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May 2011

# The Lions' Roar

**Overland Park Host Lions Club**  
**Overland Park, Kansas**  
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**WE SERVE**

## Candy Day, Anniversary Dinner, Flags . . . We're a Busy Club!

**Where does our money go . . . ?**

**Cub Scout Pack #3245 Presented with  
Cash Support from OP Host Lions**



**VDG Beverly Nichols**, our club's institutional representative to Cub Scout Pack 3254, presented a check for \$185 to **Lauri Denooy** at Awards Night on May 9. Lauri is the Committee Chairperson for Pack 3254. The Pack meets at Apache Elementary School, 89th and Goddard in Overland Park. The Overland Park Host Lions Club has been the organizational sponsor of the Pack for over two years.

Did you know . . . In the United States today, Lions clubs sponsor more Scout troops than any other non-religious organization.

More pictures of the event are on other pages of this newsletter. Pack 3254 serves many boys from low-income families and without the support our club provides, some of them would be unable to participate in Scouting.

### Garage Sale Scheduled for June 8 – 11 To Benefit Club's General Account

Another sale at "Garage Majal," the 8th Wonder of the World, AKA Roger and Mae Claxton's home, is scheduled for June 9-11, with a work day to get ready on June 8. Bring those "treasures" you want to get rid of; help set up and price; then schedule in a couple of shifts through the week-end to help the club improve the condition of its general account.

### Remember, **NO Regular Meeting on May 14.**

There will not be a regular club meeting on Saturday, May 14 because the meeting room at Perkins was already booked when the change of location was decided on.

But that doesn't mean we don't have busy week-ends, both this week and next.!

#### Candy Day on Saturday, May 14

**From 10 to 4 on Saturday, we'll have a Candy Day** in front of both doors at the Hy-Vee grocery store on 91st Street just east of Metcalf Avenue. Volunteers are still needed to fill some of the afternoon shifts. If you haven't been contacted but can help out, please call **Lynn Wolfe** at 913-602-8908 or 334-324-8281 (cell). You can also call **Beverly Nichols** at 913-642-7520.

#### Anniversary Dinner on Sunday Night, May 15

The 54th anniversary of our chartering will take place Sunday evening, May 15 at the Hereford House Restaurant in Shawnee (*just west of I-435 and north of Midland Drive*).

Past International Director Ernie Young, a member of the Lansing Lions Club, will be featured speaker. PID Ernie will also induct our two newest members (see separate story on page 2) and he will present some awards including a Melvin Jones Fellowship to deserving OP Host members.

A social time will begin at about 6 o'clock in the evening, followed by dinner at about 6:30. A menu of four entrée selections, with appropriate sides, will be available. Attendees will pay from separate checks for their meals.

#### Flags Up and Down on May 21: Armed Forces Day

The first "Flag Day" of this year will be on Saturday, May 21. Flags will go up at 6 AM and come down at 4:30 PM on the same day. A lot of help will be needed. We do have some volunteers from MOAA (Military Officers Association of America) and perhaps a few others, but we need experienced Lions to help the volunteers "learn the ropes," especially in the afternoon when the flags come down/

**Lion Lynn Wolfe** is Flag Operations Chair for this year and will be assisted by **Lions Art Meganck** and **Roger Claxton**.

These leaders will be scheduling a "pre-season" work day to do any need repairs/replacements on Flags and poles and to do curb and cork painting, sleeve replacements, etc.

Please try to donate at least a little time to this effort. Lion Roger will also probably try to organize a team of members of call on businesses who do not presently support the program to get them to sign up.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** After flags are up, we're planning to go to Antioch Park to enjoy a **pancake breakfast** served by the **Merriam-Shawnee Lions Club** as part of the annual Turkey Creek Festival in Merriam. Price of the breakfast is \$5 and is a club fund raiser.

## Welcome, New Members!

**Steve and Grace Weinrich** are our newest members. They are sponsored by **Lion Carole Collyard** and their membership applications were approved by the Board of Directors on May 7.

They will be inducted into our club at Sunday night's Anniversary Dinner by Past International Director Ernie Young.

### Add to your directories:

#### WEINRICH, Grace

7513 W. 139th Ter., #405, Overland Park, KS 66223  
Home: 913.912.1969  
Mobile: 913.486.7344  
Business: Home Helpers, 913.685.2273  
Birthday: June 16; Anniversary, November 2  
Sponsor: Carole Collyard (2011)

#### WEINRICH, Steve

7513 W. 139th Ter., #405, Overland Park, KS 66223  
Home: 913.912.1969  
Mobile: 913.486.7344  
Business: Home Helpers, 913.486.7322  
Birthday: February 24; Anniversary, November 2  
Sponsor: Carole Collyard (2011)

## Pinewood Derby Car Race Excites Cub Scouts of Pack 3254 on Awards Night



The annual Pinewood Derby car race was held at the meeting Cub Scout Pack 3254 on May 9. Above, cars in one heat are set off on a run down the track. **Robert Denooy**, Cubmaster, operated the release mechanism.

Above right, **Cub Zane Olsen** displays his first-place trophy in the all-Pack competition. He is flanked by Cubmaster **Denooy** and by some of the Boy Scouts who serve as Den Leaders and in other positions assisting the Cubs.

Separate ribbons were awarded to race winners in each den. Sixteen vehicles were entered by boys in various age classes.



## Mid-May through Early June Birthdays and Anniversaries . . .

### Birthdays:

May 19: Audrey Lavelly  
May 27: Bud Turntine  
June 2: Chris Claxton  
June 7: Deanna Pucci  
June 26: Grace Weinrich

### Anniversaries:

June 14: Chris and Cindy Claxton

*Congratulations and best wishes for many more special days to each of you!*



**September 22-24, 2011: Anchorage, Alaska**

To register for the Anchorage Forum, go to <https://usacanadalionsforum.org/registration.pdf> and then print the form and send it by US mail.

OR

*Register on line at*

<https://usacanadalionsforum.org/registration.html>

**2012: Tampa Bay, Florida**

**2013: OVERLAND PARK KANSAS!**

**2014: San Juan, Puerto Rico**

## District Governor's Point Contest Update

Reported for April	10,315
Total Year to Date	82,150





### Calendar of Activities

May 14 .....	NO Regular Meeting 10 AM to 4 PM Candy Day, Hy-Vee, 91st near Metcalf
May 15 (Sunday) .....	54th Anniversary Dinner 6 PM Social Time, 6:30 Dinner Hereford House, near I-435 and Midland Drive, Shawnee
May 21 .....	6 AM Flags up 4:30 PM Flags Down Armed Forces Day
May 21 .....	District-wide officers training, Topeka 9:00 – 2:30. Highland Park United Methodist Church 2914 SE Michigan Avenue, Topeka.
May 28 .....	6 AM Flags up (start of Memorial Day weekend) After Flags: Regular meeting, Perkins Restaurant Program (tentative): Mark Freeman on Energy Audits
May 31 .....	6 AM Flags Down (after Memorial Day Weekend)
June 2-4 .....	KS Lions State Convention, Lawrence OP Host Board meeting postponed until June 18
June 8-11 .....	Garage Sale to benefit General Account Mae and Roger Claxton's Home, 10404 Nieman Work day for set up, June 8. Sale June 9-11

### Treasurer's Reports for April 2011 General (Operating) Account

Income	
Meals .....	\$ 395.35
Membership Dues .....	237.65
Tail Twister .....	37.35
Total Income .....	\$ 670.35
Expenses	
Room and Meals, Meetings .....	367.80
General Supplies .....	14.15
Highway signs .....	94.96
Lions' Roar .....	191.24
Total Expense .....	\$ 668.15
Net Income (loss) for Month .....	\$ 2.20

### Service (Project or Charity) Account

Income	
Metcalf Avenue of Flags ..	\$ 2,930.00
Pasta Supper and Auction .....	2,691.85
USA/Canada Forum pins .....	280.00
KU Cancer Research .....	4.53
Total Income .....	\$ 5,906.38
Expenses	
Pasta Dinner Expense .....	1,164.71
Service Fund Disbursements	
Kansas Lions Foundation ....	100.00
KS Lions Band Camp .....	400.00
Eye Exams and Glasses .....	100.00
Other Community Projects ...	200.00
Total Service Fund Disbursements .....	800.00
Supplies and Equipment .....	11.00
Total Expense .....	1,975.71
Net Income (loss) for Month .....	\$ 3,930.67

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Lion Roger Claxton provided the Treasurer's Reports.

## Cubs Celebrate Achievements With Advancement Ceremony



The Cubs of Pack 3254 conducted a "Crossing the Bridge" ceremony in which younger members advanced to higher ranks for next year. Here, some Wolf Cubs (at right) receive pins and other awards as they move up to Bear Rank. Applauding in the background are Lauri and Robert Denooy, Pack leaders.

## The President's Message for May . . .

by Lion Neal Nichols

Those of you who read the *Johnson County Sun* newspaper may have seen the "Who Are Lions?" display ad on page 2 of the May 4 issue. District Governor Michele Hufferd placed the promotional piece in several newspapers in District 17-O. Funding was through a grant from Lions Clubs International for public relations efforts.



Our club's Board of Directors recently approved a six-week advertising campaign in all the *Johnson County Sun* newspapers and two nursing newspapers produced by Sun Publications. These 2" x 3" ads will appear in the "Sun Yellow Pages" in Section A beginning on May 18. The theme will be "Come see what Lions do!" They will be in color for greater effect.

Another exciting public relations effort will involve the *Best Times* paper which targets Johnson County residents aged 55 and over. Mr. Joe Henderson, formerly of the *Kansas City Star* and now a free-lance writer, has interviewed Lion Beverly and me extensively and has contacted the leaders of all other Lions Clubs in Johnson County. We anticipate that his article on Lions will appear in the June issue. It will target an ideal demographic—baby boomers who are nearly retired or nearing retirement age.

As of Tuesday afternoon, May 10 we had about 27 Lions and guests planning to attend the Anniversary Dinner at the Hereford House in Shawnee on Sunday night. If you haven't yet signed up, please call Secretary Carole Collyard right away (913-238-0209, cell) so she can let the restaurant know to plan for more meals.

I hope to see you busily engaged in at least some of our many activities coming up! And remember, wear your Lions Emblem pin with pride. It's a silent advertisement for the world's largest volunteer service organization.

—Big Lion Neal

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