

Crystal Lake Lions Club

MAY 2024

Lions PRIDE



**OUR
94th YEAR !!
Since 1931**

Promotional Group Picture.

Members attending the April 22 meeting pose for a group photo to be used in an upcoming Northwest Herald community appreciation article. Piece will highlight those groups and organizations who have benefited from our efforts.

Club Elects New Officers For 2024-25

At the April 22 general meeting, Lion Jim Zambon from the Nominations Committee presented a slate of candidates to serve on the Board of Directors for the next Lions year which starts on July 1. After a motion and a second, a vote was held. All candidates were elected unanimously.

The new board of directors will be inducted at the June 17 Installation and Awards Dinner to be held at Cucina Bella Restaurant. There will be yearly awards and other presentations as we celebrate one hell of a year from our Lions Club.

LIST OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS IN THIS ISSUE

MEETING DATES

May 13

Lou Malnati's 6:30 p.m.

June 17

Installation and Awards
Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Cucina Bella

No regular meetings are held in the summer however the Board will meet two times to plan the 2024-25 Lions year. All members are invited to attend Summer Board meetings but no meals will be served.

Lion President



My Fellow Lions

Crystal Lakes' motto is still "A good Place to Live..."

The Crystal Lake Lions should be "A good place to serve..."

Spring is finally upon us. That means, GOLF for those of you with the "Means".

That's not me, I am looking forward not only to another year as president, but learning to play golf well enough to validate Brennan's score card before June 10th. Enjoying the chaos that setting up the largest parade in northern Illinois as a Lion volunteer brings. Witnessing Lion Rob Cruise try and fill every beer request at the Dole beer tent. Hauling ass to Galena to the "new" Cucina Bella for the same great meal I can get here from CB Alg. Celebrating a fantastic year in the club at our Installation & Awards Dinner June 17th, boasting about our club's record fundraising events, all our efforts to increase membership (Lion Gass), and working together as a club to fulfil the requests for help to all we serve. Representing our club and its huge American Flag in 2 parades will also be a benchmark for the summer of 2024, besides going to Cubs games with our select members that have season tickets. Club members that choose to ride motorcycles PLEASE wear your Brain Buckets (Lion Boyk your hair is always a mess).

Remember we always need more Lions to achieve higher expectations we hold for our club. The most difficult part of gaining new members is merely asking them "Would you like to come to a meeting?" and "Would you like to open a tab?"

[Have a great Spring/Summer to all the CL Lions and your families.](#)

CL Lion President Parrish

Crystal Lake Lions Club Officers 2024-25

Lion President	Lion Rob Parrish
1st Vice President	Lion David Moore
2nd Vice President	Lion Derek Benton
3rd Vice President	Lion Chris Morgan
Secretary	Lion Kevin Byrnes
Assistant Secretary	Lion John Landon
Treasurer	Lion John Dewey
Assistant Treasurer	Lion Richard Yelle
Tail Twister	Lion Rob Cruise
Assistant Twister	Lion Dan Johnson
Assistant Twister	Lion Jim Zambon
Lion Tamer	Lion Matt Eby
Assistant Lion Tamer	Lion Randy Helm
Directors	Lion Doug Lomen, Lion Rob Wood, Lion Bob Moravec Lion Randy Funk, Lion Brennan Markee

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE MAY 27

NEED MARCHERS

Lion Randy Funk is assembling a marching crew for the Annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday May 27. We will assemble at the Crystal Lake Central High School east lot at 10:30 a.m. for the 11:00 a.m. sendoff.

We'll go Franklin Street to Williams Street then head north through downtown to Woodstock Street. Left past City Hall to the cemetery. There will be a ceremony at the Union soldier monument.

We need a lot of manpower here! Please wear a Crystal Lake Lions shirt and beige slacks/shorts.

This is one of our time honored traditions as Crystal Lake Lions. Nothing makes you more proud than hear the applause from the appreciative crowd as we navigate the 20 x 30' U.S. Flag.



2023– 2024 Club Officers

President	Rob Parrish
1st Vice President	Dave Moore
2nd Vice President	Ashley Funk
3rd Vice Pres.	Derek Benton
Secretary	Kevin Byrnes
Asst. Secretary	John Landon
Treasurer	John Dewey
Tail Twister	Chris Morgan
Asst. Tail Tw.	Dan Johnson
Asst. Tail Tw.	Jim Zambon
Lion Tamer	Rob Cruise
Asst. Lion T.	Tony Colatorti
Director	Doug Lomen
Director	Rob Wood
Director	Bob Moravec
Director	Brennan Markee
Director	Randy Funk



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Sweepstakes Books in By May 13 Meeting!

Sight & Sound Sweepstakes Chairman Darren Boyk urges all Lions to return their Sweeps books back by the first May meeting. Drop dead date. Please leave the covers on the books when you turn in your money. Also if you write your name on the back of each ticket that you sell, you can receive a sellers award if that ticket is a winner. Tickets are \$10.00 for a book of five tickets or \$3.00 each. Our club has sold the first prize ticket of \$5,000.00 in the past. Let's do it again. Please contact Lion Darren Boyk for books or questions. Thanks in advance to Lion Boyk for delivering the books to the Lions of Illinois Foundation offices in DeKalb.



GOLF OUTING June 10- Boone Creek

Here we go, the annual Golf Outing is slated for Monday, June 10 at Boone Creek Golf Club. Time to start lining the foursomes. In this issue is an official entry form.

Registration and payment must be received by May 28 to be assured of tee assignment. Checks should be made payable to Crystal Lake Lions Club, P.O. Box 48, Crystal Lake IL 60039-0048. Questions?? Call Dave 224-623-2602, Doug 815-382-2435, Brennan 815-814-6642, Rob 815-378-4459

**GOLF OUTING FORM IS ON THE LAST PAGE
OF THIS ISSUE.**

Club Donates to Senior Care Volunteer Network

At the April 22 meeting, the Crystal Lake Lions Club donated \$1,500.00 to the Senior Care Volunteer Network. Executive Director Sarah Schremppf was the program speaker for the evening. She outlined the free services provided to senior citizens. These included Transportation to Appointments, Medical Equipment Lending Closet, Friendly Visits and Calls, Grocery Shopping and Food Box Deliveries, and Seasonal Yard Work. With our support, McHenry County area seniors can live independently, and with dignity they all deserve. The main office is located in Crystal Lake next to the Food Pantry. Phone number is 815-455-3120.

Pictured: Lions Darren Boyk, Tony Lamping, Matt Eby, Dan Johnson, Sarah Schremppf, and Lion President Rob Parrish.



SHOP WITH A COP COLLECTION BOXES TOPS \$1,058.00 !!! WHAT A START

Lion Matt Eby has reported that the newly displayed Shop with a Cop collection boxes have already netted \$1,058.26. Racing out of the gates. There are five more boxes ready to be placed shortly. The wood constructed boxes show beautifully on area business counters. The Crystal Lake Lions Club are very proud to support this program by the McHenry County Police Charities.



IN THE HOPPER....Small Print, big news

Horizons for the Blind Annual Picnic. Planned for Saturday, June 15 at Veterans Acres Park Pavilion. CL Lions man the grills and provide assistance. We need manpower. Plan on volunteering.

7th of July Parade. With the extensive roadwork on Dole Avenue, the parade will be rerouted this year. Our club will again be a major participant in the operation.

Car Show Fundraiser. Lion Mike Gasparaitis will be providing details on this downtown event. Contact Lion Mike to be a part of this.

Donations Committee Report

The Donations Committee announces expected donations to over twenty organizations. These were reported at the April Lions meeting.

American Blind Skiers Foundation

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of McHenry County

CASA

Chicago Vision Walk

Crystal Lake American Legion

Crystal Lake Food Pantry

Dream Riders

Family Health Partnership Clinic

Fields of the Fallen—Honor Flight

Horizon's for the Blind

Juvenile Diabetes

Kids in Need (KIN)

Northern Illinois Special Recreation Association (NISRA)

Options & Advocacy

Pioneer Center

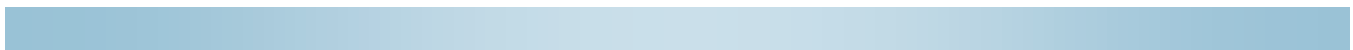
Salvation Army

Senior Services

Senior Care Volunteer Network

Shop with a Cop. McHenry County Police Charities

Local Student Scholarships





Crystal Lake Lions Annual Golf Outing 2024

Boone Creek Golf Club

Monday, June 10, 2024

Registration at 9:30am – Shotgun Start at 10:30am

Prizes, 50/50 Raffle and Auction Items

\$135 includes golf, cart, prizes, lunch and dinner (Dinner only \$25)

REGISTER EARLY!!!

_____ \$135 includes golf, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes _____ \$25 dinner only

_____ Phone #: _____

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_____ Hole Sponsorship \$100 – Company Name: _____

_____ Flag Sponsorship \$300 - Company Name: _____

_____ Foursome & Hole Sponsorship \$600 _____

_____ Foursome & Flag Sponsorship \$800 _____

_____ Foursome & Hole & Flag Sponsorship \$900 _____

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