

The Lion's Roar

Fair Grove Lions Club

"We Serve"

April 2011



Special Points of Interest:

Reminder:

We're quickly closing in on the deadline for selling Camp Dogwood tickets. Please make every effort to get your quota of books sold so we can meet our goal this year!!!

Lions Service Goal: Protecting the Planet

The fourth and final service area which was adopted under the leadership of our International Director Sid Scruggs III was "Protecting the Planet" with a goal to implement projects that improve and protect the environment. Lions have a longstanding commitment to the environment and, in 1972, formally articulated this goal as part of our mission, the same year that the United Nations General Assembly created the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Our official policy statement follows: Lions Clubs International, recognizing the profound impact of man's activity on the inter-relations of all components of the natural environment, particularly high-density urbanization, industrial expansion, resources exploitation, and new and expanding technological advances, and recognizing further the critical importance of restoring and maintaining environmental quality to the overall welfare and development of man, declares that it is the continuing policy of Lions Clubs International to foster and promote the general welfare; to help create and maintain conditions under which man and nature can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic and other requirements of present and future generations of mankind.

To achieve this environmental goal will demand the acceptance of responsibility by citizens and communities and by enterprises and institutions at every level, all sharing equitably in common efforts. Individuals in all walks of life, as well as organizations in many fields, by their values and the sum of their actions, will shape the world environment of the future. Local and national governments will bear the burden for large-scale environmental policy and action within their jurisdictions. A growing class of environmental problems, because they are regional or global in extent, or because they affect the common international realm, will require extensive cooperation among nations and action by international organizations in the common interest. Lionism is one of those international organizations that should join efforts for the preservation and improvement of the human environment, for the benefit of all the people for their posterity.

This commitment has been given feet and hands through the many Lions Green Teams who stand ready to help save the planet. Some goals and examples are:

- Cleaning the environment – 32% of clubs organize a community clean-up project.
- Planting trees – if every club planted a tree, there would be more than 44,000 new trees on the planet; if every Lion planted a tree, there would be more than 1.3 million new trees on the planet.
- Recycling – eyeglasses, paper, computers, and car batteries can be recycled.
- Educating others – a hybrid car exhibit and an environment contest help educate others about the environment.

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Monthly FGLC Bingo Thursdays, 6:30 PM

April 14, 2011
May 12, 2011
June 9, 2011



**2010 – 2011
FGLC White Cane
Goal
\$6,000**

**2010 - 2011
District 31-E
White Cane Goal
\$167,000**

As of 03/30/11

**\$ 115,706.21
69.3%**

**(Nearly to our
75% by 03/31/11)**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31					1	2 D31-E Mtg
3	4 Lions	5	6	7	8	9 VIP Fish Fry
10 VIPBD Elizabeth Gallimore	11 Lions	12	13 HB Henry M!	14 6:30 BINGO! HB Hoyt W!	15	16
17	18 Lions	19	20 DCLC Cap'n Toms	21	22	23
24	25 Lions	26	27	28	29	30

Lions Assist With Japan Quake/Tsunami Relief



In the case of disasters, Lions volunteers are often the first to respond, and continue to help for as long as it takes until all work is done. As volunteers of the world's largest service club organization, Lions live in the affected communities, so they best know the needs of the community and are able to respond quickly and efficiently. They share a passion for rebuilding their communities.

Lions all over Japan are providing immediate disaster relief, while our Foundation (LCIF) is mobilizing funds to support immediate and long-term relief. So far, more than US\$6 million has been mobilized, which includes disaster grants from LCIF as well as millions in contributions and commitments from Lions worldwide. Lions in Japan themselves are working to raise \$3 million.

Lions in Japan are also coordinating relief efforts via social media and using the Japan Lions Office in Tokyo as their emergency relief headquarters. Lions have established four relief command centers in the affected areas, as well as one in Tokyo at the Lions Office. In addition, Lions have created a map of clubs in Japan and are working with the government and other NGOs to respond quickly and effectively. With more than 107,000 members in Japan, Lions are able to provide immediate and long-term assistance.

True heroism is remarkably sober, very undramatic. It is not the urge to surpass all others at whatever cost, but the urge to serve others at whatever cost.

Arthur Ashe