



Moscow Central Lions Tales

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Presidential Bits and Bytes

Dear Fellow Lions Club Members:

It would seem that Mother Nature played with the calendar this year. For 2010, the months seem somewhat realigned, e.g. January – March – April - February and now May. Ah well, we can always use the rain (and the snow) – and the worst seems behind us. It is also clear that our Lions' activities blunt the effects of weather by focusing our attention to the tasks at hand.

We celebrated as youngsters preened East City Park of Easter eggs and candy treats. The treats were garnished this year with prizes from Smoky Mountain Pizza. Lots of Lion volunteers made fast work of setting up for the event and cleaning the site. All in all a splendid example of what our club can do for our community. Thank you Jim Maley, Easter Egg Committee Chair – an excellent project and a very positive result. The Board has again recognized your efforts as a Lion of the Month. Also May signals us to turn our attention to one of our premiere events as Lions – raising support for those that suffer the challenges of sight and hearing issues. So, under the experienced leadership of Jim DeShazer and Don Polley, we gear up for "White Cane Days". We had record setting results last year – achieving status as a leading fundraising club in the Lions' district. Our goal this year is to surpass last year's level and to finish with more than \$7,000. In preparation for the event, Christie Pernsteiner has again volunteered to prepare the white cane lapel piece by attaching a couple of thousand canes to a couple thousand labels. For her efforts, the Board has recognized her as a Lion of the Month. Congrats Christie on a job well done.

In preparation for the big show (the Highway 95 Cleanup) Lion Dan Crandall organized the Paradise Creek cleanup – numerous shopping carts (was it 3 or 4) and other odd and challenging refuse items were retrieved from their watery fate. Prizes for recognition of "unusual" finds included the esteem of all and bottles of "Yee Olde Shopping Cart, Vintage 2010, Vin Ordinaire". Thanks Dan, for your service and contribution. Our meeting today will feature elections for club officers. Leadership is a vital element for our club to achieve its potential. I am particularly impressed by the willingness of our members to commit their time and energy required for officer positions. On behalf of all our members, thank you for your willingness to serve.

Later this month we will again host our scholarship luncheon to celebrate those students selected to receive financial support for their scholarship and service. I hope you are able to attend this important event. My final thought this month is to ask you to pause a moment and reflect upon the life and actions of our recently passed Lion, John Dixon. Thank you John – we all received a benefit from your efforts.

Thanks Lions, for all you do!

Yours in Lionism, *Jeff Harkins*

Get Your Programs Here! [PROGRAM CHAIR: JENNY SHENEMAN] (208-669-2249 (W))

May 11:	Business Meeting
May 18:	TBD
May 25:	Scholarship Awards Luncheon
Jun 01:	TBD
Jun 03:	Board Meeting @ Sandpiper's @ Noon, Thursday
Jun 08:	Business Meeting

Secretary's Brief

MAY Birthday Greetings for the Following Lions!

Mike Pattinson (May 3rd), Tena Tucker (May 11th), Larry O'Keeffe (May 12th), Bob Hook (May 13th), Gil Martin (May 24th), and Jim DeMeerleer (June 3rd).

DID YOU KNOW? Lions, LCIF Providing Relief for China Earthquake

Lions Clubs International Foundation has awarded US\$50,000 in emergency grants to assist Lions in their relief efforts. Lions throughout China are providing emergency relief, and Lions from Beijing; District 380, Shenzhen; District 381, Guangdong; District 382, Dalian; and District 383 Qingdao traveled to the area to provide relief supplies including tents, food and medicine. More than 2,200 are dead, more than 12,000 injured and 15,000 buildings were destroyed as a result of the 6.9 earthquake April 14 in the impoverished mountain area of western China. The disaster caused serious damages to Yushi, Qinghai, destroying 85% of buildings in the township.

**DON'T FORGET: FRIDAY/SATURDAY, 5/21 & 22/10,
EAST CITY PARK SHELTER RE-ROOFING PROJECT.
BRING GLOVES, CROWBARS, HAMMERS, BAND-AIDS (oops!)**



Treasurer's Report

FINANCIAL SUMMARY for APRIL 2010:

	GENERAL FUND	ACTIVITIES FUND	TOTALS
BEGINNING BALANCES:	\$ 2,872.63	\$ 14,288.24	\$ 17,160.87
RECEIPTS	\$ 180.94	\$ 2,794.50	\$ 2,975.44
EXPENDITURES	\$ (69.58)	\$ (610.68)	\$ (680.26)
ENDING BALANCES:	<u>\$ 2,983.99</u>	<u>\$ 16,472.06</u>	<u>\$ 19,456.05</u>

GENERAL FUND – RECEIPTS: Interest, \$21, Member Assessments, \$13.00, Tail Twister, \$130.73, and Initiation Fees, \$37.00.

EXPENDITURES: Lions International, \$38.00, and Postage/Supplies/Awards, \$31.58. **ACTIVITIES FUND – RECEIPTS:** White Cane Days Professional Donations, \$400.00, and Trash Bag Sales, \$2,394.50. **EXPENDITURES:** Easter Egg Hunt, \$383.49, and Local Eyeglasses and Hearing, \$227.19.

Uncle John's Corner – He's baaack . . .

Bumper Stickers We'd Love to See? ☺

"Criminal Lawyer" is a redundancy.// I.R.S.: We've got what it takes to take what you've got!// We are born naked, wet, and hungry. Then things get worse.// Artificial Intelligence usually beats real stupidity.// Hard work has a future payoff. Laziness pays off now.// What is a "free" gift? Aren't all gifts free?// Better to understand a little than to misunderstand a lot.// We have enough youth, how about a fountain of SMART?// Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.// Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.// Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?// Always remember you're unique...Just like everyone else.// As long as there are tests, there will be prayer in public schools.// Gravity- It's not just a good idea, it's the LAW!// Why be difficult, when with a bit of effort, you can be impossible?// Life is too complicated in the morning.// All I want is less to do, more time to do it, and higher pay for not getting it done.// My wife said "If you go hunting, fishing, or golfing one more time I'm going to leave you" ...I'm sure going to miss her.// Ask me about my vow of silence. ☺