

# THE LIONS ROAR

The Official Newsletter of the Manitowish Waters Lions Club

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



### **Lion Mike McKeon**

What do we do as Lions??? "We Serve". Why do we Serve? "Because there are others less fortunate than us that need our support". It's that simple...it's what we do.

The Manitowish Lions have a long history of serving ..... our charter year was in 1971 and it's our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!! We are and have always been good at raising funds in order to support our charitable giving. We work hard, have fun and support those that count on us.

As many of you know, I believe in getting involved in my community. I volunteer my time to help make my community a better place. I sometimes take on too much, just ask my wife Sarah about that, but I enjoy

volunteering, enjoy the people I meet and feel better at the end of the day when I see the accomplishments that have been achieved.

5 years ago when I moved full time from the Chicago area to Manitowish Waters, I joined the

MW Lions at the urging of my neighbor Jim Higgins. He said to me " Mike, you should join, it's a good group with good people and a good cause". Thanks for inviting me Jim because you were right on!! Since that time, I joined our Board and have enjoyed watching the leadership and commitment to our club from guys like John Hanson and Tim Casey. They have always stepped up when our club has needed leadership...they never say no and they will continue to give of their time and talents. They both lead extremely busy lives but have always found time for the MW Lions. However, the time is now to take some of the load off of them!!! With that said, I'm excited to be your next MW Lions President.

I'm excited about our club and excited to lead a good and competent Board. The Board

has good ideas and great energy. We, as your Board, represent the entire club so we will do what membership would like us to do but.... we need to hear from you. If you have ideas about charities we should be supporting, if you have ideas about fundraisers we should consider or anything else pertaining to our club please speak up. Board meetings are open to all...please attend once in a while....especially if you have a topic you'd like to discuss or present to us. We are all working toward one goal and that's supporting Lions International Charities and our local community. So, the more we hear from membership, the better we will do as a club to meet our goals. This past year we tried some new fundraising ideas (Outdoor Bingo/Movie Night at Kohler Park) and recently took on the Lelyn Schmidt "Deer Camp Pie Auction Fundraiser" at the suggestion of the community and with the help of Dana Hilbert and Jessie Knipp (details in this newsletter). We are open to ideas and actively looking for ways to help our neighbors.

As many of you know, I like to ramble on (No comments please Doug Zeise). The reason why is because I'm passionate about what I do and when I see a good thing I work hard at it and promote it. I'll try to keep this short but here is a little

information on our club and where we are at:

The last 2 years we met our goals for fundraising and donations (even during a pandemic!!). We generated approximately \$77,000 in revenues through August of this year. Total expenses are not yet fully recognized but we are well on our way to funding our 2021 goal of \$30,000 in charitable donations. Please note that our financials are posted each month on our website in the members section.

(www.mwlionsclub.org)

This year (besides Lions
International Causes) we will
support the following local
causes: North Lake Land
Discovery Center, Camp Jorn
YMCA, MW Fire Company,
Koller Library, Lakeland
Elementary Schools, Continuing
Education Scholarships for
NLHS Students, Boulder
Junction Food Pantry, Mercer
Food Pantry and a host of
others that are also listed on
our web site.

Our fundraising activities are in good hands but as always in need of some "new blood". The 8 new members that joined us over the last 2 years have become regulars at such activities like Bingo, Pork Chop Dinners and other activities. This is really great to see and much appreciated!

We will need additional membership support for the Thursday flea markets next year so please feel free to volunteer when you can...if you can't make a weekly commitment that's OK...We would love to have help from you when it fits into your schedule. (more on this later).

Our next Dinner Meeting is scheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup> at Blue Bayou. Come on out !! Please let Lynn Schroeder and/or Dan Meier of your intentions to attend. Our next Board meeting is October 26<sup>th</sup>. We will be discussing, among other topics, our donation commitments for next year. Join us if you have any worthy causes that we should consider donating to.

As I mentioned earlier, this year is our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Club. Keep an eye out for an article in the new Northwoods Review. You will recognize some (or many) of the names on our original charter. Many are or have become MW legends!!

If you're like me, this is a busy time of the year. I'll be bird hunting with my dog Jack, chasing muskies in between multiple leaf rakings and with your help, doing what I can to make our Lions club the best it can be.



### SALUTE TO LIONS' SERVICE

Many times the foot soldiers are lost behind the generals – but not in the Lions. Our activity chairmen salute their workers who make our Manitowish Waters Lions activities a success. If you see a name you recognize, tell them thanks for their service.

Chairman John Hilbert – Pork Chop Dinners
Salad Masters – Phil St. Clair and Ellen Schlichting
Cooks – Dan Meier, Dave Hanson,
John Hegel
Bar Crew – Don Zickert, Brock Orwig,
Dick Henske
Ticket Sellers – Bill Vogel, Bob Cook,
Terry Mueller
Servers – Jeff Hagemann, John
Hanson, Mike McKeon, Lynn
Schroeder, Darrell Tschurwald, Jerry
Yenich

Chairman Phil Rose – <u>Eyeglass</u> Collection – Tom Pollacek

Chairman Randy Lang – <u>Highway</u>
CleanUp – Phil and Pat Rose, Dick
Henske, Tom Polacek

Chairman Tim Casey – Thursday

Market

Truck procurement – Roger Becklund

Food Prep, Marketing, Cleanup – Ron

Berglund

All of these Lions Workers – along with the Pancake and Golf Outing and Raffle

Setup, beverage service, gen'l help, cleanup – Phil St. Clair
Cashier, gen'l help, cleanup – Phil
Rose
General Help, Cleanup – Bill Draudt
Food prep, gen'l help, cleanup. Setup –
Delp Schaefer
Setup – Dave Hanson
General Help, Cleanup – Tom Pollacek
Setup, Cashier, Concessions Truck &
Records Maintenance - Tim Casey

Chairman Tim Casey – Bingo
Cashier, Records Maintenance – Larry
Voss

Cashier, floor worker – John Hegel
Setup, kitchen help, planning – Mike
McKeon, Lynn Schroeder
Setup, kitchen & closing – Dave
Hanson, Phil St. Clair
Food prep, marketing – Ron Berglund
Floor worker – Brock Orwig, Dick
Henske, Dennis Hill, Bill Vogel
Kitchen help, floor worker – Tom
Pollacek
Setup, bingo caller, closing – Tim
Casey

Sales workers are the backbone of our Club. We are indebted to each of you.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

. John Hanson
Dick Henske
Scott Peterson
Larry Voss
Don Wickstrom



Lions: Call with the month of your birthday to 715-543-2627

### **GOLF OUTING WRAP-UP**

The 21st Annual Boulder Junction/ Manitowish Waters Golf Outing was held at the Trout Lake Golf Club on Thursday September 25. 80 golfers enjoyed perfect weather and the course was in perfect shape. Special thanks go to Mike Osborne and Brian Busha and their staff for the outstanding support they provide for the tournament. There were three flights, men's, mixed and women's. Each member of each first place team received \$50 gift certificates donated by area restaurants. In addition many prizes were donated to be raffled off. Hole sponsors were very generous, providing \$3,500. This year we were able to make a donation of \$4,381 to the Camp Jorn Child Care program.

## **SHORT SHOTS**

October Dinner Meeting - Lion Brothers will meet at **The Blue Bayou** October 21. The happy hour will begin at 5:30 and dinner and the meeting will begin at 6:30.

Meal choices will be **blackened chicken** or **catfish.** Each meal will cost \$28 and will include soup, warm bread, starch and dessert. The cost of food supplies has risen and therefor the dinner price.

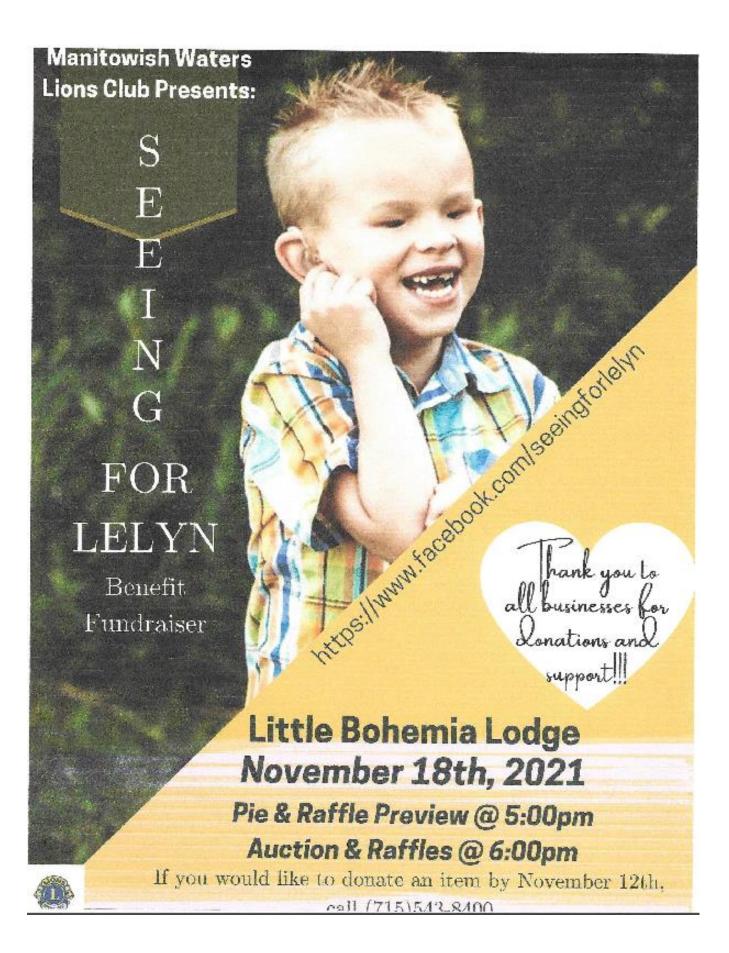
If you will be in attendance, please RSVP to Lynn Schroeder. 920-621-7366 by Oct. 18.

The Lelyn Schmidt Fund Raiser will be held November 18 at Little Bohemia. Our Hunters' Pie Sale will start at 5 PM.

Lions should think about making pies. This editor has enjoyed making pies for decades and this is a great cause. **Dana Hilbert** at our Town Hall is in charge – give her a call – make a pie – help a child!

<u>Deer Season!</u> Dick Henske 543-2942 will again be heading up our deer hide collection. Deer hides can be dropped off at **Dan's Sport Shop** or **Little Star Garage** now through December. The State Lions use the hides to raise money. Thank you for your help.







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