

AURORA CARILLON LIONS NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2023 MEETING-2nd TUESDAY OF THE MONTH DISTRICT 1J



United in fellowship with friends, family, and neighbors to serve the community wherever needs exist and support the national and global endeavors of Lions Club International.

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SERVICE PROJECTS

HESED HOUSE GIFT CARD DRIVE



The drive this year collected **more than \$1000 worth of gift cards** which can be used for household supplies, gas, food supplies and fast food restaurants. These cards will help meet needs clients of **HESED HOUSE** may have. Hesed House began in **1981** by a group of Aurora churches. Today, Hesed House operates **2 shelter programs** helping more than **1000** people per year. Hesed House is the **2nd largest shelter** in Illinois. Contact: Elaine Dugan

Elaine Dugan, Noemi Velazquez Vanessa Liveris

THIRD ANNUAL SUPER BOWL POOL FOR CHARITIES

The 3rd Annual Super Bowl Pool has begun. Proceeds will be targeted for Mutual Ground and Waterford Cancer Resource Center. Each square is \$5 with 100 squares per board. Last year 3 Boards were completed raising funds for 4 charities. Winners of the pool have the scores (last digit) for each quarter from the 2 competing teams. The final score (4th quarter or OT) is the biggest winner The Super Bowl will be Feb. 12 in Glendale, AZ. Contact: Randy Liveris



UPDATE: As of 1/31/2023, all 3 boaards are filled, meaning the pool is closed and \$1,500 has been collected, \$750 for charity.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN



9 Lions (Bruce & Anne Metzdorf, Mary Kay Likovich, Elaine Dugan, Rich Huizinga, Phil Pogue, Tom & Theresa Solon) and 3 community members (Kathy Connelly, Denise Girzanich, Donna Smith). (Names not in order above) The January FMSC packing involved 8 Lions and 3 Community Member On that day, ACLC helped pack 66 boxes, providing 14,256 meals, & feeding 39 children for a year. The value of the packing was \$3,241. Feed My Starving Children has expressed as areas of concern 2023 Angola, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Dem. Republic of the Congo, and Venezuela. Contact: Bruce Metzdorf

THREE ON-GOING SERVICE PROJECTS

ACLC is continuing 3 service projects -the Aurora Public Library Friday Bookmobile, the reusable paper and plastic grocery bag collection for use at Interfaith Food Pantry & the LIF Eyeglass collection which includes ink cartridges, pop top tabs, hearing aids, & cell phones Eye Glass Box locations are at Eola Jewel, Sunnymere, Pomegranate, Carillon Clubhouse, & Glenview Park District. Knights of Columbus & the Vision Art Center also have provided a collection to this effort. Contacts: Barbara Javaras. Lou Scanlon and Elaine Dugan



UPCOMING SERVICE PROJECTS

ACLC still have the following projects to complete before the end the fiscal year: **POSSIBLE Fox River Clean Up** (April), **Spring Clothing Drive** (April), **Flags on Display Carillon** (May), and **Wreath Laying** at **Memorial Park** (May). A tentative date, May 10 has been reserved for the LIF **Vision-Hearing Mobile Unit** to be at Carillon. More information on the Mobile Unit will be provided in future newsletters. Volunteers for these projects will be needed.



CLUB NEWS

KANE COUNTY RECYCLING PROGRAM

Electronics 911 N. Lake St., Aurora, 9-4 Recycling M-F

Styrofoam (Dart Container) **310** N. **Evergreen**, **North Aurora**, 24/7; Electronics **517** E. **Fabyan Parkway, Batavia**; Hazardous Household Material **156 Fort Hill Drive**, **Naperville** (open 9am-2pm Sat./Sun). Recyclable items (electronics, clothing, books, paper, cardboard, fabric items and scrap metal) can be taken to the parking lot of ACE HARDWARE, **994** N. LAKE ST FROM 9AM-1PM **EVERY SATURDAY**.

For review, items that <u>cannot</u> be recycled include plastic bags & wraps, wire, ropes, textiles, shoes, scrap metal, food, liquid 1953, batteries, needles & cords. Shirley Zemansky and Elaine Dugan contacts

New Year, New Free Recycling Pilot: Obsolete Media

Kane County is piloting a new recycling program that accepts obsolete media items including tapes (cassette, VHS, Beta Max) and discs (CDs, DVDs, Blu-ray, laserdisc, etc.)

For details, go to this link: <u>Kane County Connects</u> https://www.kanecountyconnects.com/article/recycling-environment-kanecounty-obsoletemedia-recyclingcenter-free

TREASURER REPORT-DECEMBER 2022



\$812Activity (service), \$2,067Administrative, 28 members. We welcome Bill Tevogt, Donna Smith, & Frank Rehling as our newest members. Over the next few months, the Lions Board of Directors will be working on the 2023-24 budget for presentation to the full club. Contact: Mary Kay Likovich

NEW ACLC BROCHURE

Through the work of Lou Ann Hoffman, the Club has a new informational brochure that can be used to promote membership, describe ACLC activities, and provide historical references. Lou Ann along with Lou Scanlon created our current ACLC bookmark.

UPCOMING DATES

January - Hunger Awareness Month February 3, 10, 17, & 24 - Bookmobile (2:30-3:15) February 7 - Lions Board Meeting 1:30 pm February 12 - Superbowl in Glendale, AZ February 14 - Lions Regular Meeting 1:30 pm (Valentine's Day) February 15 - Feed My Starving Children, 2pm & International Childhood Cancer Day March 3 - Lions at the UN March 7- Lions Board Meeting 1:30 pm March 8 - International Women's Day March 14 - Regular Lions Meeting 1:30 pm March 15 - Feed My Starving Children 2 pm April 14-15 - District 1J Convention, Carol Stream **April 11 or 18-Fox River Service Clean Up Day April 22 - Earth Day** May 10 - Tent. LIF Vision-Hearing Mobile Unit at Carillon May 19-21-State Lions Convention-Springfield June 1 - Helen Keller Day June 7 - International Lions Birthday July 7 - 11-International Lions Convention-Boston

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

The latest **INTERNATIONAL LIONS MAGAZINE** had an article by **Erin Kasdin** on 5 ways to **MAKE SERVING FUN.** These include: 1. **Get to know your members** 2. **Be willing to change things up**, 3. **Make new traditions**, 4. **Challenge one another**, & 5. **Encourage silliness**. The intent is to make **being a Lions member something enjoyable and special** while doing service projects, holding meetings, and involving the community.

DISTRICT 1J NEWS

The **January 1J Magazine** reported on service projects by 1J Lions Clubs. Each activity may be unique to that Club based on community needs. These are some that were listed-**Bartlett** (Diabetes Bowling), **Elmhurst** (37th Pizza Party), **Warrenville** (Blood Drive), **Bloomingdale** (Toys for Tots Drive), **Elgin** (volunteer at Northern Illinois Food Bank), **McHenry** (purchase of a magnifying reader), **Island Lake** (fishing derby), **Downers Grove** (backpack program), & **Sandwich** (putting up street decorations) Each of these service programs promote **Lionism** in their communities...

<u>POTPOURRI</u>- (auroracarillonlionsclub.org-website)

In December, **POTPOURRI** raised **\$10** through astute answering correctly 10 newsletter questions. Then in January **\$6** was collected which included the **Wolves Teddy Bear toss**. The December **ATTENDANCE DRAWING**, an ABRAHAM LINCOLN GETTYSBURG ADDRESS MUG, was won by Bruce Metzdorf.

ILLINOIS HISTORICAL SITES

STARVED ROCK STATE PARK is located a little over an hour from Aurora. It is a location with deep **sandstone canyons, drama waterfalls, a Lover's Leap, and 13 miles of trails.** Obtained by the State in **1911**, this State Park attracts 2,000,000 visitors. Special events occur at STARVED ROCK including **Fall Colors tours, Bald Eagle Sightings, Nite Hikes for the fall and spring equinox & the winter & summer solstice, trolley tours, Illinois River cruises, rental cabins, and music & dining shows in the Lodge. Starved Rock got its name from the legend of the starvation of the Illini Tribe surrounded by members of the Ottawa tribe following the stabbing of**



Chief Pontiac (1760's). Also nearby is **Matthiessen State Park** which is noted for cross country skiing, horseback riding, and kid rides. Both parks are near

Ogelsby. LIONS CLUBS in this area (District BK) include Ottawa, Marseilles, La Moille, Ogelsby, LaSalle, Peru, Mendota and Leland.





QUOTES

"The next MVP of the Super Bowl is just as likely to have been a full time grocery bagger (Kurt Warner) last year as a Heisman Trophy winner." Hunter S. Thompson

"The Super Bowl is Americana at its most kitsch & fun." Sting

"I've never been more nervous in my life than singing the National Anthem at the Super Bowl." Kelly Clarkson

What Year Did These Events Happen (answer found in the newsletter)

From Here to Eternity Best picture, **Audrey Hepburn** and **Bill Holden** receive academy awards, **Detroit Lions** win the NFL Title, **Minneapolis Lakers** win the NBA title, the **real MASH ends**, songs (**Your Cheatin Heart, Crying in the Chapel, How Much is that Doggie in the Window, I LOVE LUCY** TOP TV SHOW. Hit Parade, You Bet Your Life, and George Gobel other top shows

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS-none this month

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