



**WE SERVE!**

**CALENDAR**

**Holiday Party** Tuesday,  
Dec. 5 @ Brocato's  
Social begins at 6 p.m.

**NO MEETING** DEC 6

**SPEAKERS**

TBA

**BIRTHDAYS**

Lamar Joffrion 12/3  
Michael Kearney 12/11  
Tom Gallagher 12/15  
Tim Brocato 12/18  
Suzi Daniels 12/20  
CC Prudhome 12/27

**Door Prize**

*Lion Bill Carstens missed  
\$5*

# THE LIONS TALE

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I'm BAAAACCCCKKKK! (You won't believe how well trained I am now!)

**Two Card Draw**—Lion Bob and Lion Jim G tried, but no joker. Kitty is at \$200.

**Tail Twister:** no teasing today. We wanted sufficient time for our District Governor

Lion John Simon received a Centennial Membership Pin to celebrate the one year anniversary of Lion John Kolwe joining the club. Lion John Simon sponsored him.

**Rock on:** Lion Jackie gave a birthday rock to Lion Jim Gallagher and Lion Michael Kearney. Lion Stacy was celebrating 25 years as a member of this Club .

**Announcements:**

Lion Susan expressed her appreciation for the Club coming through with ticket sales on the \$15,000 Raffle. After expenses, we netted \$21,820 for our charities! The big winner of \$10,000 was John Wolf, son of our beloved late Lion Joe Wolf. He donated \$2,000 back to the Club's charities. Lion Taylor Ward won \$2,000 and the three \$1,000 winners were Charlie Parker, Jimmy Savoy and the Secretary Group of Barron, Heinberg and Brocato.

There is NO MEETING on Dec 6 because of the Holiday Party on Dec 5. Meet at Brocato's at 6 p.m. to start the fun. Wear an ugly holiday sweater and bring an item if you want to play Dirty Santa gift exchange (\$15 limit). It's too late for reservations, but contact Lion Jackie to check on a cancellation. Your editor is sad to miss it because the Cornish hens, roast beef, rosemary potatoes, bacon wrapped green beans, salad and rolls sound wonderful. Several Club members are providing homemade specialty holiday desserts. YUM! Oh, and you can BYOB if you want an adult beverage.

P. 2 of the current Lion Magazine features our own Louisiana Lions Camp as part of the President's message. Check it out!



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🎵 **Bells will be ringing!** 🎵 Our Lions will staff the Salvation Army Red Kettles at Sam's on Dec. 9. We have a long schedule to fill. Contact Lion Susan if you can take a shift. If you are out shopping, stop by Sam's and help fill the Red Kettle.

**Lion President Pam** asked that we all submit ideas for service projects beginning in January. Perhaps it's reading at a local elementary school, or doing a CASA kids toy drive. We have a history of this, such as the bicycle drive for St. Mary's that Lion Michael arranged last year.

**Speaker: Lion Debbie Fitzgerald, District Governor  
and her guest, Lion Bob Fitzgerald, PDG**

Lion Governor Debbie took the opportunity to share some facts about Diabetes with the Club. Diabetes and Childhood Cancer are two new additions to Lions International's focus. She encouraged us to consider forming a "branch club." This is a small group (minimum of 5) who gather around service projects in a specific area of service, such as diabetes awareness. Many younger adults are more interested in action clubs and less in speakers. They would be members of our Club, but would meet separately to plan their service.

There are 3 types of diabetes:

1. Childhood (Type I) This is when the pancreas doesn't produce insulin to regulate blood sugar. 3-5% of diabetics
2. Adult Onset (Type II) This is when the body has difficulty processing sugar due to insulin production and use problems. Diet and exercise can help prevent or reverse this type. 90% of diabetics are this type
3. Gestational—an expectant mother becomes diabetic during her pregnancy. Affects 1 in 25 pregnancies.

Approximately 422 million worldwide have some form of diabetes. Eye problems and blindness can result, as can circulatory problems leading to amputation.

**LION BOB, PDG** Shared information on an upcoming conference sponsored by District 8-I. This is the first multi-state eye-screening conference held, and our district is the host! On Feb 23, 24, 25, Lions from several surrounding states will join Louisiana at the Century Link HQ in Monroe. Dr. Ed Cortez from Kids Sight, and Dr. Gary Anderson, International Director, are both featured speakers. Representatives from Plus Optics and Welch Allyn also will attend. Mark your calendars and watch for more information. At the very least, plan to attend on Saturday.