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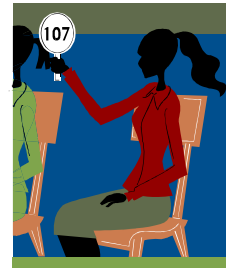
The Official Newsletter of Manassas Lioness Lions Club
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WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION COMING UP NEXT MONTH

We're hoping you all have been cleaning out your closets for treasures to be auctioned off at our annual White Elephant Auction on February 8! This is our Club's next fundraising project, and always provides a lot of fun and laughter when the bid-on treasures are opened for all to see.

Bring your items individually wrapped (gift bags preferred) and let auctioneer Anna Marie Robinson know that evening if your treasure is extra-special and should command a higher-than-usual starting bid.

Just to refresh your memory (and make sure your calendars are marked), the event will be held on **Tuesday, February 8 at the Park-West Community Center and takes the place of our regular February dinner meeting.** It will be a joint meeting with all the Clubs in Region IV Zone 1 and will count as an individual and club visitation to all other Zone Clubs since the event replaces one of their regular dinner meetings.



MLLC HOLIDAY PROJECTS BY THE NUMBERS ...

- 1** Christmas Day lunch for members of the Manassas City Police Department working the daytime shift.
- 10** Manassas Lioness Lions assisted with wrapping gifts for Be A Santa To A Senior.
- 19** \$25 WalMart gift cards given to single adults who are clients of SERVE.
- 50** Tins of holiday cookies purchased for distribution to Bingo "regulars" at Willow Oaks and Manassas Rehab nursing facilities.
- 65** Holiday Boxes for the Troops filled and sent off to service members overseas.
- 75** Dollars in holiday gift cards provided for a needy Osbourn High School student.
- 100** Dollars contributed to the Giving Tree at Baldwin Elementary to assist two low-income families with holiday gifts.

ZONE BLAND COMPETITION SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 26

The first round of judging for the Manassas area in this year's James Bland Music Scholarship Competition for youth will be held at 1 p.m. on **Saturday, February 26** at the Gainesville United Methodist Church in Gainesville. As of press time for this newsletter, all instrumental slots had been filled (with a wait list forming), but there were still openings for vocal candidates.



The competition is open to all area youth of elementary school through high school age. First place winners in the vocal and instrumental categories progress through the levels of competition until the winners in each of the six Districts in Virginia compete for substantial cash scholarships at the Lions State Convention in May.

In past years, we have had several local youth progress to – and even win! – the State-level competition. For more information on the Bland program, contact Zone and Region Bland Chair Lion Bob Kirk at rck1820@comcast.net.

RECYCLING PROGRAM INCLUDES NEW ITEMS

Here is the expanded list of items now being accepted in our recycling fundraiser program. Bring these items along to one of our dinner meetings, where Amy Newman will be collecting and processing them.



Jewelry (gold/silver/platinum)
Ink Jet Printer Cartridges
Digital Cameras
Radar Detectors

Cell Phones
Apple iPods
Digital Video Cameras
Kindle & Sony Book Readers

Laptop Computers
MP3 Players
GPS Devices
Handheld Game Systems

For more information, visit www.RecyclingFundraiser.com, or contact Amy at 703-945-4035.

During the new member installation ceremony held December 20 at our Christmas party, Club Secretary Rhonda Thompson presents new member Eve Herman with her official membership pin. Rhonda sponsored Eve into the Club.



ONE-DAY WINTER CONFERENCE SLATED FOR FEBRUARY 19

Workshops have just been announced for the one-day winter conference to be held at the Hyatt Fair Lakes on **Saturday, February 19**. To accommodate those arriving in town early for other meetings held on Friday, the registration table, exhibit hall and vendor tables will be open that day from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m., and will reopen on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m..

The first morning workshop session on Saturday (8:30 to 9:30 a.m.) will feature **“Social Media and the Lions”** presented by Lion Dan Visone and Kristin Bishop, **“How to Become a Vehicle Donation Partner”** presented by Lion Don Ballard, and **“Club Excellence Process”** presented by 1st VDG Dennis Kelly.



The second morning session from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. will offer the choice of **“Web Design and E-Clubhouse”** presented by Lion Jim Alexander, **“Leo Workshop”** presented by Lion William Walden, and **“Public Speaking Tips for Lions”** presented by PCC Bill Bartlett.

Rounding out the morning from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. will be **“World Health Organization and River Blindness”** presented by Lion Steve Ault, **“Vision Therapy”** presented by Dr. Tod Davis, and **“Public Relations”** presented by Lion Chrissy Kinman.

After a short break, the luncheon with guest speaker will convene at 12:30 p.m., with the general session following from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. To wrap up the day’s events, hospitality rooms will be open from 4:30 p.m. to midnight.

If you are interested in attending any of the workshops or the luncheon, a sign-up sheet will be available at our January dinner meeting.

JANUARY DINNER MEETING FEATURES GUEST SPEAKER

Barbara McCurry from the Alzheimer’s Association will be our guest speaker at the dinner meeting on **Monday, January 17**. We also expect to be inducting one more new member into the Club that evening – Kathi Weaver.

So, mark your calendar, plan to come out and join us ... and keep your fingers crossed that the weatherman cooperates!

Remember – there will be no regular meeting in February, just our White Elephant Auction on the 8th. The regular meeting schedule resumes in March.

GOT ANY IDEAS FOR GIRLS NIGHT OUT???

Susan MacAuley is looking for new ideas for our monthly Girls Night Out social. Contact Susan at 703-331-4777 or trustyred@aol.com if you’ve got an idea or two for a fun event. Oh yes, the self-defense instruction session with Paul Biratsis is still in the works – we have just not been able to come up with a date that will work for everyone.

UPCOMING EVENTS ...

Monday, January 10 – Bingo at Manassas Rehab, 7 p.m.

Monday, January 24 – Bingo at Willow Oaks, 7 p.m.

Monday, February 14 – Bingo at Manassas Rehab, 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 19 – Winter Conference at Hyatt Fair Lakes

Monday, February 28 – Bingo at Willow Oaks, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 29 – Tri-State Meeting at Lovettsville, 6 p.m.

Saturday, April 23 – Worldwide Induction Day at Park-West Lions Community Center

Thursday, May 19

to Sunday, May 22 – Lions State Convention, Sheraton Richmond West, Richmond, VA

**The January item for NVFS/SERVE
is canned veggies.**

