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The LIONS DEN

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Elk Grove Village, Illinois

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President Rich Keyworth

Here we Go - 2014-15

Greetings Lions!

Welcome to the 2014-15 Lions Year, I am proud to be the President of the Club this year and I believe we have a wealth of opportunity for our club to become a leader in the District 1-F Lions.

We have several new members and several prospective members who are a potential for leadership roles in future years. I believe we also have a wealth of opportunity to spread our wings and fly with the eagles. We have a great deal of talent within our organization and we have several of our more senior members whom I would hope to draw back into an active role within the club.

I will do my best to run the meetings efficiently and try to keep all informed about where we are and where I think we can move up to. We have some interesting new opportunities for fund raising and also some possible opportunities for service to our community.

I would like to see our club return to its position as the finest and best service organization in the Village. I have met with the Mayor and discussed our role in the 4th of July celebration in future years. I will report on that at our next business meeting in August.

We have our annual 4th of July celebration coming up next week and we have the opportunity to assist with the food tent as well as provide information about the Lions Club.

In September we have the Kelly Miller Circus coming to town and this is a great fundraising opportunity as well as an entertainment opportunity for the community. Our club members who marched in the Parade several weeks ago handed out over 1,000 flyers to spectators at the Parade. I heard from a number of people throughout the community about how excited their kids are to go to the Circus. We will have more about that in coming weeks. We will need all club members out and promoting this event. Lion Alva has a great marketing plan which I believe will help us take this event over the big top.

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FOUNDED IN 1938

Special Notice
Circus - Sept. 23 - 2 shows!

Tickets for the Circus (\$10/\$6) will be on sale soon. Please start thinking of how many you will buy - remember the grandchildren, nieces and nephews!
Remember the child in you!
Come and be delighted!

"Happiness is a perfume you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops on yourself"

Illesheim Coupon Program Updates:

It was brought to my attention that a 9 digit zip code is supposed to be used in our mailing address. Some of you are already using it. Here it is for those of you who haven't been using it: 09140-2009.

- Coupons are only good for 6 months after expiration date on the post abroad.
- SORTED COUPONS :) are greatly appreciated. Our main categories are:

Food, Non-Food, Baby, and Pets

We have noticed the last few months that Non-Food Coupons are not in high demand.

We would like to ask you to reduce a bit of the Non-Food. We do need more Baby and Pet coupons and as always, Food Coupons.

- US brand stores (Ex. Target) cannot be accepted in our installations. Only original manufacture's coupons are accepted.
- The Army is going paperless. Therefore, we will be sending delivery confirmations via email.
- Please include an email address if you have one with your deliveries so we can let you know we received it as soon as we get it. If you do not have an email address we will still be sending Thank You cards every three months. Feel free to contact us at CouponLadys2@hotmail.com
- We have two others installations in the area who are interested in receiving coupons:

Wiesbaden ACS
Unit 29623
Box 062
APO, AE 09005-9623

Grafenwoehr ACS
409th BSB
Attn: AETTG-SB-CFA-ACS
APO, AE 09114



Enjoy your summer days!
Thank You

Thanks for your continuous support to our Troops & Families!
Monica Hawkins—Coupon Program Storck Barracks, Illesheim Community

The Lion's Den

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Calendar of Events

July

- 4 Elk Grove Village Lions 4th of July at Lions Park **NOTE: Lions, we will meet at Lions Park in lieu of our regular July Business Meeting!**
- 4 Highland Park Highwood Parade and Booth at "Fourth Fest"
- 4 Antioch Chicken BBQ/Auction/Family Picnic
- 4-5 Barrington 4th of July Festival at the North Commuter Lot
- 4-6 76th Annual Mt Prospect Lions Club Festival - Melas Park
- 16 Elk Grove Village Lions Dinner Meeting

Chicken & Rib Combo - tender and delicious with a sweet tangy sauce, mashed Potatoes, and steamed Vegetables. \$20

Pork Chops - grilled, Black Steer famous and Elk Grove Lions favorite with mashed Potatoes and steamed Vegetables. \$20

Skewered Shrimp - grilled to perfection served with Rice Pilaf and Vegetables. \$20

Soup, Salad, Bread, Butter, Dessert, Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

18-20 Lake Zurich Lions Club Annual Alpine Fest - Lion Fred Blau Park

23 Elk Grove Village Lions Board Meeting

27 Antioch Lions Club Chicken BBQ, Auction & Family Picnic

August

6 Elk Grove Village Lions Business Meeting (Village Hall - 7:30 p.m.)

20 Elk Grove Village Lions Dinner Meeting - 6:30 at Black Steer (watch your Tail Twister!)

21 Lions of Illinois Foundation Candy Day Jamboree - Lake Zurich Lions Den

27 Elk Grove Village Lions Board Meeting - 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall



Congratulations to this Lion on his birthday! Lion Lee Garr

Under the Big Top

The Elk Grove Village hometown parade theme was "Under the Big Top" and we had a blast! Lion "Louie the Lion" Rod delighted everyone and Lion Diana was a good sport (being squished inbetween Lion Mike and Lion Rod). Many heartfelt thanks to EGV Park District Wellness/Fitness Coordinator Leigh Ferstein for the use of her Mustang for the event. Thank you to the walkers Lions Barb, Mike, Sabrina, clown Lion Jan, clown Lion Diane and clown Lion Bill - we distributed over 1,000 Circus flyers and lots of candy!



What a weekend! We had many Lions, Lioness and Leos participate in the 2014 Little Boots Rodeo! It was bigger and better than last year's event! Kudos to the Groat family for bringing such a fun event to Elk Grove Village. We heard that people came from all over the northwest suburbs, heard of it on the Radio Shopping Show, read about it on Yelp!, read about it in the *Chicago Parent*, and saw it online. Thank you to everyone helped out at the event! We were able to distribute many of our Circus flyers during the event.

In the Spotlight...

July Guest Night

Our July meeting is our Guest Night - please bring a guest to learn about Lionism and what we do in Elk Grove Village.

Notice: Dues are Due! Yes, it is that time of year again! Please pay promptly. Thank you so much!



Please sign up to “work the booth” for a couple of hours on a couple of upcoming Saturday morning Farmers Markets. Make new friends, see old ones, enjoy the Farmers Market. It is an opportunity to tell people about Lionism and the work we do in the community. Bring your own chair, please!



4th OF JULY

Lions Park

Set-up: 4:30 p.m. Open: Dusk

Hot Dogs, Hot Dogs with Cheese, Cheese Nachos, Pickle on a Stick, Popcorn, and Soda and Water.

The Club needs your support!

The Lioness reportedly will be selling the glow necklaces and sticks.

Dear Elk Grove Village Lions:

Thanks for your club’s continued used eyeglass collections. Please always fill out donation card and put one copy on the inside of the box and one on the outside of the box, Please sort and count, separate by plastic frames, metal frames, and sunglasses (both kinds), if sorting is a problem, contact your local Boy or Cub Scout Troop or Pack. Discard all cases, all separate lens, and broken plastic frames; we can use broken metal frames,

Keep collecting keys, cell phones and ink cartridges, fill out the donation card for them, also.

Keep up your good work!



Lion Bill Jordan, LIF Trustee

A New Year, continued...

Our Second Vice President Lion Sabrina has been doing a great job with getting us on facebook and working the internet along with Lion Mike, we are fast becoming a great presence on the net.

I would like to personally thank Lion Katy for her assistance in the transfer of leadership of our club. I am looking forward to working with her throughout the coming year.

In as much as we are the parent club of both the Leos and the Lioness clubs, I will be meeting with them in the near future to see how we can all work jointly, and how we can assist them in their future success and they can assist us with our goals. I want to see both of these clubs succeed in the future.

I will welcome any new ideas for fund raising and or service projects and asking each and every member to submit any new ideas or any thoughts you have on how we can better serve the citizens of Elk Grove Village as well as our own members. You are welcome to bring them up at a business meeting and or speak with any member of our team of officers.

I would also ask you to volunteer for a committee assignment or two or more as your schedule allows. I will try to provide the enthusiasm and leadership to move our club forward to a Position of Best in District 1-F.

2nd Vice President Sabrina Swanson

A Brief History of Lions Clubs International

Lions Clubs International began in June 1917 when a 38-year old insurance agent named Melvin Jones presented to a group of separate business clubs the idea of consolidating the individual clubs into one strong, influential club with the goal of helping the community and serving humanity.

Our Lions Motto is: “WE SERVE”

...Looking forward to a fabulous year with a great group of volunteers!

Just a Thought ... by Lion Rod Marino

Lion Vicki turns the Gavel over to a "Worthy" Successor

A strong sense of anticipation and excitement filled the air at the Elk Grove Village Lions Club June Installation Evening. With dignitaries such as Trustee Don Borgwardt of the Lion Illinois Foundation; Lion Marty Reading, First Vice Governor-elect; our own Lion Barb Lahtinen, 2nd Vice Governor-elect; Lion Sue Hastings, Zone Chairman, Lioness Carol Butchart, First Vice President Lioness Club; and Leo Marki Kaim, Leo President, the evening was one about closing a chapter and opening a new one. The Black Steer Charhouse once again provided excellent choices of either sirloin, chicken, or salmon. After dinner, Trustee Borgwardt gave a brief talk about donations to the Foundation. Happy birthday greetings were sung to Lions Ines Yencich, Sabrina Swanson, Anne Feichter, and Lioness Carol Butchart. They were even treated to a not-so-famous birthday poem:

*"You added a candle to your cake, but don't pout
'Cause you still have the strength to blow them all out."*

Members cheered and laughed for their fellow members as Lion Katy and Lion Bill presented the Secretary Awards (attendance and tenure) and the Tailtwister Recognition Awards. Lion Vicki also presented the Club Officer Recognition, Committee Chairperson Recognition, and President's Awards.

Lion Marty Reading did a fine job of installing all of the officers for the 2014-2015 year. Newly-elected President Rich Keyworth promised to keep himself and his fellow Board members busy discussing new ideas and putting those new ideas into motion during the coming year. He emphasized the need for not only the officers, but all of the Elk Grove Lions to work together to make this year a huge success. Immediate Past President Vicki Bogolin offered her support to the new regime.

SPECIAL NOTES: It was great to see Lion Carol back greeting everyone.

And on a personal note, thanks to all who sent their condolences to the Marino family after the passing of my father, Rocco Marino. Your kind words, thoughts, and prayers were greatly appreciated.

An unanticipated and unprecedented event occurred during the Installation Evening. 1st Vice District Governor-elect, Lion Marty Reading, followed up on one of his personal and professional resolutions by making a donation to the Elk Grove Village Lions Club. He said that we welcomed him and his partner-in-service, Lion Mary, unconditionally and exhibited true Lionism in all actions of our Club. Congratulations to the members and thank you Lion Marty, from all of us!

Secretary's Report of Actions & News

June Business Meeting of the Elk Grove Lions Club: Lioness Carol Butchart and Mr. Jack Groat were our guests at the June 4 Business Meeting. The Club thanked Lion Diane Millar for the \$100 donation she gave to LCIF for the Measles Initiative; a letter was read from LCI acknowledging the donation, as well. Lion Rich reported that he presented the Elk Grove Village Lions Ron Foster Award to a student of Meade Jr. High. He also discussed the D.A.R.E. program and the success of it in Elk Grove Village. Lion Mike passed around a sign-up sheet for Little Boots Rodeo on June 20 and 21. Jack Groat discussed the new activities at LB this year and encouraged us all to wear our vests and distribute our Circus flyers. He also asked that we attend the Farmers Market. He noted that the Customer Appreciation Day would be the best day for us to host a booth and said that we could sell Circus tickets at the Farmers Market. Lion Rod invited us to the Michael J. Fox Foundation "Pancakes for Parkinson's" event on June 20 at 9-11 a.m. We are his guest. Lions Rich and Wayne recapped the meeting with Tasty Catering and the Mayor for more details on next year's 4th of July; more details are forthcoming, but Tasty does not think they could handle the event. Lion Wayne reminded everyone of the June 12th Circus meeting at Panera. Don't forget about the Parade and set-up for the 4th at 4:30 start at 6:30. Kudos to Lion Alva who got our listing in the Daily Herald changed. Lion Diane stated that the coupon clippers will take all coupons, except those for local groceries and stores.

June Board Meeting of the Elk Grove Lions Club: Lions Ed Keller and Diana Marino joined the Board for the June meeting. Bills for Lions for Canine Independence, Memorial Day wreath, postage (to Lion Diane) for the Coupon Clippers, and parade candy and Installation Night decorations to Lion Katy, were paid. Lion Treasurer Chuck prepared a budget for the 2014-2015 Lions year that was approved. Lion Lenore reminded everyone to come to help set-up at 4:30 and be ready to serve between 6 and 6:30 p.m. on July 4th in Lions Park. Lion Wayne is researching banner costs and sponsorship sales for the Circus. The meeting was adjourned by retiring President Vicki Bogolin after discussion of old business at 7:55 p.m.

Incoming President Lion Rich asked Lion Katy to take roll of the new Board at 7:57 p.m. He asked the Board's indulgence and approval of appointing Lion Diana to the position of co-Lion Tamer; the Board concurred with his appointment. Congratulations to Lion Diana. Lion Mike made a motion that the Elk Grove Village Bank and Trust be the main depository for Elk Grove Village Lions Club funds and that the signatories on the account be the President, Secretary and Treasurer; the motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Lion Rich discussed the next year's 4th of July festivities, reporting that we may see as many as 4,000 spectators. Lion Chuck made a motion that was carried by unanimous voice vote that we continue the discussion and consideration process. President Rich asked that each Board member contribute to the Lions Den so that we can share news with all of our Lions. He noted that the Wednesday Business Meeting will be preempted by the Friday 4th of July activities.