



LIONS CLUB of BLOOMINGDALE

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Lion Dan L. Davis, President

Lion Wayne Murphy, Secretary

Fellow Lions:

Welcome back from our summer break. In keeping with the Olympic theme, the newsletter "torch" was passed on from Lion Kelly to Lion Sharyn. When I volunteered for this position, I knew I had some big shoes to fill. With the help of you, my fellow Lions, I will do my best to accomplish this. My sincere thanks to Lion Kelly for her time and effort in helping me get off to a good start.

In an effort to hold down the printing and postage costs, all Lions Club members will receive their newsletter via email.

A Letter from President Dan L. Davis

Members of the Bloomingdale Lions Club:

It is an honor and privilege to serve as President for 2008-2009. The goals and initiatives as your President include increasing our membership and having our Club be the number 1 club in District 1J. We must all be vigilant and committed to achieving these goals. I would like to see the Vice-Presidents follow up with all the event Chairpersons and committees to assist and advise so as to make sure all our yearly events are clearly and specifically advertised earlier and well organized. All Chairpersons should complete an event report as soon as possible after the conclusion of the event and submit it to the Club and the Club Secretary, Lion Wayne Murphy, keeping in mind that a file on the previous event should be prepared to present to the next Chairperson if the same event is scheduled for next year.

Our guest speaker for the September 4th Dinner/Business meeting will be Bloomingdale Mayor, Bob Iden. Prepare to attend so we will have a great turnout.

Looking forward to a successful year for our Club and Community.

Dan L. Davis, President

Next Business / Dinner Meeting

The next monthly Business / Dinner meeting will be held at the Bloomingdale Golf Club on Thursday, **September 04, 2008**. Social time kicks off at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. As a reminder, Business meetings are held the 1st Thursday of the month.

Next Board Meeting

The monthly Board Meeting will be held Thursday, **September 18, 2008** at Prudential Realty (Starck) at 6:30 p.m. All officers and directors should attend and all members are welcome to attend. As a reminder, Board meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of the month.

2008-2009 Schedule of Events

Check out our upcoming events:

- Sept. 06: Septemberfest**
 - Sept. 28: Third Annual Walk-a-Dog-a-Thon**
 - Oct. 10/11: Candy Day**
 - Oct. 24: Spaghetti Dinner**
 - Dec.: Christmas Baskets
 - Feb.: Spaghetti Dinner**
 - TBD: Easter Egg Hunt**
 - Apr.: Onion Sale**
 - May: Steak Fry**
 - June: American Cancer Society Relay for Life**
 - June: Illinois Walk for Sight**
 - June: Awards / Installation Dinner
 - TBD: Annual Charity Golf Challenge**
- Note: Items with ** are events open to the public.

July Birthdays

- 3 – Tom Zaccardi
- 7 – Marie Kowalski
- 8 – Perry Knutson
- 12 – Ron Fangusaro
- 23 – Cory Viger
- 28 – Ken Masick
- 29 – Linda Argyrakis
- 31 – Vi Morrisroe

August Birthdays

- 9 – Juanita Grant
- 11 – Karen Becker
- 15 – Barbara Prescott
- 17 – Joe Salerno
- 30 – Elisabeth Fangusaro

September Birthdays

- 2 – Maureen Davis
- 2 – Jack Kropp
- 9 – Bill Wolff
- 11 – Guy Sanalidro
- 12 – John Vertnik
- 15 – Debbie Schoen
- 20 – Lorraine Masick

Illinois Walk for Sight

The Bloomingdale Lions Club received a \$288.00 refund check for its participation in the Illinois Walk for Sight on June 1st. Thank you to all who participated.

Installation & Awards Dinner

Our Installation & Awards Dinner was held on Thursday, June 5th. Congratulations to all new officers and directors that were installed and special congratulations to our newly inducted Melvin Jones Fellows, Lions Kelly and Bob V.

Golf Outing

Here is a note from our past President and Chairman of the Golf Outing, Lion Mark Bousquet:

Once again the Bloomingdale Lions Club had a successful golf outing! While the temperature, humidity, (and most players' scores!) were high, fun and raising money were the order of the day! I just want to take a moment to thank each and every Lion, family member or friend that helped us put on this great event.

We had 65 golfers paid for, many sponsors, and a great team of volunteers to take registration, man the betting holes, and do everything else that needed to be done!

The event was won by a group brought in by Lion Bob Vuglar. They were a combined 19 under par, far outdistancing the second place team. Most of the individual awards went to this same group!

Lunch sponsored by Lion Joe Salerno was a great place to get fortified on this steamy day! Dinner was great as usual, and as always a special thanks to Don and everyone at the Golf Club!

Thanks to Lions Jerry B. and Rob for putting everything together and getting most of the great prizes that made our event so good. Thanks to all Lions who supplied gifts for the raffle!

I will have a report on the money we raised at the first meeting. Preliminary reports from Lion Rob are good. We were down a few golfers, but thanks to a stellar effort to secure sponsors from Lions Jerry B., Rob, Bob V., Joe, and Kelly, I think we will end up making more money to give away.

There were so many people involved in this, I'm sure I left club members out, and for this I am sorry. Suffice to say, this was truly a club effort as always and I salute the Bloomingdale Lions Club for its efforts!

Sincerely,
Mark





Septemberfest

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 6th for this year's annual Septemberfest. This event is a 16 hour day and requires many volunteers. Lion Kelly is our chairperson for this event and will have a signup sheet at our meeting on September 4th. Please contact Lion Kelly for additional details.

Third Annual Walk-a-Dog-a-Thon

Here is a note from Lion Sue, the chairperson for this event:

To all,

The Third Annual Walk-a-Dog-a-Thon will be held at 2 p.m. on Sun., Sept. 28 at Springfield Park in Bloomingdale. All proceeds from the event will be donated to Lions Project Canine Companions for Independence, a non-profit organization that raises and trains assistance dogs for people in wheelchairs.

This year, in addition to sponsorship by the Bloomingdale Lions Club, the Westfield Leo Club, and Erickson School Cub Scouts (Pack 457), the Bloomingdale VFW (Post 7539) will be joining in the event. There are many veterans who are in need of assistance dogs.

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Thanks for your help in getting out the word about this canine-friendly event.

Sue

Westfield Leo Club Update

On Tuesday, August 19th, Lion Jerry Bertrand, our Leo Advisor, attended the Westfield School registration and registered 34 new Leos. With the 7 members from last year, we now have a total of 41 Leos in our club. Great job Lion Jerry. Helping Lion Jerry this year will be Lions Bob Cywinski, Jim King and Sharyn Murphy.

Congratulations Lion Bill Wolff

Lion Bill was elected the 2008-09 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Junior Vice Commander of Illinois. In 2009-10 he will advance to Senior Vice Commander and then Commander in 2010-11. We are very proud of you Lion Bill.

Lions Showcase Display

Thank you Lion Marv for your never-ending attention to detail and upkeep of the Bloomingdale Lions Club showcase display at the Bloomingdale Library. If you haven't seen this display, you don't want to miss it. It's in the lower level of the library.

Newsletter Submission

If you have an article, photo or something you'd like to share, please send it to Lion Sharyn at stmurphy@ameritech.net by September 19th.

Editor's Corner

Thanks to all who submitted an article or a picture. For additional information about the club please see our web site at <http://www.bloomingtondalelionsclub.org/>.

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