

Northeast Eyeopener News

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LOVING RELATIONSHIPS

During the month of September, our club newsletter featured the third article of a four-part article series based on my discoveries from facilitating a session at the Officer's Training School at Strathmore in April 2010. The session topic assigned to me was "Keeping Members Interested and Active". During the training session, I described four characteristics that I believe help to keep members interested and engaged: (1) Empowering Leadership, (2) Gift-based Service, (3) Inspiring Meetings, and (4) Loving Relationships. In this article, I will be addressing the fourth of these four characteristics—Loving Relationships.

The Loving Relationships characteristic asks the question "Are the relationships of your members characterized by love?" People long for love. That includes all people; you, me, individuals within our club and the people we are serving as a club. Building loving relationships is important for our individual members, but it is also an important aspect of attracting new members and equipping our members for community service.

Authentic love makes a group magnetically attractive. When you walk into a room filled with people in loving relationships you know it—"there is an energy in the air". People are drawn to love and loving relationships. When we have potential members looking to connect to a service group, they need to be attracted to our club in order to discover who we are and all that we have to offer. Nurturing loving relationships within our club, attracts others to be apart of it.

Love is contagious. Those who receive love, often give love. A major role of our club is to prepare and motivate people towards community service. Love is an important aspect of serving others. If we have a club that encourages and fosters loving relationships amongst it's members, we are more likely to develop loving relationships in the communities we are serving.

Personally, I have felt very loved by the members of our club and I have developed many loving relationships since becoming a member. I truly believe Loving Relationships is a characteristic are club already does very well. However, there is always room for growth. So, you might ask yourself "how can I encourage and foster loving relationships within our club and community"? The answer is pretty simple: love those who are around you. Be generous with your compliments, invite someone to a meal or coffee outside of official club-sponsored events, get to know the personal needs of others, and have fun and laugh with one another. Be open to giving and receiving love, and together we can build an even stronger Lions Club.

Written By: Christy Dalidowicz

NOTABLE QUOTE

"There is no higher religion than human service. To work for the common good is the greatest creed."

~ Woodrow Wilson

Club Projects, Events and Activities

Upcoming Events and Projects

New Member Induction Night

The Induction of New Members ceremony will be held during our regular meeting on November 3rd, 2010. This is a great opportunity to bring your spouse or friend to a meeting night. Please make sure to notify your phoning committee person of any guests who will be joining you, so that catering is given enough notice.

Lions Peace Poster Contest

Each year, Lions clubs around the world proudly sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups. This Contest encourages young people worldwide to artistically express their visions of peace.

The theme of the 2010-11 Peace Poster Contest is "**Vision of Peace.**" Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 are eligible to participate. Club judging will take place at our regular meeting on November 3rd, 2010. Prizes awarded include: One Club Contest Winner of \$120, two "Merit Awards" of \$60, and four "honourable mentions" of \$35.

Peace Poster Greeting Cards

Last year, we launched a new project called Peace Poster Greeting Cards. For this project, the three finalists posters from the Northeast Eyeopener Lions Club 2009-10 Lions International Peace Poster Contest are made into greeting cards. Through purchasing and distributing these cards, it is our hope to share our community's unique vision of peace during the holiday season.

Peace Poster Greeting Card Packs are available for pre-purchase during the month of October. Each pack contains 12 cards with envelopes. There are four cards of each of the three poster designs. The cards cost \$20 per pack. The proceeds from the sale of these cards will go to support The Northeast Eyeopener Lions Club Youth Projects. The pre-ordered packs will be available for pick-up at and after the regular club meeting on November 3rd, 2010. Please contact Christy Dalidowicz for more information or to place an order.

In addition, Lions Clubs International offer the opportunity to create a personalized electronic greeting cards from one of the six international finalists posters from the 2009-10 Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Visit the www.lionsclubs.org to select an e-card image, add your personal message and send.

Festival of Lights

Lions Festival of Lights work schedule will be chaired by Lion Yves Duclos. An e-mail will be sent out by Lion Secretary Robert Herritt and interested parties are asked to respond.

IMPORTANT REQUEST

Just a reminder, The Northeast Eyeopener Lions Club dues are now OVERDUE. Please forward payment to the club Treasurer, Carol Carr immediately.

Member Spotlight

EVA WILLET

When and where were you born?

Roblin, Manitoba - January 6, 1967

Do you have any children? Names? Ages?

No just lots of neices and nephews.

Do you have any pets?

Silver Grey Tabbies, Jethro and Tobias

What is your favourite food?

My mom's purple pickles.

What was the last book you read?

A novel by Nora Roberts

If you were an animal, what would you want to be? Why?

A Cat, I like the attitude that they have.

Which historical figure do you most admire?

Terry Fox, He was running around the time my mom was diagnosed. He brought awareness to the disease and showed us that it was possible to fight.

What was your first job?

Sparky's Chip Truck: I made french fries and popcorn for 8 months in a chip truck in Atikokan, still the best fries ever.

If time, talent, and money were no obstacle, what would be your dream job?

I love what I do now but maybe working in a quilt shop part time quilting on the long arm.

What accomplishments are you most proud of?

When I finished mapping school I entered my grad project into the Canadian Cartographic Associations annual competition and won first place, and having a quilt that took me 13 years to complete hanging in the Stampede.

What brought you to Lions? What keeps you here?

Growing up in Atikokan where my dad was a Lion for several years, Dad had us out helping with selling light bulbs, garbage bags, brooms and fruit to raise money for the club. We also helped with the fairs the club held in the spring. I went home one year on vacation and even though my Dad was no longer a member of the club, I went down and helped set up for the annual fair. It was like I was a little kid again. Both my parents instilled a responsibility and desire to give back to our community. I grew up knowing that the Lions was a terrific organization that reached out in our communities, country and around the world. When I was able finally able to commit to volunteering I contacted the Lions. Although I've had to pull back the number of hours over the last few years, I still enjoy volunteering where I can. Fellowship with club members is an important part of why I stay in Lions but a fellow Lion in Minnesota, PDG Dudley Parsons said it whenever he talked about being a Lion "I feel good" describes what keeps me in Lions.



Important Dates and Information

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

<i>October 6th</i>	Ian Tse	<i>November 2nd</i>	Howard MacDonald
<i>October 19th</i>	Sherree Morrison	<i>November 5th</i>	Matt Dalidowicz
<i>October 25th</i>	Denise Braithwaite	<i>November 11th</i>	Mike Cha
<i>October 25th</i>	Carol Carr	<i>November 14th</i>	Shamsher Kothari
<i>October 26th</i>	Gary Mohl	<i>November 17th</i>	Deven Singhal
		<i>November 20th</i>	Mike Rochefort
		<i>November 21st</i>	Nargis Dossa
		<i>November 28th</i>	Violet Duclos

ANNIVERSARIES

<i>October 8th</i>	Vern and Ollie Borgedahl	<i>November 11th</i>	Mike and Mary Kirby
		<i>November 13th</i>	Mike and Fraz Rochefort

FANNING CENTRE SCHEDULES

BINGOS

<i>October 2nd</i>	Team Two
<i>October 9th</i>	Team Three
<i>October 16th</i>	Team Four
<i>October 23rd</i>	Team One
<i>October 30th</i>	Team Two
<i>November 6th</i>	Team Three
<i>November 13th</i>	Team Four
<i>November 20th</i>	Team One
<i>November 27th</i>	Team Two

BAR

<i>October 2nd</i>	Ron Lundgren and Bill Baux
<i>October 16th</i>	John Watson and Curt Ansell
<i>October 30th</i>	Jack and Denise Isaman
<i>November 13th</i>	Matt and Christy Dalidowicz
<i>November 27th</i>	Christina Pond and Robert Herritt

DISTRICT 37-O CABINET

District Governor	John Goodrich
1st Vice DG	Rose Geonzon
2nd Vice DG	Bruce Bishop
Secretary	Bill Baux
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