



The Roar

Manhattan Lions Club Monthly Newsletter

March, 2010

From the President

Circle the date on your calendar – **April 12**. Thanks to program co-chair Paul Fleener, **Kansas Governor Mark Parkinson** will be making a visit to the Manhattan Lions Club on the above date. The event will be held at Purple Wave Auction at 825 Levee Drive and will **begin at 6:00**.

The price of the meal will be \$15 and reservations are required by April 2. A registration form is part of this newsletter. It is a tremendous honor for us to have Governor Parkinson visit our civic organization and we hope many Manhattan Lions (and friends), as well as Lions from other clubs will plan to attend this special event. If you have any questions, please contact me at 537-2258 or lkegl@cox.net.

The **District 17-I Convention** was held in Junction City Friday and Saturday, February 12 & 13. It was a great convention, despite the fact that our International guest, ID Debra Wasserman and her husband, Steve, from Minnesota were unable to join us because of illness. The convention started with a wonderful meal served at the Marriott Convention Center, followed by attendance at the presentation of “Faith County” at the Junction City Opera House. Attendees were then invited back to the Marriott for “afterglow” consisting of



beverages and goodies. Our own International Director Anne Smarsh and her husband, VDG Tom Smarsh were in attendance and entertained and enlightened us with facts about Lions and the Alert Program in Kansas. The district and the committee were quite appreciative of ID Anne and VDG Tom stepping in to give us an International presence at our meeting.

KSDS members and trainers were on hand Saturday morning to tell us about the wonderful dogs at KSDS. A wonderful job is done at this facility and the group came away with a great appreciation of the work done with dogs for those in need. Other topics and presentations included using the internet, YouTube programs on Lions Club, and an interactive time with members of other clubs. After another great meal Saturday noon, ID Smarsh again shared thoughts on moving forward in Lions Club and opportunities available. A moving Neurology Service was presented by PCC Tom Badger and

Lion Elaine, honoring those Lions we have lost during 2009.

During the afternoon convention meeting, officers were elected. District Governor for 2010-2011 will be Marilyn Sorenson from Scandia, 1st VDGE - Marion Schroll from Riley, 2nd VDGE - Bill Sanderson from Salina, Kansas Lions Foundation member - DG Bill Phillipi, Kansas Lions Sight Foundation member - PDG Jim Tubach and Kansas Lions Band Foundation member-Rick Johnson.

Presidential Awards of Appreciation presented at the convention honored Manhattan Lion Duaine Sherwood for his years as Eyeglass Chairman for the District, Lion Bud Gillispie for his work as Newsletter Editor and Technology chair for the district and Lion Lela Gillispie for her work in Co-Chairing the District Convention.



President Lela also was awarded, by PDG Thelma Brown, the Presidential Excellence Award for 2009-2010, one of two awarded in the district.

We have a **Lions sign** up on Highway 18 on the Plumlee property across from the airport. A huge thank you to Lion K. Taylor who made the arrangements and to Lions Duaine and Bud who put up the sign.



One more sign, which we have on hand, will be put on property on south 177 on the Gannon property, also arranged by Lion K. These signs are a joint project for Manhattan Lions Club and Sunflower Lions Club of Manhattan.

Lions Club International has announced an agreement with Wal-Mart to collect used eyeglasses at specified Wal-Mart and Sam's Club stores throughout the U.S. New boxes bearing the LCI, Wal-Mart and Sam's Club logos will be available in Wal-Mart and Sam's Club stores which have vision centers. Our local Wal-Mart and Manager Roy Hulett has been quite cooperative in the past allowing Lions to have boxes in the store for eyeglass donations. It is a big step that LCI is now joining this endeavor. Thank you Roy and Wal-Mart for all you do for Manhattan and Lions.

Meetings

Our annual Valentine event is always an enjoyable evening and February 8 was no exception. We gathered at the Blue Hills Room in the Blue Hills Shopping Center for a delicious meal catered by Ramblers. Our guests were spouses of members and widows of past Lion members.



Roses were presented to all ladies present and music was provided by a duo of violin players from Manhattan High School and were introduced by Music Teacher Steve Easterday.

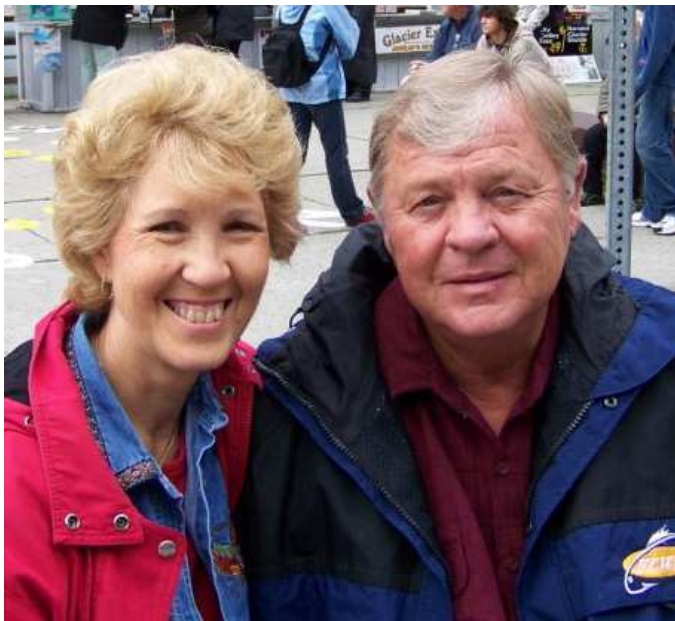
Both young ladies were excellent violinists and the music was enjoyed by all. Colorful Valentine decorations for the tables were provided by Lions K. Taylor and Carol Hockersmith. Thank you ladies



What do you want to know about a buffalo/bison? Larry and Shirley Plumlee from the Plumlee Buffalo Ranch near Alma presented a program about buffalo at the meeting on February 22. They were introduced by Lion Monty Nielsen and shared their thoughts on the care and raising of buffalo. The group learned about "Sampson" the first buffalo they raised



The Plumlees originally had their buffalo across from the Manhattan airport and have just recently moved them to the area of I-70 and Highway 99.



It was amusing to hear about the buffalos that had always been on level ground and the reaction when they had hills to climb. It was quite entertaining and educational.

Sponsorship certificates were presented to Lions Duaine & Arlene Sherwood & Dennis Irvin for members sponsored earlier this year.

Board Meeting

A motion was passed to donate an amount not exceeding \$150 for each of two needy individuals for eye-glasses. \$100 will be donated to LCIF for earthquake relief in Chile.

Proceeds from the Biscuit and Gravy Feed will be distributed as follows: \$250 to Manhattan Crisis Center, \$250 to Manhattan Emergency Shelter, \$250 to Habitat for Humanity, \$250 to Shepherd's Crossing.

The board voted for Lion Treasurer Bud Gillispie to move all three bank accounts to Kansas State Bank.

Upcoming Events

March 8 – Valentino's – 6:15 p.m.

KSU Football Coach Bill Snyder

March 22 – Valentino's – 6:15 p.m.

Easter Egg Project

April 3 – Easter Egg Hunt in City Park

Great opportunity to treat the upcoming generation and please their parents.

April 5 – Board Meeting – ERA Office – 7:00 p.m.

April 12 – Purple Wave Auction, 825 Levee Drive

Governor Mark Parkinson - 6:00 p.m.

Note change in time

April 26 – Valentino's – 6:15 pm

An Old Irish Blessing

May the road rise up to meet you
 May the wind always be at your back
 May the sun shine warm upon your face
 And rain fall soft upon your fields
 And until we meet again
 May God hold you in the palm of his hand

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Meetings 1st & 4th Mondays of 6:00 pm

Meetings are normally held at Valentino'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)

Manhattan Lions to Host Governor Mark Parkinson

April 12-6:00 P.M.

At Purple Wave Auction

825 Levee Drive

Just off East Highway 24

Cost of meal \$15.00

Come join us to hear what our Kansas Governor

Has to say about our state and about Lions Clubs' role in the state

Reservation form below



MANHATTAN LIONS CLUB

DINNER WITH GOVERNOR MARK PARKINSON

RESERVATION FORM

MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010 6:00 PM

PURPLE WAVE AUCTION AT 825 LEVEE DRIVE

JUST OFF EAST HIGHWAY 24

NAMES _____

TOTAL _____ @ \$15.00 PER PERSON _____

Payment should accompany this form

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Tad Carlisle (Margaret)	456-7815
Kay Carothers (Joe)	587-9338
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Preston Chapel (Diana)	537-7255
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Shirley Fleener (Paul)	537-0472
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Olive Hooper (J Lester)	539-6855
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Manhattan Lions Club Officers 2009 -2010

President	Lion Lela Gillispie
Vice President	Lion Carol Hockersmith
Secretary	Lion K. Taylor
Treasurer	Lion Bud Gillispie
Lion Tamer	PDG Jim Tubach
Director (1 year)	Lion Roy Hulett
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
Blind Made Products Chair	Lion Chuck Herr
Highway Pickup Chair	Lion Don Robertson
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Easter Egg Event Chair	Lion Kent Oleen
Westloop Event Chair	Lion J. Lester Hooper
Special Dinners Chair	Lion Carol Hockersmith
Scholarship Chair	Lion K. Taylor