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Prez Sez

Happy New Year, Fellow Lions!

I hope that you and those you hold dear had a joyous holiday season. It is amazing to think that we are already halfway through the Lions' year. I don't know if it is because I am still basking in the glow of Christmas or if it is because I am feeling generous on the start of a new year, but I really don't have a lot to say this month (was that a collective sigh of relief I just heard?!). However, I *would* like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the time, money and services that you have provided to our community. I especially would like to thank the Leos who have provided invaluable man – and woman – power and enthusiasm to so many of our projects. On a personal note, I am grateful for your guidance and support as I learn how to lead (not easy for a natural introvert).

I would also like to remind you of some very important dates coming up:

- ◆ We are hosting the Zone meeting on January 31. Please come out and support our club. Proceeds from the raffle supports the Club's administrative fund.
- ◆ On February 21, we will hold our annual Citizenship Awards at Bunkers. This is always a highlight of our Lions' year.
- ◆ District Convention will once again be held in Port Washington on February 17 and 18. The deadline to register is January 31. Please join us and vote for Lion Slava as the 2nd VDG.

Details on these and other events will appear in the newsletter and your email but if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me or any of the BODs.

Prez Sez Continued:

Finally, I would like to leave you with this thought:

We are Lions today because someone asked us to join the Lions. Why did you join the Lions? Was it to make a positive impact in your community? Was it to serve your fellow man? Was it to make a difference in the lives of others? Was it to join a respected international organization? Was it to make new friends? Was it to learn and grow? Was it for a sense of belonging? Whatever your reason(s), you joined the Lions because someone asked you to attend a meeting or a Lion event. *Please invite a friend, neighbor, or someone you know to join us!* We Serve and We Change Lives!

Wishing you the very best for 2023 and always!

Lion President Rose Sauers

Treasurer's Report

December 29, 2022

Administrative Account: \$8,275.28

- We paid \$1,708.50 to Prime Minister for 67 dinners at the Christmas Party and \$100 toward bartender fees. We collected \$1,547 for dinners. We made a net profit of \$261.50 from the Christmas dinner.
- We deposited \$110 from 50/50 raffle at the Christmas dinner.

Activity Account: \$0

- We transferred \$101.50 to the Grafton Lions Foundation Checking to close out the activity checking account.

Contingency Savings Account

- We transferred \$97.21 to the Grafton Lions Foundation Savings to close out the Contingency Savings Account

Grafton Lions Club Foundation Savings: \$26,097.21
\$97.21 transferred from Contingency Savings.

Grafton Lions Foundation: \$17,308.19

- Net profit from nut sale is \$1190.50. There may be further sales.
- We bought \$401.94 worth of candy for the Christmas parade.

- We have made donations to Ozaukee Family Services of \$1000, Badger Girls State of \$400, Portal Industries of \$1000, Birch Sturm Memorial Fund of \$1000, LCI Foundation of \$2000 for Melvin Jones Scholarships, Wisconsin Lions Foundation of \$3000, and Wisconsin Eye Bank of \$500.

Leos Account: \$579.41

- \$300 deposited to their account from donation by Grafton Area Chamber of Commerce for their help at Breakfast With Santa.

January Tail Twister

Going forward, Lion Dennis Pampel will be the Tail Twister. Lion Bob Lauer is stepping aside.

Submitted by Lion Tail Twister Bob Lauer and Future Lion Tail Twister Dennis Pampel

Vision Screening

There will be a number of vision screenings in January. If anyone is interested in helping, please let Lion Darrel know and he will add you to the list. He will also direct you to the training website.

Thank you, Lion Darrel Blank

Grafton Lions Take Down of the Nativity Scene

We will be removing the Nativity scene statues to storage on Friday January 6 at 8:30 AM if anyone wants to assist.

Lion Bob Lauer

Kudos to Fellow Lions

Kudos to **Lion Dave Antoine** for leading the way with Red Kettles for Salvation Army. Thank you, Lion Dave, for your leadership in making this service project successful!

If you know of an accomplishment of one of your fellow Lions, please let me know so I can cheer them on!

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 3	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting
January 17	Membership Meeting – A representative from Portal Ind.
January 31	Zone Meeting being Hosted by the Grafton Lions in Grafton.
February 7	Board of Directors meeting Speaker will be the Grafton LEOs Club
February 21	Membership Meeting – Annual Outstanding Citizenship Awards. Meeting to be held at Bunkers Restaurant at Edgewater Golf Club.
March 7	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting
March 21	Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.
April 4	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting
April 18	Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.
May 2	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting
May 16	Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.

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