



# The Head Lioner



Issue 1

Meadville Lions Club

January 2009

Bi-Monthly Meetings: 1st & 3rd Thursdays \* 12:00 p.m. \* Wesbury United Community



## January Birthdays

(Let's Give a Lions Roar for)

Lion Elmer Nelson  
1/5/08

Lion Marjorie Loepf  
1/6/08

Lion Eleanor Mineweaser  
1/8/08

Lion Doug Nola  
1/9/08

Lion Judy Shumaker  
1/23/08

Lion Joyce Ladner  
1/30/08

Lion Bev Shadley  
1/31/08

## Upcoming Social Events

### Valentine's Day

*Our Social Director (PDG Scott) will be planning something very special this year for the Valentine's Day Weekend. Details to follow.*

### Meadville Lions Club 85th Anniversary.

*On March 21st we will hold our 85th Anniversary. Please hold that date open. Details are inside.*

## January Meetings 2009

1/8/09

**Board Meeting  
Vietnam Vet Post 52  
Dinner 5:30**

**Meeting to Follow  
1/15/09**

**Regular Meeting  
Wesbury at Noon  
Program Chairperson  
Linda Peters**

**1/22/09**

**Regular Meeting  
Wesbury at Noon**

## Lions

We are global.  
We serve where we live.  
We give 100 percent.  
We do it ourselves.  
We are rich in heritage and pride.  
We are in good company.  
We're open.

*"When one door of happiness closes, another opens, but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that has been opened for us."*

Helen Keller

## King Lion's Page (Karen)



Fellow Lions,

It was a month of celebrations and hard work for our members.

It is an honor to receive the announcement of the marriage of two of our newest members, Rich Swavey and Dottie Miller-may you have many years of happiness ahead of you. Congratulations!!

We have the privilege of inducting Danuta Majcharowicz into the club on December 18th, she comes to us through the efforts of Rob Collins-please make her welcome.

PDG Scott Ladner and Larry Mineweaser co-chaired the Terri Lynn fund raiser this year and we need to take the time to thank them. It is a tremendous time and energy effort, figuring orders, setting up selling times and places, getting people to sign-up and help, and setting out the packages for display. You have our sincere thanks, and to all who helped-Cheers!

Our Christmas party was held at the Venango Inn on December 11th, the food was excellent and the favors and table settings were beautiful. Thank you to PDG Scott and to Joyce for your efforts. We had a visit from BIG LION and SANTA CLAUS. May I ask you if you got your Christmas wish? I guess Santa's bag wasn't big enough to hold "4 wheels and a retractable lid" - maybe for my birthday!

Dave Hollern headed a group to decorate a tree at the Market House for our club. How many of you got to see it?

Congratulations to Dave Hollern for receiving a Membership Key-new members are always needed to help carry the load.

The Christmas meeting held at Wesbury on the 18th also included the collection on gifts, food, and monies for three needy families in the area. The goodies were delivered and received with grateful (and sometimes) tearful thanks. May all of you pat yourselves on the back for our efforts. It takes all of us to make it work.

And now,as we turn the page to a whole New Year, my wish for each of you is Joy, Love, and Peace. Hope in all that comes before you and may we continue to fulfill our motto "We Serve.

Yours in Lionism,

K L Karen

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## Our Activities in November



### Salvation Army Bell Ringing

(Lion Dave Hollern)

I would like to thank all who braved the cold on Friday the 5th of December. The Meadville Lions rallied 11 members to man the Salvation Army booth at the Post Office and raised \$282.83 for the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army felt that we did well during that period and were very appreciative of our help and the money we raised.

### Terri Lynn Nut Sales

We are in the process of wrapping up this successful project and PDG Scott would like to thank all members who worked so hard on this project either selling product at the Market House and the Quality or selling product to family and friends. These fund raising projects help us to be successful with community projects such as adopting our Christmas families.



### Market House Christmas

Many thanks to Lions Martha and Sharon for pitching in and helping to decorate the Lions Christmas Tree at the Market House. It was a cold Friday when it was done and they did a great job.



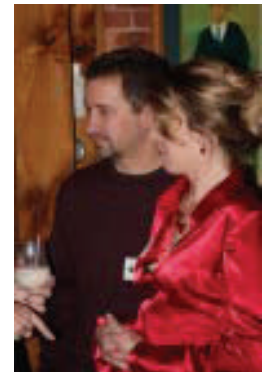
### Christmas Families

(Lion Dave Hollern)

On the weekend of the 20th of December Lion Martha, PDG Scott and I delivered the gifts and food to the three needy families that our club adopted for Christmas. It could not have come at a better time for one family who's house burnt down during the summer. With the downturn in the economy the husband lost his job the week before. Our club provided \$600.00 in funds which purchased a Christmas dinner, \$100.00 Wal\*Mart gift card, and a \$50.00 Country Fair gas card for each family. Along with the above many club members opened their hearts and wallets to buy fine gifts and food stuffs for each of the families. This truly is a project which creates Miracles through Service and one I am proud of to take part in.

## Christmas Party

On December 12th our social directors PDG Scott and Lion Joyce hosted our annual Christmas Party at the Venango Inn. 43 Club members attended and from the happy faces below all had a great time. Many thanks PDG Scott and Lion Joyce for a fine job. Thanks also to Lion Rob Sharp whose pictures are showed below. Please check out the Club's Website <http://www.meadvillelions.com> for more fine pictures.





**UPCOMING MEADVILLE**  
**LIONS PROJECTS**  
**AND EVENTS**



**New Member Orientation**

**Our club will host new member orientation and training in Early February. Details to follow**

**District Cabinet Meeting**

**February 22nd**

**Hosted by the Greenville Lions Club. Details will follow.**

**The Meadville Lions Club's 85th Anniversary Celebration**

**Saturday March 21st 2009**

**At the Iroquois Club Conneaut Lake PA.**

**District Convention**

**April 18th at the Warren PA. Holiday Inn**

**Lions Want Ads**

**WANTED:**

**BLOWER UNIT, EXHAUST FAN.**

(Lion Rob Sharp)

Needs to move 250 to 500 cubic feet of air per minute. Maybe an old blower from a furnace or air conditioning unit. If it had a four inch outlet that would be perfect. Needed for the exhaust for our pottery kiln. Price needs to be reasonable.



***Come Celebrate With Us  
The Meadville Lions Club's  
85th Anniversary Celebration***

***Saturday March 21st 2009 5:30 Social Hour and Dinner at 6:30  
At the Iroquois Club Conneaut Lake PA.***

***Dinner Selection***

- 1. Chicken Oscar (Chicken Scaloppini topped with crab, asparagus & hollandaise sauce)***
- 2. Marinated Sirloin ( 8 oz. Sirloin topped with crispy tobacco onions and Bordelaise sauce)***
- 3. Crab Stuffed Tilapia (filet of Tilapia with crab stuffing).***

***Price is \$30.00 per person***

***Our Keynote Speaker will be Past International Director Robert W. Miller accompanied by his partner in service Judy  
There will be entertainment, awards, door prizes, a Chinese auction and Lions camaraderie.***

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## Message From The International President



### STUNNING SUCCESS OF CAMPAIGN MEANS SIGHT FOR MILLIONS

by Al Brandel, President, The International Association of Lions Clubs

The Navajo Reservation in Arizona is beautiful, rugged country. The landscape matches the people. Many Navajo survive with little income yet they maintain a strong sense of community. Sadly, one thing their community often has lacked is vision care. I and Maureen were privileged to participate in eye screenings in October on the Navajo Reservation in Window Rock as part of World Sight Day. We were part of a very worthwhile effort that uncovered vision problems and distributed eyeglasses to those in need. (Lions also did diabetes screenings for Native Americans, Hispanics and senior citizens in Phoenix.) If you've even been on a screening or mission, you know what it's like to directly help those in great need. It's just a wonderful feeling.

Maureen and I also recently were in Africa to observe Lions in action. We met with a grateful 26-year-old mother whose corneal transplant enabled her to see her two kids for first time. Some people think I'm an unemotional retired police detective. But meeting that mother and realizing what the Lions did for her brought tears to my eyes.

Thanks to Lions, the world is full of stories such as the mother in Africa. As in Arizona, we've also helped community after community meet its vision needs. Our main weapon in the fight for sight is SightFirst, of course, and the incredible success of Campaign SightFirst II will enable Lions to protect or restore the sight of millions. The \$200 million we raised will bring sight—and the ability to live independently, to attend school, to work and to reach one's full potential—to people in developed nations such as in North America and in developing nations in Africa and Asia.

I want to thank all Lions who supported the campaign. Your generosity was outstanding. As always, Lions came through. It's not easy to maintain your regular club projects and also support a larger cause. But club after club, Lion after Lion, put in the extra time and effort to ensure the campaign met its goal.

Now comes the part that makes the effort worthwhile—performing the operations and screenings, building eye clinics and hospitals, distributing medication and training eye care professionals, bringing the gift of sight to children and senior citizens and everyone in between in all parts of the world. The campaign was a great success. But a year from now, two years from now and for many years to come Lions will use these funds efficiently and effectively to restore sight and prevent vision loss for multitudes.

In closing, as you probably have noticed, we've redesigned the LION Magazine starting with this issue. We've made the design more attractive and contemporary. We've added stories relevant to Lions. We hope you enjoy it. Please give us your feedback. Feel free to contact the editorial staff to let them know how you like it

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### **PROGRAM ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE**

*For July 2008 through June 2009*

<b>JULY 3</b>	<b>NONE</b>
<b>JULY 17</b>	<b>GEORGE FLOWERS</b>
<b>AUGUST 7</b>	<b>MARTHA CONSOLA</b>
<b>AUGUST 21</b>	<b>FAIR</b>
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