



BELBROOK LIONS

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JANUARY 2017 ISSUE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE--

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season, warm family gatherings, and are looking forward to the New Year with hope and joy.

On December 10th, we distributed 187 fruit baskets to local widows, and the Lioness Club delivered 61 baskets to the widowers in our area. This is such a rewarding event, and we get many thank-you's from those we meet on our delivery route. For some, we may be the only person she/he sees that day. Thank you to all who participated and brought a smile to someone's face – just to know they were being thought of.

Everyone enjoyed the annual Christmas dinner and Stan the Magic Man. Still can't figure out how he does some of those tricks! We were so glad to see so many from our clubs and had a very enjoyable evening. Thanks to the ladies from the Lioness Club for decorating our building in Christmas decor and to John Dorn for hanging the outside lights.

Once again, if you have not attended a Lions meeting lately, please make an effort to come and be a part of this wonderful group. I can tell you firsthand what a

caring and lively group of people make up our local club. Sometimes we tease, sometimes we're serious, but mostly we all have one thing in common – that is to serve our community!

Hope to see you in the New Year,

Lion President Linda

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES/EVENTS for JANUARY/FEBRUARY--

January 4—Regular Meeting at 7:30 pm

January 18—Regular Meeting at 7:30 pm

January 24—Board Meeting at 7:30 pm

February 1—Regular Meeting at 7:30 pm

February 15—Regular Meeting at 7:30 pm

February 21—Board Meeting at 7:30 pm

**FEBRUARY 25TH—PANCAKE BREAKFAST, BLOOD DRIVE AND
BASEBALL REGISTRATION Steven Bell School**

2016-17 Bellbrook Lions Basketball News--

Games for the Fall Basketball Program will begin this Saturday with the first game scheduled for 7:30am. The last game of the day will be at 12:00 noon. These games will be played for the next 8 weeks. Lion Brian Hoehner is again organizing and managing the program.

We have 2 leagues in the program. The first is for 4th through 6th grade boys and girls. This league is mainly designed for instruction and fun. Teams are selected and practice begins right after Thanksgiving twice per week. The first week in January we play games ever Saturday morning so the players can show their progress from the work they accomplish in practices.

Our other league is for 7th – 9th grade boys and girls. This league was formed for the players who may not want the dedication of interscholastic play and just want

to have fun. And that they do. They also practice once a week and play games on Saturday morning.

This has been a record year for us. Due to the limited Gym time we have available and a rule that states all players must play at least 2 quarters, our maximum number of players for the younger league has been 80. Shortly after registrations closed, we had a large quantity of additional requests to play. We decided to play with 9 teams of 90 players this year which would have one team with a BYE each Saturday. However, there will not be enough time for the year ending tournament.

Our Junior High program also had record numbers of over 40. It will be a busy year, but all are looking forward to a fun season.

You can follow our sports programs with pictures and dates at www.bellbrooklionssports.org. (article submitted by Big John Dorn)

A BIG LIONS THANK YOU!

To all the Lions, Lionesses, and friends of the Bellbrook Lions Club for all your help and efforts in delivering 248 food baskets to our area widows and widowers on Saturday, December 10th. The gifts were greatly appreciated by all who received them!!

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS –

- **Mary Penewit, Dogwood Forest of Dunwoody—Rm. 202, 7400 Peachtree-Dunwoody Rd. NE, Atlanta, GA 30328**
 - **Debbie Gross, daughter of Lioness Sandy Edwards**
 - **Lion Ed Case**
 - **Peg Moore—rehabbing her arm**
 - **Family of Annette King**
 - **Carolyn Cuzzort—rehabbing after shoulder surgery**
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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY--

“Do all the good you can. By all the means you can. In all the ways you can. In all the places you can. At all the times you can. To all the people you can. As long as ever you can.”--John Wesley

IT'S GREAT TO BE A LION!