

FOND DU LAC EVENING LIONS CLUB

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President.....Dr. Carl J. Saggio  
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Fond Du Lac  
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CHARTER NIGHT

SPONSORED BY

Fond du Lac Noon Lions Club

District 27 B-1

WEDNESDAY

September 26, 1973

7:30 PM

Left Guard Charcoal House

Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

"ONE MILLION MEN SERVING MANKIND"



## OUR APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE

We, the members of the Fond du Lac Evening Lions Club, wish to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the Lions International, and to the Lions of our sponsoring Club for their assistance and guidance in the organization of our Club.

We are happy and proud to be a part of Lions International, and will give our best efforts towards furthering the high ideals of Lions in our community.

To our International, State and District Officers and all the Lions Clubs represented here and guests our deep gratitude for helping make our Charter Night an enjoyable and memorable event.

### FROM THE CODE OF LIONISM

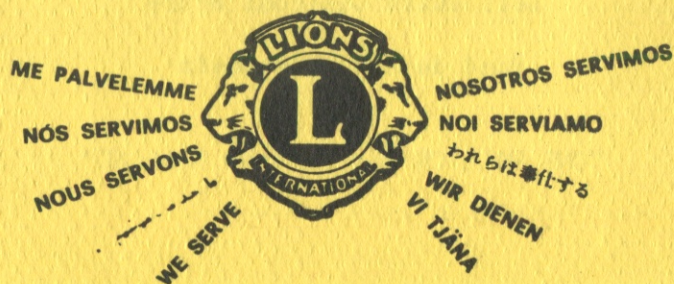
Always to bear in mind my obligation as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give to them unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

Lionism brings friendliness and joy and work and play into the lives of thousands of men, and the world is better for our efforts.

OUR MOTTO: "We Serve"

OUR SLOGAN:

"Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nations Safety"



## PROGRAM

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF  
MASTER OF CEREMONIES.....Dr. Carl J. Saggio  
Pres. Fond du Lac Evening Lions

MASTER OF CEREMONIES..... Dr. Harold J. Kief  
Past Pres. Fond du Lac Noon Lions

"AMERICA"..... Arch Adrian  
Past Pres. Fond du Lac Noon Lions

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE..... Ollie Nehring  
Zone Chairman, Zone 3, Region 4

INVOCATION..... Rev. Stanley C. F. Hayes  
Pres. Fond du Lac Noon Lions

### DINNER

GREETINGS FROM SPONSORING CLUB... Orvin Doede  
Past Pres. Fond du Lac Noon Lions

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND  
VISITING CLUBS..... Max Harrington  
District Governor 27-B-1

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER Dr. H. J. Kief  
Past Pres. Fond du Lac Noon Lions

CHARTER NIGHT ADDRESS..... Herbert Schneider  
Past District Governor

PRESENTATION OF CHARTER..... Ray E. Kauffung  
Immed. Past District Governor

ACCEPTANCE OF CHARTER..... Dr. Carl J. Saggio  
Pres. Fond du Lac Evening Lions

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS Neighboring Lions Clubs

"God Bless America"..... Arch Adrian  
Past Pres. Fond du Lac Noon Lions

BENEDICTION..... Rev. Stanley C. F. Hayes  
Pres. Fond du Lac Noon Lions



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 Director . . . . . Weston Zuege

Members

\* Frank C. Bartzen  
 Robert Berryman  
 \* W. Thomas Bucher  
 Thomas Clausen  
 Robert F. Colton  
 Gary L. Colton  
 Randall Critchley  
 William DeHart  
 \* Ervin J. Karls  
 Stephen Kohn  
 \* Donald A. Krail  
 Kenneth Law  
 Ronald Lindgren  
 Paul Monzel  
 Grevener Rauls  
 \* Russell H. Schad  
 Harry Schneider  
 George Syrett  
 Marlin Teske  
 Gordon Treffert  
 Morie Tysdal  
 Weston Zuege

\* Charter Members

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TENTH ANNIVERSARY

SATURDAY

October 22, 1983

6:30 PM

Gazebo Supper Club

Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

"1.3 MILLION MEN SERVING MANKIND"

DON'T QUIT, FIGHT ONE MORE ROUND

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,  
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill,  
When the funds are low and the debts are high  
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,  
When care is pressing you down a bit,  
Rest, if you must - but never quit.

Life is queer, with its twists and turns,  
As every one of us sometimes learns,  
And many a failure turns about  
When he might have won if he'd stuck it out;  
Stick to your task, though the pace seems slow -  
You may succeed with one more blow.

Success is failure turned inside out -  
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt -  
And you never can tell how close you are,  
It may be near when it seems afar;  
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit -  
It's when things seem worst that YOU MUSTN'T QUIT.

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PROGRAM

WELCOME AND CALL MEETING TO ORDER. . . .Gary L. Colton  
Pres. Fond du Lac Evening Lions

"AMERICA". . . . .Frank C. Bartz  
Charter Member, Fond du Lac Evening Lions

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE . . . . .W. Thomas Bucher  
Charter Member, Fond du Lac Evening Lions

INVOCATION . . . . .Rev. Stan Hayes  
Past Member, Fond du Lac Evening Lions

DINNER

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS . . . . .Gary L. Colton

SALUTE TO CHARTER MEMBERS AND PRESENTATION  
OF CHARTER MONARCH AWARDS. . . . .Orvin Doede  
Past District Governor

CHARTER ANNIVERSARY NIGHT ADDRESS. . . .Milton O. Wood  
District Governor 27B-1

DOOR PRIZES AND RAFFLES. . . . .Randall Critchley  
Tail Twister, Fond du Lac Evening Lions

I'VE GOT THAT LIONS SPIRIT . . . . .Ervin Karls  
Charter Member, Fond du Lac Evening Lions

JOIN HANDS IN SERVICE. . . . .Russell Schad  
Charter Member, Fond du Lac Evening Lions

BENEDICTION. . . . .Rev. Stan Hayes



A SPECIAL THANK-YOU

The Fond du Lac Lioness Club would like to extend a special word of thanks to all our local merchants for their donations. Also, to all of you for sharing this special and fun-filled evening with us. You have made this a wonderful night of remembrance. To the Fond du Lac Noon and Evening Lions, a sincere thank-you for making our club possible. To Milt and Dorothy Wood; kindness and help beyond the call of duty. To Bob Berryman, our Liaison; for remembering all the little things we would have overlooked. To Orv Doede, for your help in making this night a success. To our guest speaker, Joan Welch; for welcoming our club with words of encouragement. To Tom Koch, our District Governor; for making this a celebration. To Bob Lamping, Chuck and Cherie Pommerening, Peter Cappozzo, and each one of the Fond du Lac Lioness Club.

THANK-YOU ALL!!!

Fond du Lac



Lioness  
Club



# Fond du Lac Lioness Club Officers

1985 - 1986

PRESIDENT . . . . . Rita Colton  
VICE PRESIDENT . . . . . Betty Clausen  
SECRETARY . . . . . Lois Doede  
TREASURER . . . . . Mary Ann Asmus  
1 Year DIRECTOR . . . . . Bonita Wright  
2 Year DIRECTOR . . . . . Margaret Christenson  
3 Year DIRECTOR . . . . . Lynn Law  
SKIRT TWISTER . . . . . Patricia Colton  
LIONESSE TAMER . . . . . Sue Teske  
LIAISON . . . . . Robert Berryman

## \*C H A R T E R M E M B E R S\*

Mary Ann Asmus  
Geraldine Atchison  
Ruth Berryman  
Alaine Bucher  
Margaret Christenson  
Betty Clausen  
Patricia Colton  
Rita Colton  
Lois Doede  
Lynn Law  
Marilyn Ludden  
Sue Teske  
Bonita Wright

# PROGRAM

WELCOME . Master of Ceremonies . Robert Berryman  
President Fond du Lac Evening Lions Club  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE . . . . . Robert Lamping  
President Fond du Lac Noon Lions Club  
INVOCATION . . . . . Orvin Doede  
Past District Governor  
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & CLUBS . . . Milton Wood  
Past District Governor  
  
\*D I N N E R\*  
  
PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE . . . . . Thomas Kock  
District Governor  
ACCIPTANCE OF CERTIFICATE . . . . . Rita Colton  
President Fond du Lac Lioness Club  
INSTALLATION OF MEMBERS . . . . . Dorothy Wood  
Lioness Associate  
PRESENTATION OF PINS . . . . . Cherie Pommerening  
Lioness Associate  
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS . . . . . Chuck Pommerening  
Deputy District Governor  
GUEST SPEAKER . . . . . Joan Welch  
Lioness Extension Chairwoman, District 27-A1  
PRESENTATION OF SPONSOR'S PATCHES . Rita Colton  
PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES  
OF APPRECIATION . . . . . Rita Colton  
PRESENTATION OF LIAISON  
CERTIFICATE & PIN . . . . . Rita Colton  
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS . . . . . Peter Cappozzo  
Zone Chairman  
ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS . . . . . Rita Colton  
RAFFLE DRAWING . . . . . Patricia Colton  
CLOSING REMARKS . . . . . Milton Wood



### PAST PRESIDENTS

1973 - 1974	Dr. Carl Saggio	1984 - 1985	Ron Lindgren
1974 - 1975	Jack Morehouse	1985 - 1986	Bob Berryman
1975 - 1976	Don Krail	1986 - 1987	Gordy Treffert
1976 - 1977	Erv Karls	1987 - 1988	Russel Schad
1977 - 1978	Frank Bartzen	1988 - 1989	Ray Atchison
1978 - 1978	Dan Gaeu	1989 - 1990	Mike Konen
1978 - 1980	Tom Clausen	1990 - 1991	Wayne Bargaenquast
1980 - 1981	Paul Monzel	1991 - 1991	Jim Luby
1981 - 1982	Marin Teske	1991 - 1993	Bill Way
1982 - 1982	Dale Weaver	1993 - 1994	Gary Silah
1982 - 1984	Gary Colton		

### MAJOR FUND RAISERS

Annual Rose Sale - 19 years  
Home Show Food Booth - 10 years  
Business Expo Food Booth  
Fondy .5 Food Booth  
Boat Show Food Booth

### IN THE LAST 20 YEARS WE HAVE CONTRIBUTED \$70,000 TO THE FOLLOWING CHARITIES

Big Brothers/Big Sisters  
Blue Line Hockey  
Brooke Industries  
Catholic Social Services  
Wisconsin Diabetes Assn.  
Drug Awareness Programs  
Fond du Lac Babe Ruth  
Fond du Lac Boys Baseball  
FDL Co. Assoc. for Retarded Citizens  
Glasses for needy people  
Leader Dogs for the Blind  
Lions Clubs International Foundation  
Reading devices for the visually impaired  
Student Scholarships  
Toys for Tots  
Wis. Lions Fight for Sight  
Wis. Lions Foundation  
Youth Exchange Program  
and other needy causes

## 20 YEARS IN LIONISM

1973 - 1993

### Fond du Lac Evening Lions



September 22, 1993

Knights of Columbus

Charter Night - September 26, 1973



### 1993-94 CLUB OFFICERS

President	Gary Silah
1st Vice President	Del Schaefer
2nd Vice President	Gary Colton
3rd Vice President	Tom Clausen
Secretary	Gordy Treffert
Treasurer	Ray Atchison
Tail Twister	Matt Rodenkirch
Lion Tamer	Tom Hoff
Director 1 year	Bob Berryman
Director 1 year	Ron Lindgren
Director 2 year	Erv Karls
Director 2 years	Mike Konen
Past President	Bill Way
Membership Chair	Wayne Bargaquast

### CHARTER MEMBERS

BARTZEN, FRANK (JERI)	KARLS, ERV (SANDY)
BUCHER, THOMAS (DONNA)	SCHAD, RUSSEL (MARY)

### MEMBERSHIP

ATCHISON, RAY (GERALDINE)	HOFF, THOMAS (DORIS)
BARES, GEOFF	KARLS, ERV (SANDY)
BARGENQUAST, WAYNE (KATHY)	KONEN, MICHAEL (KELLY)
BARTZEN, FRANK (JERI)	LINDGREN, RONALD (BONNIE)
BERANDT, MICHAEL	LUBY, JIM (SHIRLEY)
BERRYMAN, ROBERT (RUTH)	MONZEL, PAUL (ANDREA)
BUCHER, THOMAS (DONNA)	RODENKIRCH, MATTHEW
BURNS, RICHARD (TERRY)	SCHAD, RUSSEL (MARY)
CLAUSEN, THOMAS (BETTY)	SCHAEFER, DEL (BARB)
COLLINS, PATRICK	SILAH, GARY (MARY)
COLTON, GARY	TREFFERT, GORDON (DORIS)
EISENACH, DONALD	WAY, WILLIAM (EARLENE)
HJELDEN, DEAN (RHONDA)	ZUEGE, WESTON (SUE)

### PROGRAM

Welcome .....	Lion Gary Silah President
Introduction of Master of Ceremonies .....	Lion Gary Silah
Introduction of Head Table and Dignitaries .....	Lion Mike Konen, Region 5 Chairman
Pledge of Allegiance .....	Lion Tom Bucher Charter Member
Song "America" .....	Lion Erv Karls Charter Member
Invocation .....	Lion Frank Bartzen Charter Member

### DINNER

History of the Club .....	Lion Tom Clausen Zone Chairman, R5Z1
Introduction of Clubs .....	Lion Tom Clausen
Introduction of Guest Speaker .....	Lion Gordy Treffert Secretary
Guest Speaker .....	Dr. Darold Treffert, Director Fond du Lac County Health Care Center
Recognition of Charter Members .....	Kenneth Rohde District Governor
Awarding of Birch/Sturm Fellowship Award .....	Wisconsin Lions Foundation Directors Lion Bob Showers, PDG and Lion Paul Tadych, PDG
Sponsoring Club .....	Lion Orv DoedePDG Fond du Lac Noon Lions
Raffle .....	Lion Gary Silah
Closing Remarks .....	Lion Gary Silah,



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1977 - 1978	Frank Bartzten	1990 - 1991	Wayne Bargaquast
1978 - 1978	Dan Geau	1991 - 1992	James Luby
1978 - 1980	Thomas Clausen	1992 - 1993	William Way #
1980 - 1981	Paul Monzel	1993 - 1994	Gary Silah
1981 - 1982	Märln Teske	1994 - 1995	Del Schaefer
1982 - 1982	Dale Weaver	1995 - 1996	Gary Colton
1982 - 1984	Gary Colton	1996 - 1997	Thomas Clausen
1984 - 1985	Ron Lindgren * #	1997 - 1998	Robert Berryman
1985 - 1986	Robert Berryman	# Deceased	* Melvin Jones Fellow

## MAJOR FUND RAISERS

Annual Rose Sale - 23 years  
 Home Show Food Booth - 15 years  
 Business Expo Food Booth  
 Gun Show Food Booth  
 Fondy .5 Food Booth  
 Boat Show Food Booth

IN THE LAST 25 YEARS WE HAVE CONTRIBUTED  
 OVER \$100,000 TO THE FOLLOWING CHARITIES

Big Brothers/Big Sisters	Glasses for needy people
Blue Line Hockey	Head Start Summer Camp
Braille for a young child	Journey for Sight
Brooke Industries	Leader Dogs for the Blind
Catholic Social Services	Lions Clubs International Foundation
Christmas Food Baskets	Mission to Mexico
Wisconsin Diabetes Association	Reading devices at FDL Library
Drug Awareness Programs	Student Scholarships
Fond du Lac Babe Ruth	Toys for Tots
Fond du Lac Boys Baseball	Wis. Lions Fight for Sight
FDL Co. Assn. for Retarded Citizens	Wis. Lions Foundation
Free S.P.I.R.I.T. Riders	Youth Exchange Program

# 25 YEARS IN LIONSIM

## 1973 - 1998

### Fond du Lac Evening Lions



# We Serve

## October 1, 1998

## Pier 15

### Charter Night - September 26, 1973



# 1998-99 CLUB OFFICERS

President  
 1st Vice President  
 2nd Vice President  
 3rd Vice President  
 Secretary  
 Treasurer  
 Tail Twister  
 Lion Tamer  
 Director 1 year  
 Director 1 year  
 Director 2 year  
 Director 2 year  
 Past President  
 Membership Chairman

Pat Collins  
 Ed Barnes  
 Randy Marsh  
 Mike Konen  
 Gary Silah  
 Dave Gustavus  
 Jim Haase  
 Wayne Bargaquast  
 Gerry Weaver  
 Charlie Browning  
 Matt Rodenkirch  
 Save Sartori  
 Robert Berryman  
 Gary Colton

## CHARTER MEMBERS

BARTZEN, FRANK - BUCHER, THOMAS - KARLS, ERV  
 (JERI) (DONNA) (SANDY)

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BARGENQUAST, WAYNE (KATHY)	KARLS, ERV * (SANDY)
BARNES, ED (RUTH)	KONEN, MIKE ***
BARTZEN, FRANK * (JERI)	LUBY, JAMES (SHIRLEY)
BERANDT, MIKE (VICKIE)	MARSH, RANDY
BERRYMAN, ROBERT (RUTH)	RODENKIRCH, MATT (FRANCES)
BROWNING, CHARLES	ROTH, EARL (CARRIE)
BUCHER, THOMAS * (DONNA)	SARTORI, DAVE (MARY)
CLAUSEN, THOMAS *** (BETTY)	SCHAEFER, DEL * (BARB)
COLLINS, PAT (BARB)	SILAH, GARY (MARY)
COLTON, GARY	TILMAN, TIM (JENNIFER)
GUSTAVUS, DAVE (ETHEL)	WEAVER, GERALD (Barbara)
HAASE, JAMES	ZUEGE, WES (SUE)

\* - Melvin Jones Fellow

\*\* - Birch-Sturm Fellow

# PROGRAM

Welcome ..... LionPat Collilns  
 President

Introduction of Master of Ceremonies ..... Lion Pat Collins

Introduction of Head Table and Dignitaries ..... Lion Tom Clausen  
 Vice District Governor

Pledge of Allegiance and Song "America" ..... Lion Gary Colton  
 Zone Chairman

Invocation ..... Lion Rev. Stanley Hayes  
 President, FDL Noon Lions and Former Member

## DINNER

History of the Club ..... Lion Mike Konen

Introduction of Clubs ..... Lion Tom Clausen

Introduction of Guest Speaker ..... Lion Pat Champeau  
 Immediate Past District Governor

Guest Speaker ..... Lion John "Spud" Edling  
 Past International Director 1995-1997 - Minnesota

Recognition of Charter Members ..... Lion Del Peterson  
 District Governor

Awarding of Birch-Sturm Fellowship Awards  
 Wisconsin Lions Foundation Directors  
 Lion Paul Tadych, PDG and Lion Jim Roberts

Sponsoring Club ..... Lion Rev. Stanley Hayes

Raffle ..... Lion Ed Barnes  
 1st Vice President

Closing Remarks ..... Lion Pat Collins



**You are cordially invited to the  
Fond du Lac Evening Lions Club  
30th Anniversary Celebration**

**Wednesday, April 28th, 2004**

**Cocktails 6:30, Dinner 7:00**

**Knights of Columbus Hall**

**795 Fond du Lac Ave.**

**Fond du Lac, WI**

**Price \$15.00 per person**

**Guest—District Governor Tom King**

**Plus Entertainment**

**Please RSVP by April 10th to**

**Lion Secretary Gary Silah**

**(920) 923-6000 days**

**(920) 923-6397 evenings**

**or by email to**

**[glsilah@charter.net](mailto:glsilah@charter.net)**



How do you recap 30 years of history into a speech short enough not to bore everyone to tears, or certainly to sleep. What can I talk about, besides meaningless statistics that will keep your interest? Before anyone nods off, how about if I finish my speech right now stating that the Fond du Lac Evening Lions, all 109 of them, have had one thing in common, to serve. For that is our motto, "We Serve." That is what we do, serve.

We started in the middle of 1973. The exact date is getting to be more insignificant the further we get away from it. The only significance it means to me is that is one year before I joined. But there are four people here today that it will always be significant for them, for that is the year they joined...as charter members. Let's introduce them. In alphabetical order, Frank Bartzten....Tom Bucher....Erv Karls....(our three remaining Charter members) and Don Krail.

Don Krail, if it wasn't for Don Krail, who knows if this club would have survived. An interesting side note about Don Krail. His business was right across the street from where we first met, so all he had to do was to walk across the street to come to a meeting. Thirty years later, all he had to do was to walk across the street to this anniversary. If life could only be so simple! But seriously, projects are the life blood of a club and Don helped our club get started with his outstanding charm, personal contacts in the community, and excellent salesmanship. Our first major fund raiser was the annual rose sale. Don far outsold any Lion in the club and probably outsold all the Lions put together.

This is another good time to introduce a Lion from the past, former Lion Paul Monzel. The only reason I know Paul so well was because he joined the club two



months before I did. No, that's not it. We know Paul so well, because he was the instigator that got our rose sales into a computerized database, which led to more return sales you could have ever imagined, Paul. Before that, we had to rely on Don's memory! But if you think Don Krail sold a lot of roses, right on his heels was Lion Tom Bucher. Then when Don left the club, and Paul's computer lists, which found their way to Lion Tom, a new rose selling magnet was rapidly forming in our ranks. To put into today's terms, Lion Bucher was the Donald Trump in rose sales. By the time Tom retired, he was selling over 450 dozen roses by himself. No, let me clarify that. Tom has the largest network of tavern sales that this city has ever seen. But who cares? I'll tell you who cares shortly. Ahhh, it was sure fun those 24 years selling and distributing those roses. And it was fun getting together at my house, grilling brats and dividing those delivery cards into routes. But I guess the most fun was getting those late afternoon phone calls from a car phone, yes, that is what they were called back then, from Mike Konen's truck somewhere west of Fond du Lac trying to find a non-existent address, a mis-sorted delivery card, or whatever. At least he had the sense enough to use the vocabulary of an angry sailor denied of shore leave. Well, who knows what the reason was, but I think Gary Colton's grandma hit the nail right on the head afterwards at her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday party. She looked at Mike and said, "You're drunk young man."

Anyway, we sold a lot of roses; 24 years. The most was slightly over a thousand dozen. For a long time we were around 700 dozen. Yes, we were young and energetic. We started driving to Illinois to get the roses, then to the Milwaukee airport, then we had them delivered to Fond du Lac, and then we had Haentze buy them for us



and then we could hardly get anyone to deliver them and lastly, we could hardly get anyone to even sell them. Get the picture?

We needed a lift, a new niche. Twenty years ago, an opportunity came along and with a split second decision by the club members, we stumbled across something that would change our future. We found out that we could cook. Then we found out that only a few of us could cook. Thank God they are still in the club! Because that is all we do.

The Home Builders of Fond du Lac and Dodge County were in a pickle and we got them out of it. Times have sure changed. Who knows if we would still be doing that if we had to continue to stand outside for the entire weekend selling hamburgers and brats. Relief came when we went into the Cow Palace. But even then it seemed like we were selling off of orange crates and one extension cord. The Blue Line was better, but the piece de resistance was when the new Exp building was built and we could then was our roasters squatting like Vietnamese farmers over a slot sink in the shadow of a 60 watt light bulb some 8 to 10 feet away. That was luxury until the county took away half our counter space in the kitchen and installed a stainless steel sink. Come to think of it, Mike started having kids right after that. Is there a correlation between stainless steel and ... we'll ponder that some other time.

Now is a good time to introduce our good friend at the County, Al Buechel, our county administrator. After years of trying to sell thousands of sandwiches, bowls of chili and soup through a single doorway, which can only be compared to pouring cold ketchup through a bent funnel, our good friend, Al, came to the rescue and traded the store room for the kitchen and knocked out a big hole in the wall which made us feel like



chefs at the Ritz. And the sink, we have to keep Mike out of the kitchen, or at least looking the other way. But that way is a huge stainless steel refrigerator. All kidding aside, Al, we are thankful for all you have done to help us with our projects.

Two booths at the Home Show, three Gun Shows. Remember when we fried brats on Main Street in Veteran's Park to raise funds for that boy with cancer? And the time we were at the BP on Winnebago Drive for that little girl, Courtney Mueller? And that Halloween weekend project, building a ramp half way around her house, which led to an extensive remodeling project so her parents could take care of her at home? If that isn't the definition of service as in service club, I don't know what is.

Unfortunately, Courtney only used that ramp for a year and now it is down the street serving another family, another weekend project. Fortunately for us, we have a talented person in construction with Mike to lead us in those projects. Like everything else in life, interests wane and we tire with age. I remember our last ramp. The lady died shortly after we finished. Good thing we spelled Kiwanis correctly so when her children come to clean out the house and to call someone to take the ramp down they get the right people.

If your are ever at the Galloway House and Village, look at the ramp on the Adams House. We went in halvesies with the Home builders. At least they did most of the building. Why not? After all, they are the builders. We used to give money to their ice cream social. The Galloway House, that is. Heck, we have given away a lot of money. We have a big sign at our food booths stating all the places we donated to. So many it really doesn't pay to mention them all, for one project is as good as another. At the time we made those signs, I estimated that we had surpassed the \$100,000 mark.



Roughly speaking, taking into account for inflation, I would gather to guess that we have raised and given away close to a quarter of a million dollars if it were in today's money.

Who got the most? Of course, our Wisconsin Lions Foundation. That still tops our list of regular donations each year. Why should we continue? They say that Fond du Lac is one of the leading suppliers of children to our camp each summer. Shouldn't we take the responsibility to support them? Someone else to mention, Lion Wayne Bargenquast who makes sure our teachers are sending the students up there each summer, then organizes buses or vans to take the kids to camp and pick them up at the end of the week.

How about the Free SPIRIT Riders? I'd take a wild guess that we are one of the leading contributors to their program. When Lion Ed Barnes was president we donated \$2,000 for bridles, helmets and blankets. Those horses sure look funny wearing those helmets. No, they are for the children. Children similar to those that attend our camp. I guess that is why during Mike's presidency, we donated \$5,000 to their building program and we continue our annual donation of \$1,000 since then.

Speaking of children, I probably would wind up sleeping on the couch tonight if I didn't mention the Head Start camping program. I should get that spreadsheet out of all the donations we made, so I could find out just how many years we have contributed to that camping experience. Whatever we do, or have done, it is a lot, so many that stating the number of years would be only that, a number that would change yearly.

I thought I would touch on a few highlights of our thirty years in Lions and save the rest for anniversary 35 or 40. But no matter what year anniversary it is, it will always come to the conclusion with the statement of our motto, "We Serve."



So, why do we do this? Because it feels so good when we stop!

PDG Tom Clausen

30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner

2003



**Melvin Jones Fellows**

Wayne Bargaquast	2005 - Club
Bob Berryman	2011 - Club
Frank Bartzan	1996 - Club
Charles Browning	2005 - Club
Tom Bucher	1996 - Club
Betty Clausen	2009 - Club
Tom Clausen	1996 - Club    2001 - District
Elaine Colton	2011 - Club
Gary Colton	2000 - District
Erv Karls	1996 - Club
Ron Lindgren	1996 - Club
Mike Konen	1996 - Club
Del Schaefer	1996 - Club
Gary Silah	2004 - Club

**Birch Sturm Fellows**

Wayne Bargaquast	1999 - Club
Bob Berryman	1999 - Club
Charles Browning	2002 - Club
Tom Clausen	1993 - Club    2000 - District
Gary Colton	2005 - Club    2006 - District
Mike Konen	1993 - Club
Gary Silah	2013 - Club

**Knight of Sight**

Wayne Bargaquast	2013
Frank Bartzan	2007
Tom Clausen	2011
Gary Colton	2006
Orv Doede	2006
Erv Karls	2010

**International President's Award**

Tom Clausen	2003
Gary Colton	2011

**Leadership Award**

Tom Clausen	2001
Gary Colton	2010

**International Certificate of Appreciation**

Tom Clausen	1997	2002	2004	2008
Gary Colton	2007	2009		
Mike Konen	1995			
Gary Silah	2005	2011	2012	



# Fond du Lac Evening Lions

## 40th Anniversary

Saturday, October 26, 2013

Eagles Club

Charter Night September 26, 1973



Fond du Lac Evening Lions Past Presidents

1973-1974	Dr. Carl Sagio	1992-1993	Bill Way
1974-1975	Jack Morehouse	1993-1994	Gary Silah
1975-1976	Don Krail	1994-1995	Del Schaefer
1976-1977	Erv Karls	1995-1996	Gary Colton
1977-1978	Frank Bartzten	1996-1997	Tom Clausen
1978-1979	Dan Geau to 12/7	1997-1998	Bob Berryman
	Tom Clausen	1998-1999	Pat Collins
1979-1980	Tom Clausen	1999-2000	Ed Barnes
1980-1981	Paul Monzel	2000-2001	Mike Konen
1981-1982	Marlin Teske	2001-2002	Charles Browning
1982-1983	Dale Weaver to 12/31	2002-2003	Matt Rodenkich
	Gary Colton	2003-2004	Mark Colton
1983-1984	Gary Colton	2004-2005	Wayne Bargaquast
1984-1985	Ron Lindgren	2005-2006	Mike Konen
1985-1986	Bob Berryman	2006-2007	Betty Clausen
1986-1987	Gordy Treffert	2007-2008	Scott Sears
1987-1988	Russ Schad	2008-2009	Bob Berryman
1988-1989	Ray Atchison	2009-2010	Gary Colton
1989-1990	Mike Konen	2010-2011	Charles Browning
1990-1991	Wayne Bargaquast	2011-2012	Gary Silah
1991-1992	Jim Luby	2012-2013	Gary Silah

2013-2014 Membership

	Member	Date Joined	Years	Sponsor
1	Frank Bartzten	9-73	40	Charter
2	Tom Bucher	9-73	40	Charter
3	Erv Karls	9-73	40	Charter
4	Tom Clausen	11-74	39	Jack Morehouse
5	Gary Colton	9-77	36	Erv Karls
6	Bob Berryman	7-81	32	Gary Colton
7	Michael Konen	10-85	28	Marv Teske
8	Wayne Bargaquast	10-86	27	Mike Konen
9	Gary Silah	10-89	24	Jim Luby
10	Ed Barnes	2-96	18	Del Schaefer
11	Charles Browning	11-96	17	Bob Berryman
12	Betty Clausen	10-99	14	Tom Clausen
13	Mark Colton	1-00	14	Gary Colton
14	Elaine Colton	5-05	8	Gary Colton
15	Paul Hunt	10-09	4	Gary Colton
16	Brian Scharrer	2-11	3	Tom Clausen
17	Luke Tranel	12-12	1	Gary Silah

Program

Welcome	Tom Clausen, President
Introduction of Head Table	Tom Clausen
Introduction of Guests and Clubs	Gary Silah, Secretary
Pledge of Allegiance	Erv Karls, Charter Member
Song—America	Ed Barnes, Second Vice-President
Prayer	Frank Bartzten, Charter Member

DINNER

History of the Club	Tom Clausen
Introduction of Guest Speaker	Gary Silah, Cabinet Sec./Treas.-Zone Chairman
Guest Speaker	Leonard Quinn, Leader Dog Representative
Recognition of Charter Members	Gary Silah
Raffles	Bob Berryman, Tail Twister
Closing Remarks	Tom Clausen



*Special thanks to those who worked so hard to present tonight's program*

**Our Committee**

Frank Bartzzen

Erv Karls

Gary Colton

**Our Guest Speakers**

International Director Lee Vriese

District Governor Greg Kubichka

PDG Fred Gebhart

PDG Tom Clausen

Lion President Ella Stanelle

**Our Workers**

The Eagles Club

Boda's Catering

Haber M&M Printing

**And Thank You**

for being here and helping us celebrate our special night

**50 Years**

**in Lionism**



**Fond du Lac Evening  
Lions Club**

**1973 - 2023**

**Eagles Clubhouse  
Fond du Lac, WI**



# 50 Years of Lionism

## Fond du Lac Evening Lions

### Membership

1973: 23 Charter members; 5 after 10 years; 4 after 20 years; 3 after 50 years  
136 Lions were on the rolls at some time or another. 22 current members.  
9 Lions have served on the District Cabinet – 4 were District Governors –  
1 WLF President – 1 Birch-Sturm Foundation President

### Past Fund Raisers

Annual Rose Sale (24 years)	Home Show Food Booth (29 years)
Business Expo Food Booth	Boat Show Food Booth
Fondy .5 Food Booth	HOG Rally Food Booth
ABC Food Booth	Candy Vending
Raffles	Lions Mints Sales

### Current Fund Raisers

Gun Show Food Booths (25 years)	Flea Markets (13 years)
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### Donations

At our 20th Anniversary, our program said we donated \$70,000 to charity.  
In the last 23 years, we have donated \$250,000 to charitable causes.  
We are estimating that we have donated \$375,000 in the 50 years  
of our existence.

### Lions Awards

17 Melvin Jones Fellows	8 Birch-Sturm Fellows
10 Knight of Sight Fellows	2 Ray Hempel Fellows
2 Presidential Awards	3 Leadership Awards

13 International President Certificates of Appreciation distributed  
between 5 members.

# 50 Years of Lionism

## Fond du Lac Evening Lions Donations

Leader Dogs for the Blind	American Red Cross
Ledge to Lake Boy Scouts	Back to School - School Supplies
Badgerland Youth for Christ	Lions Childhood Cancer
Big Brothers Big Sisters	Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin
Boys and Girls Club	Low Vision Readers to individuals
Christmas Presents for Children	Eyeglasses for the Needy
Old Glory Honor Flight	Family Resource Center
Pier School - Reading Challenge	FDL County HCE (Book Worms)
Restoring Hope House	FDL County Sheriff Taser Fund
Sharon Wilhelms Cancer Fund	FDL Food Pantry
Shop with a Cop	FDL High Post Prom
South Shore Chorale	FDL HS Cardinal Singers
Spillman Library	FDL Schools - Hearing Device
Stock the Shelves	Foster Grandparents
Transporters / Eye Bank	Free Spirit Riders
United Singers	Galloway House Ramp
UW-Fond du Lac Scholarships	Girl Scouts
Wisconsin Lions Foundation	Habitat for Humanity
WLF Diabetes	Head Start Camp
WLF Health Lodge	Hurricane Relief - Katrina
WLF Hearing	Lakeside Park Playground
American Legion - personal supplies for the troops	
Lions Clubs International Foundation - Disaster Relief	
Miracle League Baseball Diamond & Playground	
Clarity Care Mobility Scooters for needy individuals	



# 50 Years of Lionism

## Fond du Lac Evening Lions

### Tonight's Program

Welcome	Lion Ella Stanelle, Club President
Introduction of Master of Ceremonies	Lion Ella Stanelle
Introduction of Head Table and Dignitaries	Lion PDG Tom Clausen, Treasurer
Pledge of Allegiance	Lion Frank Bartzen Charter Member
Song "America"	Lion Erv Kals Charter Member
Invocation	Lion Ella Stanelle
<b>DINNER</b>	
History of the Club	Lion PDG Tom Clausen
Introduction of Clubs	Lion PDG Tom Clausen
Introduction of Guest Speaker	Lion PDG Gary Colton
Guest Speaker	ID Lee Vrieze International Director
Recognition of Charter Members	DG Greg Kubichka District Governor
Awarding of the Ray Hempel Fellowship	PDG Fred Gebhart WLF Director

#### RAFFLE

Closing Remarks                      Lion Ella Stanelle

# 50 Years of Lionism

## Fond du Lac Evening Lions

### 2023-24 CLUB OFFICERS

President	Ella Stanelle
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Dale Albrandt
Secretary	Cathryn Raccio
Treasurer	Tom Clausen **
Tail Twister	Kelly Hoffman
Lions Tamer	Gary Colton **
Director	Erv Karls * **
Director	Charles Browning **
Director	Frank Bartzen * **
Director	Tom Bucher * **
Membership Chair	Gary Colton **
Service Coordinator	Tom Clausen **
Chaplain	Ella Stanelle

#### MEMBERS

Jacqueline Abel	Amanda Atchison
Kathy Bargaquast	Betty Clausen **
Mark Colton	Elaine Colton
Paul Hunt **	Amber Konen
Ben Konen	Diane Munson
Gary Silah **	Karen Wachholz

\* indicates charter member

\*\* indicates past president



INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S  
CERTIFICATE  
OF APPRECIATION

Awarded to:

*Fond Du Lac Evening Lions Club*

In Recognition of Distinguished Achievements in Fulfilling  
the Mission of Lions International

To Affirm the Appreciation and Gratitude of the Association  
I Have Hereunto Affixed my Signature During This Lions Year 2023 – 2024

*Dr. Patti Hill*

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Dr. Patti Hill  
INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT  
LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL  
2023 – 2024



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