



TEGA CAY LIONS CLUB



Newsletter

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Message from our President

It sure has been a busy month in Lion-ism. Our District Governor, Rick Pressly, sure generated some excitement with Int'l President Joe Preston's new song,



"Strengthen the Pride." He sure had us hopping and singing along to the beat. It is always a pleasure to have DG Rick visit us.

Closely followed by DG Rick's visit was the Foreign Youth Exchange. For members not familiar, we have a Youth Exchange every year. They start out spending their first two weeks in country with a host family who take them around to explore both cultural and fun activities in their area. The students then travel the second two weeks to various places across the state with

three Lion Chaperones. When they travel to our area they go to Carowinds all day and then about 4pm they head to the Watts house for a pool party! What an intellectual and interesting group of students we had. After we all ate, drank and had a wonderful time, Lion and Tega Cay families housed the students and chaperones for the night and returned them in the morning to continue their American odyssey. What an incredible experience this is for these young people. Thank you to Lions Dale and Barbara Watts for graciously opening up their home for the Youth Exchange. ROAR! Thanks also to those who housed a student/chaperone for the evening. ROAR!

A big ROAR also goes out to Lion Bob McCarthy who brought exchange students to and from the airport on more than one occasion. One had to sleep overnight at the McCarthy's because their plane didn't leave until the next morning. Thanks, Lion Bob!

I ask that you please fill out your Member Questionnaire and bring it to our next meeting or email it to me. I will ensure Lion Jerry Church gets it. It is all of you who make our club what it is, so your input is critical to our success. One person or one board of directors should not make all the decisions. Thank you, in advance, for your ideas.

We will be conducting a Community Needs Assessment next month. I'll be asking members to survey businesses in our region to assist with gathering needed information that will hopefully help us fine-tune our service projects based on the needs of the community. Surveys can be done by phone, in person, or by mail. We will begin discussing the process in September.

Lastly, don't forget to Just Ask One! Your lawyer, friend, banker, cashier.....the list is endless.

We Serve Together,

STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE

"The English dictionary provides another definition of the word "Pride" – a feeling of happiness that you get when you or someone you know does something good. It is not the pride of being boastful it is the pride of accomplishment in building communities, doing good, and reaching out to assist others."

Joe Preston
2014—2015 Lions Clubs
International President

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MEETING NEWS



DG Rick Pressly made his official visit to our club at our July 26 meeting. He announced that our District will Strengthen the Pride through Education and Communication and encouraged us all to “Just Ask One.” I think we have a lot to look forward to over the next 10 months.

Awards were given out to Lions Buz Stebbins, Bob Runde and Bob Cullen for their longevity of service to their club; Lions Larry Pritchard and Lion President Janet Pritchard for being District Club Compliance Chairs for the past two years; Lion Jerry Church received a DG Medal for his Region Chair work; and DG Certificate of Appreciation to Lion PP Tom Goebel.



We had a visit from Sheriff Deputy Tim Carroll and Amber at our August 9th meeting. Amber is trained to find drugs. I didn't realize how complicated the training and

handling of these dogs is. It takes about two years before a dog is ready to work and training never really stops. Amber is 8 years old and will probably only work another couple years and then will be living with Deputy Tim to be pampered as a pet for the rest of her

days. We really enjoyed the visit and no drugs were found.

Membership

Just Ask One

Lion Jerry Church and Lion Tom Cowell are working on a membership plan. To give them a feel for the direction the club wants for the near future, they have asked us to fill out a Membership Questionnaire and return to Lion President Janet Pritchard by August 23rd; by mail to PO Box 4793, email to President Janet or bring to the meeting.

New Members

Reserved for new members. Just Ask one and give me something to put in this spot.

District Meeting

Lions President Janet and Lion Larry Pritchard, Lion Natalie Simpson and Lions Bob McCarthy attended for our club.

Who is the Lion?

(Do you know who this Lion is? Make sure you are at our next meeting—Tail Twister Sue might ask you!)



SERVICE PROJECTS

Think It Over

Are you an active member
The kind that would be missed
Or are you just contented that
Your name is on the list
Do you attend the meetings
And mingle with the flock
Or do you stay away
And criticize and knock
Do you take an active part
To help the work along
Or are you satisfied to be
The kind that "Just belongs"
Do you ever work on committees
To see there is no trick
Or leave the work to just a few
And talk about the clique
So come to meetings often
And help with hand and heart
Don't just be a member
But take an active part
Please just think this over
You know right and wrong
Are You an active member
Or do you "just belong"

DID YOU KNOW that not only did Lion Bob McCarthy transport one of the exchange students to and from Columbia but during that same period:

Lion Bob Runde transported 8 year old Hubert Holmes from Chester to Columbia so he could get on the bus for Lions Camp Leo and Lions Janet and Larry Pritchard picked him up in Columbia the following week and transported him home?

This is what we are all about.

STUDENT EXCHANGE



A wonderful group. We got them at the beginning of their two week trip so they were a quieter group than we are used too. I'm sure that as they came



to the end of their two week stint they were much more vocal. Thank you to Lions Barbara and Dale for hosting, to all that took students and chaperones for the night and a special thank you to PDG Diane Pitts, Lion Jim Varn and PDG Ned Shows for chaperoning these students for two weeks. Without them there would be no program. They are looking for Lions to take on this awesome responsibility in the future. If you or someone you know would be interested, please let Lion Diane or Lion Jim know.

OTHER SERVICE PROJECTS

Fort Mill Care Center: 45 pounds of food supplies were delivered to the Fort Mill Care Center. Watch for Lion President Janet's emails. Fort Mill Care Center is always in need and we will be collecting periodically.

Pack the Backpack: School supplies were delivered to Fort Mill Board of Education for those in need. These supplies are given out on a first come first serve basis. We did good!!!!!!!!!!!!

Reading Program: Watch for more information from Lion Sue. She has been talking to the Principal of Fort Mill Elementary School and they are excited about us coming in with a reading program. Check out Kelloggs Family Rewards to earn points for books:

https://www.kelloggsfamilyrewards.com/en_US/home.html

Vision Program: We have trained 16 Lions on the use of PediaVision and are working on scheduling.

Fall Fest is around the corner. We always run the Children's Parade and man a informational booth. Set aside Oct. 25 for a fun day. More details to come.

Sr. Citizen Christmas Party: Dellree and Buz have already started working on this great event.. It isn't to early to start baking small breads and picking up small gifts to contribute. December 1 & 2 will be here before we know it.

July Birthdays

If you see any of these people around wish them a big Happy Birthday

Lion Bob McCarthy Lion Linda Cullen
Lion Gene Esarove Lion Gayle Esarove

Keep your fellow Lions in your thoughts and prayers:

We have had numerous Lions that need our prayers because of illness or family concerns. Some we know about through email messages and some not.

Don't forget to let the Care and Concern Committee know about any Lion or Lion family member that is experiencing need of any kind.

Lion Sue Gulasky—Chairperson Lion Gayle Esarove
Lion Natalie Simpson Lion Dellree Whitehead

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2014

OCTOBER 25—FALL FESTIVAL

- ◇ Children's Parade
- ◇ Informational Booth
- ◇ Chili Cook off

NOVEMBER 15—MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATER

- ◇ Note this was moved from Sept 20.

DECEMBER 1 & 2—SR. CITIZEN CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 6—POINTSETTIA SALE

2014—2015 SPONSORS

Tega Cay Lions Club thanks all our sponsors for their support throughout our 2013/2014 club year

Founders Federal Credit Union Tega Cay Women's Club
Casual Water Tega Cay Fire Department
Grace Presbyterian Church Lake Wlyie Lutheran Church

MEETINGS

2nd and 4th Saturday of each month

**Casual Water at Tega Cay Glennon Center
15083 Molokai Drive
Tega Cay**

8:15 Breakfast

8:30 Meeting

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