

Lion Ken Habiger
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Leawood, KS 66224



We Serve

September 2011

The Roar of the Leawood Lions

Club Calendar 2011

September 5 – Pancakes at the City of Leawood Labor Day Run.

September 9-18 – Mobile Health Screening at the Kansas State Fair. See story below.

September 13 - Board of Directors Meeting @ 5:00 p.m.; Membership Meeting

@ 6 p.m. - Leawood City Hall. See program information below.

September 27 – Membership Meeting @ 6 p.m. - Leawood City Hall.

October 11 - Board of Directors Meeting @ 5:00 p.m.; Membership Meeting

@ 6 p.m. - Leawood City Hall.

October 25 – Membership Meeting @ 6 p.m. - Leawood City Hall.

October 14, 15 & 16 – Pancake Days.

December 3 – Breakfast with Santa – 8 a.m. -12 p.m. at Ironwood Lodge.

State & District Activities

09/9-18 Mobile Health Screening at the Kansas State Fair – The Mobile Screening Unit (MSU) will be at the Kansas State Fair in **Hutchison** from September 9 – 18. The MSU was a huge success last year and consequently screening times have been extended this year. With the extended screening times, more health professionals and Lions will be needed to help. If you would like to help by serving a 4 hour shift, **see the notice and the name of a contact person** at the end of the newsletter.

Club Meeting Programs

09/13 Program – **M. K. Mueller**, founder and CEO of 8 to Great, will be our speaker. Ms. Mueller is an author and motivational speaker who will be a speaker at the US-Canada Lions Forum in Alaska this year. She briefly spoke to us at the August 9th meeting.

09/27 Program – TBA

Club Reports & News

1. Pancakes for Leawood's Labor Day Run – We will again be providing pancakes, juice, and coffee at Leawood's Labor Day Run which will be held on Labor Day, September 5. The race starts at 7:30 AM and we need to be ready to serve pancakes by 7:45 AM. The race will start and end at the Leawood City Park, 10601 Lee Blvd, and pancakes will be served at the Lions Shelter. If you are in town that day, please come to the park for a pancake breakfast and to help out. Plan to arrive by 7:00 AM.

2. New Benevolent Committee Chairman. **Lion Tom Willy** has volunteered to head the Benevolent Committee. Our club is fortunate to have the funds available to undertake a number of benevolent projects in our community, and our challenge is to make good decisions about how we do that. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please let Lion Tom know. Also if you have suggestions or recommendations for the committee, please send them to him.

3. Candy Days. Plans are being made for a Candy Days fund drive in October. All proceeds will be donated to the Kansas Sight Foundation and/or the KU Department of Ophthalmology. Lion **Jim Bays** will again chair this event.

4. New Program Committee Co-Chairmen. **Lion Andy Wheeler** and **Lion Don Sharp** will be Co-Chairmen of the Program Committee. If you have suggestions for future programs, let Lions Andy and/or Don know.

5. New Directories are being prepared. Please advise Secretary Lion Doris Nelmes of any changes in your personal or contact information right away.

6. CLUB DUES for 2011/2012 are past due!! If you have not paid already, please do so ASAP.

ANNUAL DUES: (Individual): **\$100**

ANNUAL DUES: (Family)*: **\$150**

* Family dues based on full individual rate plus one-half of full rate for spouse.

SEND TO:

Doris Nelmes, Secretary
7575 W. 106th St., #463,
Overland park, KS 66212

OR

Charles Schutty, Treasurer
5520 W. 63rd Terrace
Mission, KS 66202

7. Food Items -- Remember to bring food items for the food pantries to our meetings. See the Hunger Initiative Story below.

8. Pancake Days Committee News – Pancake Days, our major fundraiser, will be held this year on October 14, 15, and 16. Tickets to this event are now available and are being distributed. Each Lion is being provided with 30 tickets for sale to the public. Please do your best to sell at least 30 tickets, and more if possible. Some of our past biggest sellers are no longer with us or are not physically able to participate. We need for other

Lions to step up and fill the gap. If you are not able to sell your tickets, please consider making a financial contribution to the club. If you need more tickets, contact **Lion Bruce Deering** or **Lion Ken Habiger**, Co-Chairmen of pancake fundraising events this year.

Meeting Reports

08/09 Program – Guests of the club were **Steve Everly**, President of the Overland Park Noon Club, and **M. K. Mueller**, founder and CEO of 8 to Great. **Lion Everly** briefly addressed our club, primarily to invite our members to visit the OP Noon Club during an upcoming meeting. Lion Everly indicated that his Lions Club may be interested in merging with the Leawood Lions Club in the future.



Steve Everly, President of the OP Noon Club, addresses the Leawood Lions Club.

Ms. Mueller is an author and motivational speaker, and she has been invited to be a speaker at the US-Canada Forum to be held in Alaska this year. She lives in the KC area and she will present the program at our upcoming September 13 meeting.



M. K. Mueller chats with Big Lion Rick Waldenmeyer.

08/23 Program – Big Lion Rick Waldenmeyer awarded a 25 – year Monarch Chevron to Lion **Ed Johnson**.



Big Lion Rick congratulates Lion Ed Johnson for faithfully serving the Leawood Lions Club for 25 years.

In addition, Lion Ed Johnson presented **Lion Ken Britt** with a **Melvin Jones Fellowship Award**. This award is for humanitarian commitment and is the highest award given by the Lions International Foundation.



Lion Ed Johnson presents the Melvin Jones Award to Lion Ken Britt.



Lion Ken Britt with family and friends.

Other Information --

MEMBER UPDATES

Address Change

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Mending and Repairing List

Keep these fellow Lions in your prayers!

Lion Jim Bays
Kay Fisher (Lion Gil Fisher's wife)

Dale Greene (Lion Ed Greene's wife)
Carolyn Koch (Lion Dayton Koch's wife)
Anna Rochel (Lion Jim Rochel's wife)
Mary Kay and Win Jensen
Lion Bill Murfey
Lion Skip Skaptason
Lion Dick Rinehart
Lion Don Stewart
Tom Shearer

Please remember our Lions who are ill by calling them or visiting.

Visit our Website: www.leawoodlions.org

Meeting Place: Oak Room, Leawood City Hall, 117th & Roe.

Meeting Dates: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each Month.

Meeting Times: 6:00 PM Social Hour, 6:45 PM Dinner Meeting

2011-2012 Leawood Lions Officers

President – Rick Waldenmeyer
Past President – Chris Wright
1st Vice President – Bruce Deering
2nd Vice President – David Sails
3rd Vice President – Andy Wheeler
Secretary – Doris Nelmes
Treasurer – Chuck Schutty
Chaplain – Don Stewart
Tail Twister – Dayton Koch
Lion Tamer – Alan Callaway
Membership Chair – Jim Rochel
2nd Year Board – Lee Shultz, Gene Tinberg, Ken Britt
1st Year Board – Leroy Kashka, Tamara Smith, Jim Rochel

Leawood Lions Foundation

The Foundation is our Club's charitable affiliate that supports our charitable programs. Because the Foundation is a tax-exempt charity under section 501(c)(3) of the tax code, contributions are tax deductible for income tax (life-time gifts) and estate tax purposes. You and friends and family can help with our Club's charitable programs by including a bequest to the Foundation in your will or trust. Here is some sample bequest language.

1. Bequest of cash

"I bequeath the sum of \$XXXXXX to the Leawood Lions Foundation of Leawood, Kansas."

2. Bequest of a percent of the estate

"I devise and bequeath XX% of the remainder and residue of property owned at my death, whether real or personal, and wherever located to Leawood Lions Foundation of Leawood, Kansas."

Review your desires with your attorney to make sure they are properly included in your estate plan documents.

Mobile Screening Unit

It's not too late for your Club to participate with the MSU at the Kansas State Fair. Please talk to your club and call Ron Bretz to schedule your time. Please read on for the details.

The Mobile Screening Unit (MSU) at the Kansas State Fair was a huge success last year. Let's make it happen again. We have the same booth for this year. The dates are September 9 – 18, 2011. The screening time will be extended 2 hours. The screening time will be from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. This will give us an eight hour screening time for more screenings to take place and we will need to have **two, four hour shifts**. With this extended time, more Lions and health professionals will be needed. If you know of health professionals that would help please get in contact with them and let Lion Ron know. Please add these dates to your club's calendar and plan to work at the fair. The Kansas Lions should be proud of the success of this project. For those who helped with the screening the rewards were great and the Lions Motto "**WE SERVE**" came home very clearly. All of this was made possible with the assistance of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation of Kansas. If you know an employee of this foundation please invite them to come and see the MSU in action.

For scheduling a date to serve at the fair please contact Lion Ron Bretz at wildfires@cox.net or 316 283 1921, 316 772 7740. Please mark your calendar for September 9 -18, 2011 and plan to make the MSU project an even bigger success.

Lion Vern Failor Chairman MSU
Kansas Lions Sight Foundation