

The Roar

Manhattan Lions Club Monthly Newsletter

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Manhattan Lions Club News and Fall Activities

October 15th Lions Pancake Feed – There is general agreement that this year's annual Pancake Feed was a "roaring" success. The amount earned after expenses was about \$3,500 with a few small bills yet to be paid. Co-chairs J. Lester Hooper and Dave Schafer met with the Board at their November meeting to review the event and begin planning for next year. Lion Dave would like input in several areas including: 1) our current level of advertisement, 2) menu options, 3) ticket prices for next year, and 4) what can be done to promote Lionism at the Pancake Feed. Based on comments from Lions in other clubs, and members of other volunteer groups in Manhattan, everyone is asking for money and donations to help support the less fortunate. These individuals have indicated that they are generous in their support of the Lions because they know the financial challenges facing their organization.

Support for eyeglasses – Lion Kay Carothers has been the point person in the submission of grants to the Caterpillar Foundation, the Youth Impacting Community grant program, and the Caroline F. Peine foundation. Kay has been assisted by Diana Chapel, Wendy Skrdlant, Bud Gillispie, and several Board members in these efforts. In addition to \$500 from the Caterpillar Foundation, we received \$115 in donations for eye glasses during the sale of tickets for the Pancake Feed, which will enable us to support 4 new requests. The interview with the YIC grant committee is pending, and we have yet to hear about our preliminary proposal to the Piene Foundation. If the Piene pre-proposal is approved, a formal grant request will be submitted.

Food Donations at November 28th meeting – Instead of collecting non-perishable food at the annual Christmas dinner, we will collect canned food donations at our next meeting on November 28th, which will be taken to the Flint Hills Breadbasket to help feed Manhattan residents during the Holidays.



Above: Photo of PDG Daryl Stone during his presentation on the Kansas Lions Alert Program at the October 24, 2011 meeting

Annual Christmas Dinner – Our annual Christmas dinner will be held on December 12th at the Beach Museum starting at 6:00 P.M. The food will be prepared by the Friendship House and served buffet style. The menu includes two entrees (Italian crusted chicken and mustard glazed pork loin), a tossed green salad, rosemary garlic roasted potatoes, baked corn casserole, glazed carrots and a cheesecake dessert. The cost will be \$15.00, which includes the tip. Please contact Mickey Keithley if you have not signed up or will not be able to attend the November 28th meeting. We owe a special thanks to Ladonna Piper and Mickey for their hard work on the arrangements for the Christmas dinner.



Above: Photo of Lion J. Lester Hooper presenting the Victor K. Roper award to Lion Don Robertson at the November 14th meeting. The annual award is given to the Lion who sold for the most tickets to the annual Pancake Feed

Upcoming Mondays and Club Events

Monday, November 28, 2011. Regular club meeting at the Clarion Hotel. Orders will be placed at 6:15 P.M. with food to be served at 6:30 P.M. The program will begin at 6:45 P.M. The speaker will be Mr. Bruce Graham, Cloud County Community College who will talk about Wind Energy Programs in Kansas.

Monday, December 5, 2011, 7:00 PM. Board Meeting at the ERA, The Conderman Group Office, 1420 Poyntz Avenue.

Monday, December 12, 2011, 6:00 P.M. Annual Christmas buffet style dinner at the Beach Museum, 14th and Anderson Avenue. The museum will be open for Lions to view the work of faculty in the Art Department at KSU.

District Cabinet Meeting – The agenda at the District Cabinet Meeting held last Saturday in Riley, Kansas included two items of particular interest to our Club: 1) increases in dues at the District, State and International levels and 2) the arrival of the Plusoptics (Pediavision) instrument.. District dues will increase by \$2.00 effective July 1, 2012. State dues will increase by \$5.00 on July 1, 2012 (if approved at the State convention), and International dues will increase by \$2.00 on July 1, 2012 and July 1, 2014 for a total of \$11.00. These increases are due to fewer members and increased costs of doing business, which should not be surprising to anyone.

The new Vision Screening Unit has been delivered, and we can begin vision screening of children in Manhattan soon after January 1st. The process and details such as consent forms are in a draft stage at this time. We will need Lions to contact Day Care Centers, Sunday Schools, health fairs and other suitable locations. Lions must be present during screening sessions, which is why I asked for volunteers at our last meeting. In addition to the important task to help visually impaired children, we have a mechanism to contact parents of young children in the Manhattan Community and encourage them to either join or support our Club.



Above: Photo of Ms. Ann Pearce, Manager, Assitive Technology Center, Manhattan, KS Public Library. Ann talked about equipment and software available to assist visually challenged individuals.

Leadership Team for 2011-2012

President:	Don Robertson
Vice President:	Kay Carothers
Secretary:	Carol Hockersmith
Treasurer:	Monte Nielsen
Lion Tamer:	TBA
Director (1 year):	Duaine Sherwood
Director (1 year):	Jim Tubach
Director (2 years):	K Taylor
Director (2 years):	Gary Skrdlant
Tail Twister:	Roy Hulett
Tail Twister:	Arlen Irvin
Tail Twister:	Al Keithley
Past President:	Carol Hockersmith

Administrative Committees for 2011 - 2012

Bylaws Chair:	Don Robertson
Fund Raising Chairs:	
Pancake Feed	Dave Schafer
Biscuits and Gravy Feed	
	Duaine Sherwood
Candy day:	TBA
Blind Made Products:	Anne Nielsen
Membership:	Shirley Fleener
Program Chairs:	Bud and Lela Gillespie, Diana Chapel
Publicity:	Ladonna Piper

Activities Committees for 2011-2012

Health and sight co-chairs:	
	Arlene Sherwood and Mickey Keithley
Peace poster chair:	K Taylor
Diabetes awareness chair (yellow dot Program):	Kay Carothers
Lions opportunities for youth co-chairs:	Arlene Sherwood Duaine Sherwood
KS DS chair:	Patsy Tubach
Highway pick-up chair:	Don Robertson
Easter egg event chair:	Kent Oleen
High school scholarship chair:	K Taylor
Special dinners chair:	Mickey Keithley

Membership Roster

Margo Caley	776-6426
Tad Carlisle (Margaret)	456-7815
Kay Carothers (Joe)	587-9338
Joe Carothers (Kay)	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 Gillespie (Lela)	537-2258
Lela Gillespie (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
Al Keithley (Mickey)	539-1536
Mary "Mickey" Keithley (Al)	539-1536
Samuel Kvasnica (Dottie)	537-7950
Meridith 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 (Monte)	539-6761
Monte Nielsen (Anne)	539-6761
Kent Oleen (Lana)	537-3300
Ladonna Piper	785-317-6043
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 (Lorna)	539-4125
Emily Swearingen (Brian)	341-9348
K Taylor (DeWayne)	556-0586
Bruce Thieroff (Mindy)	456-1379
James Tubach (Patsy)	539-3068
Patsy Tubach (James)	530-3068
Alan Van Nahmen	812-343-2370
Bob Williams (Diana)	776-5251