



THE LIONS ROAR

The Official Newsletter of the Manitowish Waters Lions Club
Manitowish Waters, WI 54545 <https://www.mwlionsclub.com> Sept. 14, 2023

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Well, it looks like fall is upon us. The weather is cooling down, the activity on the chain is diminishing and the fall colors are starting to pop. Before we know, we will be participating in all the winter activities that our Northwoods is known for. It was a great summer and a very successful fundraising summer for our Lions Club.

At the September board meeting we went over some of the financial numbers for the year and we have equaled or exceeded every budgeted event for 2023. Pretty exciting news! What this means is that we will have additional dollars to donate to various causes by this year's end.

At our September 14 member steak fry and membership meeting I will ask everyone in attendance for ideas for new causes that we may be missing or are just unaware of. If any of you reading this have ideas that would be worthy of us donating to, please contact me so that we can consider it. Again, we look to exceed last year's total donations and a big round of applause should go out to everyone involved in our club. We continue to grow, and we continue to fund raise like heck.

Thanks for all the volunteers and all the chairpersons involved in all the various committees... Great job!



At our August membership burger fry we discussed the opportunity that was presented to us to donate to the pickle ball court initiative within our town. A lot of good back-and-forth at the meeting ensued as we discussed whether a Pickleball court donation would fit within our mission as a Club. This was good feedback for our board prior to us having to decide. At the mid-August meeting we did make the decision to fund the Pickleball program within our town to the tune of \$10,000 of which \$5,000 will be paid in 2023 and 5000 in 2024. This is good community involvement for our club, for many of those who have spent the last many months fundraising for this initiative, have been big supporters of our club. The courts will be a great addition to our community.

In timely fashion, the most recent Lions online magazine highlighted the Pickleball craze and how it fits in with clubs around the country and the fundraising opportunities that pickle ball could present for our community and for our Club. Please look at the article from the magazine. If anyone would like to

approach the board for a fundraising opportunity for our Club involving pickle ball, we are all ears.



A Couple things going on yet this fall... We have our October dinner meeting at Blue Bayou on the 12th. Keep an eye out for the dinner choices and remember to please let Lynn Schroeder know of your intentions to attend the meeting.

The annual **Seeing for Lelyn** pie auction event is also scheduled at Little Bohemia for October 25. You'll see on our website and in various locations around town over the next couple weeks. It's a great fundraising event. Last year it netted \$18,000 for Lelyn and his family for his medical expenses. Thanks again goes out to Dana Hilbert and Jessie Knipp for helping organize this wonderful event.

Last, but not least congratulations to one of our fellow members, **Mary Bowlus** for winning our fall raffle. A big round of applause goes out to **John Hilbert**, who each year works very hard to sell 200 raffle tickets for this event. The event itself nets our club \$10,000 in proceeds. Thank you to John and all those who bought raffle tickets in support of the event.

Have a great fall and I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at our steak fry and our next dinner meeting at Blue Bayou.

Cheers, Mike



Raffle Winners!

\$5,000	Mary Bowlus
\$2,000	Jared Kassien
\$1,000	Laura Vugrinorich
\$500	Steve Clausen
\$250	Jim Bertagnoli
\$125	Darrell Tschurwald
\$125	Lynn Schroeder
\$125	Paul & Carole Culler
\$125	Ben Reichert
\$125	Sean Latham & Dean Hein
\$125	Nathan Cleaver
\$125	John Hegel
\$125	Romy Godard
\$125	Angela Apostoff
\$125	Matt Koch

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

Let's Build a Lions Fund to Help Wisconsin Families

Every parent dreads hearing the words "your child has cancer." Yet far too many families in Wisconsin have had to deal with this message. Families pursuing cancer treatment can incur high travel costs and ongoing stresses with some cancers taking years of weekly treatments.

Childhood cancer is one of the Lions five global causes, but how do we provide direct help for families having to deal with this life-changing issue?

I'm Lion Dave Lee, your new Childhood Cancer state chair for Wisconsin Lions. While it's tough for a single club to make a difference, if each club in Wisconsin helps a little to create a fund, we will be

able to make a big difference for many families dealing with childhood cancer. September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

We are asking, on behalf of Wisconsin Lions, for every Lions club in Wisconsin to contribute just \$100 or more beginning in September to the Wisconsin Lions Children's Cancer Fund, in care of the Wisconsin Lions State Office in Rosholt. With 100% of clubs participating, we should be able to create a fund of \$50,000 and beyond. Each club helping a little so that together we can help a lot.

Building a Wisconsin Lions childhood cancer fund is one thing but how would it be used to help families?

Please join every Wisconsin Lions club in contributing just \$100 or more beginning in September to:

**The Wisconsin Lions Childhood Cancer Fund
c/o Wisconsin Lions State Office
3834 County Road A
Rosholt, WI 54473**

**Lion Dave Lee
Wisconsin Lions Childhood Cancer State Chair and Past District Governor
drslee@new.rr.com**

And your current team of District Governors and District Childhood Cancer Chairs

Highway Cleanup

August 31 was highway cleanup day for Lions. Nine ambitious Lions met to clean up our Adopt-A-Highway section of US 51. The day was sunny and dry, and trash pickup was light. Everyone chipped a buck into a pot to be won by the most unusual item picked up. One member related how they had found a check for \$8500 one time! This time, however, nothing unusual was found, so the pot was rolled over to the next pick up.



From left to right are Randy Lang, Carolyn Hamilton, Dave Hamilton, Bill Vogel, Tom Giesen, Kevin Brischbach, Dan Lahart, Jon Clausen, Meggie Clausen

OFFICERS

President: M. McKeon (2025) 847-732-7460
1st V.P.: L. Schroeder (2025) 920-621-7366
2nd V.P.: Dave Hanson (2024) 715-904-0517
Secretary: Bill Vogel (2025) 262-227-9652
Treasurer: Larry Voss (2024) 608-201-5297

DIRECTORS

Phil Rose (2025) 715-686-2033
Dan Meier (2025) 715-904-0053
John Hanson (2024) 715-543-8413
Randy Lang (2024) 715-571-4447

APPOINTED COMMITTEE HEADS

Membership: P. Puccinelli 715-904-0951
T. Twister: Dan Meier 715-904-0053
Lion Tamer: Dave Hanson 715-904-0517
Past Pres.: Tim Casey 920-327-0473
Webmaster: M. McKeon 847-732-7460
Bingo: Larry Voss 608-201-5297
Cash Raffle: John Hilbert 715-892-0693
Deer Hide Collection: D. Henske 715-543-2942
Dinner Arrangements:
Hwy Clean-Up: Randy Lang 715-571-4447
Lions' Apparel: Jim Higgin 715-543-8282
Newsletter: Dave Hamilton 262-955-4543
Pancakes: John Hanson 715-543-2438
Pork Chop Dinners: J. Hilbert 715-892-0693
Publicity: Dennis Hill 715-543-2681
& Steve Clausen 608-698-4714
Refreshment Service:
Brock Orwig 715-686-2623
& Don Zickert 715-543-2142
Sportsmen's Night Dan Meier 715-543-2774
& Lynn Schroeder 920-621-7366
Sunshine: Board
Vision Screening: Phil Rose 715-686-2033
Dinner Programs: Dennis Hill 715-543-2681
Education & Scholarships:
Bob Cook 920-660-9327
Flea Market: Phil Rose 715-686-2033
Golf Tournament: John Hanson 715-543-2438



August & September Lions Birthdays

*Dennis Collins
Paul Culler
Thomas Giesen
Joseph Guenther
Jeff Hagemann
David Hanson
Bill Koehler
Michael Kramer
Randy Lang
Richard Pavlov
Phillip Rose
Phillip St. Clair
Homer Sykes
Darrell Tschurwald*



Please support our advertisers. See the last page of the newsletter for their information.



Wealth Management

VKB Wealth Management Group

John Hilbert
Vice President - Financial Advisor

A division of RBC Capital Markets, LLC,
member NYSE/FINRA/SIPC

8613 US Hwy 51N
Minocqua, WI 54548
Direct: 715.858.3104
Office: 715.858.3100
Toll Free: 844.939.3100
Fax: 715.858.3119

john.hilbert@rbc.com
www.rbcwm-usa.com



BEAR COUNTRY BUILDERS INC.

TOM KRAMER
PRESIDENT

5185 HWY. 51 SOUTH
MANITOWISH WATERS, WI 54545

CELL: 715-904-0182
TOLL FREE: 877-LOG-BEAR
TOM@BEARCOUNTRYBUILDERS.COM



(715) 543-8036
5967 County Rd W (PO Box 457)
Manitowish Waters, WI 54545

BRIAN R. FORREST
Vice President

BAUERS ELECTRIC

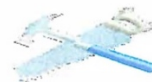
Residential - Commercial - New Construction - Remodels
Generac Generator Sales and Service

BJ Bauers - President
PO Box 344
Manitowish Waters, WI 54545
715-904-0093
bauersselectric@yahoo.com



Authorized Generac Dealer

THE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY



MANITOWISH WATERS, WI 54545
715-604-2021 w5dale@hotmail.com



Lee & Associates INSURANCE



MEMBER

Phone (715) 543-2557
Toll Free (800) 457-2025
Fax (715) 543-2871
Cell (715) 490-3910
steve@insurancegroupwi.com

www.insurancegroupwi.com

51N38 Highway 51 • PO Box 290 • Manitowish Waters, WI 54545



Steven E. Lee

CHUCK'S EXCAVATING

Rock Shorelines ————— Trucking
Basements ————— Sand, Gravel, Top Soil
Septic System Digging ————— Lot Clearing
Road Building ————— Brush Cutting

ChucksMW@gmail.com

715-904-2707 CHUCK KRAMER
5696 Hwy 51 South, Manitowish Waters, WI 54545



Randy Nilsson, CGP
PHIUS Certified Builder™
General Contractor

PO Box 698, Mercer, WI 54547
(715) 476-0122 Office
(715) 776-0122 Cell
info@greatlakescarpentry.com
www.greatlakescarpentry.com

High Performance -
Timber Frame, SIP
and Passive House Design



**The PEA PATCH
MOTEL & SALOON**
The Best Burger by a Dam Site
www.thepeapatch.com

Barry & Lisa Hopkins

Highway W, Box 165,
Manitowish Waters,



WILLIAM DIETZ
Vice President

DIETZ'S SERVICE INC.

Since 1961

P.O. BOX 227 6090 COUNTY RD. W
Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin 54545
(715) 543-2144



LITTLE STAR GARAGE

Actually The Big Star of The North
• Since 1957 •

Phone 715-543-8300
CAR PORT SALES

THE RAYALA FAMILY
P.O. Box 226, 5699 USH 51
Manitowish Waters, WI 54545