Lions' Gazette

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Prez Sez

President's Message

Fellow Lions,

Due to some ongoing health issues, Lion President Dan Harris could not prepare his President's Message this month. I have included two of Lion Dan's reminders from last month. Please keep Lion Dan in your prayers.

Lion John

Reminders from last month:

Lion Dan Delorit and his committee have us prepped for our annual and critical chicken roast later this spring. Please join in with your support.

Lion Rose Sauers is about to put together an installation in conjunction with national installation day. Lion Dave Antoine is preparing to publicize our membership campaign and our many new Lions. Please help Lion Rose and Lion Dave to complete this task. We are about to present a slate of next year's officers to the board. Awards to deserving Lions will be presented in June. It has been a good Lions year. Let's finish it with strength and commitment

Lion Dan Harris President Grafton Lions Club

Treasurer's Report

March 2022

Lion Treasurer John Krueger is out of town this week and will give his report at our next meeting on April 5th. You will also receive his report later that week in a separate email.

Thank you for your consideration.

Membership Directories

A printed copy of the updated 2021-22 Membership Directory is available and can be picked up at the March 1st meeting. An Electronic version was emailed to all members. Please review and send corrections to Lion John Gassert (<u>idgassert@gmail.com</u>). Thank you.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT LIONS PARK

TREES FOR THE PARK.

Each year at this time, the Grafton Lions try to fund additional trees for the Park. Some will replace those that have died, and others will fill in open areas. Last year we planted three beautiful trees.

We will again use Johnson Nursery. They are good at what they do and have recommended three hardy trees that do well in Wisconsin and a large, sixteen-acre park setting like ours. The trees we have chosen will be new to our park and will add a variety factor to the other trees.

| Tulip Tree | 2" caliper | \$265.00 |
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| Fall Fiesta Sugar Maple | 2 ½" caliper | \$265.00 |
| Shag Bark Hickory | 1 ³ / ₄ ' caliper | \$335.00 |
| Shag Bark Hickory | 2 " caliper | \$395.00 |

The Trees will be balled and ready for pickup in mid to late spring. Jake Arendt, Superintendent of Public Works and his crew will pick up and plant the trees.

Consider purchasing a tree for our Park. Talk to your family and friends about buying a tree. It would serve as a nice family memory or perhaps a memorial for a loved one. You can watch it grow in our Park.

CANOE/KAYAK PIER ON CEDAR CREEK

If you missed the March 15 Club meeting, Chad Hoier, Director of Parks and Recreation, was our guest speaker. In his remarks, Chad discussed the \$50,000.00 gift from our Club for Park improvements over a ten-year period.

He focused on the Canoe/Kayak Pier on Cedar Creek as the first to get started. He and his staff have applied for a State Grant to help defer the cost of this project. The grant was approved and the project will get started this spring. When that happens, I will let you know so you can check out the progress. Hopefully, the Village and Park and Rec. can work on and finish the Exercise/Fitness Station and the large cement/stone patio next to the Pavilion this year. Our Club has already made a number of payments to the Village for this large project. Stay tuned and visit the Park.

Dave Mauer

Lions Park Chair

Lions Eye Tissue Transport

Dear Fellow Lions,

As you all know, March 10th was our last day of transporting cornea tissue. Thanks to all of you who volunteered your time and service for this wonderful service.

Together five Lions transported 10 packages. Three of those lions were from Cedarburg and two were from Grafton. Nine of those packages went to the Wisconsin Lions Eye Bank and one went to Eye Surgery Center of Wisconsin for transplant. What a wonderful service!

I was fortunate meet a recipient of a cornea transplant on Tuesday night. She knows that the Lions were the ones who provided the transportation for her transplant tissue. She was very thankful for that service. Without the transplant, she was blind. She now has 20/20 vision.

Again, thanks to all of you for your wonderful service,

Lion John Gassert

Tales of the Tail twister- April Version

A food donation for Family Sharing always creates an exemption from the Tail twister. (Currently 94)

April 5 meeting: Identify picture of past Lions.

Topic of Grafton Lions in March/April Wis. Lion magazine.

April 19 meeting: Seating by table colors.

Number of current Leos?

Lion Bob Lauer Tail Twister

Chicken Roast

We will be having a committee meeting for the Chicken Roast after the next Lions Meeting Which is Tuesday, April 5th. We will be assembling the work roster and discussing operations for the event on 6/12/2022

Here is what will be completed by April 1.

We will be using tickets for the event this year, no online sales

7 venues for ticket purchase have been determined

Prices for tickets are: \$15.00 for the dinner, \$7.00 for the Kids meal

Posters have been designed and will be ready by 4/15/22

Tickets have been designed and ordered

New members have been contacted and informed of their commitment

All members have been contacted and reminded of their commitment.

Thank you to all Grafton Lions for your hard work! This is a big fundraiser, and we will need all hands on-deck to work to help us meet our budgeted needs for 2022-2023.

Thanks,

Lion Dan Delorit

April Birthdays

| Bob Rieck | 1 |
|-----------------|----|
| Carri Buri | 9 |
| Dan Wrolstad | 20 |
| Frank Oetlinger | 24 |



Richard Rieck 1 Pat Murray 14 Matt McKelvey 23

LOOKING AHEAD



| April 5 | Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting |
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| April 19 | Membership Dinner Meeting – Speaker will be Mary Luzinski the Chair of NAMI-Ozaukee (National Alliance on Mental Illness) and outreach coordinator. |
| May 3 | Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting |
| May 17 | Membership Dinner Meeting – Annual Lions Scholarship awards |
| June 7 | Board of Directors meeting and Membership Dinner Meeting |
| June 12 | Annual Lions Chicken Roast |
| June 21 | Membership Dinner Meeting and Awards Dinner |
| August 22 | Grafton Lions Golf Outing |

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