



# LIONS CLUB of BLOOMINGDALE

## Lions Tales - November 2007

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Lion Mark Bousquet, President

Lion Wayne Murphy, Secretary

### **Next Business / Dinner Meeting**

The monthly Business / Dinner meeting will be held at the Bloomingdale Golf Club on Thursday, **December 06, 2007**. Social time kicks off at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. Reminder – Business meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.

### **Next Board Meeting**

The monthly Board Meeting will be held Thursday, **December 20, 2007** at Starck Realty at 6:30 p.m. All officers and directors should attend and all members are welcome to attend. Reminder – Board meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.

### **2007-2008 Schedule of Events - Tentative**

The following list of the proposed 2007-2008 events. This list will be updated as events are confirmed.

- Dec 06: Business Meeting and Club Celebration
- Dec 15: Christmas Baskets
- Dec 15: Santa Visits at the Bloomingdale Pharmacy
- Jan 12: Wine Tasting at the Lynfred Winery
- Jan 20: District 1-J Bowling at Stardust in Addison
- Feb 01: Spaghetti Dinner at the Bloomingdale Golf Club
- Mar 08: Easter Egg Hunt at Circle Park
- Apr 11-13: District 1-J Convention Hospitality Room at the Naperville Hilton
- Apr TBD: Vidalia Onion Sales
- May TBD: Steak Fry at the Bloomingdale Golf Club
- Jun TBD: American Cancer Society Relay for Life
- Jun 01: Illinois Walk for Sight
- Jun 05: Awards / Installation Dinner

If you have information of other upcoming events, please let me know so I can incorporate them into the next issue.

### **Welcome New Lions**

The Bloomingdale Lions Club would like to welcome Lion Sandy Kozlowski and Lion Michael Chung. Both Lion Sandy and Lion Michael were inducted November 1, 2007.

### **November & December Birthdays**

A BIG Happy Birthday to the following Lions & partners in service:

Nov 03: Diane King  
Nov 10: Casey Hunt  
Nov 12: Kevin Jordan  
Nov 13: William Plane  
Nov 28: Mark Bousquet  
Dec 02: Jerry Bertrand  
Dec 04: Bill Morrisroe  
Dec 12: Kelly Gits  
Dec 12: Sharyn Murphy  
Dec 14: Bette Hunt  
Dec 17: Jennifer Plane  
Dec 22: Rob Pauling  
Dec 22: Joan Vertnik  
Dec 24: Jerry Markham

### **Spaghetti Dinner**

The next spaghetti dinner is scheduled for February 01, 2008. The event will be held at the Bloomingdale Golf Club from 5-8 pm. Tickets will be distributed during the December Business meeting since the event will be held prior to the February Business meeting. We will be collecting ticket sale money during the January meeting.

The Leo's will be helping but additional volunteers are needed. If you are interested, please contact Lion Kelly, Lion Kevin, Lion Larry or Lion Claudia.

### **Lions Environmental Photo Contest**

Lights, camera, action! It's time for the Lions Environmental Photo Contest. Photos of Bloomingdale plants, animals, landscapes, weather phenomena or a photo that fulfills the theme, "Our Changing Environment" are most welcome. Complete contest information appears on the Lions website at:

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/environment\\_photo\\_contest.html](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/environment_photo_contest.html) or contact Lion Sue Crosson-Knutson Chairperson for District 1-J [noteworthyneighbors@hotmail.com](mailto:noteworthyneighbors@hotmail.com)

Please bring your photos to the January Business meeting.

### **Santa Visits**

Santa will be making a stop at the Bloomingdale Pharmacy on December 15 from 10 am to 1 pm. Private visits will be available on request. Please see Lion Lion Perry Knutson for details [lionperry@hotmail.com](mailto:lionperry@hotmail.com) or 630 894 7394.

### **More Time On Her Hands**

Congratulations Lion Sharyn on her recent retirement. Lion Sharyn can enjoy her time with her daughters, grandchildren and Lion Murph!

### **Christmas Baskets**

Saturday morning, December 15, 2007, at 8:00 AM, the Bloomingdale Lions will meet at Springdale Restaurant, 2260 Bloomingdale Road, Glendale Heights (just north of the Jewel Osco store) to enjoy breakfast repast. At about 9:00 – 9:30, we will divide into seven teams and cross the parking lot to Jewell for our annual Christmas shopping excursion. After we purchase the basket necessities, pay the bill, etc. the teams will make the deliveries to the appropriate families. Prior to the event, Lion Jerry (aka Blossom) and I (Lion Marv) will contact the families and make every effort to ensure they are home for the deliveries, estimated between 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM. Directions will be given to each team as how to best travel to the homes, either via MapQuest or some home grown variety of directions. We will be serving 6 families and the Battered Women's shelter. We anticipate spending about \$200 per family plus some gift cards. Other details and Lion Blossom's "Secret Plan" will also be revealed at the Business/Dinner meeting on December 6.

At the upcoming Business/Dinner meeting on Thursday, December 6, we will have a sign up sheet for the event so appropriate reservations can be made for the restaurant. In the event you are not going to attend the upcoming meeting but wish to participate in the baskets please call Lion Jerry (Blossom) at 630-529-8715 or Lion Marv (Old Goat) at 630-980-7448 and let us know of your participation. We need to know the number of Lions in advance for both the breakfast and team setup.

This is a fun event and has usually proven to bring a good start, aka warm & fuzzy feelings, to the Christmas Season.

Hope to see you there.

Lion Marv & Lion Jerry

### **Love for Lucy**

Lucy Pierri is a nurse for Bloomingdale District 13 Schools and a resident of Bloomingdale. Lucy is fighting cancer and has traveled to Houston Texas for advanced treatment at the MD Anderson Cancer Center. Hundreds of local residents and several organizations have joined together and are hosting a spaghetti dinner, auction and raffle that will take place in early December. If you'd like additional information please contact Amy Dahly @ Amydahly@aol.com.

Although this is not a Bloomingdale Lions Club sponsored event, we felt it was important to support due to Lucy's involvement in the Bloomingdale community. If you would like to attend or make a personal donation, see Lion Sue for details.

### **Youth Opportunities/Youth Exchange**

As you might be aware, I'm (Lion Perry Knutson) the MD-1 (IL) Chairperson for Youth Opportunities. I'd like to make you aware of the opportunity to host and sponsor young people as Lions youth exchangees. I'm looking for young adults, ages 19-22 (college age), to participate in the Lions International Youth Exchange Program. I just received a note from three countries, Austria, Finland, and Italy requesting five young adults (each country) to participate in their 6-week program for summer 2008. The youth exchangee/person (young adult) has to be sponsored by a Lions Club but does not have to be a Leo or the child of a Lion. There is no cost to the sponsoring Lions club. Information about the program is available at:

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/youth/yce\\_intro.shtml](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/youth/yce_intro.shtml)

I'm also looking for families to host young adults from three countries, Austria, Finland, and Italy youth exchangees for next summer. I've been working with the Scandinavian countries for many years. They have a six-week program. Our son, Brad, went to Denmark several years ago. The cost to the Knutson family was the \$800 – the cost of his airplane ticket to Copenhagen. He had an experience of a life time, and would do it again. His story appears on the MD-1 Web site at:

[http://www.ilstatelionsyouthleo.org/PDF/THE%20LION%20Magazine-December%202003 January%202004.pdf](http://www.ilstatelionsyouthleo.org/PDF/THE%20LION%20Magazine-December%202003%20January%202004.pdf)

Thank you

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Lion of II, MD-1, Leo & Youth Activities Committee Chair  
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### **Newsletter Submission Calendar**

I need your help to make the newsletter a success. If you have an article, photo or something you'd like to share please send it to [lionkelly@att.net](mailto:lionkelly@att.net) by the following dates:

#### **December 21, 2007**

January 25, 2008

February 22, 2008

March 21, 2008

April 18, 2008

May 23, 2008

### **Editor's Corner**

Thanks to all who submitted an article or a picture. Please let Lion Kelly know if you prefer to receive the newsletter by email.

For additional information about the club please see our web site at  
<http://www.bloominglelionsclub.org/>.

Thank you,

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