

Ray Hempel Fellowship

*"Throughout the centuries there were men
who took first steps, down new roads,
armed with nothing but their own vision."* Age Fund



Lion Ray Hempel

Our Wisconsin Lions Camp owes its origin to a very special Lion, Boy Scout leader and camping enthusiast, Ray Hempel. Inspired during a 1952 hospital visitation by the lament, "Blind kids can't go to outdoor camps and stuff like that." He envisioned a solution; a permanent Lions Camp. Lion Ray served as the first Lions Camp Director and eagerly took on its development and in 1959 was recognized as the originator of the Wisconsin Lions Camp by Lions International President, Clarence L. Sturm.

Introducing the ...

Lions Pride Endowment Fund

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*Honor Personal Dedication
Support the Vision*



A Ray Hempel Fellowship is a fitting tribute for a Club member, spouse or treasured friend recognizing and celebrating that person's unique accomplishments, extraordinary dedication, support and service to others. The Awardee receives a Ray Hempel Fellow lapel pin, a personalized recognition plaque and their name will be added to the permanent Ray Hempel Fellowship Recognition Display in the Lions Pride Office.

A Hempel Fellowship contribution of \$1,000 is deposited into the permanent Lions Pride Endowment Fund. The Lions Pride Endowment Fund is "Today's Help, Tomorrow's Hope," contributing annually to the WLF, while protecting the contributed principal, ensuring the lasting legacy of service, that began with Lion Ray Hempel's vision of Wisconsin Lions Camp.

Ray Hempel Fellowship Recipients

Progressive Awards

Richard Ziemann - Fall Creek
Tom Waldera - Independence
Keith Edison - Independence
Nancy Edison - Independence
"Chet" Krueger - Augusta
Jay Nesseth - Ellsworth
Dan Gaeu - Hudson
Wallace Cutler - Menomonie
David Kreutzer - Menomonie
Richard Morrison - Menomonie
Gary Brummeyer - Menomonie

Brian Sandness - Menomonie
Pat Sandness - Menomonie
Kim Brunkow - Nelson
Robert Brunkow - Nelson
Wayne Ness - Nelson
Mel Germanson - River Falls
Rod Rommel - River Falls
Mark Sams - River Falls
Larry Testa - River Falls
Don Schwab - River Falls
Alan Stewart - River Falls
Missy Murphy - River Falls