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CAME AND WENT!**

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Mark Day

Ray Miller

**THE STAFF
OF THE**



Ala Brown

**WISH YOU
THE BEST
FOR THE
HOLIDAYS!**

COMING ATTRACTIONS

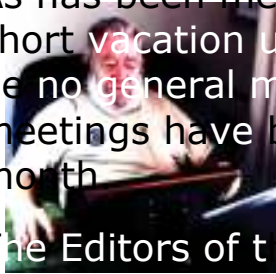
Monday

December 17, 2012

**Gene & Karolyn
Poles will discuss
*Post Traumatic
Stress Disorder
and Its Secondary
Effects on
Families.***

FROM THE EDITOR

As has been mentioned, our Lions Club is going on a short vacation until after the first of the year. There will be no general membership meetings. Committee meetings have been canceled for the remainder of the month.



The Editors of the **Tattler**, since everything else will be shut down, have decided not to publish a **Tattler** after this issue until our first meeting in January.

If you have material you wish to have put into the **Tattler**, please send it to coolphil@cox.net. It is often difficult to get good "stuff" to fill the **Tattler** each week, so keep your cards and letters coming!

As we see 2012 coming to an end, it is time to stop and reflect on the "**good things**" that have happened in our life. One in particular for me is my friendship with **Lion Ray Miller**. As I do not drive any longer, it is difficult for me to get around. For quite some time **Ray**, has seen to it that I am able to get to our Monday meetings. **Ray** is one of those "**good things**" as I look back over 2012.

With December on its way out, we will begin a new year, and I am looking for more "**good things**" in 2013.



If anyone is planning on going to the Mid-Winter Rally in Salina come January, I am looking for a ride. I have never attended a Mid-Winter Rally, and this year I am interested in going to see how well the **Tattler** does in the State Newsletter competition.

EDITOR COOLPHIL

COMMITTEE REPORTS



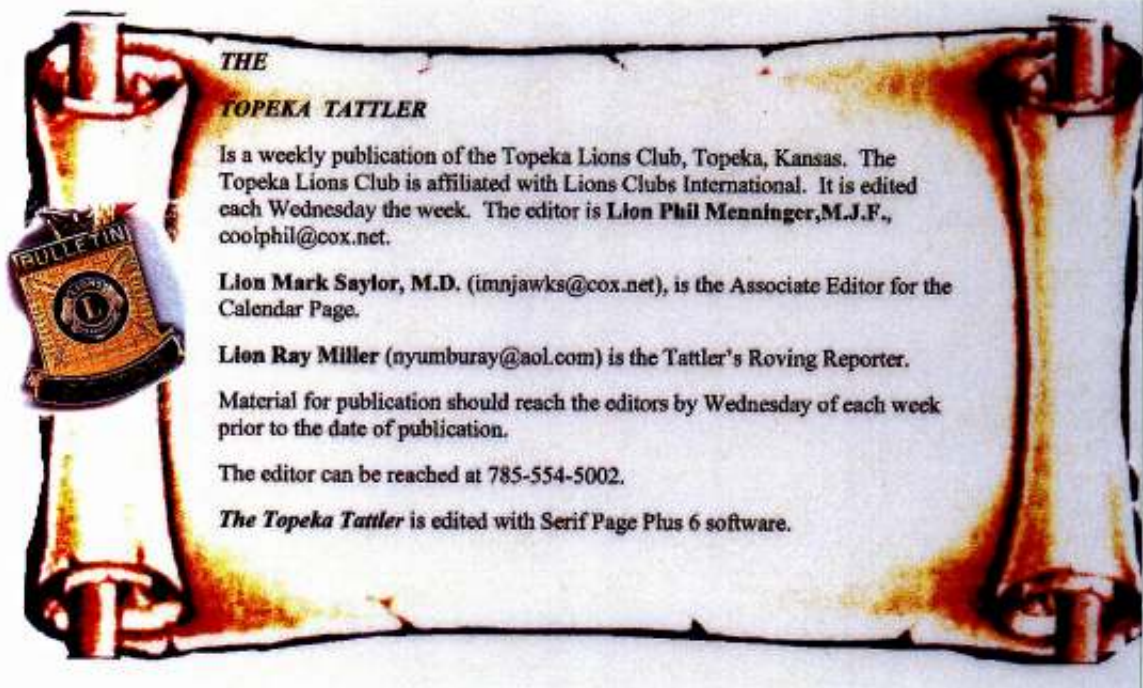
There were three Lions that showed up on a cold Saturday morning to clean our part of the Shunga Trail. Lions Spencer Smith, Don Spradling and Russ Willis came out to work the trail and together they collected three bags of traSH.



The Membership Committee will not hold a meeting during the month of December.



There will be no regular Monday Noon meeting on December 24 and 31. Our next meeting will be on January 7, 2013.

A graphic for 'The Topeka Tattler' newsletter. It features a scroll with a lion's head logo on the left side. The text on the scroll provides information about the publication, its editors, and submission guidelines.

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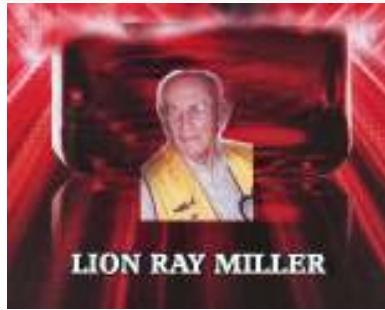
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**FROM ASSOCIATE EDITOR
LION RAY MILLER**



"Whoo - Whoo - Whoo", That's whooo the Lions at our White Elephant gift exchange wondered would finally wind up with that grey owl that was gliding from table to table. It just could not seem to settle down. By the rules set by Lion Barbara, the Lion whooose turn it was to pick a gift from the white elephant table might toss a quarter in the Tail Twister's bucket and forfeit his/her turn to pick and, instead, select any gift that a previous Lion had chosen. Lion Russ was the first to own the owl. Then it went to Lion Denny, then to Lion Gene's guest, then to Denny again and, finally, to Lion Gene. Every time it landed on another table, it seemed to start hooting and twisting its head looking for its next owner. I believe our Big Lion was the last one to cage it (and silence it). The Tail Twister's bucket was the ultimate winner. There were several other gifts spread amongst the group which probably helped open spaces for next year's white elephants to occupy. Thanks to Lion Barbara (Tail Twister) Smith for an innovative way to raise the general fund and provide us Xmas fun.



**SATIN FROST
5 PART RELISH TRAY**



**What do you do with your
white elephant gift?
Be innovative!**

**BIRD & SQUIRREL
FEEDER**



TOPEKA LIONS CLUB INFORMATION PAGE

TOPEKA LIONS CLUB OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

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TATTLER, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, HAVE BEEN
TAKEN BY THE EDITOR. ALL GRAPHICS, FOR THE
MOST PART, WERE CREATED BY THE EDITOR AS
WELL.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Editors Note: The minutes of the last Board Meeting are only a draft, and have yet to be formerly approved by the Board.

Topeka Lions Club Board of Directors Minutes November 28, 2012

President Gene Wunder called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

The Board of Directors met at G-Trust Conference Room.
Present: Lions Wunder, Page, Payne, Menninger, Owen, Spradling, Saylor, B. Smith and S. Smith.

Absent: Lion France.

Minutes of the meeting held October 31, were read. Lion S. Smith noted that former Lion Bill Roach will continue the Lions Web Site for several months but that was left out of the minutes. Motion to accept the minutes as revised by B. Smith, 2nd by Owen. Approved.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

Committee Reports:

Communications: Lion Menninger has submitted 3 **Tattlers** to the State Contest to be held at Mid-Winter Rally.

Membership: Lion Owen reported that a draft letter has been readied to give to downtown merchants to see if new

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members can be recruited. Membership committee will do exit interviews with Lions who are resigning.

Eye Glass Report: 9 Vouchers for glasses were issued in November. Report by Lion Spradling.

Travel Film Report: 5 single tickets were sold at the November 20th show. About 80 people watched the show. Report by Lion S. Smith.

EWO Committee: Golf tourney for next year is scheduled for Saturday morning, July 13, 2013. Lion Saylor is working on a SOP and plans to hand the tourney to someone else.

Journey For Sight run is scheduled for Saturday, March 16, 2013. Run will be at the Combat Air Museum, timing by the Sunflower Striders.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m. Next meeting will be January 30, 2013 at GTRUST.

Respectfully Submitted, Smith, Secretary



SANTA IS COMING!
ARE YOU READY?

LIONS CLUB CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2012 <small>www.freebookmarkscalendars.com</small>						
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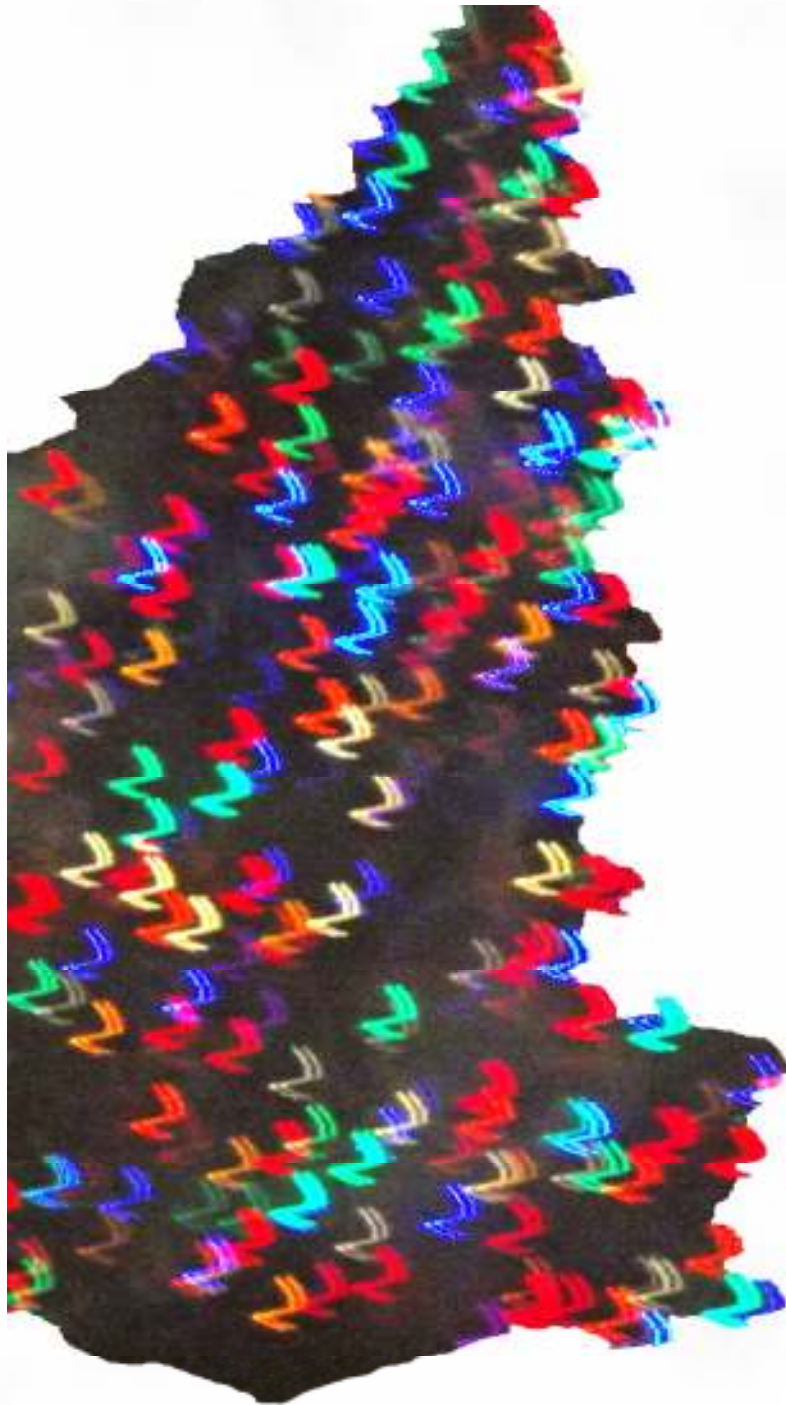
M17 - Gene & Karolyn Poles [Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Its Secondary Effects on Families.]

M24 - No Meeting Today

W26 - No Lions Membership Committee Meeting this month.

M31 - No Meeting Today

COOLPHIL'S LAST ROAR



ALDERSGATE VILLAGE CEO'S CHRISTMAS TREE 2012