

Dell Rapids Lions Club

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DELL RAPIDS LIONS CLUB — OFFICIAL MINUTES OF AWARDS BANQUET / CLUB MEETING 6:30~p.m., Thursday, December 7, 2023, at the Dell Rapids Senior Citizens Center

President Robert Wiarda called the meeting to order. 22 Lions in attendance: Blaine Beck, Allen Brown, Ruth & Wayne Coffaa, Tom & Connie Earley, Dean Hammer, Marlowe & Sue Hovey, Barb & Chuck Littel, Tom Ludens, Virginia Miller, Jody Morrow, Peg Nelson, Kathy Rindels, Carmen Rogen, Christine & Ron Snyder, Darrold & Dianne Williams. Guests: Alinda Wiarda, Jeannie Ludens, Gloria Brown, Carolyn Drew, and Zach Rogen. Special guest: District Governor LeeAnn Haisch of Alcester.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES: Motion to approve by Marlowe, seconded by Ron; m/c.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion to approve by Carmen, seconded by Ron; m/c. Activities Account: \$5,397.90 Business Account: \$3,859.54 Less the Lion Tamer's Drawing of \$460 = \$3,399.54 Less the New Member Account of \$500 = \$2,899.54

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Christine announced that both Amanda and Nick Hein were going to work on fulfilling the requirements for the Proud Lion Award. (see attached) — Christine inducted NEW MEMBERS: Carolyn Drew, sponsored by Marlowe, and Zachary Rogen, sponsored by Carmen.

OLD BUSINESS: MEAT RAFFLES: Sue reported that 14 Lions worked at the November meat raffle, including all new and proposed members; the winner of round 10 returned his \$80 winnings to the club, with thanks for our Lions service. — SWOT: Sue will present survey results for discussion at a future club meeting. — STOREHOUSE: Dianne, Darrold and Robert reported volunteer hours.

NEW BUSINESS: CLUB'S 80th ANNIVERSARY: Sue and Carmen volunteered to start the planning process for an event in September 2024. — PANCAKE BREAKFAST: Tom E. will check out available dates with St. Mary's for the use of the church hall. — PIZZA RANCH: Robert will ask about availability of the larger room for our meetings; he encouraged members to eat there on our meeting nights.

PROGRAM: District Governor LeeAnn Haisch presented a District Club Excellence Award (patch and pin) for our club's participation in District projects and community service. She also presented the District's Proud Lion Award to Carmen for fulfilling all seven requirements in less than a year since joining Lions in June. Carmen attends club meetings, serves on the Membership Committee, and has put her social media skills to work for the club. The evening's highlight was the DG's presentation of a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Allen for his leadership and service since joining our club December 1, 1964. Allen is our club's longest-serving member, at 59 years, 6 days.. (see attached) In her message, DG Haisch said, "When we're asked, 'What do Lions do?' our answer is, 'We do good for people.'" Robert presented DG Haisch with a \$50 honorarium. Motion to adjourn by Marlowe, seconded by Carmen; m/c.

Sue Hovey, Secretary