



December, 2023

Fall Raffle A "Roaring" Success

The 2023 Fall Raffle was a huge success. Some 100 + members and guests attended, the Dole Mansion provided a great venue and Cucina Bella provided some very delicious food.

If you were not there, you missed a great night of fun.

The Club netted some \$8,011 on the Raffle, received \$2,200 in extra donations and \$625 on the Football Pool.

This means that we raised \$10,836



Meeting Schedule

Mon, Dec 11 Xmas Party, Cucina Bella 6:30pm

No regular meetings are held in the summer however the Board will meet two times to plan for the upcoming 2023-2024 Lions Year. All members are invited to attend Summer Board meetings but no meals will be provided.

Holiday Party On Dec 11

The Crystal Lake Lions Club's Annual Holieay Party, often also referred to as the Christmas or X,mas Party will be held this year on Monday, December 11 at Cucina Bella starting at the usual time of 6:30pm. Lionization will begin at 6pm.

Spouses, significant others and prospective new members are invited.

The theme for the evening will be Ugly Sweaters. Wear the ugliest you have.

Please notify Lion Randy Funk of your attendance and the attendance of any guest you may bring. Lion Randy may be reached at refunkyone@aol.com or (815) 455-8385.

EDITOR NEEDED

The Editor of the Crystal Lake Lions Pride for the past God knows how many years, Lion John Landon, is running low on new ideas. It's time for another Crystal Lake Lion to step up and put some new energy into the Pride. Let Lion John know if you are interested and we will work out a schedule of learning and transition with the aim of a new Editor taking over some time in the next year or so..

President's Letter

Club Members

Thanks to Lion Jim Zambon for an outstanding Fall Raffle, He personally delivered a winner.

As we move forward to next year, we still should be looking for people, families, or organizations that could use our help. We believe our social abilities are our greatest asset in the club. I'd agree we are good at it, but we also excel at finding those in need and delivering the successful solutions.

We will need an all out effort to make our annual flagship fundraiser, The Steak Fry, a tremendous success!!! Please start thinking of donated products for the raffles, local business support for contributions for program advertising, selling tables, or cash shake downs.

When Lion Randy gets the SF committee meetings started, we need all hands on deck to generate our highest level of profits to assist the people we serve(or the more we can).

As I have stated, we need to look for more new members to help us pull the sled. I have pledged to open up the Holiday Party to paying potential members that may accompany a CL Lion member. It is a good setting for us to meet them, and them to meet us?

Lion Derek Benton is working on a day at Metro Bowl to wrangle in more potential members this spring. Lion Gasparitis is putting together a plan for a local car show at the Dole sponsored by the CL Lions Club this summer. Hopefully our own Lion Kevin Byrnes "Smash Burger" can assist?

We all need to work on building membership and increasing the viability of the most successful Lions Club in our area.

Happy Holidays to all!!!!

Lion President Rob Parrish

(Lion Cortina please do not critique my grammar)

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The Crystal Lake Lions Club meets the second and fourth Monday. There are no club meetings in July and August. However, the Board meets in July/August to plan for the upcoming Lions year.

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

2023-2024 Club Officers

President	Rob Parrish
1st Vice Presiden	t Dave Moore
2nd Vice Presiden	t Ashley Funk
3rd Vice President	Derek Benton
Secretary	Kevin Byrnes
Asst Secretary	John Landon
Treasurer	John Dewey
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Asst Tail Twister	Dan Johnson
Asst Tail Twister	Jim Zambon
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Multiple District One-10 Districts 12,358

District 1-J(Largest in Illinois) 56 Clubs 2,081

Crystal Lake Lions are 56 Strong



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