

District 38-I April 2022 Newsletter



Motto: WE SERVE

International President's Theme: Service from the Heart

My Theme: Experience the Joy of Service

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Greetings District 38-I!

Those of you that didn't attend our District 38 L & I Mid-Winter Convention in Kearney on the first weekend of March missed some good entertainment, information, food and friendship. The Friday night program was on the sandhill crane migration presented by Rowe Sanctuary. It had lots of great pictures & information. It fit in with our theme of "Capture some Migrating Lions" to encourage adding members from the people who are coming through your life, which is similar to the photos we capture of the crane migration. We are all meeting new people wherever we go and we should be encouraging them as well as our current friends to use their talents to serve others and to become Lions members.

Our Lions International visitors were International Director (ID) John Youney and his wife Lion Karol from Skowhegan, Maine. He is a trial lawyer from back east which we always think of being heavily populated. But it turns out that Skowhegan is a small town of only 8620 residents. Both ID John & Karol are very down to earth friendly people who believe in serving others as much as we do. They especially enjoyed the sandhill crane migration since they are both avid birders. We were able to find lots of cranes to watch close up in fields around the Platte River and they loved it! ID John gave us an update on things going on in LCI. One of the most notable is the plan to increase our membership dues since it has not been raised for many years and operating costs continue to skyrocket. If approved at the international convention, it will be only a modest increase of \$3 next year and \$2 each of the following two years. You would be hard-pressed to find any way to get as much for \$50 as we do from Lions Clubs International! In the evening ID John presented a great program on what Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) and local Lions Clubs are doing to support hospitals around our country. He also talked about the recent disasters experienced in nearby states and the world problem of feeding the refugees from the Ukraine. He encouraged everyone to "Give from the Heart" in supporting LCIF with personal donations as well as club donations. We received several donations to LCIF and NLF at the convention. Please consider making your personal donation to both foundations so we can continue our work around our state & our world!

We had a very good presentation on juvenile diabetes by the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) including many of the new products that have been developed over the last few years for monitoring and treating children with diabetes. We also had information from an adult teacher who has been a type 1 diabetic since early youth and another family with a teenage daughter with diabetes all

from Kearney. They talked about the struggles to keep glucose levels constant and the equipment and monitoring that is working for them. They did present a challenge to all Lions to participate in the Kearny JDRF OneWalk fundraiser to be held at Yanney Park on April 24th at 1:00pm. You can register today at www.walk.jdrf.org. We also had presentations on childhood cancer, club extension for adding new clubs, (but we can use the same techniques to add new members to our current clubs) and some MyLion training to help reporting your club service and promoting your club projects to your members.

Registrations for Camp Floyd Rogers Diabetic Camp at Comeca Camp near Cozad are due by early April. They are planning to accept only 100 children in the age ranges of 8 to 18, so hurry to submit yours. The NLF Camp Committee will help to send children to a diabetes camp by matching the funds of the sponsoring Lions Clubs. It can be ANY diabetes camp located in Nebraska or surrounding states.

Reminders:

April is your club election month. Please get your new officers elected and then **Report** them in MyLCI before May 1st. If they are not in MyLCI by then, I will be contacting you to get it done!

Send all District Assistance Raffle checks for prizes & sale of raffle tickets and stubs to me by May 1.

Send in your application for Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI) to arrive before May 1.

Plan to attend our State Convention in Columbus on June 3-5. There will be lots of good information and a visit from 1st VP Brian Sheehan just a month before he takes office as our International President!

Don't forget about the preschools & daycares in your community & surrounding communities. Plan to check out one of the KidSight cameras to screen those children to identify problems at an early age.

The KidSight vision cameras are available for check-out and are hosted at the following clubs:

Hastings Evening Lions – Contact me Wayne Hinerman 402-613-7872 w_hinerman@hotmail.com

Bartlett Lions – Contact Kimmie Reed 308-750-1336 kimberly_99@hotmail.com

Broken Bow Lions – Contact Don Wolford 308-870-2426 liondonwolford@hotmail.com

Ainsworth Lions – Contact Dr. Evan Evans 402-760-2142 ecech@threeriver.net

Now is the time to start using them again! Contact your daycares & preschools to get them screened.

I have been visiting clubs around our District and if I haven't already contacted you, I will be soon.

Special Dates Coming Up:

April 22-24 District Governor Elect & Vice District Governor Training at Leadership Ctr. in Aurora, NE

May 20 Opening Eyes for the Special Olympics athletes at Creighton University in Omaha, NE

June 3-5 MD38 Nebraska State Convention in Columbus, NE

June 19-25 Camp Floyd Rogers Diabetic Camp at Comeca Camp near Cozad, NE

June 24-28 Lions Clubs International Convention LCICon 2022 in Montreal, Canada

June 27-28 Lions High School All Star Golf Tournament at Meadowlark Hills Golf Course in Kearney

July 29-31 Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI) in Maryville, MO

September 15-17 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Calgary, Alberta Canada

District 38-I Club Activities:

Amherst: Held their Valentine dinner and hosted the bloodmobile

Heartwell and Wilcox: Both held Nut Fry fundraisers

O'Neill: Gave donation to Girls on the Run program to encourage grades 3-6 to prepare for a 5K race

Red Cloud: Held a Pancake Feed fundraiser, donated to Teammates and gave out 7 scholarships

Valentine: Had a Community Soup Supper & Fireworks for Veterans

Please use MyLion and get your service activity reporting up to date. If you are having some problems accessing the MyLion application, you can call me at my contacts above, our District Global Leadership Coordinator Joanna Faber by phone at 402-469-0232 or by email joannaf@gtmc.net or our District Administrator Pat Smith by phone at 308-237-2900 or email lionslvhere@charter.net and we will help.