



# Washington Lions Club

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## Message From Our President



Dear Fellow Lions,

Once again the Washington Lions Club put “We Serve” into action by completing another very successful Town & Country Fair. Lions did a great job volunteering for the parade, drink stand, gates, beer sales, and soda registers. Many members worked several days and several shifts to cover our fair commitments. We also thank the spouses, relatives, friends, and co-workers who volunteered to help us out. Some of them worked multiple shifts as well. Our Fair Appreciation Party is Tuesday, August 30, 6 pm at Rennick Riverfront Park. Be sure to personally invite our non-Lion volunteers to join us at the party. This is a fun event, good food and beverage, entertainment, and lots of laughs. Party is \$10 for Lions and free for our non-Lion fair volunteers.

Despite the oppressive heat and smaller crowds our frozen drink stand rung up strong sales. Fair attendance and revenue was down overall by 15% or so from 2010. Our frozen drink sales were within 7% of last year. Word is that the Lions Club did better than any other concession in maintaining sales despite the hot weather and poor economy. We were the only concession to have an increase in Saturday sales over 2010. Outstanding Lions hospitality and a superior product offering kept our customers returning for more!

Our club is committed to a higher level of charity, but revenues from the Fair and other outdoor events are down. To keep our revenues in line with our giving we will be adding a new all-weather fundraiser this fall: the Lions Mouse Race, to be held on Saturday, October 8 at the City Auditorium lower level. Lions Missy and Kevin Carr and Lion Kim Bauer have volunteered to co-chair this new event. Plenty more information will be forthcoming, so mark your calendars for a fun night at the races.

Our August 23 noon meeting marked a special event for the club: the induction of six new members at one time. Karen Brueggemann, Al Harper, Brendon Mahon, Jeff Weber, Kyle Wolfe, and Casey Zastrow took the oath and joined the world’s largest service organization. Our current anniversary list shows two instances of three inductions at one time, so inducting six at once may be a club record. This speaks well for our club at a time when many civic organizations are struggling to attract and retain members.

What is the attraction of the Washington Lions Club? Committed membership, strong record of service and contribution, high visibility in the community are all factors. Perhaps just as important is the “fun factor” in being a Lion. We have a good time in doing what we do. Even in the intense heat of the fair or cold days at the Super Bowl BBQ we laugh, joke and have fun. Some have suggested making a financial contribution instead of manning a gate or drink stand during the fair. While checks are always welcome that is not what we are all about. We serve by giving our time, one of the most valuable things we have. Working together is where the club members form the bonds.

Who do you know that would make a good Lion?

Yours in Lionism,

*Lion Don Schlump*

Lions President

**Fair Appreciation Dinner, Tuesday, August 30  
Free For The Non-Lions Who Worked With You**

## New FUNdraiser is October 8 Mouse Races

**Lions M. Carr, K. Carr and K. Bauer** are chairing this new fundraiser and will need lots of help making it a big success. An initial planning meeting has been held and ideas are plentiful. Attend a mouse race Saturday, August 27 at the VFW and find out how much fun they are. We will need several Lions to help be bankers, bookies, raffle ticket sellers, bar tenders and other easy tasks, be sure to sign up when asked. Tickets are at the printer and will be \$5 each with one free drink included with the price of admission. **WHAT A DEAL!!!**

## Volunteers Needed for Calling Committee

**President Schlump** hasn't had enough response. We need help! **PLEASE** volunteer. Remember **"WE SERVE"**. Sign up sheets get passed around Tuesday meetings for all of our projects and fundraisers but those who can't attend noon meetings sometimes miss out of the pleasure of participating. **President Schlump** has asked those who might want to help by calling ten or fifteen of their fellow Lions to volunteer as part of the calling committee. This group can help get new people to work on our projects and let people know if we are having a rose ceremony for a deceased Lion or perform any other service that we need to keep fellow Lions informed of Club functions. Let **President Schlump** or **Lion Hemsath** know if you wish to volunteer.

## Fair Receipts Down for 2011

We won't know what the final tally is for the frozen drink stand for a few more weeks, but we do know that gross sales were down from last year just like everyone else. We think our sales were a little better than others but still were less than 2010.

Receipts from the fair parade were down as well. The route was lined with people and several made their way to Main and Elm after the parade was over but the heat kept them from staying as long as in years past.

**Lions Hopp** will eventually have net results to report for the entire fair and the amount will be put to good use helping others.

Hopefully the Fall Festival will be well attended and Lions will sell out of pork burgers, chips, soda and beer. Remember the Chili Cook-Off on Friday is a benefit for the United Way.



**Lion Hopp** waves to crowd as Fair parade Grand Marshall while being chauffeured by Lion Deppe.

## Coming Events

### August 30

Evening Meeting  
Fair Appreciation  
Rennick Riverfront Park

### September 6

Noon Meeting  
Elks hall  
Program

### September 12

Noon Board Meeting  
Chamber Conference Room

### September 13

Noon Business Meeting  
Elks Hall

### September 20

Noon Meeting  
Elks hall  
Program

### September 23

Chili Cook-Off  
Downtown Washington

### September 24-25

Fall Festival of Arts  
Downtown Washington  
Pork Burgers, Soda, Beer

### September 27

Evening Meeting  
Fish Fry  
Lions Lake Pavilion

### October 3

Noon Board Meeting  
Chamber Conference Room

### October 4

Noon Business Meeting  
Elks Hall

### October 8

Mouse Races  
City Auditorium, Lower Level

### October 11

Noon Meeting  
Elks Hall  
Program

### October 18

Noon Meeting  
Elks Hall  
Program

### October 25

Evening Meeting  
Rennick Riverfront Park

### November 1

Noon Meeting  
Elks hall  
Program

### November 7

Noon Board Meeting  
Chamber Conference Room

### November 8

Noon Business Meeting  
Elks Hall  
Program

### November 15

Thanksgiving Meeting  
Monarch Awards  
Elks Hall

### November 22

Noon Meeting  
Elks Hall  
Program

### November 29

Evening Meeting  
Elks Hall

## Six New Lions Inducted Tuesday, August 23

According to **Lion Hemsath's** records six inductees at one time was a first. Never before have we inducted six new members at one meeting. **Lion Borgerding** disputes this but who is going to argue with either one. It is a great tribute to Washington Lions to have these six who desire to become members of our Club. Not only that we have two more candidates to be approved at the next business meeting. District Governor Yount's goal for the year is a ten per cent growth in each club's membership. He even mentioned that could be difficult for a club like Washington with 170 plus members. We are well on our way to proving him wrong. **President Schlump** asks in his message who do you know who would



**Al Harper**  
Sponsor Vickey Engel



**Karen Bruggemann**  
Sponsor Don Schlump



**Casey Zastrow**  
Sponsor Kevin Hunewill



**Kyle Wolfe**  
Sponsor Jim Feltmann, Sr.



**Jeffrey Weber**  
Sponsor Robert Weber



**Brendan Mahon**  
Sponsor Gerry Bayless

make a good Lion? Think about that question. Surely there is someone you know who would enjoy the camaraderie and the opportunity to help others by joining the Washington Lions. Please welcome these new Lions when you see them.

### Program Chair Needed for Several Months

**Lion 2nd VP N. Redhage** is still looking for program chairmen for February, September, October and November. You only Need two or three programs each month since the first meeting is a business meeting and the last is an evening meeting. Sometime two Lions go together and each find one program to fill out the month. Give Lion Nell a call.

## Chili Cook-Off and Fall Festival Almost Here

**Lions Obermark** and **Newman** are preparing for the Fall Festival Saturday and Sunday, September 24 and 25. We will have pork burgers, the original chips we had a few years ago and soda for sale at our tents. We also have the beer concession at the Fall Festival We will need several Lions to help in both areas and sign-up sheets will soon be available or you can call either Lion to volunteer.

The Chili Cook-Off Friday, September 23 is a benefit for the United Way of Franklin County. Our theme this year is Hollywood Squares. No one thinks the Lions are square, but that is what we chose from the available options. Our chili will be hot and spicy made from a secret recipe known only by those who dump ingredients into the pot. Thankfully preparations can be made in advance and most will occur Thursday at **Lion Past-President Dickinson's** place of business. Once again help is needed to prepare and serve so sign up to "WE SERVE".

# Fair Appreciation Dinner

**Tuesday, August 30**

**6:00 PM**  
**Tail Twister Bar**  
(Tips Appreciated)

**7:00 PM**  
**Vince's White Chicken**

**Rennick Riverfront Park**

**Bring Your Guests**

<p><b>Officers for 2011-2012</b> <b>Projects/Committees</b></p> <p>President ..... Donald Schlump 1st Vice President ..... Todd Geisert 2nd Vice President ..... Nell Redhage 3rd Vice President ..... John Griesheimer Secretary ..... Dennis Hemsath Treasurer ..... Rick Hopp Tail Twister ..... Vince Borgerding Lion Tamer ..... Don Hahne Immed. Past President ..... Bill Dickinson Membership ..... Vickey Engel</p>	<p><b>Fair Frozen Drinks</b> Brad Mitchell      Missy Carr Mark Harriman      Jerry Maune Mark Bayless</p> <p><b>Fair Beer Tent</b> Mark Bayless</p> <p><b>Friday Fair Gates</b> Kevin Hunewill      Ken Hopen</p> <p><b>Saturday Fair Gates</b> Bill Dickinson      Don Schlump</p> <p><b>Fair Soda Stand</b> Dennis Hemsath</p> <p><b>Calling Committee</b> Mark Bayless      A-Bri Jamie King      Bru-Do Bill Dickinson.      Du-Fre Karen Skornia      G-Hei Bob Weber      Hem-Ja Shawn Thiemann      Joe-Mart Todd Geisert      Mat-Ob Ken Hopen      Ot-Rig Nell Redhage      Ris-Toc Don Schlump      Tr-Z</p> <p><b>Club History Preservation</b> Gerry Bayless      John Politte</p> <p><b>Evening Cook Crew</b> Gerry Bayless      Jerry Maune Dr. Mike Radetic      Bill Branson Vince Borgerding      Jerry Brunner</p> <p><b>Scholarship</b> Bill Boyd      John Politte Donald Schlump</p> <p><b>Publicity</b> Leon Hove</p>	<p><b>Eye Glasses/Hearing</b> Dennis Hemsath      Ed Obermark</p> <p><b>Adopt A Highway</b> Dr. William Huber      Mike Huber Rob Vossbrink</p> <p><b>Conventions</b> Leon Hove      Vickey Engel Dennis Hemsath      Vince Borgerding</p> <p><b>Membership</b> Vickey Engel</p> <p><b>Special Projects</b> Vickey Engel      Leon Hove Vince Borgerding      Rick Hopp</p> <p><b>Bulletin Editor</b> Leon Hove</p> <p><b>Mint Sales</b> John Litvan</p> <p><b>Web Page</b> Dennis Hemsath</p> <p><b>Chili Cook Off</b> September 23, 2011 Bill Dickinson      Vickey Engel</p> <p><b>Fall Festival of the Arts</b> September 24, 25, 2011 Ed Obermark      Jarod Newman</p> <p><b>Christmas Party</b> Tuesday, December 20, 2011 Dr. Mike Radetic      Vince Borgerding</p> <p><b>Super Bowl Bar-B-Q</b> February 5, 2012 David Politte      Vince Borgerding</p>	<p><b>Special Olympics</b> April , 2012 Leon Hove</p> <p><b>Home Show</b> March 9, 10, 11, 2012 Jerry Brunner      Matthew Feltmann</p> <p><b>Poker 500</b> February 24, 2012 Jason Unnerstall      Don Schlump</p> <p><b>Main Street BBQ</b> April , 2012 T. Geisert      N. Redhage</p> <p><b>Trivia Night</b> April, 2012 Karen Skornia</p> <p><b>Spring Art Fair &amp; Wine Fest</b> May 18-20, 2012 Bill Dickinson</p> <p><b>Fair Parade</b> July 29, 2012 Kevin Hunewill      Ken Hopen</p> <p><b>Candy Day</b> September 2011 John Griesheimer</p> <p><b>Scholarship Dinner</b> June 26, 2012 Vince Borgerding      Leon Hove Vickey Engel</p> <p><b>Glaucoma Screening</b> May 18, 2012 Jerry Brunner</p>
<p><b>Directors</b> Ken Hopen      Michael Guzy Gary Marquart      Shawn Thiemann Karen Skornia      Robert Weber</p> <p><b>Program Chairman</b> <b>Nell Redhage</b></p> <p>January ..... M. Bayless February ..... March ..... Litvan April ..... Jasper May ..... Haire June ..... G. Bayless July ..... Hopp. August ..... G. Marquart September ..... October ..... November ..... December ..... Radetic</p>			