



## District 49A Informer



### District Governor

Phyllis Starks-Swarner

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### Zone 2

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### Zone 5

Meredith Townsend III

### Zone 6

Aian Lenda

### Zone 7

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### Zone 8

Tom Phillips (Winter)

PDG Phil Hill (Summer)

District 49A Website:

<http://49a-lions.org>

### Governor's Corner

WOW! How can it possibly be September? Where have the past two months gone? I cannot believe the whirlwind I've found myself involved with, but what a ride!!

The first cabinet meeting on July 31 went extremely well with over 70 Lions attending. All Zone chairs were present and most Clubs represented. As a highlight, MERL Extension Chair Kristin Shindle presented paperwork for my signature for chartering the newly formed Anchorage Alaska Sports Car Lions Club with 21 new members. It certainly got the year off to a good start. PDG Lou Jones has prepared a separate report that I will include, giving an excellent report on Charter Night, Saturday, September 4, in Tanacross, when they chartered the new Club with 7 clubs from both 49A and 49B assisting, and signed up 18 more members that night!!!! One family signing up included their 7-month old son because "they wanted him to be a Charter member of the Club and to grow up always knowing he is a Lion!" And guess what? As of the 92nd Lions Clubs International Convention in Minneapolis LCI now recognizes the "Cubbies". He will be a Cubbie Level 1 (age 3 and under)!! Too cool!!!! (I can see the Wilson family will be following suit).

Along with the youngest Lions, let me wish one of our Senior Lions a happy 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. PCC Pete was honored at a surprise birthday dinner in his honor on Friday, September 10. Over 50 family and friends joined together to wish him well. The Mt View Lions prepared an excellent sit-down prime rib dinner fit for a king and the guest enjoyed sharing stories of how each remember Pete Hupperten. Pete, may you live to be 100+. P.s. You've still got 11 years to catch up with Dr Soboleff!!

One week 'til we all start heading to Milwaukee and the USA/Canada Forum!! PID Buster has a busy schedule planned for all of us as we represent MD49 for next year's event. Make sure he has your cell number and how to get in touch with you while visiting area. Most of us will be located at the Hilton, the host hotel.

Nov 11 – 13 is the 49A Mid-Winter conference in Seward and if you haven't already got your registration in, then you've already missed the early cut-off for best prices. Breeze Inn is the host hotel and offering room rates starting at \$49.00/night!! Host committee chair Cindy Beardsley and her committee have already been planning the event for months putting together a winter conference to remember. Our guests will be ID Judge Haynes Townsend III and his wife Donna and they are very excited about their trip North! Let's show them a good time.

By the way, have you got your Porsche tickets?? Contact ZC Dennis ---

More from me later – Questions????? Comments????? Please feel free to address them to me. I'm expecting all of us to work together this year to provide the best support MD49A has had in years. I know we can do it --- I've personally chosen each of you as the "best of the best". Let's make a difference, "A Difference of One!"

See ya in a couple of weeks!!

DG PHYLLIS

[psstarks@yahoo.com](mailto:psstarks@yahoo.com)



# Calendar of Events

October 21-23, 2010: 49B Mid Winter and 2nd Council Meeting at Alpine Lodge Hotel, Fairbanks

November 11-13, 2010: 49A Mid Winter at Breeze Inn, Seward

February 19, 2011: 49B Third Cabinet Meeting at Aurora Borealis Lions Recycle Center, North Pole

February 26, 2011: 49A Third Cabinet Meeting and 3rd Council Meeting at Eagle River Lions Clubhouse

April 27-30, 2010: MD49 Convention, Fourth Cabinet Meetings and 4th Council Meeting in Fairbanks

July 4-8, 2011: Lions International Convention in Seattle, WA

September 21-24, 2011: USA/Canada Forum in Anchorage, AK

Special Dates:

Dec 17 – 20, 2010 – Official Visit Ballyhoo Lions Club

March 26, 2011 – Zone 6 Fundraiser

## 49A MERL TEAM

Please contact our MERL team for training or questions. They are working as a team so if you ask for one you may get one or more. Now known as the Global Membership Team.

MEMBERSHIP – Nancy Stahly [nstahly@hotmail.com](mailto:nstahly@hotmail.com)

EXTENTION – Kristin Shindle [kristin.shindle@alaska.gov](mailto:kristin.shindle@alaska.gov)

RETENTION – Lawrence Camp [lionlawrenceak@yahoo.com](mailto:lionlawrenceak@yahoo.com)

LEADERSHIP – Joy Blackburn [jblack9687@aol.com](mailto:jblack9687@aol.com)

# 35th Annual



**USA/CANADA  
LIONS  
LEADERSHIP FORUM**

Anchorage, Alaska  
September 22 - 24, 2011



# Planning Committee

## Volunteer Sign-Up 2011 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

The Host Committee needs 250 to 300 volunteers. We need you to make this the best Forum ever!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

HM PH \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ **NEEDED FOR COMMUNICATION AT FORUM**

**NOTE: \* = Seated Job # = Must be registered for Forum**

Please Check Volunteer Preferences – You can do more than one activity.

**# = PROMOTION** (Information table at **Convention/Forum**) = #  
 District (Identify) \_\_\_\_\_ State (Identify) \_\_\_\_\_ International \_\_\_\_\_

**PRE-FORUM (Some Jobs May Be Until 5:00 P.M. Thursday)**  
**Availability:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mon. Sept. 19** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tues. Sept. 20** \_\_\_\_\_ **Wed. Sept. 21**

**JOBS:**

- |  |                                   |                              |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| _____ Airport Greeter                            | _____ Airport Driver              | _____ Welcome Center Greeter |
| _____ RV Park Greeter (Should this be necessary) | _____ Prepare Hospitality Baskets |                              |
| _____ Host Committee Office Set Up               | _____ Goody Bag Stuffing          |                              |
| _____ #Forum Store Set Up#                       | _____ *Registration (Hotel)*      |                              |
| _____ #*Registration (Convention Center)*#       | _____ #Pin Trader Greeter#        |                              |
| _____ Peace Poster Display Set Up                | _____ #Anywhere/As Needed#        |                              |

**FORUM**

Availability: \_\_\_\_\_Thurs. Sept. 22 \_\_\_\_\_Fri. Sept. 23 \_\_\_\_\_Sat. Sept. 24

**JOBS:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ On-Call Drivers for VIPs
- \_\_\_\_\_ #\*Registration (Convention Center)#\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bus Greeter (Arrive/Leave)
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Forum Store Worker#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Host Committee Office Workers#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Host Comm. Booth (Sell pins,etc.)#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Hallway Greeter/Traffic Control#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #\*Announcements/Lost and Found#\*

**FORUM, CONT:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ #Meal - Display Table Signs #
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Meal - Ticket Takers #
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Meal - Seat Availability #
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Hotel Transportation Liaison (at Hotel)#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Host Committee Office Take Down#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Update Seminar Signs#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Seminar Greeter and Runner#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Seminar Evaluation Data Entry#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Forum Store Take Down#
- \_\_\_\_\_ #Anywhere/As Needed#

**POST FORUM**

\_\_\_\_\_Sun. Sept. 27

\_\_\_\_\_ Airport Drivers Needed w/SUV  
Or Van

**Please return this form to:**

**Lion Cheryl Hall/Secretary**  
**4822 West 84<sup>th</sup> Avenue**  
**Anchorage, AK 99502-4175**  
[busterandcheryl@aol.com](mailto:busterandcheryl@aol.com)  
**fax number: 907-276-8462**  
**phone: 907-243-4949**

## Leo Joli Cannon Named LCI Leo of the Year

Leo Joli Cannon, currently Secretary of the Anchorage Midtown Leos Club, was named 2009 - 2010 Leo of the Year by Lions Clubs International on June 27, 2010, for her many accomplishments during the past year. The Leo of the Year Award recognizes a Leo's outstanding leadership skills; superior record in implementing successful service projects; identifiable contributions to the development and growth of the Leo Club Program; distinction in community/school activities outside of the Leo commitments; and high ethical standards and personal integrity. Leo Cannon has demonstrated all of these traits and more and is well deserving of the LCI 2009 – 2010 Leo of the Year Award. Leo Cannon will be recognized at the 49A Mid-winter Conference in Seward Alaska on Nov 13, 2010 with a Leo of the Year Medal inscribed with her name.

## Lions Family Cub Program

The Lions Family Cub Program, in connection with the Family Membership Program, was introduced at the 92nd Lions Clubs International Convention in Minneapolis. Formulated special to encourage families to volunteer together, children under age of 12 have the opportunity build a lifelong dedication to helping those in need.

The [Lions Family Cub Program](#) (pdf) brochure has an excellent description of the program.

Cubs are divided into three age categories:

- Level 1: Under age 3
- Level 2: Age 4-7
- Level 3: Age 8-12

Lions clubs that implement a Cub Program are encouraged to shape Cub activities to fit the lifestyles and needs of the Cubs, Lion members and families involved.

To help clubs get started, Lions Clubs International offers the [Lions Family Cub Program Activity Guide](#) (pdf). The guide contains suggestions for integrating a Cub Program and is filled with age-specific activity ideas for meetings, fundraisers and service projects. You can also download only the [Family Cub Program Activities](#) (pdf).

Clubs are able to order distinguishing Cub Patches by age level to help Cubs feel like part of the club and get them excited to participate.

If you have any questions about the program or the Lion would like to order Cub Patches, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

*Becca Pietrini*

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## 49A Charters New Club with A Little Help from Their Friends

### Report by PDG Lou Jones

An update on the charter of the new club on Saturday night, September 4, 2010. IPDG Jerry represented DG Phyllis as she was in Mexico delivering a PET that she had promised earlier. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Dotty assisted Jerry in installing the new members and presenting the Club charter. District 49B Governor Ed Casey inducted the new members. PCC Howard Rixie was the guest speaker with an excellent message. Lion Cheryl Hall demonstrated and held fund raising with several door prize drawings and conducted a 50/50 which raised over \$250.00 for the Club. Saturday afternoon it started raining and we were concerned as the event was to be held outdoors. To our surprise PDG Lisa Conrad from the Tok Lions Club arrived with a crew and erected a 50 by 20 foot tent for us. We were very astonished and impressed. Mt View President Robert & Secretary Amy Posma made presentations and Guiding Lions Charlotte and Joy assisted in many areas including signing up new charter members.

I really believe the presentation crew we put together did an excellent job as we had 18 additional Charter Lions join that night. We expected to pick up another 3 to 5, but 18 was outstanding. We believe we ended the evening with a total of 40 charter members!!

This was truly a Multiple District event with 7 clubs participating. We had three 49A clubs; Mountain View, Spenard, and Bethel; and four 49B clubs, Delta Junction, Tok, Fox, and North Pole Lions Clubs. President TJ of the new chartered Lions club told us he was very impressed on how we put such a wonderful event together with only two weeks' notice.

Very Important Notice

Regarding Lions Clubs

Income Tax

If you have not filed your Income Tax you could be in danger of losing your tax exempt status. IRS has put out a final notice that past due returns must be filled by October 15, 2010.

To see if your Lions Club is on the list go on the internet to [www.irs.gov/thelist](http://www.irs.gov/thelist). You also can find a tool kit there to get your club up to date. Most Lions Clubs are listed under International Lions Clubs, but if you have formed a Corporation it would be listed under your Corporation Name.

This is very important as it would hamper your gaming license, your insurance and your club status with LCI.

This is not a joke. I am just looking out for our Lions Clubs.

Shirley Littleton

**Host Hotel: Breeze Inn  
Seward, Alaska  
November 11-13 2010**

**District 49A Lions Mid-Winter Registration Form**

**Register before September 1, 2010 \$145.00**

**Register Sept 1-Oct 1, 2010 \$150.00**

**Register after October 1, 2010 \$155.00**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **St. or Prov.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip or Postal Code** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Club:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Office:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Includes:**

**Thursday Icebreaker, Breakfast Friday & Saturday, Lunch Friday & Saturday, Saturday Evening Banquet, Convention Pin and Book. Friday Dinner is on your own.**

***REMEMBER ONLY THE HOST COMMITTEE CAN HOLD RAFFLES OR FUNDRAISERS***

**Mail Registration with payment to:  
Resurrection Bay Lions  
C/O Registration Chair Cindy Beardsley  
P.O. Box 1286  
Seward, AK 99664**

**For additional information call Lion Cindy Beardsley at 907-224-7429  
or by e-mail at [davecindyb@yahoo.com](mailto:davecindyb@yahoo.com)**

**Registration deposits are non-refundable after November 1, 2010**



# Breeze Inn

SEWARD ALASKA

P.O. Box 2147

Seward, AK 99664

Phone:907-224-5237

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email for Confirmation \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Room Choices:

Standard Room          \$49.00 \_\_\_\_

Annex Room                \$69.00 \_\_\_\_

New Addition             \$99.00 \_\_\_\_

Rooms will be reserved on a first come first serve basis. If you require a smoking room those are standard rooms on the first floor. All other rooms are non-smoking. Credit Card guarantee or \$75.00 deposit required with registration.

**Deadline is October 15**

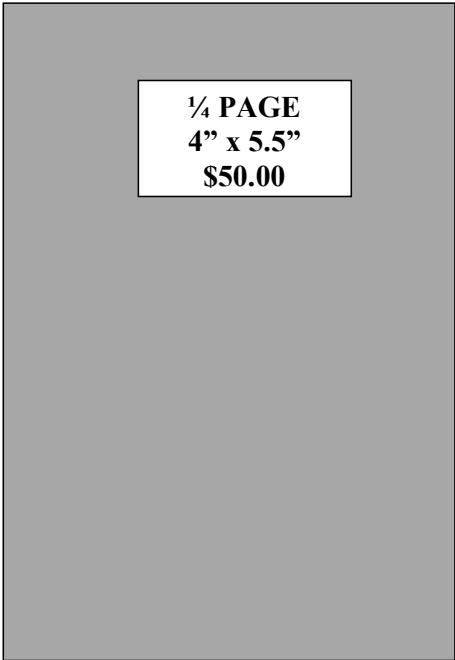
**Add \$75.00 For Color**

**PLEASE MAIL PAYMENTS TO RESURRECTION BAY LIONS CLUB  
P.O. BOX 1286 SEWARD, AK 99664-1286**

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HORIZONTAL  
\$75.00**



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CARD  
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\$25.00**



GUIDING LION TRAINING  
MT. VIEW LIONS CLUB HOUSE  
OCTOBER 30, 2010

9 am UNTIL 1pm OR UNTIL DONE

APROXIMATELY 4 HOURS.

CERTIFICATE AVAILABLE AT THE END OF THE TRAINING

RSVP

LION JOY BLACKBURN 360-3328 OR 274-7966

PDG LOU JONES 332-4441

New Clubs Need Guiding Lions



I have been asked many times what does Lion's Insurance Policy provide. Many Lions have entirely different ideas about the coverage or I should say financial protection the Lions International Liability policy provides. Let's take a look at some things that are not covered under the Liability Policy. What is not covered is a great deal more than what is covered.

For Example: My Lions Club owns property and on the property is a Club House, or community center as the case may be. The Lions Insurance Policy covers only third party liability claims for an incident that occurs to a third party in a Lions event or project. The building (Club House) is not insured, renters of the Club House are not insured, users of the property that is not a Lions function are not insured. We are now beginning to see that the Lions Insurance policy has its limitations. Now let's go a couple of steps farther.

We have a lot of equipment that is of a mobile nature. That equipment is not insured. Now to further limit the coverage some entities require that they be a named insured, that really limits the coverage. Instead of \$1,000,000.00 in coverage once we add an entity as an additional insured we have cut the coverage in half, so instead of \$1,000,000.00 in protection we now have only \$500,000.00 in protection against a third party claim. Why! We have just insured another entity by having the other entity as an additional named insured, so we have a third party claim our, the Lions coverage is now at \$500,000.00 and the named insured is protected for \$500,000.00 in defense of a third party claim. So we have all sorts of limitations and/or areas of no insured protection at all.

Let's go one step further, the State of Alaska requires any employer who receives any monetary benefit from their services as an employee or by whatever other name they may be called be protected by Worker's Compensation Insurance. In Alaska private insurance companies provide this type of protection. If one is not eligible for coverage, due various underwriting limitations, there is the assigned risk pool. Now let's get with the problem most if not all Lions Clubs may have. They have workers, both Lions and non-Lions working on a project, for their service we pay a certain amount of money under any guise whatsoever, that is still payroll re-numeration as far as the State of Alaska is concerned and worker's compensation insurance is required. In some instances a volunteer organization with volunteer workers, who receive no monetary re-numeration in whatever manner, may be exempt for the Worker's Compensation Act of the State of Alaska. Now comes the catch, in order to be classified as exempt from Worker's Compensation Act a Lion's Club involved in such activity must request exemption from the State Act. This must be done in writing to the State of Alaska, Department of labor, Worker's Compensation Division and this request must be approved by the Worker's Compensation Board in writing to be exempt. This has to be done by each lions Club and stating the type of program serviced by volunteers. Now to illustrate how this works I will iterate certain fallacies that I have seen practiced. For Example; I'm a contractor and I don't want to pay worker's compensation so I declare all my employees to be sub-contractors. This is illegal and in violation of the State Act. A true sub-contractor bids to provide a certain type of work for a contractor and the sub-contractor has a business license, a performance bond, and insurance both liability and worker's compensation on file with the Contractor. See the difference? So be careful, any numeration paid to a volunteer under any name such monetary benefit is given is considered payroll by the State and subject amongst other things to the worker's compensation act.

Now let's go to another avenue of exposure. My Lion's Club has a park with amusement devices. The general public is allowed to use the facility, whether charged for or not. Lions Club Insurance has a limit of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence. Does this really financially protect the Club and its membership? Some Clubs have incorporated to reduce the onus of members being involved, others have not. What should be considered for protections beyond the basic limit of liability coverage provided an umbrella policy raising the limits of liability protection. I will cite a good example in the news. GCI had invited guests to their lodge and were transporting the guests to a fishing camp nearby. Unfortunately tragedy occurred, basic coverage of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence may not be enough financial protection thus and umbrella policy would pick up higher limits of financial protection. Now I will reiterate the Lion's Insurance. Third party claims only in any Lion's project and/or facility, occurrence limit of \$1,000,000.00. I would suggest each Club board review their operation and are they really financially protected from a third party claim or loss of any type, and are they conforming t the statutes of the State of Alaska?. The decision is yours. Any Insurance Agent can give you good advise.

Peter G. Hupperten PCC



PRESENTS

# THE GREAT PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

AT THE  
SPENARD REC CENTER

SATURDAY OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>  
11AM-5PM



# **Spenard Lion Tidbits**

A vision screening team consisting of Mt. View Lion Justine Downer, Spenard Lions Joanne Koss, David Winston, Doc Dunn Lee Anne and John Regan Jr. screened 103 students at the Alaska Native Charter School on March 30th. 67 passed with 36 refers, which is rather high.

## **Food Bank Reports**

April 17, 2010

The monthly food bank for April was conducted on Saturday, April 10, 2010 at the Lions Club House in Spenard.

Volunteers at the event totaled 31: 8 Lions from Spenard, 5 Spenard volunteers, 3 Lions from Mt. McKinley, 5 from the VA Domiciliary, and 10 people from the Cordova Center.

The total number of households served this month was 108 - the total family count was 481 members. Total number of donated hours was approximately 180 for this project. Approximately 5,800 pounds of goods were purchased and provided from TEFAP for distribution to area families.

Funds expended to support the Food distribution program between March and April were \$2,756 with Benton Bay Lions contributing \$500.

Rapid Action Mailing supplied the boxes used to package the food and Matt Dimmick of Keller-Williams Realty supplied his truck used to get food from the Food Bank.

May 9, 2010

The monthly food bank for May was conducted on Saturday, May 8, 2010 at the Lions Club House in Spenard. Volunteers at the event totaled 27: 9 Lions from Spenard, 3 Spenard volunteers, 3 Lions from Mt. McKinley, 2 from the VA Domiciliary, and 10 people from the Cordova Center.

The total number of households served this month was 72 - the total family count was 263 members. Total number of donated hours was approximately 160 for this project. Approximately 4,500 pounds of goods were provided from purchased and TEFAB resources for distribution to area families.

Funds expended to support the Food distribution program between April and May were \$1873.65. \$115.00 was donated for food purchases.

Rapid Action Mailing supplied the boxes used to package the food and Matt Dimmick of Keller-Williams Realty supplied his truck used to get food from the Food Bank.

June 22, 2010

The monthly food bank for March was conducted on Saturday, June 12, 2010 at the Lions Club House in Spenard.

Volunteers at the event totaled 25: 8 Lions from Spenard, 3 Spenard volunteers, 3 Lions from Mt. McKinley, 1 from the VA Domiciliary, and 10 people from the Cordova Center.

The total number of households served this month was 70 - the total family count was 246 members. Total number of donated hours was approximately 150 for this project. Approximately 4,900 pounds of goods were provided for TEFAP distribution to area families.

Funds expended to support the food distribution program between May and June were \$235.95, mainly through the use of reserve inventory of food on hand.

Rapid Action Mailing supplied the boxes used to package the food and Matt Dimmick of Keller-Williams Realty supplied his truck used to get food from the Food Bank.

July 10, 2010

The monthly food bank for March was conducted on Saturday, July 10, 2010 at the Lions Club House in Spenard.

Volunteers at the event totaled 19: 8 Lions from Spenard, 2 Spenard volunteers, 1 Lion from Mt. McKinley, 1 from the VA Domiciliary, and 7 people from the Cordova Center.

The total number of households served this month was 94 - the total family count was 368 members. Total number of donated hours was approximately 120 for this project. Approximately 6,000 pounds of goods were provided for TEFAP distribution to area families.

Funds expended to support the food distribution program between June and July were \$411.07, mainly because of the amount of food available through TEFAB stock.

Rapid Action Mailing supplied the boxes used to package the food and Matt Dimmick of Keller-Williams Realty supplied his truck used to get food from the Food Bank.

August 22, 2010

The monthly food bank for August was conducted on Saturday, August 14, 2010 at the Lions Club House in Spenard.

Volunteers at the event totaled 25: 7 Lions from Spenard, 5 Spenard volunteers, 4 Lions from Mt. McKinley, 2 from the VA Domiciliary, and 7 people from the Cordova Center.

The total number of households served this month was 112 - the total family count was 431 members. Total number of donated hours was approximately 120 for this project. Approximately 7,200 pounds of goods were provided for TEFAP distribution to area families.

Rapid Action Mailing supplied the boxes used to package the food

September 12, 2010

The monthly food bank for September was conducted on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at the Lions Club House in Spenard.

Volunteers at the event totaled 25: 8 Lions from Spenard, 5 Spenard volunteers, 2 Lions from Mt. McKinley, 2 from Tudor Road Bingo, and 8 people from the Cordova Center.

The total number of households served this month was 104 - the total family count was 391 members. Total number of donated hours was approximately 150 for this project. Approximately 7,350 pounds of goods were provided for TEFAP distribution to area families.

Rapid Action Mailing Service provided the boxes used to pack the food and Matt Dimmick with Keller Williams Realty provided his truck for use in transporting the food from the Food Bank.

Respectfully submitted:

Bob Nelson  
Project Chair



Covenant  
House  
Alaska

# Candlelight Vigil for Homeless Youth

*When you light a candle, you stand side by side with homeless youth - you become their voice, their advocate and their friend. You bring the light of love and hope into their lives...a light that the darkness of the streets can **never** extinguish.*

Join our special guests:

**Kevin Ryan**, President, Covenant House

**Barbara P. Bush**, Founder, Global Health Corps & Covenant House International Board

**Karla Mosley**, Actress, Director & Covenant House International Board

as we

**Light a candle...**  
**Ignite a *Dream.***

Wednesday  
November 10<sup>th</sup>  
@ 6:00pm



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Please call 339-4406 or email  
[sparker@covenanthouseak.org](mailto:sparker@covenanthouseak.org)  
for information & volunteer opportunities.

Lion Robert,

For the next informer. Thanks for doing this.

Kamau, Kurt  
Kachemak Bay Lions

Kachemak Bay Lions 4TH annual Harley Raffle. Tickets cost \$100.00~399 tickets sold, every 25TH wins. Last one drawn wins a brand spanking new 2009 Harley Davidson Road King.

KBay Lions membership drive introduces members of the community to Lionism. Still tallying new member applications, but a good turnout and a great time. Thanks to MERL members, DG Jerry, VDG Phyllis, Zoned Chair Dennis, Sandra and Savannah Wilson for coming down and making it a huge success.

Kurt Weichhand



Robert can you send this letter out to all the Lions in the state  
New Big Lake Recreation and Community Center needs your help

As some of you already know, the Big Lake Lions have taken on the project of building an indoor ice rink and rec center in Big Lake. The facility is next to the Lions Club and is a 26,000 sq ft building that will be non-heated for winter ice skating, astro turf for spring soccer, and roller hockey and basketball in the summer, along with other community events. The low overhead design is to allow low cost rental time for youth athletics, about \$50 per hour instead of \$200 an hour that they have to pay now.

At this time we have raised over \$600,000, the concrete is finished, and the metal building is being built. We hope to have the building finished within the next 30 days. We still need to raise \$200,000 for the infrastructure of the building; such as electrical, boilers, and the sprinkler system for fire suppression. We are offering 4'x4' permanent signs inside the building for a corporate \$5,000 donation to the project. We are asking all Lions to help us find 20 corporate sponsors to meet our goal and have this facility open for the winter hockey season.

If you have any ideas of a company that might be interested in helping us, we would greatly appreciate the lead and will get further information to them or make it available for you to get it to them. I have also attached some pictures of the progress we have made to this point.

Thank you.

Please contact  
Lion Bill Haller, Project Coordinator  
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907 841-8040  
Big Lake Lions

