



South Milwaukee Lions Club

Serving the community for 87 years!



South Milwaukee Lions Newsletter MARCH/APRIL 2024

2023-2024 OFFICERS

- President** – Lion Gonzalo Couto-Lain
- First Vice President**– Lion Jonathan Seel
- Second Vice President** – Lion Tony Gardner
- Third Vice President** – Lion John Boswell
- Secretary**– Lion Denise Brzenk
- Club LCIF Coordinator** – Lion Denise Brzenk
- Club Service Chairperson** – Lion Patti Redlin
- Treasurer** – Lion Debbie Polzin
- Directors** – 2 YEAR Lion’s Dick Blaha & Judy Williams
- Directors** - 1 YEAR Lion’s Bruce Wranovsky & Scott Streich
- Leo Advisor** – OPEN POSITION
- Leo Assistants** – Lion’s Alex Salisott & OPEN POSITION
- Membership Director** – Lion Gloria Becker
- Membership** – Lion’s Matt Eisenhauer, Ashley Prondzinski
- Lion Tamer** – Lion Robert Kingston
- Tail Twister** – Lion Julie Schramm
- Past President** – Lion Fran Jasper
- Marketing Communications** – Lion Peggy Bartelt

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH:

- 6 – Blood Drive at City Hall
- 9 – St. Patty’s Day Parade Volunteers Needed
- 10 – Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 11 – Culvers Fundraising Event 5-8 pm
- 13 – Dinner Meeting BE Club NOMINATIONS
- 16 – Easter Event SM SR Center
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- 17 – HAPPY ST. PATRICKS DAY
- 20 – Festival Mtg 6:15 pm at SM Human Concerns
- 21 – Community Meal – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- 26 – Lions Diabetes Alert Day
- 27 – Board Meeting
- 31 – HAPPY EASTER

APRIL:

- 6 – Zone Beer & Wine Tasting event St. Francis Hall
- 10 - Dinner Meeting SM Yacht Club
- 20 – Earth Day Project at SM Sr Center 9-12
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- 24 – Board Meeting

MAY:

- 8 - Blood Drive at City Hall
- 12 – HAPPY MOTHERS DAY
- 16 – 18 State Convention
- 22 – Installation Banquet Joes K Ranch
- 29 – Board Meeting
- 30 – SM Downtown Market VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

JUNE:

- 6 – SM Downtown Market VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- 12 – Dinner Meeting SM Yacht Club
- 16 – HAPPY FATHER’S DAY
- 20 – SM Downtown Market VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- 21 – 25 – International Convention
- 26 – Board Meeting

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

- 4 – Joyce Bulley
- 5 – Fran Jasper
- 8 – Bridget Browne
- 9 – Alexandra Salisott & Anneliese Browne
- 15 – Judy Williams
- 19 – Bruce Wranovsky
- 25 – Val Currier
- 27 – Jim Shelenske
- 28 – Denise Brzenk
- 28 – Joe Weirich
- 28 – Marge Miller

APRIL

- 12- Tamra Kaczmarowski & Bernice Czarnezki
- 22 – Steven (Harpo) Janiszewski
- 24 – Michael (Doc) Dounell & Casey Harris
- 25 – Patrick Mattson
- 28 – George Becker

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL of YOU!

We apologize if we have missed anyone

LION ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH

- Bruce Wranovsky – 25 yrs
- Bridge Browne – 11 yrs
- Nathan Jurowski – 2 yrs
- Pam Werth – 8 yrs
- NathanThompson – 1 yr

APRIL

- Dick Wranovsky – 53 yrs
- Don Stoddard–35 yrs
- Amy Block – 21 yrs
- Mike Kulba – 21 yrs
- Pete Vljaj – 21 yrs
- Christina Jasper– 12 yrs
- Bob Kingston – 11 yrs
- Patrick Mattson – 8 yrs
- Gloria Becker – 5 yrs
- Gonzalo CoutoLain– 5 yrs
- Julie Schramm – 5 yrs
- Deb DeBoer – 5 yrs
- Steve Glase – 5 yrs
- Eoghan Browne – 2 yrs
- Lori Serrano – 1 yr

Thank You for your SERVICE!

COMMITTEE & NEWS UPDATES

The SM LIONS Newsletter Deadline for articles, news, projects activities, etc. will be 5 days prior to the end of each month. Please get your information to Lion Debbie Polzin.

BLOOD DRIVE – Wednesday, March 6, 2024 from 12-5 pm at City Hall.
Thanks to Lion's Dick B, Bob K, Jackie O for your coordination of this event.

BOWLING EVENTS - The Tichigan Lake Lions Club – March 2 thru April 27, 2024.
You received all the flyers on Wednesday, December 27th via email.
If you're interested in bowling in any of them, please sign up on your own and provide Treasurer with your receipt for reimbursement.

CLUB SOCIAL MARKETING- If you are present at any Lions events, please take pictures and send to Lion's Peggy Bartelt and Debbie Polzin for use on our club social media pages, submission to the WI Lions Newsletter, Monthly Newsletter, and our book for next year.
Please include a brief description of the photo. Peggybartelt@att.net, dkpolzin@gmail.com

COMMUNITY MEAL – Thursday, March 21, 2024 at the First Congregational United Church of Christ Located at 1111 N. Chicago Ave SM 53172. Volunteers needed starting at 3:30 to set up, serve the meal and help clean up.
If you interested, please contact Lion Debbie Polzin, Cell: 414-552-8334 or dkpolzin@gmail.com

CULVER'S FUNDRAISER – Next Event **MONDAY, March 11, 2024 from 5-8 PM**
Volunteers needed. Culvers, 6031 W. Layton Ave, Greenfield, WI 53220. Volunteers will be doing assorted duties from, taking food bags out to drive thru customers, trays to customers who are eating in the restaurant and bussing tables. If you would like to volunteer, contact Lion Mary Cay Rittershaus cell 414-708-5769 or email at mrittershaus@yahoo.com. This is a great fundraiser for our club. In December we received \$427.40, January \$366.90. Currently waiting for the February donation. Thank You to Lion Mary Cay for organizing and everyone else who has helped with this event.

EASTER BUNNY BREAKFAST & EGG HUNT – Saturday, March 16, 2024 8:30 – 12 pm
Volunteers are needed starting at 7:30 am to ready the Senior Center for this event.
If you interested, please contact Lion Debbie Polzin, Cell: 414-552-8334 or dkpolzin@gmail.com

EYE GLASS MONITORING & COLLECTION:
Lions that monitor eye glass collection boxes are reminded to please bring your collection to the next meeting. Thank you for caring and serving! Additional volunteers are needed. Note that Lions can drop off the Eye Glasses at Lion Jonathan Seel house, 811 Montana Ave, South Milwaukee. Please put your glasses inside the front porch. **If You Are Monitoring an Eye Collection Box or Know Where One Is Located, Please Call Lion Jonathan Seel at 414-313-3490.**

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE – Please remember to save your aluminum can tabs to support this worthy cause. **With Lion Al Bassett's passing we will need someone to step up to collect these and deliver them to the Ronald McDonald house to show our Lions Club support of their mission.**

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION – SM Lions 2024 Scholarship information has been posted on our website smlions.org. On the menu go to Links, SM Lions Club Scholarship.

SM DOWNTOWN MARKET – Our first Downtown Market is Thursday, May 30, 2024 from 3 – 7 pm. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to set up starting at 2 pm and to work the event and clean up at the end. If you interested, please contact Lion Debbie Polzin, Cell: 414-552-8334 or dkpolzin@gmail.com

ST. PATTY'S DAY PARADE – Saturday, March 9, 2024 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. If interested contact Lion Terry Browne at Cell: 414-349-2200 or tbrowne@collinsengr.com

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE: If you know of anyone who needs to know Lions are thinking of them during a rough time, send information to Lion Denise Brzenk at d.brzenk56@gmail.com and she will send them a card to brighten their day.

ZONE MEETING – Thursday, February 29, 2024 hosted by St. Francis Lions Club.
Our club had 10 Lions attend, Lion John Boswell gave our club updates.

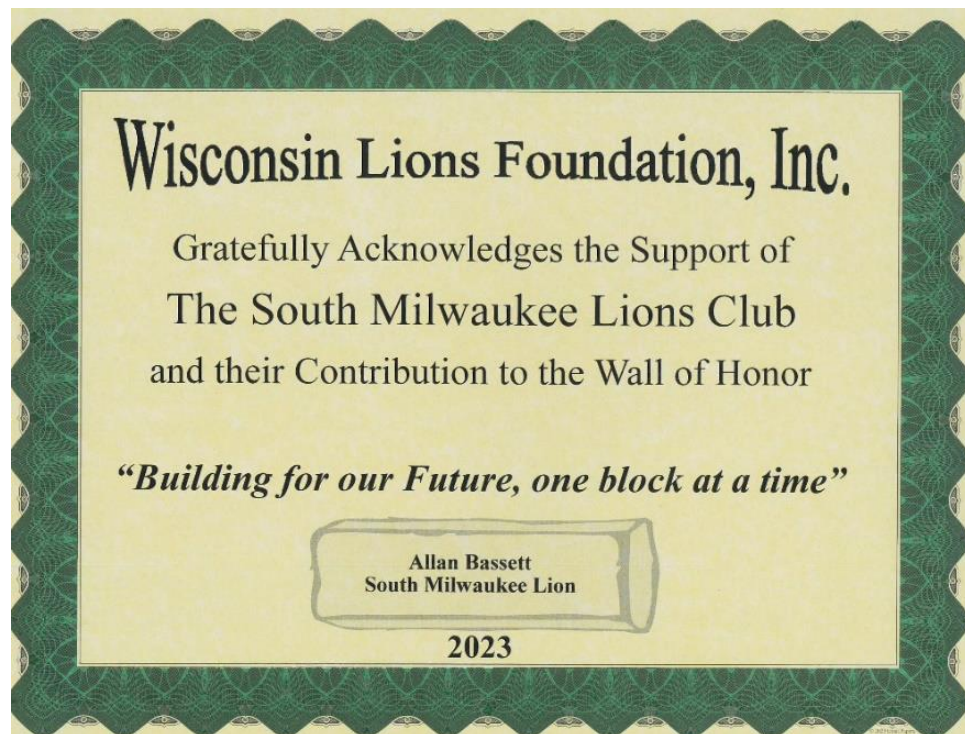
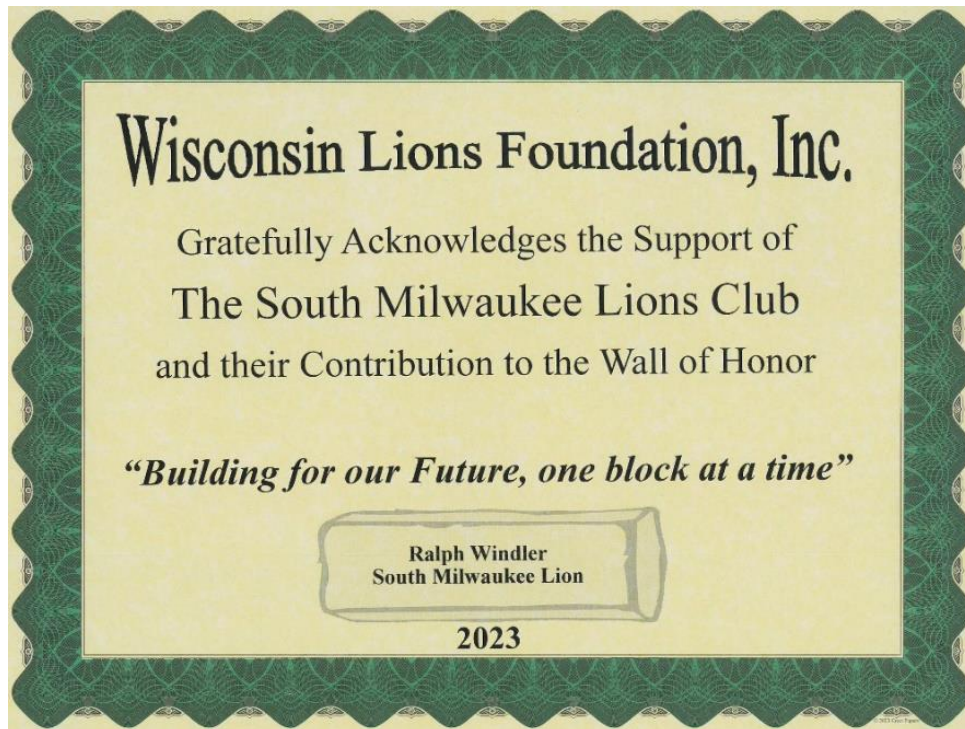
Frank Van Dusen JR Past SM Lions President 1997-1998



Was born to eternal life at the age of 85 on Feb. 22nd, 2024. Survived by his wife Denise (Plante) for 60 years. Beloved father to Frank III and Danielle Summers. Proud grandpa Cassandra Van Dusen and Caden Van Dusen. Survived by many other family and friends. Preceded in death by brothers Ronald and Brian. Frank's accomplishments included being an Eagle Scout, an Officer for South Milw. Jaycee's and past President of the Oak Creek Lions Club. Funeral Mass will take place Mar. 8th at 10AM at ST. MARK'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH 1314 RAWSON AVE., SOUTH MILW. Family will greet guests from 9:30 AM until the time of Mass. Condolences at sunsetoptions.com.

South Milwaukee Lion's Foundation News

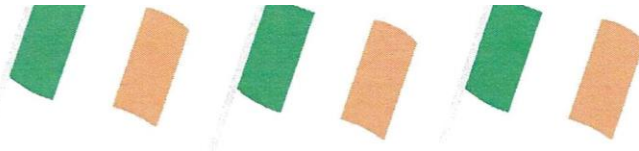
WALL OF HONOR MEMORIAL'S – Lion Ralph Windler & Lion Allan Bassett



South Milwaukee Leos News & Announcements

LEO CLUB ADVISOR – OPEN POSITION

Leo Assist's – Lion Alex Salisott & OPEN POSITION



JOIN THE MILWAUKEE BAY VIEW LIONS
IN THE 56TH SHAMROCK CLUB OF WISCONSIN
ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE
ON SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Step off at Noon

Get out your best green or orange
along with your Lions Vest!

Be sure to dress appropriately for the weather!

Plan to arrive as early as 10am to help with float
decorations.

IF YOU'RE AVAILABLE, PLEASE REACH OUT TO LION JACKIE B
VIA EMAIL: JACLYN.M.BORDAK@HOTMAIL.COM

SPECIFIC MEET UP LOCATION TBD



MORE INFORMATION, INCLUDING THE PARADE ROUTE CAN BE
FOUND HERE [HTTPS://SAINTPATRICKSPARADE.ORG/](https://saintpatrickspade.org/)
OR SCAN THE QR CODE