# The HEAD LION-ER

## NAPERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB AUGUST 2020



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When ambition ends, happiness begins.

- Thomas Merton

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

When was the last time you did something for the first time?

I've been thinking of this tagline used by the Danskin Women's Triathlon series in 1997 to encourage women to do something they hadn't done before and enter a new sport. Our 2020-21 Lions year will be like this a series of firsts. Creating new ways to reach out and to help in our community to help, modifying our trusted fundraisers to thrive in the new social distanced world, new emphasis on our website and social media to help people find us, and partnerships foraina new community groups to help extend our reach and spread our message of good work. The ideas and energy shared at our July Business Meeting will be featured in upcoming 'first time' newsletters as our activities begin to take shape. Our Club has this chance to build on its strong foundation and, coupled with

the goodwill of the community, excel in its mission to SERVE.

## August 11 Club Meeting

After 4 months of staring into a computer, I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our socially distanced outdoor Club Meeting hosted by Lion Bill Bleecker, 7S145 Vale Ct in Downers Grove. Lunch will arrive at noon and will feature a box lunch from Belgio's Catering. If you haven't already please call me or send me your selection as soon as you can to my email at donna@napervillenoonlions.org.

Lunch choices are Turkey, ham, veggie or roast beef on pretzel roll or multigrain bread. Bring your own chair and beverage.

Our guest speaker will be Dr. Troy Hammond, President of North Central College. We will mix it up a bit and have Dr. Hammond speak starting at 12:30, with our Club business to follow.

## New Website

We have re-vamped our Club/Foundation website and it is almost ready to go live. We need your help — if you have a few

please look moments at https://napervillenoonlions.org/wp and let me what works and what doesn't, or what reads well and what doesn't. If you have a picture to offer please send it along. The new website has all of the existing content, some new content, but I think a friendlier look and feel. We added one important new feature through a connection to our Square credit card processing service we can now accept donations and sell raffle tickets online. And when this new site is live, I'd be grateful if you could remind your friends and family to check it out and spread the word of our good work.

## Remember WE SERVE

## Lion Donna Kearney, President

Dreams will get you nowhere, a good kick in the pants will take you a long way.

- Baltasar Gracian

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**Club News and Guest Speakers** 

## AUGUST 11 LUNCH MEETING

Lion Bill Bleecker has graciously invited our club to his home/yard for an outdoor lunch meeting on August 11. Please be sure to bring your own chair and beverage.

Lunch will be in the form of box lunches provided by Belgios. Everyone has the option of a veggie, ham, turkey, or roast beef sandwich on a pretzel roll or multigrain with fruit and chips. Please let Lion Donna know your lunch order by August 6.

## DISTRICT 1J GOLF OUTING

This year's District 1-J Golf Outing has been scheduled for October 1 at Hughes Creek in Elburn. Please let Lion Steve Hertzberg know if you would like to participate.

## **FAMOUS LION STEVE**

Lion Steve Hertzberg has been featured on the Melvin Jones Fellowship page of the Lions International Website. You can see a screenshot below.

You can visit this page to see Lion Steve for yourself at <a href="https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-how-to-give/melvin-jones-fellowship">https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-how-to-give/melvin-jones-fellowship</a>



That's one photogenic Lion

## BRIGHTSIDE THEATRE

Our club recently donated funds to Brightside Theatre which allowed them to offer their first ever Touch

Tour. This allowed children to get a behind-the-scenes look and feel of the production of their production of Disney's Frozen, Jr. They were able to tour the stage and handle some of the props and costumes giving the children a more immersive experience.



**Brightside Theatre's Touch Tour** 

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A somebody was once a nobody who wanted to and did.

- John Burroughs

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## **Luncheon Speakers**

## YMCA SAFE AND SOUND

Erika Wood was our guest speaker at our July 14 Zoom lunch meeting. Erika is the executive director of the YMCA Safe and Sound Program.

She has also volunteered at Turkey Trot through the years.

The focus of the Safe and Sound Program is to provide out of school programming for children. They traditionally serve 1200 children before and after school. They provide help with homework and various activities and playtime. This program is provided free of charge to families.

During COVID, Erika has been working with Edward Hospital to provide childcare for their essential workers. Through this program, they have been able to work with schools to enable remote learning with the students. They were also fed meals during their time and provided with other activities.

YMCA has been offering summer camps this year, but it is very different than before. There are no field trips or swimming. The children are organized into small groups and multiple safety precautions are taken.

Erika is currently working with the school districts and trying to coordinate further programming for the upcoming school year.

You will never win if you never begin.

- Helen Rowland

## **BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

The Board of Directors met via Zoom on July 28. The following is a

summary of the Board's actions and discussions. All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings. The next Board meeting will be held via Zoom on August 25 at 9:00 AM. If you are interested in attending via Zoom, please check your email for a Zoom invite from Lion Donna or Lion Jane.

Approved the Board meeting minutes of the Club and Foundation for the June 30 meeting.

Approved the Treasurer's Report for June 30, 2020.

Approved the Social Services Report for July 2020.

Approved the new membership of Tracy Gray. Plan is to install Tracy at the August 11 meeting.

Tabled discussion of Candy Day 2020.

Discussed St. Baldrick's Day. Event has gone virtual so our help counting money is no longer needed. We will not be involved this year.

Discussed a second eyeglass collection box. Lion Bill Cornish is investigating securing a new box.

Discussed the Eversight award ceremony which will take via Zoom.

Discussed revisions to the Naperville Noon Lions website. Lion Donna is working on those and welcomes feedback for improvements that can be made to the site.

Discussed new fundraising ideas

that could be possible in the current climate.

Discussed the District 1J Golf Outing to take place October 1 at Hughes Creek. Lion Steve Hertzberg is organizing.

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Only two things are infinite, the universe and human stupidity, and I'm not sure about the former.

- Albert Einstein

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## **GUESTS**

On July 28, Tracy Gray was our guest. Tracy has submitted her application for membership and will soon be introduced as our newest Lion. Welcome to the club, Tracy!

Diplomacy is the art of saying 'Nice doggie" until you can find a rock.

- Will Rogers

## **COMING EVENTS**

August 4 – No Meeting

**August 11** – Lunch meeting at Lion Bill Bleecker's house, 7S145 Vale Ct., Downers Grove at noon. Please bring your own chair and beverage. Lunch will be provided by Belgio's. North Central College President Troy Hammond will be our guest speaker.

**August 18** – No Meeting.

**August 25** – Business Meeting.



## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS AND SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

The following members have a service anniversary in **August** and they are:

Lion James Gilliard (6) Lion Paul Rewerts (17)

The following members have a birthday in **August** and they are:

Lion Nick Stanitz – August 13 Lion Donna Kearney – August 18 Lion Robert Bremner – August 21

Best wishes and congratulations to these members. If your information is missing or incorrect please contact **Lion Jane Bowers** to make additions or corrections.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

August 4 - NO MEETING August 11 - Luncheon meeting at Lion Bleecker's

August 18 - NO MEETING

August 25 - Board of Directors meeting
August 25 - Luncheon meeting at

Braconi's/Zoom

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#### **OFFICERS**

President – Lion Donna Kearney

1st VP – Lion Bob Hull

2nd VP – Lion Linda Strugalla

Secretary – Lion Jane Bowers

Treasurer – Lion Bill Bleecker

Director – Lion Jim Ebers

Director – Lion Maria Wilson

Director – Lion Steve Hertzberg

Director – Lion Paul Rewerts
Director – Lion Tom Garvey
Director – Lion Kathy Lukavsky
Immediate Past President – Lion Ken
Strugalla

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## Appointed Positions and Committee Chairs:

Dues/Membership – Lion Tom Garvey

Tail Twister – Rotating

Lion Tamer – Rotating

Chaplain – At Large

Social Services - Lions Donna Kearney &

Denise French

Peace Poster Contest – Lion Karen Maxwell

Program Director - Lion Paul Rewerts

Donations Committee Chair – Lion Linda

Strugalla

Diabetes Awareness – Lion Meghen

Williams

Publicity – Lions Bob Hull & Kathy Lukavsky

Hospitality - Vacant

Pizza Wars - Lion Steve Hertzberg

Candy Day - Lion Jim Ebers

Summer Raffle - Lion Ken Strugalla

Turkey Trot – Lions Glen Behnke and

Donna Kearney

Sight & Sound – Lion Al Knotek

Counter Mints – Lion Steve Hertzberg

Investment Committee - Lions Bill Bleecker,

Steve Hertzberg and Al Knotek Newsletter – Lion Chris Williams

Social Media - Lion Chris Williams

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If you have newsworthy information, please pass it on to editor/publisher *Lion Chris Williams* at **708-297-1987** or email **chris@pnlawoffice.com** This newsletter will be published monthly after the Board

Meeting (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month). Cut off date for news information will be the 25<sup>th</sup> of

the month.

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