

# Lions' Lines

# Grayslake Lions Club

May 2012

P. O. Box 201, Grayslake, IL 60030

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## Directors

Patti Jarvis

Don Dietz

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## Past President

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**Prez Sez:** Lion Rich has requested our help with Tootsie Pop Days on May 4 & 5. The sign up sheets have been e-mailed to us; please help by filling an open slot. Questions? Please call Lion Rich. Thanks very much.

Our Pancake Breakfast was, as usual, run like digital clockwork by Lion Darlene. It was, again as usual, a very successful event, with over 430 hungry attendees. Lion Darlene extends her deep gratitude to all of the Lions who worked hard to make it a big fun and profitable event. She will present a final report on the event at our May meeting.

This month's GM Meeting will feature Lion Robert McCarty of the Antioch Lions as guest speaker. Lion Bob will be informing us of his Club's experiences in running their Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournaments for the past few years.

Lion Bob will be presenting information, and a proposal for a fund raising opportunity, to our own Board just prior to his appearance at the General Membership Meeting. We should look forward to a very informative presentation and discussion for a potential new fundraiser for our Club.

### **General Membership Meeting: May 8 @ 7:00 p.m. at Whitney Street**

Our Board meets there one hour prior at 6:00 p.m. All members are welcome at both meetings.

### **Housekeeping:**

Please remember to bring any leftover **Pancake Breakfast** tickets to this meeting and deliver them to Lion Darlene. Thanks very much.

This is a last call for your sold **Sight n' Sound Sweepstakes** tickets; they must go to Lion Steve at this month's meeting. Thanks.

Bring along some extra funds for your previously ordered Grayslake Lions Club sweatshirt.

### **Coming Soon:**

May 4-5 - Tootsie Pop Days (Lion Rich)

May 5 - Winchester House Party (Lion Marilyn)

May 12 - Lip n' Breakfast: Officer/Member Training Seminar @ Vernon Hills

May 17-20 - MD-1 State Convention

Lion Karl

PANCAKE BREAKFAST PRELIMINARY REPORT. Thanks to Lion Darlene, we again will be making money – likely enough to cover the two scholarships. Darlene will present a full report at the next meeting. Attendance at our two functions has been falling the last few years – the economy? Lion Darlene reports we may have turned a corner: we served 430 people this year as compared to 425 people last year – a small gain but a gain nonetheless. Thanks to the Lions who worked.

**ALERT!** Help is, in fact, needed at Winchester House on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30. Lion Marilyn reports the staff has increased the number of residents participating by 33% and the party will occur on two floors, not just one. So lend a hand and give Lion Marilyn a call or an email and volunteer!

**LAKE COUNTY FAIR – SAVE THE DATES JULY 25<sup>TH</sup> TO 29<sup>TH</sup>.** Lions Rich, Don and Jim attended a preliminary planning meeting with Fair Board personnel this past month. As previously reported, the fair will run from Wednesday to Sunday (no Tuesday Fair) and the rodeo on Saturday has been replaced by a monster truck rally. When you make your summer vacation plans, please save these dates.

There will be, in the editor's opinion, some improvements in ticket sales. First, the big one – NO COUPONS! However the admission price of \$8.00 will require all of us to be familiar with dollar bills. Secondly there will be no North (free parking) gate. Instead two ticket trailers will be located at the main entrance and we have asked that the two larger trailers be placed there. (The trailer used at the North gate last year was tight for four sellers. The commercial gate and the group sales gate will remain the same.

We remember. Matt Steel, age 52, passed away on April 18, 2012 suddenly and unexpectedly. Matt was an active Lion for many years and was always of good cheer. Even when his circumstances made membership difficult, he could always be counted on to volunteer to flip pancakes. He will be missed and our sympathy is extended to his mom and dad and his sisters.

**Grayslake Lions Club  
BOARD MEETING  
April 10, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by Lion President Molek at 6:06 PM.

**Present:** Lions Rockwell, Lee, Jarvis, Vleck, Dorfler, Dietz (D), Rockenbach, Bitzinger, Molek and Morgan.

**Minutes:** On motion by Lion Jarvis, Lion Dorfler seconding, the minutes of the March Board Meeting were approved without changes.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lion Lee distributed a financial report. On motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Jarvis seconding, the report was placed on file.

Poster expense for the Pancake Breakfast was \$275m \$85 and \$33. As necessary expenses of a fund-raising activity, they need not be approved.

**Actions:**

--On motion by Lion Rockenbach, Lion Dietz (D) seconding, a contribution of \$50 to the Lake Zurich Lions in support of Special Olympics was approved

--A letter request for support from Hadley school was declined

--A request for support from Learning Ally, formerly Reading for the Blind was declined, a contribution of \$100 had been made previously.

--A request for support for Canine Companions was tabled. Lion Rockwell will contact the District 1F coordinator to find further details, since a contribution had been made previously.

The following Board members will attend the District 1F Lip, No Lunch training, Saturday, May 12. Rockwell will make the reservations: Lions Molek, Rockwell, Vleck, Dietz (M), Dietz (D), and Jarvis.

Placing an ad in the MD1 Convention adbook was declined.

Ms. Choi and Ms. Corda were selected by the high schools as scholarship winners for 2012. On Motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Jarvis seconding, a grant of \$1000 each was approved.

In addition to our annual support of a camper at Camp Lions this summer, since two camps will be held in Lake County on June 12 and 24, on motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Bitzinger seconding, Lion President Molek was authorized to expend up to \$300 for evening treats for both camps.

Lions were reminded that Tootsie Pop day will be May 4, 5 and a signup sheet will be available at the General Meeting. Lions were reminded that Lion Walters (M) is chairing an event at Winchester House at 10:30 on May 5 and they should contact her to volunteer.

There being no further business, on motion by Lion Vleck, Lion Bitzinger seconding, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

**Grayslake Lions Club  
GENERAL MEETING  
April 10, 2012**

Lion President Molek called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Minutes: On motion by Lion Frank, Lion Walters (M) seconding, the minutes of the March General Meeting were approved without changes.

Treasurer's report: The report was available at each table, the Board having previously approved placing it on file.

Lion President Molek reminded that Sight and Sound Sweepstake tickets must be turned in no later than the Pancake Breakfast on April 22. Lion Dorfler made a short Pancake Breakfast report and passed around a final signup sheet. Lion and PDG Walters reminded that Tootsie Pop day would be May 4 and 5 and passed around a signup sheet. All are encouraged to participate. Lion Walters (M) reminded that we are hosting a Winchester House event on May 5 at 10:30.

As a new activity, Lion President Molek reported that since two of the Camp Lions Sessions will be in Lake County this summer, our Club has been asked to provide treats two evenings on June 12 and 24 and the Board had approved funds for this. Anyone interested in helping those two nights should contact him. For the Club, he also expressed sympathy to Lion Joel Ruiz for his recent loss.

After dinner, Lion Ron Runkle, attorney at law, gave a detailed and comprehensive presentation on recent changes to Medicaid Law in Illinois. One important take-away is that the State will now look at gifts made by the applicant for aid up to five years previously, obviously to preclude people from impoverishing themselves to qualify for aid by giving their treasure away to friends and family.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.