

District 1-J Journal

Home of Lionism

From the Governors Desk . . .



Greetings!

As your Governor this will be the last editorial for me to write. It has been an honor to be your Governor and First Lady and to serve a great district as 1-J. The Lions, Lionesses, and Leos have done an outstanding job in keeping 1-J the best in the state in membership, activities, and donations to LIF, LCIF, and others that have called upon you. Our thank you goes out to all of you for your services well done and being that Beacon of Hope and that shining star for those in need.

A couple of exciting items that occurred during this 2010 - 2011 Lions Year are the charter of the SASED Leo Club. The Leos are doing very well in their services and activities to their community and are opening the membership to include all the students in the school. They will have a huge membership growth this fall.

Then there is Amy Bosko, the Essay Winner from the Albright Middle School in Villa Park, who won the Grand Prize from Lions Clubs International and will be in Seattle during the second Plenary Session of the International Convention to receive her check for \$5,000.00 from International President Lion Sid Scruggs III. What a joy it is going to be to be there and see the presentation given to this young lady for writing the winning essay.

We also had a great Convention with a very special speaker, PID Lion Doc Myers from Kodiak, Alaska, our International guest for that weekend. The work that Lions PDG Ed and Sue Carter and their committees did was overwhelming. You all did a great job and we thank you dearly.

District 1-J, to your Governor and First Lady, is the premier district in Multiple District 1. You all have shown your ability in helping those that call upon us for our services. You are the ones in the trenches within your communities being that Beacon of Hope with your unselfishness to help others.

We ask that you continue being that Ray of Sunshine for so many to give them the hope knowing that someone is there to give them the help and a better life. May our Precious Lord Bless you all for being such great servants to those who call upon us. We ask that you continue your great service during the 2011-2012 Lion Year when our new Governor, Lion Jim Addington, takes over the leadership of 1-J.



I am ending with a special prayer for ZC Lion Perry Knutson, who has fallen and broken his neck, for God to watch over him and Lion Sue during this troubled time in their lives. May he give them strength and peace knowing that we all want him to get through this and get well soon.

Please continue to pray for him and our men and women serving our great country protecting our freedom and keeping us safe from those who want to harm us.

*In God We Trust / As Lions We Serve
District Governor Lion Bob Jackson*

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And Now We Say Good Bye To . . .

*Lion Tom Schiferl
Bartlett Lions Club
(see story on p. 10)*



F. Y. I.

**Eastern Zone Chair Lion Perry Knutson
recently fell and suffered
a bad spinal injury.
He was hospitalized for a time
but on Monday, June 6th,
was moved to
the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago.**

***Please send Get Well Wishes to
Lion Perry and Lion Sue at:
1005 Summerfield Drive
Roselle, IL 60172***

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“The Miracle Worker” to be presented in June

The first show of a new theatre company in the western suburbs, the Actor Factor Theatre Company, will be “*The Miracle Worker*” which opens June 10, 2011, and runs through June 26, 2011, at Steel Beam Theatre, 111 W. Main Street, St. Charles IL. The play is based on Helen Keller’s autobiography, *The Story of My Life*.

According to publicity, “This play was selected for a number of reasons, not the least of which is the inspirational story of such a remarkable woman who overcame so much, and was such an incredible inspiration to many. “

In 1925 at a Lions Clubs International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, Helen Keller challenged Lions to become “knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness.” The Lions accepted her request and it inspired Lions Clubs International to adopt the Sight Conservation and Work with the Blind Program as a major service initiative. It still continues to this day. Helen Keller also received the Lions Humanitarian Award in 1961 for her lifetime of service.

Because there is a close association between Lions Clubs and Helen Keller, the Theatre Company is having a Lions Club Night on Thursday, June 16, 7:30 PM, at a special price of \$17.00 per seat. A Sunday Matinee performance has been added at 3 PM, on June 12th with the same ticket pricing.

Order tickets through www.actor-factor-theatre.org and use PassCode: Lions Club. Tickets are usually \$25.00 per person but will be specially priced for these two performances at: Up to 20 seats \$17.00; 20 or more seats \$15.00 per person.

Steel Beam Theatre is a relatively small venue (80 seats). There will be a talk-back with the actors for the audience of these special performances so that Lions could see how the actors prepared for the show and the research that went into the production.

Red Cross Asking For Help

Lion Randy Endean, District 1-J Co-Chair of Lions Alert, was contacted recently by the American Red Cross and asked if Lions could help with financial donations to assist the victims of the Joplin, Missouri, tornado devastation.

The Red Cross is OK with material donations, but are in desperate need of monetary donations to help those affected by this tragedy. Mail to: American Red Cross of Greater Chicago, 2200 W. Harrison, Chicago, IL 60612. Phone: 312-729-6100.

District 1-J is the greatest District in Illinois and members will find it in their hearts to donate what they can. Thank you, fellow Lions, for all you do to help those in need.

*Lions Randy Endean and Tom Reichhold
District 1-J Lions Alert Co-Chairs*

South Elgin Lions Club Also Accepting Donations

South Elgin Lions Club is also accepting cash donations to assist those communities that recently have been devastated by tornados.

Anyone wishing to donate can make checks payable to the South Elgin Lions Club and mail them to 500 Fulton Avenue, South Elgin IL 60177. Please enter Tornado Fund on your check to help identify the donation.

Special Mention in 1-J

Melvin Jones Fellow
Glendale Hts Barangay Lion Henry Kare

Lion of the Year

Glendale Hts Barangay
Lion Edwin Cachola

Golden Lion

Hampshire Lion Don Edmonson

Jim & Joyce Davis Lifetime Achievement Award

Richmond Lion Gary Smith

**District 1-J
Distinguished Service Awards**
Richmond Lions Tim & Donna McKeever
and Lion Kay Smith

New Items on Our 1-J Website

Before things “turned south” for Lion Perry Knutson recently, he had added some new items to the front page of our District 1-J website -- check them out!

For those who weren't at the April 1-J Convention -- or just those who want to hear them again -- there are music tracks recorded from the Friday evening 1-J Talent Show and also some photos taken at the Illinois State Lions Convention.

Keep Lion Perry & Lion Sue in your thoughts & prayers that he may soon be able to tend to his new home-based business, Perry Knutson Services, where he designs and hosts websites, among other things.

Algonquin Lions Club Presents Award

Contributed by Algonquin Lion Jerry Kautz

This year's Algonquin Lions “Ted Spella” Education Award was presented to Delaney Notbusch in honor of Katie Weiler, daughter of John and Barbara Weiler, who was killed a few years ago in a traffic accident while in her first year of college. Recipient Delaney Notbusch, and her Mom Anna and Dad Dale, were very appreciative of her award. Delaney, a senior at Dundee-Crown High School, was well qualified for the award.

John Weiler, a Managing Partner of Buffalo Wild Wings, has been a big supporter of Lions' causes in the past. As a very nice surprise to those present, John and Barb personally donated an additional \$1,000 to the Lions' Fund for Delaney's education. The Lions Club is very grateful.

Also a big thanks to the Education Committee of Lions John Cygan, Dennie Olsen, and especially Lion Don Purn, who “birddogged” the entire process and designed and printed the awards.



(l to r) John Weiler, Partner in Buffalo Wild Wings, Barbara Weiler, Dale Notbusch (Dad), Delaney Notbusch, Anna Notbusch (Mom), Algonquin Lion Mark Hecht, VP of the Algonquin Lions Club.

Fellow Lions, Lionesses and Leos . . .

Great news - our District 1-J donations jumped from a total of \$32,037.00 as of 05/05/11 to \$51,137.00 as of 05/19/11.

We are rallying all the clubs of District 1-J to come to the aid of the summer Camp Lions. Let's make sure the 80 campers waiting for admission are not deprived of the summer fun, learning and camaraderie Camp Lions offers to the youth and adults with hearing and/or vision impairments.

According to Lion Mario Gumino, we need to raise \$40,000 more to get all our campers to camp this year - this will be good news to 240 campers who will be spending a fun and exciting summer at Camp Lions. We thank all the District 1-J clubs who responded to our appeal for generous donations for Camp Lions. There's still time for the rest of District 1-J clubs to send in their donations to:

Camp Lions Adopt-A-Camper
Lions of Illinois Foundation
2814 DeKalb Avenue, Sycamore, IL 60178

Thank you for your generous and loyal support for Camp Lions.

Lion Jess Galvez

District 1J Camp Lions Coordinator

jess.galvez@comcast.net

P.S. We thank all of the District 1-J Clubs who responded to our appeal for generous donations for Camp Lions. Lion Mario thinks the 80 campers on the waiting list will be joining Camp Lions in June. We thank the District 1-J Clubs for their generous spirit of giving and caring.

Profile of A Golden Lion in 1-J

Contributed by Hampshire Lion Nils Von Keudal & Central ZC Lion Paul Groth

Lion Don Edmonson has only been a Hampshire Lion since September 2009, although it is not the length of years that he is a Lion, but rather his enthusiasm, that makes him a Golden Lion.

Lion Don attends all club meetings, actively participating because he knows that in Lions, everyone has a voice and that voice matters. In fact, he has stepped up and become the Hampshire Lions Club First Vice President. He knows that leadership matters in a club, and as such, he participates in the planning stages and the volunteering stages of Rose Day, Pancake Breakfast, Candy Day, and Turkey Raffles, just to name a few. His club runs many projects and Lion Don participates in all of them.

Lion Don's efforts on Candy Day have earned him recognition by his club for Hampshire Lion of the Year. During his time (which was all day for two days), he earned over \$800.00 each year. The residents of Hampshire don't mind contributing to Lion Don for some candy because they recognize the effort this Lion is putting in and realize it is for a good cause.

Lion Don has exhibited the enthusiasm that all Lions should possess. He knows that by having fun with your fellow Lions and helping his club he can achieve great things in the community. This is why Lion Don Edmonson is a Golden Lion.

Bill Jurek Speaks to Lombard Lions

Bill Jurek, a veteran broadcaster, who hosts a very popular program produced by Chicago Lighthouse Radio called *The Beacon*, recently spoke to the Lombard Lions Club.

The Beacon program is an invaluable resource for visually-impaired and motor-impaired individuals in the Chicagoland area. It has been in existence for a number of years now and reaches out to over 40,000. Previously only heard on Chicagoland Radio Information Services (CRIS), it now can be heard on WCPT-AM and FM on Sunday nights. Downloadable podcasts of the *The Beacon Show* are available from the Chicago Lighthouse website, <http://chicagolighthouse.org/>.

Bill Jurek may best be remembered as a personality on *The Lite* and the *Morning Show* host on FM 100 in the late 80s. He lost his vision in the mid-90s, and since then, has dedicated much of this time to causes helping the blind and visually-impaired.

Lombard Lions Club gave Bill Jurek a donation to help him support his causes.

Lions Clubs Promote Canine Companions for Independence

Bloomington Lions Club held its 5th *Walk-A-Dog-A-Thon* this year (see picture below) with proceeds from the event going to Canine Companions for Independence (CCI).



Cary Lions Club, inspired by Bloomington's *Walk-A-Dog-A-Thon* decided to try an event something along the same lines this year. The club hosted "*Cary Cares for Canines*" at Lions Park on May 22nd. The weather was great and about fifty dogs and their owners came that afternoon.

Dogs competed for tallest/shortest dog, shortest/longest tail, longest/shortest ears, and oldest/youngest dogs.

Educational presentations about the CCI puppy training programs were given. Area businesses and individuals provided seven large raffle baskets loaded with doggie stuff.

Go to <http://carylionsclub.org/> and watch a video of some of that afternoon event.

The Cary Lions say they are already planning for next year's event!



District 1-J - Focus on Service & How We Fund It

Central Region -- by Region Reporter Lion Jess Galvez

The **Bartlett Lions Club** gave out American Flags and information pamphlets to 736 first grade students at nine elementary schools, provided a \$500 service scholarship to a Bartlett High School senior, donated \$100 to the Bartlett Parks Foundation, provided free eye exams and glasses to three individuals, a hearing exam and hearing aid to one individual, and donated 1,400 pairs of used eye glasses and 4 hearing aids to LIF.

The **Batavia Lions Club** provided a \$1,000 scholarship to a Batavia High School graduate for the Lion John Rompala Community Service Award, donated \$250 to Camp Lions, raised \$2,660 at the 34th annual Plant Sale held in May, provided a free eye exam and glasses to two Batavia residents, and collected 275 pairs of used eyeglasses.

Eastern Region -- by Region Reporter Lion Jess Galvez

The **Bensenville Lions** 71st Annual Fenton Awards Banquet held on May 17 at Monty's on South York was a huge success. More than 300 guests attended the awards ceremony. Eight outstanding student athletes received Sportsmanship Awards. The Bensenville Lions will be joining the world of social media soon with the debut of a Facebook page.

The **Bloomington Lions** came out with a 22-page newsletter highlighting the glorious services and activities of the Bloomington Lions, complete with service blurbs and colorful photos. Page 1 featured Pres. Sharyn Murphy's swan song hailing the top club fundraisers, the hardworking committees and the loyal Lions who made it all happen. *Great job, Pres. Sharyn Murphy.* The club's popular Walk-A-Dog-A-Thon fundraiser scored good PR with the LCI website blog area.

The **Elmhurst Lions** participated in The Great Donation Day, June 3, at Elmhurst's Berens Park, 7:30 am - 1:30 pm. The community effort is sponsored by the Elmhurst Cool Cities Coalition engaged in reusing and recycling unwanted items like computers & electronics, school supplies, worn shoes, eyeglasses, ink cartridges, batteries and free document shredding. The club donated \$1,100 to Camp Lions.

The **Glendale Heights Barangay Lions** held a successful 27th charter anniversary fundraiser at the Medinah Shriners Center on May 21. District 1-J Gov. Lion Bob and Lady Darlene Jackson attended the celebration. Also present were Eastern Region Chair Lion Perry and Sue Knutson. A special souvenir program was published earning the club \$4,000 worth of congratulatory ads.

The **Roselle Lions** were busy with the Village Rose Festival on June 2-5. "There's something for everyone at the Fest. We have music, beer, food, rides, entertainment, Bingo and Bags Tournament. Also, don't forget, we have an entry in the annual Rose Parade." The club participated in an environmental clean-up at the American Legion Post on May 21.

Bits of Dis 'n Dat

READ OUR BLOG

Look to the right on Lions Clubs International's website, www.lionsclubs.org, and see "Read our Blog." After clicking on that, you will see a number of interesting stories -- and two of them are from District 1-J!

On May 27, 2011, you'll see an article and a video about **Bloomington Lions Club's** Walk-A-Dog-A-Thon held earlier this spring.

Then, on June 3, 2011, there is a story on Amy Bosko whose essay for vision-impaired young people won Lions Clubs International's Contest. Amy's essay was sponsored by the **Villa Park Lions Club**.

Bartlett Lions Club sent a check for \$10,500 to Lions of IL Foundation to sponsor 20 individuals to Camp Lions. A \$1,000 donation was sent to Spectrios Institute for use in its Children's Program for the Visually-Impaired.

North Aurora Lions Club is sponsoring a hole at a cost of \$100 at the **Batavia Lions Club's** Golf Outing.

Richmond Lions Club is making plans for tree plantings to beautify local parks, and several Lions have taken on the project of planting a tree or two on their own property.

One of the western 'burbs best parades will be provided by the **Darien Lions Club** on Monday, July 4th, starting at 9:30 AM from the north side of Hinsdale South High School on Clarendon Hills Road, the parade will head north to Plainfield Road. It then heads southwest to 75th Street, west past Cass Avenue, and ends at Eisenhower Jr. High School.

District 1-J - Focus on Service & How We Fund It

Fox River Region -- by Region Reporter Lion Jack Anderson, PDG

The **Elgin Lions Club** put in a strong effort to increase diabetes awareness and it resulted in donations of \$506 to the American Diabetes Association.

The **McHenry Lions Club's** donation to the Lions of Illinois Foundation for the Sight and Sound project was \$2,216. The **McHenry Lions** are also proud of New Member Lion Michelle Hendee for creating wooden Fox signs that will be displayed around the town honoring McHenry's 175th birthday

Four Island Lake Lions attacked and tackled the roadside litter on May 21st, despite the occasional cloudbursts. Once again, the 2- mile stretch of Route 176, through the village, is safe and clean again!

The **Dundee Twp. Lions** donated \$500 to Firefighter burn camp to aid disadvantaged children. This camp provides a summer camp experience for children who have been disfigured as a result of being severely burned. The Lions also assisted local Firefighters and the Park District with a Pancake Breakfast. Eight Dundee Lions assisted employees of the Dundee Township Park District and firemen from the Carpentersville Fire Department in preparing a pancake breakfast for seniors at the Park District Senior Center. The proceeds from the cost of the meal and donations from individuals as well as a matching grant secured by Mary Stallings, Senior Center Director, netted \$1,500 which will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association.

Thirty-Two Lions from the **Sun City - Huntley Lions Club** raised \$3,225 during L.I.F.'s Tootsie Pop Day. The Lions also donated \$500 to the L.I.F.'s Seeing is Believing Project. As part of their regular program to assist the Foundation in Eye Glasses Sorting, eight Lions went to the Foundation office on two separate dates to work at the sorting table. They also hosted Lion John Cornielle of the **DeKalb Evening Lions Club** and listened to his talk about the Foundation Fighting Blindness.

Crystal Lake Lions will host the Annual Horizons for the Blind Picnic late this month. The club will be running a Beatles Bash/ Party Fundraiser at The Cottage on Sunday, June 19th.

Wit & Wisdom

Contributed by Eastern Region Reporter Lion Jess Galvez

"There are no rules. You have to taste the wine with an open mind. You can drink red wine with lobster and white wine with lamb." -- Multi-starred Michelin Chef Alain Ducasse

Coming together is a beginning . . . staying together is progress . . . and working together is success! -- Henry Ford

How should college grads define success? it's about who you are rather than what you do.

Back in March, The New York Times published a story headlined, "*More College Graduates Take Public Service Jobs.*" The article talked about "a cohort of young (people) who ended up doing good because the economy did them wrong." Among the article's findings: In 2009 alone, 11% more graduates went to work for non-profits than had the year before. Applications for AmeriCorps positions nearly tripled from 2008 to 2010, to 258,829. The number of applications to the Teach for America program increased by 32% to 43,359. In seeking to summarize the data, the article's author, Catherine Rampell, used a term I thought was particularly resonant: these people were "recalibrating" their ambitions and their goals.

At the end of the day, it's our choices, and the energy and passion with which we follow up on them, that make our lives successful.

-- Thursday, May 26, 2011, USA TODAY-- Peter Buffett, a composer, is author of "*Life Is What You Make It.*"

From the Richmond Lions' *Phantom Tales*:

"If your dream should fall and break into pieces, never be afraid to pick one of those pieces up and begin again."

District 1-J - Focus on Service & How We Fund It

Southeastern Region -- by Lion Sandy Williams

Aurora Noon Lions found that soliciting for ads for placemats to use at its Spring Pancake Breakfast was quite successful. The Board also considered soliciting donations of food for the breakfast from suppliers and rewarding them with advertising slots on the placemats.

Two \$500 scholarships were awarded by **Lisle Lions Club** at the High School level. Four jr. high level students each received a certificate and a \$100 US Savings Bond. Ten of the 12 residents who applied for vision assistance have received LensCrafters vouchers. Donations approved include: \$100 for the Lisle H.S. Senior Banquet, \$675 to sponsor a Lions Camper; \$250 for Ski for Sight; \$300 to DONKA; \$100 to Leader Dog; and \$1,000 to Lions of IL Foundation. The last \$1,000 of the club's \$5,000 pledge to Campaign SightFirst II has been paid. **HOORAY!!**

Naperville Noon Lions Club is kicking off its Summer Raffle for which the winner will be drawn on Labor Day at the Last Fling. The Lions will again have a booth at RibFest to make & sell funnel cakes. A donation was made to the St. Baldrick's fundraiser. This April & May, the number of Social Service cases was higher than in past years for the same months, however, the total number for this Lion Year is down from previous years.

Southwestern Region -- by Lion Craig Rice.

DeKalb Evening Lions recycled 126 pairs of eyeglasses, three hearing aids, 15.5 lbs. of keys, 0.5 lb. pull-tabs, and five ink cartridges. They also donated One Birdies for Charity/Fellowship and donated one camper scholarship for Camp Lions.

Elburn Lions and Leos hosted Mothers' Day Breakfast. The Lions also hosted BINGO on three Friday nights. The Park Committee is busier than ever scheduling one large picnic after another at Lions Park.

Malta Lions felt the club's Rose Day was very successful as they learned they sold 350 dozen. Malta Lion Mark Male sold 120 dozen.

Sandwich Lions have a full plate of events: Summer roadside cleanup in June; Officer Installation Dinner; Health Fair; July Parade, fireworks and popcorn; annual Steak Fry in August; and the Sandwich Fair Steer Raffle in September.



WE SERVE --- YES, WE DO! --- THANK YOU!

June 11, 2011, marks three months since the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan. Lions Clubs International Foundation and Lions worldwide have responded to help the people of Japan by mobilizing more than \$15,000,000.00 and distributing 30 tons of food.

Please note that contributions to the Japan Relief Fund are Melvin Jones Fellowship-eligible only until the end of this Lion Year, through June 30, 2011.

Whether it's for help in Japan, help for areas damaged by recent tornadoes in the United States, or an undesignated donation to LCIF, now is a good time to make those year-end donations.

REMEMBER: WE SERVE. SERVICE IS WHAT LIONS ARE ABOUT ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THANKS AGAIN!

*Lion Nancy Rex, PDG
District 1 - J LCIF Chair*



Lioness Clubs in 1-J

Lioness Clubs -- by Lion Sandy Williams

The **Island Lake Lioness Club** participated in the LIF's Tootsie Pop Day and raised \$498.47, sending \$299.08 to the Foundation.

Fox River Grove Lionesses marched as a unit in the Village's Memorial Day Parade. The club also hosted a presentation and made a donation of \$125.00 to the Veteran's Network Committee. Several Lionesses helped the FRG Lions with the Adopt-A-Highway Clean-Up. Two Lioness Kay Laube Memorial Scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors at the recent Cary-Grove High School Honors Night.



Leo Clubs in 1-J

Most of our material this month has been provided by PDG Lion Ron Fangusaro, Leo Clubs and Youth Opportunities State Chair:

The **Elmhurst Leos** are sponsoring a Food Drive. On Sunday, June 5, they'll drive through the Elmhurst neighborhood to pick-up food items. The Leos are still looking for a new location for the annual car wash. If you know of a suitable place, please contact Lion Kristi or Lion Jeri.

The **Elburn Leo Club** purchased and donated two new Autumn Blaze Maple Trees for the Elburn Lions Park to replace trees infested by the emerald ash borer. This project was entered in the Lions' Global Action Campaign.

'Round the District PIX



Photo by Daniel Main of the Huntley Patch -- Lion Jack Anderson, PDG, and President of the Sun City-Huntley Lions Club (c) along with members of the Huntley Lions Club meet prior to the start of the 2011 Huntley Memorial Day Parade. Remember -- it was a gorgeous day that day after two other icky days of the 3-day holiday.

(Below) Another Lions Club, Crystal Lake Lions, got to take advantage of that beautiful weather on Monday, May 30th, to march through the town with the club's BIG Flag once again. It's always an awe-inspiring sight for all.



DeKalb Eve. Lions Club Pres. Lion Rick Tonnozzi, PDG, (l) presents a check to Lion John Corneille on behalf of the Foundation Fighting Blindness. Lion John's wife Pam is in the center.



Bartlett Lion Sara Cooper presents the Pyramid of Golf Balls!

Bloomington Lion Sue Crosson-Knutson (left, back row) presented awards to Cub Scout Pack 457 for helping her Lions Club with the Walk-A-Dog-A-Thon that she chaired in early May.



Lombard Lion Ernie Turcotte (l) is being sworn in as the Club Tail Twister at the Annual Installation Dinner. Lion Club Pres. Steve Kudulis does the honors. Bet Lion Ernie has some good ideas in mind!



New officers for the 2011-2012 Lion Year are now duly installed by District Gov. Lion Bob Jackson at the club's 27th Charter Anniversary celebration on May 21.



Our 1-J Lion Family

Welcome these new Lions & Lionesses to District 1-J – the greatest!!

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Lion Stephanie Clesson	Elburn Lions	Lion Chris Halsey
Lion Chester Cybulski	Elburn Lions	Lion Jerry Schmidt
Lion Marjorie Cybulski	Elburn Lions	Lion Jerry Schmidt
Lion Kristen Damolaris	Elburn Lions	Lion Pam Hall
Lion Christine Johnson	Elburn Lions	Lion Annette Siwy
Lion Ted Masinick	Elburn Lions	Lion Dave Judd
Lion Dan Purcell	Elburn Lions	Lion Joe Kryszak
Lion Carole Rotter	Elburn Lions	Lion Uwe Rotter
Lion Maranda Schenck	Elburn Lions	Lion Dennis Schenck
Lion Patrick Teal	Elburn Lions	Lion Jenn Hanson
Lion Genevieve Franz	Lisle Lions	Lion Rick Franz
Lion Christopher A. Ziola	Malta Lions	Lion Deb Fullington
Lion Antonio Romero	Aurora Noon Lions	Lion Dave Fitzgerald
Lion Julie Kosanovich	Villa Park Lions	Lion Helen Dreckman



In Lombard, there is a Zeidler family with a motto of “neighbors helping neighbors.” This family has served and helped the community in many ways, such as building a playground, working with the German and Italian Fests, and serving on the YMCA and Chamber Boards. Their family-owned grocery business, Mr. Z’s, has permitted the Lombard Lions Club to use its parking lot for many years to raise funds with its Bratwurst Stand during the Lombard Lilac Parade. The Lions Club presented Steven Zeidler (r) with a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award for his involvement in the Lombard community. On the left is Club President Lion Steve Kudulis.

Bartlett Lion Tom Schiferl (1932-2011)

By Bartlett Lion Greg Szydlowski

Lion Tom Schiferl died on June 3, 2011, after suffering a heart attack at the Bartlett Lions Golf Outing on June 2nd. Lion Tom was a Lion for 32 years.

He held various offices in the club and was the recipient of numerous rewards. These awards included a Melvin Jones Fellowship, Lion of the Year, and the George Lazansky Award.

Lion Tom was very active in the community and was a great example of a Lion who follows the Motto “We Serve”. Lion Tom will be greatly missed by his family, the Bartlett Lions, and the community as a whole.

Above is a picture of Lion Tom at the June 2nd Bartlett Golf Outing, where he managed the longest putt contest at the 9th hole. *RIP, Lion Tom, Well Done!*



WHAT'S GOIN' ON – IN 1-J

- Jun. 11 Only a few more days (June 15) to get the Early Bird Registration Fee for the **USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM** that will be held Sept. 22-24 in Anchorage Alaska. The Registration Fee goes up after June 15th. You may print out the Registration Form or register on-line at <https://usacanadalionsforum.org>.
- Jun. 12 **Hinckley Lions Club** Car Show at Pioneer Park in Hinckley. Registration at 8 AM. For those who want to spend some time there, a Pancake Breakfast at 8 AM, and Hot Dogs & Hamburgers at 11 AM. Judging will take place at 2 PM. For more information call Lion Jerry at 815-286-3319 or Lion Larry at 815-761-2701.
- Jun. 16 The **Bloomington Lions' American Cancer Society Relay for Life** is at Lake Park West Campus.
- Jun. 17 Deadline for entering your club's Environment Project in the District 1-J **Lions Green Team Contest** is June 30. Entry forms were sent to all Club Presidents. The winning club will be announced at the 1st round of Region Meetings in 2011-2012. For questions, contact Sue.Crosson.Knutson@gmail.com or 630-894-7394.
- Jun. 17 The **Hampshire Lions Club's 20th Annual Golf Outing** today at Randall Oaks Golf Club & Banquets. \$100/person, \$110 after June 1, includes 18 holes of golf, riding cart, prime rib dinner and prizes.
- Jun. 17-18 **Roselle Lions' American Cancer Society Relay for Life**, Lake Park High School, West Campus. Contact Roselle Lions Terena for more information.
- Jun. 19 **South Elgin Lions' Fathers' Day Pancake Breakfast**. Serving from 8 AM to 12 Noon. \$5 per person.
- Jun. 21-26 Swedish Days in Geneva -- look for **Geneva Lions Club's** booth at SW corner of James & Third, Geneva.
- Jun. 22 **Villa Park Lions Club** & Villa Park VFW invite you to a Pork Chop Dinner 2011. 6 PM until 8:30 PM at VFW Post 2801, 39 E. St. Charles Road, Villa Park. \$10—Adults; \$5 for Children under 10. Cash bar. *Raffles & prizes to win!*
- Jun. 24 **Villa Park Lions Club** will be hosting the LIF Hearing Bus and providing free hearing tests at the Jewel-Osco parking lot.
- Jun. 24-25 **Island Lake Lioness Club** is participating in the Island Lake Village Wide Garage Sale Days to benefit the club.
- Jun. 29 15th Annual Charity Golf Challenge, hosted by the **Bloomington Lions Club**, at Bloomington Golf Club. \$125 per person includes Green Fees, Cart, Lunch, Dinner & Prizes. 12 Noon Lunch and 1:30 PM Shotgun Start. Contact Lion Sharyn Murphy at stmurphy@ameritech.net or 630-529-7557 for more information.
- Jul 16 **Waterman Lions' Summerfest Antique Tractor & Farm Equipment Show** at Lions Park just south of Rte. 30. Booths & crafts and more. Family-oriented activities. Contact Lion Leonard Johnson at 815-757-5065 or Lion Shawn Blobaum at 815-275-4874 for details.
- Jul. 1-3 Eyes to the Skies Festival at Community Park in Lisle. Look for **Lisle Lions** there in the Wine/Beer tents. For more information see <http://eyestotheskies.org/home>
- Jul. 1-4 The **Bensenville Lions** will be at the Liberty Fest Carnival & Beer Tent in Redmond Park.
- Jul. 03 **Bensenville Lions Club** will sponsor the LIF Mobile Hearing Bus at Redmond Park for free hearing screenings.
- Jul. 03-05 Free Hearing Screening at Lions of IL Foundation Bus -- Hosted by the **Bensenville Lions Club** at Redmon Park from 12 Noon to 4 PM.
- Jul 4-8 **LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION** at Seattle WA. Check with 1st Vice Governor-Elect Lion Leo Snyder about transportation arrangements being made from Chicagoland area to Seattle.
- Jul. 21 **DISTRICT 1-J FISHING DERBY** at Lake Shabbona State Park – *Details later!*
- Jul. 28 **DISTRICT 1-J LIONS ANNUAL GOLF OUTING** at Hughes Creek, 1749 Spring Valley Dr., Elburn. **Entries due July 1st.** Cost is \$75.00. Includes cart & golf, lunch, & steak dinner. Shotgun start at 10 AM. There will be prizes. Hole sponsorships available. All entries due with payment to Lion Bob Fowler no later than July 1, 2011. For more info, contact him at 847-370-1621.
- Jul. 30 **Elburn Lions Club's** annual Bags & Bones Tournament at Lions Park.
- Aug. 02 **Bartlett Lions Club's** National Night Out -- *look for other Lions Clubs also having this event.*
- Aug. 03 **Huntley Lions Club** Golf Outing at Pinecrest Golf Club in Huntley. Check in at 10 AM with Shotgun Start at 11 A M .



Bartlett Lions rest after a long day on the course at the club's 175h Annual Golf Outing. The weather was beautiful that day and all had a good time, but a sobering time, with the one of the club's long-time Lions, Tom Schiferl, suffering a heart attack late that afternoon.

Around the District



It was a cold & rainy weekend for this year's Lilac Parade in Lombard, but many people still turned out. Instead of selling hot dogs, popcorn & Brats this year, the Lions gave away cotton candy & popcorn for donations. *Betcha didn't do too badly that way either! Some years it just rains on one's parade.*



DeKalb Eve. Lions Club Rick Tonnozzi, PDG (r) presents the new 30-Yr. Membership recipients to the club.

(l to r) Lion Dean Burgemeister, 1st Vice Lion Bob Conrad, Lion Larry Werline, and Treasurer Lion Dan Byford. *Congratulations, Lions!*

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A Step in "Being Knights of the Blind" Lombard Lions Club Pres. Lion Steve Kudulis (r) presents a \$1,000 scholarship to Hinsdale South High School student, Coraima Villareal. She attended the Deaf/Hard of Hearing Program at Hinsdale South and will be attending College of DuPage.

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*From the Blotter of
Lion Bob Jilke, District 1-J Trustee
Lions of Illinois Foundation*

With the Roselle Lions Club Rose Fest going on the same weekend as the Lions of IL Foundation's Walk for Sight, Lion Bob was busy ALL weekend.

He indicated that Lion John says it well in his column. He will be back with us next month.

*Lion Bob Jilke, PDG, District 1-J Trustee
and President of the Endowment Fund
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What better place to put this photo than on this page!

West Chicago Lion Lori Chassee and LIF District 1-J Memorials & Endowment Fund Chair, promoting Lions of Illinois Foundation's Memorials & Endowments at the Sandwich Lions Club.

If you haven't yet, think about inviting Lion Lori, or some of the several other LIF District 1-J Chairpersons, to speak to your club members at one of your meetings.

*From the Blotter of
Lion John Landon, District 1-J Trustee
Lions of Illinois Foundation*

As the 2010-2011 Lion Year comes to an end, it is time to thank the Lions and clubs in District 1-J for all they have done this year for our Foundation. The Endowment Fund, ably led by its President and my fellow Trustee, Lion Bob Jilke, PDG, may well reach a total of \$7.5 million dollars by July 1. The operations side of our Foundation continues to provide services to more than 18,000 sight and hearing impaired children and adults in Illinois. It would not be possible for our Foundation to be as healthy as it is without the contributions of District 1-J.

Lion Bob Jilke and I, as your Trustees, are as proud as can be when we read reports that show District 1-J leading all other Districts in Illinois in support of our Foundation. A great example is that, as of the end of May, District 1-J had contributed more than \$57,000 to Camp Lions; the closest of the other eleven Districts in Illinois was only able to garner \$24,000. This is only one example. District 1-J leads in all other areas of support for our Foundation. Keep up the good work.

The recent Walk For Sight, held at Geneva on Sunday, June 5, was, to say the least, not very well attended. We all would have liked to see many more walkers. But those who attended appear to have brought in pretty good revenues. The weather was fine, a great time was had by all. Please consider the Walk For Sight as your club makes plans for the next Lion Year. Proceeds from this fun activity/fundraiser are 100% used for our Foundation's aid to the sight-impaired. I must take a few words to thank the many volunteers who made this event possible and especially to thank the Island Lake and Roselle Lions Clubs, Prairie Land and Ball Park Franks(Sara Lee) for their contributions to this event.

With just a month left in the 2010-2011 Lion Year our Foundation still needs to provide for a few campers. If your club has extra money available before the end of the year this would be a great place to put it. Help send the last few kids to Camp Lions this summer.

And thanks again for all you do to support our Lions of Illinois Foundation.

*Lion John Landon, PDG, PCC
1-J Governor 2004-2005
MD-1 Council Chairman 2007-2008
District 1-J Foundation Trustee 2009-2011*

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