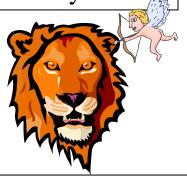
# February 2011



# Howard Lake Lions Club



## **WE "GET TO" SERVE**

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### Valentine's Breakfast Buffet



We will be hosting a Valentine's Breakfast Buffet on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Lion Darren is Chairperson. As always help will be needed. The breakfast starts at 8am and runs until 12:30pm. This year the proceeds are going to be used to help support the HLWW Junior class to raise funds for Prom.

Donkey Basketball will take place March 26<sup>th</sup> at the HL Middle School Gym. Help is needed setting up and tearing down as well as selling tickets. Lion Paul reported that he is working with the FFA Alumni. They are securing sponsors for this event. Start spreading the word, and we will let everyone know when advance sale tickets are available. If we all sell a few we can fill the stands!

#### **Mid-Winter Convention**

Lions Cathy Jo, Judy, LaNette and Terry attended the convention. There were many great speakers, programs, seminars and hospitality rooms!! It was as always a great experience and chance to learn more about Lionism and what other Lions do.





#### **Drug Awareness Posters**

Thank you to Lion Nancy for chairing the Drug Awareness Poster Contest. Although we didn't have a winner at the Mid-Winter Convention we had some really great entries. Thank you also to the teachers at the schools for letting and encouraging the children to participate and to all the Lions who helped judge the posters.



#### The Buzz from HL Lion President Cathy Jo Rufer:

Learning about Lionism has granted me an opportunity to "get to" see the world in a different light. Practicing Lionism has given me a vision of hope and a sense of peace. I knew the HL Lions club was the place for me when I joined a few years ago. I wanted to join a group that would help make a difference in the lives of others. At that time, I did not realize HOW much difference it would make in my life! I have come to realize "friendship" is truly based upon common work, common recreation and common beliefs as the Lion's Code of Ethics suggests. The community of Lionism is virtually a "common ground" in which to put our thoughts and ideas into action TOGETHER! After attending the Mid-Winter Convention, I was humbled, touched, and inspired by the "SPIRIT" of our District Lion members and officers and the work they are doing in their communities. I met so many more hard working Lions, like ourselves. I was entertained by their willingness to teach, share, inform, and humor us. Lionism is a serious business with a light hearted twist and it should be shared with others.

If you haven't joined us for a meeting for awhile or attended an event that we have held in our club house, you are missing a great opportunity to relax, laugh, and enjoy the value of having a special place to gather together in fellowship and service. I hope to see you there!!

#### From Zone Chair Lion Dewey

Hello All,

After 3 years of being zone chair, I will be stepping aside and am looking for a replacement to start in July. Please inform your membership and let me know if there are any interested individuals. The term is only for 1-year and the job is very simple, but important. I am putting out this call now so I can hopefully have this person help with the next zone meeting in April and train them in properly before July.

Feel free to forward my email and cell number below to any interested individuals and I would be happy to answer any questions they may have.

Also, I will be resuming my club visits here shortly and will be calling you to set them up.

Keep up the good work.

Thank you.

Dwight Gunnarson

5M7 R1 Zone 2 Chair, 763-238-6443 www.lions5m7r1z2.org

#### Meetings

Our first meeting this month is Thursday, February 3rd at our Lions' Hall at 7:00 p.m. Dinner is being prepared by Lions Terry, LaNette and President Cathy.

The Board of Directors will meet on Thursday, February 10th at 7:00 p.m. at our Lions' Hall.

**Our second meeting** this month is Thursday, February 17th at our Lions' Hall at 7:00 p.m. The meal will be **pot luck**. If you are not able to bring a dish or do not have the time to get one ready, please come anyway, we seem to always have plenty of food and we do need your attendance.

If you would like anything to be included in the newsletter you have to let us know.

Email: lions@hllions.org or mail to Howard Lake Lions PO Box 13 Howard Lake MN 55349.

### **Upcoming events**

Valentine's Breakfast Buffet – Sunday, February 13th Donkey Basketball – March 26th

#### Links

Lions International – <a href="www.lionsclubs.org">www.lionsclubs.org</a>
Multiple District 5M- <a href="www.lionsmd5m.org">www.lionsmd5m.org</a>
District 5M-7 - <a href="www.5m7.org">www.lions5m7r1z2.org</a>
Lions 5M7, Region 1, Zone 2 - <a href="www.lions5m7r1z2.org">www.lions5m7r1z2.org</a>
Howard Lake Lions Club – <a href="www.hllions.org">www.hllions.org</a>



Happy Birthday to all the Howard Lake Lion members who are celebrating their birthday in February: Gary Hagemann (2), Judy Mattson and Erin Judd (12), Dan Oestreich (24) and Debbie McAlpine (27).