

**Token Creek Lions Club General Members Meeting
Town of Burke Hall, September 8, 2011**

Meeting called to order by Lion President Ben August at 6:40 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Introduction of guest: Lion Zone Chairman Al Johnson.

Present: Lions Bryan Addison, Ben August, Joleen August, Gerrie Cooper, Maurice Cooper, Barb Hennings, Pearl Kvlheim, Rollie Manthe, Lynn Manthe, Donna Nelson, Lisa Ostrem, Faith Thomas, Robert Thomas, Nellie Vallarta-Ast, Scott Woody.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Lion Maurice to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2011 general members meeting, seconded by Lion Barb and approved. Secretary Lion Bryan also mentioned the upcoming Wisconsin Lions Camp Open House September 17th. and the Work Day at the Wisconsin Lions Camp on October 22,2011.

Treasurer's Report: No treasure's report was given. Lion Nick was absent.

Lions Correspondence: No Correspondences to report.

New Business:

1. **Approval of 2011/2012 TCLC Budget:** There were not enough members present at the meeting to form a quorum to vote on passing the budget, however Lion President Ben had gotten 6 proxy votes of members not able to attend the meeting. Lion President Ben asked those members present if they would accept the proxy votes. There is nothing in the By-Laws allowing them but also nothing saying we can't allow them either. After some discussion the club allowed the proxy votes to be used. A motion was made by Lion Faith to approve the budget, seconded by Lion Nellie and approved. The members placing the proxy votes were Lions Marie Madigan, Nick Gunderson, Mike Vraniak, Tara Vraniak, Perry Haugen, Gerald Nelson.
2. **Road Side Clean-up Rescheduled:** Lion Joleen reported that the road side clean-up is rescheduled for October 15th. meet at the Paddle Inn at 8:00am. We may go to Gus's Dinner afterward for breakfast if people are interested. A signup sheet was passed around.
3. **Health Fair - October 1st.:** Lion Nellie reported that she has a good response from the vendors she contacted for the health fair and has informed the media of the event for advertising it. A sign-up sheet for helping out was passed around.
4. **10 Year Anniversary Party - Betty Lou Cruise?:** Lion Ben asked the club members if they liked the idea of celebrating the clubs 10th. anniversary by taking a Betty Lou Cruise. Club members were in favor of the idea so Lion Ben will find out all the details for booking the cruise. The date will be in June and will combine the anniversary with our awards night. The cost of the cruise will be \$40.00 /person with the club covering \$20.00 of the cost. A minimum of 20 people are needed with a maximum of 45.
5. **Reschedule of October Meeting:** Lion Ben reported that due to a scheduling conflict the Burke Town Hall won't be available for our October meeting. Lion Ben has reserved the meeting room at the Rodeside Grill (Windsor) for our meeting. Meals can be ordered off the menu.
6. **Membership:**
 - a) March 8th member meeting is invite a friend night. Each club member will be given 2 invitations to hand out to friends /family to join us at our meeting. The program for the evening will be one that tells the invited guests what our club does. Committee members will give a short talk on what we do in and for the community. This is in hopes of gaining new members to our club. Lion President Ben' goal is to increase membership by 10%. That is only 3 new members.

- b) Brochure holders: The club has purchased and can buy more of a plastic brochure holder to place in different locations with information about the TCLC and joining our club. Possible locations are Burke Town Hall, Windsor Town Hall retail stores, and taverns. The cost of the holders is approximately \$2.00 each.
7. Suggestions for future programs : Lion Scott is asking for suggestions of programs to have at the member meetings. He is looking for general interest programs that we will advertise and invite the general public to attend. If you have any suggestions or possible contacts for a particular program E-mail Woody at swoody@facstaff.wisc.edu .
8. Zone Meeting Report:
- a) Tree Planting Initiative. LCI President Wing-Kim Tam has a goal of planting One million trees by Lions Club around the world. Club president Lion Ben would like to see our club plant one tree for every member of our club as part of that effort. Another possible project would be the club purchase trees for a youth organization such as Scouting for planting.
- b) Dues increase. Starting in 2012 Lions International dues are going to increase \$2.00 and Wisconsin dues going up \$1.00. Our club is looking at how much to increase club dues.
- c) Lions Camp Open House September 17th. Club members are encouraged to attend the open house if they haven't been there before or it has been awhile since being there.
- d) Disaster Relief Rep. A person from Lions Club for coordination between local governments/authorities and local Lions Clubs providing assistance during a local disaster relief effort.
- e) Plant a Tree for Lions. Covered under item (a).
- f) WLF annual Report. Lion Ben had a copy of the report and was/is available for you to look at.
- g) Special Bumble Bee Recognition. District Governor Neil Winchell wants clubs to present a Bumble Bee Award to those individuals that go above and beyond what is expected for service to Lions Club. Lions Bryan and Faith were given the award for their efforts with the Town of Burke Picnic.

Old Business:

1. Diabetes Door Hangers: Lion Barb reported that the diabetes awareness door hangers project in the Token Creek neighborhoods was completed.
2. Town of Burke Picnic: The picnic went smoothly with plenty of volunteers and was well attended by the Town of Burke residents. One or two complaints about the smoke from the corn boiling and grill being too close to the shelter were received. Next year the corn will be cooked using propane so that will help some. The club wants to thank T'Keyah Reynolds for running the bouncy tent again this year. T'Keyah asked for and received a letter of recommendation for a job from the TCLC.
3. Lions Camp for Kids Raffle Tickets: The club purchased the remaining eight tickets and the money and ticket stubs were sent up to the camp.
4. Sunshine Supper - reimbursement request: For those that had expenses for the Sunshine Supper and are not looking for reimbursement the club still needs to know what those expenses are so the club can set a budget for a future meal. Please report those expenses to Treasure Nick.

Miscellaneous:

1. Cookie Fest: Lion Faith said there are two possible dates for the cookie fest. Saturday December 3rd. during DeForest Winter Fest or Tuesday December 13th at Parkside Village in DeForest.
2. DeForest Lions Coolie Dough Sale: Lion Rollie had a order form for cookie dough passed around.

3. **Zone Chairman:** DeForest Lion Al Johnson reported on the August 16, 2011 Zone Meeting.

Tail Twister: Wear your Badger Red. Lions Scott, Bob, and Faith were fined 25 cents each for not wearing red. A motion was made by Lion Dona to fine Tail Twister Lion Joleen a \$1.00 for not wearing red, seconded by Lion Barb and passed. One no vote was cast by Lion Ben because he had to pay the fine for Lion Joleen. No other Tail Twister activity occurred.

Upcoming Token Creek Club Activities:

1. September 23rd. Board of Directors meeting - At the Fire Station, 4011 Morgan Way.
2. October 1st. - Health Fair.
3. October 13th. - General Members Meeting.
4. October 15th. - Road Side Clean-Up.
5. December 21st. - Blood Drive Cookies.
6. March 8th. - Invite a Friend to our meeting.

Upcoming Local, District, State, International Events/Announcements:

1. September 17th. Wisconsin Lions Camp Open House, Rosholt, WI.
2. September 18th. 20th. Anniversary of Madison Evening Lions Club - Coliseum Bar Madison.
3. October 1st. Verona Lions Golf Challenge.
4. October 17th. Zone Meeting - Rex's Inn Keeper - Waunakee.
5. October 22nd. Work Day at the Wisconsin Lions Camp, Rosholt, WI.
6. October 23rd. Cuba City Lioness 25th. Charter Anniversary.

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Lion Dona seconded by Lion Barb, and approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.