



# *Eden Prairie Lioness Newsletter*

## *June 2010*

### *Nancy's News*

“The secret to a rich life is to have more beginnings than endings.” Dave Weinbaum

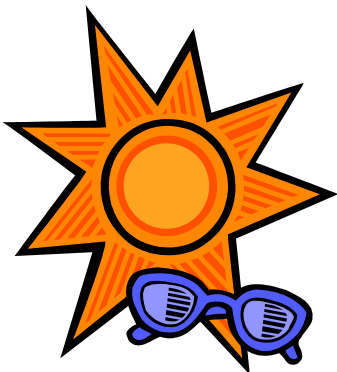
With this thought in mind I reflect on the previous year and look forward to new beginnings for the Eden Prairie Lioness. Thank you so much for allowing me to lead our club throughout the past year. Thank you for granting patience as I learned . . . thank you for sharing thoughts and expertise . . . thank you for your willingness to try a few new things . . . thank you for always stepping up when help was needed! If space allowed, I would thank each of you individually for everything you have done throughout the year. It is because of you that we have a fantastic club that is the envy of many! It was my privilege and honor to be president throughout the 2009-10 year.

Our new beginning starts on July 1<sup>st</sup> with a new slate of officers and board members. Peggy Muller will be a great leader. Please extend your full support to her.

We will have a joint meeting between the current board members and new board members on Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at PROP's new building, located at 14700 Martin Drive in Eden Prairie. Martin Drive is located just north of Hwy 5 off of Mitchell Road. Turn west from Mitchell at the stop light near Buca and the BP Amoco station. As you already know, the Eden Prairie Lioness has supported PROP for many years. This will be a great opportunity to see PROP's new facility. We thank them in advance for their hospitality. Current board members should bring information and helpful tips to pass along to the new board members.

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### *Mark your calendars for our summer events*



We need full participation from all able bodies in order to make these events successful. If you have not yet signed up, please call the contact people below.

**Schooner Days:** June 4 – June 6 (Lonnie Anderson/Darla Nemeč)

**Relay for Life:** Friday, July 16 (Sharon Hamel)

**Garden Tour:** Sunday, July 18 (Shirley Truempi/Jill Scholtz)

**Corn Feed:** Saturday, August 7 (Jo Van Remortel)

**Ice Cream Social – TBD**

**Family Picnic with the Lions at Staring Lake Park:** Monday, June 21 (Meal count taken by Dean Schmandke: [deanschmandke@earthlink.net](mailto:deanschmandke@earthlink.net) or 952-934-2954)

# *Congratulations!* to our award winners

For those of you who were unable to attend our annual meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup>, we are pleased to announce the winners of our annual awards.

**Melvin Jones Award: Shirley Truempi**

*presented by Jo Van Remortel*

The Melvin Jones Award honors a member who has consistently demonstrated over time a strong dedication and commitment to the EP Lioness Club and has exemplified the Club's motto of "we serve." Shirley could not attend the meeting but sincerely thanks the Club for this honor. Congrats to a very deserving Lioness who has served our club for many years!

**Helen Keller Awards: Kate Friederichs and Julie Schmandke**

*presented by June Gilbert*

A Helen Keller Award honors a member who consistently is willing to go "over and above" in their service to the EP Lioness and community. Both Kate and Julie worked tirelessly for the club throughout the year. We are pleased to honor your efforts with this award. Congrats to you both!

**Hearing Foundation Award: Darla Nemec**

*presented by Ramona Schneider*

The Hearing Foundation Award honors a Lioness who is always ready to serve either when asked or volunteers but may not get other recognition for their contributions. Anyone who has ever worked with Darla knows how deserving she is of this award. Darla could not attend the meeting but sincerely thanks the Club for this award. Congrats Darla!

The Club also voted on Lioness of the Year. Thank you to the LACE committee (Lou McCoy, Charlotte Bruening, Carol Swanson, and Vernetta Fox) for sorting through loads of LACE certificates to present a ballot for our consideration. Those who were unable to attend the meeting will be sent a ballot in the mail.

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## **Remember: Slumber Party at Gloria's**

Gloria Gran is hosting an Eden Prairie Lioness Slumber Party at her home in Kimball, Minnesota beginning on the morning of July 23<sup>rd</sup> to the afternoon of July 24<sup>th</sup>. Call Gloria for details.

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## **Thank you from Friendship Ventures**

84% of the club membership voted positive on providing emergency financial support (\$500) for a golf cart to be used at Camp Eden Wood. A heartfelt thank you was received from Lion Jennifer Engen, Development Manager:

*"Thank you for your kind contribution to Friendship Ventures. Your gift will enhance lives by helping disabled individuals achieve a higher level of self worth, independence and participation in their communities. It will also provide essential respite care services for deserving families who need relief from the day-to-day challenges required in caring for their children."*



## **June Birthdays**

June 6

Marie Wittenberg

June 19

Jan Hron

June 9

Judy Thurk

June 21

Karla Wennerstrom

June 12

Tish Bergan, June Gilbert

June 22

Nancy Autio

June 14

Katie Franson

June 30

Ramona Schneider