



# Lions Roar



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## The Easter Bunny is Coming to Town....

With the weather that our area is currently suffering through (I saw snowflakes at my house yesterday morning.) maybe we could use the same tune as the Christmas song and just substitute Easter Bunny for Santa Claus. Any way you look at it our Club will still be sponsoring Salt Creek Park District's annual Easter Egg Hunt next Saturday (April 23rd). Lion Norb Schmaus is gathering all of his fellow Bunny Helpers to ensure our Club is well represented at the three parks that are hosting the Hunts. Our Club has been sponsoring this event since 2003 and we will again be collecting for recycling used eyeglasses, hearing aids, keys, cellular phones and ink cartridges from participants at the event in exchange for a raffle ticket whereby they could win a prize that Lions Norb and Catherine have collected for this event. It is great fun and while participating you can help our Club by visiting with the public to let them know what we do to assist others and also to show our presence in the community. Contact Lion Norb if you can spend a few hours (9:00-12:00) helping.



## Lions State Convention

This year's Lions State Convention will be held on May 13th - 15th in Effingham, IL. This Convention is like the District one, but on a larger scale. It brings together all 12 Districts from throughout the State in order to conduct the required business of the group as well as to socialize and make new acquaintances. Please refer to the Lions of Illinois web site at <http://illinoislionsmd1.org/> and click on the "Conventions" circle in the upper right hand corner under "News, Info & Events" in order to view multiple files labeled as "MD-1 2011....". Please contact Lion Paul if you have any questions or would like additional information.

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Happy  
Easter  
Everyone



### Lions News Briefs & Fast Facts

- ⇒ At our May 3rd meeting we will have a visit from the representative from Lions Project for Canine Companions for Independence (LPCCI). This is a group that we have supported in the past and if you have not seen these wonderful animals and heard the story on what they do for their masters you will want to be sure to attend this meeting.
- ⇒ Tootsie Pop Days will be held on Friday & Saturday May 6th & 7th. Please mark your calendars now. It would be great if every member could donate at least a couple hours of your time to collect. The proceeds from these collections are shared with our Lions of Illinois Foundation and support things like the Hearing Bus and Macular Degeneration screening units that we are able to yearly provide FREE of charge to the Public.
- ⇒ Don't forget that the Kentucky Derby Party will be held at Lion Sherryl (and Bernie) Weidner's home on Saturday May 7, 2011.
- ⇒ The May 17th meeting this year will be the one when the Scholarships are presented to our local recipients. **THIS IS A SPOUSE NIGHT SO PLEASE BRING YOUR SPOUSE, SIGNIFICANT OTHER, FRIEND, POTENTIAL MEMBER, ETC.** to the meeting to meet our Scholarship winners and to hear their stories and backgrounds.

### *Palatimes* Article Requested

The following request came into us through our web site. I am not sure if anyone currently in the Club has access or has even seen any of the Newsletters in question, but if you have please contact Janis Kelley at the e-mail address below. Here is her request -

“I am trying to locate an article that appeared in the PALATIMES the year William Ost was elected president of the Palatine Lions Club – I think in the late 1930's. My mother, Ethel DePue, was selected Club Sweetheart that year and PALATIMES published a poem written in her honor by her aunt, Georgia Bryson.

Does your club have copies of old PALATIMES editions?

I thank you for any help you can provide. My email address is [janisakelley@yahoo.com](mailto:janisakelley@yahoo.com).”

Janis Kelley

[Editor's Note: I responded to Janis and suggested she check with the Palatine Historical Society also to determine if they could be of any assistance.]

## **Club Sorts Recyclables for Lions of Illinois Foundation**

Pictured below are the members of the Club that sorted used eyeglasses, hearing aids, ink jet cartridges, cell phones, keys and pop tabs that were donated by the Palatine Community...and beyond. We received an envelope of pop tabs from Lion Pamela Wiss from the Old Tappan Lions Club of Old Tappan, NJ. Lion Pamela saw our web site and sent us two large freezer bags full of pop tabs. Our donations have since been delivered to the LIF offices in Sycamore and we received a thank you letter from our Executive Director Van Stone in return stating in part "...we gratefully acknowledge your very generous donation of 2,000 pairs of eyeglasses, 25 hearing aids, 226 cell phones, 24 ink jet cartridges, 8.5 pounds of keys, 8 pounds of tabs and 1 magnifier. This donation will be used in our quest to improve the quality of life for those who suffer the ravages of visual and hearing impairment. Your magnificent generosity has helped us, and more importantly, those we serve immensely."

Great job Lions. Let's keep up the good work and try to let everyone we know that we collect the above items. You may refer interested people to our web site where they can see the many locations (18) in the community that collect these items for us. Thank you to Lion Jim Baumgartner and Lions Norb and Catherine Schmaus for emptying the collection boxes.





## Guest Speaker from First Book

Dean Jones from First Book was our guest speaker at the March 15th meeting. Dean informed us about the background and work of the group which includes having been founded in 1992 and that their world-wide organization has distributed 80 million books to date. Dean also advised us that he was searching for volunteers to serve on the board of this new group that he is assembling in Palatine. First Book provides new books to children in need addressing one of the most important factors affecting literacy – access to books. First Book works through volunteer community programs, corporate and non-profit partners and a variety of literacy efforts to provide new, free or low cost books to elevate educational programming and improve access to reading materials. Please contact Dean directly at [deanschaumburg@aol.com](mailto:deanschaumburg@aol.com) if you are interested in learning more about the First Book program or if you want to volunteer.



## Salute, Inc Founders Provide Information

“SALUTE, INC. is a non-profit group that passionately pursues meeting the financial, physical and emotional needs of military service members, veterans and their families. We strive to raise awareness of their sacrifices and provide a safety net to ensure every military family is treated with honor and dignity.”

The Founders of Salute, Inc, Will and Mary Beth Beiersdorf, attended our April 5th meeting. They explained provided a short video that assisted by their sponsored veterans is blind. him and in the end he was dog. You missed a good attendance. The Board met after the regular meeting and decided to donate \$500 to the organization to assist in providing a way for the veterans that they are assisting to be able to attend a Military Sports Camp. Visit their website for additional information about them..... [www.SaluteInc.Org](http://www.SaluteInc.Org).



their organization to us and contained veterans that were organization. One of their The group was able to work with able to receive an assistance meeting if you were not in

**Purple & Gold - March Winners**

\$100	Matthew Peckham	Sold by: Tom Peckham
\$25	Norb Schmaus	Sold by: Norb Schmaus
\$25	Marty Bouchard	Sold by: Phill Matthews
\$10	Mike Untiedt	Sold by: Tony Cinquegrani
\$10	Seema Thaker	Sold by: Phill Matthews
\$10	Gay Boston	Sold by: ???
\$10	Sy Pullman	Sold by: Ed Moran
\$10	Jim Cooper	Sold by: Jim Cooper

**Purple & Gold - April Winners**

(Sorry, but I didn't write down the seller's names. A couple were obvious.)

\$100	Clay Pearson	
\$25	Baumgartner Family	Sold by: Jim Baumgartner
\$25	Andrew Tomita	
\$10	Dale Savage	
\$10	Jim Van Wolvelear	Sold by: Marie Klanang
\$10	Alice Terrill	
\$10	Kay Fischer	
\$10	Debbie Peterson	



## **Congratulations to the Club's Newest Member Lion Debbie McGuire**

Debbie McGuire was recently inducted as our Club's newest member on March 1st by Past President Phill Matthews. Lion Patti Curtis is her sponsor. Phill did a nice job (as always) with the induction and Lion President Marty Kelley was close by to supervise the entire process. Great job by everyone. We learned that Lion Debbie has been active in the community for many years and has been an active member of her church and with the Rotary. We are glad to have her join our Club and she has already volunteered to serve on our newest committee that is investigating the possibility of hosting an e-cycling event. Details are still being worked out and will be forthcoming very soon. Please say hello to Debbie at the next meeting, social or fundraising event if you have not yet had a chance to meet her.



### **Sight & Sound Sweepstakes Tickets Due NOW!!!!**

Our other new Lion Member, Debbie Bischoff, willingly volunteered to be in charge of the Distribution, Record Keeping and Collection for the Sight & Sounds Sweepstakes raffle ticket program that we participate in through our own Lions of Illinois Foundation (LIF). Proceeds from the raffle go to LIF and supports programs that our Club benefits from such as the Hearing Bus & Macular Degeneration Screening units along with many others. Lion Debbie has been very diligent with her insistence to members to take some tickets so they could try to sell them, as well as in her pursuit of those members that have taken booklets but as of yet have not paid for them or returned the stubs. Of which category are you a part? Either way....please try to sell any existing tickets you may have in your possession and return the money and/or unsold tickets to Lion Debbie by the next meeting (April 19th). Thank you Lion Debbie for agreeing to help the Club with this project and for stepping up to ensure that everything is in order.

PS - Remember Lions that our Club won \$1,000 in last year's drawing. Maybe we will win even more money this year. Good luck to everyone that purchased tickets.