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November 2013

The Lions' Roar

Overland Park Host Lions Club
Overland Park, Kansas
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Pecan sales will be critical to club's budget this year



Thirteen cases of pecans and other nuts were ordered last month through the Leavenworth Lions

Club and will be received any time now. And it's imperative that we sell them all! *(All members will be notified by e-mail when the nuts arrive, perhaps as early as next week.)*

As we all know, the heavy rains and cool weather played havoc with our food sales at the Downtown Overland Park Fall Festival on September 28. Sales were only \$3,100 compared with a projected income of \$6,500. (Expenses were \$725 less than budgeted, leaving a net budget deficit of a little under \$2,700).

Every club member must now step up and help sell these nuts that will be fresh from the Camilla Pecan Company in Camilla, Georgia. Each case has 32 twelve-ounce bags and selling price is \$9 per bag. If everything is sold, we stand to make a profit of about \$1,760.

Funds from nut sales were intended to replace income from Candy Day sales in past years. Candy Day money has traditionally been directed to the Kansas Lions Sight Foundation for support of the KU Eye Clinic.

It's easy to see that the September 28 weather laid a double whammy of almost \$2,000 on us. But as always, Overland Park Host Lions Club members, when made aware of a challenge, will rise to meet it. **Three major fund-raising efforts remain.** We can **sell out the nuts**; we can try to get more sponsors for the **Metcalf Avenue of Flags**; and we can sell a bunch of tickets and provide a lot of items for our annual **Pasta Supper and Auction** scheduled for next Spring.



Happy Thanksgiving!

Final flag raising for 2013 is Saturday

Veterans Day is next Monday and we'll be doing the final Metcalf Avenue of Flags posting for the year on Saturday. Meet at the "body shop" (Newcomer's Chapel at 82nd and Metcalf) at 5:45 to form work teams. Sunrise comes a little earlier now that Daylight Saving Time is over, but a flashlight still might come in handy.

After flags are all up, come on over to Perkins at 87th and Nieman for the regular club meeting.

Flags will come down on Saturday morning, November 16.

Program Notes

Coming up . . .

November 9: "All About Lions," a special orientation program for newer members, but valuable information for long-time Lions as well. Learn more about the history of our club and of Lions Clubs International.

November 23: Our speaker will be **Brian Libeer**, son-in-law of **Lion John Trinkl**. He was a project manager for Schlagle Remodeling for several years before starting his own company. He has also built several custom homes in addition to remodeling. He will discuss the do's and don'ts of remodeling and what you can expect to gain from your investment.

December 14: It's our annual "**Breakfast with Santa**," an event for the whole family. Parents or grandparents: bring a gift for each child who will be with you. Be sure to put the child's name on the package.

Breaking news from Santa at the North Pole! Please, he asks, print the children's names in fairly large letters so he can read them easily.

Last month . . .

October 12: We were entertained by bagpiper **Rick Smith**, who doubles as an art teacher in the Shawnee Mission School District. Between numbers, Rick explained some of the intricacies of his instrument and the general and skills required to be a fluent as a bagpiper. We're not sure what other patrons at Perkins were thinking as the tunes wafted out through the restaurant, but a few children did stare wide-eyed through the meeting room window while Rick was playing.

October 26: Another great presentation arranged with the help of **Lion Kim Morrow**. Representatives from **KC Aerosports** explained the ins and outs of hot-air ballooning. We found out it's not as easy as it looks as we watch those brightly decorated balloons float effortlessly through the sky.

A Word from the President . . .

Big Lion's Message for November

by Carole Collyard, President

Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh . . . NUTS!

ON YOUR MARK! Get Set! Go! Go sell nuts, that is. Don't be squirrely! Let's show the other clubs what great salespeople the Overland Park Host Club has! (See main story on page 1.) The holidays are approaching and I am sure we will do a great job on our new fund-raising project. Thanks to **Neal and Beverly Nichols** for getting us started. The nuts should be in shortly and our hope is to give each club member the responsibility of selling a portion of the nuts. **Chris Pucci** and the Nichols have already sold many bags. We welcome ideas on other fund-raising projects and also ideas for selling the nuts. Please give me a call if you have any suggestions.

This Saturday Neal Nichols will be doing an Orientation Program and we ask all members, particularly those who have not been through an orientation, to be present. Those of us who have been long-time members may be enlightened and motivated by the information.

OH YEAH! Don't forget we are doing flags for the last time this year on Saturday Nov 9. Bring your flashlights. (Although it was wonderful to have that extra hour of sleep this weekend, I am now tired by 5 PM because it is dark outside early.)

A reminder again to bring a name and address to PDG Beverly Nichols. I challenge each of you to bring at least one in November. Except to give her a name and address, there is no obligation on your part. She is doing the work for you. We have a great Club that has a lot of fun—so bring friends to join us.

P.S. BRATS ANYONE? We still have about 15 bags left. Call Lynn Wolfe or me if you want to buy some of them.

Area Lions continue to serve Harvesters

About 20 Lions from clubs in the Kansas City metropolitan area worked at Harvester on October 29 helping fill Snack Packs for needy school children. Among those from our club who served were **Dottie Bloome, Lynn and Teresa Wolfe, and Neal and Beverly Nichols**. Students and faculty from the **Kansas State School for the Blind**, and members the **Shawnee Lions Club** and the **Merriam-Shawnee Lions Club** in Kansas and from the **World Outreach Lions Club** on the Missouri side were also present to help.



Welcome, New Member Tyler Nigus!

Our newest Lion is a chiropractor in Overland Park, **Dr. Tyler Nigus**. His sponsor is **PDG Neal Nichols**, who met Tyler at some recent Overland Park Chamber of Commerce events. Tyler has been a frequent guest at recent OPHLC meetings.

Add to your Membership Directory:

Wife: Miranda

Birthdays: Tyler, February 12; Miranda, June 22

Anniversary: June 29

Address: 6604 West 91st St., Apt. 232, Overland Park, KS 66212.

Telephone: 816-812-6975.

E-Mail address: niguschiropractic@gmail.com.

November and December . . .

Reasons to Celebrate!

Birthdays

- November 5 Terry Frederick
- November 12 Teresa Wolfe
- November 15 Jason Tyrer
- November 16 Trish Rogers
- November 26 Sylvia Collins
- December 5 Bryan Lanigan
- December 6 Roger Claxton
- December 11 Steve McVey
- December 19 Tami Turntine
- December 20 Michele Taylor
- December 30 Cindy Claxton

Anniversaries

- November 2 Steve and Grace Weinrich
- November 13 Chris and Deanna Pucci
- November 26 Grant and Trish Rogers
- November 27 Jason and Joy Tyrer
- November 30 Bob and Linda Larson
- December 19 Ciriaco and Christina Valdez

Looking for another way to serve? Send news and pictures about yourself and your Lions Club activities to *Ye Olde Editor* to be shared with your fellow Lions. It would be nice to have four full pages, not just three.

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Lions State, International Band news

Excitement is building across Kansas about this year's Lions State Band. There might even be an International Band, the first since the 2007 International Convention in Chicago.

This year's fees are \$250 for State Band and \$1,300 for the International Band in Toronto, Canada. (Students must go to State Band to be in International Band.)

The Kansas Lions Band Foundation will award \$300 scholarships to the first 75 students signing up for the International Band, each one's total cost \$1,300 each.

Our club has budgeted \$1,200 for State Band and \$2,000 for International. This means we have the potential of sending four students to Toronto. And here is the *REALLY* exciting news. We've already had requests from two students for support in going to Toronto, and possibly a third who needs our support. It appears that Overland Park Host Lions Club can truly do its fair share to help reach the minimum 45 students needed for an International Band this year.

Schedule of Events and Activities

November 9 .. 6:00 AM, Flags go up (Veterans Day)

Meet at Newcomer's, 82nd and Metcalf, 5:45 to form teams

November 9..... 7:30 AM, Regular Mtg. at Perkins

Program: "All About Lions"

November 9 District 17-O Cabinet Meeting

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November 19 Zone Meeting

Johnson County Central Library, 9875 West 87th Street Parkway

November 23 7:30 AM, Regular Mtg. at Perkins

Program: Brian Libeer talking about home remodeling.

December 7 ... 7:30 AM, Board Meeting at Perkins

(Come earlier to get breakfast done before the meeting starts)

December 14 7:30 AM, Regular Mtg. at Perkins

"Breakfast with Santa" gathering; bring the kids—young and old!

December 28 NO MEETING

Treasurer's Reports for October 2013

General (Operating) Account

Income	
Member dues	\$ 787.50
New member fee	62.50
Tail Twister	46.00
Meals	<u>913.00</u>
Total Income	\$ 1,809.00
Expenses	
Room and Meals, Meetings	\$ 358.22
Miscellaneous	<u>50.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$ 408.22
Net Income (reduction) for Month	1,400.78
Ending Balance (General Account)	<u>\$ 4,912.08</u>

Service (Project or Charity) Account

Income	
Nut sales	\$ 19.00
Overland Park Fall Festival	3,095.43
Miscellaneous	235.00
Total Income	\$ 3,349.43
Expenses	
Metcalf Avenue of Flags	\$ 530.82
Eye Exams and Glasses	<u>50.00</u>
Total Expense	580.82
Net Income (or reduction) for Month ...	\$ 2,768.61
Ending Balance (Service Account)	<u>\$ 7,461.10</u>

Books! Books! Books!

Lions who attended the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in September were encouraged to give to two different projects—a school supplies drive and books for the Lions Clubs International (LCI) Reading Action Program. LCI asked our club to coordinate collection and distribution, and **Big Lion Carole Collyard** did a yeoman's job in carrying out this work, especially on short notice.

Several Overland Park Host Lions met at the Collyard's home after a recent meeting to sort books, some of which were new and others "gently used." The books were sorted into pre-school and school-age categories. A total of 395 books was collected, 221 for pre-school and 164 for school age. The pre-school books were delivered to Head Start by Carole, who reported that the staff at Head Start was ecstatic. An enthusiastic thank-you letter was read at the November Board meeting. The school-age books, along with 12 additional boxes of new books (526 books in all) that our club purchased as part of the Reading Action Program, were delivered to Urban Scholastic Center in Kansas City, Kansas by **Lion Lynn Wolfe**.

Lion Carole also delivered the school supplies to TLC in Olathe. She estimated the monetary value of donated supplies to be \$500. There were also cash donations totaling \$305. A donation of \$200 for the Reading Action Program was also received at the Forum. This has been deposited in our club's service account and will go toward the purchase of more books.

Zone meeting set for November 19

The next **zone meeting** for our area will be held on **Thursday evening, November 19** at the Johnson County Central Resource branch, 9875 West 87th Street Parkway in Overland Park. District news from the November 9 cabinet meeting will be shared by **Lion Chris Wright**, Zone Chairperson. Important news about re-districting will probably be presented.

Club officers should be present but all other members are welcome to attend. Points in the District Governor's Contest will be credited for each member there.

IN MEMORIAM

Lion Lavern E. "Mickey" Mausolf

1924 – 2013

Overland Park Host Lions Club member since 1965

Ye Olde Editor apologizes for not mentioning Lion Mickey's passing in last month's OPH Lions' Roar. Mickey died on September 9.

