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President's thoughts:

The Power of **30**. This is copied from the article in the most recent copy of **The Lion**. On page 18, "The number **30** comes up so often in the Lions' fight against preventable blindness.

- a. Each Lion can save the sight of **30** people with a CSFII donation of US \$180.
- b. There are **30** members in the average Lions club.
- c. Every **30** seconds, six people go blind.
- d. Less than **30%** of all blindness is incurable, leaving more than **70%** of all blindness that Lions can reverse or prevent.
- e. Lions have established **30** WHO childhood clinics around the globe.

I want to congratulate you on being above average in the quest to help with the CSFII Campaign. Our club has pledged \$7500 over the five year period. Other donations have brought our club total to \$9890 and at \$6 for each reversal or prevention, that translates into 1648 cases that the Grayslake Lions have changed the lives for the recipients. Do the math. 30 times 55 members equal 1650. We are right on target that for each one of us, we helped **30**.

Our help does not stop there as we are supporting the visually impaired in our local community. In the January newsletter, on page 4, you can see where we provided eye exams and glasses for 66 people

Our help does not stop there as we are supporting the Lions of Illinois Foundation and their programs of Low Vision Screening and Diabetic Eye Screening. The used glasses we send to the Foundation have found their way to Mexico, Central America, Peru, Philippines, Belize, Haiti, Morocco, Africa and other places. Our Camp Lions provides a lifetime memory for the campers.

We have worked with the Hillsville Virginia Lions Club (Ron and Janie Walters are members) and have sent used eye glass cases to The Luke Commission who are missionaries in Swaziland.

Yes, Grayslake Lions. You are great. When you serve at Candy Day, the Steer Roast, the County Fair, the Pancake Breakfast, the work you are doing is changing lives for visually impaired all around this world. On behalf of the more than perhaps 2000 people we have helped, I say, "Thank you Lions."

Web addresses for **Lions**:

International
www.lionsclubs.org

**Lions of Illinois
Foundation**
www.lionsofillinois.org

District 1-F
www.district1flions.org

Lion Trent Farm*February 1994

Lion Robert Kula * February 2003

Lion Ruth Patterson * February 1978

Lion Sheila Vleck * February 1997

Lion Marilynn Walters * February 1999

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

#2 **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.

Grayslake Lions Club News

First red is the color of the month. We are approaching Valentine's Day and in the perfect world, we give chocolate, diamonds, entertainment out, dinner, etc. These are given with love. Stop and think what we give as Lions. Better vision. Better hearing. Better lives. What better expression of love can there be? All of our gifts are truly a gift of the heart and a real **Valentine**. Wear **RED** to the meeting on February 12th. Of course, if you wanted to celebrate Abe's birthday, you might wear a stove pipe hat.

Second - bowling. Call Lion Steve Schroeder at 847-548-4236 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.

Operation Roar

Operation Roar is a program founded by the Mt. Prospect Lions Club shortly after Katrina. The sole premise is "Lions helping Lions" and to give some help in disaster relief. When I was Governor (2005-2006) a shipment was sent to the Gulf Coast to Lions clubs in Mississippi through Governor Judy Gavin, District 30 N. When Florida had tornados, Roar sent gift cards to the Governor in the affected District. California had wild fires and supplies were sent there to the Governor.

Contributions are raised through the sale of an Emergency Preparedness Guide, club donations, individual donations, football mania. Further info: Lion Richard Keyworth
rjkeyworthcfps@comcast.net

A truck at Randhurst Shopping Mall being loaded with donated supplies to be sent to the California fire victims. **Lions helping Lions**. Read more in the January issue of THE LION, page 18.

Operation Roar received credits in a video at the International Convention, Chicago.

Based upon the e-mail responses from the Board, I obtained a check for \$1,000.00 last week from the Treasurer and went to Walmart and bought 20 - \$50.00 gift cards. On Friday January 18th I drove to Pontiac, IL and met with Lion President Larry



Ahrends and Secretary Lion James Curtis. Together we went and met with Township Supervisor Louis Lyons. Louis handles the relief and welfare efforts for the township and was acquainted with the flood victims who's homes had been damaged by the flooding of the Vermillion river in Pontiac. I presented the Gift Cards to Louis Lyons and he was most grateful for our assistance. He, along with Lions Ahrends and Curtis, found it hard to believe that we would just bring them \$1,000.00 in gift cards and provide this assistance without paper forms and a list of stipulations for their use. I explained that our only request was the cards not be used for alcohol or cigarettes. I told him that OPERATION ROAR Committee was pleased to provide some measure of assistance to those who were in need during a time of crisis. As Lions we get our pleasure out of helping others.



Vice District Governor Paul Pioch was the installing officer for the Grayslake Lions at their December meeting. In this picture, Immediate Past President Steve Townsend is presented with a Melvin Jones Fellow Award, a well deserved honor.

Lion Paul and Karen have been friends of the Walters for a number of years. We have spent time together at International Conventions in Honolulu, Osaka, and Hong Kong.

Paul and Rich attended a Lions Leadership Conference in Tucson and he has attended several USA/Canada Forums.

Of note from December



New Family Members

Lion Jerry and Michelle McCabe are the proud parents of twin boys. All are well.

Our 1st son (Aka BABY A):
Name: Kaleb James McCabe
Born 12/27/07 at 5:35am
19" long
5lb 15oz

Our 2nd son (Aka BABY B):
Name: Connor John McCabe
Born 12/27/07 at 5:43am
19" long
5lb 9 oz



Lion Germon Lopez brought his church choir to play and sing Christmas Carols for the Winchester House Party, sponsored by the Grayslake Lions and coordinated by Lion Ruth Patterson. Included in the choir was Janet. Their newborn baby, Abraham did not sing but was a joy to have with us. Maybe next year Abraham will be in full voice. Thanks to Germon for having his choir bring some joy to the residents.

CSFII Coordinator Marty Reading from the Gagewood Lions Club presents President Walters with a TOPAZ Patch to be placed on the club banner. Lion Marty has the Grayslake Lions Club as one of his "Magnificent Seven" He pointed out that for \$6, we can prevent or cure blindness and so, with our commitments to CSFII, our club will improve sight for more than 1500 individuals. A pat on the back is well deserved.



P.A.D.S.

March 13, 2008, UP CHURCH

Contact Lion Darlene to donate supplies and/or time. This is a most rewarding experience, serving dinner for some persons, who, for whatever reason, do not have a home to go to. After serving this, our homes certainly look wonderful. You can help by helping to set up, serving food and/or donating some supplies. Let Darlene know you will help.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Spring Pancake Breakfast will be **April 27th** at the Grayslake Fire Station at Hawley and Whitney Streets. Much help is needed so mark your calendars now and plan on helping with this major fund raiser. Yes, Lions Darlene and Frank are co-chairs and they are waiting for your message stating that you will be there to serve.

Sight/Hearing Conservation

Lion Wes reports that we have had six referrals for eye exams and perhaps, glasses.

LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION

Candy Day 2007 was successful. The report from the Foundation indicates that eight clubs have yet to report. These clubs have been contacted and checks are expected soon. Even before these clubs send in their net, the District is \$614.47 over the net for 2006. Thirteen clubs increased their net. Eleven had a decrease and we still have the eight to report.

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. This money needs to be in by April 15th.

Birdies for Charity—This program 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. Footloose will be getting forms to us in the very near future.

Night Walk—This event will be held in Wheaton at:
Danada Equestrian Center
3 S. 501 Naperville Road
Wheaton, IL 60187

The 3 mile walk begins at 4:30 on Sunday, June 1st. 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. If you can not make the Walk, perhaps you would make a donation through Lions Bob and Sheila or Rich and Marilynn.

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.

Program for February 12th Meeting

I received a call from a lady asking if she could come to our club and do a presentation. Lion Keith had given her my name. We talked and she said she would be sending information before the meeting. I lost the note pad that I had written the info on. No problem. I was going to call Keith but that was the day I heard that he was hospitalized with a broken hip. Needless to say, although we had talked with Keith, I did not think I should burden him with trying to find the information that I needed for the program lady. We know the news of Keith and he will be missed. He did a great job with advertising and publicizing the events that we were having. The question now may be, "Who's going to fill his shoes?" May we all serve as well and as long as Lion Keith did. This may be the time to ask that friend of your to join us and help to fill a void.

Lion Don Dietz has invited Dustin Cherico and Melissa Pilato to attend and bring some Student Council officers. We really appreciate all of their assistance in the food basket program. We could not do this program without them.

GRAYSLAKE LIONS CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2008

Members present: all board members were present.

President's Remarks: Call to order at 7:04. President Walters welcomed all board members.

Meeting Minutes: December Board minutes were mailed to members. Townsend motioned to accept the Board minutes, Lee 2nd, motion carried. Rockwell motioned to accept General minutes, Uding 2nd, carried.

Correspondence/Communications:

1. Russ Christian will soon be at home and able to have visitors.
2. Barb Medel asked if we are still collecting Piggly Wiggly receipts; answer is yes.
3. Karl Molek may be unable to attend this evening due his mother's surgery.
4. Jerry Morgan cannot be on Sight & Sound Committee; Uding will be able to take care of it.
5. Marty Reading from Gagewood Lions Club and Sight First II District Chair presented our club with a certificate and letter of thank you from Dr. Tae-Sup Lee for our pledge. Our club was one of the clubs to reach 135% of their goal.

Treasurer's Report: Corrected copy of treasurer's report was on tables. Lee motioned for it to be placed on file; Townsend 2nd, carried. T. Rockenbach asked about listing or naming the Elliot Endowment separate on

the report and Lee said that would be possible. Bills were presented from the Christmas Party and request for sponsorship again this year from Grayslake Youth Baseball for \$300. Powell motioned to pay bills and sponsorship; Kortanek 2nd, carried. Lee mentioned that the club will get 5% off phone bill because of not-for-profit status.

Committee Reports:

1. Bowling will be Feb. 10th at Bertrand Lanes, Waukegan.
2. D. Dorfler will report on P.A.D.S. and Pancake Breakfast at general meeting.

Old Business:

1. R. Walters gave info on Village signs to Townsend who will speak to the Chief about the number needed.
2. Calling post was used successfully several times.
3. Blue book info is still coming in – all members should get their info in ASAP.
4. Rockwell presented final report of Scholarship committee. We will offer a \$500 non-renewable scholarship to both Grayslake North and Central High Schools in name of Chief Rockenbach.

New Business:

1. Brochures are available on various Lions' areas; the board was in agreement to have them available at our public functions.
2. Rockwell motioned that our club prepare an updated brochure, Townsend 2nd, carried. Townsend will investigate the printing of a tri-fold brochure as has been done in the past.
3. District Convention is April 17-20. Townsend motioned that our club place a half-page ad in the ad book and also a list of our members. Kortanek 2nd and motion was carried.

Other: Townsend mentioned that the funds collected at December Board meeting could not be given to the family because of a wrong address. Rockwell motioned that the gift card to Walmart that was purchased with the funds be given to D. Dorfler to be used at Pancake Breakfast and P.A.D.S. Powell 2nd, carried.

Rockwell motioned to adjourn; T. Rockenbach 2nd, meeting adjourned at 6:35

**GRAYSLAKE LIONS CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2008**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President R. Walters at 7:00 p.m. M. Walters gave the Invocation and Keefe led the Pledge of Allegiance. Guests were introduced:

- Amber Peterson, Special Olympics Coordinator
- Matthew Kaymen, Global Messenger for Special Olympics and his Mother, Beverly.
- Keith Bitzinger, friend of Pat Uding and possible future member
- Marty Reading, Gagewood Lions Club and Sight First II District Chair

Meeting Minutes : The minutes of the December General meeting were mailed to members. Powell motioned to accept minutes, Kortanek 2nd, carried.

Correspondence/Communications:

1. Two articles from newspapers: Peace Poster Winners from our town and Tribute to Lion Chief Jim Rockenbach.
2. Gerry McCabe and his wife had twin boys shortly after Christmas.
3. We are still saving Piggly Wiggly receipts.
4. Russ Christian will soon be home and able to have visitors,

5. Patterson thanked members who helped her with the Christmas Party at Winchester House. She thanked the Choir from St. Joseph's Church and Germon Lopez and his family.

After dinner the club heard a presentation on Special Olympics.

Treasurer's Report: Corrected copy of treasurer's report was on tables. Lee motioned to place on file, Townsend 2nd, carried.

Committee Reports:

1. LIF: Walters reported that Sight & Sound Sweepstakes will be given our next meeting by Uding and Night Walk will be June 1.
2. D. Dietz passed out a final written report on Christmas Basket Program. Walters thanked him and his committee for their work.
3. Schroeder reported that District Bowling will be held Feb. 10 at 1:00 pm at Bertrand Lanes. Members should let him know if they can participate. Cost is \$17.
4. D. Dorfler reported that Pancake Breakfast will be April 27 at the Fire Station. More in March.
5. D. Dorfler reported that P.A.D.S. will be March 13 at U P church, sign up at Feb. meeting.
6. Rockwell presented final report of Scholarship Committee at Board meeting. We will offer a \$500 non-renewable scholarship to both Grayslake North and Central High Schools.

Old Business:

1. Townsend is still working with the Village on club signs for entrance to village.
2. Calling post is working.
3. Members should get Blue Book info in to President ASAP.
4. Molek reported that the leftover parade candy went to Library Lane Senior Center and Avon Township Food Pantry.

New Business:

Several Lions were recognized for Anniversaries: Keith Korell – 35 years; D. Dietz – 20 years; Wes Kortanek – 18 years; Bob Vleck – 11 years; Tom Walchholder – 1 year.

T. Rockenbach did Tail Twister duties and Rockwell and T. Rockenbach had a Good of the Club.

T. Rockenbach moved to adjourn; Townsend 2nd, meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Dates to Mark on your Calendar

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

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

Sunday, April 27th—Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, May 10th, LIP-N-Lunch, Prospect High School

Tuesday, May 13th, Regular Lions Meeting—Whitney Street

May 16th to 18th, MD-1 Convention, Westin Hotel, Itasca