

May, 2011

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PREZ SEZ: Retiring Grayslake Police Chief Larry Herzog will be the featured speaker at the May 10 general meeting at Whitney's. I've asked him to tell us about the lighter side of police work -- particularly in Grayslake. All you guys now behave yourselves for the next few days. We don't want to hear about one of our own's scrape with the law.

As poet Robert Burns wrote "The best laid schemes of mice and men / Go oft awry." That is the case with the Grayslake Heritage Center's and Grayslake Historical Society's initial plans to hold one of the old-fashioned baseball games during the Lions Club Steer Roast on Sept. 11. Since Sept. 11 will be the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attack on the Twin Towers in New York, and the village, along with hundreds of other communities throughout the country, will be holding remembrance ceremonies on that day, it was felt the game would not be appropriate. The first game will be held during Summer Days in August. The second game has not as of yet been scheduled.

If you have not signed up to collect cash for **Tootsie Pops on May 6 and 7**, it is not too late. Contact Lion Rich to get on the list and earn money for the club and other Lions organizations. If there are no snafus in the counting room on those days, I hope to announce at the May 10 meeting which of you collected the most money. There may even be a prize!

I am quite proud of myself. Programs for the next four meetings have been lined up. They are: May 10 at Whitney's -- Police Chief Larry Herzog; June 14 at Pat's -- Jacki Galauskas will talk about the medical eye session her family attended with financial assistance from our club; July 12 at Whitney's -- Lion Al Gort to talk about diabetes and the Lions role; Aug. 9 at Whitney's -- Health department sanitarian to talk about do's and don't's at steer roast.

Lions clubs throughout the world and the Lions Club International Foundation are continuing to raise funds for earthquake relief in Japan. Lions in Japan provided disaster relief, while the Foundation provided more than \$5 million to support immediate and long-term relief efforts. Lions in Japan are working to raise \$3 million. They are coordinating relief efforts via social media and using the Japan Lions Office in Tokyo as their emergency relief headquarters.

Tootsie Pop Day, May 6, 7
Contact Lion Rich for a slot.

Board and General Meeting
May 12

Walk for Sight June 11
See district1flions.com

The Fourth G (Grant Township Lions Club) is having their Charter Night on May 22 at Maravella's. The food is always decent there and this club has helped us out in the past. If interested contact Darlene Borgwardt at (847) 546-1993.

A WORD ABOUT NEW MEMBERS. New members require a sponsor and someone will not be a new LION unless someone asks them. In other words, we are a voluntary service organization where membership is by invitation only. Our numbers have varied the last ten years but typically hover between 50 and 55. At this size, more members really do mean less work. **So set a goal.** Ask one person a month (or if you don't get out much because you are retired, one person a year.) The process is simple. Have the candidate fill out the application and get it to the Secretary, Lion Jim.

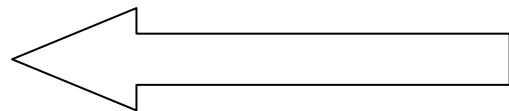
Don't have a blank membership application? No problem. Lion Ed has posted one on the web site. Just select "become a member" at www.grayslakelions.org

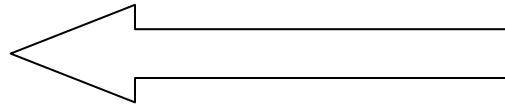
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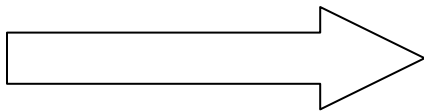
Lions Powell, Dietz (D), and Rockenbach work their turns at the most recent pancake breakfast. Congratulations to Lion Darlene for another successful breakfast that generated over \$2000 in profit for the sight and hearing impaired. Darlene overcame significant operational challenges and avoided use of D46 facilities and subsequent bill. This improved the bottom line. Over 400 people were served. As important, 32 lions worked 236 hours to make this fund-raiser a success





At the April meeting, Jill Nerby, Executive Director of the Aniridia Foundation International presented an engaging and informative talk about the Aniridia Syndrome, the sight-impairment component of the syndrome and the work of the Foundation in researching and combating this genetic disorder.

Lion Zone Chairman and Second Vice District Governor Elect Bob "Bubba" Surovitz presided at the induction of two new Grayslake Lions, Lion Mark Harms standing next to his sponsor, Lion Pat, and Lion Matt Mulryan, standing next to his sponsor, Lion Chris. WELCOME! Have you signed up for Tootsie Pop day, gentlemen?



GRAYSLAKE LIONS CLUB
BOARD MEETING
April 12, 2011

Members Present: Brenner, Rockwell, Bitzinger, Patterson, Lee, Dorfler, Townsend, Revelle, Morgan, Rockenbach and Powell. The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

Minutes: Townsend moved, Bitzinger seconding, to approve the March minutes. Passed

Treasurer's Report: Lion Lee presented a current statement of accounts and account activity. Lion Lee moved, Lion Townsend seconding, to place the report on file. Passed

Board Actions:

On motion by Lion Bitzinger, Lion Townsend seconding, the board approved a donation on behalf of Patti Linder for a walk for MS (\$25).

1. On motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Patterson seconding, the board approved a donation to Foundation for Fighting Blindness. (\$200).
2. On motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Revelle seconding, the board approved a donation to Chicago Lighthouse for CRIS (\$100, this service broadcasts newspaper news over the radio for those who cannot read the paper due to sight impairment).
3. The Lake Zurich Lions requested financial support to host a lunch for participants in the Special Olympics. On motion by Lion Brenner, Lion Townsend seconding, the board approved a donation of \$50.
4. On motion by Lion Bitzinger, Lion Dietz seconding, the board approved a \$200 donation to Lions for Canine Companions.

(Note: Lion Treasurer Lee has researched and then created a data base of donations this club has made in the past and the above donations have been our practice.)

Lion Dietz (Mary) made a report on club hearts and flowers policy and created a matrix that factored whether the person was a member or long-time past member, or member of a Lion's immediate family and whether the matter was illness, hospitalization or serious illness or death. With modifications, on motion by Lion Rockwell, seconding Bitzinger, the policy was approved by the board. Lion Dietz (Mary) will finalize the policy and present it at the next board meeting.

Lion Townsend discussed the foundation/club share for Foundation activities (Sight and Sound Sweepstakes, Candy Day, and Tootsie Pop day. Lion Townsend moved, Lion Bitzinger seconded, to take the maximum club share – 60% Foundation/40% Club.

Lion Dorfler made a Pancake Breakfast report. Profit was up since the middle school was not used. Profit was \$2,270. Attendance was 425 (2010 – 460; 2009 – 420; 2008 – 520). The Board thanked Lion Dorfler for her imaginative approach to avoid D46 rental costs.

A hearing impaired class at Grayslake Central High School (four students) held a fund-raiser and donated \$326 to Camp Lions. On motion by Lion Rockwell, the Board approved a matching donation. This is in addition to normal club practice of supporting one camper.

On motion by Lion Rockwell, Lion Patterson seconding, the Board approved a \$1000 scholarship each to Sean Kirby (Grayslake Central High) and Marissa Turturro (Grayslake North High)

Lion Kortanek reported two requests for service. The Board approved, through the Foundation program, hearing aids for George O. Minor, Jr. The Board did not approve surgery and continuing care for cataracts for Kathleen Zahn, as beyond our financial means.

The Board adjourned at 6:40 PM.

GRAYSLAKE LIONS CLUB
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
April 12, 2011

Special Guests of Honor: District Governor elect Walt Holden and Zone Chairman, District 1F Second Vice District Governor Elect Bob Surovitz, and Jill Nerby, Executive Director, Aniridia Foundation International.

Minutes: On motion by Lion Frank, Lion Dietz (M) seconding, the minutes of the March General Membership meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report: Lion Lee made a report, previously approved by the Board.

Lion Dorfler made a brief report, a paper report on each table, of the results of the Pancake Breakfast. We made money.

Annual Lion Jim "Chief" Rockenbach and Lion Ruth Patterson Scholarship awards winners were announced: Sean Kirby (Grayslake Central) and Marissa Turturro (Grayslake North).

Ms. Jill Nerby gave an excellent presentation on Aniridia (a syndrome, genetically based, that impacts health in a number of ways, including sight). The efforts of the Foundation include developing and maintaining an International Registry and Gene bank, supporting research and providing counseling and support to families impacted by the syndrome. The Foundation is associated with the University of Virginia School of Medicine, Department of Ophthalmology. Detailed information on the activities of the Foundation can be found at www.aniridia.net. Written for medical professionals as well as families challenged by the syndrome, the book, *Aniridia and WAGR Syndrome, a Guide for Families*, Nerby and Otis, is an up-to-date explanation of the syndrome, treatment options, including stem cell therapy and research initiatives and is available on Amazon. In attendance as guests for the presentation were Lions from Lake Villa, Grant, Lake Zurich, and Skokie Lions Clubs.

Zone Chairman Lion Bob Surovitz inducted Lion Matt Mulryan (Lion Brenner sponsor) and Lion Mark Harms (Lion Uding sponsor). Lion Bob mentioned the Steer Roast scheduled for September 11, 2011 at the Middle School.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM.