

# The Lions' Tales

WHEATON  
MONTHLY  
NEWSLETTER

*Serving the Sight and Hearing Impaired.*



Wheaton LIONS Club Den  
Established October 23, 1923

Luncheon Meeting Tuesdays at Noon in the Masonic Building, 120 W. Wesley, Wheaton, IL 60187 • June 2005

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## Seeing Our Way

By Dorothy Troyer,  
DEICKE EYE CENTER FOR VISUAL REHABILITATION

### FIRST ANNUAL NIGHT WALK

There's an old saying that "Cream rises to the top." That's exactly what happened on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005. The Wheaton Lions had 107 walkers for the first annual Night Walk – more than any other club in District 1J. The total number of registered walkers was 550. Of the 107 walkers registered for Wheaton Lions only 2 were no-shows.

Wheaton Lions collected over \$8,000 in pledges, - more than any other club in District 1J. 40% of that will be returned to the Wheaton Lions to use in our local programs. The other 60% will be used to send kids to Camp Lion and to serve visually impaired kids through "Seeing Is Believing," a program for school children administered by the Deicke Center for Visual Rehabilitation.

Of the 107 who walked for the Wheaton Lions, 31 were members of our club. Many of those walkers also made pledges. Ten members, who did not walk, made pledges. Our membership numbers about 75. Over half participated in some way in the Night Walk.

Nine members volunteered to serve on the Night Walk Committee. They were John Sheahin, Joe Morrissey, Bruce Schurman, Dale Davis, Ruth Carlson, Jim Gumm, Tony Ladd, Joel Riley and Don Fischer. Each committee member was given a list of members to contact and it is obvious they did a great job.

Joe Morrissey recruited 19 walkers. Ruth Carlson, 18 and John Sheahin and the Deicke Center, 13. John Sheahin

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## Walk in the Dark

Sunday, June 5, was the evening of the LION sponsored Walk in the Dark

fund raiser. Walk in the Dark Committee Members were: Dorothy Troyer – Chair for this project, Ruth Carlson, Joel Riley, Jim Gumm, Joe Morrissey, John Sheahin – Chair for General Fund-raising Activities, Tony Ladd, Dale Davis, Don Fischer and Bruce Schurman.



### NIGHT WALK REPORT

31 Wheaton Lions Club members walked and/or recruited walkers  
107 registered to walk for us  
10 Members pledged but did not walk  
41 Wheaton Lions participated  
10 members served on the committee.

The total amount collected by the Wheaton Lions was \$8,103. Wheaton Lions will receive back 40% of that, which is \$3,201.

Sixty percent of the total collected by us is being retained by Lions of Illinois Foundation to fund "Seeing Is Believing", the children's program directed by the Deicke Center, and for Camp Lion. Since the whole project was supported by sponsors, all the money collected will be used to fund the aid to the sight and hearing impaired.

The whole event was well done. There were free gifts and refreshments for all participants. The weather was perfect. There was adequate parking. Safety issues were handled well. The concluding program was effective and brief. Media was present.

I was proud to be a Lion and especially proud to be a member of The Wheaton Lions. —Dorothy Troyer

## Upcoming Events...

**June 5— WALK IN THE DARK**

**July 5 — No Meeting,**  
July 4<sup>th</sup> week

**August 16— No Meeting,**  
Golf Outing

**August 17— Golf Outing**

**September 6 — No Meeting,**  
Labor Day week

### Birthdays:

June 04 ----- Mike Williams

June 08 ----- Jim Mathieson

June 08 ----- Matt Reiland

June 11 ----- Bob Dunsmuir

June 21 ----- Cleve Carney

June 22 ----- John Sheahin

June 25 ----- Mike Gustafson

July 02 ----- Bob Harris

July 4 ----- Ruth Carlson

July 15 ----- Gary Crocus

July 19 ----- Tom Meloni

July 20 ----- Glenn Auble

### Thought for the Day . .

*"I have wondered at times about what the Ten Commandment's would have looked like if Moses had run them through the U.S. Congress."*

Ronald Reagan

### Membership Directory

To obtain a copy, please contact  
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Please send news for the July issue  
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# Speakers Calendar

## June 14

Sponsor: Mike Reese  
 Speaker: Sandy Fries, M.S.  
 Topic: Be your own movie critic

## June 21

Sponsor: Joel Riley  
 Speaker: Dr. Terry Lightbody, Au. D.  
 Topic: Hearing Impaired & LIONS

## June 28

Sponsor: Keith Carlson  
 Speaker: David Bruce, Theosophical Society  
 Topic: What Wheaton based Theosophical Society is all about.

**July 05** No Meeting: 4th of July

## July 12

Sponsor: Bob Paszczak  
 Speaker: Rosemary Echevarria, Catholic Charities  
 Topic: "It will be good for you to know Me."

## July 19

Sponsor: Joe Benesh  
 Speaker: Les Janka, Chairman of the Council for American-Saudi Dialogue  
 Topic: Why we should be Saudi-tolerant.

## July 26

Sponsor: Russ Adkins

## New Officers/Board July 1

An advance look at our new Officers.

### OFFICERS

President ..... Joel Riley  
 Vice President ..... Keith Carlson  
 Secretary ..... Bob Clavel  
 Treasurer ..... Chris Barton  
 Past President ..... Joe Morrissey  
 Programming Director .... Dorothy Troyer  
 Publicity Director ..... Bud Roeser  
 Sight & Hearing Director ..... Neil Pollock  
 Lion Tamer ..... Ed Lambke  
 Tail Twister ..... Jim Mathieson  
 Co-Tail Twister ..... Don Fischer

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

One Year. Directors .....  
 ..... Jim Ellingson, Don Fischer  
 Two Year. Directors .....  
 ..... John Sheahin, Bill Hannah  
 Three Year. Directors .....  
 ..... Gary Dewel, Walker Geyer

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and Ruth Carlson led in pledged dollars. Thirteen members of The James Mathieson family celebrated Jim's birthday by walking together.

Darien Lions can boast that one of their members had the idea for the Night Walk and another member had the clout to get Alberto-Culver as a sponsor. This pilot project was so successful that it will be marketed to the other Illinois Districts. All projects will be administered through the Lions of Illinois Foundation Office in Sycamore and will supplement the income from Candy Day. At the present time there is no plan to substitute Night Walks for Candy Day.

All participants received the promised flashlights and also gift packages of Alberto-Culver health and beauty products. Soft drinks, water and granola bars were available throughout the event. The weather was perfect. Parking was adequate. Safety issues were addressed effectively.

The Media had been alerted and was present. West Town Barber Shop Chorus concluded the activities with three songs and everyone was able to get home before the ice cream shop closed.

## Service Recognized



President Joe Morrissey presented Lion Harold Gaede with a 50 year award as a member of our Wheaton LIONS den.

President Joe Morrissey presented Lion Ed Green with a 35 year award as a member of our Wheaton LIONS den.



## Golf Outing August 17 Save the Date

A word from Chairman Mike Gustafson:

Our annual golf outing this year is Wednesday, August 17. We have emailed forms for Banner & Tee sponsorship, underwriters, and gifts to use as raffle or auction items. Last year's golf outing raised over \$14,000 for the club. With the future of Candy Day in question, this event becomes even more important as one of our major fund raisers.

At this point, I'd like to ask that anyone interested in working on the golf committee email me at [michael.gustafson@abnamro.com](mailto:michael.gustafson@abnamro.com)



## Members in Action

**Lion Bob Clavel**, Engineer and Manager of the Wheaton Sanitary District received the DuPage River Clean Water Award — Large Facility category, for exceeding their water discharge permit standards during 2004 and contributed to the recovery of the DuPage River watershed. The Wheaton Sanitary District also received the Gold Peak Performance Award presented by the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) recognizing public wastewater treatment facilities for their outstanding compliance records in the 2004 calendar year. By the way **Lion Cleve Carney** is a Trustee of WSD.



## Officers

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