

Habitat for Humanity Committee Report
August 28, 2010
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Twenty-nine LIONS from six LIONS CLUBS from District 11 B1 assisted the Habitat Committee for the 2nd Annual LIONS ROAR FOR HABITAT motorcycle fundraiser held on July 31 of this year. The volunteer effort was nothing short of amazing for a District project.

Manchester Lions

Barry Allen
Peggy Allen
Carol Britten
Kathy Richardson

Dexter Lions

Jim Augustine
Dennis Berry
Louis Ceriani
Norm Colbry
Ralph Dresch
Ray Lowery
Dick Ulrich
Terry Walters

Chelsea Lions

Brian Bloomensaat
Keith Bloomensaat
Dave Culverhouse
Ed Greenleaf III
David Jachalke
Donald Kvarnberg
Dan Nutt
Phil Radant
Paul Weber

Napoleon Lions

Myrl Clayton
Rita Huey
Jim Montgomery
Dan Shepherd
Ed Hoffman

Battle Creek Host Lions

John Dammers

Battle Creek Cereal City Lions

Pat Stiff
Claudea Templeton

Two Habitat representatives were available to the bikers: Kevin Dowd of the Greater Jackson Habitat for Humanity (in Napoleon) and Sarah Teare of Huron Valley Habitat for Humanity (in Chelsea).

Also volunteering were two youth exchange students from Finland: Reeta Tallgren and Rea Kukumaki.

We received help outside of LIONS CLUBS from five other volunteers: Dakota Barnes, Maureen Dauphinais, David Begg, Lynn Waidelich, Steve Marengo and Steve Swaton from Marshall. I tested the patience of some of them.

For the afternoon events we took in only \$275 from the bikers, but we also were fortunate to have a \$200 donation from an outside individual (David Begg, with whom I co-chaired a motorcycle event two weeks earlier. Note: It will show up as a donation by the Marshall Lions).

I'm aware of a few other club donations and will they will be sent a letter of appreciation if they haven't been already.

The committee of Lions John and Nancy Koker, Dave Burlingame (Athens-Union City), Ed Hoffman (Napoleon), Bruce Bates (Manchester) Susan Myers (Napoleon) and Tom Fox (Homer) put a lot of work into the event, and I thank them as well.

I've invited everyone who assisted to my home August 28th for a celebration of volunteering.

We will continue to move forward as a committee but another motorcycle run is out of the question. It's not a big money-maker regardless of how it's planned. We can't afford to believe we'll be more successful as years go by.

Even the historically successful Battle Creek Cereal City Cyclists HOG Chapter was forced to cancel an event August 21 and found they had to return t-shirt and pre-register money.

Our Habitat partners continue to be patient while the committee brainstorms new fundraising ideas with a better monetary return for our efforts.