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Prez Sez

Greetings Grafton Lions.

I want to thank the Leos and Lions that helped with the production of Every 15 minutes. It is a short film and discussion about distracted driving that was presented to the High School students as well as the public. It is very well done. You can view Every 15 minutes at the Grafton High School website. It will be worth your time to watch it.

We are signed up for the Grafton Christmas Parade on November 25, please plan on walking in the parade and handing out candy. Our annual nut sale has started we need orders to make this a success the nuts make great gifts or for snacking over the holidays. Lion Darrel will be speaking at our November 7th meeting about membership.

As we approach The Thanksgiving holiday let's not forget to be thankful for all that we have and as Lions always try to make life better for those that don't have it as good.

We serve.

Lion Tim Kohlwey

Grafton Lions Treasurer's Report

October 31, 2023

Administrative Account: \$6,653.74

- We deposited \$255 from member dues from 3 members.
- We deposited \$672 from dinner receipts, raffles, and tail twister fines at the meeting of 10/17/2023
- We paid \$577.50 to Prime Minister for 35 dinners at the meeting of October 17, 2023
- We paid \$251.73 for 3 year renewal of Weebly Website Builder Program.

Grafton Lions Club Foundation Savings: \$26,097

- No Change

Grafton Lions Foundation: \$28,666

- No change

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Leos Account: \$1,738

- \$590 deposited for dues.
- \$20 donation deposited.

Grafton Lions Holiday Party

The Grafton Lions Holiday Party will be on Tuesday, December 19th at Bunkers Restaurant at Edgewater Golf Course. Doors will open at 530PM with dinner at 630PM. The cost will be \$30 per person with a cash bar. Payment can be made at the Lions meetings or at the party.

Please register for the party on the Sign Up Genius that will be coming out or contact Lion Brad Diamond at braddiamond@mindspring.com.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A044BA4AF28A6FC1-45845028-grafton>

Instead of a holiday raffle, gift exchange, or ornament making, we are going to give to Family Sharing. We will be collecting the following items: canned fruit (pears, mandarin oranges, pineapples), pancake mix, kidney or black beans, and toothpaste

If you would prefer, we will also be accepting monetary contributions. Patrons that come to the Family Sharing Pantry get milk and a dozen eggs every 2 weeks. Every contribution of \$4 goes to the purchase of a milk and a dozen eggs.

I look forward to seeing everyone at this year's party.

Lion BRAD

Grafton Lions Holiday Party Chair

Grafton LEOs Club Warn Against Texting and Driving

In conjunction with the National Red Ribbon Week, Red Ribbon Week is an alcohol, tobacco, smoking, and other drug and violence prevention awareness campaign observed annually in October in the United States. Each year the Grafton LEOs Club want the busy traffic on Highway 60 to **Not Text and Drive**.

A severely damaged car and a large sign were needed to convey their message. Thanks to Kirchhayn from Fredonia who loaned them this vehicle and with towing from Grafton Mobil. The message on the sign was painted and designed by the Grafton LEO members.

The problem of texting and driving is usually blamed on teenagers, but adults are guilty of texting and driving as well. This graphic message is a safety alert to all.

The Grafton LEOs have 50 plus members. LEO Clubs are a youth organization of [Lions Clubs International](#). The word "LEO" stands for [Leadership](#), [Experience](#), [Opportunity](#). The members are junior and senior high school students grades 6-12.

Leo clubs encourage youths to develop leadership qualities by participating in service activities. They are dependent on a Lions Club to sponsor and initiate a LEOs club but the members initiate their projects and carry them out.



Sugar Maple for Lions Park

Vi Bublitz donated a beautiful Sugar Maple in memory of her husband Jack to Lions Park in Grafton. On Monday, October 30th, Vi Bublitz, Dave Mauer, Lions Park Chr. and Chad Hoier, Village Director of Parks and Recreation looked on while the Grafton Public Works crew planted the ten-foot, 2.5 inch caliber Sugar Maple tree. The tree was donated by Vi Bublitz in memory of her husband, Jack. Jack Bublitz was well known in the Grafton Community over the years. He was a Senior Officer at the Grafton State Bank and active in many community events. He was also a member of the Grafton Lions Club for many years serving the Club in most positions including President, 1979-80. Later this year, a stone with an engraved plaque will be set next to the tree.

Dave Mauer
Lions Park Chair



Newest Lion member

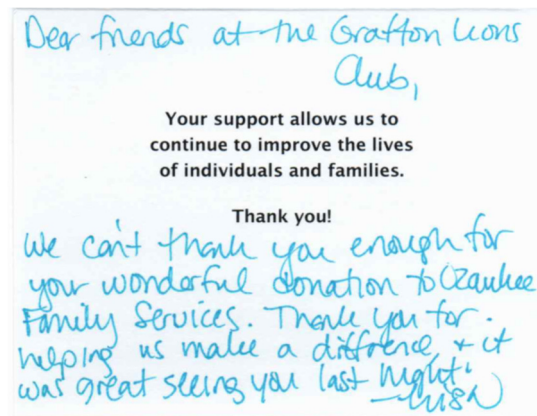
Welcome and congratulations to our newest Lion members Phyllis Wiggins. who was installed at the October 3rd Grafton Lions Membership Meeting Award at the Rose-Harms Legion, It is always fun to have new people become a part of our Lions Family and bring new ideas to our club.



Pictured from left to right: Sponsor, Lion mike Hennig, new member, Phyllis Wiggins, Lion President, Tim Kohlwey.

Grafton Lions presented a check to OFS

The Grafton Lions presented a check for \$1000 to Lisa Holtebeck, Executive Director of Ozaukee Family Service, after a presentation to the Grafton Lions Membership Meeting on Tuesday, September 19th. [Ozaukee Family Services | Improving lives to help individuals and families succeed.](#), [Mental Health First Aid](#), [Mental Health America of Wisconsin - Home \(mhawisconsin.org\)](#), [Support Services and Family-to-Family | \(namiozaukee.org\)](#)



Grafton's Ladies Night Out

Lions Jill Bertrand and Carrie Buri engage ladies from the surrounding communities during Grafton's Ladies Night Out.



Fall into Grafton

Lions Dennis Pampel, Tim Kohlwey, and Leo Trevor Nauta celebrate autumn with the community at Fall into Grafton. This free family event was filled with friendly competitions including a putting contest, pumpkin carving, and pumpkin derby, plus arts and crafts and autumn favorite caramel apples.

Carrie Buri



2023 Lions Nut Sale

Hello Lions,

The 2023 Lions nut sale has started, the order form is attached.

If you sell to multiple people, please put them all on one form. I will package all of your orders together for you to pick up.

I will place some early orders so if you want your nuts soon get your orders in.



You can email your order without the order sheet, just be clear what you want to buy.

Send emails to, spfahey@sbcglobal.net, or Call the Investment Center office at 262-376-2220, talk with Sean or Dan or leave a message.

Thank you!

Sean Fahey
Dan McKelvey
Tim Kohlwey

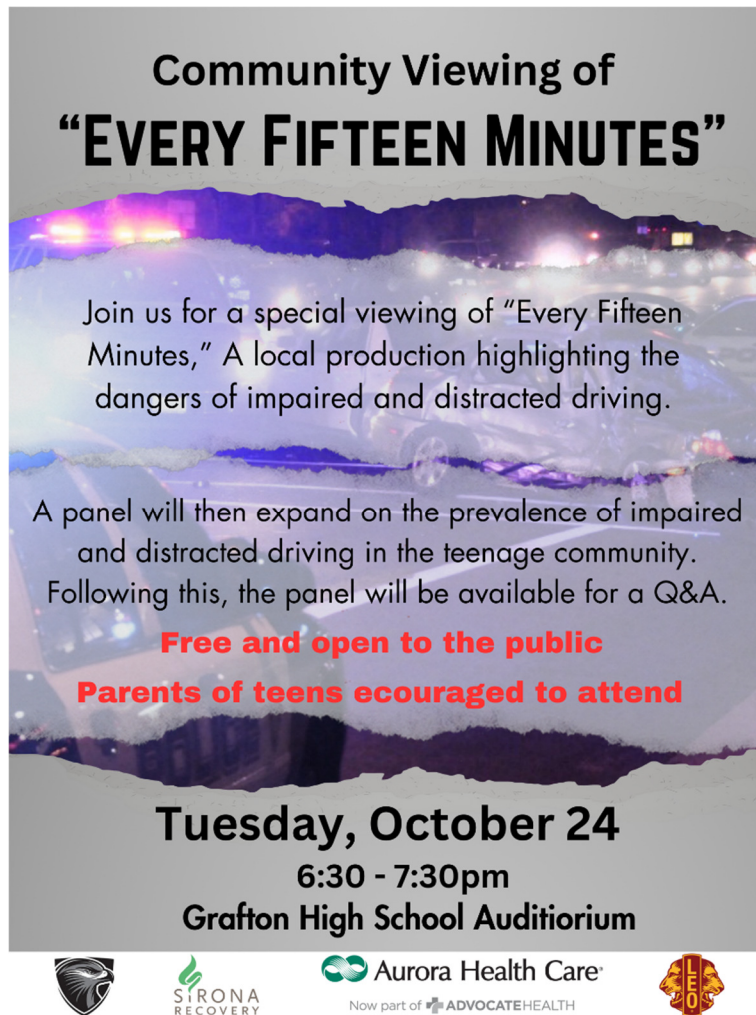
Lion Member Name _____

 Grafton Lions Club Annual Gourmet Nut Sale 100% of all profits go to Grafton Lions Charities 									
Last Day to Order Nov. 20th for pick up on Dec. 7th At Investment Center of Grafton office Or by Nov. 6th for pick up on Nov 21st Return this form with money collected to Lions Tim Kohlwey, Sean Fahey, or Dan McKelvey Or drop off at 1019 Cedar St. Grafton WI 53024 Email orders to spfahey@sbcglobal.net form not necessary			Roasted Whole Cashews 1 lb. / in gift tin	Roasted Whole Cashews 1 lb. bag	Deluxe Mixed Nuts no peanuts 1 lb. / in gift tin	Deluxe Mixed Nuts no peanuts 1 lb. bag	Natural Pistachios roasted & salted 1 lb. bag	Thank you for your order! Make checks payable to: Grafton Lions Club	
Name	Phone	E-mail	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	Total Due	Paid
Totals									

Call Sean or Dan at 262-376-2220 with any questions

Kudos to Fellow Lions

Every Fifteen Minutes is a community event run by the Grafton LEOs club, was held on Tuesday, October 24th. Please congratulate the LEOs when you see them.








**Community Viewing of
“EVERY FIFTEEN MINUTES”**

Join us for a special viewing of “Every Fifteen Minutes,” A local production highlighting the dangers of impaired and distracted driving.

A panel will then expand on the prevalence of impaired and distracted driving in the teenage community. Following this, the panel will be available for a Q&A.

Free and open to the public
Parents of teens encouraged to attend

Tuesday, October 24
6:30 - 7:30pm
Grafton High School Auditorium

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

November Birthdays

Jim Becker 7
 Dan Hubacek 24
 Steve Janssen 20
 Ken Kasprzak 29



Marko Musich 9
 Jeff Nelson 14
 Lois Klotka 26

LOOKING AHEAD



November 7	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting. Speaker is Lion Darrel Blank
November 21	Membership Meeting – Guest to be determined.
December 5	Board of Directors meeting - Guest to be determined
December 19	Membership Holiday get-together at Bunkers.
January 2	Board of Directors Meeting and Membership Meeting.
January 16	Membership Meeting – Guest Speaker District Governor Brenda Rumppe.
February 6	Board of Directors meeting - Membership Meeting – Citizenship Awards
February 20	Membership Meeting – Guest Speaker to be determined

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