

# Lions Share

The Official Newsletter of the Lions of Illinois Foundation

# Candy Day is October 13th, 2017!



# **MEET CD**

We are proud to introduce our new Candy Day mascot, CD! You may know CD's cousin, Low Vision mascot LV!

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LIF will only be recycling the small DESKTOP ink cartridges and small DESKTOP toner cartridges.

THANK YOU

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# LIF THOUGHTS

By LIF Executive Director Lion Mario Gumino, PDG

Fall is just around the corner, and we all know what that means. Candy Day 2017 will be here before you know it. This year like every year, Candy Day is the kick off of our fundraising campaigns for your Lions of Illinois Foundation. Last year's donations were at 96% to budget. Let us make this year 100% to budget. Therefore, we can help those

less fortunate in our communities around this great State of Illinois. With your dedication, and help this year, your Foundation is looking forward to another successful campaign.

Let us do the math. A case of candy costs \$95.00 with 576 rolls per case. If your donation averaged \$0.75 per roll, a case of candy would gross \$432.00. After your initial \$95.00 expense, your case would net \$337.00 of which your club would keep 40% or \$134.80 per case, to help the individuals in your communities.

As we all know, Candy Day is the largest fundraiser your Lions of Illinois Foundation has. With another successful campaign, your Foundation will be fortunate enough to support our designated programs. These programs include but are not limited to: our Mobile Hearing Units, our Mobile Retinal Unit, our Low Vision Program, our Social Services Program, which supplies hearing aids to those in need, our signature program Camp Lions, and last but not least, all of the communities in Illinois. When you are out on the street corners or in front of your favorite store, please remember all of those individuals in your communities that you have helped. Those might be your neighbors and friends that may need your assistance in the days, weeks, and months to come. Please remember to get your reports in by December 1, 2017, and thank you so much for your support of your largest fundraiser the Lions of Illinois has. Have a great day!

**Lion Mario Gumino, PDG**Lions of Illinois Foundation Executive Director



# CANDY DAY UPDATE

By Fundraising Chairperson Lion Lawrence Spaeth, PDG

Candy Day! All MD1 Lions know that it is coming soon! Starting in 1952, Lions adopted Candy Day as a statewide fundraiser to assist the visually and hearing impaired. It is scheduled as the 2nd Friday of October but over the years, the actual day your club does Candy Day is left to the Individual Club's discretion.

Today Candy Day is LIF's largest fundraiser and amounts to nearly 50% of the annual budget. The funds raised have changed the lives of thousands of blind and low vision adults and children. We all know the excuses for not being able to do better, but they really are just that: excuses. Lions have been able to achieve anything they set their minds to accomplish. We have many challenges ahead of us in assisting the visually and hearing impaired. Without proper funding, our efforts will fall short.

We live in an age of rapidly evolving technology much of which can assist our clients to integrate into today's social and work environments. We also need to utilize technology to enable us to expand our sphere of influence in all of our efforts on their behalf. Lions take this year to redouble our efforts for the very clients we claim to be Knights in their crusade against darkness.

# **Lion Lawrence Spaeth, PDG**

Lions of Illinois Foundation Fundraising Chairperson

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# **GOLF CLASSIC WINNERS**

The Lions of Illinois Foundation 24th Annual Golf Classic took place on Saturday, August 5, 2017. The classic had 26 foursomes, great weather, and a whole lot of fun for the golfers. The classic as of today has netted close to \$6,972.00 with funds still coming in. The funds raised from this outing go towards your Lions of Illinois Foundation Low Vision Program. We also had winners on the golf course and of course, the biggest winners are the 300 children that go through our Low Vision Program each year.

# FLIGHT A WINNERS:

First Place Altamont Lions Club-Score 57 Second Place Thornton Lions Club-Score 61

Third Place Ottawa Lions Club-Score Card Win of 61

# FLIGHT B WINNERS:

First Place LaHarpe Lions Club-Score 68

Second Place Sun-City Lions Club-Score 69

Third Place Thornton Lions Club-Score Card Win of 69

The Lions of Illinois Foundation would like to thank you for your participation. Whether you sponsored a hole, volunteered to help on the course, or played a round of golf, you helped make this Golf Classic a success. Please remember to mark your calendars for next year's outing, which will take place on Saturday, August 4, 2018, the first Saturday in August at Senica's Oak Ridge Golf Course in LaSalle, IL. Next year will be the 25th Anniversary of this great event.

# 2016 CANDY DAY WINNERS

Darien Lions Club 1-J \$27,595.03

# STATE RECOGNITION TROPHY

Vernon Hills Lions Club 1-F \$521.74 per member

# **100% CLUBS** st place- Morris Lions Club 1-BK \$7,746.42

nd place- Naperville Noon Lions Club 1-J 5,885.00 rd place- Lisle Lions Club 1-J \$4,300.00

th place- Algonquin Lions Club 1-J \$4,158.83

th place- Casey Lions Club \$3,552.42

# 60% CLUBS

st place- Darien Lions Club 1-J \$27,595.03 nd place- Vernon Hills Lions Club 1-F 14,394.00

rd place- Chicago Beverly Ridge Lions Club 1-\$10,661.62

th place- Wheaton Lions Club 1-J \$8,260.87 th place- Roselle Lions Club 1-J \$6,000.00

Small Club Award- LaGrange Highland Lions Large Club Award- Barrington Lions Club Club

Medium Club Award- Oak Lawn Lions Club Large Club Award- Chicago Beverly Ridge Lions

# DISTRICT 1-BK

Small Club Award- Spring Valley Lions Club Medium Club Award- Serena Lions Club Large Club Award- Morris Lions Club

## DISTRICT 1-CN

Small Club Award- Olney Lions Club Medium Club Award- Collinsville Evening Lions

Large Club Award- Waterloo Lions Club

#### DISTRICT 1-CS

Small Club Award- Marissa Lions Club Medium Club Award- Christopher Lions Club Large Club Award- Marion Noon Lions Club

# **DISTRICT 1-D**

Small Club Award- Mt. Morris Lions Club Medium Club Award- Morrison Lions Club Large Club Award- Polo Lions Club

## DISTRICT 1-F

Small Club Award- Libertyville Lions Club

# DISTRICT 1-G

Small Club Award- Morton Lions Club Medium Club Award- Wood River Lions Club

Large Club Award- Highland Lions Club

# DISTRICT 1-H

Small Club Award- Morton Lions Club Medium Club Award- Macomb Lions Club Large Club Award- Bartonville Lions Club

# DISTRICT 1-J

Small Club Award- Addison Lions Club Medium Club Award- Lisle Lions Club Large Club Award-Darien Lions Club

# **DISTRICT 1-M**

Small Club Award- Charleston Lions Club Medium Club Award- Casey Lions Club Large Club Award- Mahomet Lions Club



# LIONS OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION 2017 CANDY DAY

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CONTAINS 576
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# **ORDER FORM**



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CANDY DAY APRONS	@ \$12.75	COUNTER TRAYS	@ \$4.50
Our club will hold Candy Day	on the following date	e	
CANDY DAY SUPPLIES (WE SUGGEST YOU ORDER	ONLY THE AMOUNT YOU ARE POSITIV	E TO USE)	
WINDOW POSTERS (11X17)		CERTIFICATION OF APPRECIA	TION
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SPECIAL NOTE: PLEASE READ AG	REEMENT CAREFULLY		
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# FINAL REPORT

OFFICIAL REPORT of Candy Day Fund Raising for Humanitarian Services (Blind & Deaf).

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# **CAMP LIONS RECAP 2017**

By Administrative Coordinator Lisa Kaczmarczyk

Well, the 2017 Camp Lions season is in the books! We had another fun and fantastic year. We were able to increase our camp attendance during each week of camp this year. We actually had a waiting list for deaf week, which has not happened in a few years. We had 21 new campers throughout all of the camp weeks.

The total number of campers this year was 180. The total number of campers we are able to accommodate is 250. Every year we are getting closer and closer to that magic number. We also had a remarkable showing for Treat Nights.

A big thank you to all the clubs that have donated to our wish list and treat nights. Without your help, the campers would not be able to have the year they had! Each one of you have made a difference in their lives. I know the campers are all looking forward to 2018. The campers are so thankful for everything that the Lions have done for them.

# Lisa Kaczmarczyk

Lions of Illinois Foundation Administrative Coordinator









# **CHILI'S GIVE-BACK CAMPAIGN**

Information on upcoming dates coming soon!
Watch for the mailings to arrive on your
Club Secretary's desk with all the
details and coupons to redeem.

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# THINK SCRIP THIS HOLIDAY AND EVERYDAY IN BETWEEN EARN 40% BACK TO YOUR CLUB BY SHOPPING WITH SCRIP

Your members can purchase gift cards for America's most popular retailers through Great Lakes Scrip Center® (GLSC) and use them for their everyday purchases. Your club can earn 40% with each gift card purchase.

Believe it or not, in just a few short months we will be heading into the Holiday Season, that is just one of the reasons to talk about the Shop with Scrip Program. By Shopping with Scrip, you can fundraise while you shop and now your club can earn 40% of your rebate for the year. That's 40% back to your club just by Shopping with Scrip. So when your thinking about that perfect gift think scrip. Go to shop with scrip and sign up or head to our website and click the link to be sent directly to the Scrip sign in page. Remember to use our Code **CF9E81D545723**. Place your club name in the line that says "student" and your club will be able to earn 40% of your rebate and you will be able to shop at over 300 participating retailers, like these:



An online fundraiser just not your thing? No worries, we can make an account for you and you can just mail in your gift card requests with your check and we will place your order and mail it to you when it comes in. Just fill out the form below send it back to LIF and you can start the "shop with scrip" Fundraising Program and earn 40% back to your club today!

# **REGISTRATION FORM**

Name:	User Name:		
Street Address:	City:		
State: Zip: E-Mail	:		
Phone Number:	Cell Number:		
Club Name:	District:		
Year of Birth			

After you have signed up with shop with scrip, just go to our website: **Lionsofillinoisfoundation.org** to get an order form or just give us a call and we can take your order over the phone it's just that easy and you'll be ready for the holidays and everyday in between.

# **MEMORIAL DONATIONS - JUNE AND JULY 2017**

# **GET WELL DONATIONS**

## Joanne Cogswell

• PDG Carol and Gordon Grande

# **MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

# Robert B. Blain

• PDG Don & Karen Robey

# **Larry Boone**

LaHarpe Lions Club

# **PDG Lion Donald Bower**

- PDG Dan St.Jacques
- PDG Wallace & Margaret Hanford
- Aurora Evening Lions Club
- Debra Bower-Watling
- Douglas & Lisa Kohut
- Anthony & Belinda Bower
- North Aurora Lions Club

# **Margaret Bousquet**

• Bloomingdale Lions Club

## **Lion Clark Christianson**

- PDG John Allsworth
- PDG Ben & Caroline Dodge
- Peoria Hgts Suburban Lions Club
- Gladys Butterfield
- Lloyd & Bonnie Hedges
- Kevin & Marcie Good
- William & Jenifer Slutz
- Robert & Susan Adams
- Robert & Mary Schlink
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- J. Lauritzen
- Joseph & Bernadette West
- Thomas & Carol Childers
- Sharon Ferguso

#### **Gene Clark**

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#### Thomas L. Clinton

Marion Noon Lions Club

# Joann Cogswell

PDG Gordon & Carol Grande

# Linda Crass

• Dundee Township Lions Club

#### **Charles Debault**

Charleston Lions Club

#### **Don Edwards**

Frankfort Lions Club

#### **Prentis Faw**

Charleston Lions Club

#### **Bill Hasten**

LaHarpe Lions Club

# Lewie Heap

- PDG Dick & Barbara Bark
- Oswego Lions Club

## **Tony Hundsdorfer**

- PDG Earl & Betty Steiner
- Highland Lions Club

# Jack Hutchison

LaHarpe Lions Club

## **Evelyn Karson**

Leonardi Ins. Agency

# Danny R. Keist

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# **Geri Davis Landon**

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- PDG Charlie & Sandy Williams
- PDG Larry & Ann McGuire
- PDG George Gould
- PDG Bob & Linda Jilke
- PDG Mario & Karen Gumino

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- Jim & Joan Graves
- District 1-J Lions
- Ron & Ann Wigton
- PDG Ruben Owens
- PDG Nancy Rex
- PCC Tom & Nancy Wright
- McHenry Lions Club

# **Richard Vernon Menke**

• Dundee Township Lions Club

#### Jane Mohr

LaHarpe Lions Club

#### **Lion JoAnn Moore**

Waterloo Lions Club

## Paul Oswald

Frankfort Lions Club

#### Lion John Persic, Sr.

Wilmington Lions Club

# James C. Rooney

Doris L. Stanley

# **Raymond Schwaller**

Beverly Ridge Lions Club

# **Lion Dick Steeves**

- PDG Tom & Martha Harpst
- Garv Dalton
- Mike Terstriep
- Jeff Bunting
- Richard & Carol Swearingen
- Carl Williford

# **William Smith**

- PDG Carol & Gordon Grande
- PID Russell & Sue Sarver

# James M. Wood, Jr.

PDG Earl & Betty Steinere

# **ENDOWMENT FUND UPDATE**

Your Lions of Illinois Foundation Endowment Fund has grown rapidly because of the Lions and Lionesses throughout the state that truly care about the existence of your Lions of Illinois Foundation for the many years to come. Last year, your Endowment fund had 120 new Foundation Fellows, and over 600 new and renewed Sustaining Supporters. Please do not forget the many donations from the memorials, get wells, honorariums, and bequests your Endowment Fund received last year.

The Birdies Campaign for 2017 was another success it is reaching \$173,000.00 in donations and pledges. On October 31, 2017, your Foundation will be picking up checks close to totaling \$190,000.00.

Another way to help support your Lions of Illinois Endowment Fund is through our Legacy Club Program. Individuals may choose to give an estate tax-deductible gift naming the Lions of Illinois Endowment Fund or the Lions of Illinois Foundation as a beneficiary of part of an estate; or an assignee of part of a pension/retirement fund, an IRA insurance policy, or an investment account. Individuals who provide the appropriate documentation to the Lions of Illinois Endowment fund will become a member of the Legacy Club. If you need further assistance please give your Foundation a call and we can assist you.

Your Endowment Fund is at \$10,700,000.00 so close to the **\$11,000,000.00 mark.** I know with the help of the Lions, Lionesses and outside donors, we can make it happen this year.





# **WILLS, BEQUESTS, AND TRUSTS**

Another way to help support your Lions of Illinois Endowment Fund (LIEF) is through our **Legacy Club Program**.

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