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Prez Sez

My fellow lions

Thank you Lion Laurie Klos and her volunteers for making the Grafton Lions Breakfast Buffet a great success. This is why I am so proud of this club. Because when each of you takes on a project you make it very successful. Each one of you are great leaders. The other day while I was getting my picture taken along with the Beer, Wine and Spirits Tasting committee, I got a chance to talk to Brad. He told me everything was going great. He has lined up sponsors and they are ready. Thank you Brad for taking on this project.

The Beer, Wine and Spirits Tasting will be held November 7th at Circle B. Please attend and bring a friend. You can purchase a ticket from Lion Brad or any committee member. Thank you Lion Dan, Lion Sean, and Lion Tim for heading up the annual Nut Sale. I encourage everyone to please think about purchasing nuts this year. Please see those three for more information. They make a great stocking stuffer.

Speaking about leadership I am still looking for a golf chair for the Lions Golf Outing in August of 2020. No experience necessary; Lion Tom Krueger will train. Please put on your calendar the Christmas party which will be held on December 17th at the legion post. I know Lion Jack and Lion Dorothy are working hard to put on another great party.

Thank you for all you do you make my job as your president a lot easier. Also, if you have not been to a meeting lately please come to one. I need all your ideas, and leadership.

Thank you to all our Veterans, and first responders for their service.

Yours in Lionism, Dan Montaine



Meetings

October 15th Membership Meeting

Nicole Bulow, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ozaukee County made a presentation.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John Krueger reported the following October 31, 2019 account balances:

Activity Account	\$50,963.41
Committed Donations	<u>\$7,000.00</u>
Available funds	\$43,963.41
Administrative Account	\$16,458.12

Minutes of all Grafton Lions Club Board of Directors Meetings are posted on the Grafton Lions Club website <u>www.graftonlions.com</u>.

Future Meetings

November 5th Membership Meeting

Port Washington Lion Dr. Shree Vasudevan will give a presentation.

November 5th Board of Directors Meeting

The Board of Directors will meet at 5:30 in the lower level of the Rose Harms Post.

November 19th Membership Meeting

Ken Griggs, member of the Rose Harms American Legion, will give a presentation on Veterans Day.

Ninety Nine and Counting

The Grafton Lions membership is fast approaching 100 Lions with the addition of two new members.

Dave Burkhardt was approved at the October Board of Directors meeting, and the Board is expected to approve the membership of Andrei Yakushyk at its November meeting. All of the demographic information for each of them is included in the updated Member Directory which will be distributed at the November 5th Membership meeting.

Annual Grafton Lion Nut Sale

The annual Grafton Lions Nut Sale has started. (The order form is attached) The sale includes cashews, pistachios, and mixed nuts.

There are two deadlines for orders:

Order by November 8th for delivery on November 25th (In time for Thanksgiving) Order by November 25th for delivery on December 11th

Payment is needed with the order form.

A member of the Nut Sale Committee will be at both of the Lions' November meetings to take your order (and payment.) All packages of nuts can be picked up that the Investment Center of Grafton, 1019 Center Street, in downtown Grafton.

100 % of the proceeds go to Grafton Lions Charities.

Happy Birthday

The Grafton Leo Club is celebrating its Five Year birthday this year. Membership is limited to Grafton High School students, so every year the club faces some turnover in membership. The Grafton Leos have proved to be a continuing valuable resource to the young people of the Grafton community.

Hats off to Grafton High School Science teacher Bob Geiger who continues to serve as club adviser and to Grafton Lion Bob Lauer who has served as Grafton Lions Club Liaison since the Leo club's inception.

November Birthdays

Jeff Myers 4th Cary Kraemer 6th Collin Schaefer 6th Dan Montaine 7th Steve Nauta 8th



Dan McKelvey 12th Ken Samon12th John Safstrom 15th Al Fritz 21st Sean Fahey 27th

Wisconsin Lions Foundation Report

- Deer hide collection has begun and will run until mid-January. Please encourage all hunters to donate deer hides. Collection sites are listed on the WLF website <u>www.wlf.info</u>.
- This year the camp hosted 1,196 campers which is down about 20 from last year. Campers from our region are as follows;
 - Cedarburg 3 campers, 1 with intellectual disabilities or autism and 2 with diabetes.
 - Fredonia 1 that was blind or visually impaired.
 - Grafton 7 campers, 1 blind or visually impaired, 3 with intellectual disabilities or autism and 3 with diabetes.
 - Port Washington 6 campers, 5 with intellectual disabilities or autism and 1 with diabetes.
 - Saukville 1 deaf or hard of hearing.
- Last year we collected over 801,000 pairs of glasses and shipped over 107,000 pairs to 88 different missions.
- We are in the process of drafting a bill that will be introduced in Madison that will allow us to give out glasses in the state.
- We vision screened approximately 90,000 children statewide with about 10,000 referrals.

Thank you.

Darrel Blank

27-A2 WLF Director/Secretary

Prescription Bottle Recycling

Yes, the Grafton Lions continue to collect and recycle <u>orange</u> prescription bottles. Recycling Prescription Bottle Chair Lion Bob Mercer reports that to date 3,700 bottles have been recycled. Bob has another 700 bottles have been turned in and are awaiting shipment.

You can help with the recycling process by removing the bottle labels by cleaning the bottles in either Mineral Spirits or warm soapy water.

Place the prescription bottles in a plastic bag and deliver to Bob Mercer. You can also bring the bag of bottles to a club meeting where Bob will pick them up.

2019 LIONS CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY PARTY

Tuesday December 17, 2019 Rose Harms Hall Hospitality 6 pm Dinner 7 pm



This year your Board has chosen to limit the fundraising efforts. With that said there <u>will not</u> be a silent auction. We will have a 50/50 Raffle in order to offset to costs incurred to decorate and have bartenders available. We will have some door prizes and the 50/50 will be a 70%/30% payout. Dorothy and Jack have been gathering decorations to add to the "Christmas in the Country" We will need a few people to help Dorothy decorate the afternoon of the party.....contact Dorothy at 262-227-5014 call or text. Email jador71@att.net.

The Board has also voted to have the wives attend free. These funds are coming from the monies raised from the State Bowling and past Christmas Party fundraising efforts.

MENU: Craved Beef, Shrimp Dijon, Chicken Scaloppini, Vegetable, Salads, Fruit, Rice, Au Gratin Potato, Rolls, Dessert and Coffee

Raffle will be a 50/50 with a 70/30 payout. We will have some door prizes that will be awarded during the evening followed by the 50/50 drawing. Raffle tickets will be sold at a cost of 1-\$5 or 5-\$20

Cost this year will be \$30 per couple and \$25 for a single. Make checks payable to: Grafton Lions

Reservations Due December 9th (Cut off and return to Jack)

Mail to Jack Reindl at W63N1050 Holly Lane, Cedarburg 53012

NAME(S)______ #ATTENDING_____

LOOKING



November 5	Membership meeting preceded by board meeting Program: Port Washington Lion Dr. Shree Vasudevan
November 7	Grafton Lions Beer, Wine, and Spirits Tasting 7:00 at Circle B Recreation
November 15	Red Kettle collection with Grafton Leos starts (Schedule to be announced)
November 19	Membership meeting Program: Ken Griggs, American Legion, Veterans Day
November 20	Grafton Lion Christmas tree decorating 5:00 Paramount Plaza
November 23	Community Christmas tree lighting 6:30 Paramount Plaza
November 30	Breakfast with Santa 7:30 am Circle B Recreation
November 30	Christmas Parade 11:00 AM downtown Grafton
December 3	Membership Meeting preceded by board meeting Program: Knights of Sight speaker
December 17	Christmas Party SPOUSES AND SIGNIFICANT OTHERS INVITED 6:00 Social, 7:00 Dinner.
December 20	Deliver Interfaith Care packages with Grafton Leos
January 7	Membership Meeting Program: Abbey Bornemeier, American Diabetes Association
January 10	Region Meeting hosted by Grafton Lions 6:00 Rose Harms Post
January 21	Membership Meeting Program: Grafton High School Citizenship Awards

If you have questions or would like to add to the calendar, contact Bob Hoffman

Lion Member Name _



Grafton Lions Club Annual Gourmet Nut Sale



100% of all profits go to Grafton Lions Charities

Order due Nov. 25 th for pick up on Dec. 11 th At Investment Center of Grafton office Or by Nov. 8 th for pick up on Nov 25 th (before Thanksgiving) 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 (Investment Center of Grafton office)		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	\$18.00	\$14.00	\$18.00	\$14.00	\$14.00	Total Due	Paid
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Call Sean or Dan at 262-376-2220 with any questions