



Proud Lions News

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

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COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER WAS A WINNER!

The numbers have been tallied, and it looks like our very first Otis Spunkmeyer frozen cookie dough fundraiser was a success, netting the club **\$1,094.40**. We sold **171 units**, which included 12 varieties of cookie dough, plus mini donuts, cinnamon buns and Auntie Anne's pretzels.



Many thanks to all who participated ... and to our “emergency” corps of volunteers who tried to figure out what to do with that HUGE shipment when it arrived at the Rescue Squad building on Thursday, November 3. Who knew that 171 units would take up THAT much room and that we’d quickly run out of freezer space for storage!

A special thanks to all of our ladies who dropped what they were doing and made haste down to the Rescue Squad to pick up their orders early. Now to enjoy the fruits of our labor ...



Photo above left: Treasurer Karen Thompson verifies the accuracy of our order.

Photo above right: Secretary Katheryn Williamson and President Rhonda Thompson get an order ready to go out the door.

Photo at left: Just some of the delivered goods. We had the Rescue Squad kitchen filled to overflowing—counters and floor!

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT TO BENEFIT HOUSE OF MERCY

On **Saturday, November 12** we will be holding a food drive at the Giant on Wellington Road to collect food for House of Mercy's food pantry. Our volunteers will be handing out "shopping lists" of needed items, and asking if shoppers would consider picking up one or two non-perishable items to donate when they go into the store to do their own grocery shopping. We'll have specially-marked containers out front to collect donations.

Hours for the food drive are from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. We still need volunteers—even for just an hour or so! Please contact Beth Oravec (703-368-1402) or Teresa Kaufman (703-615-2247) if you can give us a hand.



GIRLS NIGHT OUT TRIES A NEW PLACE

When the Red-Red-Robin comes bob-bob-bobbin' along, we'll be there—enjoying a delicious burger, of course! Plan to join The Fun Bunch at Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, 9945 Sowder Village Square, Manassas on **Wednesday, November 16**. We'll meet at the restaurant at 6 p.m.



This is in the shopping center with Target on VA28, just south of town.

Please RSVP to Susan MacAuley by noon on November 16 so she knows how many places to reserve for our gang. She can be reached at 703-331-4777 or at trustyred@aol.com. Holler if you need a ride!

You can check out their extensive menu by visiting <http://www.redrobin.com/food-drinks/full-menu-rrgb-t4.html>. There's a little something for everyone's taste on their menu.

AND HE-E-E-RE'S OUR CLEAN-UP CREW!

We were hoping that the lure of Krispy Kreme donuts would entice a few others to join in, but Rhonda Thompson (I) and Teresa Kaufman were the only stalwart souls who showed up for our Adopt-A-Street clean-up on Saturday morning, October 15.

It's been suggested that not all of our ladies are early risers, so the spring Adopt-A-Street project will be scheduled later in the day.

It'll take less than an hour of your time to help keep our community beautiful—can we count on your help next time?





A small but mighty group of Lioness Lions (plus one) were at the October 12 Girls Night Out at Ruby Tuesday's in Manassas. Left to right: Pam Carpenter, Susan MacAuley, Marie Robinson, Rhonda Thompson, guest Eddie Ann Orndorff, Katheryn Williamson and Maryellen Warren.

ANY TAKERS FOR A 3-FOR-1 CLUB VISITATION?

We have received an invitation from Mason Neck Lions Club to join with them and the Engleside and Mt. Vernon Evening Clubs for a joint club Christmas party on **Wednesday, December 14**. If we can get two of our members (or more!) to attend, that will count as THREE club visitations in one fell swoop (as well as individual visitations)!

The festivities will be held at IHOP Restaurant, 7784 Gunston Plaza, Lorton, VA. Social begins at 6:15 p.m., with dinner at 7. Entrée choices are Tilapia Florentine, T-bone Steak, or Bacon Crusted Chicken Breast. Cost is \$30 per person.



Our Club Secretary had previously sent out a flyer on the event. For more information, contact Past District Governor Woody Woodard at 703-314-0889 or woodywoodard@cox.net. Please RSVP no later than December 10—you can pay at the door, but they need to know you're coming (and your meal choice) by the 10th.

BOOK DRIVE WRAPPING UP

Project Chair Pat Nichols wants to remind everyone that the final day for our children's used book drive is **November 15**. We'll begin the sorting process shortly, then determine which area schools will receive books to distribute to their students. This is our annual community service project which gets books into the hands of children from lower income families who might not have access to age-appropriate reading material at home. Pat will be sending out e-mail announcements as she determines what help she needs in completing this project.

BITS 'N PIECES

- ✚ The Board voted to provide vouchers for Thanksgiving dinner fixin's for up to six needy families again this year. We are working with local schools to identify the recipients.
- ✚ We are collecting monetary donations from other Lions Clubs and community organizations for our Wreaths Across America initiative. Our goal is to provide a wreath on each veteran's grave in the Manassas City Cemetery this year.
- ✚ White Cane Day at the Wellington Giant on October 21 netted \$120.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, November 10	Bingo at Caton Merchant House, 7 p.m.
Monday, November 21	Dinner meeting at City Tavern, 9550 Center St., Manassas. Social hour at 6:30 with dinner at 7.
Monday, November 28	Bingo at Willow Oaks, 7 p.m.
Monday, December 5	Board meeting at the Manassas Volunteer Rescue Squad's Hutton Hall, 6:30 p.m.
Monday, December 5	Deadline for December newsletter submissions. Contact Editor Barbara Kirk, bjkirk107@aol.com .

A NOTE OF THANKS

Lioness Lions ladies, words cannot express my thanks to all of you who gathered around to support me in the recent loss of my mom. From those who traveled out to Front Royal for her services to those of you who helped with set-up at the Rescue Squad hall and provided food, I can't begin to say how much it meant to me. I feel like all of you are part of my extended family. I love you all.

Rhonda