

# Lions Roar

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## Christmas Stockings Donation a success....

**Karen Baker** from Palatine Township sent me the following e-mail and pictures regarding our recent donation of Christmas stockings. We donated the stocking and the members of St Nectarios Church filled them with items wanted by the senior citizens living at St Joseph's Home in Palatine. We should be proud of what we did that helped some people in our community and allowed them to have an enjoyable Christmas. **"I just wanted to thank you and tell you how delighted the residents of St Joes were to receive the stockings. They were extremely grateful and quite surprised."**



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### Thank You to

- **Lion Tom Peckham** for coordinating the Lions painting project.
- **Lion Fred Barr** for his continued work on the Eyeglass Collection program.

**Great job Lions!!!**



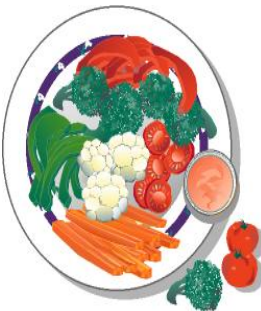
Make a note of these upcoming events to put on your calendar now.

**Blood Mobile—4/28**

This will be our 2nd effort to help those in need when we sponsor the LifeSource Blood Mobile at the Palatine Township building.



Please note that the remaining Guest Nights this year will be as follows: 2/15, 5/17 & 6/21.



**Meeting Guest Speakers -**

- 2/15—Village of Palatine
- 3/15—Palatine Police
- 4/19—TBD (Lion BC)
- 5/3—TBD (Lion Paul)

Please step up and make a suggestion if there is a topic you would like to hear about.

**District 1-F Convention Coming March 16th—18th**

This year our Convention will have the theme of “Chicago” because the 90th International Convention is in Chicago this year (7/2-7/6). Are you planning to attend the District Convention on Friday March 16th through Sunday March 18th? There are many things to participate in and there is a lot of fun to be had during the weekend. Just ask Lion BC. He seemed to know everyone before the weekend was over last year. Or ask Lion Tom Peckham. He and Amy were there the entire weekend and had a great time. A registration form and letter are being included with this newsletter. Please send

in your registration and make your hotel reservations as soon as possible. Our Club will be sponsoring a



Hospitality Room this year and we will need your input to plan and to staff the room during the weekend. Also, Lion Paul will be on the ballot for Vice District Governor. Please show up, have some fun, vote for Lion Paul and meet some great Lions from across our District. If you have

questions or want to know more about the weekend just ask those Lions that attended last year, namely Tom Dorsch, BC Coleman, Tom Peckham, Andy Pieper, Jim Cooper, Patti Curtis, Bruce Thill, Ray Maggi, Mark Landhauser, Norb Schmaus and Norma Schmaus. Look forward to seeing you all again this year. Spouses are welcome to attend also, but everyone that attends **MUST** pay the Registration Fee and please note that **ALL** meals must be pre-purchased. **NO** meals will be available to purchase at the Convention. Please contact Lion Paul for additional details.

**District 1-F Annual Bowling Tournament**

**Bertrand Lanes, Waukegan, IL**

**Sunday February 11, 2007**



**Two Starting Times : 10:00 A.M. and 12:45 P.M**

The time is fast approaching for the annual Bowling Tournament. Our Club has always participated in the past. Please contact our Bowling Chair Lion Mike Jaworsky know if you are interested in bowling this year. It is always a fun event and you are encouraged to bring others you know that may want to bowl as well. They can be potential members, friends, neighbors, relatives, spouse, etc. You name it. Our “pride” will not be affected by having others represent our Club in this annual competition. A registration form has been included with this newsletter. Don’t worry you won’t miss the Bears winning the Super Bowl because that all takes place the week before. Come on out and have some fun.

## CAMP LIONS CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF SUMMERS

This year Camp Lions will host its 50<sup>th</sup> year of the summer camp experience for children ages 7-17. In a week away from home, sight and hearing impaired children make new friends enjoying activities and create memories that last a lifetime. Activities include swimming, hiking, boating, horseback riding, archery, and many other games. Camp counselors guide the way and have creatively developed games designed to entertain the children. One described at a recent general Lions club meeting is a new wrinkle of the ring toss. Campers toss cheerio cereal rings onto the face of a counselor which is swathed with peanut butter.

The Helen Keller camp provides an opportunity for hearing and sight impaired adults to get away for a week of outdoor activities. Adults make friends with people who have similar disabilities...people who understand them. It's a chance to have a week in the country. And for many, this is the only week in the year they live outside a nursing home or residential facility.

Each year our Club donates \$525.00 to provide for one person to attend Camp Lions. To see for yourself what these children so appreciate, open house for Camp Lions is now on a Friday. For those of you who have never been, this is a very inspiring visit. News of exact dates will follow in next month's newsletter.



Helen Keller Adult Camp has been a haven for fun and making friends with peers who are blind & deaf since 1993. The LIF Helen Keller Camp is the only summer program of its kind in Illinois. At left camper Robert Bednarzyk, enjoys the simple pleasure of holding a kitten.

**Opportunities to learn more  
about your Lions Club:**

**January 31st—Member orientation meeting at Palatine Library (7:00—9:00).** This meeting will be conducted by Lion Bob Gunning from the Gagewood Lions Club and you don't have to be a new member to attend. Everyone that wants to learn more about Lions is invited.

**February 19th—Club Leadership Meeting.** This meeting is hosted every other month by Lion Mike Baumer who is a Past District Governor from our District and is the District Leadership Chairman for the District. The meeting will be held at the Vernon Hills Lions Den from 7:00-9:00 and is for anyone that is interested in learning more about what is generally required from officers of the Lions Club and how the organization is structured.

**May 12th—LIP 'N Lunch.** This is an annual training meeting that will be held in Mt Prospect for a half day. The seminars include various Lions and assorted other topics. The meeting includes a continental breakfast and lunch.



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**Did you see the GREAT article in the latest edition of the  
Lions International magazine?????**

If you have not had an opportunity to view the above article yet then you need to open your Lions magazine immediately, if not sooner, so you can check out the STUPENDOUS article about our Club that was included in this month's edition of the Lions magazine. Everyone should be proud of the fact that this article was written about our Club. It will be seen far and wide. Our District Public Relations Chair has advised me that he was going to circulate copies around the State. Palatine is on the map.

**Happy (Belated) Birthday Melvin Jones**

January 13th was the 128th birthday of Melvin Jones. He was born in Ft. Thomas, AZ and was the son of a U.S. Army Captain. Melvin came to Chicago as a young man. Initially associated with an insurance firm, Melvin Jones began his own agency in 1913. After joining the local Business Circle, a businessman's lunch group, he was elected Secretary. Melvin saw the potential of this group because of their drive, intelligence and ambition. He challenged the members to put their skills to use to improve their community. At his invitation, men from clubs around Chicago gathered and formed the Lions Clubs on June 5, 1917. Melvin Jones later left his insurance business to devote himself full time to Lions at the international headquarters. A great leader of his time, Melvin Jones represented the Lions Clubs International as a consultant in San Francisco in 1945 at the organization of the United Nations.. One of his quotable remarks is "you can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else." He died on June 1, 1961 at the age of 82. A long life and a very long and wide legacy.

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