

Lions' Lines

Grayslake Lions Club

January, 2011

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Happy New Year!

I expect 2011 to be happy, prosperous and full of service and fun projects and events for the Grayslake Lions Club.

The year 2010 was successful for the club. Despite a slowing economy, the club turned a profit, but not as much as in past years, with the pancake breakfast and steer roast. Collections were respectable for the Candy Day and Tootsie Pop Day efforts, and the treasury was filled nicely following our labors at the Lake County Fair.

This past year the club helped 145 families (more than 500 people) with Christmas baskets, brightened the lives of residents at Winchester House at Christmas and Easter, provided glasses and eye exams for many needy individuals, collected hundreds of used eye glasses and glasses cases for those in need in foreign countries. Through our fund-raisers the club was able to provide financial assistance to many local, state and international Lions Club projects.

Club membership spiked this past year. But that increase was tempered somewhat because some members did not renew their memberships.

An important addition to our club this year is the addition of a website. Thanks to Lion Ed Brown for his work in establishing this tool for joining cyberspace and making our club more accessible.

What's ahead for the coming year? I know the club will continue its work and service with its popular public events and services. There may be some minor changes, particularly at the Lake County Fair where a new administration is expected. Maybe there will be new projects. I am open to ideas.

Fun. That was a word I used in my remarks at the recent Christmas party and installation dinner. I am hopeful that the club can add a little more fun in our activities. Small groups of Lions can have fun at casino adventures, fishing outings and baseball games, for example. I hope this idea catches on.

I will be making committee assignments early in January. Please let me know which committees are of interest to you and perhaps more importantly, which committees you are not interested in. Also, please let Secretary Jim or me know of any changes that need to be made with your listing in this year's directory. Both Jim and I are planning on establishing a new record for directory publication.

The next club meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 11 at Whitney's in Grayslake. The board will meet at 6 p.m. Speaker for the evening will be a Mundelein optometrist who will talk about her experiences serving the blind in foreign nations. She will speak at 7 p.m. with dinner being served after her talk. So, an early evening snack for

some of you may be in order! Also, District Gov. Don Hook will be visiting. Lion Don and I will be counting and packing used eye glasses and cases in the near future and then make a trip to drop them off at state headquarters in Sycamore. Please bring your contributions of eye glasses and cases to the Jan.11 meeting or drop them off at my house. Thanks.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS A SUCCESS! The numbers: 140 families served. 60,000 pounds of food collected by District 127 high school students. Five hundred and six men, women and children served. Three food pantries supported. About 600 pounds of turkeys, 1400 pounds of potatoes, 140 gallons of milk, and 1400 pounds of apples purchased. Finally, we fed 120 high school students. 27 Lions and 11 friends made this project the best ever



New Web Site! Grayslakelionsclub.org

Thanks to those who participated in the Feeding My Starving Children project. And thanks for the initiative of Lion Terry Rockenbach.

New Lions means more service. 1st Vice District Governor Walt Holden officiates at the induction of two new members. Welcome Lion Shirley Christian and Lion Rob Depke!



Bowling January 30, 2011.
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Holiday Dinner and the installation of our year 2011 officers were held on December 14 at State Bank of the Lakes. Thirty five people were in attendance. 1st Vice District Governor Lion Walt Holden officiated and explained their duties to the officers elected at the November meeting. These officers will serve until January 2012.



Outgoing Presidential Remarks



Incoming Presidential Remarks



Congratulations to our newest Illinois Lions Foundation Fellow, Lion Chris Brenner!



**Grayslake Lions Club
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 14, 2010**

President Brenner called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM, after forty-five minutes of social time. Lion Carol Frank offered devotions. Lion Jim Rockwell led the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests were introduced: Lion Bob Depke (Gagewood), Lion Margaret Burgauer (Libertyville), Jeff Nehila, Executive Director, Grayslake Park District, and honored guest, Lion Walt Holden, 1st Vice District Governor, District 1F, (Skokie).

Lion Don Dietz made a report on the Christmas Basket project: 140 families, 506 men, women and children served; 60,000 pounds of food collected by high school students; Avon food pantry filled, with additional deliveries to two other food banks; 120 high school students treated with a breakfast buffet at Whitneys.

Vice District Governor Walt inducted Lion Shirley Christian and Lion Rob Depke, II. After ensuring their election with the certification of Lion Secretary (outgoing) Mary Dietz, Vice District Governor Walt inducted the elected 2011 officers, reminding each of their duties. Lion President Brenner made remarks as outgoing President and further remarks as incoming President. He solicits ideas for new projects and opportunities for socialization. Lion, Past District Governor, Lions of Illinois Foundation Trustee, and Chairman, Awards Committee, Rich Walters announced and presented a Lions of Illinois Foundation Fellow to Lion Chris Brenner.

Lion President Chris made closing administrative remarks. All are requested to submit changes to the Blue Book, including email address to either Lion Chris or Lion Secretary Jim as soon as possible. The next meeting will be a Whitney's on January 11, 2011. An optometrist will be guest speaker.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

(There was no Board meeting in December)