



MANITOWISH WATERS LIONESS

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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

June President's Message

As my term comes to a close, I want to thank all the Manitowish Waters Lionesses for their support and encouragement. Without your guidance and help, my work as your President would have been more stressful. I can only say that by getting to know each of you better, I've grown to love what we do as a club: serving our youth, community and Lions Charities. **THANK YOU!**

Looking ahead to 2017-2018, I ask that you show the same enthusiasm and support to our incoming Co-Presidents: **Marilyn Wittry** and **Kay Krans**, and the new Board members who have volunteered to lead our club. By getting involved, you, too, will be gratified by the work we do. Working together has its own rewards...and we can fun in the process.

Now on to the business at hand: We still need monthly co-chairs for Bingo, which is our most profitable fundraiser to support our causes. Won't you give it a try this year? **Stephanie McClellan** and **Jen Tornow** are new members willing to learn. Let's help them out!

We all enjoy the Appreciation Dinner in August; however, we are in need of someone—or a few—to head up that Event on August 15th. This year **Stormi Schmidt**, mother of **Lelyn**, will be our guest and, hopefully, she will give us some insight into the struggles, surprises, and joys she has experience in the past four years. Thanks to the diligent and hard work of **Diane Johnson** in coordinating the Annual Deer Camp Pie Auction, our club has been able to donate more than \$15,000 to help Lelyn and the Schmidt family.

Summer is a busy time for us all, but as Lioness, we've made a commitment to **SERVE** others, too. Check out the articles in this newsletter to see where you can help. Call me or your incoming Co-Presidents to ask questions, seek advice, and **VOLUNTEER** where you can. Sometimes it just takes one of us to ask a friend---

Would you co-chair an event with me?

Remember the day you decided to join the Manitowish Waters Lioness Club? Those same reasons are available today. I will continue to **SERVE** so that can serve others and give back to this community.

Join me in promoting and helping the Manitowish Waters Lioness Club!

Ann E. Higgins

Ann Higgins, President
Manitowish Waters Lioness

"If not us, who? If not now, when? – John F. Kennedy

Call in your reservation for the **General Membership Dinner Meeting** at **Blue Bayou** to **Toby Hyland** at 715.543.2165 by **Tuesday, June 13.**

2016-2017 Officers & Board

President	Ann Higgins
Vice president	***Vacant***
Co-Secretaries	Joan Hill Kay Krans
Treasurer	Jody Miller
1 Yr Directors	Nellie Herrmann Ginger Zickert
2 Yr Directors	Mary Bowlus Suzy Foster
3 Yr Directors	Janelle Lang Pat Pohl
Skirt Twister	Irene Callahan
Skirt Tamer	Julie Brownnewell
Membership	***Vacant***
Records Keeper	Betty Watkins
Parliamentarian	Toby Hyland
Past Co-Presidents	Susan Bacun Dian Paneitz

TREASURER'S REPORT

Checkbook Balance	\$19,402.63
Reserved for Lelyn	\$3,616.32
Cash	\$200.00
Funds Available	\$15,986.31

ANY QUESTIONS
CONTACT JODY MILLER

MEMORIAL PIE SALE

Nellie Herrmann and **Jody Miller** chaired this event, which sold out by 10:10 a.m. A crew of **Jean Eales**, **Nellie Herrmann**, **Pat Pohl**, **Marlene Desris**, **Ann Wilm**, and **Joan Hill** baked 24 pies on Thursday. 28 members also contributed pies. Sales totaled **\$927.00**, with an additional **\$48.00** collected in our donation jar toward the Leland fund.

Note for next year: Most requested pies were Rhubarb, Rhubarb Strawberry and Cherry. Thank you to all who baked, donated dollars and/or pie ingredients, and worked to make this a successful fundraiser!

JULY BLOOD DRIVE

GIVE BLOOD



SAVE LIFE

Nancy Hajt will be heading our next Community Blood Drive on Thursday, July 6 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Community Center. We are planning for a very successful day with lots of donors since this will also be a Lions Flea Market day. Contact Nancy at ncyhajt@gmail.com or 952-334-3190 to help, donate blood, or if you would like to be trained to register donors.

JULY 29 BAKE/BRAT SALE

Saturday, July 29 is the date of our bake sale AND brat sale. We need two co-chairs for this event, and will need bakers and workers. The event will be held in the brat stand in front of Village Market from 8:00 am—2:00 pm. Please consider co-chairing this event, call **Ann Higgins** if interested at 715-543-8282. The Village Market supplies all the food and equipment for the brat sale, it couldn't be easier! Saturdays are high-traffic days so we have the potential to show a good profit at this event.

★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

Judi Schmidt-Arnold June 3
 Janelle Lang June 9
 Nancy (Nan) Bloch June 14
 Sarah Becklund June 21

SUNSHINE

- **Di Biwan:** Get well wishes after hospitalization; 12990 Deer Park Rd, MW.
- **Eileen Dybvad:** Recuperating after knee replacement; 9052 Island View Road, MW.

Contact: **Marilyn Wittry**
 715-543-2054 /
marwittry@gmail.com

HELP! HELP! HELP! HELP!

We cannot be successful at our community and fundraising efforts without your help! We do not have a dinner meeting in July, so the time is now to please consider giving a few hours of your time to make our summer activities a success. Sign-up sheets will be at the June dinner meeting, or contact **Ann Higgins** at 715-543-8282 to help in any way, or email at higginsann@hotmail.com.

Note: Board meetings start at 8:30 am at the library during June, July, and August. Also, we do NOT have a dinner meeting in July!



DUES ARE DUE!

If you have not yet paid your membership dues, please do so at the June meeting.

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday June 20
 at Blue Bayou
 Social @5 pm — Dinner
 @6:00
 Cost — \$20

Reservations due June 13
 to Toby Hyland
 715-543-2165

HELP!! EVENT CHAIRS NEEDED!

1. BINGO CO-CHAIRS FOR JULY AND AUGUST
2. JULY 29 - BAKE & BRAT SALE
3. AUGUST 15 - APPRECIATION DINNER
4. SEPT. 1 - BAKE SALE
5. SEPT. 23 - PASTA NIGHT (one co-chair)
6. DEC. 2 - HOLIDAY HOME TOUR & LUNCHEON

UPCOMING EVENTS

June

- 12 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm
- 13 - Board Meeting: 8:30 am @ Koller Library
- 19 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm
- 20 - General Mem. Meeting 5:00 pm @ Blue Bayou (\$20)
- 26 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm

July

- 03 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm
- 04 - Strawberry Shortcake Sale @ Pavilion with July 4th Celebration
- 06 - Community Blood Drive @ Community Center 11:00 am—3:00 pm
- 10 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm
- 11 - Board Meeting: 8:30 am @ Koller Library
- 24 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm
- 29 - Brat/Bake Sale @ Village Market - Begins at 8:00 am
- 31 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm

August

- 07 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm
- 08 - Board Meeting: 8:30 am @ Koller Library
- 14 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm
- 15 - Member Appreciation Dinner @ Community Center 5:00 pm
- 21 - Lions/Lions Bingo 7:00 pm @ Community Center Doors Open 6pm

September

- 01 - Pie Sale 8:00 am @ Village Market Brat Stand
- 12 - Board Meeting: 10A @ Koller Library
- 15 - Member Appreciation Dinner @ Community Center 5:00 pm
- 19 - General Mem. Meeting 5:00 pm @ Voss's
- 23 - Pasta Night 5—7 pm @ Community Center

October

- 07 - Cran-A-Rama Bake Sale 8:00 am @ Community Center

PASTA NIGHT

BY JULIE BROWNEWELL

Ciao! It's **PASTA DINNER** time! **AND** we need **YOUR** help! We need Team Leaders in most areas...it's a really fun night! We need **Team Leaders** for the following:

Kitchen Crew—we need help Friday at noon and Saturday 4 pm—7 pm.

Setup and Decorations — Setup is Friday at 1 pm, we already have 4 of the 6 people needed.

Servers — We have 4 of the 6 people needed. Saturday 4:30—7:30 pm.

Clean Up Crew—Saturday 4:45—7:30 pm.

Desserts — Saturday 4:30—7:30 pm. Some bakers have signed up but we need team leader and more bakers!

Any questions, just give me a call — **Julie Brownnewell 715-686-7137** or email me at birchl1@aol.com.

BINGO NEWS

Bingo season is just around the corner and we are desperately in need of some **CO-CHAIRS** and **WORKERS** for July and August. Please help us as this is our most profitable fundraiser and we cannot do it without your help! The evenings go fast and we sell lots of food to hungry players.

Contact **Stephanie McClellan** at stephanietra-longo@yahoo.com 715-904-0052; or **Jen Tornow** at jj.tornow8181@icloud.com 715-904-0362.





MANITOWISH WATERS LIONESS BOARD MEETING

May 9, 2017 – 10:00 a.m. Koller Library

Meeting was called to order by President **Ann Higgins**, followed by pledge of allegiance.

In attendance were: Ann Higgins, Toby Hyland, Jody Miller, Ginger Zickert, Mary Bowlus, Irene Callahan, Betty Watkins, Nellie Herrmann, Susie Bacun, Julie Brownwell, Janelle Lang, Dian Pancitz, Pat Pohl, Joan Hill. Guests attending were Jean Eales and Ann Wilm.

Motion to approve April minutes made by **Jody Miller** and seconded by **Dian Pancitz**. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Jody Miller:

Checkbook Balance as of April 30	\$19,402.63
Reserved for Lelyn	3,616.32
Checkbook Available	15,786.31
Cash Bank	200.00
Total Funds Available	15,986.31

The Treasurer's Report will be submitted for review by the Audit Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Thank You from Boulder Junction Lions for Ad in Convention booklet; Town of Manitowish Waters seeks donation to complete the connection to the Mercer Bike Trail; North Lakeland Education Foundation Newsletter & Plea for Support; LUHS seeking support for graduation party; Camp Manito-Wish Newsletter and seeking \$200 gift of support. Restoring Hope Transplant House requests support;

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Sunshine – Marilyn Wittry:** Marilyn Wittry's friend has stage 4 cancer; **Eilene Dybvad** will undergo knee surgery; **Bobbie Behnke** broke her foot; **Nellie Herrmann's** husband is doing well after hip replacement surgery.
2. **Membership: Elizabeth Gering** has received Orientation, her sponsor is **Bobbie Behnke**. **Ann Higgins, Ann Orwig** and **Betty Watkins** took part in the orientation. She and **Nancy Hajt** (**Marilyn Feldkamp** is sponsor) will be inducted at our May Membership Meeting. District Governor **Mike Lorbetske** and **Toby Hyland** will conduct the ceremony along with President **Ann Higgins**. Updated membership lists to go out later this month.
3. **Support for Sight – Ann Wilm:** Golf outing scheduled for Sunday, June 4 at Tahoe Links Course in Mercer, request for hole sponsor at \$100 cost; also a basket raffle request. Motion by **Pat Pohl** to contribute raffle basket, **Nellie Herrmann** seconded. Motion carried. **Joan Hill** will do basket. Polka fest in March was well attended, \$2,306.37 net profit, they served 170 people. **Ann Wilm** will inquire as to requirements for Knight for Sight award.
4. **Prospective Members Committee:** **Ann Higgins** is still checking MW Tax rolls for addresses.
5. **Social Committee – Pat Pohl & Dian Pancitz:** "Spring-a-Bratton" had wonderful appetizers donated by 5 area restaurants and fantastic raffle prizes. Lions and **Frances Whitfield** did great job with setup and decorating. Pat thanked everyone who helped with serving food and cleanup; she suggested that we end earlier next year.

EVENT UPDATES:

1. **Memorial Weekend Pie Sale – Nellie Herrmann and Jody Miller:** Sign-up sheets being passed at our Membership Meetings. Betty Watkins will have pie tins available for \$1.00 each at the May dinner meeting. Joan Hill will head up bakers on May 25. Nellie requested folding tables and card tables, please drop off tables and pies Friday am the 26th starting at 7am or Thursday afternoon at Huntington Bank (they close at 5pm), sale starts at 8:00 am. Please no custard or cream pies; cost will be 12 dollars.
2. **Bingo – Stephanie McClellan & Jen Tornow** volunteered to be overall Co-Chairs. We must have monthly Chairs ASAP! Sign-up sheets being passed at Membership Meetings. June looks good for volunteers and we have Frances Whitfield as co-chair, but need help for July and August!
3. **Kitchen Clean-Up – Jean Eales:** Monday, May 22nd, she needs 10 – 12 people to start 9 am.
4. **Co-Chairs Still Needed for 2017 Lioness Events -** 1.) Bingo, 2.) July 29 Bake Sale and Brat Sale, 3.) Sept. 1st Bake Sale Nellie Herrmann will chair, 4.) Pasta Night on Sept. 23, Julie Brownwell will co-chair with Stephanie McClellan; 5.) Holiday Home Tour & Luncheon, we have one house (Janelle Lang).
5. **List all our fundraiser events** to post at our events next to donation jar, **Ann Higgins** will design and print listing; we will have brochures available at all our events.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Dessert in the Dark** – Stormi Schmidt agreed to join us at our Appreciation Dinner on August 15. Where can we get blindfolds? (Amazon: 10 eye masks for \$7.99) August 15, we need co-chairs for that event also; Ginger will order and donate blindfolds.
2. **Installation of New Officers** – June Meeting. Affiliate Secretary Joan McDonald to conduct the ceremony in June. We will pay for her dinner.
3. **Trip to Wisconsin Lions Camp** – August 16 – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Ann sent invite to Lions through John Hanson. 15 spots reserved. Will ask Lioness at our next two Membership Meetings. Fee of \$5.00 per person for meal must be paid by June 1st. Registration Forms to be completed by all attending at least 2 weeks prior to the date of our visit.
4. **Wisconsin Lions Mission to Mexico** – Toby Hyland – Ongoing collections of every-day items.
5. **Chamber May Mailer** - \$187.50 to have it printed in color and inserted into the Chamber mailing. Will come out of budget under Miscellaneous.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **New Member Induction** – May 17th at Parkside Tavern. New Members are: **Nancy Hajt** and **Elizabeth Gering**. District Governor **Mike Lorbetske** will be our guest. Letter to Sponsors sent.
2. **American Legion Auxiliary Unit 424** seeking donation for geraniums to be placed on veteran's graves at Manitowish Waters and Mercer Cemeteries. We donate to this, a budgeted item.
3. **Need Lioness/Citizen selection committee** – **Marilyn Wittry** had suggested previous Lioness of the Year; decision to use past Lioness of the Year (Lori Frandy), one member at large, plus chair (**Susie Bacun**) to be on committee. We need an odd number for voting selections.
4. **2017 Convention Affiliate Minutes** – Betty Watkins was presented a plaque as she leaves the board; the 2018 Lions Convention (April 13 - 14, 2018) will be sponsored by the Affiliate and Lioness clubs. Our responsibility would be through our representatives Toby Hyland and Ann Wilm and to help support them. St. Germain Lions will also assist. June Brunelle, past Affiliate President, was honored for her work. Pat Duncan, editor of Lions Newspaper, will be including our Lioness activities in newspaper.
5. **Bridging – Lioness Clubs** have opportunity to become Lions or join a Lions Club. Mike Lorbetske will speak on this at our May dinner meeting;
6. **Gindorff family** of Manitowish Waters, Mom and Dad are deaf, but have three children who would like to attend KODA (Kids with Deaf Adults) in Poynette this summer. Cost is \$900 per child, MW Lions have approved \$300, and MW Chamber After 5 donated \$520 and \$407 from their last two 50-50 raffles. Our budget committee would need to meet and vote to give any funds, decision to pass around a special collection at the next couple meetings.

Next Board Meeting: **June 13** – 8:30 a.m. at Koller Library – **Dian Paneitz** to chair in Ann's absence.

Membership Meeting: **Wednesday, May 17** at **Parkside Restaurant** - Reservations to **Toby Hyland** by today, **May 9th**.
Cost of dinner is \$20.00

- Dinner Collection: **Julie Brownewell & Nancy Hajt**
- Invocation: **Janelle Lang**
- Pull Tabs: **Kay Krans**
- Raffle: **Irene Callahan**

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan Hill, Co-secretary

Special Meeting Addendum (May 17, 2017)

Attendance: Susie Bacun, Kay Krans, Janelle Lang, Irene Callahan, Toby Hyland, Ann Higgins, Joan Hill.

Lelyn Schmidt had a successful cochlear implant and will be requiring several follow-up visits to Milwaukee in the next few weeks. The last disbursement from Lelyn's fund was in November of last year. Susie Bacun made a motion to obtain two \$500.00 gas cards for Stormi Schmidt, Lelyn's mother. Kay Krans seconded, motion carried.



NANCY HAJT

(second from left) has been involved with our Manitowish Waters Lioness Club since her sponsor, Marilyn Feldkamp, brought her to a membership meeting last Fall. Currently, Nancy has volunteered her computer skills to take reservations for our July 6th Blood Drive. She has been seen selling Pull Tabs, raffle tickets, offering the Invocation, and socializing at our meetings. She certainly is fulfilling the reason she said she joined our club: "To serve the community."

Nancy and her husband Rich live at 5236 Avenue of Birches, and are close neighbors to Marilyn Feldkamp, having moved to the Northwoods nearly a year ago. Rich is in sales, travelling periodically. They have one son, Richard, who lives in Minneapolis, along with two dogs, Mercedes and Boo.

Remaining active in retirement, Nancy enjoys reading, kayaking, wildlife and crafting.

Welcome, Nancy Hajt, to the Manitowish Waters Lioness Club!

ELIZABETH GERING

(far right) has watched her grandmother and sponsor, Bobbie Behnke, volunteer with the Lioness for years and said she "admires the work the Lioness do for the community." She is "excited to give back in a big way!"

In the year and a half she has lived in Manitowish Waters, Elizabeth has become President of the MW Chamber of Commerce, been active in the bike trails development, worked at Camp Jorn, is teaching Yoga, and has joined forces with Becca Bartling in forming their own endeavor entitled Northerly Collective in bringing groups to Manitowish Waters, as well as planning for their stay.

Elizabeth lives at 4768 Alder Circle with her dog, a Golden Labrador Retriever named Sunny. Sunny has become somewhat famous on the Chamber website where she assists the Chamber in advertising events and sights of Manitowish Waters.

In addition to teaching and enjoying Yoga, Elizabeth loves being outside, exercising, biking, and gardening. She also loves cooking and reading.

Welcome, Elizabeth Gering, to the Manitowish Waters Lioness Club!



Ann Higgins, Bobbie Behnke, Elizabeth Gering, Nancy Hajt, Marilyn Feldkamp, Toby Hyland, and District Governor Mike Lorbetske pose after the initiation ceremony for new members Elizabeth Gehring and Nancy Hajt at the May dinner meeting.



Jean Eales assembled a crew of kitchen cleaners for the Community Center. Posing after all the work was done were Jean Eales, Janelle Lang, Penny Benson, Joan Hill, Ann Wilm, Jody Miller, Frances Whitfield, Jan



Jean Eales, Ann Wilm, Nellie Herrmann, Joan Hill, Marlene Desris, and Pat Pohl pose with a few of the 24 pies they baked for the Memorial pie sale.



Nellie Herrmann, Mary Monroe and Jody Miller check over the remaining few pies at the Memorial Weekend Pie Sale. They sold fast and we didn't get rained out!



Above: Dian and Bob Paneitz dance the night away at the Spring-a-Bration on May 6.
Right: We had live music and everyone had lots of yummy appetizers and a great time.

