

Lions' Lines

Grayslake Lions Club

July, 2011

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Prez Sez: The busy season is upon us. Are you ready?

Summer fun begins with the **Lake County Fair ticket selling** beginning July 26 and continuing through July 31. Lion Rich is in charge and is lining up volunteers. There may be some changes from previous years, but regardless, volunteers are needed. Let Lion Rich know when you can serve.

Fair activities will be followed by the **Grayslake Summer Days events and parade on Aug. 20**. Lion Karl is running the parade show for the club and will need to know if you can participate.

Of course, we all know about the annual **Steer Roast scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 11**. As I understand it now, the village will hold a ceremony that evening in remembrance of the 911 attack 10 years ago. Lion Jim is coordinating the steer roast and will need everyone on board.

It is one of major fundraisers for the year and all Lions are needed. In conjunction with the steer roast, our monthly meeting on Aug. 9 will include a presentation by a Lake County Health Dept. sanitarian who will tell us the do's and don'ts of serving food to the public. Also this summer, the monthly meeting on July 12 will include a talk about the Lions diabetes program by Lion Al Gort. Both the July and August meetings will be held at Whitney's; board meeting at 6 p.m., general meeting at 7 p.m. Be there!

I have made the initial contact (by telephone) with the Lake County Fielders baseball team to obtain a schedule, ticket prices, discounts, special promotions, etc. As of yet, I haven't heard from them. I wonder why? I'll keep you posted and maybe sometime this summer we can drink beer and eat hot dogs together while watching a fun baseball game in Zion.

Here are some astounding numbers and facts from Lions Clubs International:

For nearly 100 years, Lions Club members have worked on projects aimed at preventing blindness, restoring eyesight and improving eye care for hundreds of millions of people worldwide. Lions volunteer to take part in sight projects that have:

- Provided nearly 8 million cataract surgeries.
- Saved the sight of more than 14 million children by providing eye screenings, glasses and other treatments through Sight for Kids.
- Prevented serious vision loss for more than 30 million people worldwide.
- Established or strengthened pediatric eye care centers that have helped more than 120 million children.
- Distributed more than 147 million treatments for river blindness.
- Vaccinated 41 million children in Africa against measles – a leading cause of childhood blindness.
- Improved eye care for 100 million people by training more than 650,000 eye care professionals and building 315 eye hospitals.
- Helped halt the spread of trachoma in Ethiopia by providing 10 million doses of the sight-saving drug azithromycin.

Time for some silliness:

Five people went into the jungle to do botanical research. Suddenly, five lions stormed into their research compound and killed and ate only three of the researchers.

Why didn't the lions kill and eat the other two researchers?


Because they were Lions Club members! [Lame – Ed.]

There is a moral here somewhere perhaps, but I don't know where it is.

SIGN UP FOR SHIFTS AT THE LAKE COUNTY FAIR NOW!

As most know, the Lake County Fair Board has hired our club again to sell admission tickets at the Lake County Fair in 2011 beginning July 26th. We cover four admission gates for all six days of the fair, selling tickets to the Lake County public. In return, the Fair Board pays us \$7.50 an hour. This is a significant effort that produces a significant result – it essentially funds our commitment that no kid in our school districts will go without a professional eye exam or eye glasses because of the lack of funds. Lion Rich Walters schedules folks for shifts to work. However he is in Seattle at the Lions International Convention. Until he returns, contact Jim Rockwell at 223-7961, who has the work schedule in his absence. **Call now and schedule** yourself, your family and your friends!

IT'S A BOY. Congratulate Lion Joe Kane and his wife, Emily. They are the proud parents of Eli James Kane, 8 pounds, 4 ounces; 20 inches. Eli arrived on June 29 as a scheduled event. Note that this family addition will not interfere with work schedules at the fair. There was the potential!!!



Gagewood Lions Club
3rd Annual
Pig Roast
@ Jesse Oaks
18490 Old Gages Lake Rd., Gages Lake, IL
Saturday, August 6th, 2011
New this year for Wildwood residents....
Free dinner delivery or you can pick up from 3:00 to 7:00
Call for details
Serving from 3:00pm – 7:00pm
Tickets \$12 Adults, \$6 Kids
All proceeds go to – Diabetes Awareness
-Sight Conservation
- Community Projects and more

For tickets and more info
Call : 847-223-4186, 847-612-9833 or car4464@aol.com

Everybody has got to eat. The Gagewood Lions eat plenty of beef when we hold our Steer Roast. Let's help them out by pigging out on August 6th. We are almost sure that the pig will be almost as good as Lion Terry Rockenbach's. And he is getting rid of his roaster, so.

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Lion President Chris with our June guest speaker, Jacki Galauskas. We provided some financial support for her to attend a meeting about Chediak-Higashi Syndrome, her daughter, Samantha's affliction. And she returned to thank us for our support and brief us on this rare genetic disorder.
WE SERVE!

Grayslake Lions Club
BOARD MEETING
June 14, 2011

Lions Present: Bremmer, Patterson, Lee, Townsend, Keefe, Dorfler, Molek, Bitzinger (K), Dietz (M) and Rockwell. President Chris called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM at Pat's Pizza.

Minutes: On motion by Lion Townsend, Lion Bitzinger (K) seconding, the Minutes of the May Board Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report: Lion Lee presented a spreadsheet summary of current funds and both disbursement and assets received reflected. On her motion, Lion Bitzinger (K) seconding, the report was placed on file.

The Lions of Illinois Foundation wrote, thanking the club for the donation of 771 pair of recycled eye glasses.

Received, a thank you note from Sean Kirby, the Grayslake Central scholarship recipient

Business: There was a discussion of our support and sponsorship of Camp Lions. Previously the Board had approved matching the donation of the students at Grayslake Central High School (\$328). No additional sponsorship had been approved by the Board. The Board viewed the matching donation as an extraordinary event. On motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Dietz (M) seconding, the Board approved sponsorship on one additional camper (\$530) and the commitment of sponsorship of an additional camper without further action, if the camper has a home address in the 60030 zip code.

There was a general consensus that a social (read fun) event for club members and their spouses, friends, family, would be a good idea. Lion Keefe was appointed Chair to look into a boat tour at Lake

Geneva. Lion Chris appointed himself chair to look into a baseball evening at the Lake County Fielders as a possible social event.

Lion Molek reported best parade turnout in recent memory for the Grayslake Memorial Day parade.

Lion Walters (R) made a report on the Walk for Sight activity. Lion Kane did not finish first.

Lion Walters (R) made a report on the County Fair, having attended a meeting with fair board members. We are again retained to sell tickets. Lion Rich emphasized that this was a major source of funds for our service activities and would pass around a signup sheet. Everybody needs to work multiple shifts. There will be four gates to man.

Lion Lee announced she was taking shirt orders.

There being no further business, on motion by Lion Townsend, Lion Bitzinger (K) seconding, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 PM.

Grayslake Lions Club
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
June 14, 2011

Lion President Brenner called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM at Pat's Pizza and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lion Frank shared devotional thoughts.

The Club had previously made a donation to allow a Grayslake resident to attend a meeting in New York, held to share information and provide family support for parents and children who have a rare condition called Chediak-Higashi syndrome. Jacki Galauskas, the recipient, gave a talk on the syndrome and how it has impacted her daughter, Samantha. She was finally and correctly diagnosed when she was fourteen months old. The syndrome, caused by a gene mutation, manifests itself with sensitivity to light and albinism, among other things. It is very, very rare.

Ms. Galauskas was highly appreciative of our support and told simply and movingly of her family's journey to date in dealing with this significant condition. It was an excellent report (And it reminds that we serve real people – Ed.)

Lion Lee announced she was taking orders for club shirts and circulated an order form.

Lion Molek reported on club participation in the Grayslake Memorial Day parade. Lion Walther[®] reported on Walk for Sight and Lake County Fair. A signup sheet was circulated.

Lion Molek offered an anecdote intended to be for the good of the club. Lion Kane won the 50-50 raffle.

On motion by Lion Vleck, Lion Frank seconding, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.