

# Lions' Lines

# Grayslake Lions Club

September 2012

P. O. Box 201, Grayslake, IL 60030

## President

Karl Molek

## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

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Cynthia Lee

## Lion Tamer

Joe Kane

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## Directors

Patti Jarvis

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Keith Bitzinger

Terry Rockenbach

## Past President

Chris Brenner



**Prez Says:** First and foremost, our **49th Annual Steer Roast** will be held this **Sunday, September 9th** at noon at the Middle School. You have all received your assignments and we'll need everyone's help to make this event a resounding success. Also, please remember to sell your tickets and turn 'em in to Lion Cynthia on Sunday.

Our Grayslake Summer Days Parade went well; t'was a beautiful evening for a parade and we had lots of excited kiddies catching the chocolates. Thanks to Lions Chris, Don & Mary, Patty Jo, Ruthie and Jim for making it happen. Great work, Y'All!

Our Club's application for our Charitable Gaming License has been completed and submitted to the State of Illinois. As most of you know, this License will allow us to partner with the Antioch Lions in a new Texas Hold Em' Tourneys Project for 2013. Thanks to Lions Cynthia, Joe K and Ronnie R for gittin' r' dun! Special thanks also to Lion Bob McCarty, Antioch Lions, for his invaluable personal assistance.

**General Membership Meeting: September 11 @ 7:00 pm at Whitney Street.** The Board meets there at 6:00 p.m. All members are welcome at both meetings.

Our Guest Speaker will be **Grayslake Mayor Rhett Taylor**; please attend and express your appreciation for his efforts in serving our community. Our new **Zone Chair, Lion Barb Lahtinen**, will also be joining us at this Meeting.

## Housekeeping:

I believe that I've said quite enough... 😊

## Coming Soon:

September 8 - Gagewood Lions Pig Roast @ Jesse Oaks Tavern, 3-7pm

September 9 - Grayslake Lions Steer Roast @ GL Middle School, 12-5pm

September 30 - Lions of Northern IL "Run/Walk for Sight" @ Century Park, VH

October (?) - Gurnee Lions will host our Annual 3G's Meeting @ TBD

October 25 - "The Mousetrap" @ Mundelein High School, 7:30pm

Lion Karl

**STEER ROAST NEWS.** As all know, the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Steer Roast is September 8, 9, 2012. Set up will be on Saturday, as before. The meat goes on between 5 and 6 PM on Saturday. EVERYONE NEEDS TO HELP. Contact your chairperson or Lion Chris if you are unsure of your assignment.

A walk down memory lane – used to be that in addition to working, each Lion would provide one pie, cake or equivalent, often home-made. Welllllll, the Health Department didn't like that very much so we had to go to commercially purchased desserts. In order to make up the difference, for the last few years, each Lion is expected to contribute **\$10 in PIE MONEY**, in addition to their contribution of time and effort to make this fund-raiser a success. Don't forget to give Lion Cynthia your pie money when you turn in your tickets.

**SOCIAL TIME.** Lion Tim has taken the initiative and organized the second Lions Social Time. (The first was the Lake Geneva boat and mansion tour). We will be going to see ***The Mousetrap*** performed by the Kirk Players at Mundelein High School on October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30. The price is \$14 for adults and \$12 for seniors (62+). The Club will be writing one check so, if you haven't already done so, RSVP to Lion Tim Keefe and send a check to Lion Cynthia payable to Grayslake Lions Club, PO Box 201, Grayslake, 60030.

**THE COLOR OF MONEY.** As most know, the Grayslake Lions Club is organized as a 501c4 charitable organization. We are also organized as a 501c3 charitable foundation. Why both, you may ask? Donations to C3 organizations are tax deductible by the donor. This is particularly important to corporate donors. Donations to C4 organizations are not tax deductible.

For the Club and the Foundation, there is a strict requirement that funds solicited from the public MUST be expended for the charitable purpose for which the organization exists. Think of money from the public as **Red**, or restricted money. It must be spent to support the sight or hearing impaired or on community service activities. We may not spend it on ourselves. Examples of **Red money** are net revenue from the Steer Roast and Pancake Breakfast, the Club share of Candy Day and Tootsie Pop Day collections, Memorials, and soon the net proceeds from Club-sponsored Texas Hold 'Em tournaments. We spend **Red money** on Christmas Baskets, eye exams and eye glasses, hearing aids, scholarships, and donations to other organizations that are within our announced charitable purposes.

Money we generate internally is **Green**, or unrestricted money. We can spend **Green money** subsidizing part of the cost of the Christmas Banquet, on pins, badges, banners, new club property, etc. Examples of **Green money** would be the Club's share of our dues, tail twister funds, the Club share of internal raffles, and the money we earn at the Lake County Fair. There is a member's ticket for the Steer Roast so we can treat what we personally pay as **Green money**. We can also spend **Green money** for **Red money** purposes, but we don't have to. When we file tax returns for the Club and the Foundation we strictly account for both Red money and Green money. (Ed.)

**Grayslake Lions Club**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**August 14, 2012**

Lion President Molek called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

**Members present:** Lions Lee, Jarvis, Dorfler, Brenner, Molek, Rockenbach, Bitzinger, Kane and Rockwell. This constituted a quorum.

**Minutes:** On motion by Lion Jarvis, Lion Lee seconding, the minutes of the previously distributed July Board meeting were approved without modification.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lion Lee made a Treasurer's report and distributed the month report to all. On motion by Lion Lee, Lion Rockwell seconding, the report was placed on file.

Lion President Molek reviewed correspondence received. There were no requests for assistance received since the last meeting. Joanne Lawrence and family thanked us for our sympathy and for the donation, in memory of Lion and Life Member Dick Lawrence, to the Lions of Illinois Foundation. Lauren Corda wrote to thank us for the scholarship (\$1000) we awarded to her in May.

The Harrisburg Lions wrote to thank us for our support of their Club after the February 29, 2012, tornado. They said, "Thank you for your generous contribution. By reaching out to the victims of the Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> tornado, you helped us bring our motto to life – 'We Serve'." The note was signed by 16 Lions. (We contributed \$500. Clubs from around the State of Illinois (168 Clubs) contributed \$62,325.21. Lions International awarded a grant of \$10,000. The Harrisburg Lions initially provided support to 18 families, but two families returned the money and told the Lions to spend it on folks who needed it more.)

Lion Keefe reported that 21 people were signed up for the social outing -- "The Mousetrap" by the Kirk players and asked that anybody interested should contact him.

Lion Walters made a County Fair report and indicated that we have submitted a bill to the Fair Board for 666 hours. This would be less than previous years since the Fair was five days, not six as previously.

Lion Brenner made a Steer Roast report indicating readiness. All are needed to work on 8/9 September.

Lion Molek asked for volunteers for the Grayslake Days parade.

Lion Rockwell reminded that the Nominations Committee should be working on a slate of officers for 2013 so it could be presented at the September meeting and be on schedule for second notice (October) and voting at the November meeting.

There being no further business on motion by Lion Jarvis, Lion Bitzinger seconding, the meeting adjourned at 6:51 PM.

**Grayslake Lions Club**  
**GENERAL MEETING**  
**August 14, 2012**

Lion President Molek called the meeting to order sharply at 7:00 AM. There were 20 Lions present.

**Minutes:** On motion by Lion Walters (R) Lion Townsend seconding, the minute of the July General meeting were approved without modification.

**Treasurer's report:** Lion Lee distributed a copy of the monthly statement to all. The Board had previously approved the placing of the report on file.

Lion President Molek reviewed correspondence received including thank you notes from the Lawrence Family, Lauren Corda, the 2012 scholarship winner, and the Harrisburg, Illinois, Lions.

Lion Keefe reported that 21 people expressed an intention to attend the Mousetrap by the Kirk plays and that payment should be made soon.

Lion Rockwell mentioned that the Nominations Committee would be working on the slate of officers for 2013 and that people should communicate their willingness to serve to the committee members: Lions Brenner, Walters, Townsend and Schroeder. Lion Walters made a short report on the County Fair effort and Lion Brenner did likewise for the upcoming 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Steer Roast. Lion President Molek asked for volunteers to participate in the Grayslake Day parade on August 18.

The speaker for the evening was Lion and Past District Governor Rich Walters who, together with Lion Marilyn, and subsequent to his year as Governor, has been attending International conventions as a delegate from MD1 because of his interest in Lionism and retirement world travel. This year the convention was in Pusan, Korea. There were Koreans there. He mentioned that he lost a hearing aid in Tokyo. He plans on attending the next convention in Hamburg, Germany. The host country is typically the country of the International President then serving. Marilyn reported that he will be attending stag.

On motion by Lion Jarvis, Lion Mulryan seconding, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.