



# The Communicator

McFarland Lions  
Newsletter

September 2009

## Calendar of Events

### SEPTEMBER IS EYE TRANSPORT MONTH

August 29	McFarland Education Foundations Golf Outing
September 1-30	Eye Tissue Transport Month for McFarland Lions
September 1	McFarland Lions Meeting, Green Lantern, 6:30PM
September 7	Labor Day
September 19	3rd Annual Pardeeville Lions Golf Outing, Portage CC
September 19	Wisconsin Lions Camp Open House, Rosholt
September 22	Fall Begins
September 24-26	USA Canada Forum, Memphis, TN
October 2-4	McFarland Family Festival, 25th Anniversary
October 3	Cottage Grove Lions 35yr Celebration
October 6	McFarland Lions Meeting, Green Lantern, 6:30PM



## Lions Meeting

The first meeting for the new Lions year will be  
Tuesday, September 1, 2009 at the Green Lantern

Social at 6 PM

Dinner at 6:30 PM

Program and Meeting at 7PM

Let's have a great turnout and get President  
Bryan's 2nd year off to a great start!!

## 2009-2010 Budget

A copy of the 2009-2010 Budget for the  
McFarland Lions Club is attached. Please review  
it and bring any questions or concerns to the  
Sept 1st meeting. The Budget will be presented  
for the approval of the membership at that  
meeting.

## McFarland Education Foundation 1st Annual Golf Outing

Saturday August 29, 2009 - 9am Shotgun Start  
Stoughton Country Club  
For Information Call Craig Howery 838-9043

## Eye Transport Month

September is Eye Transport Month for the  
McFarland Lions Club

### Transporters

Tim Benishek, Ken Brost, Larry Chatman, Paul Fankhauser,  
John Handley, Stu Hardtke, Jim Howery, Matt Larson, Mac  
McCormick, Tim Mitchell, Dan Mitchell, Ed Proctor, Rob Sherman,  
Jim Sporer, Bruce Voight, Al Wheeler

Chuck Basford, Dispatcher

Please make sure your contact information is correct!

If incorrect or you will not be available during

September, please contact

Lion Chuck Basford [chuck@abcon.com](mailto:chuck@abcon.com) or

577-8688

Thank You Lions  
for Delivering the Gift of Sight

## Pardeeville Lions Club

### 3rd Annual Golf Outing

Saturday September 19, 2009 - 1pm Scramble

Dinner, Raffle, Awards - 5:30pm

Portage Country Club Golf & Dinner \$50

To Register Call Lion Tom Neuman 608 429-3532

or Email at [tomn@spiweb.com](mailto:tomn@spiweb.com)

If you would like to include an announcement or article in the next  
newsletter, please contact Bruce Voight by the 20th of the month.

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## Celebrating Service

July 10, 2009 - Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army Lion Dick Schwedrsky & Lioness Cinda Schwedrsky Lion Roger Richards and Lioness Sue Richards Lions Larry Chatman and Stu Hardtke	
July 6, 2009 - International Lions Convention Lions Al Wheeler, Mac McCormick & Gordy Brandt	
July 8, 2009 – Volunteered for Homeless at Church Matt Larson	8 Hours
July 2009 – Elderly Transport, Hospice George Fuller	8 Hours
July 2009 - Luke House Jim Klubertanz	12 Hours
July 2009 – Bethel Lutheran Church Food Pantry Mary Lytle	4 Hours
July 2009 - Second Harvest Food Bank Mac McCormick	20 Hours
July 2009 – McFarland Food Pantry Dick Nelson	30 Hours
August 11, 2009 – District Governors Golf Outing Al Wheeler, Harold Hanson, Dick Schwedrsky, Bruce Voight	
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August 2009 - Luke House Jim Klubertanz	12 Hours
August 2009 – Bethel Lutheran Church Food Pantry Mary Lytle	4 Hours
August 2009 - Second Harvest Food Bank Mac McCormick	20 Hours
August 2009 – McFarland Food Pantry Dick Nelson	30 Hours
August 2009 – Eyeglasses Collected	142 Pair
Hearing Aids Collected	4 Units

Thank You Lions!

## World War II Author To Discuss

### 32nd Division

### at Library on October 27th

On October 27 at 7:00PM, James Campbell will discuss his book, The Ghost Mountain Boys, at the E.D. Locke Library.

Campbell's book details this heroic World War II story of the 32nd ("Red Arrow") Division's battle to capture a strategic stronghold from the Japanese in New Guinea. The Red Arrow Division, sent into New Guinea in 1942, was composed of National Guardsmen from Wisconsin and Michigan, reserve officers, and draftees. Not only were these soldiers sent on this dangerous mission lacking in jungle battle training, they were poorly equipped. Among other things, they were sent into the jungle without machetes or waterproof containers for their supplies and medicines, and even without insect repellents.

By the war's end the Division had been in combat for 654 days. Of the nearly 11,000 combat troops, there were 9,688 casualties. But the heroism and determination of these soldiers was recognized when General Yamashita surrendered to the Division on September 2, 1945.

In its review of The Ghost Mountain Boys, WWII magazine said, "Campbell started out with history, but in the end he has written a tale of survival and courage of near-mythic proportions."

The program is sponsored by the Friends of the McFarland Library with financial support from the Alliant Energy Foundation.

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**The State/District Lions Directory is  
Now Available on the Web**

View or Print the District Listing at  
[Md27directory.org](http://Md27directory.org)

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**27-D1 District Governor**

**Rick Daluge**

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### **A Message from District Governor Rick Daluge**

Lion Peggy and I recently returned from the International Convention in Minneapolis, MN. The Convention helped us once again really appreciate the International nature of our Association, something we too often forget as local Lions club members in Wisconsin. We can certainly be proud of the things our International Lions Association and Foundation have accomplished and where we are heading in the future. Take a moment to read about the Convention coverage in a future Lion magazine.

About the time you read this, our district will have had our first Cabinet meeting of the year. Your district cabinet is composed of committee chairs that help facilitate the many projects and programs of our district such as Youth Exchange, Children' Vision Screening, Diabetes Awareness, Leo, Peace Poster, Environmental and several others. Your district officers including Zone chairs, vice governors, and past district governors are also members of the cabinet. This year we have over ten new Lions who have joined the Cabinet to work for you, the members of district 27 D1. In August many of the Lions in leadership positions in our clubs will be attending "zone meetings" which are held in local areas. The fourteen zones hold meetings that are scheduled three times a year after Cabinet meetings and these are the primary way that our club officers learn about new programs, initiatives, and issues impacting our Lions clubs. Any Lions member is welcome to attend a Zone meeting, but all presidents, secretaries, and membership chairs are expected to attend. Zone meetings are also great ways to learn about our neighboring clubs, their successes, challenges, and how we might collaborate with one another as a zone on projects, fundraisers, and public relations. If you have never attended a zone meeting, give it a try and remember that as Lions to Keep a Good Thing Growing!

Courtesy of the MD-27D1 Website

## **2009-2010 District 27-D1 Goals**

### **Membership**

Lions Clubs have a net increase of two Lion members per club  
(55 clubs x 2 new members = 110 new Lions)  
Leos Clubs have a net increase of two Leo members per club  
( 9 clubs x 2 new members = 18 new Leos)

### **Extension**

Establish 1 new campus club (branch or stand alone)  
Add 2-3 new branch Lions Clubs and 1 new club  
Add 2 new Leo clubs in the District

### **Retention**

Each Club to retain 92% of the members they have as of  
July 1 2009 until June 30, 2010

### **Leadership – All Lions Clubs & Leos Clubs where appropriate**

Create a strategic plan – analyzing strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats  
Develop goals that will help Grow Membership, Grow Projects and Grow Leadership  
Send new officers to 27-D1 officer training  
Have delegates and the District Convention  
Contribute to the Wisconsin Lions Foundation  
All Presidents, Secretaries and Membership Chairs attend Zone Meetings  
Have a committee structure in place by July 1, 2009  
Increase 27-D1 attendance at the State Convention by 10% (68 Lions)  
Have 2-3 newer Lions attend the Emerging Lions Institute and 1 Lion attend the Senior Lions Leadership Institute  
Have strong Zone and 2nd VDG Candidates

### **Orientation**

All Lions clubs conduct new member orientation at least annually and/or consider having new member orientation at a Zone Meeting  
All Lions clubs assign new members to a committee

### **Women in Lions**

Recruit couples into Lions when possible  
Add one new woman member per club



## September Birthdays

September 5 Jeff Engelkes

September 28 Al Wheeler

September 30 Eric Kinnaird

# Happy Birthday

## McFarland Family Festival

25th Anniversary October 2-4, 2009

Festival will be held at the High School

## Lions Camp Open House

Saturday, September 19th

Guided Tours 10am - 2pm

Chicken Dinner 11am - 2pm

Adults \$9 Children Under 13 \$5.00

Special Program 2pm

For reservations or more information please call

(877) 463.6953

Deadline to Register for Dinner is August 31st

## Lions Camp Fall Work Day

Saturday, October 24, 2008

COME AND HELP GET YOUR CAMP

READY FOR WINTER

**\*\*A variety of jobs for everyone\*\***

Enjoy work, camaraderie, refreshments, food & fun!

Please contact Dale Schroeder, our Facility Manager,

toll-free at 1-877-463-6953

or email [dschroeder@wlf.info](mailto:dschroeder@wlf.info) with any questions

## Congratulations

### Cottage Grove Lions

35 Years of Service

Saturday October 3, 2009

6PM Social 7PM Dinner & Program at Nora's, Deerfield

Speaker - PID Wayne Heiman

\$20 per person

Reservations by Sept 18 Please

Contact PDG Jim Guy Jr 608 839-5533

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McFarland Lions Club

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Touching,  
Improving,  
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