



The Urbandale Lion

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Board Meeting: Next board meeting is Thursday, April 11, 2013, starting at 6:30 pm in the Shelter House.

Membership Meeting: the membership meeting is Thursday, March 28. It will be held at the Ralph Whitten Shelter House starting at 6:30.

Menu: Jambalaya, salad, King's Cake, fruit pie and drinks. The Directors will provide the drinks. Cost is \$10.00.

Program: A video will be presented by Bill Shutters. We'll also introduce the 2013-14 slate of officers for consideration.

KidSight Vision Screening

Bill Kuhn reports that we have screened and gotten results on 264 kids so far this year. 26 of those kids were referred for further evaluation. However, 7 of the referrals were already under a doctor's care, so 19 were new referrals. 44 Lions and Lioness donated time to help with these screenings.

Urbandale Lions Website

Larry Grund will become an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors as our 'Social Media Director'. We are very fortunate to have his technical expertise to guide us in the development of our website. Plans are in the works to make our newsletter available at the website as another communication tool for our club.

Tissue Transport/Lions Eye Bank

The March 20 edition of the Des Moines Register presented a full page article entitled "Lions Eye Bank gives gift of sight through transplants". While no particular club is mentioned we can take pride in the part we play in the relaying of eye tissue from Des Moines to Grinnell on a nearly daily basis. So far this year our club's volunteers have donated over 2,000 miles to this very worthy cause. For the full year 2012 we had 9 Urbandale Lions transport tissue on 50 trips for a total of 6,430 miles. Since we began transporting tissue our club has driven 20,430 miles through year end 2012.

Man Cave Garage Sale

Will be held on Saturday, April 13. Details are already available at our website. Calling all Lions and Lioness to contribute items to 'the cave'. Coffee and donuts will be available for purchase at the sale.

Fun at our Ladies Night

In addition to great food and entertainment we were pleased to induct a new member and to bestow honor on a long-standing, hard-working member.

Pictured below is new member Ben Long standing beside his sponsor Brian Coppess following his installation as the 60th member of our club.



We are fortunate to have very dedicated Lions in our club. Top of that list of dedicated Lions, most would agree, is Bill Shutters. So it was fitting that he be recognized at our Ladies Night with the prestigious Melvin Jones award. Pictured below is Bill being congratulated by our senior Lion Jim Caldbeck.



Urbandale Scholarship Brunch

We had several honored guests appear at the scholarship brunch this year. Pictured below are Gary and Zane Vokes, our present and future District Governors, enjoying a moment after the meal.



Also in attendance are good friends of our club and former Zone Chairman Mary Halstead and her husband Steve, who coordinates eye tissue transporting schedules for the state of Iowa.



While we acknowledge that the Lioness are the experts in the kitchen we found that a Lion can create a tasty omelet when called into duty. Below is pictured Lion Dennis Markway and his able assistant Gary Shipley.



Lioness came well prepared to cook up a storm. These ladies know how to dress the part! Pictured below are Julie Witmer, Joyce Kuhn, Alice Gawhen and a Leo helper.

