Lions' Gazette

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Prez Sez

Greetings, Fellow Lions!

Could it really be November already? I suppose the time has come to admit that summer is behind us and so too are 70-degree days. The Autumn Equinox arrived over a month ago (September 23) but the real defining moment will be when we exit Daylight Savings Time and enter Standard Time on 2:00 am, Sunday November 6. Daylight will wane earlier, the air will grow ever colder and rain will give way to...well, you know the routine. But despair not! November is a great month! It brings a close to the dreaded political campaign season with its endless ads and robo-calls (at least for a little while) and ushers in the season of celebration, giving and good will.

And if there is anything we Lions know about, it is celebration, giving and good will! This month will see our club celebrate the induction of two new members and the giving of good will to our community by marching in the annual Grafton Christmas Parade on November 26. I hope you can all join us as we brighten the day of the young and young-at-heart with our much-anticipated Tootsie Rolls!

Cheers!

Lion President Rose Sauers

Treasurer's Report

October 18, 2022

Administrative Account: \$8,342

- We deposited \$518 for meals and raffles at Oct 4 meeting.
- We paid Prime Minister \$484 for meals at Oct 4 meeting.
- We paid \$12 for stamps and \$156 for annual fee for our post office box.
- We paid \$49 to LCI for new member dues

Activity Account: \$256.27

• \$30,8000 transferred to Grafton Lions Foundation Checking

Contingency Savings Account: \$101.24

\$16,000 transferred to Grafton Lions Foundation Savings

Grafton Lions Club Foundation Savings: \$26,000

• \$16,000 transferred from Contingency Savings

Grafton Lions Foundation: \$34,488

- We received \$100 golf outing sponsorship check from Wisconsin Pump and Sump
- Transferred \$30,800 from Activity Checking Account

Leos Account: \$379.41.

No change since last report.

November Tail Twister

As in the past a food donation will exempt you from the rath of the Tail Twister. If you do not bring a food to the meeting, be prepared to make a \$1.00 donation. All donations will go to a non-profit organization.

Submitted by Lion Tail Twister Bob Lauer

Vision Screening

We will once again have the opportunity to help the District vision screen in Milwaukee. On October 6th, the Lions screened students at Clara Barton Elementary School and on October 20th, we screened students at Barak Obama School of Career and Technical Education. The final October Screening was held at The Wisconsin Conservatory of Lifelong Learning. There are still opportunities to help.

Future Milwaukee Vision screening fall 2022

- November 1 Neeskara Elementary and Sherman Public School
- November 2 95th Street School
- November 20, Milwaukee French Immersion School and Hi Mount Community School.

Lion Darrel Blank

Lions Corneal Tissue Transport

Our club began transporting on March 1st, 2010, with Lions Boline and Reindl handling the first transport delivering tissue to the Laser Eye Surgery Center. This began our nearly 13-year history of this community service project. In the 13 years we have completed nearly 160 transports and potentially giving the gift of sight to nearly 160 Wisconsin Residents.

Our team has logged over 600 service hours and traveled over 20,000 miles. We will soon be again asked to provide this service. Our next assigned time is **November 1**st to the 10th. In October, I will again be asking you to commit to your available times. When I send out the grid, please provide any changes to your email or cell phone numbers.

As an update the Eyebank has made some improvements in communication. Inbound boxes (those we pick up at Dynacare) will be BLUE with the Lions Logo. Outbound boxes will be WHITE with greater details and routes along with delivery addresses. This will be spelled out in more detail on the LEBW website which is scheduled for update on October 1st.

Please watch for the emails in October and RSVP to me as soon as possible.

Thanks for your service,

Lion Jack
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Annual Golf Ball Drop

Each year one of the events at the Grafton Lions Golf outing is the Annual Golf Ball Drop. Golfers have the opportunity to win half of the money raised by buying golf balls that are numbered. A Grafton Fire Department firefighter climbs a ladder truck and drops the balls on the putting green. Whoever gets closest to the cup wins half of the pot and the Grafton Fire Association gets the other half.

Lion Dave Antoine and Grafton Lions President Rose Sauers presents a check for \$206 to Firefighter Luke Van Natta, who climbed the ladder and dropped the balls. It is a fun event and a great community builder.





Fall Into Grafton.

Each October, the Grafton Chamber of Commerce hosts an event called Fall Into Grafton. The event this year was held on Saturday, October 15th. One of the events was called Puttin' Around Downtown Grafton 9-hole mini golf course.

This year the Grafton Lions Club participated. Many young families tried their luck on putting the golf ball in the hole. It was a great community event and fun was had by all who attended.



Picture at the event are Lions Tim Kohlwey, Lion John Krueger, Lion Darrell Blank, Lion Renee Boos and Lion President Rose Sauers.

Grafton LEOs Club Warn About Drinking and Driving

Each year in conjunction with the National Red Ribbon Week, (Red Ribbon Week is an alcohol, tobacco and other drug and violence prevention awareness campaign), the Grafton LEOs Club wanted to show the effects of Drinking and Driving.

A severely damaged car and a large sign were needed to convey their message. The message on the sign was painted and designed by the Grafton LEO members. This graphic message is a safety alert to all adults and youth.

The Grafton LEOs have 50 plus members. LEO Clubs are a youth organization of <u>Lions Clubs International</u>. The word "LEO" stands for <u>Leadership</u>, <u>Experience</u>, <u>Opportunity</u>. The members are high school students grades 9-12.

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 LEO club but the members initiate their projects and carry them out.



In the photo from left to right, LEO President Trevor Nauta, Jordan Guerra, LEO Vice President Braden Meyer, German Exchange Student Moritz Frings and Jocelynne O' Connor

Kudos to Fellow Lions

Lion Pat Murray and his wife Ann are actively involved in Habitat for Humanity Ozaukee Co. Because Ozaukee Habitat receives no funds from National Habitat, they are having their first fundraiser on November 12, 2022. Please consider attending this event. You can all enjoy a fun social evening with people you know and love while supporting a great cause. Habitat for Humanity Ozaukee Co. puts families in houses. Please help!

You can also help on-line by bidding on the Habitat silent auction that starts Monday, November 7 and ends on Saturday, November 12 at 7:00 P.M.



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

November Birthdays

Jim Becker	7^{th}
Marko Musich	9 th
Jeff Nelson	14^{th}
Steve Janssen	20^{th}



Dave Strachota	23^{rd}
Dan Hubacek	24^{th}
Loin Klotka	26^{th}
Terry Machut	27^{th}
Ken Kasprzak	29 th

LOOKING AHEAD



November 1	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting	
November 15	Membership Meeting – Corinne Guerin, Chief Executive Officer Family Promise of Ozaukee County	
December 6	Annual Christmas Party – Theme to be determined	
December 20	No Membership Meeting	
January 3	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting	
January 17	Annual Outstanding Citizenship Awards	
February 7	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting	
February 21	Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.	
March 7	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting	
March 21	Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.	
If you have questions or would like to add to the calendar, contact Lion John Gassert		