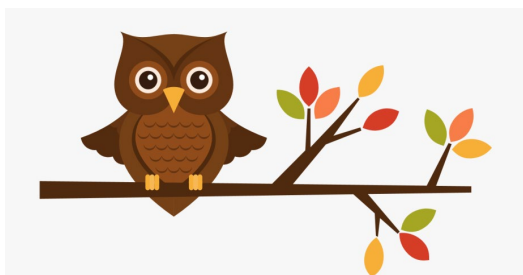


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NAPERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB

OCTOBER 2020



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**Just because something doesn't do what
you planned it to do doesn't mean it's
useless.**

- Thomas A. Edison

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Lions, new and exciting things keep happening with our Club and I want to thank you for all of your efforts to make this a great Lions' Year.

A couple of weeks ago our Membership Chair, Lion Tom, sent me a new publication from LCI – Just Ask. It outlines simple ways to grow membership, and it all starts with an ask. This might be a good time to ask friends who might not normally have time in their day to attend a lunch meeting but still want to be involved. As the weather gets colder, perhaps we could remind those people that we will be meeting

on ZOOM, and thereby eliminate the travel time to meet.

Lion Karen Maxwell is leading a new Poinsettia and Amaryllis fundraiser for our Club. We have from now until October 31 to sell flowers and bulbs. Karen will be stopping by your house with a packet and information on the how to's and what's available.

Flowers and bulbs will also be for sale on our Club website starting October 5. I'm not asking you to go door to door selling flowers. I am asking you to consider purchasing from this fundraiser if a poinsettia or amaryllis is something you would typically purchase during the holidays. And perhaps a mention to your friends that may also purchase these items. They make a great gift.

Thank you to everyone for your continued raffle ticket sales, especially Lions Strugalla as they do contactless delivery/curbside pickup. Bleecker's Bombers have launched and are holding strong. Yet we know Hertzberg's Hackers have tricks up their sleeves and always make it a fun and exciting time.

Thank you in advance to Lion Jim as he prepares us for Candy Day. It's an incredible effort over a very short,

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intense few days. If you haven't signed up for a shift and find you have an hour or two free, please contact Lion Jim.

I hope everyone continues to be well and enjoys the beautiful turning leaves. Gives new energy to our motto WE SERVE.

Remember WE SERVE

Lion Donna Kearney, President

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Our deeds determine us, as much as we determine our deeds.

- George Eliot

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Club News and Guest Speakers

CANDY DAY

Candy Day is October 9-11. Many volunteer slots are still available. Please contact Lion Jim Ebers if you are interested in signing up.

ROAD CLEANUP

Our club completed the fall road cleanup as part of the adopt-a-highway program on September 19. We had a group of ten workers out picking up trash along Plainfield-Naperville Road on a cool fall morning.

Thank you to everyone who

participated and made this section of road a little more picturesque.



Lions cleanup crew

EVERSIGHT AWARD

Our club was officially presented with the Eversight Shared Vision Award on September 8. Lion Diane Hollingsworth nominated our group and introduced Lion Donna to accept the award. In introducing Lion Donna, Lion Diane offered some very kind compliments to the club and the work that it does for the community.

Thank you again to Eversight for this wonderful recognition.

POINSETTIA SALE

As a new fundraiser, our club will be selling poinsettias and amaryllis bulbs ahead of this holiday season. Brochures have been created and should be reaching each member soon.

Sales will take place through the end of October. Plants will be delivered to Naperville a few weeks later. These plants will be available for pickup at Lion Karen Maxwell's home. It is the hope that each Lion

will pick up from Lion Karen's and deliver the plants s/he sold.

Thank you to Lion Karen for undertaking this program. If you have any questions, please contact her.

DISTRICT 1-J GOLF OUTING

The annual District 1-J Golf Outing was held a little later than usual this year on October 1. We had a group of six golfers this year at Hughes Creek in Elburn. The weather was cool with spots of drizzle.



Beautiful day for golf

Everyone had a great time. Despite his recent exploits, Lion Steve Hertzberg did not have any holes-in-one during the outing to the disappointment of his entire group.

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**Happiness is not something ready made.
It comes from your own actions.**

- Dalai Lama

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Luncheon Speakers

V.I.P. SERVICE DOG FOUNDATION

Our guest speakers on September 8 were from the V.I.P. Service Dog Foundation. Trena spoke with our members about their organization and gave us a short presentation of the tasks that she has taught her latest foster dog.

V.I.P. provides service dogs for local individuals with various disabilities, including PTSD and autism. They are located in Oswego and facilitate the training and placement of these dogs.

Three dogs were present at our outdoor meeting at Lion Paul Rewerts' garage. They exhibited the ability to retrieve a tablet device, sit under the table, retrieve water bottles, and alert to emergencies.

The organization relies on its volunteers to foster and train the dogs. When a puppy is eight weeks old, it is placed with a foster who works with it until it is five-seven months old. The dogs must meet certain criteria before graduating. Not all dogs do graduate and these dogs get rehomed.

Most of the dogs in the program are larger because they have the capacity to do more work. Most are also hypoallergenic. Poodle mixes are popular for these reasons.

V.I.P. is always looking for additional volunteers to serve as fosters. Everyone is invited to attend their bi-

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weekly classes (held every other Monday) to learn more.

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**Personally I'm always ready to learn,
although I do not always like being
taught.**

- Winston Churchill

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BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The Board of Directors met via Zoom on September 22, 2020. 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 October 27, 2020. For more information about how to attend this virtual meeting, please contact Lion Donna Kearney for an email invite.

Approved the Board meeting minutes of the Club and Foundation for the August 25, 2020 meetings.

Approved the Club and Foundation Treasurer's Reports as of August 31, 2020.

Approved the Social Service Report as of September 2020. Total expenditures through September 2020 are \$11,327. No information regarding services at Anne Reid Early Learning Center have been received.

Discussed possible membership of seven possible new members. Suggested that other member (other than the membership chair) reach out to these prospects. Also, dues

notices have been sent to four members who are past due in their accounts.

Discussed Candy Day. Candy Day is scheduled for October 9, 10, 11. Sign up sheets will be available at noon luncheon. Both street sales locations and at Casey's Food Mart are available.

Discussed annual raffle. Approximately \$5,000 has been turned to meet goal of \$20,000 in ticket sales. Raffle ticket sales have been scheduled for October 24th at Casey's Food Mart.

Discussed Turkey Trot. Several registrations have been received for virtual run.

Discussed possible Lions online store. Boomer T's is ready to assist with this project and print shirts. Anyone that has an idea for a shirt slogan should let Lion Donna Kearney know.

Discussed the use of the Turkey Trot email list and if it should be used for other fundraising events. After discussion, this item was deferred until the next meeting.

Approved the sale of poinsettias during the Christmas holiday season. The Naperville Noon Lions Foundation would be required to purchase a minimum of 48 poinsettias plants. Discussed the possibility of having to pay sales taxes upon sale of the flowers. Lion Karen Maxwell will chair the event.

Discussed the processing of eye glasses and other items that are to be sent to Lions of Illinois Foundation in Sycamore, Illinois. It was concluded that all eye glasses and cases would be separated. All cases would be donated to Goodwill or other charity and only eye glasses would be sent to LIF. Any hearing aids collected should be separated and would be forwarded to Lion Karen Maxwell for use in the NNLF hearing program.

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If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door.

- Milton Berle

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GUESTS

On September 8 and 22, Wendy Castillo was a guest of Lion Karen Maxwell. Wendy is assisting Lion Karen with the poinsettia sale.

District 1-J Governor John Barsanti and Christy Clark were our guests at our September 22 outdoor meeting at Lion Denise's. Lion John was on hand to formally present Lion Donna Kearney with the George Lazansky award. Christy was also a volunteer at our September 19 road cleanup.

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The greatest use of a life is to spend it on something that will outlast it.

- William James

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COMING EVENTS

October 5-31 – Poinsettia Sales. Contact Lion Karen Maxwell for more information.

October 6 – No Meeting

October 9-11 – Candy Day. Contact Lion Jim Ebers to sign up.

October 13 – Outdoor lunch meeting at Lion Paul Rewets' home. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Lion Donna to order lunch. Remember to bring a chair and beverage. Lion Steve Sroka will be our guest speaker to discuss Foundation Fighting Blindness and the Chicago Vision Walk.

October 20 – No Meeting.

October 27 – Business Meeting. At this time via Zoom. If weather is good, a notice may go out regarding an outdoor venue.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

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

Lion Steve Hertzberg (44)
Lion Robert Hull (19)
Lion Al Knotek (44)
Lion Kathy Lukavsky (1)
Lion Agnes Tsiagbe (9)

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

Lion Jim Ebers – October 4
Lion Chris Williams – October 8
Lion Steve Hertzberg – October 15
Lion Bob Hull – October 21
Lion Ken Strugalla – October 27

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

October	6 -	NO MEETING
October	13 -	Luncheon meeting at Braconi's
October	20 -	NO MEETING
October	27 -	Board of Directors meeting
October	27 -	Luncheon meeting at Braconi's

OFFICERS

President	–	Lion Donna Kearney
1 st VP	–	Lion Bob Hull
2 nd 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

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

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 (4th Tuesday of the month). Cut off date for news information will be the 25th of the month.

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