

## DISTRICT 9NC

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### My Fellow Lions,

The greatest joy I have known as district governor has been meeting you, the members of Lions clubs throughout our district. I cannot say enough about the kindness shown to me at my official club visits and at zone meetings and our recent Fall Rally. If I have not yet visited your club, please contact me at kbuehner15@hotmail.com or 641-424-9631 so we can arrange a date that works for both of us. I am learning so much from all of you about what it means to serve. You make me so proud to be able to call myself a Lion.

**January 13 is an important day for Lions** — the birthday of our founder Melvin Jones, born in 1879. International President Joe Preston is asking all of us to pay tribute to him in some way on or near his birthday. This would be a great time to perform a service project, hold a new member induction ceremony or in some way re-dedicate ourselves to the ideals and purposes that Melvin Jones established for our club.

I hope many of you will make plans now to attend at least part of the Jan. 8-10 Mid-Winter Leadership Conference at the Airport Holiday Inn in Des Moines. We are very privileged to have Joe Preston as our guest. Please at least plan to be there for the Saturday luncheon to hear Joe speak. He has much to teach all of us. You will come home re-energized to carry out the work of this distinguished organization. A registration form was in the October issue and in this issue of The Iowa Lion.

#### Another request pertaining to the Mid-Winter Conference:

Please let me know if your club can furnish a theme basket for the Silent Auction at the conference. Money raised will go to the Iowa Lions Foundation. I need to hear from someone in your clubs as soon as possible to determine which clubs will make up baskets this year. If you don't want to make the basket yourselves, a club donation of \$50 will make it possible for others to make up the basket for you with your club's name on it.

Club secretaries, please send me the names of any members who are recently deceased. I feel it is vital that we remember these Lions. I hope all of you are keeping the Lions International website up to date each month in terms of membership and club activities. The website is at [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org).

Everyone please note at right that one of our clubs – Williams – has recruited nine new members. It can be done, Lions!

## LIONS WE HAVE LOST

PDG **Henry T. Paine**, formerly of the Mason City Noon Club, died Oct. 1 at the age of 95 in Racine, Wis.

**Lion Marlin Kirkdorffer**, a charter member of the Eldora Lions Club, died Oct. 11.

We are thankful for their faithfulness to Lions Club and will never forget them.



Members of the **Osage Lions Club** volunteer at the community's recent Fox River Sock Sale.

## WELCOME NEW LIONS!

MEMBER	CLUB	SPONSOR
Matthew Berry	Algona	Reg Roberts
Bahne L. Struecker	Algona	Marvin Miller
Michael D. Malena	Charles City	John Newton
Robert A. Miller	Clarion	
Chyrl Bergvig	Clear Lake Lion Pride	Dale Entner
Jennifer Crutcher	Eagle Grove	Becky Wachowiak
Melanie Olson	Eagle Grove	Maureen Thielen
Richard L. Stewart	Floyd	Duane Tresch
Dan Clites	Garner	Robert Sniezek
Chuck Hrubes	Garner	
Natalie Wedeking	Marble Rock	Fred Wreghitt
Kathy Heeren	Parkersburg	Henry Heeren
Bryce Collins	Popejoy	
Matthew J. Reed	Rockwell	Lynn Weier
Charlene Burton	Williams	Mike Burton
Britt Jones	Williams	George Bettenga
Delbert Jones	Williams	George Bettenga
Sam Ose	Williams	Robert Keane
Micahael Rapp	Williams	Jim Cunningham
Harli Schutt	Williams	Nick Schutt
Pam Schutt	Williams	Nick Schutt
Andrew Tapper	Williams	Donald Williams
Wayne Tapper	Williams	Donald Williams

## STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE: CLUB NEWS

The **Ackley-Geneva Lions Club** donated 417 hours of service in July delivering and picking up hospital equipment, conducting a pancake breakfast, a sauerkraut stand, tractor ride and tractor pull, raising \$1,515. They also donated \$50 to the Care and Share program. The club also donated 25 hours in September working with hospital equipment and serving 15 people.

The **Allison Lions Club** screened 125 children in the North Butler School District through the Iowa KidSight program. The club also served more than 150 people at an omelet breakfast on Oct. 4. Proceeds will support local scholarships, Iowa KidSight and the Iowa Lions Foundation.

The **Burt Lions Club** held a fish fry Sept. 5 and an omelet breakfast Oct. 4.

The **Eagle Grove Lions Club** donated \$200 to the Eagle Grove Senior Center in August to assist in purchasing equipment for Meals on Wheels and other programs. The club also worked with the Eagle Grove Parks and Recreation Department to pay sports fees for students needing financial assistance. An initial check of \$200 was donated with more to follow as needed. In September, the club set aside an afternoon at the public library for students to come in and draw a poster to enter in the Peace Poster Contest. The club also placed pink flamingos in yards that homeowners paid to have removed, raising \$150.

The **Garner Lions Club** held its annual Pork Loin Dinner Oct. 26. The club also screened 30 preschool children through Iowa KidSight in October. In September, the club delivered meals to 11 shut-in residents. The club also worked with local Boy Scouts to increase the number and support the Eagle Scout program. The club screened 38 preschool children in September.

The **Hampton Lions Club** raised \$900 in August at a Beeds Lake Restoration Run Pancake Breakfast.

In September, the **Humboldt Lions Club** provided refreshments and meals, including an omelet breakfast on Sunday, at the Humboldt Polka Fest over the Labor Day weekend. In August, members of the club attended the Fourth Annual Puppy Day at the Fort Dodge Correctional Facility. The club also operated a food stand the last weekend of July at the Humboldt County Fair.

The **Manly Lions Club** gave a \$500 scholarship. The club also collects funds from the community for needed items at the food bank. The club also placed a bench in memory of Lion Lee Dutcher during Manly's Railroad Ag Days.

The **Mason City Noon Lions Club** screened 174 preschool children through the Iowa KidSight program in September.

The **Northwood Lions Club** served 293 people on Northwood's Founders Day in September at the club's omelet breakfast at the Northwood Fire Station, raising \$1,427. A root beer stand operated by the club on Main Street on Founders Day raised \$155. In August, the club conducted a Red Cross Blood Drive at the VFW at which 38 people gave blood.

The **Osage Lions Club** provided 190 hours of volunteer time to the annual Fox River Sock Sale in Osage. For this time, Fox

River Mills will present \$5,000 to the Lions to be used for club projects. The club also earned more than \$1,000 selling food at Osage's Friday Night Out in the Park events during the summer and participated in the Fourth of July Parade.

The **Parkersburg Lions Club** participated in Parkersburg's Fun Days with a successful Duck Race, a float in the parade and sales of root beer floats. The club also sells candy bars and Terri Lynn candies at the monthly Legion Breakfasts. Proceeds raised have been donated to the Depot Park restoration. The club contributed \$300 to the Care and Share program and applied for help for two local people, with the club donating \$400 to these individuals. The club also gave \$400 to LCIF, \$300 to the Iowa Lions Foundation and \$300 to Leader Dog.

The **Rockwell Lions Club** held a Farm Equipment Auction in August. Proceeds will go toward scholarships for the 2015 West Fork High School senior class.

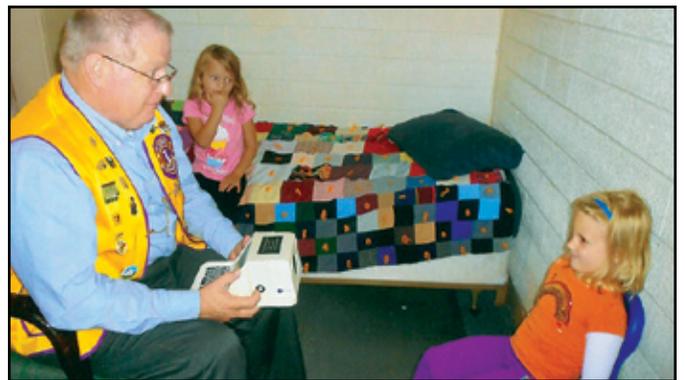
The **Rowan Lions Club** served 516 chicken dinners at its annual Chicken Barbecue Sept. 28. They also served 554 pancake breakfasts at Lake Cornelia and another 350 pancake breakfasts at the Belmond Power Show in August. Members of the club also attended Puppy Day Aug. 24 at the Fort Dodge Correctional Facility.

The **St. Ansgar Lions Club** raised \$2,000 at its Pork Chop Dinner at the first home football game of the year, serving 200 people. In September, the club screened 63 St. Ansgar children through Iowa KidSight.

In August, the **Williams Lions Club** held an informational dinner for anyone interested in joining the Lions Club. Nine potential members attended. All nine have joined.



**Rowan Lions Club** members handle the grills at the club's annual Chicken Barbecue Sept. 28.



**Allison** Lion Mark Randall screens Tlannah Nichol's eyes as Adelee Ramker waits her turn during a recent Iowa KidSight eye screening.