

Annual Christmas Party to be held on Thursday December 18th

Our annual Christmas party will be held at the DoubleTree Club hotel on our regular Thursday meeting night. The price per person will be \$20.00. Hot appetizers will be served during a half hour (cash bar) cocktail pre-party. The bar will be staffed the entire evening.

The menu choices that you will be able to choose that evening will be either Chicken Vesuvio, Salmon Filet, or Roast Sirloin of Beef. All meals will include a salad, vegetable, and either rice or potato along with dinner rolls. Beverages will include wine, coffee and iced tea. Chocolate moose will be served for dessert.

The Palatine choral group will delight us again this year with their songs and entertainment.

The schedule of events has been tentatively set as 6:30-7:00 pm cocktails, 7:00-7:30 pm choir performance, 7:30 to 8:30 pm meal, followed by gift exchange and miscellaneous entertainment. We may even have a visit from our favorite person from the North pole if we can be good up until that time.

The gift exchange will follow the same format as past years. Women will bring a gift for a woman and men to bring a gift for a man. The limit has been set at \$10.00.

Lion Andy says the committee could still use some door prizes for our guests. Ev and Fred have opened the archives to find some crafts, but we could use some additional items. He also wanted to clarify a statement that was made at the last meeting to say thank you to those that volunteered to bring a dish, though we will not be having a separate cocktail hour as originally planned. That is about all of it for now. Lion Andy will pass along updates, if required.

Birthdays for the past few months:



July -

20th Bob Parke
 27th Carl Lowry

September -

6th Jack Harold
 7th RJ Schneider
 7th Kathleen Stimmell

Aug & Oct

None

21st Jim Thompson

22nd Jan Dubell
 28th Dick Brumm

November -

14th Phill Matthews

Upcoming Events:

November -

14th Mt Prospect
 Lions Corned Beef
 Dinner, \$25 ea.

20th Meeting at
 DoubleTree 6:30 Social

27th NO MEETING
 Happy Thanksgiving

Purple & Gold October Winners

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| Danielle Landhauser | \$100 |
| Maggie Colson | \$25 |
| John Sargent | \$25 |
| John Schrammel | \$10 |
| Brenda Lerette | \$10 |
| Marsha ?????? | \$10 |
| William Schaffer | \$10 |
| Todd Jobs | \$10 |

"To Remember that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's - to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself." — Part of the Lions Code of Ethics.

Dues Update and Reminder

Just a reminder that the dues this year were revised by the Board of Directors at a recent meeting. This year they will be \$75.

Lion Bob Parke is still awaiting your dues payments. Several members provided checks at the last couple of meetings, but if you have not returned your payment to Lion Bob please do so right away.

The funds from your dues include our

annual dues to Lions International, the Lions of Illinois, our own Lions District 1-F and to our local club. These funds allow all of the above named organizations to pay for administrative expenses. Remember that no funds raised from the public may be used for administrative purposes for our club or the other groups named above. The opposite may occur though, administrative funds may be used to make donations to the public.

Drivers Wanted



The Lions of Illinois Foundation is looking

for retired Lions that would like to travel the State and either drive the Foundation's 35 foot Hearing Unit or the Foundation's Diabetic Unit. If you have an interest, or know someone that may, please contact Lions Van Stone or Mario Gamino at the Lions of Illinois Foundation office at 815/756-5633.

LION NEWS CORNER

It was reported at the October 16th meeting that Lion Dean "Tiger" Godsey was going to be returning home the next day. He had a second surgery on the cancer in his mouth. Jean reported that he was doing ok. Cards, letters & phone calls would be nice if you are so inclined. Lion Dean then attended the most recent meeting that was held on November 6th. He was looking good. It's hard to keep an ole Missouri boy down isn't it Dean?

It was also announced at a recent meeting that Lion Phill Matthews' father unexpectedly passed away recently. Lion Phill, Daphne and Ashley made the trip to

Pennsylvania, but are home now.

Some of you may know Past District Governor Lion Bud Eirich from the Prospect Heights Lions Club. Lion Bud was recently diagnosed with cancer and has been receiving chemotherapy. Cards and letters should be sent to his home address, which is 1802 Basswood Lane, Mount Prospect, 60056.

Let's keep all of the above in our prayers.

Please advise if there are others you may know that may not be feeling well or may have something special to report.

Our Club was represented at the annual District 1-F Pig Pen Derby by Lion Tom and Dorothy Dorsch, Lion Jim and Pam & Cole Cooper and Lion Paul and Karen Pioch. This year the Dorsch's won their usual MILLION prizes, but Pam Cooper came



away with the door prize for the evening. Everyone that attended had a great time. Lions Tom and Paul were actually in 2 of the races. Lion Tom won his heat and Lion Paul finished near the hind quarters of the race. Plan to attend next year.

Mark your calendars now for the annual District 1-F Lions convention. It will be held March 19-21 at the Adam's Mark hotel in Northbrook. It is a fun weekend and if you have not been before you need to come and try it out.

Speaking of the Convention. How about the "Palatine Cops" resurfacing? I have been asked in my travels around the District if the Palatine Club would consider bringing out the cops and dusting the cobwebs off of the jail. What about it???? Is anyone interested in having some fun?? Please let Lion Jim, or any Board member, know what you think so the Board can decide at an upcoming meeting.

If you are not aware of what the heck all of the above means then let's discuss it at our next meeting.



Lions Image: Perception and Improvements

Our Region Chairman, Lion Rich Walters from the Grayslake Lions Club was our guest speaker at the November 6th meeting. Lion Rich spoke to us about a topic that was covered at the recent Lions USA/Canada Leadership Forum held in Portland, OR this past summer. Lion Rich gave an excellent talk about what our image is as Lions to the general public. A couple of the excellent points that he made were the fact that if you

have a Lions Club sticker on your car you need to be careful that you are not the type of driver that cuts people off in traffic or is discourteous to others because people will definitely notice your Lions sticker. Also, if you have a Lions sticker on your car be sure to remove it when you sell your car. Lion Rich provided an example of a couple of Lions that did not do that and their (previous) cars were photographed at a crime scene.

Books, Books and more Books

Book # 1 - If you have not received your copy or copies of this year's roster book and would like a copy please contact Lion Paul so he can arrange to get it to you somehow.

Book # 2 - Entertainment Books have been distributed by Lion Phill. If you do not have yours yet or if you need additional ones please contact Lion Phill and let him know as soon as possible. Remember that these will make excellent Christmas GIFTS for friends, family, neighbors that watch your house while you are away, etc.

Book # 3 - Okay this is a stretch to get into this article's title, but I had to do it anyway. Purple & Gold (books). [You could bundle them and sell them as a book instead of selling them one at a time. It's just a thought.] Lion Gerry needs and wants your money and your tickets returned to him as soon as possible. Lion Gerry says we could really use a few more tickets being sold to help out the cause. We do this to make money and we are (estimated to be) around the break-even point now. If you know some people that you could sell them to then discount the ticket by a \$1 since they missed the first drawing.

No Palatine Winners at Birdies for Charity in 2003

Toward the end of the last Lions' year your Board of Directors voted to support the Birdies for Charity program in association with the annual John Deere Golf Classic. It works this way. Guesses are made of how many birdies will be made during the annual John Deere Classic golf outing. If the correct number of birdies is guessed then the winner receives a new car. (Our Club made 5 guesses at \$.01 per guess.) At the conclusion of the event we were notified how we did. We didn't win, but a Lion

from Chicago guessed the correct number this year and won a new car. The number of birdies scored during the soggy week-end of golf was 1,624. Our guesses were 1917, 1933, 1943, 1953 and 1960. Typically the birdies had been running closer to our guesses. Just like the Cubs, better luck next year.

By the way our Club's donation, which incidentally goes back to our Lions of Illinois Foundation, was a whopping \$81.20 (1624 birdies x \$.05).

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Palatine Lions Roar

"It is the vision of the Lions of Illinois Foundation to create a permanent vehicle for the delivery of programs and services to the visually and hearing impaired."

**Thank you go to
Lions Phill Matthews
and Kathleen
Stimmell for
bringing aluminum
cans and tabs to the
last meeting. They
will be forwarded to
the Lions of Illinois
Foundation and sold
to help fund
Foundation
programs in IL.**

REMINDER: Do you have old Keys or Aluminum?

Want to help out your Lions of Illinois Foundation? The Foundation is collecting old keys and aluminum can tabs for recycling. It sounds funny to be recycling used keys, but it only takes a small amount to weigh a lot. So if you have any old keys that you can't remember what lock or car they belong to or you know someone that may have old keys that they would be willing to donate, including a lock smith, car dealer, hardware store, etc you can bring them to an upcoming meeting. Give them to me and I will ensure that



they get to the Foundation so they can be sold for scrap and the proceeds used to support our various activities throughout the state, including the Lions Hearing Bus, Camp Lions, Low Vision Clinics, Diabetic Eye Center, Infant Hearing Screenings, Cochlear Implant Programs, Used Hearing Aid Bank and the Lions of Illinois Funds for Emergency (L.I.F.E.) programs. Same for aluminum can tabs. I'll take them too. Don't put them in your weekly recycling. Pull off the tabs and help your Foundation help others.