

Iron River Lions Club Regular Meeting Minutes November 5, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Nan Olson and began with the Pledge of Allegiance to our country. Those in attendance were: Jane Bragiell, Ed Brunner, Linda Brunner, Donna Callahan, Jim Duclon, Carey Edwards, Carol Evens, Kent Getty, Roger Gustafson, Sally Gustafson, Kim Hamilton, Jon Hamilton, Linda Hultman, Ray Kangas, Debbie Landgreen, Tim Landgreen, Ray Levine, Merv Maki, Rozie Maki, Anne Madison, Glen Miller, Reen Modeen, Willard Ogren, Chris Olson, Nan Olson, Jerry Peck, Julie Peck, Ernie Pittsley, Faith Pittsley, Howard Prell, Carol Reasbeck, Bertie Ruef, Bob Ruef, Jim Sloane, Madge Sloane, Guy Suo, Kathy Suo, Bill Trautt, Marian Vaughn, Robin Weishoff, Jim Weishoff and Karen Wicklund. Excused: Andy Edwards, Darren Hanson, Jeanne Joseph, John Joseph, Lona Schmidt, Tom Boggess, Karen Boggess, Ted Callahan and Marie Larson. Helen Power, mother of Madge Sloane also attended the meeting.

Prior to the meeting the group met the new lions who were later inducted at the regular meeting and enjoyed social time and delicious appetizers. Thanks to Julie Peck and Linda Hultman for organizing the serving table and to all that brought pot luck.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of October 1, 2014 were presented and approved. Motion: Faith Pittsley/Jim Sloane.

Treasurer's Report: Unavailable this month. Nan Olson shared the preliminary results of our Veterans Day Appreciation luncheon. Several comments and suggestions were shared for consideration next year.

Correspondence: Thank you letters were received from Leader Dogs for the Blind, the Food Shelf, Lions Eye Bank including a banner patch, and the Iron River Museum. An invitation from the Chamber Annual Meeting was received and circulated amongst those in attendance. Also, the Poplar Lions Club invited us to their Christmas party and slips were available for those interested in attending.

New Member Installation: Five new members were installed. They are: Anne Madison, Sponsor: Faith Pittsley, Madelaine Sloane, Sponsor: Jim Sloane, Jim Weishoff, Sponsor: Faith Pittsley, Robin Weishoff, Sponsor: Faith Pittsley, and Marian Vaughn, Sponsor: Nan Olson. Rick Nelson was unable to attend and will be installed as soon as he can make a regular meeting. His sponsor is Jon Hamilton.

2015 Officer Installation: Motion by the directors/seconded by Rozie Maki to accept Anne Madison as Co-Secretary who will take over the secretarial duties as of May 31, 2015. Approved. The 2014-2015 Officers are: President: Faith Pittsley, 1st Vice President: Kim Hamilton, 2nd Vice President: Ken Watters, Secretary: Linda Hultman, Co-Secretary: Anne Madison, Treasurer: Nan Olson, Tail Twister: Mary Winkler, Lion Tamer: Ernie Pittsley, Membership: Jim Sloane. Directors are: 3rd year: John Weiss and Fred Baue, 2nd year: Bill Trautt and Scot Eisenhauer, 1st year: Carol Reasbeck and Chris Olson.

Committee Reports: These were suspended during this meeting due to the longevity of happenings during this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- The Club thanked all members who assisted at the Iron River Elementary School Heath Fair and Halloween Carnival
- Thanks to all who helped at the Veterans Appreciation Day on Nov. 1st.

- Opportunities “to Serve” list was circulated.
- Christmas Party sign-up at the Northern Pines club house was circulated.
- Santa’s visit at the IR Elementary School is scheduled for Dec. 18th at 9:30 a.m. The candy will be bagged at 8:00 a.m. at Our Savior’s Lutheran Church.
- Deer hide collection flyers are being distributed.

AWARDS PRESTATION:

Special Service Awards, Appreciation Awards and Perfect Attendance recognition were presented to those in attendance. Appreciation Awards were given to the following:

- Fred Baue and Jerry Peck-For filling in the Chicken Grilling Committee at the last minute before the Blueberry Festival.
- Ed Brunner-For pulling off a most successful Golf Tournament.
- Ted Callahan-For his ongoing electrical help at Moon Lake Park.
- Andy Edwards-For collecting the deer hides that benefit the Lions Camp, coordination highway pickup, coordinating bagging Christmas candy for the elementary school, picture taking and helping with so many things like washing dishes with wife Carey, at the Veterans Appreciation Day.
- Tess Eisenhauer-For recruiting vendors and set up during the Blueberry Festival.
- Jon Hamilton-For the positive results in the beer tent this year.
- Kim Hamilton-For hosting the Booyah Bash with husband, Jon at the winery.
- John Joseph-For his endless work on our web page, the talent show and parade.
- Kent Getty-For coordinating a successful shiny paper drive with the South Shore band.
- Lind Hultman-For her many years of providing our club with secretarial skills.
- Ray Kangas, Bill Trautt and Joyce Orłowski for getting the new dock in the water at Moon Lake Park before our festival.
- Tim and Debbie Landgreen-For providing a beautiful location for our Christmas party last year and this year and hosting our golf tournaments.
- Ray Levine-For successfully putting our hearing assistance project in place at our meetings.
- Merv Maki-For coordinating our successful fund raiser through the football tickets.
- Chris Olson-For coordinating the park clean-up after the storm and before this year’s festival in a timely manner.
- Joyce Orłowski-For coordinating an exciting entertainment venue for our 50th Anniversary of the Blueberry Festival.
- Julie Peck and Donna Callahan-For doing such a great job with our royalty candidates.
- Bill Trautt-For getting the dock deck built and working to replace the pavilion boards.
- Karen Wicklund-For many years of coordinating the bell ringers for the Salvation Army.

A huge thank you to secretary, Linda Hultman, for getting all awards and certificates ready for these presentations and getting the program together for this event.

2014 Lions of the Year: Our special award to recognize contributions of a member that has given above and beyond all year, was presented to Ray Levine. His contributions include:

- He is always a willing volunteer for any project the IR Lions undertake.
- He has been a contributing member of the Special Projects Committee adding his expertise to the downtown banner project and spearheading and initiating our hearing assistance project now in place for our meetings.

- He shared his musical talent with us at our last two Christmas parties and is on board to do it again December 5th.
- He helped plan and put the booyah in our “Booyah Bash.” He worked in the kitchen most recently helping to make the Veterans Day meal especially wonderful.
- His contributions have been countless. He is a good friend and all-round nice guy that practices what we Lions agree to do---HE SERVES.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Lion Lisa Hyde is the Salvation Army Bell Ringer chair this year. Contact her for when you can help ring bells.
- Membership chair, Jim Sloane informed the group if a new recruit for membership is a former veteran, he/she can receive \$30.00 off their membership for the year.
- Please, **Snowbirds**, notify the secretary of your winter address change.
- Former Lion, Irene Nelson would appreciate visits at Court Manor in Ashland.

The regular meeting was adjourned. Motion: Julie Peck/Rozie Maki. Approved.

**Iron River Lions Club Blueberry Festival Meeting
November 5, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by President Nan Olson.

OLD BUSINESS:

Working Committees should complete a summary of your Committee. List what went right and should be considered for next year. Also, list things that need to be improved for next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Entertainment Committee met and has a draft of the proposed schedule for next year’s festival. The group Dweebs is being offered a contract. Motion: Kim Hamilton/Ed Brunner to spend \$15,000 which includes the Dweebs at \$4,500 and a stage and sound that may cost \$4,000. The committee is considering additional entertainment and will report as soon as more is finalized.

The 50/50 was won by Kim Hamilton!

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hultman, Secretary