

# Lions' Gazette

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## Prez Sez

### President's Message

Dear Fellow Lions,

It's a new year and a chance for lions to, once again, enhance the lives of our community and our fellow man. That's what we do, and we have done it very well so far this year. As a Lion you have participated in our success. I am asking you to be committed toward the service we provide. Thank God for people like each of you who is committed to helping others. Building ramps, providing eye care, glasses, clothing or whatever is needed. So many have stepped forward for so many years. Now new members have arrived to step up. We need to continue to recruit and welcome these new Lions. Being a Lion is an honor. We can make new friends and do good deeds. 2022 awaits us. We have a new year to continue our service and our commitment. My best to every Grafton Lion. I am honored to continue as your president.

Happy New Year to you all,

Dan Harris

President

Grafton Lions Club

## **Treasurer's Report December 30, 2021**

### **Administrative Account:**

We have 87 members. We have 3 members who have not paid yet.

- We paid \$1,564 to Prime Minister for meals for the Lions Christmas Party.
- We donated \$244 to Family Sharing from 50/50 profits at Christmas Party.
- We paid \$121.51 to LCI for new member dues.
- We paid \$500 to KKK storage for annual storage fees.
- The Christmas Party cost a net \$864.65 after reconciling dinner costs and payments toward the dinners.

Leos Account: \$132.41

## **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](mailto:jdgassert@gmail.com)) before December 3 to allow them to be included. Thank you.

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LIONS PARK**

We now have more information on our new Director of Parks and Recreation. His name is Chad Hoier and he brings with him over 20 years of managing Park and Recreation programs for Municipalities. He last worked at Brown Deer, was well liked, and ran a very smooth program. He started for the Village of Grafton on Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. He is very excited about his new opportunity.

I will be contacting Chad sometime this winter to introduce myself and brief him on our new \$50,000.00 project. I will keep you posted on when we might start with the exercise and kayak stations and will continue to keep an eye on our Park for other news.

Have a wonderful New Year.

Dave Chair– Lions Park.

**Grafton Lions Honor Prime Minister Owner**

At the Grafton Lions Annual Christmas Party, the Grafton Lions Club honored Tim Triantafillou with Melvin Jones Award Fellowship. The [Melvin Jones](#) Fellowship was created in 1973, takes its name from the founder of Lions Clubs International, Melvin Jones. It is an **honor – not an award**. The Melvin Jones Fellowship was established as Lions Clubs International Foundation's (LCIF) highest form of recognition to acknowledge an individual's dedication to humanitarian service.

Mr. Triantafillou has served the Grafton Lions Club for many years with dinners, banquets and summer picnics. He has been a supporter of many of the Grafton Lions fund raiser with prizes, hole sponsorship and special meals for different events. He truly is dedicated to service with the Lions.



From left to right is Lion Dan Harris, Grafton Lions President, Lion Pat Murray, Hospitality Chairman and Mr. Tim Triantafillou, owner of Prime Minister Restaurant

## Lions Eye Tissue Transport

Fellow Lions.

Our Lions Eye Tissue Transport Team will be again transporting the first 10 days of March. Lion John Gassert has offered to take over as the dispatcher since I will not be available this time. The most current transporter information can be found on the Lions Eyebank of Wisconsin Website (LEBW.org). Go to the site, click on the Lions tab and the dropdown will have a number of informational sites for transporters,

Thanks again for the service you provide for this very worthwhile service project.

Lion Jack Reindl

## 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).

Lion Bob Lauer would like to recognize Lion Dave Burkart for his contribution to building the ramp on Second Avenue in Grafton. Unfortunately, when the pictures were taken, Dave was gone picking up supplies. He was instrumental in the building of the ramp. It is important to give credit to lions who take the time to volunteer. Thanks to all who made this project happen.

Lion Bob Lauer



## January Birthdays

Gary Northup	8
Bob Lauer	13
Tim Kohlwey	25
Dave Burkhardt	30



Jack Chenery	11
Dick Duncombe	17
Al Kletti	30

# LOOKING AHEAD



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 1-10	Lions Eye Tissue Transport
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