



The Roar

Manhattan Lions Club Monthly Newsletter

February, 2010

From the President

Amazing how this year is just zooming along already. Mid Winter Rally in Salina is over and some of our club members, the Lions Sherwood, Duaine & Arlene, the Lions Tubach, PDG Jim and Patsy and the Lions Gillispie, Lela and Bud were all in attendance for Karaoke, good speakers, Leos and Peace Poster presentations and an awards banquet featuring our own Kansas Lion, International Director Anne Smarsh. Luncheon speakers were Representative Jerry Moran and Secretary of State Ron Thornburgh. Lion Bud and I were quite pleased to receive a Superior Rating on our "Manhattan" Roar" newsletter.



Former Manhattan Lion member, **Elaine Badger**, received a Certificate of Appreciation for her work with Diabetes Foundation.

The Biscuit and Gravy Feed was held last Saturday and was quite successful. Final figures will be available soon, as some tickets and ticket money may still be outstanding and not all bills have been turned in. DG Bill and Vickie Pillipi also joined us to help serve. Lion Duaine thanks all who sold tickets, worked and came to eat wonderful biscuits and gravy and we thank Lion Duaine for a job well done chairing this event.

District 17-I Convention will be held in Junction City in less than 2 weeks. Tickets are still available for lunch, dinner and the theatre, if you hurry. Meal reservations are due no later than February 3. It will be a fun weekend, featuring International Director Debra Wasserman and her husband, Steve, from Minnesota. Delegates to the convention will be Lions Duaine and Arlene and Lions Lela and Bud. We will be voting on District Governor, 2 Vice District Governors, Kansas Lions Foundation committee member, Kansas Lions Sight Foundation committee member and Kansas Lions Band Foundation committee member. If you just wish to come to the cabinet & convention meetings, be at the Marriott about 2:00 Saturday afternoon February 13.

We are now taking reservations for our annual Valentine dinner to be held at the Blue Hills Room at R.C. McGraw's in the Blue Hills Shopping Center on Monday, February 8. Invitations were distributed at the

last meeting or mailed to your home address. Guests will include spouses and widows of Lion members. The cost is \$12 per person and the catering is being done by Rambler's. Brisket and turkey will be the entrees, as well as a potato dish, salad, vegetables and rolls. If you have not responded and wish to come, please get in touch with Lion Carol at 587-9357 or Lion Lela at 537-2258. There may even be desserts or sweets of some sort to finish on. Entertainment is light. Interested, come on over.

The KSDS Raffle tickets were drawn after the Biscuit and Gravy fundraiser Saturday. We are not sure who contributed all the gifts, but I will mention the hand-made items which had been given for donations. The following individuals were winners of the KSDS raffle which raised funds for KSDS. Puppies are raised by caring people who are then willing to give them back for use for those who are blind or are handicapped in some way so there is a need for a loving friend who will help them live a more independent life. Thank you to all who sold tickets bought tickets or contributed gifts. KSDS appreciates your help.

KSU Desk Clock

(made by Lion Bud Gillispie) - Bob Fair

KSU Girls Basketball

(Donated by Lions Chapel) - VDG Marion Schroll

Scarf

(made by Ronna Robertson) - Lana Ellis

Portable DVD Player

(donated by Tubachs) - Gina Miller

Afghan

(made by Lion Patsy Tubach) - DG Bill Phillipi

Dillon's \$25 gift certificate

(donated by Lions Skrdlandt) - Al Urich

Bookmark

(made by Ronna, Robertson) - Stan Bartel

Glass Dolphin

(donated by Tubachs) - Maggie ??

Wicker Basket

(Donation unknown) - Larry Lord

Wood Shadowbox

(made by Duaine Sherwood) - Melizabeth Maattee

History of Manhattan

(donated by Lowell Jack) - Larry Seitz

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(Donated by Lowell Jack) - Gayla Strohm

Necklace & earring set

(donated by Carol Hockersmith)- Bernie Alfrey

Treat tray

(Donation Unknown) - Terri Franz

Mary Kay Gift Set

(Donation Unknown) - Jackson Walker

Candle

(donated by Tubachs) - Duaine Sherwood

Fleece Throw

(Donation Unknown) - Peggy Riley

Kitchen Set

(Donation Unknown) - Anne Nielsen

Snowflake Blanket

(Donation Unknown) - Andrew Sige

Dish towels & pouch

(Donation Unknown) - Allen Jankee

Manhattan Lions – Please give yourself a pat on the back. The Manhattan Lions Club has been awarded two membership patches for our banner. The first is Membership Excellence for Year-Round Growth for the year 2008-2009 and the second is the President's Retention Campaign patch for 2008-2009. You have done a wonderful job of recruiting new members and helping keep the members we have. Also, thanks to you, in December I received a new Lions "Miracles Through Service" pin which has 3 diamonds in it. The 3 diamonds stand for a net growth of 6 members last year (after losing some members who chose to not pay dues.) Thank you for that and thank you for letting me be your President. I promise to get the patches sewn on before the next meeting.

Members – dues are due. Please pay to either Secretary K. Taylor or Treasurer Bud Gillispie at soon as possible. For one year, dues are \$70 per individual or \$35 for six months. If you happen to be a family Lions member, dues for one year are \$105 or \$52.50 for six months for both of you.

Meetings

What a delightful evening we had Monday, January 11 when we were entertained by Dr. Joe McFarland, who was accompanied by his wife, Roberta.



Dr. McFarland was the son of a minister and spent time as a child in Nebraska, Quinter, KS and Topeka KS and Sterling, KS. His topic “My Awful Cross-Eyed Teacher” certainly raised our curiosity. He shared life experiences and told us about his time as President of Geneva College in Geneva PA. He also officiated ball-games in his spare time. His book is called “My Time On the Clock” and brings back memories to those of us who grew up in Kansas. The meeting was almost a family reunion, since one member mentioned that Dr. Joe’s father had officiated at the marriage of his parents. Another couple knew Dr. Joe at Sterling College and a distant cousin renewed acquaintances with Robert. What a delightful evening was had by the group.



January 25th was a cold dreary night, but we had the hot topic of the budget for the state of Kansas with our speaker, Duane Goosen, State Budget Director. The group had many questions for Mr. Goosen and he did a great job of explaining the difficulties with the budget, loss of tax revenue and the challenges facing the legislature this year.

It was amazing to discover the distribution of the general fund budget and exactly where the money goes. It certainly helped explain the difficulties of cutting the budget without cutting the areas where people and students really need help. We appreciated Mr. Goosen taking the time to come to Manhattan and visit with our Lions group.

Update on baby Carter Swearingen from Lion Roy Hulett is that Carter is coming home from Topeka today (Monday.) Our thoughts and our prayers and our good wishes go to Mom Lion Emily, Dad Brian and brother Cayden.

Yellow Dot Chair Kay Carothers met with Ambulance Service Employees at their last meeting and was pleased that some were aware of the program and had seen the Yellow Dots on cars. They made suggestions of other ways that Lions can get the word out to individuals who are in need of the Yellow Dot Program.

Board Meeting

A check was accepted from Wal-Mart in the amount of \$250 in honor of Lion Roy Hulett who uses his service hours to benefit Manhattan Lions. Thank you to Wal-Mart and especially to Lion Roy.

Scholarship applications were discussed and the deadline is April 1.

A thank you note was received from an eyeglass recipient. The motion to provide eyeglasses for another needy individual was passed.

The board was pleased to announce that Ladonna Piper will be a new member. She will be inducted at a later date.

Upcoming Events

February 8 – Valentine Event –
Blue Hills Room at RC McGraws—Special Guests

February 12-13 – District 17-I Convention
Junction City

February 22 – Valentino’s
Larry & Shirley Plumlee – Buffalo raising

March 1 – Board Meeting ERA office – 7:00 pm

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Meetings are normally held at Valentine’s in Village Plaza (if you are planning to attend one of our meetings, please check our website

<http://www.manhattanlionsclub.org> to assure location)

Our Biscuit and Gravy Feed



Some of our Lions checking out the biscuits and gravy before beginning to serve the public.



The Kvasnica family enjoyed the biscuits and gravy too, as well as the pleasure of each other's company.



17-I District Governor, Bill Phillipi and Lion Lowell Jack, manning the drink station.



Some of our customers from the community waiting for those delicious biscuits and scrumptious gravy.



17-I District Governor, Bill Phillipi and Vickie shown with our own PDG Jim Tubach.



Lion Arlene Sherwood, working with KSDS Raffle tickets at the entry table.

Membership Roster

Barbara Barbary (Larry)	341-2313
Larry Barbary (Barbara)	341-2313
Lerance Bolte (Cathy)	539-5998
Margo Caley	776-6426
Tad Carlisle (Margaret)	456-7815
Kay Carothers (Joe)	587-9338
Diana Chapel (Preston)	537-7255
Preston Chapel (Diana)	537-7255
Delores "Dee" Dockins	537-1436
Paul Fleener (Shirley)	537-0472
Shirley Fleener (Paul)	537-0472
Bud Gillispie (Lela)	537-2258
Lela Gillispie (Bud)	537-2258
Charles Herr (Charlotte)	539-4374
Carol Hockersmith (Floyd)	587-9357
J. Lester Hooper (Olive)	539-6855
Olive Hooper (J Lester)	539-6855
Roy Hulett (Irma)	456-7821
Dennis Irvin (Arlene)	539-2347
Arlene Irvin (Dennis)	539-2347
Lowell Jack (Phyllis)	539-4072
Al Keithley (Mary)	539-1536
Mary Keithley (Al)	539-1536
Samuel Kvasnica (Dottie)	537-7950
Meredith Litchfield	539-8146
C. E. McKee (Dee)	236-1524
Dee McKee (C. E.)	565-1026
Richard McKittrick (Marge)	539 4000
Marge McKittrick (Richard)	539-4000
Jerry Mershon (Jackie)	539-5225
Anne Nielsen (Monty)	539-6761
Monty Nielsen (Anne)	539-6761
Kent Oleen (Lana)	537-3300
LaDonna Piper	537-8253
Randy Plummer (Christi)	776-5768
Thomas Roberts (Dixie)	537-1590
Don Robertson (Ronna)	770-8305
Dave Schafer (Jeanne)	539-7842
Arlene Sherwood (Duaine)	539-2102
Duaine Sherwood (Arlene)	539-2102
Gary Skrdlant (Wendy)	539-5008
Wendy Skrdlant (Gary)	539-5008
Dr. Norbert Stigge (Loma)	539-4125
Emily Swearingen	341-9348
K Taylor (DeWayne)	556-0586
Bruce Thierolf (Mindy)	776-9434
James Tubach (Patsy)	539-3068
Patsy Tubach (James)	539-3068
Alan Van Nahmen	812 -343-2370
Bob Williams (Diana)	776-5251



Manhattan Lions Club Officers 2009 -2010

President	Lion Lela Gillispie
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Secretary	Lion K. Taylor
Treasurer	Lion Bud Gillispie
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Director (2 year)	Lion Paul Fleener
Director (3 year)	Lion Duaine Sherwood
Tail Twister	Lion Shirley Fleener
Tail Twister	Lion Dee McKee
Tail Twister	Lion Emily Swearingen
Past President	Lion Preston Chapel

Manhattan Lions Club Chairpersons 2009-2010

Program Co-Chairs	Lion Paul Fleener Lion Monty Nielsen
Health & Sight Chair	Lion Arlene Sherwood
Candy Day Co-Chairs	Lion Larry Barbary Lion Barbara Barbary
Pancake Day Co-Chairs	Lion J. Lester Hooper Lion Paul Fleener Lion Shirley Fleener
Youth Activities Co-Chairs	Lion Duaine Sherwood Lion Arlene Sherwood
Biscuit and Gravy Event Chair	Lion Duaine Sherwood
Peace Poster Chair	Lion Patsy Tubach
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KSDS Raffle Co-Chairs	Lion Patsy Tubach Lion Dee McKee Lion Paul Fleener
Yellow Dot Chair	Lion Kay Carothers Lion Paul Fleener
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