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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

August Presidents
message:

July started with record breaking heat and a drought. This proved to be a challenge for our Community Days Carnival. Despite all the variables that challenged us, we got our fireworks money back, field damage was minimal, and overall the numbers are not bad. Thanks again to all the "KEY" people that helped make our biggest fundraiser, the best it could be, under the circumstances. We had a lot of inventory going into our August BBQ, so these numbers look really good. We had a great weekend, selling over \$8,200, with a net of over \$6,000. Great job, and thanks to all that helped. We welcome Dr. Kahn and Vicky Collier as our

newest members. They specialize in Diabetes, and are a welcome addition to our club. The Lions bowling league started on August 13th, with 6 teams – 3 of them are Webster. Mary Ellen Trachsel will be our speaker on August 23rd, representing one of our oldest budget items – The Martha Hildon Fund. Don't forget about our Wine Tasting at Old Orchard Gallery on August 25th – we would like this to turn into a good fundraiser. I am really having fun and enjoying the job you all have given me. I thank everyone for their support, and the hard work so many of you do to make this a great club. Thanks "TEAM": Keep having "FUN".

Lion President Scott

Never bend your head.
Hold it high. Look the
world straight in the eye.
Helen Keller

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 23rd General meeting
@ the Barn (Hearth Room)
6:30pm

August 25th Wine Tasting Old
Orchard Gallery 7-10 See lions
Larry or Sandy for tickets

September 6th Board meeting
@ Shur-Way 7:00pm

September 13th Business
meeting @ The Hearth Room
@6:30pm

September 27th Zone Meeting
@ The Hearth Room 6:30pm

Peace Poster

I have spoken with the two schools about peace posters and they are both going to participate again this year. The theme is "Imagine Peace" we are hoping for some great posters again this year. We will have the posters in time to hang for the Governors visit in October. We will then have the students for dinner/awards at the last meeting in October.



Bowling League

The bowling league is well underway. If you would like to show support for the Webster teams, they bowl on Monday nights at Crestwood lanes on Watson Road. Start time is 6:30pm. Come out it's a good time



From our Tail Twister

As always you should wear your Lions gear, a shirt, hat, name tag, or a pin will do. The tail twister will fine you if you don't.

We are gathering school supplies for the schools in Webster. Bring them to the next couple of meetings.
Thanks,
Lion Leo

New Member

We would like to welcome Dr. Khan and her Vicky Collier her Asst. when you see them welcome them with a big smile and a "HELLO"

BBQ Report

August BBQ went well. We made some money to give away to our charities and Thanks to everyone who came out to help.

"In a World of service" is our new International Presidents theme it is on his international pin. Lion Teddi has the pins. The cost is \$3.00 each so buy them now supplies are limited.

Blind Bowlers

I know a lot of you don't want to help with the Blind Bowlers but if we can get enough people to help we can work it that you only drive every other month. I know that we have meeting on Thursdays but if you could see the fun these bowlers have enjoying the fellowship with others it makes it all worthwhile. If you think you want to help please see Lion Teddi or Lion Becky

Perfect Attendance Awards

In order to receive perfect attendance you must attend 26 Lions events such as meetings, fundraisers, and fellowship events. If you attend another clubs meeting you must bring something from their secretary stating you were there. Give it to Lion Secretary Becky.

Remember Lions we can always use your old glasses. Please bring them to a meeting or we have drop boxes in various locations throughout Webster. If you need the list of location you can go to our website they will be listed there. Our website address is Webstergroveslions.tripod.com Also tell your family to donate their old glasses too.

"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing

can be done without hope and confidence.” Helen Keller

Event Calendar for 26-M2

*September 7th House Spring Texas Hold'em @ House Springs Lions Hall Doors open at 6pm game starts at 7pm \$30.00 no re-buys

*September 7th Memories Car Cruise Fenton Lions @ Faith Church Highway 30

*September 8th Old time Tractor Pull Richwoods Lions Club

*September 9th House Springs Annual Car Show

*September 26th Southside Lions Golf Tournament Forest Park.

For information on any of these see Lion Teddi

Safety Focus

A few good summer food safety tips.

By following these four simple steps you can be safer with food in the summer time, decreasing the chance that you or your family will get food poisoning.

1. Wash hands and surfaces often soap and warm water is the best way to wash hands but hand sanitizer is good too. Keep surfaces clean at all times
2. Don't cross contaminate wrap raw meat securely avoid

raw meat juices from coming in contact with ready to eat food. Also wash plates and utensils and cutting boards that held raw meat before using them again. Wash your hands

3. Cook to a safe temperature food is safely cooked when it is heated for a long enough time and at a high temperature to kill the harmful bacteria that can cause food poisoning.
4. Refrigerate promptly cold foods, most at risk to cause food poisoning are luncheon meats, potato and pasta salads. Cooked meats should be kept cold unless they are on the grill or being eaten.
5. If in doubt, throw it out food poisoning is a terrible thing!

Lions Mission Statement

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs

Did you know?

Whenever a Lions club gets together, problems get smaller. And communities get better. That's because we help where help is needed – in our own communities and around the world – with unmatched integrity and energy.

Our 46,000 clubs and 1.35 million members make us the world's largest

service club organization. We're also one of the most effective. Our members do whatever is needed to help their local communities.

Everywhere we work, we make friends. With children who need eyeglasses, with seniors who don't have enough to eat and with people we may never meet.

The Lions Name

On June 17, 1917 at the invitation of Melvin Jones, delegates met in Chicago. The only point of contention was the selection of a name for the new organization. Melvin Jones researched the idea of calling the new organization Lions. He was convinced that the lion stood for strength, courage, fidelity and vital action. On a secret ballot the name Lions was chosen over several others.

The Lions Emblem

At the 1919 convention, there was a move to change the symbol, but a young attorney from Denver, Colorado rose to speak. His name was Halsted Ritter. "The name Lions stands not only for fraternity, good fellowship, strength of character and purpose, but above all, its combination of L-I-O-N-S heralds to the country the true meaning of citizenship: LIBERTY, INTELLIGENCE, and OUR NATION'S SAFETY."

Joke of the Month

A successful business man was growing old and knew it was time to choose a successor to take over the business.

Instead of choosing one of his Directors or his children, he decided to do something different. He called all the young executives in his company together.

He said, "It is time for me to step down and choose the next CEO. I have decided to choose one of you. "The young executives were shocked, but the boss continued. "I am going to give each one of you a SEED today - one very special SEED. I want you to plant the seed, water it, and come back here one year from today with what you have grown from the seed I have given you. I will then judge the plants that you bring, and the one I choose will be the next CEO."

One man, named Jim, was there that day and he, like the others, received a seed. He went home and excitedly, told his wife the story. She helped him get a pot, soil and compost and he planted the seed. Every day, he would water it and watch to see if it had grown. After about three weeks, some of the other executives began to talk about their seeds and the plants that were beginning to grow.

Jim kept checking his seed, but nothing ever grew. Three weeks, four weeks, five weeks went by, still nothing.

By now, others were talking about their plants, but Jim didn't have a plant and he felt like a failure.

Six months went by -- still

nothing in Jim's pot. He just knew he had killed his seed. Everyone else had trees and tall plants, but he had nothing. Jim didn't say anything to his colleagues, however, he just kept watering and fertilizing the soil - He so wanted the seed to grow.

A year finally went by and all the young executives of the company brought their plants to the CEO for inspection.

Jim told his wife that he wasn't going to take an empty pot. But she asked him to be honest about what happened. Jim felt sick to his stomach, it was going to be the most embarrassing moment of his life, but he knew his wife was right. He took his empty pot to the board room.

When Jim arrived, he was amazed at the variety of plants grown by the other executives. They were beautiful - in all shapes and sizes. Jim put his empty pot on the floor and many of his colleagues laughed, a few felt sorry for him!

When the CEO arrived, he surveyed the room and greeted his young executives.

Jim just tried to hide in the back. "My, what great plants, trees and flowers you have grown," said the CEO. "Today one of you will be appointed the next CEO!"

All of a sudden, the CEO spotted Jim at the back of the room with his empty pot. He ordered the Financial Director to bring him to the front. Jim was terrified.. He thought, "The CEO knows I'm a failure! Maybe he will have me fired!"

When Jim got to the front, the

CEO asked him what had happened to his seed, Jim told him the story.

The CEO asked everyone to sit down except Jim. He looked at Jim, and then announced to the young executives, "Behold your next Chief Executive Officer!"

His name is "Jim!" Jim couldn't believe it. Jim couldn't even grow his seed.

"How could he be the new CEO?" the others said.

Then the CEO said, "One year ago today, I gave everyone in this room a seed. I told you to take the seed, plant it, water it, and bring it back to me today. But I gave you all boiled seeds; they were dead - it was not possible for them to grow.

All of you, except Jim, have brought me trees and plants and flowers. When you found that the seed would not grow, you substituted another seed for the one I gave you. Jim was the only one with the courage and honesty to bring me a pot with my seed in it. Therefore, he is the one who will be the new Chief Executive Officer!"

- * If you plant honesty, you will reap trust
- * If you plant goodness, you will reap friends
- * If you plant humility, you will reap greatness
- * If you plant perseverance, you will reap contentment
- * If you plant consideration, you will reap perspective
- * If you plant hard work, you will reap success
- * If you plant forgiveness, you will reap reconciliation

So, be careful what you plant now; it will determine what you will reap later.

