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MEMORANDUM NO. 2009 – 037

TO: School District Superintendents
School Principals

FROM: Jim McBride, Ed.D. 

DATE: February 27, 2009

SUBJECT: Wyoming Lions, District 15, Poster Contest

INFORMATION TO SHARE

Attached is a letter that I received from Linda Lyon, Wyoming Peace Poster Chairperson, Wyoming Lions, District 15, informing us of the Lions International Peace Poster contest for 2009-2010. Details for eligibility are outlined in her letter. If you have questions, please contact her at lyonlg@juno.com. Please share this information with your staff and students.

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LION OF WYOMING, DISTRICT 15

February 17, 2009

Principals, Art Teachers, & Teachers grades 5th through 8th,

Hi! I am the chairperson for the Lions of Wyoming **District 15 Peace Poster Contest**. We are the second step in the **Lions International Peace Poster Contest**. The 2009-2010 Poster theme is "**The Power of Peace**". The eligible **birth** dates are November 16, 1995 through November 15, 1998. This is a wonderful art contest for any young artists who will be the ages 11, 12 or 13 on November 15, 2009. The contest is a great opportunity for these students to share their talent and visions of world peace and international understanding with others.

The International Grand Prizewinner will be rewarded with a trip, along with two family members, to Lions Day at the **United Nations in New York** and a check for \$2,500.00. An additional 23 Posters will be chosen to be Merit Award Winners and will receive a check for \$500.00.

The creation of this poster could be incorporated into a class project (history, geography, reading, art & etc) or would be a great **summer project** for interested students, especially those going into Junior High that are in the age group.

Enclosed is a copy of the Rules and Conditions, Judging criteria, and Awards.

If you are interested contact a Lions Club in your area to sponsor a local contest. The winner of each local contest is forwarded to the District level, and the winner at the District level is then sent on to compete in the International Contest.

For assistance with a contact name in a Lions Club in your area or questions, e-mail me at lyonlg@juno.com or call me in the evening at 307-742-5960.

I thank you very much for allowing me to introduce you to this exciting art contest for young artists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Lyon". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Lion Linda Lyon
Wyoming Peace Poster Chairperson
Lions District 15

Lions International

The Power of Peace

Lions International Peace Poster Contest is an international contest that encourages children, ages 11-13, to creatively express what peace means to them. The 2009-2010 contest theme is "The Power of Peace." The contest allows students to share their unique image of peace with others, so that we may all have greater tolerance and international understanding.

Contest Rules & Conditions

Entries not meeting the rules and conditions listed below unfortunately will be disqualified.

- * Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school(s) or organized, sponsored youth group(s), such as YMCA programs, Boys & Girls Clubs, Scouts, etc.). *Lioness clubs may work through their sponsoring Lions club.* Note: The contest cannot be held in youth groups that a Lions club sponsors, such as a Leo club or Scout unit. However, individual members of those groups (such as Leos or Scouts) may participate if the contest is held at their school or other organized youth group.
- * Contest is open to students who will be 11, 12 or 13 years of age on November 15, 2009. Eligible birth dates are November 16, 1995 through November 15, 1998.
- * The contest theme is "The Power of Peace"
- * Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches (33 centimeters by 50 centimeters) and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches (50 centimeters by 60 centimeters). Do not mat or frame artwork.
- Only one entry per student, and each entry must be the work of only one student.
- * All artwork must be the individual student's original creation. Duplications are not accepted.
- * All media are accepted. Note: Chalk, charcoal and pastel entries should be sealed with a fixative spray to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries.
- * Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted. Nothing may be glued, stapled or attached to the artwork in any way.
- * The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster, in any language, is not allowed. All artist signatures or initials should be written on the back of the poster.
- * Artwork should be done on a flexible material, so it can be rolled for shipping in a mailing tube. Do not fold poster.

Participants accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Entries sent with insufficient postage will be disqualified. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process. Entries cannot be acknowledged or returned; they become property of Lions Clubs International upon receipt. Peace Poster Contest images cannot be used without written permission from Lions Clubs International.

In consideration for the opportunity to enter the Peace Poster Contest, participants agree to allow Lions Clubs International to use their names and photographs for promotional and publicity purposes. In addition, the international grand prize winner, two family members (one being a parent or legal guardian) and the club president or club member (as designated by club president) are required to attend the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations in New York City, New York, USA (subject to change). An international grand-prize winner is not eligible to receive subsequent prizes in future Peace Poster contests sponsored by Lions Clubs International. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Lions Clubs International.

Lions Clubs International may cancel the contest without notice at any time. The contest is void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law.

(This is not a rule, but would suggest some thought be given to the reproducibility of any poster completed.)

Contest Judging

Posters are evaluated on three criteria at each level of judging. The criteria are **originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme, "The Power of Peace."**

Work with your sponsoring Lions club to determine how and when the judging will be held. An appropriate individual such as the school principal, youth group leader, local artist, club representative or a panel of judges may select the winning poster. Only one poster can be selected, per contest sponsored, to advance to the next level of judging. It is important that the poster selected to advance to the next level of judging meets all the requirements as outlined in the Contest Rules & Conditions. Posters not meeting these specifications will be disqualified.

Once the winning poster is selected from your school or youth group, your sponsoring Lions club will forward it on to the next level (postmark deadline November 15). Subsequent judging is held at the district, multiple district and international levels.

Awards

At the local level, the contest winner will be recognized by your sponsoring Lions club.

Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging are recognized as follows:

- **International Grand Prize Winner** receives a trip to the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations in New York City, New York, USA (subject to change). At the ceremony he/she will receive a cash award of US\$2,500 (or local equivalent) and an engraved plaque. Two family members (one being the winners parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring Lions club president or a club member (as designated by club president) will accompany the winner to the award ceremony. The award ceremony is planned for March 2008.
- **23 Merit Award Winners** each receive a cash award of US\$500 (or local equivalent) and a certificate of achievement.