



Proud Lions News

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

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VENDOR FAIR IS ANOTHER FINANCIAL SUCCESS!

Kudos to event chair Pat Nichols and the hard-working crew of Manassas Lioness Lions who pulled off one more successful Vendor Fair and Wine Tasting event on May 17! The final numbers are in, and the profit for our Club was **\$5,274.90**. This money goes into our Activities Account to support the services we provide for the community. Good job, ladies!



JUNE MEETING WRAPS UP LION YEAR

Can you believe that Lion Year 2014-15 is coming to a close already? Come July 1 we'll have a brand-new Board and a brand-new schedule of events.

Just a reminder: during the summer months of July and August we do NOT have a regular dinner meeting on the third Monday of the month. And, our bingo activities also go on hiatus for the summer.

Our June dinner meeting on **Monday, June 15** (also known as Charter Night) will feature a special buffet dinner. You are encouraged to bring your spouse, significant other and friends to the event. It's a great opportunity to introduce them to Lionism!!! Cost for guest meals is \$16—be sure to RSVP to Lion Tamer Beth Oravec with your total count of attendees before the deadline. And yes, we are STILL at the old City Tavern location!!!!

PDG Tony Reyes will be installing our new Board that evening and we will be awarding a Melvin Jones Fellowship to one of our deserving members.

HELP OUR TREASURER CLOSE OUT THE BOOKS

If you are a committee chair or event chair and have not turned in all your receipts for reimbursement, please be sure to get them to Treasurer Karen Thompson no later than the dinner meeting on June 15. She will be closing out the books as of June 30.

SILLINESS FOR A GOOD CAUSE!

The Manassas Lioness Lions were all on board with Walgreen's Red Nose Day. Of course, we didn't wait until the 21st to celebrate—we got into the spirit at our May 18 dinner meeting. Thanks to Susan MacAuley for supplying us with the noses!

Membership Director Susan MacAuley and Gail Cooper



Newsletter Editor Barbara Kirk and Ann Marie Macdonald

Even our guests from Dale City Lions, Charles and Beverly Carroll got into the act



GNO "DOES" BATTLE STREET IN JUNE



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This month The Fun Bunch is heading to Monza at 9405 Battle Street in Old Town Manassas on **Wednesday, June 10** for our monthly Girls Night Out. We'll meet at the restaurant a 6 p.m.

Monza is a casual bar and restaurant boasting over 100 craft bottled beers. For those of you not familiar with the restaurant, it's located right across from Okra's. They offer a variety of casual dining menu items and put a unique spin on their pizza combinations. You can check out the menu online at www.eatmonza.com.

RSVP to Susan MacAuley at 703-331-4777 or trustyred@aol.com by noon on June 10. Since they don't take reservations, please be sure to let Susan know if you're coming so she can save enough places for everyone.

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE FINALIZED

At the June Board meeting, the decision was made to allocate a total of \$4,500 in year-end contributions from the Club to worthy organizations and projects. This will leave a cushion for expected and unexpected expenses from budgeted items in the coming Lion Year until we replenish the coffers with fundraising projects.

We will be contributing \$1,000 to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) toward a future Melvin Jones Fellowship, \$1,000 to Canine Companions for Independence, \$500 to the District 24A Sight and Hearing Van and \$500 to the Northern Virginia Lions Youth Camp. In addition, \$1,000 has been set aside for programs in the local schools which are to be decided in coming months.

At the June dinner meeting, we will be asking for requests from the general membership as to which organizations should receive a portion of the remaining \$500. Please come prepared with your suggestions of either local or national non-profits where you would like to see us make a donation.

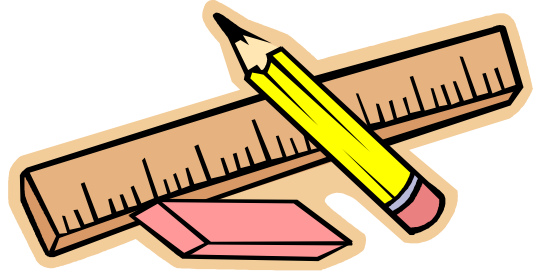
PLEASE NOTE: As of press time no date had been set for the July Board of Directors meeting. The newsletter deadline will remain July 5 for the summer issue.



Sure looks like the Girls Night Out gang had a lot of fun at El Cactus on May 12! Pictured left to right are Pat Dekkers, Beth Oravec, Teresa Kaufman, Ann Marie Macdonald, Ruth Gorgas, Marie Robinson and Dodie Vanwyan, a prospective member.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION IS UNDER WAY

Although the school year is just now wrapping up, it's not too early to start thinking ahead about providing basic back-to-school supplies for children from lower income households for next year. With some terrific sales over the summer months on school supplies, it's a great opportunity to get "more bang for the buck" and maximize what the Club can do. We'll be delivering the items to schools in Manassas Park and Manassas City at the end of summer.



If you are able, please pick up a few of the items on the list below and bring them to the retreat in July, the visitation kickoff in August, or you can drop them off at Amy Newman's home. A group of Lioness Lions will be sorting the items and delivering them to the schools with the greatest need. If you are interested in helping with the collection, sorting and delivering, contact Amy Newman, 703-945-4035 or newman115@comcast.net.

Here is the list:

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| Large size back packs | 12-inch rulers |
| 1" and 2" 3-ring binders | Black dry erase markers |
| Calculators | Scientific calculators |
| Graphing calculators | Composition books, wide & college ruled |
| Crayola crayons (24 colors) | Glue bottles |
| Glue sticks | 3x5 index card packs |
| Ball point pens (blue and black) | Packs of binder dividers |
| Colored pencils (24 pack) | Crayola markers (10 color) |
| Crayola wash. markers, broad tip (8 color) | Fat pencils (kindergarten) |
| Wide rule loose leaf paper | College rule loose leaf paper |
| No. 2 pencils | Pencil sharpeners |
| Pink wedge erasers | Plastic pocket folders w/brads |
| Plastic supply boxes (at least 8x5) | Safety scissors |
| Safety scissors (blunt tip) | Spiral notebooks, wide & college ruled |
| Yellow highlighters | Zippered pencil pouches for 3-ring binders |

SAVE THE DATE! Incoming President Amy Newman has tentatively scheduled a retreat on **Sunday, July 26** at the Park-West Community Center. More details in coming weeks.

BINGO GOES ON SUMMER HIATUS

After the bingo sessions at Caton Merchant House on **Thursday, June 11** and Willow Oaks on **Monday, June 22**, we will be taking a break until fall. Our June bingo nights will feature a traditional ice cream social beforehand, which has proven to be extremely popular with residents at the two facilities.

Bingo Chair Teresa Kaufman wants to remind members that she will be collecting donations of bingo prizes throughout the summer. Contact her at 703-369-9298 for more information.

Lions of Virginia District 24-A
2015-2016 VISITATION KICKOFF
DINNER & AWARDS

Sunday, August 23, 2015

**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

**Reserve by contacting 2015-16 MLLC Visitation Chair Barbara Kirk
at 703-743-5508 or bjkirk107@aol.com.**

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU CAN'T BE THERE!

If you find you are unable to attend a dinner meeting after making a reservation, **PLEASE contact Lion Tamer Beth Oravec ASAP and let her know of your change in plans.** It's best to phone her or leave a voice mail message at 703-368-1402. This is better than e-mailing to insure that you reach her in time so she can adjust the count for meals.

Until now, City Tavern has charged us only for number of meals served, regardless of how many reservations we had given them. We understand that this policy may be changing when they move to their new location. We will then have to pay for the number of reservations given to them regardless of whether or not the meals were eaten. This means that if you're a no-show, the Club will have to bill you for the meal so that we do not have to (pardon the pun!) eat the cost.

And, we need to remind everyone to RSVP to Beth by published deadline date to help us keep things running smoothly in coordinating with the restaurant. Thanks for your help.

TOILETRY ITEMS AND “SUMMERY” FABRIC NEEDED

Susan MacAuley has put out a call for more toiletry items to make up “emergency personal care bags” for the women’s shelter at NVFS/SERVE. She specifically is looking for those **small bottles of freebie toiletries**—shampoo, conditioner, lotion, powder, deodorant, mouthwash, plus bars of soap—that you get while traveling. No regular size bottles, please. These items, plus toothbrushes and toothpaste, are put into small cloth bags for use by short-term residents who often arrive without personal care items.

Susan is also asking for donations of summery fabric prints and narrow ribbon to construct the bags. For more information, contact her at 703-331-4777 or trustyred@aol.com.



CLUB AWARDS THREE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to our 2015 college scholarship winners, **Caroline Ebuchulam** from Osbourn High School, and **Attiya Zafar** from Osbourn Park High School and **Kyler Carlson** from Manassas Park High School. We have invited these young people to attend our June 15 meeting so that our membership will have the opportunity to meet them and hear about their plans to further their education.

FOOD PANTRIES ARE RUNNING LOW

Please don't forget to bring non-perishable food items along for our local food pantries when you come to the next dinner meeting. We'll have a container at the bottom of the stairs at City Tavern so you won't have to lug heavy stuff up those stairs!