

THE SQUEAL

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

4/06/10

It was nice to see everyone who attended our 85th Annual Installation of Officers Dinner on Saturday March 27th. It was a great evening and as always I was reminded of the hard work and dedication that the Webster Groves Lions Club puts forth.

If you missed it, PDG Lion Eugene Taylor made us aware of our unique membership growth pattern over the last decade. Our club over the last 10 years has welcomed 44 new members. What this means is that our club has a huge population of members who are relatively new, myself included.

Lion Eugene Taylor reminded us at the dinner that many new members of our club may not know about and have not experienced some of the projects in our past that have been successful and/or unsuccessful. I would ask those "experienced" members who have helped shape this club over the years, to encourage new projects and be supportive of an old idea that receives new life.

With the spring season upon us, and many of our yearly projects planned, there are many ways to volunteer and help our club succeed. You will find these as you read further into the squeal. I am excited for this new Lions

year, and can't wait to stand beside you all as "We Serve".

Webster Groves Lions
President Lion Ryan

Awards from the Installation Banquet

Lions of the Year for this past year
Honors go to

Lion Larry Schumaier
Lion Randy Johnson

Outstanding Lions

Lion Vicky Swederska
Lion Scott Young
Lion Teddi Speeler

60 years of Service

Lion Bud Halteman

Melvin Jones Fellows

Lion Randy Johnson
Lion Greg Hanser

30 years Perfect Attendance

Lion Leo Christ

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Got News, Tips or Picture's

Call or email them to

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Board of Directors

President-Ryan Whittington
Past Pres-Mike Swederska
1st Vise-Larry Schumaier
2nd Vise-Scott Young
3rd Vise-Tim Rabbitt
Secretary- Teddi Speeler
Treasurer-Vicki Swederska
Tail Twister-Becky Speeler
Lion Tamer-Fred Yoder

Directors:

Pat Rabbitt, Marshall Yost,
Dennis Ureche, Dick Nahm

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Teddi Speeler 314-724-3721 or at tspeeler@aol.com

Upcoming Meetings

April 22nd General Meeting @The Barn 6:30pm

May 6th Board Meeting @ Senior Home Care Office 432 Marshall Ave. 6:30pm

May 13th General Meeting @ The Barn 6:30pm

May 27th General Meeting @ The Barn 6:30pm

Bowling Report

Final week of bowling standings, and the winner is!

1. Meramec North
2. Webster 1
3. Hampton
4. Webster 2
5. Webster 3
6. Southside Red
7. Southside Blue
8. Vacancy

Well our last week sweepstakes next Monday. What a fun year it has been.

Just a reminder

Hey Lions don't forget about our Matching Funds Program it is a great way to give double to you favorite charity. Just bring

a check made payable to the charity with a stamped and addressed envelope. Give to the President for board approval the amount not to exceed \$500.00 per a specific charity.

Since we are starting a new year I thought I would refresh things.

GUIDLEINES FOR PERFECT ATTENDANCE

TO RECEIVE YOUR PERFECT ATTENDANCE PIN AT THE END OF THE CALENDAR YEAR YOU MUST ATTEND ALL 26 MEETINGS.

IF FOR SOME REASON YOU MISS A MEETING YOU CAN MAKE THAT UP BY EITHER WORKING AT A BBQ OR ATTENDING A BOARD MEETING WITHIN A TWO WEEK TIME PERIOD. YOU CAN ALSO VISIT ANOTHER CLUB, ZONE MEETING, OR DISTRICT MEETING.

IF YOU ARE NOT ACTIVE IN A SPECIFIC 2 WEEK TIME FRAME, YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE A PERFECT ATTENDANCE AWARD PIN. UNLESS YOU ARE IN THE HOSPITAL. FINAL DECISIONS ON ANY DISCREPANCYS WILL BE MADE BY #1 THE PRESIDENT OR #2 THE SECRETARY.

Webster Groves Lions Used Eyeglasses Locations

- Schnucks in Webster Groves
- Webster Eyecare in Old Orchard
- Webster Rec Plex
- Webster Groves Public Library
- Gerber Chapel

Shur-Way Auto Body
Porters Chicken
And you can always bring them to a meeting as well.

April 23-29 is National Volunteer Week

So to Honor all of our hard working volunteers I say Thank you for what you do.

Volunteers inspire by example!

VOLUNTEER

V is for the vigor you bring
O is for the opportunity to know you
L is for your life you share
U is for the unconditional love you have
N is for the nurturing you give
T is for the time you don't have
E is for the excitement you bring
E is for the energy you have
R is the reason you're a volunteer

Delta Gamma Lions Dinner was an awesome night. There were Lions there from several different clubs including Gov. Marvin and his cabinet. We got to see some of the children perform. They sang, danced, played musical instruments and acted in a play. It was truly uplifting to see that the children don't let their disabilities stop them. We also got to view the Lions Light room that was really cool. If you ever get the chance to go there you should it is a remarkable place.



Our April BBQ was fabulous!!!! So much so we ran out of food. Not one day but both days. Great weather and great food once again go hand and hand together. Thanks to those who worked.

Our Motto "We Serve"

Upcoming Events

May 1st Baseball opening Day Hot Dog giveaway 10:00am Lions Field

May 14-15th BBQ in front of Sappington Farmers Market

May 22nd Gateway Grizzlies Game See Teddi Speeler if you want to go the more that go the bigger discount we can get.

Any question ask a Board Member

Remember Lions we are trying to **GO GREEN!!!!**

St Louis County Hazardous Waste Collection

Free drop-off points for hazardous waste will be provided for St Louis County residents only. Proof of residency will be required.

Drop off points are:

Saturday, April 24th - South County Center (formerly Westfield Shopping Town - South County)

Saturday May 8th - St Louis Community College - Florissant Valley Campus

Saturday May 15th - Parkway Central High School

Unacceptable items are: explosives,

ammunition, radioactive waste, smoke detectors, medical waste, household trash, tires, electronics, bulky items.

For more information go to www.RecycleStLouis.com "

Live well, Laugh often, Love much One of my favorite sayings

Lions Night At The Races

Place: Fairmont Park

When: June 19th, 2010

Time: Bus will leave at 6:00pm from the Hixson Jr. High School parking lot.

What is included in price: bus ride, drinks on the bus, dinner in the Black Stallion Room, program, a lot of fun and fellowship, and a ride back to your car. The \$30.00 is not set in stone but should be close.

Any question or if you want to sign up to go see Teddi Speeler.

Webster Groves Lions Website

All Lions

The new revised website is now online.

Website URL -- <http://webstergroveslions.tripod.com>

Lion Fred

Thank you Lion Fred for all your hard work on this.

The July 4th Community Days is fast approaching and your Carnival Chairs will be looking for your help. We are looking forward to a great Carnival this year the theme being "In the Arts". Lion Becky will need walkers to pull wagons to hand out water to the crowd. We have big plans for the parade. We will have

Jean the Lion again this year riding in the parade.

From The Tail Twister

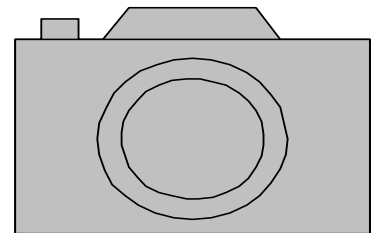
For the month of May be sure to read your history of the Webster Groves Lions and check out the tail twister page on the website by ready to answer the questions asked or you will pay a fine.

As always be sure to wear your Lions gear a shirt, hat, name tag will do. Lion Becky Speeler

Okay Lions it time for our Photo contest. I know you all have camera's let put them to good use. The purpose of this photo contest is to showcase the beauty of nature and that Lions are committed to protecting the environment.

Here are the five categories:

- *Animal life
 - *Plant Life
 - *Urban Or Natural landscape
 - *Weather Phenomemon
- all of the above should not have people in the photo.
- *Lions Move to Grow Green-photos of Lions performing an environment project.
- Good Luck and good snapping.
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April 2010

April 22nd will be our first new member orientation this year. Please feel free to stay after the meeting is over for a brief orientation. Lead by Lion President Ryan Whittington.

Also starting in May we will be starting a noon time meeting on a trial basis. The meeting will be held at The Edge Restaurant if you need directions see Lion Ryan.

I don't know if you read your Missouri Lions Bulletin in the April edition there was an article about Recruiting on the Road you use your glove box to keep an enrollment kit so you will always be ready if someone asks you "How do I become a Lion." You should keep a membership application, a brochure about us, you could go as far as to keep our By-Laws

& Constitution too.

Joke of the Month

Cash for Cluckers, If my body were a car

If my body were a car, this is the time I would be thinking about trading it in for a newer model. I've got bumps and dents and scratches in my finish, and my paint job is getting a little dull. But that's not the worst of it.

My headlights are out of focus, and it's especially hard to see things up close.

My traction is not as graceful as it once was. I slip and slide and skid and bump into things even in the best of weather.

My whitewalls are stained with varicose veins. It takes me hours to reach my maximum speed. My fuel rate burns inefficiently.

But here's the worst of it...

Almost every time I sneeze, cough or laugh, either my radiator leaks or my exhaust backfires.

Cash for Clunkers..... I qualify How about you?

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