



# The Lion's Den

A Publication of the Elk Grove Village Lions Club

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Elk Grove Village, Illinois

*Now in our 51<sup>st</sup> year of service to the community*

## President's Report

As we grow in membership I want you, the more experienced Lions, to become mentors to the newer Lions. Share that wealth of knowledge you have so they can carry on the legacy you have built. And we have a legacy – it was apparent by the fact that there were more Elk Grove Lions, Lioness, and Leos at this year's District 1-F Convention than from any other club. We have a proud tradition – Lets keep it going! Let it be like the legacy that all the Mothers and Veterans gave us. They gave us life and the freedom to live it.

Lion President Barb

## 1st Vice President's Report

M is for May, Mothers, and Memorial Day it works out good this way. So remember to hug your mother if you still can. Thank a vet they have earned it. Stop and smell the May flowers. Call Tom Cook he is in the hospital room 247 bed 1. Thank you for being an Elk Grove Lion.

President elect Lion Bill

## 2nd Vice President's Report

Fellow Lions,

Congratulations to the incoming Board of Directors! I'm sure they will do an outstanding job during the coming year. I

would also like to thank my fellow, present board members for all their hard work. We are all grateful for your dedication to our community.

Remember, be sure to read *The Lions Den* every month or check out our club's website at [www.elkgrovelionsclub.org](http://www.elkgrovelionsclub.org) where you can also find past issues of *The Den* along with Board and Business Meeting minutes.

Thank you all for your time and energy.

Lion Mitch

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President's Report

Happy Mothers Day!

As the Club year draws near to the finish line, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the club officers and Board of

Directors. And since Lion Mitch will be leaving this month for his annual sabbatical in Wisconsin, a special thanks to him for his service as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and web master. Lion Mitch will no longer be an officer due to his time away.

Thanks, Mitch for all you have done for the Club.

Lion Anne Feichter

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*Lion Kirk Reasoner, Co-Editor*

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**Lion Chuck Burkot – 1<sup>st</sup> Year**

**Lion Rich Keyworth – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year**

**Lion Kevin Knobloch – 2<sup>nd</sup> Year**

## Lions Calendar May

7 Business Meeting, Village Hall, 7:30pm

8 Lip 'n Lunch (see article in Den)

21 Dinner Meeting Charlie's, 7pm

28 Board of Directors Meeting, Village  
Hall, 7:30pm

**Wednesday, May 19, 2010**

## DINNER MENU

### Ribs and Chop Combo

Lamb Chop, Pork Chop and Half Slab of  
Baby Back BBQ Ribs served with real  
mashed potatoes

### Chicken Breast and Scallop de Jonghe

Tender charbroiled chicken breast and  
fresh sea scallops topped with fresh garlic  
and butter herbed breadcrumbs,  
served with real mashed potatoes

### Mediterranean Catfish

Fresh farm catfish topped with fresh garlic,  
tomatoes, bell peppers, feta and fontinella  
cheese served with rice pilaf

Dessert: Apple pie with ice cream



**Keep them in your Prayers**

**Lions**

**Ron Foster**

**Jim Laing**

**Ron Reda**

## **Slate of Officers/Board of Directors for 2010-2011**

Immediate Past Pres.	Barb Lahtinen
President	Bill Butchart
1st VP	Anne Feichter
2nd VP	Randy Sielig
3rd VP	Ray Szull
Secretary	Lenore Zumph
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Life Director	Mike Baumer, PCC
1st year Director	Kirk Reasoner
1st year Director	Rich Keyworth
2nd year Director	Russ Stahl
2nd year Director	Chuck Burkot

Election will be at the May Business Meeting.

## **Elk Grove May Events**

### **May**

**Now -August Jarosch Bakery 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Display**, Elk Grove Historical Museum, Wed & Fri 2:30-6:30 & Sat 11am-2pm

**8 Spring Celebration & Plant Sale**, sponsored by the Elk Grove Garden Club & the Elk Grove Historical Museum, 10am-3pm, Farmhouse Museum

**9 Walk for the Mental Health of It** to benefit the Kenneth Young Center, 9am, Busse Woods, 3 mile walk, dogs welcome

**10 Car Buying Workshop**, 7pm at the library

**13 Baseball in the Movies**, 7pm, library

**17 In Search of the Holy Grail**, 7pm, library

**20 Are there Antique Advertising Treasures in your Attic?** 7pm, library

**31 Memorial Day Ceremony**, 10:30am, in front of the Pavilion.

## **Elk Grove Lions Offer Free Hearing Screenings May 10**

Are you one of Illinois' estimated 720,000 hearing impaired people? Hearing loss is probably the single most chronic disability in the United States, affecting nearly four times as many as blindness.

To help protect hearing, the Elk Grove Lions Club will sponsor a free hearing screening from 9am to 4pm on Monday, May 10 in the parking lot of the Pavilion Fitness Center. Everyone is urged to take advantage of this screening. Lions, tell your friends and neighbors. There is no charge. Persons who are under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult. No pre-registration is required. You do not need to be an Elk Grove Village resident.



## **LIP 'n Lunch May 8**

The 8<sup>th</sup> annual Lions Information Party and Lunch (LIP 'n Lunch) will be held from 8am to 1pm on May 8 at the Larry Laschen Community Center, 294 Evergreen Drive in Vernon Hills. There will be helpful sessions on topics such as Lions and the Law, Lions PR & Communications, Independent Living Aids (presented by Elk Grove Lions Club member, Janice Pope), Running Club Projects, New Members and Recruitment, Diabetes, Lions Project for Canine Companions for Independence, as well as sessions for club officers. More information in on our website, [www.elkgrovelionsclub.org](http://www.elkgrovelionsclub.org).

## Spring Celebration & Plant Sale May 8 at Farmhouse Museum

Join us in celebrating Spring at the Elk Grove Historical Museum, May 8, from 10am to 8pm. The Elk Grove Garden Club members will have plants from their gardens available for sale, as well as annuals, perennials, dahlias, vegetables, garden decorations and gardening magazines. Proceeds support the Garden Club.

There will be Museum tours from noon to 3pm. You can also see the Jarosch Bakery Exhibit. Kids can participate in the coloring contest, learn about Native American uses for plants, create a springtime mobile and plant a prairie flower seed to take home.

Baked goods from Jarosch Bakery will be available by donation. Proceeds will be used to support museum exhibits and programs. Parking for this event is available in front and back lots of the Administrative office building at the corner of Leicester and Biesterfield Road.



### Lions Baseball Outing June 26

Mark your calendars and plan for an evening of baseball entertainment with your fellow lions and their families at the Schaumburg Flyers game, June 26, at Alexian Field. Lion Joe Jobelius has again obtained tickets and has organized this event. Please let Lion Joe know how many tickets you will need. Cost per ticket is approximately \$13-14.

### Jarosch Bakery Exhibit

"From Recipe to Formula...The Tasty Tale of Elk Grove's Jarosch Bakery", is a

special exhibit by the Elk Grove Historical Museum. To date over 500 visitors have toured the exhibit.

The exhibit displays Jarosch's history in Elk Grove Village, along with its beginnings in Germany. Every visitor to the exhibit will be given a ticket to receive a free cookie at the Jarosch Bakery. Exhibit hours March thru May are Wed. & Fri. 2:30-6:30pm and Sat. 11am to 2pm.



### Donate Your Old Athletic Shoes

Until May 16 you can donate your old athletic shoes that will be refurbished by Nike and donated to charities. If the shoes are in really bad shape, they will be recycled and used for rubber mulch for playgrounds, running tracks, sport courts, etc. Collection boxes may be found at the library and at the Pavilion.



### Lioness Report

Anyone wishing to purchase an Elk Grove Opolo Game can get one from Pat Droshak at the Village Hall or Call Ellen Peacock at 847-439-1197 for a game. \$20.00 The game makes a great Birthday gift for anyone, especially Elk Grove residents. They also made a \$100.00 donation for the "After Prom" bus.

The Club has been busy rewriting their bylaws.

Lioness Ellen Peacock, Co-President

## News from the Leo Club

The Leo Club has been invited by the Community Character Coalition to appear at the Village Board meeting, May 11, for the Student Recognition event. The event recognizes students' contributions to the community.



### *Lion Birthdays for May*

*Lions  
Ed Keller  
Ron Reda  
Ray Cloniger  
Wayne Deasy*

*Happy Birthday!*

### **And on a lighter Note...**

Alas, where has all our innocence gone?

*While I sat in the reception area of my doctor's office, a woman rolled an elderly man in a wheelchair into the room. As she went to the receptionist's desk, the man sat there, alone and silent. Just as I was thinking I should make small talk with him, a little boy slipped off his mother's lap and walked over to the wheelchair. Placing his hand on the man's, he said, 'I know how you feel. My mom makes me ride in the stroller too.'*

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*As I was nursing my baby, my cousin's six-year-old daughter, Krissy, came into the room. Never having seen anyone breast feed before, she was intrigued and full of all kinds of questions about what I was doing.*

*After mulling over my answers, she remarked, 'My mom has some of those, but I don't think she knows how to use them.'*

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*God's Problem Now.*

*His wife's graveside service was just barely finished, when there was a massive clap of thunder, followed by a tremendous bolt of lightning, accompanied by even more thunder rumbling in the distance. The little old man looked at the pastor and calmly said, 'Well, she's there.'*

## Memorial Day Observance

To honor the memory of those who have given their lives for this country and to those who have served in the military, Elk Grove will hold its annual Memorial Day Observance at 10:30 on May 31 in front of the Pavilion.



Lioness Chris Prochno has organized this activity. The Elk Grove VFW, the American Legion along with the police and fire department honor guard will participate in the ceremony. Wreaths will be placed by both the Lions and Lioness organizations. The Elk Grove Baptist Church choir will honor each branch of the service by singing their theme songs. Coffee and cookies will be provided at the Gazebo after the event.

## Memorial Day Reflection

This is a series of letters written between a father and a son during the Vietnam War. This is a story for all the families who have lost someone they love. The family has given permission per Michelle Renee Bier to use excerpts from these letters.

### When I Get Home – Letters from Bobby (edited)

Dear Dad, June 28, 1967  
It's 9pm now. I'm really tired. Boot Camp is harder than I thought it would be, but we are learning a lot. I think I made the right decision in going into the military.

It rained all day. We were all covered in mud because we had to run and crawl through it so much. I miss the 3 of you!

Love, Bobby

P.S. I'll see you when I get home.

Dad, Jan. 3, 1968  
It's pure hell over here. Some days I feel like I have no mind left inside my skull. I'm sorry I missed Sarah's 16<sup>th</sup> birthday. The days seem to run together now. Hard for me to imagine my little sister being so old now. Tell her I love her.

I have never been so scared in my life. Everyone's scared. You can see it in their eyes. The worst time is when everything is quiet. One guy just sits and stares off into nothing when it's quiet. He's been here longer than me.



It's hard to get close to anyone here. One of my buddies stepped on a landmine and not much of him was left. What makes it even worse is I remember the pictures he showed me of his wife and kid. Please pray for me.

I want to come back home. That won't be for a while. Miss you all. Bobby.

P.S. I'll see you when I get home!

Dear Bobby, July 6, 1998  
I miss you so much, Son. Sorry I haven't written in so long. But every time I would start to, I would break down. It seemed that while the war was going on, time went by so slowly. Now, well...I guess things haven't changed that much.

I am still waiting for you to walk in the front door, to hear your foot falls in the hall in the mornings.

They closed down the old high school and are building a mini-mall. We still have all your letters. They're in a steel

box in the attic. Your mom pulled them out last night again. She sat up a long time reading every line of them. Sarah got married. She and her husband, Greg, have 4 kids. She told them all about you, Bobby. She misses you everyday. I'm 72 years old now. But time stands still for you, Son. You'll always be 19 to me. I just wanted to remind you how much I love you. I swear I can still feel you standing beside me.

You finally made it home, safe with God in Heaven. Rest well, Bobby,

With all my love, Dad

P.S. I'll see you when I get home.

## A WORD OF ADVICE

OK Sherman, let's set the Wayback Machine to June 2009. An item mysteriously disappeared right after the swearing in of the new officers. According to sources (*Pretty sketchy ones I might add*) the item was removed before the new officers took over at the June Board Meeting. So the new president overcame the loss and used a personal version for the majority of the year.

Now flash forward to March 2010 at the MD 1-F Convention. Several strange happenings occurred. First, the misappropriated item came into Zone Chairman Bob (Bubba) Surovitz possession. Then as the President was checking in, a Gold "Gotcha" coin appeared in her pocket.



And the war was on. The President (*all 4' 10" of her*) tracked down ZC Bubba (about 6' 2") and had a nose to – *well actually - belly button* discussion with him and informed him of the technicality involved.

Finally at the dinner Saturday night it came time for the auction of items ZC Bubba "*found*". Wait – we need to go back a few minutes. Our illustrious Zone Chair Lion Wayne in the process of being concerned about getting his beauty rest proceeded to show up late for the dinner. This comes in later in importance. So back to Bubba – the

auction for the item started (*with a gag-order for this author so I wouldn't bid*). Then slowly the price creeps up until it hits about \$60.00! Amazingly it was sold to the person whom had allegedly left it unattended and was responsible for it's loss in the first place - allegedly. And it cost him \$10.00 for showing up late.

What was the item and who paid for it? You guessed it, the **gavel** and same one that was fined for showing up late for the banquet -



Lion Wayne.

*Authors note: As I understand, it was easier to just pay for it rather than take on Lion Barb over who was actually legally in possession of the gavel at the time of its theft.*

**Let this be a lesson to all of you –**

**DON'T PICK ON LITTLE PEOPLE!**





THE  
Original

# Lions Information Park 'n Lunch

Eighth  
Annual



Saturday, May 8, 2010  
8:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Larry Laschen Community Center  
294 Evergreen Drive  
Vernon Hills, Illinois 60061



PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

→ **Club Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ **\$10.00**  
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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Club Office: \_\_\_\_\_

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Club Office: \_\_\_\_\_

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Club Office: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre-Registration Special Good till May 3, 2010**

→ If a Club pays for 3 members to attend, the fourth member is FREE.  
All four Lions must be from the SAME CLUB.  
← BREAKFAST & LUNCH IS INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION FEE

Please send completed Registration Form and correct money amount to:

Lion Andy R. Toth, PDG  
L 'n L Registration Chairman  
P.O. Box # 13  
Gurnee, IL 60031-0013

**Make all checks payable to:  
District 1-F Lions**

## LIONS MULTIPLE DISTRICT 1-F CONVENTION



We had a lot to “Brag Board” about this year! Great job Lions Inez, Lenore, and Barb



The MD 1-F Lioness Chairperson



Our very own Zoner – Lion Wayne



The newbie Lion Janice hit the place like a hurricane!



The Pres is happy – The Tail twister is just lookin for liquor and Lioness Carol is lookin for Lion Bill



Oh Oh – when that tongue comes out – someone’s in for a spankin  
RUN MIKE!



Our PCC was his usual suave and sophisticated self - But there’s something about his hair.....



Lion Wayne trying to figure out what the Leos are up to now



And trust me – them Leos showed up everywhere



See what I mean



Hey ain’t that the Governor’s banner?

**THE BEST PART WAS HAVING ALL THREE BANNERS TOGETHER**



The Tail Twister had to carry the banner so it wouldn't drag on the ground



That banner's evidently too long also



This was the hit of the convention  
*Sorry Lion Lenore – I'm talking about the Roo*



The weird thing is that he's had the same picture taken at the conventions for years...

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