

District 1-J Journal

Home of Lionism

From the Governor . . .

Thank you to all the Lions, Leos, and Lionesses that came to the District Bowling Tournament. It was nice to see you there.

We are into the second half of this Lion Year and we need to continue to provide **Speed of Service** in Helping and Serving those in need. Thanks for helping the needy in your Community, and throughout the World.

I am asking all the clubs in the District to participate in Diabetes Awareness in March or April by collecting donations on the corner, in front of stores, and/or making a donation to Diabetes Awareness. Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in the United States. Is it not better to help prevent people from becoming blind? All of us know someone among our families, friends or neighbors that has diabetes. Let's help them and make our District have 100% participation.

Also this March or April there will be a Leo Conference. The Conference is planned to take place in New Lenox, IL at the Lincolnway Central High School. Further information will be announced later as to the date and time. District 1-J has the most Leo Clubs in the State. Leo Clubs that are going to participate need to start putting information together showing the things that you do.



The District 1-J Convention will be held April 9-11, 2010 at the Hilton Lisle/Naperville Hotel located at 3003 Corporate West Drive, Lisle, IL. This year, there will be new things for you to enjoy. Friday Night there will be a Talent Contest. Contact Lion Susan Knutson at (630) 894-7394 for more information.



On Saturday we will be displaying Club Brag Posters and Club Newsletters. Clubs are asked to bring a Poster showing pictures of Club Events etc. All Lions, Leos and Lionesses will vote for the best. The Schooling this year will have two sessions, each session will consist of three different topics. This change was made based on questionnaires completed at the 2nd round of Region Meetings.

We will also have the Plenary Session, Silent Auction, Theme Baskets and Baking Contest on Saturday. Bring your Cakes, Pies, and Cookies on Saturday between 9 AM and 11 AM. **No refrigerated items Please.** On Friday and Saturday there will be Hospitality Rooms for you to enjoy. On Sunday we will have the Necrology Service. I hope to see you, Lions, Leos and Lionesses.

Also this year, we are asking you to sell ads to businesses. You will get money for selling these ads. For more information check the District Website at www.district1jlions.org.

Don't forget to place an ad for your club and information about your club.

**Happy Valentine's Day to everyone,
and remember YOUR FAVORITE VALENTINE!**

*Yours in Lionism,
Lion George Endean
Governor, District 1-J*

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From the LIF Trustees' Blotters 1-J Bowling Raffle Winners

The 1-J Journal is posted monthly on the District 1-J web site at www.district1jlions.org

More PIX under District 1-J Photos on the 1-J website

F. Y. I.

PDG Lion Bill Kren is currently in
The Tillers Rehab Center
at 4390 Rte. 71, Oswego IL 60543

*PDG Lion Ed Carter had lunch with
Lion Bill on Feb. 6th and says he has
dropped a few pounds, needs to work
on his mobility, but realizes he cannot
do everything he used to, and hopes to
move into an assisted living situation
in two weeks.*

*Lion Ed reports that Lion Bill was
pretty busy trying to get some of the
staff signed up as Lions --
and sends his best to all!*

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From Our 1-J Leadership Chair . . .

Ask your club members to attend the Region Meetings. Here, they learn what other clubs in their Region are doing, as well as learn about some of the programs going on in the District. They also have a chance to network with other Lions, which is never a bad thing. Through this interaction you could be just a smile and a handshake away from the next successful fundraiser, maybe as a multiple club project, or you could just make some new friends.

The same is true for the District Convention, we all know about the Friday Night party, but Saturday and Sunday are worth attending as well. On Saturday there will be schooling sessions in the morning, where six topics that have been requested by clubs will be discussed in a totally different format from what was done in the past. In the afternoon, there is a Plenary Session where you will learn more about the candidates and hear about some of the good work that Lions in the District have done as well. In the evening there is the banquet, where the George Lazansky Awards and other notable awards are given out. There is always a Keynote Speaker (this year it is Past International Director -- Joe Preston) who will give his insight on Lions. Sunday -- there it is all wrapped up during breakfast and the memorial is presented for the Lions that have passed on during the year.

In all, going to these types of events and their importance need to be communicated by you, as the leader of your club, to all members, and the more positive things you have to say, the more likely they are to attend them. As with anything, you get what you put into it. If you want to learn, the information is there, and if you don't, then you won't.

Let's help our new members grow into stronger Lions and encourage others to attend these types of District events to learn more than just what their club is doing.

Lion Paul Groth, District 1-J Leadership Chair

Someone Special IS Special For All

Oakbrook Terrace Lions are hard at work to see that this year's Someone Special event will be a great event for those attending. Saturday, Apr. 3rd, is the date, and it will be held at Drury Lane Oakbrook. Guests are invited to a morning performance of a play in the theatre, *High School Musical* this year, and for lunch afterwards in the Grand Ballroom.

If your club knows of a family in your community that would like to come to Someone Special -- *or your club members would be interested in volunteering*, please let OBT Lion Cindy Glenn know by contacting her at:

Lioncindyobt@comcast.net

OR

Lion Cindy Glenn, 152 Yuma Lane, Carol Stream, IL 60188

As the families who are guests at Someone Special do not pay anything for this special day, Oakbrook Terrace Lions Club is asking for donations from clubs around District 1-J. (*This became a District-wide project several years ago.*) Please send donations to:

Oakbrook Terrace Lions Club
P.O. Box 7018
Oakbrook Terrace IL 60181

Volunteers are needed to greet in-coming guests and assist those in wheelchairs. Families start arriving shortly after 9 AM. Lunch will be included in your volunteer stint. *It really is a special event for all -- come and you will see!*

THE "E.A.C.H. LION" PROGRAM

Lions Clubs International Foundation has a program named the "E.A.C.H. Lion" program.



*E.A.C.H. =
Everyone's Annual
Contribution Helps*

The program encourages every Lion to become an annual Contributing Member of LCIF. Currently, the entry level for a Contributing Member is \$20.00.

There are seventy-one (71) Lions Clubs in District 1-J. If every club added one new Contributing Member, that would add \$1,420.00 to LCIF. If every club in our District added two new Contributing Members, that would add \$2,840.00 to LCIF. MORE CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS = MORE SERVICE. Every Lion's commitment to an annual contribution helps make MIRACLES THROUGH SERVICE happen for people in need throughout the world. Please consider a Contributing Member gift to LCIF. Forms are available from LCIF, your District LCIF Chair, and will be available at the LCIF display at the District 1-J Convention.

*Yours in Lionism, Lion Nancy Rex, IPDG,
District 1-J LCIF Chair*

DID YOU KNOW . . .

that every 10 seconds two people in the world develop diabetes? Diabetes is a growing global epidemic affecting 246 million and diabetic retinopathy is the leading cause of vision loss in adults of working age in industrialized countries.

American Diabetes Association (ADA) and the Lions of Illinois Foundation (LIF) are partners in this great cause. Sixty percent (60%) of your donations goes to ADA and 40% to LIF.

Lions have two special opportunities to promote diabetes awareness:

- ▶ Organize a day to hold an Alert Day anytime between February 27 and May 15, 2010
- ▶ Create a fundraising activity dedicated to Diabetes Awareness

Your participation in this effort could include distributing diabetes risk tests, sugar-free candies, and donation collection at shopping malls, grocery stores, and other high traffic areas. Materials are available through ADA. Note: ADA new address: American Diabetes Association, 2501 Chatham Road, Suite 210, Springfield, IL 62704.

To assure proper credit of your club's donation, please make the check payable to ADA and include "For LIF Diabetes Awareness Program." Mail your check to your District Coordinator, Lion Susan Galvez, 5347 Galloway Drive, Hoffman Estates, IL 60192. Please call 847-691-8856 or email susan.galvez@comcast.net to alert her of your donation. She will mail your donation directly to the appropriate ADA office.

Special Mention in 1-J

55 Year Membership Chevrons

South Elgin Charter Members
Lions Vern Brunner and Art Stoll

25 Year Membership Chevron

Roselle Lion Sue Caravello
Bensenville Lions Ron Luethy,
Dolores Davis & Wanda Klampferer

2009 Leo of the Year Award

Elmhurst Leo Rachel Ann Slama
(Check it out on p. 53
of The Lion magazine)

Johnsburg Lions Set To Help Those in Need

The Johnsburg Lions will be hosting a Feb 27th fundraiser to support a family that had a serious accident with their daughter and due to finances and insurance limits they are struggling to pay medical bills.

This has evolved into having a fundraising effort to support both that first family and also another family needing funds for someone with a brain tumor. Lions will be selling pizza, beverages, raffles, and having fundraising games.

A local not-for-profit group in the area, just created to focus on cancer, will join forces with the Lions for this fundraiser at the Johnsburg Community Club. The event will run from 6 PM to Midnight. A \$5.00 donation fee is required at the door.

Both organizations thought this was a win-win situation and would result in a much larger event with combined efforts. Support from area Lions Clubs would be appreciated by the Johnsburg Lions Club. Check out club website for details.

Do You Have Talent?

A new event has been added to the District 1-J Activities this year. A Talent Contest is being chaired by Lion Sue Crosson-Knutson on Friday night, Apr. 9th at 7:30 PM. Maybe your Lions have hidden talent (*or one that they only display at club meetings*) that the rest of the District would enjoy seeing. For instance, a group of Sycamore Lions sings at the SW Region Meetings -- there was even guitar accompaniment last time.

Contact Lion Sue at sue.crosson.knutson@gmail.com or 630-894-7394 for more information.

Lions ROAR!!

McHenry Lion Carol Perschke is in need of "story tellers" for the Mar. 31st Lions' Roar for VDG Lion Bob Jackson. -- doesn't matter if they are really true! Contact Lion Carol at CPerschke@comcast.net or 847-497-3540 before Mar. 1st with your tales.

The Roar will be held on Mar. 31st at the Marquise Banquet Hall, r117 E./ Wonder Lake Rd., Wonder Lake IL. Attitude adjustment time begins at 6 PM; dinner will be served at 7 PM. Cost is \$22.00 per person.

Reservations (**and checks**) are to be sent to:

McHenry Lions Club
P.O. Box 292
McHenry IL 60051

The club needs reservations **by Mar. 24, 2010** in order for the Banquet Hall to place food orders. Please include names of those attending when you mail in your reservation.

Now is your chance to roast VDG Lion Bob Jackson!

Check Out New Training Sessions at This Year's 1-J Convention

Eastern ZC Lion Perry Knutson and SW ZC Lion Chris Halsey have assembled a "new & different" listing of District 1-J Sat. morning training classes/(from surveys filled out by clubs during the Nov. round of Region meetings).

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Lions of Illinois Foundation -- Lion Mario Gumino
Lions Alert -- Lion Randy Endean
Environment Programs -- Lion Paul Groth

Break from 9:30 AM to 10 AM

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Fundraising/New Service Programs -- Lion Sue Knutson
Membership Retention --
Lions Buzz Melton and Tawny Melton
Public Relations (PR) -- Marie Lazzara

All classes will be held in the east/west parlor room of the Lisle/Naperville Hilton Hotel with entrance at the east doors of the room. (*No more finding "your room."*) Presentations will be prepared with Power Point.

1-J Bowling Raffle Winners

Main Raffle Prize Winners

1st Prize Lion Tom Vesely Hinckley
2nd Prize Lion Tom Schiferl Bartlett
3rd Prize Lion Jerome Perez Sycamore
4th Prize Winfield Lions Winfield
5th Prize Lion Pete Yurgaitis Fox River Grove

Lane Raffle Winners are listed on an Insert Page with this issue. *Thanks for participating in the raffles and congratulations to all winners!*

Certificates and prize money for winning teams and individuals are being distributed this month at their respective Region Meetings.

Thanks to the SW Region Lions!

One hundred blind skiers were brought to the 1-J SW region for a weekend of cross country skiing, bowling and interaction with Lions Club members. Sycamore Lions Club hosted the Friday Night social event for the "Ski for Sight" project and also provided guides and servers for skiing and bowling on Saturday and Sunday.

Ten members of the Waterman Lions Club participated in Ski For Sight. At the SW Region meeting, many Lions Clubs there also indicated that they participated in Ski For Sight.

Many clubs throughout the District contribute to success of the project, but it's the Southwestern Region Lions who are on-site during the weekend that make it go! Thanks, Lions!

Why Not Take A Trip to DONKA?

Wheaton Lions Club heard speakers from DONKA, located in Wheaton, recently. A DONKA graduate, a DONKA instructor, and Leanne Stavenger-Vos, the Exec. Director of DONKA, gave the Lions insight into how those with sight and physical impairments are prepared for the workplace. DONKA is a unique computer training program that teaches individuals with assistive technology to become more self-sufficient and independent members of the community. All training is at no cost to the students.

Twenty computer work stations are outfitted with cutting-edge assistive technology and certified teaching ensures success for the students.

DONKA, Inc. is located at 400 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton IL -- 630-665-8169. Think about planning a field trip there for your club.

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

Central Region -- by Lion Paul Groth

Bartlett Lions: The Bartlett Lions Club had a table set up at a Community Expo with information on the Lions as a part of the "Lions in Sight" program. They informed the community about work their club does, and hopefully, recruited new members. During Jan. the club provided two residents with eye exams and glasses. A hearing exam and a hearing aid was provided to a local resident.

Burlington Lions: Donated a truck full of food to the Hampshire / Burlington food pantry in December.

Carpentersville Lions: Report that winter is a SLOW time for them.

Hanover Park Lions: Gave out 23 food baskets with gifts for the kids during their annual Christmas Food Basket Program.

Hampshire Lions: Donated \$2,473.72 to LIF -- 100% of its Candy Day Proceeds. Donated \$500.00 to the Spectrios Center and \$250.00 to Ski for Sight, plus, completed the annual Turkey Raffle with a \$1,291.74 profit.

North Aurora: Get your dancing shoes on, the North Aurora Lions are having a Dinner Dance fundraiser on March 6th. For more information visit their website.

South Elgin Lions: All regular Bingo games were sold at half-price during the last Sat. session of Jan. Those players who brought a donation of food for the local food pantry got an extra chance to win a free computer package.

West Chicago Lions: Will have their annual Pancake Breakfast on March 7th.

Eastern Region -- by Lion Jess Galvez

Bensenville Lions Club's will hold their 3rd Texas Hold 'Em fundraiser on Apr. 26th, to be chaired by Lion Virginia Golec. The last two fundraisers grossed more than \$5,000.

The **Glendale Heights Barangay Lions** donated \$100 to the LCIF Haiti Relief Fund. The club is gearing up for their second hospitality room entertainment at the upcoming District 1-J Convention. Nursing home visits are being tentatively scheduled for Feb. & Mar.

The **Lombard Lions** collected 300 eyeglasses, and 5 hearing aids. The club provided a free eye exam and eyeglasses to a Lombard resident. The club donated \$100 to Healthy Lombard.

The **Roselle Lions** reported a hefty increase in their Candy Day total - \$9,088.12. The club donated \$250 to Roselle American Legion Auxiliary, \$250 for Ski for Sight, \$250 to Bloomingdale Food Pantry and \$100 to Elks Club Thanksgiving for Veterans. The club collected 251 pairs of glasses, 4 hearing aids, 10 cell phones, 2 ink cartridges and lots of pull tabs.

The **Wood Dale Lions** reported Christmas sales of poinsettia plants topped \$200.00. Next year, the club plans to start the sale campaign earlier to generate more funds. The club is donating \$125 to Ski for Sight.

Elmhurst Lion Barb Savage is soliciting ads for the club's placemats for the upcoming annual Pizza Night.

It's the 24th Annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser coming up soon for the **Villa Park Lions Club**.

Club Briefs

Bartlett Lions: They also made two donations of \$500 to LCIF for the Haiti Disaster Relief Fund for a total donation of \$1,000.

North Aurora Lions: Several of their officers will be taking the plunge – the Polar Plunge, that is! You can bet they are looking forward to the near freezing water! The money raised goes to Special Olympics. If you are interested in making a donation please call Lion Sarah Prah for more info at: 630-549-2462.

West Chicago Lions: Still have firewood for sale as a fundraiser. If you need any visit www.westchicagolions.org and click on "Contact Us" for more information.

South Elgin Lions: Installed an AED in the clubhouse, but hope to never use it. Several club members were also certified in CPR and the use of the AED. The club also has daycare provided during the meetings which has allowed members with small children to attend the meetings. It is being run as a test program and it's also hoped that this will help attract new members to the club.

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

Fox River Region -- by Region Reporters Lion Jack Anderson, PDG, and ZC Lion Michael Dewey

The **Richmond Lions Club** purchased eyeglasses for a senior resident, donated \$300 worth of Christmas items to local food pantries, and donated \$300 to the Haiti Disaster Fund of LCIF, \$100 to Big Brothers/Big Sisters in McHenry.

The **Dundee Township Lions Club** held an All-Star honor luncheon for the Boy's Basketball stars in January at Kosta's restaurant in Algonquin. Total attendance was 34, including the All-Stars, Coaches, and Lions.

The **Elgin Lions** continue with a significant amount of success its 2nd annual non-perishable food drive. They collected 300 items that were donated to the Elgin Crisis Center Food Bank. In addition to member's contributions, collection receptacles donated by Ziegler's Ace Hardware were placed in three Elgin elementary schools for this purpose. The club has extended the holiday collecting of non-perishable food stuff through the end of Feb. 2010 as the need is still there even though the holidays have passed. The **Elgin Lions** donated \$50 to the Elgin Boys and Girls Club. Rose Day details are being wrapped up.

In December, the **McHenry Lions Club** was in the NorthWest Herald one time, the 1-J Journal two times. In January the club was in the IL Lions-Lioness-Leo Magazine one time. *It pays to put your publicity out there for others to see!*

Several of the **Wonder Lake Lions** enjoyed the annual Woodstock Lions Pancake Breakfast on January 31. Town Mascot Woodstock Willie, a six foot groundhog, made his annual appearance. No prediction on whether winter would last another 6 weeks, as Woodstock Willie was not only early, but also *inside!*

No January activities reported for the **Crystal Lake Lions** other than bowling in the District 1-J Tournament.

The **Fox River Grove Lions Club** has many wonderful things in the planning stages now.

Sun City-Huntley Lion June Brock and her committee are putting together the final touches on the Lions' Pasta Dinner taking place on Friday, April 23rd. The club has a booth at the Wellness Center's annual Health Fair to distribute info on diabetes.

Club Briefs

The **Johnsburg Lions Club** announces that it has a website now which gives a schedule of the club's events. The address is: www.johnsburgLions.org.

The **Elgin Lions Club** hosted a recent meeting to hear speaker, U. S. Rep. Bill Foster. As reported in the Daily Herald on Jan 14, this was not a campaign appearance, but was very informative about the way laws are made in our nation's capitol. A PICTURE of U. S. Rep. Bill Foster, flanked by Lions Ed Bates, President of the Elgin Club, and ZC Michael Dewey, accompanied this article. A large group of **Dundee Township Lions** also were in attendance. *Definitely a Lions In Sight event!!*

PDG Lion Nancy Rex presented **Johnsburg Lion** Tom Sikorske with the President's Excellence Award for Lion Year 2008-09. It meant a lot to him.

Holiday Happenings in Cary -- from PDG Lion Jack Anderson

The Cary Lions Club again hosted visits with Santa at its annual Santa's House event.

Santa came into town on a fire truck and rode through Cary, waving to all. He returned to the fire station to visit with approximately 200 children to hear what everyone wanted for Christmas.

Parents could take their own pictures of their children with Santa or pay a Santa's helper a nominal fee to do the work and then walk out with their finished picture.

Some of Santa's elves were busily selling REALLY BIG coloring books, as well as raffle tickets for chances to win over 25 of Santa's specially selected gifts --a child-size Cubs convertible and a huge, cuddly Teddy Bear were among them.

Once the tickets were purchased there were tough decisions to be made as to which gift cup for an elf to drop your ticket(s) into for a chance to win that gift. Santa picked the winners at the end of the evening.

As he left the fire station, we heard him shout that he planned to come back to the Cary Lions Club again next year, without a doubt!

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

Southeastern Region -- by Lion Sandy Williams

Over \$3,300 in profit was made with Christmas Tree sales for Lisle Lions Dollars For Scholars. Several young people from Lisle Teens With Character assisted the Lions at the tree lot and a \$400 donation was made to the group after final figures were reached. Plans for the annual Egg Stuffing Night and the Easter Egg Hunt are underway. Approval was given by the Board to make a \$600 donation to Oakbrook Terrace Lions Club for Someone Special.

Fifty-eight social service cases were recorded fby the **Naperville Noon Lions Club** or the month of Jan. 2010, bringing the total for Lion Year 2009-2010 to 233. A donation was approved for Someone Special. Other non-time sensitive requests will be reviewed in May or June. A new member was inducted last month. She even signed up to volunteer at the club's Turkey Trot before becoming a member.

Southwestern Region -- by Lion Anna Mainhart

For **Sandwich Lions**, Candy Days cleared over \$2,000 this year and the club sent \$1,235 to the Foundation. Members passed a donation basket at a club meeting to help a local family in need.

Last month, the **Elburn Lions Club** hosted three events at the clubhouse, hosted the weekly Friday Night Bingo, and held the annual "Recognizing Your Efforts" Appreciation Dinner. The club hosted Sunday Dinner and Bingo for the Ski for Sight weekend. An Awards Banquet is planned for late t his month.

The wagon, and many of the gifts in it, were donated for the **Shabbona Lions Club's** Christmas Wagon Raffle. Thanks in part much to that, it was a very successful project. The Dec. Drawdown yielded good results. Holiday Food Baskets were distributed to 25 deserving local families.

More Club Briefs

Batavia Lions: Are having a Pancake Breakfast on March 27th at Shannon Hall starting at 7 AM. They are also having an "Ugly Tie" contest at their general meeting as a way to have some fun. The categories are: Loudest color scheme, strangest theme and worst looking. *Sounds fun!*

Glendale Heights Barangay Lions Club provided two local residents with eye exams and eyeglasses and another with hearing aids.

PDG Lion Nancy Rex presented **Johnsburg Lion** Tom Sikorske with the President's Excellence Award for Lion Year 2008-09. It meant a lot to him.

Naperville Noon Lions Club's Turkey Trot yielded a net profit of about \$120,000 for social services work and donations. As of the end of Dec., over \$33,000 has been expended for social service cases.

Did you know that the **Itasca Lions Club** is 87 members strong? *Can we hear from you soon?*

The **Roselle Lions Club** website has been updated. *Stop in and say "Hi!"*

The **Shabbona Lions Club** Newsletter makes this note "Small town Lions Clubs are a special gift to their communities." *So true! All Lions Club do much to help in their communities, but in many small towns in the Districts, Lions Clubs are the ONLY service organization in town.*

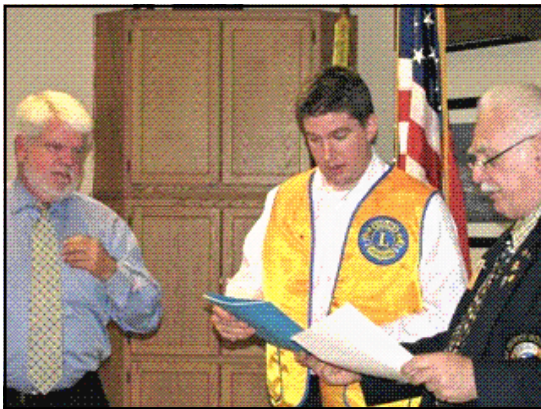
'Round the District PIX



What better way to celebrate the beginning of the new year than by welcoming in a new member? Lion Nina Keehn, a Lion-boosting Boy Scout troop leader for years, is now a Bensenville Lion. PDG Lion Tom Golec (l) and her sponsor, Lion Rick Cuvala welcome her to the club..



Aurora Police Officer Lion Robyn Stecklein received the North Aurora Lion of the Year Award at the club's annual recognition dinner. Club President Lion Dr. Quentin Park (l) and Past Pres. Lion Mark Gaffino (c) presented the award to Lion Robyn.



PDG Lion Bob Jilke inducts Roselle Lions Club's newest member, Lion Jared Wickstrom (c). Sponsor/Dad Lion Casey Wickstrom looks on.



Roselle Lions Joanne & John Barsanti pose for the photographer between frames. It was first time bowling in a Lions Tournament for Lion Joanne -- proof that anyone can participate in this event.

Check out the photos from the District Bowling Tournament on-line. Photographer Lion Perry Knutson did the honors. *Never have we had it covered so well! Thanks, Lion Perry!*



Richmond Lion Kay Smith (r) welcomes VDG Lion Bob Jackson and Lion Darlene Jackson (l) to the Richmond Lions Club Christmas Party.

Great chefs at the Richmond Lions Club's Dec. Pancake Breakfast with Santa! (l to r) Lions Alan Hatch, Bro Turk, Tim McKeever, and Pres. Ken Miller.



Lioness Clubs in 1-J

Lioness Clubs -- by Lion Sandy Williams

The **Algonquin Lioness Club** had a booth at the 2010 Community Expo and Café in late Jan. *Lionesses in Sight!*

Last month, the **Fox River Grove Lioness Club** sponsored one skier at Ski For Sight.

Island Lake Lioness Club will award scholarships in the amount of \$750.00 to two high school graduates before they go off to college. Plans will soon be finalized for a Diabetes Alert Campaign this spring. A trailer has been acquired for the storage of the club's property. Plans are being made for the annual Island Lake Lioness Easter Egg Hunt in late Mar.

A Leo Conference is in the works. We will share details with you when we receive them.

Leo Clubs in 1-J

Leo Clubs -- by Lion Sandy Williams

The **Elburn Leos** will be hosting the annual Mother's Day Breakfast on Sunday, May 9th, at the Lion Clubhouse.

The **Westfield Leos Club** of Bloomingdale had a great time at the District 1-J Bowling Tournament. For their January meeting, Lions Bill Wolf and Jerry Bertrand of VFW gave a flag folding presentation along with a Q & A session.

On-Line This Month

Look at Lions Clubs International website -- www.lionsclubs.org -- and see what's new!

- ▶ Review the latest news releases and information in the LCI Newsroom.

Learn how Lions and LCIF Provide Earthquake Relief in Haiti

- ▶ Watch videos, PSAs and our online video magazine LQ – Lions Quarterly on the Lions News Network

Lions Clubs International is always looking for Lions in the headlines. Please e-mail us the story or a description of the coverage you received so we can share your media exposure with other clubs. We regret that due to copyright laws we are unable to reproduce the story.



Our 1-J Lion Family

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

New Member	Club	Sponsor
Lion Rod Craig	Hanover Park Lions	Lion Nikki Russ
Lion Viktor Scham	South Elgin Lions	ZC Lion Paul Groth
Lion Seiko Hall	DeKalb Noon Lions	Lion Shrenik Shah
Lion Mitchell M. Rogalski	Fox River Grove Lions	Lion Kent Sarius
Lion Elizabeth Vandersyde	Naperville Noon Lions	Lion Donna Kearney
Lion David J. Wennemar	Maple Park Lions	Lion Larry Stachura
Lions Robert C. Cravins and Ellen D. Cravins	Johnsburg Lions	Lion Doug Carlile
Lion Bob Smith	Algonquin Lions	Lion Jerry Glogowski
Lion Tom Fahey	Huntley Lions	Lion Chuck Walsh
Lion Roger Brown	Huntley Lions	Lion Chuck Walsh
Lion Nina Keehn	Bensenville Lions	Lion Rick Cuvala
Lion Jonas Apuya	Glendale Hts. Barangay Lions	Lion Robert Tolentino
Lion Victoria L. Bonsol	Glendale Hts. Barangay Lions	Lion Robert Tolentino
Lion Edwin Y. Cachola	Glendale Hts. Barangay Lions	Lion Robert Tolentino
Lion Jared T. Wickstrom	Roselle Lions	Lion Casey Wickstrom
Lion Helen Dreckman	Villa Park Lions	Lion Roberta Lunquist
Lion Amy Serby	Sandwich Lions	Lion Jerry Grommes



Newest member of the Lombard Lions Club, Lion Tod Altenburg, is being inducted by Club Pres. Lion Matt Kershaw (l). On the right is Lion Tod's sponsor, Lion Jason Myers.

PDG Lion Nancy Rex inducts Lion Amy Serby as a Sandwich Lion. Lion Amy's photo was in last month's issue, but her name was misspelled. *I know that it was a typo and I do apologize!* -- Ed. Lion Sandy



South Elgin Lion Viktor Scham is inducted into the club by ZC Lion Leo Snyder as its newest member. Lion Paul Groth is his sponsor.

WHAT'S GOIN' ON — IN 1-J

- Feb. 12 The **Bloomington Lions** will be holding their next Spaghetti Dinner at 5:00 pm at the Bloomington Golf Club. Contact Lions Larry or Joe S. for tickets.
- Feb. 12 **Lisle Lions Club** is hosting Bingo at First Class Bingo, 374 Commons Drive, Bolingbrook. Play starts at 7 PM. *The 2nd Friday night of the month is Lisle Lions Club's night there.*
- Feb. 13 The **Bartlett Lions Club** will be hosting a Candle Light Bowl for Diabetes at the Brunswick Zone Bowling Lanes on Lake Street in Roselle. Tickets are \$30 per person. See the club's website at www.bartlettlions.org for details.
- Feb. 20 **Villa Park Lions Club** 24th Annual Pancake Breakfast at Willowbrook High School from 6 AM to 12 Noon. *"We want people from the Village to see us and ask us questions about who we are."*
- Feb. 20 **Bensenville Lions** "All You Can Eat" Spaghetti Dinner at the Bella Vista Banquet Hall, Main St., Addison. \$7.00 for Adults, \$4.00 for Children 5-12, Under 4 - Free.
- Feb. 20-24 Girls' Middle School Basketball Tournaments, hosted by **Dundee Township Lions Club**.
- Feb. 21 **Fox River Grove Lions Club** "Texas Hold 'Em" No Limit Poker Tournament. Check in at 11:30 AM at D'Andreas Banquets (Hwys. 14 & 31), Crystal Lake. Prizes for the top eight players. Entry Fee is \$120 (includes lunch buffet.) Proceeds help children and adults to see and hear better.
- Feb. 26 Only two more days to see that PDG Lion Ron Fangusaro gets your club's nomination for a LAZANSKY AWARD. Applications are on the 1-J website under Info & Documents.
- Feb. 27 Fundraiser dinner hosted by the **Johnsburg Lions Club** for a family that had a serious accident with their daughter and due to finances and insurance limits are struggling to pay medical bills. Also raising funds for an individual with a brain tumor. Pizza, raffles, beverages and fundraising games. *Support from area Lions Clubs would be appreciated.*
- Feb. 27 **Malta Lions Club** Pancake Breakfast from 6:30 AM to 11:00 AM at the Malta Grade School. Tickets are \$6.00 each - Kids under 3 each free.
- Feb. 28 2010 Edition of **Crystal Lake Lions Club** Texas Hold 'Em Poker to take place at D'Andrea's Banquets. Play will start promptly at noon. Cold cuts and sandwiches available, plus cash bar.
- Mar. 4 Johnsburg Lions Club Monthly Meat Raffle.
- Mar. 5 **Elburn Lions Club** Dream Flight Raffle
- Mar. 6 **Richmond Lions Club's** Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner -- Serving from 4 - 8 PM at Richmond Middle School, Rte. 12, Richmond. *It's always a great dinner!*
- Mar. 6 **North Aurora Lions Club** Annual Dinner Dance -- *call a North Aurora Lion for tickets.*
- Mar. 7 Annual **West Chicago Lions Club** Pancake Breakfast fundraiser at the West Chicago Middle School. Serving from 7 AM to Noon.
- Mar. 13 **Elmhurst Lions'** Pizza Night.
- Mar. 13 **Elburn Lions Club** Annual Irish Dinner at the clubhouse.
- Mar. 13 St. Patrick's Day Parade in East Dundee -- *look for Dundee Township Lions marching in it!*
- Mar. 14 **McHenry Lions** are hosting a Pancake Breakfast at the Moose Hall in McHenry today.
- Mar. 14 **Bartlett Lions Club's** Annual Spring Pancake Breakfast in conjunction with the Bartlett Police Dept. Open House today. Breakfast will be at the Bartlett Fireman's Hall (Fire Barn) from 8:00 AM to noon. Cost is \$5.00 per person.
- Mar. 19 **Bloomington Lions'** 2nd Annual Bags Tournament at Gaynor's Pub in Medinah.
- Mar. 20 Easter Egg Hunt, hosted by the **Bloomington Lions Club** at Circle Park at 9:30 am.
- Mar. 21 **Woodstock Lions Club's** 80th Annual Ham Dinner. *Details later!*
- Mar. 24 Reservations and checks for the Mar. 31st LIONS ROAR are to be in the hands of the **McHenry Lions Club** today. Send them to: McHenry Lions Club, P.O. Box 292, McHenry IL 60051.



Around the District

South Elgin Lion Art Stoll has been recognized by Lions Clubs International and his club for his 55 years of service in Lionism. Lion Art shared his recollections of the Village of South Elgin and the South Elgin Lions Club in the year 1956 when the club was chartered. South Elgin Lion Vern Brunner was also honored for 55 years of service at a later time.



There's got to be a "tale" behind this photo! It's VDG Lion Bob Jackson and Richmond Lion Kay Smith with one of Lion Bob's hats . . . Now you fill in the rest of the story

Bensenville Lions Ron Luethy, Dolores Davis and Wanda Klampferer earned their 25 year pins recently. The two ladies were Bensenville Lionesses prior to joining the Lions Club and their service years there were added to make the total number of Lion Years.



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FIRST CLASS MAIL

Lionism is around the world, wherever you might go! When McHenry Lions Mary & Bill Winkel visited Costa Rica this past winter, they met several members of a local Leo Club asking for donations for their club in the town of Quesada. The Leos were happy to pose for a picture with their new friend, Lion Mary Winkel, from the McHenry Lions Club in the USA.

More Photos On-Line -- www.district1jions.org under District 1-J Photos



From the LIF Trustees' Blotters . . .

From the Blotter of:

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

The other day a fellow Lion came to me and said, "All the Foundation ever does is ask for money." Well, Lions this is only partially true. The Lions of Illinois Foundation DOES ask for money. That is what Foundations do. But, YOUR Lions of Illinois Foundation also uses that money to benefit more than 18,500 Illinois citizens each year. So we ask for money, true. We also use the money in a way that we were established to do.

With Candy Day 2009 now a memory we must look forward to the several fundraising opportunities for the rest of this fiscal year. Candy Day receipts are down almost \$139,000. It is therefore very important that all Lions Clubs get behind the Sight and Sound Sweepstakes, Tootsie Pop Day, and especially the Walk for Sight.

The Walk for Sight is a great opportunity for your club to offer organizations in your area the chance to help us help the blind and deaf and at the same time raise needed funds for their groups. Any organization that takes part in our Walk will receive 40% of the gross with LIF receiving 40% and about 20% toward administration costs. We do all the organizational work . . . providing the location, tents, tables, refreshments and entertainment. All they do is show up and walk.

No other organized Walk shares its income with supporters. If your club gets a group to participate, Lion Landon or I will meet with them and provide necessary information and materials.

Here's the great part. When the Walk is over, YOUR club will receive the check to present to the organization. You benefit from the exposure. The many less fortunate we assist benefit from the funding. Win/Win.

*Lion Bob Jilke, PDG
District 1-J Trustee
and President of the Endowment Fund
bljilke@aol.com*

From the Blotter of:

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

A final note about Candy Day 2009. It appears that District 1-J will come very close to equaling its total for 2008. Given the lousy weather we experienced last fall this is a great accomplishment. Thanks to all 1-J Clubs for their extra effort on Candy Day 2009.

A special thanks to the four clubs that won the competition Trustee Bob Jilke and I set up. As you may remember, the winners needed to exceed their 2008 totals by at least 10% and remit their report and checks to the Foundation by the December 1 deadline.

In the East Region Elmhurst won, in the Southwest Region, Lee won. In the South East Region Oak Brook Terrace won and in the Fox, the Cary Lions won. No club in the Central Region met the requirements for the award. As a matter of interest, the Oak Brook Terrace Lions exceeded their 2008 total by 160%...a truly magnificent showing.

Some of the cash awards have already been presented, others will be shortly. Now it's on to Sight and Sound Sweepstakes, Tootsie Pop Day, Diabetes Awareness Day and the Walk For Sight. Thanks 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
landon@mc.net*

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The 2010 Walk For Sight will take place on Sunday, June 6, 2010, at Peck Farm Park in Geneva (west of Randall Rd. in Geneva on Fabyan Parkway). It's time to begin recruiting Lion & non-Lion groups to raise funds by participating in the Walk.

Identify a group in your community -- school group, church group or other non-profit group -- that needs to raise money and send the contact name, phone number and/or e-mail to our District 1-J LIF Trustees, Lions Bob Jilke or John Landon.

Your club will be heroes in your community by helping these groups raise money for their needs while at the same time helping the Lions of Illinois Foundation raise funds to help the sight and hearing impaired.

**2010 District 1-J Bowling
17-Jan-10
Lane Raffle Prize Winners**

9 am Shift		Name	Club
Game 1	Winner 1	<u>Joe Bracken</u>	<u>Lisle</u>
	Winner 2	<u>Steve Elander</u>	<u>Elgin</u>
	Winner 3	<u>Joe Bracken</u>	<u>Lisle</u>
Game 2	Winner 1	<u>Rick Hensel</u>	<u>West Chicago</u>
	Winner 2	<u>Bob Hodge</u>	<u>West Chicago</u>
	Winner 3	<u>Paul Claus</u>	<u>Elgin</u>
Game 3	Winner 1	<u>Paula Orsula</u>	<u>Lisle</u>
	Winner 2	<u>Jeff Miles</u>	<u>Roselle</u>
	Winner 3	<u>Tony Eckert</u>	<u>Darien</u>
Noon Shift			
Game 1	Winner 1	<u>Brina Clevenger</u>	<u>Batavia</u>
	Winner 2	<u>Dave Boyer</u>	<u>Huntley</u>
	Winner 3	<u>Collen Eckert</u>	<u>Darien</u>
	Winner 4	<u>Gig Weber</u>	<u>Fox River Grove</u>
Game 2	Winner 1	<u>Sheldon Clark</u>	<u>Sun City-Huntley</u>
	Winner 2	<u>Rick Tonozzi</u>	<u>DeKalb Evening</u>
	Winner 3	<u>Kathy Janis</u>	<u>Winfield</u>
	Winner 4	<u>Rich Hamlin</u>	<u>Villa Park</u>
Game 3	Winner 1	<u>Lloyd Hemaver</u>	<u>Darien</u>
	Winner 2	<u>Richard Swanson</u>	<u>Huntley</u>
	Winner 3	<u>Greg Szydowski</u>	<u>Bartlett</u>
	Winner 4	<u>Joan Graves</u>	<u>Sun City-Huntley</u>