



# The Lion's Den

A Publication of the Elk Grove Village Lions Club

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Elk Grove Village, Illinois

*Now in our 51<sup>st</sup> year of service to the community*

## President's Report

Fellow Lions:

Happy Mother's Day, May 10.

Our year is drawing to an end. In next month's Den, I will reflect on the year and all that has taken place and my hopes for the future. Let's look ahead, refresh ourselves as Lions and remember always the Lions motto, *We Serve*.

Lion President Wayne Deasy

## 1st Vice President's Report

It was unfortunate due to economic times, that the Classic 5000 had to be cancelled, but as Lions, now is the time to come up with new ways to generate funds.

The more funds we raise, the more good we can generate in our community and our world.

Please think about which committees you would like to serve on as the committees for 2009-2010 are now being created.

Just let me know how you would like to serve; new committees can be created should there be a need. A committee sign up sheet is now being passed around. Remember, let's all communicate, cooperate and do what we can to bring in new members.

Let's take pride in being a Lion.

Barb Lahtinen, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

## 2nd Vice President's Report

Hello Lions:

Today I would like to invite all lions to bring a lion to a meeting any meeting. It was nice to see Lion Ron Reda and Lion Buddy at our last dinner meeting. It was a hard decision to cancel the Classic 5000 but with little ticket sales and a poor economy we think it was a good call. Now at the June dinner meeting we are going to have our recognition extravaganza. Please make it a point to come and celebrate. Last I would like to leave you with this quote. "It does not require a majority to prevail, but rather an irate, tireless minority keen to set brush fires in people's mind's." Samuel Adams

Thank you, Lion Bill Butchart

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President's Report

Fellow Lions,

Our club hosted the zone meeting on April 29<sup>th</sup> and was represented by Lions Wayne Deasy, Mike Baumer, Barb Lahtinen, Bill Butchart, Janet Gora, Rich Keyworth and myself. Also representing the Lioness Club was Lioness Carol Butchart. Special thanks for a "job well done" go out to Lion Janet Gora who worked with Zone Chair Lion Don Hook in coordinating the success of this meeting.

During the evening Lion Dennis Burns of the Niles Lions Club made a good point about how the needs of communities when so many of the Lions Clubs were formed 50 or more years ago are no longer the same. As I thought further on this point I realized that as towns grew larger and populations increased, the need may have still been there but the demand for those

needs changed. Options other than depending solely on the local Lions clubs had broadened. It makes sense why service organizations still thrive in smaller towns. There is more community involvement. Participation is given without prodding. The personal connection between friends and neighbors to work together remains intact while it has disappeared in larger communities.

Our club just recently had to cancel a great fundraiser because of poor ticket sales. Although the economic environment surely played a role in this, I believe its failure runs deeper. Our club suffers from a lack of participation among the general membership. I realize many have been around many years and feel they have put in their time. I honestly can understand how those feelings are justified. Time available to participate is in short supply for many families in this day and age. However, for this organization to survive in the future, a more evenly distributed participation will be needed. If everything is left upon those certain few, they will quickly burn out and their suggestions and willingness to participate will wane just as quickly. We need new members to become more involved and veteran members to mentor.

A wise Lion very dear to me recently pointed out that there are members who are unable to continuously give financially but more able to give of their time and there are members who are more able to contribute financially but short on time. It is finding that delicate balance between the two that will make things work for everyone. That is the challenge our board members, present and future must recognize. We need to work together for this club to survive. Just something to think about.

Lion Mitch

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### **Elk Grove Lions Club 2008-2009 Board of Directors**

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1st Vice President

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2nd Vice President

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3rd Vice President

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**Lion Ron Foster, PCC**

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**Lion Rich Keyworth – 1<sup>st</sup> Year**

**Lion Lenore Zumph – 1<sup>st</sup> Year**

**Lion Chuck Burkot – 2nd Year**

**Lion Russ Stahl – 2nd Year**

## Lions Calendar May & June

### May

**6** Business Meeting – Village Hall, Rm. C

**9** Lions Information Party ‘n Lunch, 8am-1pm, Vernon Hills (see article in Den)

**15** Hearing Bus at Elk Grove Pavilion, 7am-2pm, Free hearing evaluations.

**20** Dinner Meeting, 7pm, Charlie’s Char House, (Classic 5000 has been cancelled)

**27** Board of Directors Meeting, Village Hall

**30** Illinois Lions Walk For Sight, Lakewood Forest Preserve, 5k Run starts at 10am; Walk for Sight starts at 4:30pm; Route 176 and Fairfield Rd in Wauconda, Shelters A & B; for info call 800-955-9466, ext 227, 221 or 250

### June

**3** Business Meeting – Village Hall, Rm. C

**17** Dinner Meeting & Installation of new officers, Charlie’s Char House, 7pm

**24** Board of Directors Meeting, Village Hall



## Keep them in your Prayers

**Lions**  
**Jim Laing**  
**Ron Reda**  
**Gayle Bantner**  
**Irv Svoboda**  
**The Dill Family**  
**The Keyworth Family**

## Menu for May 20 Dinner Meeting Charlie’s Char House, 7pm

- Lemon Pepper Chicken Breast over fresh spinach with rice pilaf
- London Broil with mushroom gravy and mashed potatoes
- Salmon Alforno melted fontinella cheese and rice pilaf.
- Dessert

**Congratulations and a BIG LIONS ROAR to Lion Don Vogt on his recent marriage. Best wishes for a lifetime of happiness together...and a quick healing time for his new wife’s broken arm. (He says he didn’t do it.)**

## Board of Directors Slate 2009-2010

President	Barb Lahtinen
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Bill Butchart
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3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Anne Feichter
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Lion Tamer	Alva Kreutzer
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Director 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Russ Stahl
Director 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Chuck Burkot

Director 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Rich Keyworth  
Director 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Kevin Knobloch  
Past President Wayne Deasy

### **LIP 'n Lunch May 9**

The Lions Information Party 'n Lunch will be held on Saturday, May 9, at the Larry Laschen Community Center, 294 Evergreen Drive, Vernon Hills. Attending this is a great way to learn more about the Lions, not just our club, but all of the things the Lions and the Foundation do. It is a must for all that are new to the Lions or just want a refresher course. District 1-F sponsors the event. Please let Lion President Wayne Deasy know if you want to attend.

### **Classic 5000 Cancelled**

The Board of Directors has reached a painful decision to CANCEL the Classic 5000 for this coming May. Ticket sales were very, very poor, so not to get stuck with the event costing us money (instead of raising money) it is now cancelled.

If you have sold tickets, and not turned in the stub or money, please just return it to the people you sold the ticket to. All money that has been turned in will be refunded to the buyers.

Thanks for your understanding, please address any questions you may have to me, or any of the board members.

Lion Lenore

### **Lions Hearing Bus in Elk Grove**

Are you one of Illinois' estimated 720,000 hearing impaired people or do you know someone that is? Hearing loss is probably

the single most chronic disability in the United States, affecting nearly four times as many as blindness.

To help protect hearing, the Elk Grove Lions Club will sponsor a free hearing screening from 7am to 2pm on Friday, May 15 in the parking lot of the Pavilion Fitness Center. Everyone is urged to take advantage of this screening. There is no charge. An adult must accompany those under the age of 18. No pre-registration is required. You do not need to be an Elk Grove Village resident or a member of the Lions.

### **Lions are Cookin'**

Do you or your spouse have favorite recipes you would like to share with us? Lion Jan Gora is looking into the costs of printing a cookbook filled with recipes from our members. This would be a fundraiser for the Club and it would be sold at Lion events such as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks, the Farmers Market, etc.

Send your recipes electronically to Lion Janet or hand them to her at the next meeting.

### **Baseball at Alexian Field August 1**

Mark your calendar and get ready for some fun at the old ballpark on August 1. Lion Joe Jobelius has again arranged for tickets for our Lions club and guests. It is always a fun evening with a fireworks display after the game. Sign up with Lion Joe at the next few meetings.

### **Lions Collecting Printer Cartridges & Cell Phones**

Lion VP Bill is still looking for your empty printer cartridges and old



Reward\$

cell phones to earn money for our lions club. Every little bit helps so let's collect things that are being thrown out and polluting our world and raise money at the same time.

## **Elk Grove Village Events for May & June**

### **May**

**1 Rummage Sale, 9am-2pm, Sheila Ray Adult Center**

**9 Spring Celebration & Plant Sale, 10am-3pm, Farmhouse Museum**

**9 Kenneth Young Center Walk for the Mental Health of It! 9am start, 3 miles, Busse Woods, Level IV area, south side of Higgins**

**9 Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Elk Grove High School, 8am-3pm.**

**10 Mother's Day**

**25 Memorial Day Ceremony, Pavilion (outside),**

### **June**

**12-13 Rally for the Cure, Elk Grove High School, 6pm start**

## **Lions Collect for Swaziland**

The Elk Grove Lions Club will be helping collect items for Swaziland. With the help of Elk Grove High School National Honor Society members, plastic bags will be distributed and our club will help collect items to be shipped to Swaziland. More info on this will be in the June Lions Den and on our website, [www.elkgrovelionsclub.org](http://www.elkgrovelionsclub.org).

## **Lioness Report**

Happy May Lions and Lioness!  
We have some more exciting news in our Elk Grove Village Lioness Club.

We had a FANTASTIC diabetes awareness event at the Pavilion on Saturday, April 25th. Donations were made, survey's completed and discussions on the topic of diabetes. Thank you all who participated.

At our April dinner meeting we added 5 new members to our club. We are excited to see our members bringing in new members. This helps us support the numerous projects, fundraiser's, our community, one another and so much more with more volunteers. It was an honor to have Lion Zone Chair Dennis Burns as our guest and swear in our new members. Thank you Lion Dennis, it is always a pleasure.

In the month of May, June and July we have our Jewel Shop and Share shopping fundraiser going. You will receive coupons through e-mail or if you would like them mailed to you please e-mail me at [sswansonil@aol.com](mailto:sswansonil@aol.com) and I will get you the coupons the week of May 11.

May 11th at our Dinner meeting will be having a demonstration done by Lion Tom Laws on the Companion Dog program. We Lioness are very interested in the fundamentals of this program and are

## *Lion Birthdays for May*

*Lions*

*Ed Keller*

*Ron Reda*

*Tim Pennington*

*Ray Cloniger*

*Wayne Deasy*

*Happy Birthday!*

looking at possibilities of sponsoring a Companion Dog.

Elk Grove Opoly goes to proof printing. This event has been getting GREAT reception. We have two locations now, Elk Grove Bank and Trust and DQ selling games for us. We do have a couple spots left to sell. You want to get on the board e-mail me right away at [sswansonil@aol.com](mailto:sswansonil@aol.com) . We have a few \$275.00 spots left, 3 - \$500.00 spots left and a couple \$50.00 spots left. Let me tell you, there will be 500 locations with this game in hand with your advertising on it. Isn't it worth a GREAT fundraiser and advertising for your company?  
\*\*The first game has been bought and paid for by Lion Zone Chair Dennis Burns.  
YAY!!!

We have been collecting plastic bags, in good shape rags and crayons for Swaziland. We are looking to fill a mini-van with cases of these items for the people in Swaziland by July 1.

As always, we Thank the Elk Grove Village Lions for always supporting us and guiding us.

Lioness President Sabrina

### **Did you Know?**

The new Administration & Public Safety Complex building is the first and only anticipated LEED Gold, Certified Village Hall in the State of Illinois.

### **Thought of the Day**

“The heart is the chief feature of a functioning mind.”  
Frank Lloyd Wright

### **Joke of the Day**

#### CREATIVE PUNS FOR “EDUCATED MINDS”

(courtesy of Lion Rich Keyworth)

1. The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.
2. I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
3. She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.
4. A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption.
5. The butcher backed into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his orders
6. No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.
7. A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.
8. A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.
9. Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
10. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
11. A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.
12. Atheism is a non-prophet organization.
13. Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other, 'You stay here; I'll go on a head.'
14. I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.

15. A sign on the lawn at a drug rehab center said: 'Keep off the Grass.'

16. A small boy swallowed some coins and was taken to a hospital. When his grandmother telephoned to ask how he was, a nurse said, 'No change yet.'

17. A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

19. The short fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

20. The man who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.

21. A backward poet writes inverse.

22. In democracy it's your vote that counts. In feudalism it's your count that votes.

23. When cannibals ate a missionary, they got a taste of religion.

24. Don't join dangerous cults: Practice safe sects!

## Lions Code of Ethics

**To SHOW** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of Service.

**To SEEK** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

**To REMEMBER** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down

another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

**WHENEVER** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

**To HOLD** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

**ALWAYS** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them unswerving loyalty by work, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor, and means.

**To AID** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

**To BE CAREFUL** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.



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**We Serve**

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# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

May 9, 2009 8:00AM TO 3:00PM

Village of Elk Grove

## Elk Grove High School



*Hosted by the Village of Elk Grove/Elk Grove Park District  
Sponsored by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago  
and Illinois Environmental Protection Agency  
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Reclamation District of Greater Chicago*

**There is no charge for disposing of materials.**

***\*\*\*Please note the IEPA no longer accepts latex paint\*\*\****

Do not bring latex paint to the collection

## **Save Time/Be a Good Neighbor- Car pool**

### Acceptable Items

- |                            |                     |                     |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Antifreeze                 |                     | Household           |
| Batteries                  | Aerosol Paints      |                     |
|                            | Household Cleaners  |                     |
| Auto Batteries             |                     |                     |
| Insecticides/Pesticides    |                     |                     |
| BBQ Propane Tanks          |                     | Lawn                |
| Chemicals/Weed Killers     | Cleaning Products   |                     |
|                            | Medicines           | Drain/Metal         |
| Cleaners                   |                     | Mercury/Thermostats |
| Fire Extinguishers (empty) |                     | Oil-based           |
| Paint                      | Fluorescent Bulbs   |                     |
| Paint Removers             |                     | Fuels/Old Gasoline  |
|                            | Paint thinners      |                     |
| Fungicides                 |                     | Pool                |
| Chemicals                  | Furniture Strippers |                     |
|                            | Solvents            | Hobby               |
| Chemicals                  |                     | Used Motor Oil      |

### Unacceptable Items

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|---|--|-----------------|
| Agricultural Wastes                         |  |                 |
| Explosives/Fireworks                        |  |                 |
| Ammunition                                  |  | Latex Paint     |
| Business/Commercial/Industrial/School Waste |  | Medical         |
| Wastes                                      |  |                 |
| Computers/Electronics                       |  | Smoke Detectors |
| Tires                                       |  |                 |