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The Sandwich Lions Tale

June 2009



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WoW! Another Lions year has passed by! This past year has seen the completion of many Lions projects. The Sandwich community has benefitted from these projects. One of the most rewarding events this year for me as president was awarding Lions scholarships to three Sandwich High School students. The Lions donated \$5000 in scholarship money this year. Scholarship funds were raised by the "Lou Brady Drawdown" project. The scholarship winners were Alexander Flyte, Grant Flyte (these two were tied for scholarship honors for the male recipient) and Allison McMahon.

My year as president was highlighted by having Lion Nancy as our Governor for District 1J. It was a great honor for the Sandwich Lions Club to have our own Lion Nancy as Governor. Though an active Lions year has passed, Sandwich Lions are gearing up for upcoming Lions events in June and July. Some of these events include, Night Walk, Installation of new Lions Officers, Health Fair, Freedom Days and the Fishing Derby.

We all know that a successful year could not happen without all the hard work of Lions and their families. Special thanks to Lion Secretary Ron, Lion Treasurer Jim and all the Lion board members who helped make this a successful year for the Sandwich Lions Club. Thanks to Lion Jerry for always reminding me when a Lions letter for the Lions Tale was due. The time always flew by, and I needed his reminder. Thanks Lion Bob for always leading us in prayer at each dinner meeting. The many Lions projects would not have been successful without the dedication and leadership of all who chaired and co chaired these projects.

Lion Sharon's installation dinner will be on June 10th. The installation of officers will be at the Water Front restaurant. Lion Nancy, District 1J Governor, will install the new officers. Best wishes to Lion Sharon and her board for the 2009-2010 year. There will be a board meeting on June 24th for the current board. New board members and all Lions are welcome to attend the meeting. It will be at the Star 34 restaurant at 7:00 PM.

It was a privilege to serve as your president for the past year.

Yours in Lionism
Lion Rick Siebert



COMING EVENTS

June 7 – Walk for Sight Danada
Equestrian Center, Wheaton, IL

June 10 – Installation Meeting
6:30pm at the Water Front Lodge

June 24 – Board Meeting 7:00pm at
Star 34 Restaurant

July 2 – Health Fair at Valley West
Community Hospital

July 16 – Fishing Derby 9:00am at
Shabbona State Park



Lion Bob Jones accepts the George Lazansky Award.

(There are only limited numbers of these award presented each year with a maximum of ten per year.)



Left to right, Vicki Schuler (Executive Director of the Sandwich Chamber of Commerce), Lion Rick Siebert (President Sandwich Lions Club) and Mike Botts (Sandwich Chamber of Commerce Board Member)

Secretary's Notes:

The scholarship winners - for this year were Alex and Grant Flyte (a tie amongst the two brothers) and Allison McMahon. President Rick presented the three Scholarships during senior awards night on Monday, May 18th. The money earned from our annual Drawdown raffle is used to fund this project. The scholarship winners are determined through their academic performance and activities participation during their four years at Sandwich High School. Sandwich High School maintains these records and provides the information to us prior to the presentation of the awards.

Sandwich Lions Club Board members - for Lions year 2008 - 2009, there will be a board meeting on Wednesday, June 24th. Unless President Sharon has some special business, there will be no board meeting on July 22nd, 2009.

Sandwich Installation of Officers - for Lions year 2009-2010 will be Wednesday, June 10th at Waterfront Lodge at Lake Holiday at 6:30. This restaurant is on the south side of County Line Road (2738 North 48th Road) between Sandwich and Somonauk. Incoming President Sharon has contacted all Sandwich Lions Club members. There is no charge for your spouse/ (guest).

The Freedom Days Health Fair - is at Valley West Community Hospital on Thursday, July 2nd. Please mark your calendar. This year the Sandwich Lions will assist with the eye screening unit from our Lions of Illinois Foundation. Screening will start at 1:00 pm, however, a couple of Lions must be available at 12:30 pm. The screening will last until 4:00 pm.

Our August dinner meeting which is our annual picnic at the forest preserve between Sandwich and Somonauk. Entrance is off of Route 34. Picnic details

will be in the next Lions Tail, but the date will be the 2nd Wednesday in August (12th). If you know of someone who would make a good Lion, bring him/her to the picnic. They will probably have a calendar for the Steer Raffle at the picnic, so that you can indicate the times that you would be available to work at the fair building (our Steer Raffle). For new members to our Club, our Steer Raffle at the Fair is our largest money making project of the year.

The Handicapped Fishing Derby - will be on Thursday, July 16th. Mark your calendars.

The Sandwich Lions Club - is scheduled to have an entry in the Freedom Days parade on Saturday, morning July 4th. Contact Lion Bob Jones for additional information.

Popcorn will be made - and sold at the Freedom Days fireworks. You may contact chairperson Lion Sharon Adkins for additional information.

Candy Day Jamboree – Currently we have not received any information on the 2009 Candy Day Jamboree. I have requested the information and forward as soon as it is available.

The 2009 District Golf Outing will be on Thursday, July 23rd at Hughes Creek, 1749 Spring Valley Drive, Elburn. Golf will start with a shotgun start at 10 AM. Golf fees of \$75 include: cart, golf, lunch, prizes, and a steak dinner. Reservations are required. Call Lion Bob Fowler at (847) 370-1621 and leave a message (be sure to leave a phone number and your name).

Lion Ron Wigton
Secretary

Installation Dinner:

Fellow Lions, it's been a long, cold winter. Let's heat things up at our installation dinner on Wednesday, June 10. Get into our tropical heat wave theme by wearing your wildest tropical shirt/outfit. We will be meeting at the Waterfront restaurant (now Gilligan's) at 6:30, our regular meeting time. Spouses/guests are welcome. If you haven't confirmed your attendance or chosen your entrée, please call Lion Sharon as soon as possible. (815) 498-9217.

Lion Sharon Adkins
President Elect

Sandwich Lions officers for the 2009 - 2010 year will be installed at the Installation Dinner, June 10th 6:30pm at the Water Front Lodge.

President Sharon Adkins	Secretary Ron Wigton	Treasurer Rita Ferguson
1st Vice Frank Vaisvilas	2nd Vice George Richter	3rd Vice Bob Jones
Directors: Grant Bonner	Gary Lemke	Rick Lindner
Gene Olson	Kathy Potter	Scott Powell
Tail Twister Beth Swanson	Lion Tamer Bob Jones	Editor Jerry Grommes



May Meeting Notes:

President Lion Rick Siebert called the Meeting to order, Lion Rita Ferguson lead the pledge, Lion Ron Wallis lead the song and Lion Bob Jones led us in prayer. Our guests were Sandwich Chamber of Commerce Board members, Mike Botts and Executive Director Vicki Schuler.

Lion Leo Sondgeroth reported on the Draw Down, we were 16 tickets short of selling all tickets, but the 50/50 and silent auction compensated. Lion Leo thanked all that participated

Lion Frank Vaisvilas collected Sight and Sound Sweepstakes tickets and reported that Tootsie Pop Days netted over \$1,000.

Lion Sue Carter announced that the annual Walk for Sight will be on June 7th this year. Lion Sue also announced that the Annual Fishing Derby will be on July 16th and she had raffle tickets available.

Lion Sharon Adkins that our installation dinner will be on Wednesday, June 10th and a tropical theme is planned and we should wear our wildest tropical shirt/outfit. We will be meeting at the Waterfront restaurant (now Gilligan's). Spouses/guests are welcome.

Lion Ron Wigton spoke about how we could save money by emailing the link to the Tale instead of mailing hard copies, he is looking for input.

Lion Bob Jones announced that we will be participating in the Freedom Days Parade and he is looking for participation in support of our 60th anniversary this year.

Vicki Schuler, Executive Director of the Sandwich Chamber of Commerce, answered many question in regards to what is going on in our community an Mike Botts showed a promotion video on the "**More on 34**" weekend June 19th - 21st. More info is available on the Internet at: www.moreon34.com.

Lion Jerry Grommes
Editor

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