

Lions' Lines

Grayslake Lions Club

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PresSez: On behalf of the Grayslake Lions Club, I would like to offer congratulations to Lion Tom and Betty Schmidt on their 70th wedding anniversary and to Lion Ruth Patterson on her 90th birthday.

Since my first official Lions meeting in January, I have attended a Zone Meeting where I learned about what other clubs in our Zone are doing and Don and I went to a practice session for the Poker Tournament, where we learned a "little" about Texas Hold "Em.

February promises to be a relatively quiet month compared to some. I hope everyone interested has signed up for **the District Bowling Tournament on Feb. 10**. Don and I will be there and it remains to be seen which one of us will take home the low trophy.

Please think about attending part or all of the **District Convention, March 15-17**, especially if you have never attended. It is very inspirational to meet with other Lions from all over the District. Registration forms are available on line (<http://district1lions.com/>) or from Secretary Jim Rockwell.

Phil Perlini, Grayslake's new Police Chief will be our speaker for the February 12 meeting. Promises to be interesting. Guests are always welcome.

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POKER TOURNAMENT VENUE CHANGE. The first 2013 poker tournament sponsored by the Antioch Lions Club is scheduled for this Sunday, January 27th. This is an opportunity for Grayslake Lions to see "how this works" in anticipation of our first tournament in May. THERE HAS BEEN A VENUE CHANGE. This first tournament will be held at **Anastasia's, 950 Hillside Avenue, Antioch, instead of the Moose Lodge**. All are encouraged to attend or stop by. Set up begins at 10:00 AM with play expected to begin at noon. The tournament usually ends about 5:00 PM.

NEW VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR. At a Special Meeting on January 12th **Lion Steve Willett** (Zion) was selected as Second Vice District Governor to fill a vacancy. He can be reached at 847.731.2644, lionstevewillett@gmail.com

FOUNDATION ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT. As you may know, the Lions of Illinois Foundation is our foundation. With an office located in Sycamore, Illinois, the Foundation provides mobile testing buses, Camp Lions, and other support to Lions Clubs in Illinois. With a staff of eleven, headed by Executive Director Lion Van Stone, the annual audit, conducted at the end of the Lion Year, shows \$1,928,489.00 in net assets and an endowment net balance of \$7,979,074.00. Only the income from the endowment is used to support clubs and programs for the sight and hearing impaired. The principle is reserved.

SAVE MY STARVING CHILDREN. Some Lions have supported this worthwhile effort in the past. Support means working, in assembly line fashion, to package rice-based meals that are designed to be beneficial, not to the malnourished, but to kids who are truly starving and whose bodies cannot handle “normal” food. This program now has a permanent home in Libertyville – 742 East Park Avenue (Rte 176). Shifts are scheduled on Wednesdays and Fridays in the afternoon and evening; and on Saturdays in the morning and afternoon. The maximum number of volunteers is 140. If you or a group are interested, call 847.984.3846. If memory serves, a team is eight people. Kids, perhaps 7th grade or older, can do this, too.

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There are six zones in District 1F and Zone Chairpersons are required to have three Zone Meetings a year to share information and ideas. Lion President Deitz (M) speaks at the January Zone Meeting





Shown are Lions at the January Texas Hold 'Em practice session at the Moose Lodge in Antioch. At the left, Grayslake Lions learn by doing. At the right, the Grayslake Lions Club Poker Committee, Lions Runkle, Kane, and Molek, play while Zone Chairman and Lion Bob McCarthy counsels Lion Molek to be quiet. Although partially obscured by Lion Keefe's head, Lion Runkle has a remarkably small stack of chips after practice play.

**Grayslake Lions Club
BOARD MEETING
January 8, 2013**

Present: Lions Rockwell, Dietz (M), Powell, Jaris, Bitzinger, Vleck, Dorfler, Lee, Patterson, Kane and Keefe.

Lion President Dietz (M) called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

Minutes: On motion by Lion Bitzinger, Lion Lee seconding, the meetings of the November Board (There was no Board meeting in December) were approved without modification.

Treasurer's Report: Lion Lee made a report which was placed on file.

Actions:

As in years past, on motion by Dorfler, Lion Bitzinger seconding, a donation of \$250 was approved for the Aniridia Foundation. Payment of bills to Lions International, Classic Printing, Specs and Lions District 1F, on motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Jarvis seconding, were approved.

Two Lions had perfect attendance records in 2012: Lions Brenner and Rockwell.

Lion Dietz (D) made both a written and final report on the Christmas basket program to be repeated at the general meeting.

On motion by Lion Dorfler, Lion Jarvis seconding, purchase of a patron list and an advertisement for the pancake breakfast in the District 1F Convention booklet was approved.

After a short presentation by Lion Vleck, on motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Bitzinger seconding, purchase of transportation to and from a Skiing for the Blind event for Lion Vleck and others was approved, as in years past.

Lion Dorfler announced that the annual Pancake Breakfast would be April 14th and asked everyone to save the date.

Lion Molek made a Poker Tournament Readiness Report. On his request, on motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Bitzinger seconding, the expenditure of \$463.75 from the Poker account for advertising was approved.

There being no further business, on motion by Lion Bitzinger, Lion Lee seconding, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

**Grayslake Lions Club
GENERAL MEETING
January 8, 2013**

Lion President Deitz (M) called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

On motion by Lion Townsend, Lion Jarvis seconding, the minutes of the December meeting were approved without modification. Lion Lee made a Treasurer's report, the written report previously placed on file by the Board.

Lion Deitz (D) made a final Christmas Basket report. Although the number people served were down, the number of families served, 171, was up. 314 adults and 379 families were provided sustenance they would not, have otherwise had. In all 647 boxes of food were delivered by Lions and students. With the cost of turkeys, apples, milk and donated potatoes, plus printing, stamps and breakfast for 147 high school students, to total expense was \$5,686.56. Citizens and Lions donated \$1,479.00 to help off-set this cost. Lion Don Dietz was thanked for his Chairmanship.

Lion Kane made a report on Poker Tournament readiness. Another dealer practice is scheduled for January 15th. The first tournament, hosted by the Antioch Lions is scheduled for January 27th. Grayslake Lions were encouraged to attend for familiarization and with the understanding that Antioch Lions will be helping us in May.

Lion Schroeder announced that 16 people had signed up for bowling at the District 1F sponsored event on February 10th and anyone who had not done so should contact him if they wished to bowl.

Lion Rockwell indicated that registration for the District 1F Convention, March 15, 16 and 17 was now open and he had the forms. He also requested that people who were interested in attending and being a voting delegate should contact him. The Club is entitled to 5 delegates plus Lion Rich Walters who, as a PDG was entitled to attend and vote without counting towards the Club quota.

Lion Brenner announced that we have received the donation of a very expensive CCTV imaging system that blows up imaging of reading materials and things like bills and checks to aid those with visual impairment. After discussion, Lion Brenner indicated he would pursue local use either at the Library or at the newly constructed senior living building on Belvidere Road.

Lion President Deitz (M) made a few remarks, indicated that here concern and focus would be on membership and asked each Lion to invite one person to a meeting as our guest as a first step.

There ensued a light-hearted auction of White Elephant items, generating about \$200 for the Club Treasury in green money.

On motion by Lion Vleck, Lion Dorfler seconding, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 PM.