

# THE LIONS ROAR

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Lion Mike McKeon** 

Wow....what a night! If vou have not heard by now, the Seeing for Lelyn Fundraiser sponsored by our club and held at Little Bo, was a huge success. After it was all said and done the event raised approximately **\$18,500** that was in turn donated to Lelvn's trust to help his family pay for Lelyn's ongoing medical expenses. Lelyn, his family and relatives attended and were again overwhelmed with the love and support our community bestowed upon them. This event could not have

been done without all the upfront and behind the scenes help from our

Lions Volunteers, Little Bohemia, Dana Hilbert/Jessie Knipp (our fearless leaders) and the countless others who donated time at the event and baked over 45 pies that our very own Lynn Schroeder auctioned off like a professional! This event was new to us this year and all signs point to us sponsoring the event again next year. It was a great time, for a great cause that fits perfectly with our mission to help our community while staving true to Lion's International causes. Cheers everyone! As the month of December and the 2021 year come to a close your board will work to finalize our 2022 budget and make plans to move into 2022 with hopes of and even better and more successful year than the past. I'm excited about our club and 2022...... We are discussing a new club event for all members that should be fun for all and help us to continue and build

camaraderie within our club. More on this as we finalize plans. I also look forward to hearing the ideas from our pavilion renovation ad- hoc committee on how we can improve the functionality and aesthetics of our pavilion. This will be another fun project for all of us to be part of and proud of when complete. In closing..... if you're like me, the holiday season is a great time to spend with family and friends and is a time to look back and be grateful for all we have, including the opportunity we have as Lions to make a difference by helping those around us. Thanks for being Lions... we do make a difference. To you and yours...Have a Merry Christmas, a wonderful Holiday season and a safe and healthy New Year. Cheers, Mike

Btw.....Dec 16 th little bo Prime rib or champagne chicken



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# SHORT SHOTS

Lion Dick Henske (543-2942) is still collecting deer hides for the Wisconsin Lions. These are sold to companies that turn the hides into gloves and hats. You can drop off your hides at Little Star Garage or Dan's Sports Shop.

# **REMINDER: Little Bo**

will be the site of our December Dinner meeting. Lion Lynn Schroeder (920-621-7366) is the contact person for the dinner. If you are not signed up, call TODAY! Dinner is this Thursday. Social starts at 5:30/ Dinner and Program begin at 6:30 – Remember- Call Today!

# SCHEDULE OF LIONS EVENTS – 2022

- \* Pancake Breakfast Sunday AM Memorial Day Weekend \* Flea, Craft, Farm Market Thursdays 9-2 PM All Summer
- \* Bingo Mondays
- \* Pork Chop Dinners 3<sup>rd</sup>
  Thursday June, July, August
  5 PM-7 PM
- \* 4th of July Brat Stand
- \* Golf Outing Late August
- \* Fall Raffle Labor Day
- \* Lelyn Pie Auction Thursday before Thanksgiving week

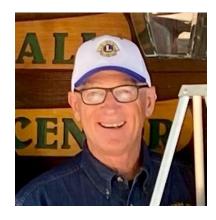
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The Giving of Christmas

Editor Mike Hahn

All people have a commitment to each other to extend the love of the season. The Lions' motto is our Club's extension of the **Christmas Season!** 'SERVICE' - This word says it all. When we serve, that gift is for others. The Town, the Lions projects listed above, the State and National Lions all benefit from our acts of service... Remember, as you celebrate this holiday season, how your lions' service is your Christmas

**MERRY CHRISTMAS** 

# "Up Close and Personal" Bill Vogel



Our Lion lived in Jackson, Wisconsin his whole life. Dad had a dairy farm until Bill was 10 years old, then he started a farm supply business. Bill grew up in the farm supply business where they sold fertilizer, seed and farm chemicals to local farmers. As a teenager he sprayed corn and soybeans all summer long.

Bill graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a degree in Agronomy (plant science). After college he worked for his dad and made fertility recommendations to their farm customers. They were close to Milwaukee and most of the farms they were servicing turned into subdivisions.

After a short time, Bill found they could sell more fertilizer per acre to homeowners in the subdivisions than they could sell to the farms so our Lion got into the lawn-care, landscape, golf, sports field and retail markets. They supply fertilizer to many major league baseball and football teams. including the Green Bay Packers. They also produce ice melter products to these same markets.

Joyce and Bill have been married for 46 years and have three children:
Larry, Julie and Danny.
The two boys are working for the company. They also have four grandchildren aged from twelve to sixteen.

Bill enjoys biking, hiking, boating, traveling in their RV and flying. One of the best moments (there are so many, he says) was working up to and doing the 100 mile Solstice bike ride in under six hours.

He has lived full time in Manitowish Waters for the last four years and been a Lion for two years. Bill has helped with the Pork Chop Dinners, Highway Clean-Up, Baseball Diamond Bingo and Pancake Breakfasts and is currently serving as the Club's secretary.

Our Lion has been active in many organizations, including President of the Wisconsin Landscape Federation, the Mid-America Horticultural trade show, Green Care for the Troops, Vice President of his Church, Lutheran Pioneers, Jackson JCs and others.

We, as Lions, are very lucky to have Joyce and Bill with us in Manitowish Waters. Our new secretary will be a great addition to the continued success of our Club.

Thank you, Bill Vogel for your Lions' service.



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