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Lion Tim Powell
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Lion Marilynn Walters

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Lion Terry Rockenbach

Immediate Past President
Lion Steve Townsend

President's thoughts:

My hope is that each and every one of you had a very nice Christmas. I know that for 144 families that had food delivered, it was a better season than perhaps they had expected. As we enter the new year, let us, each one, commit to a year where our service is just a little bit better. This can be accomplished in many ways and I will touch on them throughout the year. I congratulate Lion Steve on his leadership the last two years and his Melvin Jones Fellow was richly deserved.

We have a new system in place and that is Calling Post. When the club decides a message should be sent, we send what we want to Calling Post and they make sure a good effort is made to contact each one of you. They have tried fourteen times to try to reach a couple of you. Had I known what I know now, I could have received a printout on who was called and when and it also shows whose line was busy and who was never connected. I think it will do good things for our club. Please let me know if you would rather be contacted on another telephone.

Many times we have a meeting where we eat, burp, and go home. I would like us to have a short, informational program and I think the programs available will not only be interesting, but will make us better Lions.

I also want to recognize those individuals who made a choice to lose their time, to spend their money, to be Lions and help others. Thank you!!

Lion Keith Korell * January 1973

Lion Don Dietz * January 1988

Lion Wes Kortanek * January 1990

Lion Bob Vleck * January 1997

Lion Tom Wachholder * January 2007

Our hope is that you continue to serve and that you are enthused to be helping those that need their lives changed for the better.

Lion Rich

Lions Club International Code of Ethics

#1 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.

Grayslake Lions Club News

First of all, if you have received this newsletter via email and would like us to send you a paper copy, just email me back and we'll get one out, pronto. If we do not have your email address, please send it to lionrww@juno.com and any information for the directory.

Second, we will be bowling at Bertrand Lanes, starting at 12:45 on **February 10th**. The cost is \$17 per bowler and we will be bowling three lines. The alley is on Washington Street in Waukegan. Call Lion Steve Schroeder and let him know you will be bowling. He will collect the money at the Lanes. Have some family and friends bowl with you. Let's have a great outing.

Christmas Basket Delivery

The work for the Christmas Basket Delivery started early. Lion Don Dietz contacted Grayslake Central High School and they sent out our letters. Then the students at the high schools and middle school started collecting food. Don and Lion Tim Keefe discovered that the best price for foods to be purchased by our club was at Aldi Food in Round Lake. We purchased the apples, milk, and turkeys from them. Grayslake Feed donated the potatoes.

Lions Chris and Rich went to Chicago for a truck load of boxes on Thursday and then delivered them to the high school Friday morning. Our source for boxes in Chicago, M. T. Boxes, gave us a lead where we could get some candy. Candy Tech had some candy that had a shelf life of a year but the retail stores would only have it for three months. Boy, did we get candy and Don's truck was full! We did give out some Halloween candy at Christmas. Lions Frank, Chris, Marilyn, and Rich went to Don's to package the candy in plastic shopping bags.

Lion Mary had copied directions to all of the homes being delivered to and we can recall the days before cell phones and Mapquest when some of the deliveries became searches. Mary did a great job even though she chose this week for a short vacation.

Donations of food: Grayslake Feed donated all the potatoes, Lion Demetre Stergiou donated eight turkeys, Candy Tech donated candy.

The Student Council faculty sponsors, **Dustin Cherico** and **Melissa Pilato** were the overseers of work done by about 90 students. The students, after collecting and weighing the food, sorted the food into various categories, taped the boxes, filled them with food and moved them into the hall for distribution, which happened Saturday morning, December 8th. Excess food not delivered to homes was taken to Avon Township Office for their food pantry. Some Lions and about half the students enjoyed breakfast at the Triangle Restaurant.

The student council wore red shirts with "Got Food?" lettering. Student Council sponsor, Melissa Pilato, with ten of the more than 90



students who helped us with the Christmas Food Basket delivery to needy families.

Monetary donations were from:
Charlene Rockenbach in memory of Amanda.
Pat and Kenneth Yopp
Lions of Illinois Trustee Margaret Burgauer
Peter Kane
Melissa and Dave Fularczyk

Winchester House Christmas Party

Lion Ruth Patterson once again organized a party for the Third Floor residents of Winchester House. Lion Ruth assembled packages of goodies for each attendee. Unfortunately, Ruth became ill and could not supervise the event but Darlene was there and did our club proud. She had help from Lion President Steve and his wife Cathie, Lion Mary Ann Leideger, Lion Rich, Patty Jo Jarvis was Mrs. Claus and her Great Nephew Hunter was the Elf. Shirley Gould helped with the preparation. We served cake, ice cream, and soda to about 35 residents. Lion Germon Lopez brought a choir from his church and they played and sang a number of Christmas carols. Lion Marilynn could not attend because of a commitment with a church pageant but she recruited Ella Van Camp to play some Christmas songs on the piano following the musical contributions of the church choir. Lion Ruth would have been happy with the reception from the residents as all seemed to enjoy the day.

Christmas/Installation of Officers Dinner

The December meeting was held at the Colby Barn in Prairie Crossing on Tuesday, December 11th. The dinner was catered by Maravela's and it was excellent. The entertainment was via CD's and it was Christmas music by various groups/performers. **Vice District Governor Paul Pioch** was the Installing Officer and he also surprised **President Steve Townsend** as the club awarded him with a Melvin Jones Fellow. Congratulations Steve on the award that was well deserved. If you have not been reading your minutes when they arrive, perhaps you should as they are written by **LION of the YEAR MARY DIETZ**. Congratulations also go to her for a job well done in whatever category she is helping the club and there are many. A special thanks to Cathie and Alex Townsend for their assistance in decorating the Barn so that it was a special night. It is good when family helps the Lions.

LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION

Candy Day 2007 was successful but we did not do as well as we expected, or should have done. We had several open times and spots for collection on Friday. The average collected

at a location was just over \$40 per hour. Next year, plan to give us an hour or two. Together, we can do much better.

Upcoming events for your Foundation:

Sight & Sound—Lion 1st VP Pat Uding will be getting the books to you. Ask a friend or neighbor if they would give a dollar to help send a kid to camp.

Birdies for Charity—This is in conjunction with the John Deere Golf Classic and more information will be coming. Pledge a penny a bird and it will cost you about \$20. You will have a chance to win a car and you will help your Foundation.

Night Walk—This will be held in Wheaton at the Danada Equestrian Center. How about getting some pledges and walking to help the visually impaired? Maybe you know an organization that would like to walk. They can keep up to 40% of their pledges.

The Lions of Illinois would like to have your cooperation as we collect for recycling. We collect used eye glasses, the pull tabs from aluminum drink cans, keys (not the ones you are using), ink cartridges, old cell phones. If you have any of these, bring them to a meeting and Rich will get them to the Foundation office in Sycamore.

Sight/Hearing Conservation

For the year 2007 our Club received a total of 66 requests for assistance. The bulk of these requests were from School Dist. #46. The breakdown is as follows:

School Dist. #46 -----	47
Grayslake High School -----	7
Lions Club Members -----	4
Gages Lake School Nurse -----	1
Lions International -----	1
Village Vision -----	1
Direct call to Lion's phone -----	5

Program for January 8th Meeting

Amber Petersen will be presenting a program on Special Olympics. I am positive you will find this to very informative. Lions Clubs International supports this program.

GRAYSLAKE LIONS CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 15, 2007

Members present: Townsend, R. Walters, Uding, Brenner, M. Walters, Kortanek, M. Dietz, Lee, D. Dorfler, Keefe. Members absent: Powell, Patterson, Detweiler. Guests: T. Rockenbach, D. Dietz and Rockwell.

Presidents Remarks: Call to order at 7:40 a.m. at Triangle Resturant. Townsend thanked everyone for attending and wished the board Happy Holidays and a good New Year.

Meeting Minutes: November Board minutes were mailed to members. R.Walters motioned to accept minutes, Kortanek 2nd, carried.

Correspondence/Communications:

1. District 1F Convention: the club has received notice of Ad Book Fundraiser. We will need to decide the date of the Pancake Breakfast and have a list of current members. Tabled until next month.
2. Luke Commission: our club has begun to collect eyeglass cases for this cause. We are keeping the cases separate when we collect and sort eyeglasses and they can be sent to the proper place. It was suggested that the Lions club send a letter home via the grade school children, telling of our mission in collecting out-dated eyeglasses and allow them be collected in the schools.
3. The club received thank you notes from the following: Lion District Governor Priscilla Hedrick for hosting her and her husband at the October 3 G's Dinner; Boy Scout Troop 672 for our donation to their Pancake Breakfast in November; and Patti Lindner for Christmas basket.
4. Diabetes Awareness is March 1 thru May 11 – Townsend with give the information to President-Elect Walters who will present it to the club for future action.
5. Illinois State Lions Convention will be May 16-18.

Treasurer's Report: as of November 2007 was placed on the tables. Lee motioned to transfer funds from the General to Foundation to cover upcoming bills. Motion 2nd by R. Walters, carried.

Committee Reports:

1. Candy Day: Townsend inquired at to the check to Foundation and was assured it was sent.
2. Christmas Baskets: D. Dietz reported that the club delivered baskets to 144 families on Dec.8.
3. Blue Book: R. Walters is finalizing printing of the Blue Book for the new club year in January.

Old Business:

1. No action was taken on request for donation to DiveHeart via Jim Elliot.
2. Calling Post system worked well.
3. Street signs: no word yet from village as to how many signs they will need.
4. Rockwell reported that the Scholarship committee has proposed that, because Grayslake now has two high schools, instead of granting one renewable \$500 scholarship, we grant two \$500 scholarships, one for each school, both non-renewable. Lee motioned to accept their proposal and added that the scholarship be awarded in the name of Chief Rockenbach. Kortanek 2nd. Motion carried. There was concern that the school should identify potential recipients.

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New Business:

1. D. Dorfler motioned to donate \$100 to the Mary Bryant Home for the Blind. R.Walters 2nd. Carried.
2. There was discussion of the annual Holiday Party at Winchester House. No action taken.
3. Brenner will investigate the possibility getting a bulk postage rate for monthly mailings.

Good of the Club: none. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

GRAYSLAKE LIONS CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 11, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President Townsend. The Invocation was given by M. Walters and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Townsend. Guests were introduced by R. Walters. The members enjoyed a delicious Holiday Dinner catered by Maravela's at the Colby Barn setting.

President's Remarks: After dinner President Townsend thanked everyone for coming to the Annual Christmas Dinner.

Committee Reports:

1. R. Walters gave a final report on Candy Day and members who participated received an award certificate and a key fob.
2. D. Dietz gave a report on the Christmas Basket Program. The club delivered food to 144 families this year. He thanked all members who helped with this program.

Installation of Officers: the following officers were installed by Vice District Governor Paul Pioch.

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Awards:

President Townsend presented Lion of the Year Award to Secretary Mary Dietz.

Vice District Governor Paul Pioch presented Melvin Jones Award to President Steve Townsend.

Rockwell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:00, seconded by Trent Farm. Meeting adjourned.

Dates to Mark on your Calendar

Tuesday, January 8th—Regular Grayslake Lions Meeting—Whitney Street

Tuesday, February 12th-- Regular Grayslake Lions Meeting—Whitney Street

Tuesday, March 11th-- Regular Grayslake Lions Meeting—Whitney Street

Thursday, March 13th—P.A.D.S. at UP Church

Tuesday, April 8th-- Regular Grayslake Lions Meeting—Whitney Street

Sunday, April 13th or Sunday April 27th—Pancake Breakfast (TBD)

Friday to Sunday, April 18th to 20th –District 1-F Convention