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Dear Fellow Lions,

President's Message

So far, so good. We are meeting or close to meeting all my objectives. Membership, attendance, new fundraising ideas, continued support of community programs, participation, commitment, and fellowship. Great job Lions. I am so proud to be a member of this dynamic organization.

Merry Christmas, happy holidays,

Lion Dan Harris

President

Treasurer's Report November 25, 2020

Administrative Account:

- We have 87 members. We have 5 members who have not paid yet.
- We paid \$480.50 to Prime Minister for meals for the meeting on 11/16 and deposited \$547 from meals and raffles.
- We have 68 people registered for the Christmas party on Dec. 7

Activity Account:

We sent donations to Advocates, Badger Girls, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Birch Stum, Family Sharing, LCI Melvin Jones, Wisconsin Lions Foundation, Leader Dogs, Lions Eye Bank, Ozaukee Family Services, Portal Industries and Grafton Lions Park totaling \$16,350.

- We also made a \$500 donation for victims of Waukesha Christmas Parade Tragedy to the United for Waukesha Community Fund.
- Nut sales are currently showing a profit of \$3789.
- Remaining planned fund raisers for this year are Beer Tasting, 9 pin bowling, and the Chicken Roast.

Leos Account: \$132.41

- Leos donated \$100 to the Chamber of Commerce for Reindeer Decoration and received \$20 donation from the winner of 50/50 raffle at our last meeting.

Annual Lions Chicken Roast

Reserve the date: June 12th, 2022, for the Annual Lions Chicken Roast!

The Chicken Roast Committee has met and decided that we will be getting back to a more normal Chicken Roast this year. We will serve from 11AM-6PM. We will more than likely offer online tickets and hard ticket sales as in previous years. Beer and Kids meals are on the docket also. As we will need "all hands-on deck" We remind all Grafton Lions that we will be needing your help for this important event. We are aiming to sell 1500-1600 meals this year. As we will focus on the chicken dinner, we are not currently looking to have a raffle nor 50/50 raffles.

This is our plan, however, given the up and down of the current Pandemic, things may change. We will have our next Committee meeting at the second meeting of the Lions club in January.

Thank you to all the Committee members who attended the meeting. It is a pleasure to serve as Chair of this great event and work with this committee!

Nut Sale

The final nut sale order has been placed, I expect it will be delivered next week by the 8th or 9th. I have listed below what is left to sell. Please email me or call if you would like buy some.

5 tins Cashews, 5 bags cashews, 10 bags mixed nuts, and 10 bags pistachios.

Sean Fahey, 262-376-2220

Membership Directories

A printed copy of the updated 2021-22 Membership Directory will be available in January. A Electronic version will be emailed to all members. Please review and send corrections to Lion John Gassert (jdgassert@gmail.com) before December 3 to allow them to be included. Thank you.

Annual Lions Christmas/Holiday Party

It's almost time for our annual Lions Christmas/Holiday Party! Our celebration of the Season will be on December 7th, 2021, with Social Hour starting at 5:30, and Dinner starting at 6:30. Dress for the evening is business formal. The cutoff date for signing up is November 30th.

Special thank you to Lion Pat Murray, for arranging the food, Lion Brad Diamond for holding the raffles, and Lion Lisa Delorit for co-chairing the event. Thanks to John Gassert for communicating the event and to Lion Treasurer John Krueger for managing the funding and registration of the event. Past chairs Lions Jack and Dorothy Reindl were fantastic references for this event as well.

The Menu for the night will be Prime Rib, Shrimp DeJonge, and Baked Chicken served with the usual Prime Minister side dishes. The bar will be staffed by members of the Grafton American Legion. The Grafton Lions administrative fund will be subsidizing part of the meal as a way of thanking you for your hard work throughout last year. Please go to the Grafton Lions Square site to sign-up for this fantastic event. <https://grafton-lions-club.square.site/>.

As part of the fun for the night, each couple is encouraged to bring a seasonal centerpiece/item to decorate the table/ Legion Hall. The festive items will be raffled off in a free raffle at the end of the evening. There will be a 50/50 raffle with 50% of the raffle proceeds going to the Family Sharing Food Bank. EVEN IN CELEBRATION, GRAFTON LIONS SERVE!

Merry Christmas!

Chairs Lion Lisa and Dan Delorit

Grafton Lions Club Annual Christmas Dinner

- December 7th, 2021
- Cocktails at 5:30 PM
- Dinner at 6:30 PM
- Grafton American



- Prime Rib Dinner provided by the Prime Minister Restaurant
- 50-50 Raffle to support Family Sharing Food Bank
- Please bring a holiday themed centerpiece/decoration to be raffled at end of evening
- Cost - \$25 per couple, \$12.50 for single attendees
- Please pay at this link - <https://grafton-lions-club.square.site>
- Please RSVP by paying at the above link by November 27th, 2021.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LIONS PARK

A lot has happened since the November issue of the Lions' Gazette. Another series of interviews with the three finalists was completed. An offer was made to one of the three and accepted. As I understand it, the new Director of Parks and Recreation has approximately twenty years of experience and was well liked. He is from one of the northern Milwaukee suburbs. He is excited about the opportunity to join the management team of the Village of Grafton. I have not heard the start date since he recently gave notice to his former community Administer and Board. He is expected to be with the Village of Grafton this coming January.

I will be contacting the new Director of Parks and Recreation in the coming months to introduce myself and get him up to speed on our most recent \$50,000.00 project. I will keep you posted and will continue to keep an eye on our Park. Have a wonderful Christmas holiday.

Dave – Lions Park Chr.

A Thank You from the Bruss Family.



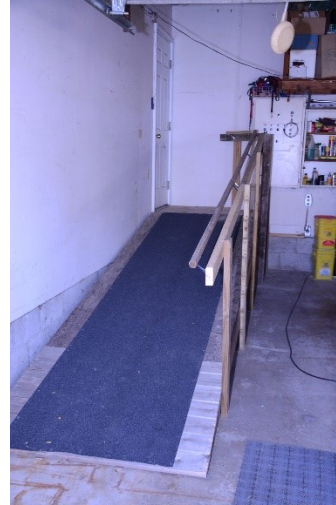
THANK YOU

There are not enough words to fully express our heartfelt thanks for the sympathy, love and support you have extended to our family during this sad time. It will always be remembered by

THE FAMILY OF
DENNIS BRUSS

Service Project = Building Ramps at Citizens Homes

Over the last several years, the Grafton Lions Club have built 8 handicap ramps. This year we built and installed 2 ramps. One was located on River Road (Town of Grafton) and Second and Maple (Village of Grafton).



From Left to Right: Lion Peter Trimberger, Lion Marko Musich, Lion Bob Lauer and Lion Tim Kohlwey

Thanks
Lion Dave

December Birthdays

Cary Kraemer	6
Dan Montaine	7
Dan McKelvey	12
Sean Fahey	27



Collin Schaefer	6
Steve Nauta	8
Ken Salmon	12

LOOKING AHEAD



December	7	Annual Christmas Get-Together
December	21	No Membership Meeting because of Christmas
January	4	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting
January	18	Membership Dinner Meeting – Citizenship Awards
February	1	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting
February	15	Membership Dinner Meeting – Speaker to be announced
February	18-19	District Convention in Port Washington
March	1	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting
March	15	Membership Dinner Meeting – Speaker to be announced
April	5	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting
April	19	Membership Dinner Meeting – Speaker to be announced
May	3	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting
May	17	Membership Dinner Meeting – Speaker to be announced
June	7	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting
June	12	Annual Lions Chicken Roast
June	21	Membership Dinner Meeting and Awards Dinner

If you have questions or would like to add to the calendar, contact Lion John Gassert