

# THE LIONS TALE

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## REGULAR MEETINGS

**Scratch Tuesday, April 7th at the American Legion Hall, 820 N. Liberty St., Elgin IL at 6:15 PM.**

This has been kenneled. We chalk this one up to the coronavirus. The virus seems to be winning most of these wars on our normal lives. We are required to stay hunkered down in our dwellings except for brief excursions out for food, medicines, and toilet paper. Yes, I understand the need for toilet paper, but buying up entire stores worth is ridiculous.



Lion Bob is busy setting up for ways in which we can communicate over the internet without subjecting ourselves and others to even more coronavirus. We need to do a

few things that are necessary

## BOARD MEETINGS

**Tuesday, April 21st at the American Legion Hall , 820 N. Liberty St., Elgin IL at 6:15 PM.**



We may be able to get this meeting in, but it is not assured. We'll let you know. All members in good standing are welcomed and encouraged to attend board meetings. Only officers may vote, but input from all members is welcome. This is

where the heavy lifting of the club is done.

## OTHER STUFF

### Election

We need to elect officers for next year, and it needs to be done in April. Here are the nominees (all Lions):

President.....	Gary Hearn
First Vice President .....	Bob Fowler
Second Vice President .....	Mario Martinez
Third Vice President .....	Ed Deal
Membership Director .....	Wes Tredup
Secretary .....	Lynne Dusel
Recording Secretary.....	Jim Beam
Treasurer.....	Bill Klawitter
Tail Twister .....	Mary Merrell
Lion Tamer .....	None
Two Year Director.....	Ed Bates
One Year Director .....	Jim Beam
Ex Officio.....	Bob Fowler

## Message from our president

In these trying times, its nice to know that people still care about each other. Our new neighbors texted us today to see if we are doing ok up here. My good friend called yesterday to also check on us. It's good that we check on each other during these times. Maybe as Lions we can pass this forward and check on our neighbors, family and friends to see how they are doing.



Than they can pass it forward and so on. One good deed deserves another.

Lions Clubs International Headquarters has been considered one of the non-essential businesses so for now they are closing until April 7 along with several others. Our District 1-J Convention has been postponed along with the Lions Clubs International Convention that was scheduled to be Singapore. Both will need to schedule voting arrangements that will have to be done by a given date. I'm in the process of lining up conference calling for the Elgin Lions Club so we can meet on-line to take care of some business and voting.

Now that we are asked to stay at home, we need to try to make the best of it. This is a good time to work on those home projects, play games, internet shopping, pet training and taking a nap. If you get really bored, you can go to LCI resources and take the Lions classes.

Lion Bob Fowler PDG  
Club President



### Rose Day

Rose Day has been cancelled. There is some possibility that we may do a Rose Day later in the year after the wicked coronavirus has been defeated. There seemed to be a lot of disappointment in the rose buyers with whom I talked, and it will be a shame to lose this fundraiser that has been so dependable over the

### Poker

Our Poker Nights on April 25th is still on the schedule, but like all the rest of our events, it depends on the virus.. The location is still to be determined.



### Sight and Sound Sweepstakes

Our own **Lion Lynne Dusel** has finished high in the rankings of sweepstakes tickets sales. Buy yours from her! We may have to mail the books that we have, but they need to be collected. We'll inform you about how we will do that.



## Membership

We need new members. The amount of good that we can do for our community is dependent upon having willing hands to work on our projects. Bring someone to one of our meetings—ask a friend, a neighbor, a family member, a co-worker, etc. Give someone else the opportunity to help others. **Lion Merrell, Lion Bates, and Lion Tredup** are doing their part and we hope to add several members this Lions year.

### Elgin Lions Club Foundation

Our scholarship will be awarded to a graduate of Larkin High School this year, and applications are starting to roll in. Elgin High received the scholarship last year. **Lion Bates** has been conferring with whomever has the function of awarding the scholarships at that school. Our club will make the final decision on the recipient.

### Foxtrot

For the time being, this event is still on. If it changes, and it might, we will let you know.



## Information

Check out what the Lions District 1-J is doing by logging on to their website and pulling up the journal. The address is: <https://www.district1jlions.org>. Our club also has a web site that is a major improvement over what we have had in place. Now, more information and photographs can be posted. Take a look at it. The address is: <https://elginlions.org>. Entering [elginlions.org](https://elginlions.org), will get you to it. You might see your picture!. Bookmark both of them.

### Miscellaneous Items

Our members are reminded that they need to wear appropriate Lions insignia at our regular meetings. The vest is always appropriate as is a Lions pin. Our phone number is 847 289 4206 on the lapel of a suit coat or sports coat. Our tail twister has been advised to viciously enforce this requirement.

Members are requested to keep **Lion Mary Merrell** apprised of their attendance or non-attendance at meetings. We want to be assured that sufficient food and seating is available and

### You didn't ask, but...Let me know if anyone hasn't been insulted and I'll see what I can do

“ The English are feeling the pinch in relation to recent virus threat and have therefore raised their threat level from “Miffed” to “Peeved.” Soon, though, level may be raised yet again to “Irritated” or even “A Bit Cross.” The English have not been “A Bit Cross” since the blitz in 1940 when tea supplies nearly ran out.

The virus has been re-categorized from “Tiresome” to “A Bloody Nuisance.” The last time the British issued a “Bloody Nuisance” warning level was in 1588, when threatened by the Spanish Armada.

The Scots have raised their threat level from “Pi...ed Off” to “Let's Get the Bastard.” They don't have any other levels. This is the reason they have been used on the front line of the British army for the last 300 years.

The French government announced yesterday that it has raised its alert level from “Run” to “Hide.” The only two higher levels in France are “Collaborate” and “Surrender.” The rise was precipitated by a recent fire that destroyed France's white flag factory,

effectively paralyzing the country's military capability.

Italy has increased the alert level from “Shout Loudly and Excitedly” to “Mash more Grapes and Drink more wine”

The Germans have increased their alert state from “Disdainful Arrogance” to “Dress in Uniform and Sing Marching Songs.” They also have two higher levels: “Invade a Neighbor” and “Lose.”

The Spanish are all excited to see their new submarines ready to deploy. These beautifully designed subs have glass bottoms so the new Spanish navy can get a really good look at the old Spanish navy.

Australia, meanwhile, has raised its alert level from “No worries” to “She'll be alright, Mate.” Two more escalation levels remain: “Crikey! I think we'll need to cancel the barbie this weekend!” and “The barbie is cancelled.” So far, no situation has ever warranted use of the final escalation level.

The Irish have quarantined themselves in the pubs .....AGAIN”

## Doings at other Clubs

- Apr. 3 - 4 District 1J Convention — Registration \$25 (\$30 at the door). Registration/Meal Package \$100 (Best Value) includes Saturday Continental Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner/ & Registration; Individual Meal Pricing will be available. \$90 per night for King or Double/\$115 for Suite. Keynote Speaker PID Mark Hintzman/Annual Theme Basket Auction. Fill - in Registration Form on the 1J website at: [www.district1jlions.org](http://www.district1jlions.org)
- Apr. 04 Elburn Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt at 9:30 AM at the Elburn Lions Club Park.
- Apr. 11 The Bartlett Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt, 1:30 pm at the Bartlett Community Center fields, 5,500 eggs for children to find.
- Apr. 12 Lisle Lions Club Annual Easter Egg Hunt at 1 PM at Lisle Jr. High School.
- Apr. 17 A Steak Dinner will be prepared and served at the American Legion, 344 East Maple Avenue, Roselle, IL for in - coming Governor Lion John Barsanti's ROAR. Cost is \$20 per person or \$25 at the door (although seating is limited). Send checks payable to Roselle Lions Club (Memo — Roar) in the amount of \$20.00. Mail to Roselle

- Lions iClub, P.O. Box 72092, Roselle, IL 60172. Contact Lion Dennis Arcaro at [darcarokofc@gmail.com](mailto:darcarokofc@gmail.com).
- Apr. 18 The Elmhurst Lions Club iRecycling Event at Elmhurst College.
- Apr. 25 DISTRICT 1J NEW OFFICER TRAINING ifrom 8:30 AM to Noon led by 2nd VDG Lion Lori Chassee, Global i Leadership Team Coordinator, held at Holiday Inn, 150 S. Gary Avenue, Carol Stream, IL. Registration at 8:30 AM / Programs at 8:45 AM— 12:30 PM / Pizza. Fee: \$10 to help with cost of materials and lunch. Send your registration and check payable to District 1J to Lion Lori Chassee, 841 E. Lawrence Ave., West Chicago, IL 60185.
- Apr. 25 Elgin Lions Club Poker Night — venue will be announced later.
- Apr. 26 The Bartlett Lions Club Lion Rob's Spring Pancake Breakfast 8:00 AM 12 Noon at the Firebarn, Adults \$6.00 –children (6- 12) \$4.00 Up to three children age 5 and under free with each paid adult. Multiple raffles and a 50//50 split the pot. Youth eye health screening available at the breakfast. Police Dept. Open House from 9:00 AM to 1 PM