



Quincy Lions Club e-Update

OCTOBER 2011

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October Birthdays:

13th: Jill DeMarco
15th: Lucille Cassis
27th: Jim Flaherty
30th: Karyn Donahue

November Birthdays:

7th: Jennifer Logue
8th: Isabel Cobb
15th: Sam Rounseville
19th: Paul Mauriello
20th: Joe Reardon
20th: Greg Glennon
25: Steve Mansfield

Did we miss YOU???
Please let us know!

President's Message

Hello All,

The time is flying by...

Here we are heading quickly into November but not without some exciting things happening this weekend. Come and support us for our Pancake Breakfast as we partner for another year with our friends in Weymouth Lions. The Eyemobile will be present as well. This will be held this Sunday, October 30th at 1000 Southern Artery...we are expecting great numbers again this year...there will be lots of raffles!

October 31st marks the deadline for the Essay Contest...thanks Sean for chairing this event again...

We have a couple of November fundraisers in the works...more to follow! The Coat drive has begun to collect winter coats for folks in need...

If anyone has any ideas to help raise funds don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks for all you do to support our Community!

KL Donna

September 2011 Month-in-Review

Service Projects/Fundraisers: Ongoing projects included Eyeglass Recycling and food collection for Interfaith Social Services. Individual community service activities included volunteer efforts for Father Bills & Mainspring. **Summary:** 8 Lions (duplicated) offered 15 hours of service across 3 activities.

District Events: Our club was represented at 9 various district events, meetings, and visitations during the month.

Donations: \$100 to Boston University Eye Associates Lions Club

Membership Status: One new member installed; one member reinstated. We ended the month with 73 members.

Meetings: Our speaker on Sept. 1 was Quincy Ward 6 City Councillor Brian McNamee. Our speaker on Sept. 15 was Sue Chandler, Executive Director of DOVE.

Upcoming Events

October 30—Quincy/Weymouth Lions Pancake Breakfast, 1000 S. Artery, 8am-noon

October 31—Halloween

November 3—Club Luncheon Meeting, 12pm, Neighborhood Club of Quincy

November 11—Veterans Day

November 17—BOD Meeting, 11am, followed by Club Luncheon Meeting, 12pm

November 21—2nd District Advisory Meeting

November 24—Thanksgiving Day

ESSAY CONTEST

Our club will be participating in the LCI Essay Contest this year.

The contest is open to students who live and/or go to school in Quincy and who are considered "visually impaired" according to national guidelines and will be 11, 12 or 13 years of age on November 15, 2011.

One grand prize winner will receive an award and \$5,000!

The contest theme is "Children Know Peace."

Essays must be no longer than 500 words in length, submitted in English, type-written in black ink and double-spaced. Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form. Essays submitted without completed entry forms will be automatically disqualified.

Only one entry per student per year, and each entry must be the work of only one student. Essay entries cannot have already been published.

Any essays found to be plagiarized will be automatically disqualified and the student will be prohibited from entering any future Lions competitions.

The deadline for students to submit an essay to the Quincy Lions Club is Monday, Oct. 31, 2011. Essays should be sent to Lion Sean Glennon via e-mail to Sean.Glennon@comcast.net in PDF format, or via mail to P.O. Box 27, Quincy, MA 02170.

For questions about this contest and/or to receive a PDF packet with an entry form, official rules, a sample judging form, a list of accepted visual impairments, and a fact sheet about the 2010-2011 contest, please contact Lion Sean Glennon at 617-909-6426 or Sean.Glennon@comcast.net.

DEADLINE: OCT. 31, 2011

Did You Know...

Every five seconds, someone in our world goes blind - and a child goes blind every minute.

New Directions Counseling Center at ISS

The following is from Quincy Lion Rick Doane, Executive Director of Interfaith Social Services.

It is my pleasure to introduce you to a new program of New Directions Counseling Center at Interfaith Social Services (ISS). Since 1947 our Counseling Center has been one of Interfaith Social Services' core programs. As we continue to grow and serve the community we are always looking for ways that we can improve the complement of services which we offer to clients. Consequently, we have added a clinician to our staff to provide therapeutic services to individuals who are coping with loss of vision, as well as their families who are dealing with this news.

Providing this service is a primary goal for this therapist as she herself is blind. This unique program will combine individual counseling and, if desired, small professionally facilitated discussion groups to help individuals cope and grow with their challenging situation.

This clinician has experience facilitating groups for individuals coping with vision loss as well as counseling individual clients. In addition to completing her education as a licensed social worker, she and her husband are raising two young children.

She truly understands the experience of a blind person learning to function in a sighted world.

For information please call Claire Hagan, Interfaith Social Services' Counseling Coordinator at 617-773-6203 ext. 12.

Lions Media

Just a reminder of the many "techno tools" we have at the local, district, and international level of LCI:

www.quincylionsclub.org – Official website of the Quincy Lions Club (includes a link to our club's Facebook Page, news, events, and newsletters).

www.lions-33k.org – Official website of our District (includes a link to the District's Facebook and Twitter pages).

www.masslionseyeresearch.org – Official website of the Massachusetts Lions Eye Research Fund.

www.lions-md33.org - Official website of Multiple-District 33, which is comprised of the five districts of Massachusetts – "Y", "A", "N", "K", and "S".

<http://33keyemobile.org> – Official website of our district Eyemobile.

www.lionsclubs.org – Official website of LCI (includes a link to all of LCI's networking tools, as well as a link to LCI's iPhone "app").