

Awards: Ceremonies on Nov. 24

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Lauer, of Lauer Equipment Sales in Grafton, has been both a valued member of the Grafton business community and a dedicated volunteer.

At different times, Lauer has spent years as a part of the Grafton Jaycees, Grafton Little League as a coach and member of the board of directors and Kiwanis, as well as serving on the Grafton Parks and Recreation Board and the police and fire commission. He is still involved with the Grafton Lions Club, which he has been a part of for 27 years, including service on the board of directors and as president.

"There are a number of functions the Lions served that I want to get more involved in," Lauer said.

He is planning to get his certification as a vision

screeener after his retirement this coming spring, at which point he would be able to participate in the Lions' administration of vision tests at local schools. Lauer is also involved in the Lions' offering transportation for medical eye tissue, which is used in surgical procedures to restore sight to the visually impaired.

"One of the missions of the Lions is to wipe out blindness, as much as we can," Lauer said. "There are people out there less fortunate than us, and we have to do everything we can for them."

Lauer and the Cloverleaf 4-H Club will be honored at the Grafton Community Tree Lighting on Nov. 24, at 6:30 p.m. The tree lighting takes place in Paramount Plaza.

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