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Prez Sez

Greetings, Fellow Lions!

The first of April, some do say, Is set apart for All Fools' Day. But why the people call it so, Nor I, nor they themselves do know. But on this day are people sent On purpose for pure merriment.¹

For such merriment, I do say None can beat 9-Pin Tap to play. So join us all at Harbor Hills, And let Grafton Lions cure your ills By making all your smiles arise As you win yourself a raffle prize!²

Poor Robin's Almanac (1790)¹ Poor Rose's Almanac (2023)²

Of course, I am having a little fun with the above (I am not a poet – and boy, don't I know it!) but hopefully this newsletter will reach you before April 1 and you will turn out to support our 9-Pin Tap Tournament at Harbor Hills Bowling Alley in Port Washington. Lions Lois Klotka and Jackie Krueger have worked hard to make this event a good time for all and I hear that the basket raffles put together by Lion Jackie are spectacular! Please see the Grafton Lions website for more details. Well, I've pretty much shot my creativity for this month, so I will close by wishing you all **Happy Easter and Joyous Passover**!

Lion President Rose Sauers

Grafton Lions Treasurer's Report February 28, 2023

Lion treasurer John decided to take a vacation. Therefore, please attend the meeting on April 4 for the completer treasurer's report.

Committee meetings:

Chicken Roast Committee will meet on April 4th

9-Pin Tap bowling Tournament

Don't forget to sign up for the April 1st Bowling event at Harbor Hills Lanes. Please use the following link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4fabab2dab9-9pintap#/

If you would like to help sell 50/50 raffle tickets or Prize raffle tickets do let Lois Klokta know.

April 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

Chicken Roast/Dinner

As our club continues to age and as the event costs continue to rise (projected 15% year over year) we needed to make some changes.

- 1. We will be using a vendor to prepare the food. Rupena's will pit roast a 1/2 chicken dinner for \$10.00 a meal, Inclusive of 1/2 chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, butter, and a roll. The chicken will be delivered in hot boxes and assembled by our normal crews. We will:
 - not need grills (chicken or potato)
 - we will not need \$1,000 of charcoal.
 - we will not need a \$500 refrigeration van.
 - we will not need a Friday work day.
 - we will need a limited Saturday crew.
 - we will need 90 less man hours.
 - All considered, the meal is \$0.50 more than preparing it ourselves.

- 2. We will charge \$16.00 in advance for meals, \$17.00 the day of. Children's meals \$8.00 (starting in May) credit card purchase fees will be added onto the purchase
- 3. On line sales will end on Friday the 9th, in store sales on Saturday.
- 4. Darrel Blank will run a cash raffle
- 5. We will have a DJ
- 6. There will be continuous 50/50 raffles
- 7. Soda and Beer bar
- 8. 2 hour work shift sign-up via sign-up genius, generated by Lion Slave Promotional signs will state "Reknowned Rupena's Chicken dinner", "sales limited to 1,000 dinners", and "entertainment and raffles"
- 9. Desserts will be provided, and we will generate in a most cost effective manner by the dessert committee
- 10. Dan Ernst will run the physical ticketing Lion will be allowed to purchase/sell tickets. We ask for payment at the time of pick-up of the tickets

This plan will allow for the dissemination of the duties for future chicken dinners. Please if you have questions, please give me a call at 414-236-1361. WINNER, WINNER: CHICKEN DINNER!

Lion Dan Delorit drdelorit@gmail.com

Annual Grafton Lions Golf Outing

At this point the basics/FYI are as follows:

- 25th Annual Grafton Lions Golf Outing (a special anniversary event/fundraiser for our club). The event is open to the public and of course any and all Lions Club members.
- Location again will be at Edgewater Golf Club; a 9 Hole event and the 4th consecutive year with venue location at EGC.
- Date of event will be Monday, August 21, 2023. Please save the date to join the Lions for a fun day of golf or just the evening awards dinner and raffles.
- Raffle item donations are always welcomed and will be accepted at any time up until the date of the event.
- Look for further details and information coming forth in the next month or two.
- Committee Co-Chairs are Lion Mike Donohue & Lion Eric Oleson.

Lion Tom Krueger Golf Committee-Fundraising

Kudos to Fellow Lions

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

April Birthdays

Bob Rieck1Shelley Blank2Carri Buri19Matt McKelvey23



Richard Rieck	1
Pat Murray	14
Dan Wrolstad	20
Frank Oetlinger	24

LOOKING AHEAD



April 4	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting	
April 18	Membership Meeting – Jim Meyer, Board President of Ozaukee County Habitat for Humanity	
Centennial Park and Gala Starts Soon		
May 2	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting	
May 16	Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.	
June 6	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting	
June 11	Annual Chicken Dinner at Veterans Park, Grafton	
June 20	Membership Meeting – Speaker to be announced.	
July 18	Grafton Firefighter and Police Picnic	
August 21	Grafton Lions Golf Outing at Edgewater	

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