



Eden Prairie Lioness Newsletter

January, 2011

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Peggy's News

We Lioness have had an amazing month of December filled with good works and fun as well. A snowy day greeted the Salvation Army bell ringers on December 4th. Undaunted by the snowy conditions, a very dedicated group of Lioness rang bells from 11:00am to 8:00 pm. The kettle total raised by the Lioness was \$1,145.55! Thank you to Jean Myers for all your hard work making the day so successful. Thank you to Mike and Karen Gust for a great party after for the bell ringers.

The Lioness also had the opportunity to wrap holiday gifts at Barnes & Noble at Eden Prairie Center and at Galleria in Edina. A total of 18 hours were spent wrapping gifts by Lioness. The total raised was \$350.68 with Anne Hennessy, Jaimee Costello and Arian Scott having the largest total of \$142.00 on the 23rd. Thanks to June Gilbert and Jan Hron for doing another great job of organizing the timetable and thanks to all of you who volunteered.

There are few words to describe the snow storm of December 11th, the evening scheduled for the Lion/Lioness Christmas party! We checked with Linda unflappable as ever and she said her crew could come on Monday to serve for the party. We had 96 people attend on Monday, almost 100% of those signed up. The food was to die for (we can never thank Linda enough), the music was entertaining, the silent auction was lively and Lonnie had assembled a number of great door prizes. Thanks to each of you who attended the party and joined in on the fun. It was a great evening for Lions and Lioness to join together and celebrate the holiday season. Thanks to the Lioness who helped to decorate and plan the party. They were Lonnie Anderson, Princess Norman, Kate Friederichs, Dee Iesh, Sharon Hamel, Mickey Reynolds and Mary Kay Harrington.

The General Meeting on Jan 6th

Cindy Eddy from the Prop Shop and Anne Harnack from Prop will be our guest speakers for the January meeting. They are both executive directors who will explain how they are different and their unique relationship to each other as well as their history and future goals. Currently Prop Shop is having a bedding drive. **If you have gently used bedding you would like to donate you may bring it to the January meeting or drop it off at the PROP Shop.**

Who is on the No-Name Committee?

Actually all Lioness are on the No-Name Committee. Lonnie Anderson is chairman (our creative genius). After meeting at Lonnie's house many times it was decided we needed a name thus the No-Name Committee name was adopted. We meet to help with creative craft projects for upcoming events such as the Christmas Party, the 5M5 Convention, the Pancake Breakfast, the Art and Craft Fair, Norske Torske Holiday Party, Spring Party and Schooner Days. Thankfully there are tasks for those of us who have two left thumbs. Lonnie graciously opens her home to everyone who can come to help. Some of us arrive with treats or wine to share with one another. Glue guns are heated up, lengths of ribbons and cellophane are cut, greens and flowers are added and before we know it, we are finished. These gatherings give Lioness a chance to be together and have fun! I have included 4 pictures thanks to Jackie Hagen who brought her camera to the Christmas craft group.

Souper Bowl Saturday is January 29th at Central Middle School 11:00am-4:00pm

Souper Bowl also known as the Empty Bowls project, raises funds for the PROP food shelf. Eden Prairie, Chanhassen, St Hubert's and Holy Family are donating over 700 handmade bowls for this event. The community is invited to make a donation as well for the bowls and enjoy a meal of soup and bread with all proceeds going to PROP. Kathy Field and Rich Weaver are co-chairing the kitchen

There will also be a silent auction of all handmade arts and craft items. If you wish to make a donation you can bring it to the January meeting or drop it off at PROP, 147 Martin Drive, Eden Prairie.

Below is the schedule of Lioness who have volunteered to assist serving the soup.

10:30 to 12:30-Peggy Muller, Judith Grytdahl,, Carol Swanson
12:30 to 2:30-Mary Kay Harington, Katy Franson, Michelle Wallin, Mickey Reynolds
2:30 to 4:30-Kathy Field, Liz Anderson, Stacy Enger, Nancy Holden, Kathy Richardson

Thank you Sharon Peterson for your commitment and chairing this very important project!

Looking Ahead

- The 5M5 Convention is January 7th-9th at the Ramada Minneapolis NW. We need help to set up decorations in our host room Friday afternoon around 3:00. Please call Peggy if you can help 952-937-0909. Friday night is too fun to miss! Come help host our room and meet Lions and Lioness from other clubs! Bring an appetizer to share.
- The Lion 50th anniversary celebration is Saturday January 29th. All Lioness are invited to attend.

Bylaws and Policies

Please print out and bring a copy of the policies and by-laws to the January meeting since we will be voting on the changes. There will not be copies available at the meeting. Thank you!

January Birthday s

1/3 Judith Grytdahl	1/15 Sharon Peterson
1/3 Princess Norman	1/17 Lou McCoy
1/7 Darla Nemec	1/29 Vernetta Fox