



Proud Lions News

The Official Newsletter of Manassas Lioness Lions Club, Manassas, VA

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JULY 28 PLANNING SESSION KICKS OFF NEW LION YEAR



Congratulations, Lady Lions, on a successful retreat. Out of 28 active members we had 21 in attendance!! Loved the ideas and opinions (and the appetizers, too) which will move us forward into the upcoming year! Thank you for taking the time and interest to be with our Club.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Visitation Kickoff on Sunday, August 25th. If you have not signed up let Amy know right away. Yahoo!!

Anita Waggy

President

REMEMBER, WE'RE ON OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE!

Until September, there will be no regularly scheduled dinner meetings nor will there be Bingo at Willow Oaks and Caton Merchant House.

Also keep in mind that the Club picnic usually held in August will NOT be held this year because of scheduling conflicts.

**Lions of Virginia District 24-A
2013-2014 Visitation Kickoff Dinner & Awards**

Sunday, August 25, 2013

**Park-West Lions Community Center
8620 Sunnygate Drive, Manassas, VA 20109
Social 3:00 P.M. / Buffet Dinner 4:00 P.M.**

\$20.00 Per Person

**Please contact Visitation Chair Amy Newman by August 12 if you are planning to attend.
We will send in our registration as a group, then bill you on your next quarterly statement.
Remember, attendance at this event counts as an Individual Visitation!!!!**

YOUTH CAMP PICNIC COMING NEXT MONTH

The Northern Virginia Lions Camp Board of Directors is extending an invitation to all District 24-A clubs and their members to join in a day of FUN, FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP on **Sunday, September 29** at the campground.

Each fall, the NVLYC hosts an Open House and Picnic Lunch to give all Lions, Leos and guests an opportunity to see the camp. Plan to arrive about 10:30 a.m., and bring along your appetite. A picnic-style lunch will be served about noon.

The NVLYC serves a myriad of community service-oriented youth programs here in Northern Virginia. The Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, District 24-D Foreign Student Youth Exchange and church youth groups are just a few that have benefited from our facilities.

For those Lions who have NOT been to the Camp, easy-to-follow directions and maps are given at <http://valions.org/lyc/mapdirections.html>.

NEW RAFFLE FUNDRAISER ANNOUNCED

Need a new handbag to accessorize your fall wardrobe? Well, you just might be the lucky winner of a Vera Bradley handbag and matching sunglasses case that the Manassas Lioness Lions will be raffling off at the Visitation Kickoff on **August 25**.

Tickets will be on sale that day only for \$1 each or six for \$5. And the lucky winner gets to take home the prize right away! See VP Amanda Waggy for all the details. The prize was donated for the raffle by Barbara Kirk's daughter, Jacki Dunn, who works for QVC.



DISTRICT 24A FALL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN ASHBURN

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend the District 24A Fall Conference, hosted by the Woodbridge Lions Club. This year's event will be held at the Embassy Suites in Ashburn on **Friday, October 25 and Saturday, October 26.**

Friday night will feature the Steel Sounds of the Pan Masters, a Steel Band that will entertain us with calypso music as we enjoy a "Cheeseburger in Paradise," sip a frozen margarita and dance to the infectious rhythms of the Caribbean.



Seminars on Saturday will follow the theme of "Focus on our Health," with luncheon speaker, International 1st Vice President Joe Preston. Saturday's dinner will feature the political and comical wit of cartoonist John Rose who is known for his "Snuffy Smith" comic strip. John will demonstrate his craft and we will auction off some of his original work.

If you're interested in staying overnight, Embassy Suites has offered the Lions a special room rate of \$85 plus tax for either a King Suite or Queen Suite with full breakfast! More details will be coming next month.

GNO BEATS THE HEAT WITH MEXICAN FARE

Another favorite eatery is on the list this month—**Casa Chimayo Mexican Dinner House!** The Manassas Lioness Lions Fun Bunch will descend on the restaurant on **Tuesday, August 13** for our August Girls Night Out.



And the night out will be easy on your budget as well because the restaurant is currently running a special—two dinners for \$14.99!

Let's meet at the restaurant (8209 Sudley Rd., Manassas) at 6 p.m. Please RSVP to Susan MacAuley by noon on the 13th so she can reserve enough table space. You can contact Susan at 703-331-4777 (h), 571-213-8661 (c) or by e-mail at trustyred@aol.com. See you there!!!!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE CONTINUES THROUGH AUGUST

Our club will be donating school supplies again this year to assist low-income families with children in Manassas area schools. Community Services Director Pat Nichols has announced that she will be collecting school supplies through the end of August. Any of you who would like to participate should contact Pat at 703-335-2607 to make arrangements to drop your donations off at her house. Pat has circulated an email with a list of the needed supplies from which you can choose. If you need more information, please contact Pat directly.



CLUB SUPPORTS WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA INITIATIVE

The tradition of laying wreaths to honor our veterans during the holiday season began in 1992, when Morrill Worcester of Worcester Wreath Company (Harrington, Maine) was stuck with a number of extra wreaths at the close of the holiday season.

Remembering a boyhood trip to the Nation's Capital, and the sacred grounds of Arlington National Cemetery, he donated 5,000 wreaths to be placed at the headstones of an older section of the cemetery.



As part of the annual wreath-laying events at over 500 participating locations around the Nation, Wreaths Across America produces information to teach about our common history of the service and the sacrifices made to preserve our freedoms. Each year, donated wreaths are delivered to national veterans cemeteries around the country, where thousands of volunteers take a quiet moment to show their gratitude and appreciation during the holiday season.

Our club is joining in this effort by collecting donations towards the purchase of wreaths and is also adding our local Manassas Confederate Cemetery to the list to have wreaths laid on the grave sites on the same day as the ceremony is held in Arlington, Quantico and around the country. This year that date is Saturday, December 14 and we are planning to have a large community gathering.

--Pat Nichols, Community Services Director

CLUB HAS HOTLINE DUTY IN SEPTEMBER

Our month to answer the Prince William County Lions Hotline will be September this year. We will need four volunteers to take one week each that month and refer the calls to the appropriate area Clubs. Please note that the service area boundaries for Clubs have changed since our last turn; be sure you have the latest set of instructions. Contact Sight and Hearing Chair Ann Marie Macdonald (703-794-9953) if you can help out with this program.



Would You Like to be Part of Our Membership Team?

Membership Director Susan MacAuley needs a few good members to help with Girls Night Out, making calls and doing e-mail correspondence with our members. Please come forward and be part of the team! Contact Susan at 703-331-4777, 571-213-8661 or trustyred@aol.com.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Thursday, September 5** Newsletter deadline for September issue. Send photos and articles to Editor Barbara Kirk at bjkirk107@aol.com.
- Monday, September 9** Board meeting at Anita's, 6:30 p.m.