



Proud Lions News

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

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VENDOR FAIR NETS \$5,139, A NEW RECORD FOR THE EVENT!



Despite a chill in the air, the crowds came out and enjoyed wine and beer sampling and shopping at the myriad of booths at our Annual Vendor Fair held at the Harris Pavilion on May 15. Our total profit was \$5,139.62! Gathered around the Club's greeting table in the photo above are (l to r) Marie Robinson, Pam Carpenter, Susan MacAuley, PDG Harry Parker, DG Karen Parker, Robyn Zweiban, MLLC President Amy Newman, Nancy Sliger and Beth Oravec.

JUNE DINNER MEETING SET FOR THE 20TH

Plan to join us for our last dinner meeting of Lion Year 2015-16 to be held at City Tavern, 9550 Center St., Manassas on **Monday, June 20**. PDG Tony Reyes will be on hand to induct one more new member (yay!!!!) and install our 2016-17 officers. Social hour begins at 6:30, with dinner at 7. We will be having a buffet-style meal that evening, but you'll still need to make reservations through our Lion Tamer, Pat Dekkers. Capping off the evening will be presentation of another Melvin Jones Fellowship to one of our deserving members. This will be the last dinner meeting until September, although we have other summer events on the docket.

ANOTHER NEW MEMBER JOINED US IN MAY



(Photo at left) District 24A 1st VDG Jay Moughon presented a special Centennial Year Membership Certificate to new member Judy Sloan as President Amy Newman (rear) and Judy's sponsor Ethel Kennedy look on.



(Photo at right) Sponsor Ethel Kennedy affixes Judy's official Lions membership pin. Welcome, Judy!

BOOK DRIVE WRAPPED UP

Project Chair Pat Nichols reports that all books collected for area children have been distributed through local schools. Those donated books which were deemed not suitable for our program were turned in to McKay's Used Books for store credit. We will use this credit of approximately \$390 to purchase books for next year's program for the age groups in which there is a shortfall in the donated items.

BOARD ALLOCATES YEAR-END DONATIONS

At the June 6 Board meeting, the Board of Directors voted to donate \$100 each to the District 24A Sight and Hearing Van, the Northern Virginia Lions Youth Camp, Habitat for Humanity, the Warrior Retreat at Bull Run and Canine Companions for Independence. Because our income from fundraising was considerably less than anticipated this year, any further donations were held off at the moment. These will be re-evaluated later in the upcoming Lion Year so that we can be reasonably assured that the funds on hand will cover any of our sight and hearing needs until we can replenish the coffers.

FOOD BANKS NEED SUPPLIES REPLENISHED

Please remember to bring along non-perishable food items when you come to the June dinner meeting. The local area food banks we support are all running short on inventory, and would appreciate whatever help we can give. Pasta, spaghetti sauce, boxed macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, cereal, canned fruits and veggies, soup, dried beans, canned chicken and tuna, and rice are always ongoing needs. Thanks for your help!



GIRLS NIGHT OUT GOES MEXICAN...BY REQUEST!

OLE!!! Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, June 14** and plan to join us at Don Pablo's for an excellent margarita and some wonderful spicy Mexican food! (You can check out their menu ahead of time at donpablos.com.)



They are located at 10691 Davidson Place in Manassas, just off Sudley Rd., a little north of Lowe's and a little south of Rt. 66. We'll meet at the restaurant at 6 p.m.

Please RSVP to Susan MacAuley by noon on June 14 so she can reserve enough seats for our party. Call 703-331-4777 or e-mail her at trustyred@aol.com.

HELP OUR TREASURER CLOSE OUT THE BOOKS



If you are a committee chair or an 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 20. She will be closing out the books as of June 30.

BINGO NOW ON SUMMER HIATUS

There will be no bingo sessions at Caton Merchant House or Willow Oaks over the summer months. The regular schedule will resume in September.

CLUB AWARDS THREE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to our 2016 college scholarship winners:

Camille Rivera-Flores from Osbourn High School
Dove-Anna Johnson from Osbourn Park High School
Emily Xu from Manassas Park High School



We have invited these three young women to attend our June 20 meeting so that our members will have the opportunity to meet them and hear about their plans to further their schooling.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!

Incoming President Rhonda Thompson has tentatively scheduled a retreat on **Sunday afternoon, July 17** at the Park-West Lions Community Center from 2 to 5 p.m. This will be our traditional potluck planning session where we evaluate what we did last year and formulate plans for the coming year's activities. Watch for more information by e-mail in coming weeks.



Good food, good conversation—what more could you ask for! This was our May 10 Girls Night Out at the Olive Garden restaurant in Manassas. Left to right: Sarah Nash, June Rich, Pam Carpenter, Maryellen Warren (who will be joining our Club this month!), Katheryn Williamson, Rhonda Thompson, Susan MacAuley, Marie Robinson, Pat Dekkers and Beth Oravec.

HELP NEEDED FOR HEAD START SCREENING

Our Club is responsible for staffing the Head Start sight and hearing screening event at Manassas Park Community Center on **Friday, June 10**. The event runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We will be using SPOT machines for vision screening and portable audiometers for hearing screening. Both are easy-to-use devices and training will be provided on-site for any volunteers not familiar with these. Please contact Pat Nichols if you can spare an hour or two that day, 703-335-2607.

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday, June 24 to

Tuesday, June 28

Lions International Convention, Fukuoka, Japan

July???

MLLC Board of Directors meeting, date and place TBA.

Tuesday, July 5

Deadline for July newsletter. Send information to Editor Barbara Kirk at bjkirk107@aol.com.

Sunday, August 28

Visitation kickoff at Park-West Lions Community Center