



LIONS SHARE

The Official Newsletter of the Lions of Illinois Foundation

2007 Candy Day Success -

It all depends on you

Last year, Candy Day proved disappointing as revenues declined significantly.

In order to help all of our Clubs make more money FOR THEMSELVES than ever before, the Lions of Illinois Foundation, our Foundation, will provide the Candy to all participating Clubs FREE.

Please understand, the Candy will cost your Foundation \$75 per case so we ask each Club to increase efforts to secure underwriting. After all, Clubs will still receive the same 40% of the net proceeds (if they wish).

The more the Clubs raise the more the visually and hearing impaired will be benefited.

Additionally, because the Foundation will be providing the Candy free, there is no reason every Club in Illinois should not be participating in Candy Day—2007. Furthermore, the visibility of thousands of Lions **and volunteers** raising funds to help others will give positive exposure to our organization.

Lions, prepare now to have the most successful Candy Day ever. Your Foundation is doing everything in its power to help our Lions

Club help themselves as well as the Foundation they created. The ultimate beneficiaries will be the visually and hearing impaired children and adults in Illinois.



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In My Opinion

by Van C. Stone, LIF Executive Director

OUR FOUNDATION BREAKFAST — HOPE YOU WERE THERE

Large and small clubs and individual donors stood as giants in the battle against blindness and deafness.

From beginning to end, this year's Lions of Illinois Foundation Breakfast was a remarkable and memorable event that should reside in a special place reserved for wonderful memories. I hope you were there. First, our heartstrings were strummed by Monica Sementa, a wonderfully vibrant and very articulate woman, who attended our Camp Lions forty years ago. She recounted her memories and expressed her gratitude to the Lions for helping change her life from one of dependence to one of independence, from one of limited opportunities to one of unlimited possibilities and from a life of restricted experiences to one of fullness. Her conclusion was to thank those assembled for changing her life forty years ago while pointing to continuing Lionistic efforts on her behalf.

Then Darcy Schulte, our current Camp Lions Director gave a "power-point" presentation on our Camp Lions activities as they exist today. Her infectious enthusiasm and exuberance reached the hearts and minds of all in attendance and their response was genuine and heartfelt. Together, these two speakers eloquently articulated the rationale for our existence. In other words, they validated the reason(s) we are Lions.



Lion Stone dedicated a leaf to his wife Lisa, daughter Melisa, and son Wesley for their support. He also placed a leaf in loving memory of his parents, Wilfred & Catherine Stone.

... AND THEN, WE PARADED!



Lion Martha Garlock gives a pledge of all the Camp medical supplies & more from the Lake Zurich Lions.

Would you believe it? The members of our Foundation in attendance at our annual Breakfast got in line and showed the world what men and women are capable of when dedicated to the highest ideals of man which includes service to His children in need. When the "parade" was over, \$100,216.98 was pledged/donated to the Foundation created by the Lions of Illinois in furtherance of our cause to make a positive difference in the lives of the visually and hearing impaired. Once again, the Parade of Pledges witnessed the Bridgeview Lions "sponsoring" **twenty (20)** campers. We were honored to watch John and Joycelyn McCann demonstrate the true hearts of Lions securing their fourth Rock on the Tree of Service. Large and small clubs and individual donors stood as giants in the battle against blindness and deafness. The crowning glory of the parade was the spontaneous \$10 challenge for Camp Lions. The responders to that challenge kept coming to the microphones to meet the challenge head on. When it was over \$1,295 had been received.

If you weren't there, you missed a wonderful experience watching Lions who like having a good time and who truly understand that the only real reason for us to belong to an organization such as ours, is to serve others. When we do, good times are enjoyed by all!

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Recognition of Lifetime Service & Distinguished Service Awards Presented



Two veteran stalwarts of our Lions of Illinois Foundation and the people we serve were presented the prestigious "Recognition of Lifetime Service" honor at the LIF Annual Breakfast Meeting on May 20, 2007.

PID Bob Maxey (left) and PFP Don Bower (picture unavailable) were announced as the first to receive this recognition. Each of these great Lions provided leadership and simple old-fashioned hard work supporting our Foundation and its programs and services.

PID Bob Maxey is presented with the "Recognition of Lifetime Service" by LIF Executive Director Van Stone.

Words cannot adequately express the full extent of the appreciation for their efforts, but the Recognition of Lifetime Service presentation reflects the feelings of all the Lions of Illinois for their service.



The Distinguish Service Award was bestowed on two LIF Lions at the Annual Breakfast Meeting. This year DG Priscilla Hedrick (pictured below) and PFP Bob Sudbury, (pictured left) were recognized for their outstanding



service & contributions on behalf of the Lions of Illinois Foundation and the people we serve. Other DSA recipients were presented at their respective District conventions.



SQUARE "D"

(L -R) LIF Executive Director Van Stone poses with Square D attorneys Howie Japlon, Steve Litchfield, & Anthony Troyke after they presented a check to sponsor 20 kids to attend Camp Lions for visually & hearing impaired youth.

Throughout the eleemosynary world, the most sought after relationship is the one between a corporation/business and a local charity. Charities routinely encourage businesses to be "good citizens" by supporting their efforts to help the vulnerable in the community. Every once in a while, a business responds in a truly magnificent way.

The Square D Corporation is one of those special corporate citizens that understand that it is "good business" to help others.

Recently, Square D Corporation showed its generosity through a donation to the Bartlett Lions with

the understanding that a significant portion would go to sponsoring visually and hearing impaired children to attend our award-winning Camp Lions. Between the Lions of Bartlett and Square D over twenty-five children will be sponsored to attend Camp Lions.

The Lions of Illinois and their Foundation (us) have the honor of receiving the generosity of lots of small and large local businesses. We certainly desire more support from the corporate community. Maybe all businesses should emulate the example of Square D. If the world could see the actual faces of the boys and girls who benefit from the programs and services of the Lions

of Illinois Foundation their response would be greater. Specifically, it would be my wish that every corporate executive spend an hour or two at Camp Lions or a Low Vision Clinic viewing the spirit of the precious children and adults and watching that spirit soar when provided the programs and services of the Lions of Illinois Foundation.

We thank every business/corporation that demonstrates its support for the causes of dignity and hope among those who suffer the ravages of visual and hearing impairments. Without the support of the Lions that created our Foundation and the help of corporate America, the people we serve will suffer.

Congratulations Sight & Sound Sweepstakes Winners

Winners for the 27th annual Lions of Illinois Foundation Sight and Sound Sweepstakes raffle were drawn during the Foundation Breakfast at the State convention on Sunday, May 20th, 2007. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each Lions and Lioness member who sold tickets this year and again helped to make the SWEEPS program a success. The following is a listing of winners and those who sold the ticket.

Amount	Winner	Seller	District
5,000	Thera Desiree Marcum - Bushnell IL	Howard Roosa - Astoria Lions	1-H
1,000 (1)	David Welch - Swansea IL	Swansea Lions Club	1-CN
1,000 (2)	Roy Tocha - Wauconda IL	Roy Tocha - Wauconda Lions	1-F
1,000 (3)	Mr & Mrs Fred A. Koch - Coal City IL	Wilmington Lions Club	1-B
1,000 (4)	Nancy Vanek - Arlington Heights IL	Helen Anderson - Arlington Heights Lions	1-F
1,000 (5)	Elburn Lions Club - Elburn IL	Elburn Lions Club	1-J
500 (1)	Heidi Olsen - Bensenville IL	Debbie Serritella - Elmhurst Noon Lions	1-J
500 (2)	Lawrence Johnson - Fairfield IL	Lawrence Johnson - Fairfield Lions	1-CN
500 (3)	Craig Loveless - Glen Ellyn IL	Fred Bucholz - West Chicago Lions	1-J
500 (4)	Jack Shields - Collinsville IL	Larry Shields - Collinsville Evening Lions	1-CN
500 (5)	Roy Massingill - Warren IL	Warren Lions Club	1-D
500 (6)	Thomas E. Brown - Rockford IL	Thomas E. Brown - Rockford Noon Lions	1-D
500 (7)	Cheryl Satterfield - Mt Morris IL	Virginia Burnell - Dixon Lioness	1-D
500 (8)	Lonnie Brewer - Coal Valley IL	Vicki Thomas - Coal Valley Lions	1-H
500 (9)	Donald Schneider - Belleville IL	Dorothy Schneider - Belleville Midtown Lions	1-CN
500 (10)	Terry Wilborn - Algonquin IL	Jim Lantz - Crystal Lake Lions	1-J
250 (1)	Joseph Schuetter - Chicago IL	Joseph Schuetter - Chicago Southeast Lions	1-A
250 (2)	Bob Neuzil Jr - Elgin IL	Bob Neuzil - Lake In The Hills Lions	1-J
250 (3)	Jan Carleton - Jacksonville IL	Buzzy Baker - Dixon Lioness	1-D
250 (4)	Charles Grewe - Addieville IL	Charles Grewe - Okawville Lions	1-CN
250 (5)	Gary Fulton - Warren IL	Gary Fulton - Apple River Lions	1-D
250 (6)	Charles M. Allgire - Swansea IL	Charles M. Allgire - Belleville Midtown Lions	1-CN
250 (7)	Brad Galli - DuQuoin IL	PDG Bruce Summers - DuQuoin Lions	1-CS
250 (8)	Bob Andrews - Downers Grove IL	Mary Ann Kren - Downers Grove Evening Lions	1-J
250 (9)	Kay Ettington - Highland Park IL	Kay Ettington - Highland Park Highwood Lions	1-F
250 (10)	John Chisum - Chicago IL	John Chisum - Chicago Englewood Lions	1-A

A total of \$19,250 in prizes were awarded to the Sweepstakes winners and those selling a winning ticket. As illustrated, the grand prizewinner receives \$5000, with five (5) \$1000 winners, ten (10) \$500 winners, and ten (10) \$250 winners. Providing they put their name on the back of the ticket, the seller of each winning ticket receives an amount equal to ten (10) percent of the face value of that ticket.

Gross sales for the 2007 Sight and Sound Sweepstakes is currently over \$133,680. The net total to the Lions of Illinois Foundation will be considerably less, as the gross total includes amounts to be returned to the clubs not donating 100 percent. For Clubs that did **not** participate in the 2007 SWEEPS, your Club can still make a donation to this years Sweepstakes by sending a check to our Lions of Illinois Foundation and marking '2007 Sweepstakes' on the check (please enclose a note). Again, thank you for your participation in making the 2007 Sight and Sound Sweepstakes project a success.

*Yours in Lionism,
Lion Ron Wigton, State Chairperson, Sight and Sound Sweepstakes*

Mark Your Calendar... LIF Upcoming Events



August 3, 2007 - 2 pm -7pm

Camp Lions Open House
Reynoldswood Center
Dixon, IL

**August 4, 2007 -
14th Annual Golf Classic**

Railside Golf Course
Gibson City, IL

August 5, 2007 - Coordinators Meeting
The Chateau, Bloomington, IL

**October 12 (13), 2007 -
Lions Candy Day**



November 3 & 4, 2007- Board of Trustees Meeting
The Chateau, Bloomington, IL

January 6, 2008 - Coordinators Meeting
The Chateau, Bloomington, IL

February 15, 2008 - Candidate Orientation
The Chateau, Bloomington, IL

February 16 & 17, 2008- Board of Trustees Meeting
The Chateau, Bloomington, IL

Diabetic Retinopathy Screening Dates

By Lioness Susan F. Young,
Sight & Hearing Services Coordinator

July

7/11/07 - Erie, 1-D - 9-11am
Albany, 1-D - Noon-3pm
7/12/07 - Chadwick, 1-D - 10am-1pm
7/13/07 - Rochelle Lioness, 1-D
7/14/07 - Kansas, 1-E - 9am-Noon
7/18/07 - Freeport, 1-D - 9am-12:30pm
7/20/07 - Rockford Evening, 1-D - 10am-3pm
7/21/07 - Rock Falls, 1-D - 9am-Noon

August

8/1/07 - Rogers Park, 1-A - 10am-1pm
8/2/07 - Bellwood, 1-A - 3pm-6pm
8/6/07 - Shorewood, 1-B - 9am-2pm
8/7/07 - Tinley Park, 1-A - 9:30am-12:30pm
8/8/07 - Palos Hills, 1-A - 9am-2pm
8/9/07 - Burbank, 1-A - 10am-1pm
8/10/07 - Bonfield, 1-B - 10am-1pm
8/15/07 - Chicago Northwest, 1-A - 9am-2pm
8/18/07 - South Elgin, 1-J - 1pm-6pm
8/19/07 - South Elgin, 1-J - 1pm-6pm

For information on Diabetic Retinopathy Screenings please contact Lioness Susan F. Young at 815-756-5633 ext. 240.

Mobile Hearing Calendar

by Lion Mario J. Gumino, LIF Accounts Manager

AUGUST 2007

1 - Elgin, 1-J, 11am-4pm
2 - Altamont, 1-L, 9am-4pm
3 - Villa Park, 1-J, 9am-4pm
4 - Roselle, 1-J, 9am-4pm
5 - Antioch, 1-F, 9am-4pm
6 - Cary, 1-J, 9am-4pm
7- Bartlett, 1-J, 5pm-8pm
9 - Greenville, 1-L, 9am-2pm
10 - Galena, 1-D, 9am-4pm
11 - Rockford West, 1-D, 10am-2pm
13 - Wonder Lake, 1-J, 9am-5:30pm

14 - Byron, 1-D, 9am-Noon
15 - Chic. Northwest, 1-A, 9am-2pm
16 - Romeoville, 1-B, 9am-Noon
17 - Amboy, 1-D, 9am-Noon
18 - South Elgin, 1-J, 1pm-6pm
19 - Island Lake, 1-J, 1pm-5pm
20 - Mt. Carroll, 1-D, 9am-Noon
21 - Mt. Morris, 1-D, 1:30pm-5:30pm
22 - Prophetstown, 1-D, 9am-Noon
24 - Urbana, 1-E, 1pm-6pm
25 - Ashmore, 1-E, 9am-4pm
27 - Apple River, 1-D, 9am-Noon
28 - 20 - Farm Progress Show
31 Downers Grove Noon, 1-J, 9am-Noon

Mobile Screening Unit Needs Driver

The LIF is seeking a driver for the Mobile Diabetic Retinopathy Unit . The job would include maintaining a schedule to all screening sites as assigned, both weekdays and weekends. Qualified candidates must be at least 21 yrs. old, have a valid class C drivers license, and good driving record. **Interested? Call Mario at 815-756-5633 ext. 224 for full details or to arrange an interview.**

HELP WANTED

Kylypöytä: K. Kallonen
Käytännöllinen: Linnéa Pääkkö
Käytännöllinen: K. Kallonen

And the Winners Are... The LIF is proud to recognize the Lions & Lionesses of Illinois in their efforts to raise funds for our programs and services. Picture below are our top award winners.



◀Roselle Lions earned top Club among those donating 100% of Candy Day proceeds to the LIF. Pictured (L-R) are Zone One Chairperson Lion Mario Gumino, Lion Bruce Summers, Lion Toby Bobbitt, & PDG Bob Jilke.



◀Lombard Lions were honored as the 2nd largest contributor among those clubs donating 60% of Candy Day proceeds to the LIF. Lombard also won the Candy Day Recognition Trophy for remitting the largest dollar amount per capita for a Lions Club. Accepting is Lion Dr. Ernie Turcotte.



◀Darien Lions once again took top honors as the #1 Club contributing 60% of Candy Day receipts to the LIF. Darien Lions were also awarded the Candy Day State Contributor's Trophy for the largest dollar amount remitted to the LIF.



◀ CC John Landon accepts the plaque for Crystal Lake Lions, #1 Club for contributing 100% of their Sight & Sound Sweepstakes funds raised to the LIF.



◀Homer Twp. PDG Frank Anderson accepts his Clubs' plaque as the #2 Club donating 100% of proceeds from S&S Sweeps to the LIF.



◀Lion Joyce Davis is presented the award for North Aurora Lions Club as the Top 100% contributors for Tootsie Pop Day. The Club also took honors as the #4 Club for Sweepstakes 60% Clubs, and #5 Club for 100% Candy Day Clubs.

Other Clubs recognized for top awards not available for photos included:

Shattac Lions:

#1 Lions Club Sweepstakes 60% Contributors Award, Lions Club Sweepstakes Contributor's Trophy, & Sweepstakes Lions Club Recognition Trophy.

Yorkville Lions Club:

Tootsie Pop State Lions Contributor's Trophy & Top Tootsie Pop Lions Club of all 60% contributing clubs.

Channahon Lions Club:

Tootsie Pop State Lions Club Recognition Trophy

The efforts of every Club is essential to the success & future of your Foundation

Birdies Donations hit \$100,000!

This year's John Deere Classic tourney is history and 1863 birdies were recorded. All those making pledges will be getting a bill to pay your pledge soon. Please remember to **"ROUND-UP YOUR DONATION"** This will do a couple of things, which are all good. The LIF Endowment Fund will get a bigger bang and you will be increasing your donation for a Foundation Fellow, or those who are Laureates, a leaf on the Tree of Service.



We did reach my goal of \$100,000 in pledges but only because of Mulberry Grove Lions/Lioness Club donated their funds (\$50,000 as a pledge to Birdies and \$10,000 to the LIF Endowment fund) to the LIF. If all things are equal we should get 10% of what is paid before the deadline, which has not been set at this time.

Thank You for your efforts this year. We will be doing Birdies for 2008 and it will start at the LIF Annual Golf Tourney on the 4th of Aug. in Gibson City. Come and make a pledge.

Lion Mush Kojima, PFP
Head Bird

2007 State Convention Presentations



◀ PDG Bob Butterworth is congratulated by PFP Bruce Summers on his latest Sustaining Supporter.



▶ Irene Carpenter is presented with a posthumous Foundation Fellow for her husband PDG John Carpenter, a Camp Point Lions.



PDG John & Jocelyn McCann are ▶ gratefully thanked for their donation of a rock to the LIF Tree of Service.



◀ PDG Bill Keenan gives a thankful wave as he is presented a plaque for the donation of a rock to the Tree of Service in memory of his wife Audrey.



Betty Gould, ▶ our newest Foundation Laureate, is presented with the first of two shadow boxes to display her 16th - 25th Foundation Fellow.

LIF RECYCLING PROGRAMS

DONATION CARD

As we would like to send you a thank you,
Please fill in the following information:

Date: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Club Name: _____

District: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

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used eyeglasses _____

Keys: _____

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used hearing aids _____

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