



The Communicator

McFarland Lions
Newsletter

January 2012

Calendar of Events

January 1	New Years Day
January 3	McFarland Lions Meeting, Green Lantern, 6:30pm
January 13	Melvin Jones' Birthday
January 13-15	Lions State Curing Bonspiel, McFarland
January 14	Madison Monona Lioness Meat Raffle
January 16	Martin Luther King Jr Day
January 21	Marshall Lions Fisheree & Hunt
January 21-22	District Bowling, Dodgeville
January 28	Vision Screening Training, Waunakee
January 30	Zone Meeting, Mulligans, Oregon 6pm
February 2	Ground Hog Day
February 5	Edgerton Lions Super Pancake Breakfast
February 7	McFarland Lions Meeting, Green Lantern, 6:30pm
February 11	Cycle For Sight, UW Campus locations, 10am
March 9-10	District Convention, Middleton Marriott



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January is Glaucoma Awareness Month

Speaker for Jan 3rd Meeting

Steve Hoefft, McFarland Public Works, will be the speaker at the January 3rd meeting. Steve will talk about ash bore problem and what village needs to do in order to replace about 400 trees. He will discuss what kind of trees are planned and also how the club can help. This will hopefully give our club some ideas and direction in the Lions tree planting initiative. Lion Diane Venden, 27D1 Environmental Chair will also be attending and will be available for questions.

Lions Red Shirts

During our Dec. 6th meeting, we passed around a sign-up sheet for new red polo sport shirts and new red sweatshirts. This sheet will be passed around again at our Jan. 3rd, 2012 meeting for those that missed signing up. Polo shirts cost is approx. \$23.00 and sweatshirts are approx. \$21.00. No money is required until the shirts arrive. If you can't make the meeting and would be interested in purchasing either or both, contact Lion Bob Hargraves at 838-8807 by Jan. 15th

District 27D1 Bowling Tournament

January 21-22, 2012

Dodger Bowl, Dodgeville



There will be a sign-up sheet at the January meeting or contact Bruce Voight to sign-up. It will be an 8-Pin tap Handicap Tournament open to any Lion, who wants to bowl. Come out and join in this fun event!

Children's Vision Screening Training

Sat, January 28, 2012, 9:15am – 11:30am

Waunakee Village Center, 333 S. Madison St, Waunakee

This will be a training sessions on the new PlusoptiX digital vision screening equipment. This is the same camera that we purchased with several clubs and trained on in Stoughton in July. If you did not make that training and want to learn to use our camera, this is a good training to attend.

Eyeglass Collection

Please empty your eyeglass containers and bring the glasses to the January meeting or drop them off at Lions Dick;s house

To include an announcement or article in the next newsletter, please contact Bruce Voight by the 20th of the month.

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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

McFarland Lions Club, McFarland Wisconsin

The McFarland Lions Club held a regular board meeting at the Green Lantern Restaurant on December 6, 2011. President Matt Larson called the meeting to order at 8:15 pm with the following board members in attendance:

Tim Benishek	Ernie Thieding	Bruce Voight
Jim Klubertanz	Dick Schwedrsky	Larry Chatman
Bob Hargraves	Al Wheeler	Dan Mitchell
Phil Wildt		

There were also 18 non-voting Club members present.

Minutes of Board Meeting

A motion was made by Lion Al Wheeler to donate \$50.00 to the Cycle for Sight Ride to be held on February 11, 2013, seconded by Lion Larry Chatman, and carried unanimously.

There being no further business brought before the board, Lion Ernie Thieding made a motion to adjourn at 8:17 pm, seconded by Lion Al Wheeler, and carried unanimously.

Dick Schwedrsky

Secretary McFarland Lions Club

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

McFarland Lions Club, McFarland, Wisconsin

The McFarland Lions Club held its regular club meeting at the Green Lantern Restaurant on December 6, 2011. Lion President Matt Larson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with 30 members and 1 guest in attendance.

Minutes of Club Meeting

Guest speaker was PDG Rick Daluge, Community Relations Specialist with the Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin.

Lion Ernie Thieding made a motion to approve the secretary's minutes, seconded by Lion Larry Chatman and carried unanimously.

Lion Gordon Kinder made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Lion Al Wheeler, and carried unanimously. The report will be filed for audit.

Old Business

Lion Al Wheeler reported that the 2012 calendars have been in and almost all members have received them, he has contacted members who have not picked up their calendars.

Lion Larry Chatman reported that the Lions and Lioness clubs filled all but three shifts during the week of December 10-17 for the Salvation Army Ring the Bells.

The McFarland Food Pantry has asked if they could use the Lions recent donation for Christmas baskets rather than for Thanksgiving turkeys as they had enough donations from the Lioness Club and other sources. Everyone agreed that they

should use the funds as they feel is best.

New Business

Lion Matt Larson presented a request for donations he received from Cycle for Sight being held on February 11, 2013. This was forwarded to the Board.

The club was reminded that in January the club would start putting together a slate for the election of club officers for the 2012-2013 year.

District Convention will be at the Marriott in Middleton on March 9th and 10th 2013. Lion Dick Schwedrsky asked that all members should try to attend as the sight for the convention is so close. The club will pick up the registration fees and meal.

District Bowling will be January 21 & 22 at Dodge Bowl in Dodgeville. Lion Bruce Voight will work on getting some members to bowl.

The District is looking for a host for District Bowling in 2013. After some discussion it was decided that we would bid for the 2013 District Bowling. Lion Dick Schwedrsky will send a letter to DG Neil Winchell with the request to be put on the ballot for the 2013 District Bowling.

Lion Dick Schwedrsky presented new Lions member Tim Kalamarz with his membership packet and pin. His sponsor was Lion Bruce Voight.

Correspondence

Thank you notes from: McFarland Food Pantry, Sharing Resources Worldwide, 3 Gaits, and the The Wisconsin Lions Foundation for Dick Nelson.

Upcoming Events

Christmas 12/25

New Years 1/1/12

District Cabinet Meeting 1/22/12

Zone Meeting 1/30/12

Awards.

The Club was presented a patch for the club banner for donating to WLF last year.

President Matt Larson was also presented a pin for the donation to WLF.

Announcements

Next meeting – Tuesday January 3, 2012 at the Green Lantern 6:30 p.m.

Beverage Winner – Lion Jeff Bauer

Money Winner – Lion Ernie Thieding

Adjourned at 8:15 p.m. on a motion by Lion Al Wheeler, seconded by Lion Jim Klubertanz and carried unanimously.

Dick Schwedrsky

Secretary McFarland Lions Club

TREASURER'S REPORT

Monthly Income & Expenses 11/28/11-12/26/11

Activities Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 2451.26
Income	
Gazebo Brick Income	30.00
Calendar Income	535.00
Expenses	
McFarland Food Pantry(Xmas Baskets)	500.00
Gazebo Bricks	36.00
Cycle for Sight	50.00
Ending Balance	\$ 2430.26

Administrative Account

Beginning Balance	\$ 12979.79
Income	
50/50 Raffle Income	30.00
Meals Income	220.00
Tail Twister	27.00
Expenses	
Convention Advertising	50.00
Meeting Meals	238.00
LCI - International Dues	63.34
Ending Balance	\$ 12905.45

Treasurer, *Lion Bruce Voight*

January Birthdays

Jan 4 - Steve Tumilty	Jan 6 - Bob Mecum
Jan 9 - Harold Hanson	Jan 20 - Roger Richards
Jan 20 - Don Zimmerman	Jan 23 - Bob Walgenbach
Jan 24 - Mike Fay	Jan 24 - Dennis Gullickson
Jan 25 - Brad Czebotar	Jan 27 - Dan Mitchell

Happy Birthday!

Edgerton Lions

Super Pancake Breakfast

Sun, February 5, 2012, 7am – 12pm

Tri County Community Center, Edgerton

The Edgerton Lions will be holding the annual super pancake breakfast on February 5, 2012 7am-noon at The Tri County Community Center in Edgerton.

Celebrating Service

Elderly Transport, Luke House, Etc	
George Fuller	8 hours
McFarland Public Library	
Sharon Payne	30 hours
Second Harvest Food Bank	
Mac McCormick	20 hours
McFarland Food Pantry	
Don Zimmerman	12 hours
Holly Basford	10 hours
Four Lakes Bocce Assoc	
Chuck Basford	20 hours
Eye Tissue Transport 11/21/11	
Jeff Schraml	2 hours
McFarland Historical Museum, Maintenance	
Tim Mitchell	5 hours
McFarland Food Pantry(Tail Twister)	\$17.00
Cycle for Sight	\$50.00
McFarland Food Pantry(Christmas Baskets)	\$500.00

Thank You, Lions!



Welcome, Lion Tim

New Lion Tim Kalamarz was inducted at the December 6th meeting. Lion Secretary Dick Schwedersky did the installation, Lion Bruce Voight is Tim's sponsor.

Cycle for Sight

Sat, February 11, 2012, 10am – 2pm

SERF, 715 W Dayton St, Madison and

Natorium, 200 Observatory Dr., Madison

Help raise funds for research against blindness by participating in the 2012 Cycle for Sight indoor cycling event.

See http://www.cycleforsight.wisc.edu/cycle_details.html



Thank you to all the Lions & Lioness who helped by ringing bells for the Salvation Army during the 2012 Holiday Red Kettle Campaign