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South Elgin Lions "Roaring Rumors"

January 2007

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General Meeting: January 3rd, 2007
Board Meeting: January 17th , 2007 –6:30pm.

Prez Sez



Hi Lions:

I hope every Lion and their families had a very joyful holiday season. Now we start the second half of the Lions Year, and there are many projects and events where you can choose to help or attend, not to mention any new projects that may come up as well. If you are wanting to help on an event please let the chairperson of that event know.

New members is a project that should always be a part of our daily effort, I am pleased with the first half of the year's recruiting efforts and would like to keep it up for the second half.

One thing we need to remember however is when it is appropriate to talk about certain things—especially in public. Lately we have had some problems where confidential lions matters were discussed at Bingo—please refrain from talking about things that are private to the South Elgin Lions Club at Bingo and all public events. Respect the rights of individuals as well as the image of our club.

We need to keep in our thoughts and prayers our Lion members with families that have loved ones that are ill. We hope they recover soon.

Hope to see you at the January meeting.

In Lionism
President Al Shelton

Upcoming Events

New Year's Eve Raffle and Party — Sunday December 31st—starting at 8pm

Lions International President—Jimmy Ross dinner — January 7th

District 1J Bowling Tournament — January 21st—Stardust Bowl—Addison

Ski for Sight— January 26 –28th—Southwest Region

Daytona 500 Party—February 18th, 2pm

District 1J Bowling Tournament



South Elgin used to have one of the best turnouts at the District 1J Bowling tournament, now we are lucky if we field 2 teams, most of which are not members. You don't have to be a good bowler to bowl in this tournament, in fact—you just have to be willing to have a good time. This year lets see if we can regain some of our lost glory by fielding 4 or more teams—it's up to you!

Non-members are allowed to bowl—it could be a good way to get new members. The cost of a team is 75.00—that's for 5 bowlers or (15.00 each bowler— if you have less than 5 then you still get charged the 75.00 per team).

This is one of the most important fundraisers the district has, and our own Lion Joe Groth is in charge of it on the District Level—please support our club, our district and Lion Joe Groth in the District 1J Bowling Tournament.

International Convention—Chicago 2006

Every year Lions from throughout the world converge on one central location—around the 4th of July, of course I am talking about the International Convention. It's been a long time since the convention was in Chicago ! That's right, it's right in our own backyard this year. This is an excellent chance for you to experience the convention for yourself, without having to do a lot of travel. The longer you wait to register the more you have to pay — why not register now and plan on a fun, informative week.

Hope to see you there !

What was discussed at the Board Meeting

A rental request by the South Elgin Thunder to hold a Texas Holdem tournament was denied based on our knowledge that they do not have a valid license to hold this type of tournament.

Lion Randy Endean volunteered to put together the theme baskets for this year's District 1J Convention—many felt he had the best one last year (at least he lost to our Leo Club).

District 1J Hospitality Room—meetings will begin in January—this is a fun event and we would like lots of help.

New Wireless PA system— A report was given detailing the cost of replacing our current wireless PA System— No action was taken, we are still gathering info / bids.

District 1J Ad Book—Our board approved a full page ad in this year's District 1J Convention Ad book. We have taken this size ad for many years.

District 1J Bowling Raffle—Our board approved to donate \$50.00 to the District 1J Bowling Raffle. Feel free to purchase tickets on your own—you could win \$300.00

AED/CPR—We are waiting to purchase the AED and send 12 Lions to CPR training. Hopefully this will be done soon.

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner — The board voted to donate the profits from this annual event to the Special Olympics.

Daytona 500 Party

Sunday, February 18th

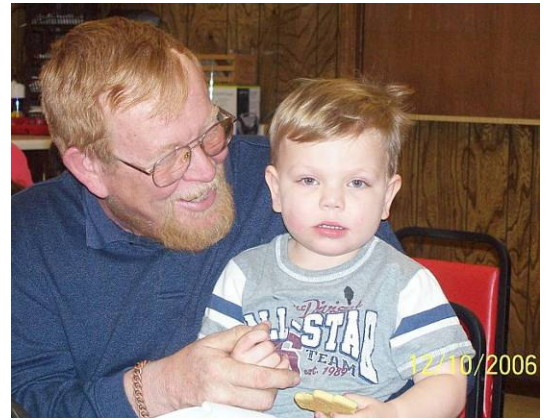
\$25.00 per person includes: Food - Soda - Draft Beer (Cash Bar available)

3 - 62" Big Screen TV's

Contests - Door Prizes - NASCAR Memorabilia Raffles

Doors Open @ 2:00pm

Race Starts: Around 3:00pm



Ski for Sight

Ski for Sight is coming January 26-28th. As usual I am looking for anyone who wants to help at this event. If you want to stay for the whole thing then you should make hotel reservations at the Best Western in Dekalb (815) 758-8661 and be sure to tell them you are working Ski for Sight.

The skiing itself is cross-country skiing, generally the skiers are not able to ski, they basically just walk along side you on their skis. Only a couple can actually ski and they are usually guided by someone who can actually ski, so don't worry—if you can walk, you can help.

Friday Night—the busses arrive, and all at once. This is one of the most hectic times of the event and lots of help is needed, we need to get them off the bus, checked into the hotel and help them find their rooms. If you are wanting to help for just part of the event, but not the whole thing—this is where the most help is needed. The help on the other days basically would require you to stay the night as they get up early in the morning and take them to breakfast.

Helping people with Vision and Hearing problems—it's what we do as Lions. I hope to see you there.

Lion Paul Groth

Lion Ken Groth



Donations:

Where does the money from the Turkey / Meat Spin and Cash Bonanza Go ????

Here's Your answer !!!

Operation Jingle Bells —\$ 550.00

The Courier News Shoe Fund — \$ 550.00

The Salvation Army — \$550.00

Little Angels Nursing Home — \$ 550.00

FOP Lodge 14—Shop with a Cop Program — \$550.00

Crisis Pregnancy Center in South Elgin — \$ 550.00

We also had a South Elgin citizen donate \$1000.00 through us to the South Elgin Food Pantry.

We also donated a gift received last year with the stipulation of having to be used by a South Elgin family 1000.00 to the Kim Stover medical fund. This money will be used to help offset the excessive medical expenses for their child.

Building Cleaning Bids

If you are interested in cleaning the building, we are currently taking bids. Please get an application from Lion Leo Snyder and the details of what needs to be done. Place your bid in a sealed envelope and return it to the club.

Newsletter E-Mail

Please send all news items to:

newsletter@southelginlions.com

Get Well Wishes

Lion Ann Oldham

Lion Tom Rolando



Leo Club Prez Sez



First off, I hope all my Leo's had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I'd like to thank all the Leo's who helped out at the Kids Christmas Party it was very fun. I would also like to thank our members who went Christmas Caroling at the nursing home, it brought smiles and tears to the residents. It shows we really care.

We have a Hat / Glove / Scarf Collection currently going on at the clubhouse, so far we have collected a fair amount from the bingo players. If you know anyone who has (or if you have) an extra pair of gloves, a hat or a scarf you do not need, please bring it to the meeting and we will make sure it gets put to use. So bring in as much as you can find.

Bingo setup help is steady, I should be returning to it at the beginning of February. Don't forget, the District 1-J Bowling Tournament is on January 21st at the Stardust Bowl in Addison. We need to submit our roster at the next general meeting. It costs our club \$75.00 for each team we provide, (from the advisors—this would be a good recruiting method, ask your friends and lets see if we can get 3 teams this year).

Please read the section on Ski for Sight—it is coming up at the end of January, our club has helped on Sunday, at the Elburn Clubhouse, we assist the Elburn Leo Club. More information will be presented at the meeting.

Please mark your calendars and attend the January 7th meeting—due to New Year's Day being the 1st Sunday of the month—the meeting was rescheduled to the 7th.

I hope to see you all at the next meeting!

Leo President

Nate Reichhold

**Mark it on your calendars—the next Leo Club meeting is
January 7th @ 6pm.**

**Club Dues \$ 5.00 will be due at the January Meeting for all
members.**

Leo Club News!

The Leo Club as usual was busy during the month of December. On December 10th they helped with the Kids Christmas Party, actually they helped that day and the day before (Santa can't possibly be expected to wrap all those gifts).

They followed that up with a visit to the Tower Hills Nursing home on Kane Street in South Elgin. At the nursing home they helped lift the spirits of the residents by singing Christmas Carols in the hallways. They had a few people sing along with them and more than one came up to me and mentioned how much they enjoyed this, that basically nobody comes to see them anymore. They also passed out Christmas cards to all the residents.

Not all worthwhile projects raise money— this could be one of the best examples for their club, as well as ours.

For all their hard work through the first half of the year, all of us advisors would like to say “Excellent Job—Keep up the Good Work”



Leo Club members: (L-R)
Nicholas Pitts, Kellen Muise, Melissa Mattson,
Stephanie Pitts, Nate Reichhold, Gabrielle Mainard



Leo Club members carol in the hallways of Tower Hill Nursing home.

January 2007

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| New Year's Eve Raffle | 1 | 2 | 3 General Mtg. | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 Leo Club Mtg. 6pm | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 Board Mtg. 6:30 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
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