Iron River Lions Club Regular Meeting Minutes December 11, 2013

(The meeting was held one week later due to inclement weather the previous Wednesday.) The meeting was called to order by President Nan Olson and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our country. Those in attendance were: Fred Baue, Jane Bragiel, Donna Callahan, Carey Edwards, Carol Evens, Kent Getty, Jon Hamilton, Dave Hultman, Linda Hultman, John Joseph, Jeanne Joseph, Ray Kangas, Marie Larson, Jan Lee, Ray Levine, Merv Maki, Jim Olson, Nan Olson, Joyce Orlowski, Jerry Peck, Julie Peck, Ernie Pittsley, Bob Ruef, Bertie Ruef, Lona Schmidt, Guy Suo, Kathy Suo, Ken Watters, John Weiss, Terry Welty, and Shirley Welty. Excused: Dick Berge, Roger Gustafson, Sally Gustafson, Darren Hanson, Rozie Maki, Karen Maron, Faith Pittsley, Carol Reasbeck, Jim Sloane and Mary Winkler. Gone for the winter months: John Hancock. Please call the club secretary if you need to be excused from the meeting.

Our club has lost a wonderful Lion, Don Molis. Don recently passed away. He joined our club in 1990 and was a director, lion tamer and a Melvin Jones recipient. We will miss him.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of November 6, 2013 were presented and approved. Motion: Kent Getty/Jon Hamilton.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was presented and filed for audit. It was noted the Food Shelf donation from our club will be paid on a quarterly basis. In addition, an estimated value of the property we own has been added to the treasurer's report to provide a more complete summary of what we own.

Correspondence:

- a. Project KIND (Kids in Need of Duds) sponsored by The Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, a sorority of educators requested a donation from our club. The club donated \$200.00 to this worthy cause.
- b. 2014 Club dues statements have been mailed out to the membership.

Special Projects:

- a. Ramps for disabled: Co-chairs: Jeanne Joseph and Ray Kangas. Jeanne presented information regarding building ramps for disabled persons sharing the Winchester, WI Lions ongoing project information. Following discussion, permission to pursue with more concrete planning if the need arises. Bill Trautt and Howard Prell have agreed to help on this project. Anyone interested in serving on this project would be welcomed!
- b. Project for Hearing: Ray Levine set up a system used at tonight's meeting. Marie Larson tried it out using headphones tuned directly into the microphone. She said this greatly improved her hearing the events of the meeting.
- c. Second dock at Moon Lake Park: Our club is donating \$1,000.00 towards this project. The donation will be made to the Iron River Foundation which is also helping with the project.

Activities:

- a. Veterans Appreciation Day November 2, 2013: Well received.
- b. Christmas Party December 6, 2013: Thank you, Tim and Debbie Landgreen for hosting this event at your Northern Pines Club House. Thank you Lions, Ray Levine, Jan Lee, Ray Kangas, John Joseph, Joyce Orlowski, Faith Pittsley, Nan Olson and Linda Hultman for helping out.
- c. Deer hide collection: Andy Edwards was unable to attend tonight's meeting but sent out this information: So far, he has taken 70 hides to Widdes. This project goes on until January 6th.
- d. Bagging Christmas candy for Iron River Elementary kids: December 13th at 9:00 a.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran. Thanks, Lion Lisa Hyde, for the use of your sleigh and Guy Suo, Jerry Peck and others for getting the sleigh picked up and ready for use! As usual, thank you, Santa Ray Kangas and Mrs. Claus, Kathy Suo for handing out the bags at the school.

Web-site: John Joseph reported 32,220 hits in November! **Facebook:** Joyce has posted pictures from the Christmas Party.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Football tickets, Merv Maki: The two Packers/Vikings: 300 each game. The Super Bowl: 200 tickets.
- b. Wisconsin iron on back of vest patches available at \$5.00 each.
- c. Karen Wicklund has co-ordinated the ringing of bells for the Salvation Army in Iron River for several years including this year. She has a few additional spots to fill before Christmas. Please call her if you can volunteer. She has asked if someone else would chair this project in the future. Please contact Nan Olson if you would be interested.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Shiny paper/Magazine collection for the South Shore Music Program: Kent Getty presented a project possibility to collect such paper and deliver this material to the school where they would take over, bag the paper and sell it by the pound. Members should save their shiny paper and Kent will collect when he returns after his winter travels, perhaps at the April meeting. Motion: Jeanne Joseph/Carol Evens to try this project for a year with no monetary exchanges between our club and the school. Motion carried.

The regular meeting was adjourned. Motion John Joseph/Terry Welty.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hultman, secretary

Blueberry Festival Meeting December 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order by the President.

A special meeting to review results and plan for the 2014 Blueberry Festival was held on November 13th. Recommendations of club members were reviewed. The comments were sorted by event. Nan has additional copies if you are interested in reviewing the summary.

Jan Lee and Jon Hamilton have agreed to serve on the Entertainment Committee. There are other committees that need volunteers. Again, if interested, please contact Nan.

It was noted the big white sign could use more alphabet letters. The club will order more letters at a cost of about \$100.00. Motion: Kent Getty/Jeanne Joseph. Approved.

The 50/50 was won by Nan! The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hultman, secretary