letter. There is no excuse. But I have been meaning to write and express what I could not express at the podium back in May at the dinner/reception. (Public speaking does not agree with me.)

Each of the scholarship recipients, as well as the speaker, mentioned that your generosity has changed their lives. That is undoubtedly true, and I want to highlight that fact for myself as well. But I also want to point out that what makes an even more profound difference in my life is the knowledge that all of you believe in me. When my marriage was ending, my ex-husband told me "You'll never make it without me." Two and a half years later, I am almost at the finish line (graduation from the nursing program is 4 months and 2 days away!), and I have learned two life-changing truths: 1) I am stronger than anyone, including myself, ever would have guessed, and 2) I might have one person watching and waiting for me to fail, but I have an incredible network of people, including each and every one of you, knowing I will succeed and cheering me on the whole way. Not to mention, my network has actually made my success possible. What you all have made yourselves a part of with this scholarship is more than helping single moms educate themselves to get better career options. You have given me, and I am certain others as well, confidence and hope as we start over and pick up the pieces of our lives after coming out of very dark circumstances. You have truly changed my life and my daughter's life, and you have set an example for me to do the same for others someday. Thank you all, from the bottom of my heart.

Robyn Listee

PS – My red Gerber daisy you gave me is blooming cheerily in the front yard. I love it.

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October Program

By Lioness Zoila Ortega

Lions and Tigers and Bears...Oh My!

1) The program for our October Dinner Meeting will be our very own "Parade of Costumed Lionesses". Start planning now to wear that very special Prize winning costume. Prizes will be given for the following:

1. The scariest
2. The funniest
3. The prettiest
4. The most creative
5. The "OMG...I can't believe it"

2) There will also be an induction of new members at the October meeting.

White House Ornaments

By Lioness Mary Szadvari

We will be taking orders for the 2012 White House Ornament at the October meeting. They are \$18 each. You can also call me at 972-4572 to place an order. They will be delivered in early December.

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Head Start

By Lioness Caroline Caldwell

With this new Lioness program and this new school year beginning, there are some items that the school could use. They get very little assistance from the state and need our help.

The items they need are:

Pumpkins – to make a pumpkin patch

Baby dolls

Plastic bugs

White board markers – assorted colors

Colored chalk

Different types of blocks

Craft beads

Any science things

Bridges

By Lioness Mary Lou McFarland

The Group Home at Lake of the Woods is operated by Rappahannock Rapidan Community Services. All 6 of these people have intellectual disabilities. They have staff at the house around the clock who help them with dressing, eating, and drive them Monday through Friday to Orange Bridges, their day support center. Bridges sends some of them out for jobs in the area and keeps the others occupied with games, crafts and exercise.

At the next meeting I am asking Lioness to bring a plain white T Shirt (not an undershirt) to the meeting. If you did not sign up for a size, please bring an XL or XXL Shirt. These are the sizes that we still need. The staff will be making all of the Bridges clients shirts that they will be wearing to Special Olympics and Bowling Tournaments. They sometimes bowl against the other day centers in Warrenton and Charlottesville.

Thanks for helping our friends at Bridges.

Tickets for Holiday House Tour

By Lioness Bonniebeth Foltz

Our Lioness Holiday House Tour will be on Saturday, December 8, 2012 from 1:00 - 5:00 pm. The tour will begin at the LOW Church and tour several beautiful homes. Tickets will be \$10 in advance and \$12 on the day of the event. Tickets will be sold at our October and November Lioness meetings by Michelle Senft. She will also take reservations by calling her at 972-1964.

Christkindl mart

By Lionesses Gail Hardin

Christkindl mart will be held December 8 (morning to early afternoon), with set up the evening of December 7. If you can help on Friday evening or Saturday, please call me on 972-5698. The Lionesses will be selling baked goods and Christmas items (both decorations & Christmas themed gift items). Since we will have a small area, we won't have room for any large items. Sale items will be collected in November.

From the Tamers

By Lionesses Laurel Buongiovanni and Jean Priest

The Lake of the Woods Lioness Club October 11 dinner 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 require a special meal, please call Laurel Buongiovanni at 972-2575 or Jean Priest at 540-446-0797 by **Sunday, October 7th at 12:00 noon**. Please remember that "no shows" and those calling after the deadline will be billed for the dinner. Dinner is \$17.00

The dinner will be served buffet.

Dinner

Caesar Salad
Assorted Dinner Rolls
Lasagna with Bolognese Sauce
Chocolate Cake
Coffee or Tea

Twister's Corner

By Lioness Norma Ervin

October is the month we usually try to disguise ourselves.

For our meeting please feel free to wear a costume or at least a hint of orange. If none of the above are noted or you are out of costume and not wearing a nametag then lion you will have to pay.

The greeters this month are:

Connie LeMay
Sharon Kaltenmark

LOW Lioness 2012-13 Calendar

October 11	Lioness Dinner Meeting
October 25	Lioness BOD Meeting
October 27	Lioness Book Sale
November 30	Fire and Rescue Dinner
December 8	Chriskindmart
December 8	Lioness Holiday House Tour

Happy Birthday Lionesses!

October 1	Martha Grandy	October 15	Diane Ogranovitch
October 4	Janet Buccola	October 23	Kathy Merritt
October 10	Sharon Kaltenmark	October 23	Pat See
October 15	Sharon Allen	October 29	Ellen Ambroziak

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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Resignation:

Madelyn Turley

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