Lions' Gazette

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Prez Sez

Greetings, Fellow Lions!

By the time you read this, Punxsutawney Phil will have made his prediction: either six more weeks of winter or just six weeks until spring! Luckily, as Lions, we have lots to keep us occupied as we await whatever fate the groundhog has in store for us. First off, I would like to thank Lion Zone Chair Slava Kroll for putting together an educational, entertaining and successful zone meeting. Thanks also to Lion Brad Diamond and his helpers for a particularly fun zone raffle. And, *of course*, thank you to the many Grafton Lions who attended. **YOU** made the evening a success!

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

- ◆ District Convention will be held in Port Washington on February 17 and 18. This year's theme is "Plant the Seed". Join in the fun Friday evening by dressing as a farmer, scarecrow, animal, etc. And best of all, come out to support our own Lion Slava's bid to be our next Second Vice District Governor. I understand that Lion Lois has fun party favors to help us support Lion Slava!
- ◆ On February 21, we will hold our annual Student Citizenship Awards at Bunkers Restaurant. Please come out to support these fine young people and their families — and to thank our Citizenship Committee and Chair Lion Dorothy Reindl for their always excellent work. More information can be found later in this newsletter.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, 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:

"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do." —Edward Everett Hale

Just think of what we can do united as Lions!

Cheers... I mean....ROAR!!

Lion President Rose Sauers



Treasurer's Report

February 2, 2023

Administrative Account: \$5,610.63

- We deposited \$518 from receipts for meals at meeting 1/17/2023.
- We paid Prime Minister \$465 for meals at the 1/17/2023 meeting.
- We deposited \$66 from tail twister fines, 50/50, and raffles at meeting 1/17/2023.
- We paid \$790.85 for semi-annual District 27A2 dues.
- We paid \$45 to Bee-Seen Promotions for shirts and name tags.
- We paid \$18 for stamps
- We bought \$100 in raffle tickets for the Grafton Leos Club for the District Convention.

- We collected a total of \$525 for dinners at the Zone meeting on 1/31/2023
- We paid \$744 to Prime Minister for dinners at the Zone meeting on 1/31/2023 for 48 dinners
- We collected \$750 from 50/50 and general raffle at the zone meeting. Net profit was \$531 for the meeting.

Grafton Lions Club Foundation Savings: \$26,097.21, Unchanged

Grafton Lions Foundation: \$12,127.29

- We deposited \$23 to the Grafton Lions Park Tree fund from donation of 50/50 winnings.
- We made payments to 2 Scholarship recipients who submitted 1st semester grades. So far we have paid 4 of the 6 scholarships which have been awarded.
- We transferred \$496 dollars to Leos Account for their sales from our nut sales
- We paid \$25 to Wisconsin Dept. of Financial Institutions for annual report of the Grafton Lions Foundation.

Leos Account: \$981.21

- We deposited \$6 in tips from the nut sale
- We paid \$31.10 to re-imburse for candy for GHS freshmen and decorations for Chamber Gnome theme.
- We deposited \$496 from nut sales by the Leos.
- We paid \$70 toward registration fees for Leos to attend the District 27A-2 Convention.
- n Area Chamber of Commerce for their help at Breakfast With Santa.

Grafton Lions induct 3 new members

The Grafton Lions inducted 3 new members to our club in the past few months and we would like to welcome them and look forward to their new ideas and service to the club and community, It is always great to increase our membership and feel the enthusiasm they bring.

Pictured in first photo from left to right is Past District Governor, Lion Barry Boline, new member Jan Teuscher, sponsor Lion Carrie Buri and Grafton Lions President Rose Sauers.

Second Photo from Left to right is Lion Tim Kohlwey, new member Matt Demler, Lion Dan Delorit, new member Dennis Pampel, Past District Governor, Dan Montaine, and Grafton Lions President Rose Sauers.

Dave Antoine Marketing Chairman





February Tail Twister

Keeping with tradition a food donation will exempt you from the wrath of the Tail Twister. If you do not bring a food item to the meeting, please be prepared to make a \$1.00 donation. All donations will go to a non-profit organization.

Submitted by Lion Tail Twister Dennis Pampel

Grafton Salvation Army Bell Ringing.

I would like to thank the Grafton Leo and Lions who helped the Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Pick n Save in Grafton on Friday and Saturdays from November 12th- December 17th from 4 – 8 PM. The amount collected from Grafton was down somewhat because the Ozaukee Congregational Church who normally did Noon to 4 PM on the days we did, decided to just do a collection at their church.

The overall total with cash and checks was \$44,638.80 for Ozaukee County

In 2022, Grafton too in \$3,123.24 at Pick N Save and \$2,304.73 from Ozaukee Congregational for a total of \$5,427.97. This is down about \$900 from 2021.

In 2020, Grafton did \$8,836.73 and in 2021. Grafton did \$6,342,78. 2020 was a record year.

Once again thank you for your service. We gave 90 service hours and had 30 volunteers between Leos and Lions

Dave Antoine Grafton Salvation Army Representative

Honoring Our Student Citizenship Winners

Our Grafton Lions will be honoring our winners at our *Tuesday February 21st Meeting*. Because this is a special event the meeting will be held at **Bunkers Restaurant**. We have arranged a special menu of broasted chicken, beef tips, parsley red potatoes, salads and rolls and a brownie and cookie dessert tray. Salads will be plated and at our table and the staff of Bunkers will then call tables to a buffet dinner line. Cost of the meals for the students and two parents will be covered by the Lions as well as the HS Principal. **Cost to cover the meals will be set at \$25 for the Lion members**.

We need to let Bunkers know how many will be in <u>attendance</u>, so we ask that you inform us as to <u>your attendance</u>. You will still need to pay our treasurer that night via cash or checks made out to the Grafton Lions. We need to let Bunkers know the number attending by Friday Feb. 17th so please email Dorothy at <u>jador71@att.net</u> or call 262-227-5014 or Jack at 262-227-5013 by the 17th.

Please help to honor these young people who have done so much good for their community.

On behalf of the Citizenship Committee Members thank you for helping to support this event.

Lion Dorothy

Grafton Lions Take Down of the Nativity Scene

Lions Darrel Blank, Jack Reindl, John Krueger, Jim Brown, Bob Lauer, and John Gassert helped with removing the Nativity scene statues and moved them to storage on Friday January 6. Lion John Gassert isn't shown, someone had to take the picture.

Thank you all for your assistance.

Lion Bob Lauer



Kudos to Fellow Lions

Kudos to all the lions who have help by providing vision screening thus far. There will be additional screening in spring. There will also be screening training at the District Convention. Please contact Lion Darrel for more information.

Thank you, Lion Darrel, 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

Rose Sauers 10th Frank Lorbecki 17th Dave Antoine 17th

May 16



Matthew Demler 21st
John Strachota 22nd

LOOKING AHEAD



February 7 Board of Directors meeting Speaker will be the Grafton LEOs Club

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

Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.

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