



Pride

November, 2011

New Member Sworn In

At the October 10 Board Meeting, the Board of Directors approved the application of Doug Lomen for membership in the Crystal Lake Lions Club.

Lion Doug was sworn in immediately after the vote by Past Council Chair Lion John Landon.

Lion President Nick Parashis is Lion Doug's sponsor and describes our newest member as follows:

"Doug and his wife Faye have been good friends of Grace and I for several years now. Doug has been in

the Crystal Lake area for 28 years now originally from the great Viking State of Minnesota. Doug has two adult children and he has been a consistent supporter of the Crystal Lake Lions Club over the years in every fundraiser we do. Doug has attended two of our golf outings, Steak Fry and Fall Raffle."

Lion Doug lives at 1017 Plum Tree Drive in Crystal Lake and his home phone is (815) 455-1489. His cell is (815) 382-2435 and his email address is djlomen@ameritech.net

Club Constitution And By Laws Now On Website

Most members of the Crystal Lake Lions Club remember that on April 11, 2011 the Club's Constitution and By Laws were revised and approved unanimously by those members in attendance at the Club meeting that evening. The revision, crafted by a committee chaired by Lion Jim Zambon, was intended to bring the Constitution and By Laws up to date and reflect what our Club was doing today, not way back in 1988 when the last revision was adopted.

Webmeister Lion Bob Morovec recently announced that the revised Constitution and By Laws is now posted on the Club website. Members can read, or print out, the complete Constitution and By Laws on www.crystallakelions.org. The link is located on the bottom of the "Members Page."

Lion Bob also pointed out that the monthly Lions Pride is available on the website as well. The past twelve issues are maintained on the website and available to all.

Should you wish to have a printed copy of the Constitution and By Laws, please contact Lion John Landon, PCC. He will be happy to print out and hand deliver a copy to you at our next meeting, or as soon as possible after that. Please allow Lion John a few days for printing your request.

Keep Up The Good Work Lions!

The following is a Thank You from a client we helped. We paid to fix his wheelchair. (From Lion Randy Funk)

Randy, thank you soo much for being the patient and giving person that you are! Please also thank all those from the LIONS Club for being such a wonderful organization!

I am so happy for Dan that he will now have the access to Independence that he craves and needs to be what he is capable of being! I firmly believe Dan will pay it forward and make a difference in others lives, especially with his new independence and opportunity to participate in college and his community!

Thanks again....it would not have happened without your help !!

Paula Fick OTR/L

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendars

Monday, November 14	Business Meeting	The Cottage
Friday, November 18	FALL RAFFLE-6pm Cocktails 7 pm Raffle Starts	Living Room
Monday, November 28	Program Meeting	TBD

President's Letter

Dear Crystal Lake Lions Club Members,

Is time flying or is just me. It seems we have transitioned from our summer break and are right in the middle of our busiest times of the year. We had a pretty active October. I want to thank Lion Richard for another successful Candy Day. Lion Richard started working on candy Day last year in securing stores for collecting money and put in many hours on Candy Day weekend to make it work. I am very proud to let you know that we had 100 % attendance for Candy Days. Lion Richard is still working on our total money collected. Please remember we still have time to secure underwritings for Candy Days. I am pleased for all the members and volunteers who made Candy Day successful.

We have heard some concern for our club's participation in events at Horizons for the Blind in the past. Horizons for the Blind this month had their open house and Chamber mixer and Lion Jeff Thorsen and Lion Nate Magit asked that we have the club members present at this function to assist. I am proud to say that our club answered the call on this. We had twelve members who showed up that day to assist in any way Horizons needed. I talked to Camille and she was very proud of the club and our turn out for their event. Keep up the good work guys.

We inducted a new member two weeks ago and I am pleased to announce that Doug Lomen is now a member of the Crystal Lake Lions Club. I am Lion Doug's sponsor and Doug has been a very good friend over the years and has participated in numerous fund-raising events we have had. I am sure Lion Doug will be a great addition to the club. Please congratulate Lion Doug and spend some time with him at the upcoming meetings and get to know him, as well as make him feel welcome to the club. I usually would also rub it in to all the naysayers in telling you Lion Doug is a very intelligent person since he is a Minnesota Viking fan like me, but I guess we eat crow on this one this year. Yes I have said it The Vikings really suck.

The fall raffle is right around the corner. Everyone in the club knows how much fun this fundraiser is. The fall raffle is November 18th at the Living Room. If you have not gotten tickets yet contact Lion Lantz soon. Last I checked we had less than ten tickets left.

We had a successful Program meeting this past Monday at the Living Room. I was told the food was excellent and the service and

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Meeting Schedule

Monday, November 14, 2011	Business Meeting	The Cottage
Monday, November 28, 2011	Program Meeting	TBD

(Regular Board & Program Meetings begin at 6:30pm. Lionization at 6:00pm)

Crystal Lake Lions Club

2011-2012 Officers

President Nick Parashis

1st Vice President Roger Weis

2nd Vice President Jeff Thorsen

3rd Vice President Bob Jarvis

Secretary Rob Wood

Treasurer Peter Collins

Tail Twister Steve Haugh

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atmosphere were good. I will meet with the owner of the Living Room tonight to see if we might have the November program meeting there. I am not sure if this will happen as they are closed on Mondays and we had a low turnout for the last meeting, but I will follow up and get back to all members as soon as I can.

We are still awaiting the reopening of Hartley's which will be renamed the London Club. I am told they will be opening by the second week in November and they want our club to meet there as we have in the past. I really want to get everything confirmed so we are not bouncing around for our program meetings. If all works out this month will be the last time we are up in the air as to where the meeting is going to take place.

Always remember "We Serve"!
Yours in Lionism,

Lion Nick
Lion President Nick

Meeting Up In The Air

As Lion President Nick noted in his monthly letter, we do not now know where the Club will meet for its Program meeting on November 28. Depending on Nick's negotiations we hope to be able to advise all Crystal Lake Lions via email and phone in the near future.



Club Helps Horizons

Lion Nate Magit, who works for Horizons for the Blind, reports that the Crystal Lake Lions Club was prominent in helping Horizons at its recent Chamber Mixer/Grand Opening.

Horizons moved to a new facility on Erick Street earlier this year. The new facility allows Horizons to continue and expand its services to the visually impaired.

At the Chamber Mixer Lion Nate saw and remembered Lions Richard Kraft, Jack McArdle, Nick Parashis, Harmon Peaco, Jeff Thorsen, Bob Gray and Rick Miller. Lion Nate admits to being busy working and while other Crystal Lake Lions were present he cannot accurately recall all the names.

In any case, Lion Nate knows the Crystal Lake Lions helped with parking, with serving food and with guiding the blind and visually impaired in attendance.

"On behalf of Horizons for the Blind, I know we really appreciated the help the Crystal Lake Lions Club provided at our Grand Opening," said Lion Nate. "We thank the Club for all it did to make our Grand Opening a success."

Lions Jeff Thorsen and Bob Gustafson currently serve on the Board of Horizons for the Blind.

**Have You
Remembered Your
Lions of Illinois
Foundation in Your
Will?**

From The Crystal Lake Lions Club Archives

Inasmuch as this is the Crystal Lake Lions Club's 80th year of service to the Crystal Lake area, it seems appropriate to reflect on all our club has done for this community in the past.

Lion Bill Limbach, with help from several other Crystal Lake Lions, has worked hard to gather and sort and catalog Club records from all sources. Lion Steve Haugh had many of those records filed in binders, others were just piles of paper and photos in boxes brought in by many Lions.

The records Lion Bill has assembled are stored in the Club's office which, by the way, is available for Club committee meetings on request.

The Pride will publish, as space permits, items Lion Bill randomly selects from the historical records in the office. This issue has the following items as well as items relative to the beginning of the Crystal Lake Gala on page 4.

December, 1940 : The Crystal Lake Lions Club sponsored a Christmas lighting contest and a Christmas party for the children of the community. For admission, the children brought a non-perishable food product. This in turn was given to the Welfare Association for use in Christmas baskets.

Also in 1940: The Lions also constructed a shelter at Walkup Woods for skaters and coasting parties.

Want to Learn More About Lionism?

Check Out These Websites:

Lions Clubs International	www.lionsclubs.org
Multiple District 1(Illinois)	www.illinoislionsmd1.org
Lions District 1-J	www.district1jlions.org
Lions of Illinois Foundation	www.lionsofillinoisfoundation.org
Crystal Lake Lions Club	www.crystallakelions.org

Did You Know? (as of 9/30/11)

Illinois Lions number **16,891** in **565** clubs in twelve districts
District 1-J has **2,583** Lions in **68** clubs (1-J is the largest district in Illinois)
Crystal Lake Lions are **56** strong

Crystal Lake Lions Club Historical Events:

From the archives in the Crystal Lake Lions Club office.

July 4, 1983 : The first 4th of July Gala was organized and run by the Crystal Lake Lions Club in the Crystal Point Mall parking lot.

July 4, 1984 : In conjunction with the Second 4th of July Gala, the first 4th of July parade in a decade was run by the Crystal Lake Lions Club .

The Second Gala featured the " Taste of Crystal Lake" with Crystal Lake restaurants serving food and more than 20, 000 people attended, again in the Crys-



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tal Point Mall parking lot.

Both 1983 and 1984 events were quite successful. However the Club determined that the scale of the event and the liabilities were more than the Club could handle. The Gala returned a couple of years later sponsored by the City. Lions were part of it as long as it lasted.

**Friday, November 18
6pm-Living Room
Fall Raffle**



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