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The Wheaton Lions Club sponsored a single flag at the Field of Honor sponsored by the Warrenville VFW Post #8081 and the American Legion Post #589 at Seven Gables Park in Wheaton.

MD1 Concl Chair Speaks:



The first Council of Governors meeting was held on the 17th of July and the Governors did a great job handling the business of the State. One of the items was the appointment of a new Global Service Team Chair, Past District Governor Kathy Dieker. PDG Kathy was a member of my Council so I know she will do an exceptional job as chair of this committee. We had the added pleasure of having Past International President Joe Preston and International Director Bob Block speak to use about Campaign 100. International Director Bob will be heading up the effort in Illinois and

will be leading the "Illinois Road Show" to bring information to our clubs. This is an additional responsibility that ID Bob has taken on and we all need to support his efforts. More information on this initiative will be coming from ID Bob, your Lions Clubs International Foundation chairs, and your Governors.

I have to say how fortunate I feel to be the Council Chair of this group of Governors. They are enthusiastic, hardworking, and most importantly, fun to work with. You lions have elected some great lions to represent your districts and I really feel this will be a successful year. Last year was difficult but having seen these Governors in action, I can say with confidence, "We're Back" -

John Barsanti

MD-1 Council Chair

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FROM MD1 GLT CHAIR:



Recently District 1-CS completed its annual club officer training. It was well attended, and the information was well received. But the attendance and reception does not matter to this month's topic.

Upon returning home I opened my emails and found a message from an attendee of the training. The sender asked, "Lion Larry, what is leadership?"

A good question. It is a topic many people have written about. It is a topic in which many governmental agencies and companies have held seminars. It is

something philosophers questioned. It is something to be strived for.

If you Google the word leadership you get an overwhelming response and as many varied answers. Some say it is a person leading other people. Another alleges it is a person motivating others to reach a goal. Another lists eight qualities that make a leader (enthusiasm, integrity, communicator, loyalty, decisiveness, competence, empowerment, and charisma). All nice attempts but they do not truly show leadership.

Well, just what is leadership. I answered her question as best as I could. I wrote, "In the English language there are concretes and abstracts. Concretes are things you can see, a tree, a person, a house, a book, and the list goes on. Abstracts are things that exist, but you cannot see, sweet, sour, pain, and so forth."

"You can see a leader; but you

cannot see leadership. Leadership can only be seen through the actions or inactions of a leader.” (See Google’s responses, above.)

I went on to ask the sender, “What if a spaceship landed and an alien asked you to show leadership?” How would you answer that question? Would you fall prey to the old cartoons of an alien being shown our nation’s capitol?

Here, again, you are pointing to leaders, not leadership. But what comes from those capitol buildings is leadership (whether you like it or not).

Lions offer many programs to help you develop into a good leader. There are local programs such as new officer training and zone chair training. There are

regional programs such as the upcoming Regional Lions Leadership Institution. There is the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum. There are online courses and degree programs. There is governor and vice governor elect training. Some of these are online and free. Some require your attendance.

So, what is leadership. It is something many claim to have and can only be shown through actions and motivations. I have alleged leadership is expectations from both ends. That is the leader expects you to follow while the followers expect you to lead.

What do you think leadership should be?

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<http://www.illinoislionsmd1.org/>

Helping Hands Through LCIF



We Are on The Road for Campaign 100.

"On the road again". There are not many people who won't hear Willy when they see those words. The truth is it is a bit of slogan for your Lions Clubs International Foundation chairs as they enter this fourth and certainly hopefully final year of the Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service.

Your LCIF chairs are ready to get out and meet with the clubs and encourage 100% participation in the clubs. One member donating can make that happen. That one member is you, and then encourage all the rest in your club.

We are on the final stretch of virtually doubling the amount of service the Foundation does around the world. With the challenges of the pandemic, we had to extend the campaign to four years, but with all of us pulling together we can reach that fantastic goal.

It is a tough battle as we face worldwide hunger, water shortage, vision and hearing impairment, diabetes, and childhood cancer. Working as a unit, we can allieve so many problems. 100%! That means me. That means you. Please help.

Simply get in touch with lionsclubs.org/en/donate. You can also TEXT LCIF 243-725. Or contacting your district Chairperson:

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William A. "Bill" McKinney, 73, of Highland, IL, passed away on Friday, July 9, 2021, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville, IL. He was born in Mattoon, IL on February 15, 1948.

Bill attended St. Jacob United Church of Christ in St. Jacob, IL. He was Past International Director of Lions Clubs International 2013-15, Past District Governor and Council Chair 2004-05. Bill served as president of Lions of Illinois

Foundation 2010-11. Bill was a member of the Marine Lions Club, and an associate member of the St. Jacob Lions Club. He was instrumental in the formation of Regional Eye Care Committee serving clients in Southern Illinois.

He loved farming and was a member of the Farmers Livestock Market Association and National Stock Yards since 1970. Bill always enjoyed a good auction, whether it was livestock or for his passion of collecting model tractors with his son Bryan. He loved traveling and meeting Lions members from every corner of the world with his life partner Lydia. Most of all he enjoyed his family and the times he spent with them.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert William, and Mary Ruth (nee Cooter) McKinney.

He is survived by his life partner, Lydia Ellis of Highland, IL; his children, Bryan R. (Tera nee Maedge) McKinney of Marine, IL and Tiffany E. (Tyler) Houberg of

Collinsville, IL; his five grandchildren, Faith E. and Megan A. Houberg, Aubrey, Addison and Bryson McKinney; his brother Whitney N. (Janet) McKinney of Neoga, IL.; and many friends

Memorials may be made to Lions of Illinois Foundation, Endowment Fund, 700 N Peace Rd, Suite B, DeKalb, IL 60115. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.Richesonfh.com

Visitation wase held 1 to 4 pm on Sunday, July 25, 2021, at St. Jacob Activity Center, 108 N. Douglas Street, St. Jacob, IL.

A celebration of life service was held at 2 pm of Sunday, July 25, 2021, at ST. Jacob Activity Center, with the Rev. Gary Kniepkamp officiating. Interment too place at Neoga Cemetery, Neoga, IL.

May his soul Rest in Peace and may God Almighty grant enough strength to his loved ones to bear this loss.



VOLUNTEERS Sign-Up Form

(Sunday, Sept. 5 - Sunday, Sept 12, 2021) – “WE SERVE”

Yes, I (we) would like to work at the 2021 Forum. *(Same form may be used for both spouses.)*

Check ALL areas where you would be interested in working.

Please Note: # Positions require worker to be registered for the Forum. * Indicates seated tasks.

- | | Me | Spouse | |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| A | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Will be available to help Sun. Sept. 5 <input type="checkbox"/> , Mon. 6 <input type="checkbox"/> , Tues. 7 <input type="checkbox"/> , Wed. 8 <input type="checkbox"/> , Thurs. 9 <input type="checkbox"/> ,
Fri. 10 <input type="checkbox"/> , Sat. 11 <input type="checkbox"/> , Sun. 12 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| B | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Registration Booth at Convention Center (Wed. – Sat.) # * |
| C | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Hotel registration booths (at hotels – Wed. 8 a.m.-7 p.m. & Thurs. 7 a.m.-3 p.m.) * |
| D | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Run VIP airport Shuttles (personal vehicles needed – Sundays Sept. 5 & Sept. 12) |
| E | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Airport Welcome & Information booth (at DSM Regional – Wed.-Sat.) |
| F | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Host office helper & runner (Wed.-Sat.) # |
| G | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Strides Walk Assistant (Wed. 2 p.m. & Thurs. 8 a.m.-noon) # |
| H | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Convention Center greeter & Info provider (Thurs.-Sat.) # |
| I | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Hall Guides (Thurs.-Sat.) # |
| J | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Seminar Assistants, if needed (Thurs.-Sat.) # |
| K | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Banquet Entrance Hosts (Thurs. p.m. / Fri. noon / Sat. noon / Sat. p.m.) # |
| L | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Banquet Table Hosts (Thurs. p.m. / Fri. noon / Sat. noon / Sat. p.m.) # |
| M | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Work at Forum Store (Set-up Wed. 10 a.m. / Thurs.-Sat. 8 a.m.-5 p.m.) # (Take down Sat. 2 p.m.) |
| N | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Assist Peace Poster display (set-up - Wed. & take-down – Sat. 2 p.m.) |
| O | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pre-Forum activities – stuff goody & registration bags, etc. (Tues.-Wed.) TBD |
| P | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | I / we will work wherever needed except: _____ |
| Q | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Clinic personnel (Must be trained in first aid, CPR, etc.) |
| R | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | General Tear-Down after Sat. night closing for about 1 ½ hours. |
| S | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Stage Tear-Down after Sat. night closing for about 2 ½ hours. |
| T | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Will / have register for the Forum in Des Moines. Volunteer registration is only required as noted
above with the #. All shifts will be no more than 4-hours in length. Many will be much less. |

Name(s): _____ District: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State/Province: _____ ZIP/Postal Code: _____

Cell Phone(s): _____ Email(s): _____

*Return form to Forum Manpower Recruitment Chair: Lion Stephen Becker, 1618 Lark Ln., Waterloo, IA. 50701.
Any questions, contact Lion ‘Steph’ at (319) 234-2374 or lionstephenb@mediacombb.net

Are you a Lion Mover and Shaker? Club Officer? Zone Chair?

Are you a Lion who wants to know more about serving your community or the impact Lions have in our state or even the world?

Do you want to build and enhance your personal leadership skills?



Then MD1 has an opportunity for you!!

MD1 Regional Lions Leadership Institute

August 13-15, 2021

Holiday Inn and Suites, East Peoria, Illinois

NO COST TO PARTICIPANTS!

Interested: Contact Lion Jama Wahl, MD1 GLT Coordinator
815-822-3014 or jamawahl@yahoo.com

Do not procrastinate!



CULTIVATING
LEADERS

DES MOINES, IOWA September 9-11, 2021

The Des Moines Times

The latest news and information for the Des Moines 2021 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum.

A Message from Our General Chair



The Forum Planning Committee and the Iowa Lions continue to prepare for an exciting Forum in Des Moines.

If you haven't registered yet, keep in mind the **registration fee increases from \$285 to \$320 after May 31**. Also, hotel preferences are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, so don't delay!

Check out the information below for our upcoming **Virtual Seminar available on demand on May 15** through the platform that will be used for the Forum's mobile application. There is no charge, but you will need to register for this shot of education, motivation, and information about the #LionsForum2021!

For the latest local COVID information, check out these sites:

- [State of Iowa, City of Des Moines, and Polk County COVID Public Mandates](#)
- [Iowa Events Center, Marriott, and Hilton COVID updates](#)

Together in Service,

Wendy Cain

Registration Form

YES! I plan to attend the 2021 USA/Canada Forum

MIDWEST BREAKFAST

hosted by Missouri Lions MD-26

Friday - September 10, 2021

Registrations opens at 6:30 AM

Buffet open 6:45 AM, Program at 7:20 AM, Close at 8:15 AM.

Seminars begin at 8:30 AM

Hilton Des Moines Downtown Cloud Ballroom A-B

Please provide the following information (**one form for each person please**) so that we may contact you for confirmation and any event of any changes.

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State _____

Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

Phone where you may be reached: _____

Email: _____

District/Multiple District: _____

Checks (\$39 per person) should be payable to **Lions of Illinois - MD1**.

Please keep a copy of this form for your records, we will not send receipts, but will confirm your reservation via email upon receipt of payment and completed form.

Forms and checks should be sent to:

ID Robert Block

615 205th Place

Dyer, IN 46311

Due Date for Reservations with payments: Saturday.... August 21, 2021

Questions? **Email:** lionbobbblock@gmail.com **phone:** (219) 671-0287



YOU ARE INVITED

MIDWEST BREAKFAST hosted by Missouri Lions MD 26



2021 USA/Canada Forum Des Moines Iowa

When: Friday September 10, 2021
Time: 6:30 AM-8:15 AM
Where: Hilton Des Moines Downtown
435 Park Street – Des Moines, IA 50309

Rise and Shine Buffet:

Seasonal Fruit, Yogurt, Assorted Breads, Iowa Honey & House made Preserves, Scrambled Eggs, Breakfast Potatoes, Farm Bacon and Sausage, Juice, Coffee and Tea

Cost: \$39 per person-includes breakfast, tax and gratuity

Due Date for reservations with payments: Must be received by MD26 no later than Saturday August 28, 2021