



LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL

WISCONSIN DISTRICT 27C-2

NEWSLETTER

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My Fellow Lions & Lioness,

Another Lionistic year has begun and I am excited about the opportunity to serve as your District Governor. The theme for this year is "Working Together for Lionism" which supports the International President's theme of "Share Success Through Service".

By the time this newsletter reaches you, my partner in service and I will be attending the District Governor's School followed by the Lions International Convention in Detroit, USA/Windsor, Canada. We will be meeting with other Lions from around the globe and hearing what is taking place in our great organization.

We have much to accomplish this year and I know that I can depend on each Lion/Lioness to assist in fulfilling the task of serving others less fortunate. LCI has added a new program for children which you will be hearing more about in the next newsletter. The MERLO Plan for 2004-2005 has been completed and each club president will receive a copy. This plan contains all of our District 27C-2 goals for Membership, Extension, Retention, Leadership and Orientation.

Lastly, there will be a strong emphasis on Leadership this year. Any Lion wishing to move into a leadership role at the club or district level will be encouraged to take advantage of the leadership development and training being offered in our district and also in our state. Our organization's future success and continued growth is dependent upon developing leaders that will assume key roles in carrying out the mission of Lionism... "WE SERVE".

Yours in Lionism,

Stan Carlson, DG

"Working Together for Lionism"

District Governor Visit

It is a requirement of Lions International that the District Governor visit each club in his/her District. Each club is required to schedule that visit at a regular club meeting. In keeping with this policy, I am requesting that each club in 27 C-2 submit their visitation request form NO LATER THAN October 1, 2004. Club visitations may be scheduled after July 13 but must be scheduled before May 15, 2005. There will be no club visits made after this date. The time from May 15 to June 30 is reserved for new club officer installations and club honors nights. If you have any questions about this policy, please give me a call. Thank you for your cooperation.

Stan Carlson DG

District Governors Visitation Request Form

Club Name _____
Location of Meeting _____
Meeting Date _____ Time _____ Dinner? _____
Joint Meeting? _____ Special Needs? _____
Directions to Meeting _____
Place _____

Mail to: Stan Carlson, N701 Park Drive, Ogema, WI 54459
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Cabinet Meeting Schedule for 2004-2005

1. August 1, 2004 at The Fireside in Rhinelander. 2PM (MERLO Mtg at 1PM)
2. November 7, 2004 at Prime Time, Park Falls. 2PM (MERLO Mtg at 12:30PM)
3. February 6, at Northwoods in Fifield 12 Noon Dinner 1PM MERLO Mtg and 2PM Cabinet Meeting
4. April 22, 2005 at District Convention, Eagle River 2PM MERLO and 3PM Cabinet Meeting

Please note that the times shown above may be subject to change.



LIONESS CORNER

Dear Lions and Lioness

A new Lionistic year is just beginning. Your new officers are taking over and their ideas, plans and goals are being presented. Listen with an open mind. Try not to say, "We never did it that way before!" Don't be afraid to try something new. We need to set goals of achievement for our Clubs. Without goals to strive towards, we will not grow.

Again this year I am asking each Club, Lions and Lioness, to bring one new member into your club and maintain the members you already have. Be sure every member is busy. Every member should be committed to at least one committee event. Let your members know that their talents are needed by your club. Be sure to hold an orientation for each new member and his or her sponsor.

Keep your Club meetings interesting. Have a speaker at no less than half of your regular meetings. Speakers are available from WLF (Wisconsin Lions Foundation), Wisconsin Diabetes, Mission To Mexico, Leader Dog Puppy Program, etc. You have local personal from your Hospital, Area Youth Programs, Area Health Programs and more. Be sure there is an Agenda for all of your meetings and stick to that Agenda. Meetings stay orderly and members stay interested. Every Club should operate with a Budget. With a budget everyone will know what is expected for the year. Present your budget at your July meeting if at all possible.

Each year visitations are expected for the District Governor (Lion Stan Carlson) and Affiliate President (Joan McDonald). Schedule your visits during the early part of the year when possible. Travel can be difficult during the winter months. Of course we will make every effort whenever visits are requested. I look forward to all club visits and I am always available to induct your new members at these visits.

May you all have a productive year helping those less fortunate in your Community, Our State and Around The World. Our motto is, "We Serve Too!"

Yours In Lionism
Lioness Joan A. McDonald
Affiliate District President

A BIG THANK YOU !!!

TO EVERYONE WHO TOOK PART IN THE CLUB OFFICER TRAINING ON JUNE 8TH, 9TH, & 10TH. PDG JIM BOETTCHER PUT TOGETHER THE CURRICULUM AND THE TRAINING OUTLINE ALONG WITH ALL THE SUPPORT MATERIALS. PDG ED WEISE, TOM WABY, JEAN KUBLEY AND PDG JIM BOETTCHER CONDUCTED THE TRAINING SESSIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE REGIONS. A TOTAL OF 45 INCOMING OFFICERS FROM 17 CLUBS ATTENDED THIS VERY INFORMATIVE AND PRACTICAL LEADERSHIP TRAINING.
THANKS AGAIN TO EVERY LION THAT PARTICIPATED.

LION STAN, DG

VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S PAGE

HELLO LIONS AND LIONESS:

STARTING A NEW LIONISTIC YEAR IS LIKE STARTING SCHOOL ALL OVER AGAIN. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS LEARN---LEARN---LEARN BUT WITH THE HELP FROM ALL LIONS AND LIONESS THE JOB WILL MOVE RIGHT ALONG.

SO BEAR WITH ME AND WE CAN ALL BECOME BETTER LIONS AND LIONESS.

YOURS IN LIONISM
V.D.G. ED

P.S. LIVING ON EARTH IS EXPENSIVE, BUT IT DOES INCLUDE A FREE TRIP AROUND THE SUN EVERY YEAR.



USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

This year, 2004, the Lions of North America will once again be invited to attend the 28th Leadership Forum which is being held September 9, 10 & 11 in Reno, Nevada. Each year Lions from the USA & Canada join together for the purpose of learning and improving their leadership skills.

The mission statement of the Lions Leadership Forum is to develop and strengthen membership in Lions Clubs throughout these geographic areas to better serve the humanitarian needs of the community, developing Leadership at the Club, District and International levels. The goal is to help clubs operate more effectively, and to strengthen their membership and attract new members, as well as expanding all service programs throughout the United States and Canada. It does this through the Forum held annually in the month of September at a selected North American site.

General sessions will include topics such as "Sharing successes with Recognition, Departure from Conflicts, Communication Skills that Make a Difference, Strategies to Motivate and Direct your Team to Success," just to name a few.

Special workshop sessions will include such topics as How to be a good moderator and discussion leader, how to share successes with others and how to prepare for higher office such as District Governor and International Director. Lions attending will also have the opportunity to meet the International President and the Immediate Past President as well as other International Officers.

I would encourage any Lion who aspires to higher office but especially Club Presidents, Zone & Region Chairpersons to attend this years USA/Canada Forum. If you are interested in going, please call me or any of our Past District Governors for more information.

Stan Carlson, DG



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SUMMER CAMPING SEASON

Our summer camping season has started with both old and new faces of staff, counselors and campers. With Andrea Yenter as our Interim Camp Operations Manager and her staff we will have one of the most exciting camping seasons in recent times.

7th ANNUAL BIRCH-STURM MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING:

A busy weekend is planned for July 17 & 18. Saturday at the Glacier Wood Golf Club in Iola, we will be hosting foursomes of golfers from around the State. There will be lots of contests, prizes, fun, and a whole lot of socializing. When we finish with golf, we will return to Lions Camp for more socializing, and Dinner and the awarding of prizes. This is a fun event and is open to everyone. Last year's event generated almost \$10,000 for State Projects, including Lions Camp.



LIONS CAMP OPEN HOUSE:

Make your plans now to attend showoff day to let you see what Open House is open to any member and/or spouses. **Mark your calendars for July 18, 2004.** Chicken Dinner is served from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Cost is \$9.00 per adult and \$4.50 for children 13 and under. Please come and join us for a great day. Lions Camp Open House includes many other activities around and about Lions Camp and the Campers. **Registration must be received by Friday, July 9 to guarantee your chicken dinners!** To register, simply call the Foundation Office, toll-free, at 877-463-6953. If you register and pay before July 9, 2004, we will even send your tickets to you so when you arrive; you don't have to stand in line for them. More information will follow, but make your plans now to attend, and please remember Lions Camp Open House is a great way to involve new members.

Dead line for guaranteeing your Chicken Dinners is Friday July 9, 2004

Please make _____ reservations for Lions Camp Open House.
Your Name _____ Club Name _____
of Adults _____ # of Tickets for Children _____
Street Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Daytime Phone (____) _____ E-Mail _____

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____. Send check to Wisconsin Lions Foundation, 3834 County Rd. A Rosholt, WI 54473. If you have questions, please call 877-463-6953, toll free.

IF WE RECEIVE YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK BEFORE JULY 9, WE WILL SEND YOUR TICKETS TO YOU SO WHEN YOU ARRIVE, YOU WON'T HAVE TO STAND IN LINE FOR THEM. Please remember: JULY 9 IS THE DEADLINE.

WLF WEBSITE:

Be sure to go to our website at www.wlf.info for complete information about the Foundation, including Lions Camp.