



The Communicator

McFarland Lions
Newsletter

October 2009

Calendar of Events

October is Lions Membership Growth Month

October 2-4	McFarland Family Festival, McFarland High School
October 3	Darlington Lions Walk for Sight, Darlington
October 3	Cottage Grove Lions 35th Anniversary, Nora's in Deerfield
October 6	McFarland Lions Meeting, Green Lantern, 6:30PM
October 6	Madison West Lions 45th Anniversary
October 8	Lions World Sight Day
October 12	Columbus Day
October 13	Zone Meeting, Hawthorns, Oregon, 6PM
October 15	International White Cane Safety Day
October 20	Mt Horeb Lions Charter Night
October 23-25	Emerging Lions Institute, Stevens Point
October 24	Fall Work Day, Wisconsin Lions Camp, Rosholt
October 31	Halloween
November 3	McFarland Lions Meeting, Green Lantern, 6:30PM



Program for October 6th Meeting

Madison Children's Museum will open their new facility in August 2010. Learn about the fabulous new amenities and exhibits that the building has to offer, and hear about the museum's outreach programs throughout Dane County. Did you know that E.D. Locke Library cardholders get in free to the museum this month? Find out more on Oct. 6th when our speaker will be:

Jennifer J. Collins

Director of Development & External Relations

Jennifer joined the MCM staff in 2007, bringing with her 15 years of fundraising experience. At the museum, she is responsible for overseeing the communications strategy, annual fundraising and the capital campaign. She came to Madison from New York City and has worked in senior positions with cultural institutions such as the Brooklyn Children's Museum, Weeksville Heritage Center and New York Hall of Science. She serves on the program committee of the Greater Madison Chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, and the Board of Directors of Girls on the Run of Dane County. She and her husband reside in Madison with their two daughters.

McFarland Lions Directory Updates/Corrections

Jim Klubertanz - cell phone 608-249-2881

Name Correction - Paul Fankhauser

October Birthdays

October 21 Roger Jacobson October 29 Ed Kelm

Happy Birthday

2009 FESTIVAL FOOD BOOTH SCHEDULE

Friday, October 2nd

5:00pm to 8:30pm George Fuller, Matt Larson,
Dan Mitchell, Bruce Voight

Saturday, October 3rd

9:00am to Noon Rob Sherman, Mac McCormick,
Jim Klubertanz, Phil Wildt, Suzanne Budnar

Noon to 3:30pm Mary Pat Lytle, Lisa Entringer,
Mary Link, Wendy Motl

3:30pm to 7:00pm Bryan Bazan, Laura Bauer, Tim Bauer,
Larry Chatman, Char Chatman



Brad Czebotar, chair of the civic affairs committee, presented a check for \$1,000 for the McFarland Food Pantry to Pastor Wayne Shannon, president of the Food Pantry, Deb Denure and Kay Stevens.

Photo by Bob Mecum

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING

McFarland Lions Club of McFarland, Wisconsin

The Officers and Board held a special Board Meeting at the Green Lantern Restaurant on August 25, 2009.

Minutes of Board Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Bryan Bazan who acted as chairman with the following board members in attendance:

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| Ed Proctor | Al Wheeler | Dick Metcalf |
| Bruce Voight | Mike Decker | Dick Schwedrsky |
| Mary Pat Lytle | Larry Chatman | Ernie Thieding |
| Al Wheeler | | |

Also in attendance were Lions members Rollie Budnar, Jim Sporer, Mac McCormick and Tim Benishek.

Minutes of Budget Meeting

Lion Rollie Budnar presented the audit report for the Lionistic year 2008-2009 with some minor adjustments. Lion Larry Chatman made a motion to accept the audit report as presented, seconded by Lion Ernie Thieding, and unanimously carried.

Lion Ed Proctor made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Administrative Budgets, seconded by Lion Dick Metcalf, and carried unanimously.

Lion Ed Proctor made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Activities budget, seconded by Lion Dick Metcalf, and unanimously carried.

A big thank you was given to Lion Rollie Budnar for his work on auditing last year's books and helping set up the budget for fiscal year 2009-2010.

There being no further business to be brought to the board, Lion Al Wheeler moved and Lion Larry Chatman seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

McFarland Lions Club, McFarland, Wisconsin

The McFarland Lions Club held its regular club meeting at the Green Lantern Restaurant on September 1, 2009. Lion President Bryan Bazan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with 32 members in attendance.

Minutes of Club Meeting

Lions Rob Sherman and Bruce Voight gave a short talk on prostate cancer.

Lion Al Wheeler made a motion to approve the secretary's minutes, seconded by Lion Matt Larson, and carried unanimously.

Lion Matt Larson made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Lion Bob Hargraves, and carried unanimously. The report will be filed for audit.

Old Business

Lion Al Wheeler reported net proceeds of \$2,800.00 from the annual golf outing.

Lion Al Wheeler reported that calendar sales increased this year. A complete report will follow at a future meeting.

The repair of the observation deck at Lewis Park is on hold until the DNR permits are approved.

Lion Bryan Bazan reminded members about the Stoughton Lions Club bus that is available for transportation to the Lions Camp Open House on September 19.

Lion Harold Hanson donated a \$200 check from the Evansville Lions for the use of his trailer. The money will be deposited into the Administrative checking account.

Lion Rob Sherman reported that the cost of printing for the club handbooks was \$230.68. CCS Printing is willing to reduce the cost to \$45.00. Approval for payment of this invoice will be referred to the Board of Directors.

Lion Chuck Basford reported on the progress of construction of bocce ball courts in McFarland.

New Business

Discussion was held on the possibility of changing from 10 meetings a year to 12 a year. After discussion, it was agreed to forward the request to the Board of Directors for approval.

Discussion was held on the 2009-2010 budget. After making some minor changes, it was referred to the Board of Directors for approval.

The Eyeglass and Recycling Committee reported that 142 pair of glasses and four hearing aids were turned in at the August District Cabinet meeting.

Discussion was held on what should be included on the club website. The Information and Technology Committee will do some research and report at the next meeting.

The club is in charge of eye transportation for the LEBW for September. Lion Chuck Basford will be the dispatcher.

Lion President Bryan Bazan challenged the Fundraising Committee to come up with some new fundraising ideas.

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Lion Ed Proctor will contact Lion Jim Hickey about involving high school students in a fundraiser called Pennies for Kids. He will report back at the next meeting.

Lion Bob Mecum and Lion Ed Proctor will coordinate taking photos of all members for PR and other future needs.

Lion Larry Chatman reported that McFarland Lioness Deb Denure, who is on the McFarland Food Pantry Board of Directors, has asked if the club is interested in doing a joint "Hands On" community service project with the Lioness Club to benefit the food pantry. Everyone agreed that it would be a worthwhile community service project. Lion Larry will coordinate with the Lioness Club.

Lion Larry Chatman has also volunteered the Lions and Lioness Clubs to help work at the McFarland Family Festival. A sign-up sheet was circulated.

Lion President Bryan Bazan and Lion Dick Schwedersky presented chevrons and perfect attendance awards.

Correspondence

None

Announcements

Cottage Grove Lions Club 35th Anniversary – October 3

Lions Camp Open House – September 19

Beverage Winner – Lion Al Wheeler

Money Winner – Lion Mike Lenz

Next Meeting – October 6, 2009

Adjourned at 8:35 p.m. on a motion by Lion Al Wheeler, seconded by Lion Larry Chatman and carried unanimously.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

McFarland Lions Club , McFarland, Wisconsin

The McFarland Lions Club held a regular board meeting at the Green Lantern Restaurant on September 1, 2009. President Bryan Bazan called the meeting to order at 8:35 pm with the following board members in attendance:

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| Matt Larson | Dick Metcalf | Brad Czebotar |
| Bruce Voight | Dick Schwedersky | Larry Chatman |
| Al Wheeler | Mary Pat Lytle | Ed Proctor |

There were also 23 non-voting Club members present.

Minutes of Board Meeting

A motion was made by Lion Matt Larson to approve the Administrative Budget, seconded by Lion Mary Lytle, and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Lion Matt Larson to approve the Activities Budget, seconded by Lion Mary Lytle, and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Lion Matt Larson to pay CCS Printing \$45.00 from the Administrative Budget to cover the cost of the club's handbook, seconded by Lion Larry Chatman, and carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Lion Matt Larson to expand the club meeting to 12 a year from 10, seconded by Lion Larry Chatman, and carried unanimously.

There being no further business brought before the board, Lion Matt Larson made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm, seconded by Lion Mary Lytle, and carried unanimously.

Lion Secretary Dick Schwedersky

TREASURER'S REPORT

Monthly Income and Expenses 8/1/09 - 9/22/09

Activities Account

Beginning Balance	\$9,142.60
Income	
Calendar Income	\$997.00
Gazebo Income	\$30.00
Total Income	\$1,027.00
Expenses	
Audit Adjust Expense Activity	\$75.00
Calendar	\$2,402.50
Education Related Scholarships	\$3,000.00
Food Pantry	\$1,000.00
Gazebo	\$14.25
Total Expenses	\$6,491.75
Ending Balance	\$3,677.85

Administrative Account

Beginning Balance	\$15,267.79
Income	
50/50 Raffle Income	\$16.50
Dues Income	\$120.00
Meals Income	\$265.00
Evansville Lions/Cooler Truck	\$200.00
Total Income	\$601.50
Expenses	
International Dues	\$1,101.75
District Dues	\$458.21
Meeting Meals	\$265.00
Club Directory Printing	\$45.00
Wis Corporation Annual Report	\$10.00
Zone Meeting Meals	\$48.83
Total Expenses	\$1,928.79
Ending Balance	\$13,940.50

Lion Treasurer Bruce Voight

Awards Presented at September Meeting

Chevrons Awarded - Sept 2009

Gordy Brandt - 35 years
Mike Decker - 15 years
George Fuller - 25 years
Dennis Gullickson - 25 years
Dick Schwedersky - 25 years
Bob Walgenbach - 25 years

Perfect Attendance Awards

Chuck Basford - 2 years	Holly Basford - 2 years
Bryan Bazan - 5 years	Tim Benishek - 6 years
Gordy Brandt - 33 years	Larry Chatman - 31 years
Brad Czebotar - 3 years	Mike Decker - 9 years
Paul Fankhauser - 1 year	George Fuller - 21 years
Amie Gerber - 1 year	John Handley - 3 years
Stu Hardtke - 33 years	Bob Hargraves - 19 years
Noel Hayden - 9 years	Jim Howery - 15 years
Eric Kinnaird - 1 year	Jim Klubertanz - 3 years
Matt Larson - 5 years	Mary Pat Lytle - 2 years
Mac McCormick - 13 years	Bob Mecum - 13 years
Dick Metcalf - 3 years	Dan Mitchell - 3 years
Tim Mitchell - 10 years	Ed Proctor - 6 years
Roger Richards - 6 years	Dick Schwedersky - 23 years
Rob Sherman - 15 years	Jim Sporer - 16 years
Emie Thieding - 6 years	Bruce Voight - 13 years
Al Wheeler - 32 years	Phil Wildt - 26 years

Celebrating Service

Elderly Transport, Hospice, Etc	
George Fuller	8 hours
Luke House	
Jim Klubertanz	12 hours
Bethel Lutheran Food Pantry	
Mary Pat Lytle	4 hours
Second Harvest Food Bank	
Mac McCormick	20 hours
McFarland Food Pantry	
Dick Nelson	30 hours
Donation to WLF in Memory of Dave Pearson	\$ 75.00
Anthony Weidner/Northland College Scholarship	\$1000.00
Marissa Gehrke/UW-Madison Scholarship	\$1000.00
Winnie Njeri Karanja/Aberystwyth Univ, Wales Scholarship	\$1000.00
McFarland Food Pantry	\$1000.00

Congratulations Lions and Thank You for Your Service

Welcome New Lion Member Sharon Payne

Please introduce yourself and welcome Sharon
as the newest member of the McFarland Lions

Lions Camp Fall Work Day

Saturday, October 24, 2008

Help get your Camp ready for Winter

Club Committees-What They Do

Attendance - Chairperson (2-yr Director)

To encourage members to attend meetings, special functions, District & State Conventions, Lions training sessions in Zone, District or State

Bar-B-Que - Chairperson (1st VP)

To work with the chairperson to set up and run the BBQ. From working the day of the event, advertising, obtain sight and materials, make sure shifts are set up to work the day's event

Budget - Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To audit the Treasurer's books at the end of every fiscal year. To present the audit to a special board meeting usually held before the September meeting. To construct the budget and have ready to present to the club membership for approval at the September meeting.

By-Laws - Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To review By-Laws in order to keep the Club in compliance with the District and International By-Law changes. All changes are to be submitted to the Club's membership for approval.

Calendar - Chairperson (1st VP)

To help the annual calendar sale, including encouraging members to sell calendars, solicitation of ads, collection of money. Compile and forward information to the calendar company. Distribute calendars to members for distribution to customers.

Civic Affairs - Chairperson (1-Yr Director)

To be the Club's eyes and ears into the community. Looking for projects that can be preformed in the community as well as providing help to other service clubs and organizations

Conventions - Chairperson (1-Yr Past President)

To check with Club members about going to District, State and International Conventions. To make sure the Secretary registers the members who will attend. Check and make sure hotel accommodations have been made for members attending. Should be encouraging members to participate in these events.

Diabetes - Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To work with the District and State Lions to promote diabetes awareness. To get Club members to participate in the Diabetes Awareness Day and/or screening put on by the Club, District or State wide functions

Eye Glass/Hearing Aid Recycling- Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To coordinate eyeglass and hearing aid pick-up from containers placed in local businesses 4 time each year. To turn in the glasses/hearing aids at the District Cabinet meeting or District or State Conventions. Report the numbers of glasses & hearing aids collected to the Secretary of the club, so the numbers can be put on the Club's Activity Report. Keep a list of the sites where containers are placed for the Secretary and incoming chairperson. Remind committee members to pick them up every 3 months.

Fundraising - Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To make an assessment of present fundraising activities and make sure that the proceeds from the fundraiser reflect the best use of the Club members and assets. To look at new fundraising projects, big or small, that could help with raising more money for the Club. Present any ideas to the Club membership and the Board of Directors for their approval before implementing any new project.

Golf Outing - Chairperson (appointed by President)

Organize the Club's annual golf outing. Contact other Lions Clubs to participate. Set the date, time and place for the event. Get door prizes and hole sponsors. Keep an income and expense sheet on the event and report back to the Club and Board of Directors on the profit and loss. Make sure the registration info to other Lions Clubs gets out early as this is a major fund raiser for the Administrative Budget as well as an invitation to prospective new members to join the Club.

Greeters – Chairperson (appointed by President)

To greet new prospective members and their sponsors as well as existing members as they come to the meetings. Make sure that there is good interaction by all members before the meeting.

Information Technology – Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To keep up and change the Club's website as directed by the President and Board of Directors. To update the website with new members' information from the Secretary. To post any upcoming events that would be of interest to the public. Also can post upcoming projects so the public can help with the project as well as the members.

Lions Camp Activity – Chairperson (1yr Director)

To keep the Club informed about the functions at the State Lions Camp. To encourage members to participate in the spring and fall work days as well as going to the Camp open house day. Check with the program chairperson to see if every 2 years we can schedule a visit from one of the Districts two WLF Directors. Obtain and distribute Lions Camp materials and applications to the school district.

Lions Handbook – Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To make sure that the handbook is up to date and ready to hand out at the September meeting. Check with the Secretary for any new member information and members who have dropped from the Club thru the year. Check with the President about changes in committees and/or committee assignments. Check with the Zone Chairman about next years State and District functions, District information and Lioness officers. Make sure all members names and addresses are correct as well as e-mail accounts and phone numbers.

Lions History – Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To keep the history of the Club's events over the past years so it can be used at anniversary events. To keep a history of the Club's projects and service to the community. This can include the amount of money given to various charitable organizations.

Membership and Indoctrinations

Chairperson (2 yr Past President)

To work on getting new members to join the club. Set up an indoctrination meeting to inform new members about the Club history, functions, etc. Review the structure of Lions International, State and District functions and activities. New members' indoctrination names and dates should be given to the Secretary to be recorded in the members' files.

Newsletter – Editor (Appointed by President)

To send out a monthly newsletter to the members of the Club, the Lioness President, The District Governor and Vice District Governors. It can be sent email or regular mail. It should include information on upcoming events, Club minutes as well as any information relating to the Club, District, or State Lions functions.

Nominations – Chairperson (3yr Past President)

To set up the slate of incoming officers for the next Lions year. The slate should be ready and presented to the Club membership in January and February so that it can be voted on in March. It should be noted that some terms are 1 year and some are 2 years.

Photographer – Chairperson (Appointed by President)

To take photos of members working at Club functions as well as members of the public at Club functions. To take pictures of individual members in case of need for the necrology service at the District convention. Supply photos to the PR Committee for use in the newspaper, to the newsletter editor for the newsletter and history committee to compile albums. Expenses for film, etc should be turned in to the Board of Directors for reimbursement.

Programs – Chairperson (Appointed by President)

Coordinate with the President to have a speaker if needed at Club

meetings. This can be a speaker from the District committees or an outside speaker that would be of interest to the Club members.

Public Relations – Chairperson (1 yr Director)

To put information of the Club functions before the public which can be done through newspaper, email, radio, flyers or any other means of communication. The Club functions could be activities, awards to the Club or individual members, recognition by District or State for Club activity or participation in a Lions function, presentation of scholarships or donations to other groups and organizations in the community.

Roses – Chairperson (2nd Vice President)

To set up the Club's annual rose sale. Contact rose distributor for the cost of roses. Set the selling price. Get advertising posters up early to push the event. Get the sales slips into the hands of the Lion Members or other people who will sell roses for the Club. Set pick up time for the roses on Friday and Saturday. Set up routes for delivery of roses for Friday and Saturday as well as ask members of the Club to deliver the roses. Collect all moneys for the event, give bills to the treasurer and report to the Club.

Scholarships - Chairperson (2 yr Director)

Number of scholarships is set by the Board of Directors at the budget meeting in the first part of the year. This can be changed if the Club and Board vote to change it. The committee will get the names of the applicants from the High School and make a decision on who will be getting the scholarships. They will forward the information to the Secretary to set up the scholarship letters to be handed to the students which includes instruction for the recipients to get the money. The committee should select a committee member or Club member to represent the Club and present the scholarships at the awards ceremony.

Sight & Hearing – Chairperson (1 yr Director)

To review requests for eyeglasses or hearing aid monetary assistance from the Club. Eyeglass requests will be evaluated by the committee with a recommendation to the Club and the Board of Directors. Hearing requests should be forwarded to the District Hearing Committee for screening to see if they qualify for financial aid. If they qualify for aid, the Club will pay for the audiologist fee upon approval by the Board of Directors.

Sunshine – Chairperson (Appointed by President)

Send get well, sympathy, congratulation cards to members upon such occasions as they arise. Expenses should be given to the Treasurer for reimbursement.

Survey – Chairperson (Appointed by President)

Information sheet sent to members of the Club asking for their input on functions of the Club, what should be changes or dropped from Club meetings, projects or activities. Report given to the Board of Directors for action as well as announced at a Club meeting.

UW Kohl Center Concessions – Chairperson (2nd VP)

Coordinate with Madison Central Lions the Club members who will assist in Madison Centrals concession stand at the Kohl Center as well as some football games. The Club participation is anywhere from 2-8 members at any given game.

Vision Screening – Chairperson (appointed by President)

To work with the McFarland School District to check the vision at their 3 yr old screening program along with the school testing programs. Requires taking pictures of the eyes with a special camera. Parents will be referred to an eye doctor as needed. The Lioness Club usually helps with this project and it takes about 6 Lion members. This is held twice per year.

Youth Development – Chairperson (2 yr Director)

To work the youth groups in the community (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, McFarland Youth Center, etc) To see what we as a Club can do to help them grow into good citizens. Work on a Leo's Club would be a start in that direction.

As prepared by Lion Secretary Dick Schwedsky

Food Pantry Food Drive

At our September meetings we had almost unanimous support for sponsoring a food drive for the McFarland Food Pantry. The coordinator, Lioness Deb DeNure and Lion Larry Chatman met with the new manager of McFarland's Pick 'N Save this morning and he is very open to the idea of working with us in this project. Details will be worked out in the coming weeks but we wanted to let you know in advance what we will be expected to do and when.

The McFarland Lions/Lioness Fall Food Drive will be held Friday, October 23rd and Saturday, October 24th, 2009. We'll need volunteers for each of the following positions on each day:

(G) Greeters - handing out grocery lists to people entering the store that will show needed food and sundry items and those items on sale in the store.

(R) Runners - taking the donated items from the customers and putting them into grocery carts for transporting to the truck.

(P) Packers - working in the truck to separate the items in marked bins, checking for codes and dates.

(U) Unpackers - helping to unload at the pantry and helping to stock the shelves during and after the event.

Ideally, we'll need at least two people for each job or a total of eight people per shift. At the October meetings we'll pass around a sign-up sheet for you to indicate the day(s) and time(s) you'd like to help out. For advance planning purposes, here are the dates and times so you can mark your calendars prior to the meetings:

Friday, October 23rd

Noon to 2:00 pm

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Saturday, October 24th

7:00 am to 9:00 am

9:00 am to 11:00 am

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

If there are any questions on any of this please call Deb DeNure at 838-1145 or Larry Chatman at 838-3431. Thanks again for your service to our community and those in need!

2009 Red Kettle Campaign

The 2009 Red Kettle campaign is just around the corner. The Salvation Army's theme this year is THE TIME IS NOW. We hope your organization will Adopt-A-Kettle for a day or two

"Tough economic times mean we have a tough goal for the 2009 Red Kettles. The Salvation Army hopes your organization will consider taking a few more shifts this year. "We would like to thank you for your assistance.

Our 2009 Goal = \$627,000."

Lions, in past years our club has been generous with our time and commitment in helping man the kettles. This year they need us more than ever and what better way to serve our community and fellow citizens than by giving a few hours of our time to ring bells for the Salvation Army. Meet and talk to friends and neighbors we may not see very often. It's gratifying to experience the generosity of people who very willingly put money into the kettles.

We have two McFarland locations - Pick N Save and Walgreens - among many others in the Madison area. To select the date and time you'd like to participate, simply go this website:

http://madisonsa.volunteerfirst.org/public/search_pro_all.asp

It would be great if nearly all available two-hour shifts in McFarland were filled by Lions and Lioness. Let's see if we can't go all out to really be of help to this wonderful organization. Thanks again for your service!

To include an announcement or article in the next newsletter, please contact Bruce Voight by the 20th of the month.

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We Serve



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Reaching,
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