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# The Lions' Roar

Overland Park Host Lions Club  
Overland Park, KS  
[www.oplions.org](http://www.oplions.org)



## 2015-16 Officer Election This Week

April's the time for electing next year's club leadership. Elections will be held at the regular meeting on Saturday, April 11.

The Nominations Committee, chaired by **Past President Lynn Wolfe** submitted the following slate of candidates in an e-mailing to all members last month:

**President:** (see *Important Notice on page 2*)

**1st Vice-President:** *Mike Orzechowski*

**2nd Vice- President:** *Mike Sundstrom*

**Secretary:** *Beverly Nichols*

**Treasurer:** *Lynn Wolfe*

**Lion Tamer:** *Janette Reh*

**Tail Twister:** *Margy Sundstrom*

**Director, 2015-17:** *Tyler Nigus*

**Director, 2015-17:** *Rick Thomas*

**Director, 2014-16:** *Carole Collyard* (to complete the remainder of Kim Morrow's term; Kim is resigning from the Board due to the press of job responsibilities).

**1st-Year Membership Committee Member:**

*Beverly Nichols* (Nominated for a 3-year term).

**Membership Committee chairperson:** *Heather Lanigan* (who will be serving the third-year of a three-year term) will become a member of the Board of Directors.

*Mae Claxton* (Director, 2014-16), *Teresa Wolfe* (Immediate Past President) and *Neal Nichols* (Club Branch Liaison) will continue serving on the Board in their respective positions, as previously-elected or appointed.

Voting will be done by written ballot as required by the By-Laws.

**See an important announcement on next page.**

## Ask One in April and Be Recognized



**Ask One** is a small step that can make a big difference in your membership efforts. And when you **Ask One** friend, family member or neighbor to join your club in April, you can earn special recognition. *Invite a member to join your club in April and you'll receive a Membership Growth Award Pin!* Plus, if you invited a member in October, you'll receive a gold pin and a banner patch for your club.

*From the LCI Newswire, February 2015*

## Pancakes in the morning, Spaghetti at night, Everything in Lions will be all right!

Our annual **Pasta Supper and Auction** (both live and silent) is scheduled for this coming Saturday evening at the **AMP Event Center, 10615 Floyd, Overland Park** (behind *Hooter's on Metcalf*).

Tickets will be available at Saturday's meeting and all members should take some to sell. It's still not too late to find more customers.

**Lion Carole Collyard** is event chairperson. **Lion Phil Detrixhe** will once again be our "live" auctioneer.

*Ye Olde Editor* took the headline above from a comment in a humorous video on the LCI web site.

If you haven't already seen the video that spoofs Lions Clubs' pancake breakfasts, go to [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org), click on "Member Center," then scroll down to "Download Lions Videos." Scroll down just a little farther and click on the "Lions YouTube Channel" link. On the next page, scroll almost to the bottom and at the right-hand side, you'll find three "spoofer" videos.

One of the videos spoofs spaghetti dinners. Because we will have pancakes at the meeting Saturday morning and spaghetti on Saturday evening of the same day, the spoofs are relevant for us.

*Artwork above is "borrowed" from the Internet*

Spaghetti  
Dinner  
&  
Silent  
Auction



## Children's' eye-screening training at next Hospitality Club Branch meeting April 15

**Lion Vern Failor** of the Topeka Sunflower Lions Club will be meeting with the Overland Park Hospitality Club Branch next Wednesday, April 15 to demonstrate use of the Pedia-Vision screening instrument. This device can screen eyes of children as young as six months old. It is becoming increasingly popular among other Kansas clubs for vision screenings.

Members of our club are invited to attend. The meeting will be from 12 noon to 1 PM at the Chamber of Commerce office building, 9001 West 110th Street (Building 29 in Corporate Woods). A meal is not provided, so bring a sack lunch.

Lion Vern will also teach Lions how to use the Pedia-Vision screener so that eventually we can reach out to the pre-school community for screenings here locally.

## Important Notice About Election

On Saturday, **Lion Lynn Wolfe** will discuss changes in the slate of officers necessitated by the resignation of **Lion Steve Weinrich** from the Board of Directors.

**Lion Grace Weinrich**, who graduated from nurses' training at the Kansas City Kansas Community College last December, has accepted a position in Farmington, New Mexico. She will be working and teaching in the field of specialized dialysis.

The Weinrichs will be moving this weekend, and because of that, **Lion Steve** will be unable to serve as President next year. **Lion Mike Orzechowski** will move up to President and **Lion Wolfe** will discuss the steps to be taken to fill the vice-presidential opening that has resulted.

The list of nominees on page one is being published to meet By-Laws requirements, even though an obvious change needs to be made.



**Lion Grace Weinrich** was pinned at a KCKCC ceremony in December.  
[Photo by **Lion Steve**]

## Food for Thought . . . Ranking our words

The **six** most-important words: **I admit I made a mistake.**

The **five** most-important words: **You did a good job!**

The **four** most-important words: **What is your opinion?**

The **three** most-important words: **If you please.**

The **two** most-important words: **Thank you!**

The **one** most-important word: **We.**

Finally, the **least-important word**: **I.**

This is adapted from the March 15, 2015 *Lions' Tale*, the newsletter of the Brewster, Kansas Lions Club. The editor says "author unknown."

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## Shoeboxes for Soldiers—March 28



**Cub Scouts** helped make short work of a big project. Several of them from **Lion Zack Olinger's** Pack came to our event on March 28 and filled several boxes for us. Zack is in the middle of the picture, back row. One Cub not in his Pack is **Jordan Nichols** (at far left). He is the son of **Lion Christine and Brian Nichols**.

About 40 Shoeboxes were filled on March 28 and then early in the next week, they were shipped via the US Postal Service to a unit in Afghanistan.

There was plenty of material available to go into each box with enough left over to make up three larger boxes to be placed in barracks day rooms.

See group picture on next page.



**May Christensen**, representing the Master Gardeners organization in the Greater Kansas City Area, was guest speaker at the meeting of March 14. **Lion Kim Morrow** arranged for the program. .... Photo by **Mike Orzechowski**





With about 40 Shoeboxes for Soldiers all filled and ready to ship, it was smiles all around for the Lions, Cub Scouts, friends and family members who came out on March 28. Special thanks go to Legacy Christian Church, Overland Park campus, for allowing us to use its facilities to spread out and do the packing. A gallery of additional pictures can be seen on Facebook (search for "Overland Park Host Lions Club Shoeboxes for Soldiers").

**Birthdays and Anniversaries**

(April and May)

**Birthdays**

April 2 .....	Edson Parker
April 14 .....	Joy Tyrer
May 4 .....	Christine Nichols
May 7 .....	Christina Valdez
May 7 .....	Lynn Wolfe
May 10 .....	Dolores Parker
May 11 .....	Grant Rogers
May 12 .....	Kim Morrow
May 12 .....	Steve Pelz
May 27 .....	Bud Turntine
May 29 .....	Winn Laird
May 29 .....	Julie Nilsen (OP Hospitality Branch)

**Anniversaries**

April 6 .....	Edson and Dolores Parker
April 12 .....	Janette and Lawrence Reh
May 7 .....	Mike and Margy Sundstrom
May 17 .....	Mae and Roger Claxton

**Program and Activity Schedule**

April 11 .....	7:15 AM, Regular Meeting at Perkins
<i>Saturday's speaker will be Kate Schroeder, Program Director at Accessible Arts and an Adjunct Professor of Fine Arts at Kansas City Kansas Community College.</i>	
<i>We will also have election of 2015-16 club officers (see p.1)</i>	
April 11, 5 – 8 PM .....	Pasta Dinner and Silent Auction
April 25 .....	7:15 AM, Regular Meeting at Perkins
<i>Madeline Burkindine (KS School for the Blind)</i>	

**Treasurer's Reports for March 2014**

**General (Operating) Account**

<b>Income</b>	
Member dues .....	\$ 165.00
Tail Twister .....	23.00
Meals .....	<u>253.00</u>
Total Income .....	\$ 441.00
<b>Expenses</b>	
Pasta Supper hall rental .....	\$ 65.00
MD17 Convention expense (ad) ....	50.00
Room and meals, meetings .....	254.50
KS Incorporation fee .....	20.00
Paper, envelopes, cards, etc. ....	49.66
Total expenses .....	429.16
Net income (reduction) for month .....	1.84
Ending balance, April 1 (General Account) .....	<u>\$ 3,242.84</u>

**Service (Charity or Project) Account**

<b>Income</b>	
Metcalf Avenue of Flags .....	69.00
Nut sales .....	613.00
Shoeboxes for Soldiers donation .....	40.00
Pasta Dinner .....	100.00
Total Income .....	\$ 822.00
<b>Disbursements</b>	
Pasta Supper Expenses .....	\$ 177.27
Shoeboxes for Soldiers .....	815.32
Kansas Lions Band Camp .....	1,000.00
Office Supplies .....	<u>76.94</u>
Total expenses .....	2,069.53
Net Income (or reduction) for month ....	\$ (- 1,247.53)
Ending balance, April 1 (Service Account) .....	<u>\$ 8,221.74</u>