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Prez Sez

Greetings Grafton Lions,

Hope everyone had a great summer. It is time to start meeting again the first Tuesday of the month will be the board meeting starting at 5:30pm. flowed by the business meeting starting at 6:45pm. The third Tuesday of the month is the business meeting starting at 6:45pm. With a speaker social time starts at 6:00pm. At both meetings I am looking forward to seeing everyone again. We fell a little short of our budget last year and will need everyone's effort to meet and exceed the budget for this year. Lion Darrel is seeking ideas for service projects. If you have ideas let Lion Darrel or me know what you are thinking. We want the Grafton Lions to be visible and of service to the community. I want to thank all that worked the various events our club hosted or participated in over the summer. We have a great group let's do great things together as is the Lions moto We Serve.

Lion Tim Kohlwey

Grafton Lions Treasurer's Report

August 30, 2023

Administrative Account: \$7,161

- We paid \$100 to LCI for having a Leo's Club
- We paid \$777.38 for State and District semi-annual dues
- We received \$394 in payments from members for the spouses picnic
- We paid Prime Minister \$620 for food for the spouses picnic
- We re-imbursed Dorothy Reindl for \$35.86 for Memorial Engraved Vase for Carol Schneider

Grafton Lions Club Foundation Savings: \$26,097.21

• No Change

Grafton Lions Foundation: \$33,185

- Current profit for Golf Outing is \$12,589. There may be a few sponsor checks and expenses yet.
- Combined profit for Centennial Park and Gala is \$7235 which is a record for these events.
- Lions 5K Run/Walk had a loss of about \$600 for our first year. We had 54 participants for the 1st year of this event.

Leos Account: \$\$1,137.38 Unchanged.

Total budgeted income for 2022/2023 was \$26,700. Actual income for 2022/2023 was \$26,039.17

2023 Grafton Lions Golf Outing

On Monday, August 21st, the Grafton Lions held their 25th Annual Golf Outing at Edge Water Golf Club. Weather was perfect, the teams had a good time and it was a very successful event. A special thank you to the many sponsors and raffle prize donations, all the volunteers and the Golf committee who helped make this event so successful.







5K run/walk Diabetes Awareness

This event was be held on Saturday, August 12th. The weather was excellent and everyone who participated had a good time. The 5 K course started at Grafton Lions Park on Keup Road. The event attracted people of all ages and the event will definitely grow in futures. Proceeds will be split 50:50 between Grafton Lions Club and Wisconsin Lions Camp in Rosholt for kids with diabetes and other childhood issues.







Centennial Park Concession Stand – Summary

Despite only serving concessions one night a week, Centennial Concessions was very successful!!! Thanks to everyone who volunteered "to serve" this year!

Two nights during the season we grilled and sold hamburgers. Those nights the revenue typically doubles. The Senior Softball League appreciates it and they are very supportive of the Grafton Lions Club. Thanks to *Turano Baking Company* for donating buns those two nights. For the season the profit was nearly <u>\$4,600</u>!!!

Thanks again to everyone who volunteered for Centennial Concessions! We are looking forward to next season.

Centennial Concession Co-Chairs, Lion Mark Koehler Lion Steve Nauta

Official Tip Results for 2023 GALA

Thank you to everyone for helping. We had a good year even though we had one bad weather evening.

•	July 20	\$94.50 Tom Freed, Paul Malloy
•	July 13	\$47.75 Dan&Lisa DeLorit
•	July 6	\$46.75 Jim Brown, Darrel Blank
•	Aug 10	\$43.25 Slava&Daughter
•	Aug 17	\$38.25 Dennis Pampel, Rose Sauers
•	July 27	\$29.50 Frank&Debbie Larbecki
•	Aug 3	\$12.50 Mike Henning+1 – Bad Storm forced closure after about 1 hour

Thank you to everyone and looking forward to next year wherever we hold GALA. Dan Ernst

Dan DeLorit

Sugar Maple for Lions Park

A new Sugar Maple tree with a 2 ½" trunk will be planted in Lions Park mid to late October. Vi Bublitz, wife of Jack call me this month and wanted to plant a tree in Lions Park along with having an engraved stone honoring the memory of her husband, Jack, who passed away a number of years ago. The memorial stone will be placed next to the tree. Jack Bublitz was a very active Grafton lion having served as President, 1979-80 and well known in the community. The tree will be purchased through Johnson Nursery out of Jackson. It will be planted by the Grafton Park and Rec and Public works dept. As we approach the planting date, I will follow up with more details.

Dave Mauer Lions Park Chair

Vision Screening for Grafton Schools

The Grafton, Cedarburg, and Port Washington Lions provided Vision Screening for the Grafton School system on August 14th and 15th. On those two days, we screened 543 students. They were screened for visual acuity and color blindness. Here are some photos from those days:







Kudos to Fellow Lions

Lion Carrie Buri's tennis team, Melberg USTA Women's 3.5, 40+ won the 2023 State Championship! It should be noted that Lion Carri did not play in those matches that day because she was hosting the Grafton Lions first 5K for childhood diabetes awareness and Lions Camp.



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

Wisconsin Lions Camp Disc Golf Course September Schedule

Our schedule for September 2023 is now available. Please forward this on to anyone who might be interested in this information. If anyone would like to be added to our monthly schedule email, please have them email rentals@wisconsinlionscamp.com. Thank you for your support of our course!



September 1 – 7 Open Sunrise - Sunset

September 8 - Open Sunrise - 3pm

September 9 – 10 Closed for Private Event

September 11 – 15 Open Sunrise - Sunset

September 16 Closed for Private Event

September 17 – 25 Open Sunrise - Sunset

September 26 Open Sunrise - 2pm

September 27-29 Closed for Private Event

September 30 Open Sunrise - Sunset

Thank you for respecting the course and property. If you are interested in holding your own event at Camp, please reach out to the Hospitality Director for more information.

September Birthdays

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September 5	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting and Awards.		
September 19	Membership Meeting – Guest Speaker Lisa Holtebeck/Executive Director/Ozaukee Family Services		
October 3	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting. Guest Speaker Lion Darrel Blank/Membership		
October 17	Membership Meeting – Guest Speaker Lion Adam Crowson, Communications & Outreach Manager, Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin (LEBW).		
November 3	Board of Directors meeting and Membership Meeting.		
November 17	Membership Meeting – Guest to be determined.		
December 5	Maybe Board of Directors meeting and/or maybe Membership Holiday get-together.		
December 19	Maybe Membership Holiday get-together – Guest maybe Santa.		

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