

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF REGULAR CLUB MEETINGS

The Regular Morning meeting of the Scandia Marine Lions Club, of Scandia, MN and Marine on St. Croix, MN. was called to order on **Thursday, January 12, 2006** by the President, Lion Jim West at 8:00 AM at the Scandia Community Center with those members in attendance as shown on the Attendance Record and Guest Register.

Attendance:	
Guests:	20
Members:	40
Percentage	43%

Transcribe below the Minutes of the Business Meeting:

1. Thank You from the Forest Lake Family Center for the \$300 donation. Thank You from the Scandia Elementary Foundation for the \$700 donation as part of our Lions Club membership promotion.
2. The Secretary's Report was approved as distributed in the club newsletter.
3. Lion Dan Hames gave the Treasurer's Report. We have \$40.11 in the Contribution Account; \$1,440.61 in the Administrative Account; \$302.69 in the Scholarship Account; and \$6,504.90 in the Taco Daze Account for a total of \$8,288.31 in all Lions accounts. There is \$1,574.62 in the Ball Park Account.
4. Several Lions and their spouses attended the Midwinter Convention in Maplewood. Lion Larry Peterson reported that a written report on the Midwinter Convention will be in the upcoming newsletter. The Parade of Green raised in excess of \$125,000. All of our Vice Presidents attended the convention.
5. Lion Larry Peterson has the Lions banner. Contact Sharon for the exact location.
6. Lion Tom Opp reported that 76 pints of blood were collected at the recent blood drive. This is a dramatic increase over the 32 pints that were collected in the last drive. Lion Tom credits this increase to more calling and the blood donor dinner last spring.
7. Lion Terry Pittman is involved with helping raise funds to replace the Ambulance in Marine on St. Croix. This ambulance serves Marine, May Township and Scandia Township. The vehicle is 15 years old and is not fitted for much of the modern equipment that rescue vehicles now require. Replacement cost is something over \$130,000. The Marine Rescue Squad has already raised \$70,000. Lion Terry suggests that the Lions Club be involved in a future fundraiser to help complete this worthwhile update to our community resources.
8. Lion Violet French reminded us of the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 5. Lion Jim Opp made a motion to raise the ticket price to \$5 for pre sales and \$6 at the door. The motion was seconded by Lion Denny Seefeldt and was passed.
9. Lion Larry Peterson awarded certificates to this year's Peace Poster Contest students. Two students representing each of the three grade schools in our area were honored. They and their parents were guests at our breakfast this morning. The posters were on display at the meeting. The principals of the grade schools also attended and thanked the Lions for their continued involvement in supporting our local schools. The principals got plaques honoring their participation. The following students were honored:
 - **Marine Elementary School**
 - Winner: Hannah Mulhausen
 - Runner Up: Ethan Anderson
 - **Scandia Elementary School**
 - Winner: Maria Giorgi
 - Runner-up: Erika Loiland
 - **Withrow Elementary School**
 - Winner: Tyler Trudell
 - Runner-up: Ryan Brookman

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10. Dick Johnson (Lion Gordy Rydeen's guest) spoke to us about the intent of the Washington County Historical Society's intention to reprint the book published in 1977 by Anna Engquist titled "Scandia – Then and Now". The Historical Society is looking for original photos from the book and will be interested in our support for its reprint in the future.
11. Lion Russell Jackson is having a 90th birthday celebration at the Community Center on Sunday afternoon, January 15. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 Breakfast was served.

Barry Sutherland gave a presentation on the new Medicare Prescription benefit and how it applies differently to different retirees. All retirees are encouraged to learn what it takes to participate in this important program.



Secretary Lion Ken Sogge
