

# LAKEVILLE LIONS CLUB



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LAKEVILLE, INDIANA

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## **Letter from the President**

**Greetings Fellow Lions** 

The scoop for the Group

It saddens me to report the passing of Lion Val June Schafer's daughter, Kathy Schafer Courier, on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006. She will be missed by all who knew her and our sympathy goes out to Lion Val June and her family in her loss.

On January 18<sup>th</sup> at the Newton Center, your Lions Club hosted an informational meeting for the Medicare Prescription Drug Program for all senior citizens in our area. This was another area of community service we were involved in and we had over 50 people in attendance. The presenters thought we had a good crowd and appreciated our efforts. Much information was gained and I have had good reports from those who attended. WE SERVE

On January 21<sup>st</sup>, Lion Paul Russell and I were asked to be judges at the Cub Scout Pinewood Derby held at the Lakeville United Methodist Church. Lion Paul has had experience judging these cars, but it was all new to me. It was fun, and since our Lions club is a Cub Scout sponsoring agency, we were glad to show our support. Our efforts were directed toward: the most original design, the fastest - looking car, most detailed, best effort by a scout ( these are 7 to 10 year old boys ), ( seems dads do quite a bit more than give advice), & most humorous design. The actual racing is done on an electronically-timed track.

At our January dinner meeting Lion District Governor Nelson Nix inducted two new members into our club. Please welcome Lion Joanie Snyder and Lion Steven Diller. They were sponsored by Lions Monica Himes and Lion Larry Ort; thanks Lions for the good job. How about you, don't you know someone you could invite to join our club ???

From Prevent Blindness Indiana: Glaucoma Steals Sight. Glaucoma, the sneak thief of sight, slowly steals away vision, many times without the patient realizing it. Unfortunately, once symptoms are detected, the effectiveness of treatment diminishes. Vision lost can't be restored. Regular professional eye examinations are one of the best ways to keep your eyes healthy and to check for glaucoma before the thief steals your sight. Some of the risk factors for glaucoma include: family history, nearsightedness, eye injury or surgery, steroid medications, and race. For more information about glaucoma and eye health, check the website <a href="www.pbeye.org">www.pbeye.org</a>. Did you know that Helen Keller challenged the LIONS to be "Knights of the Blind"???

On February 11<sup>th</sup>, three of your Lakeville Lions attended the district cabinet meeting in Elkhart: Lions Howard Heines, PDG David Court, & Paul Russell. I am pleased to announce that Lion Paul is running for Cancer Control trustee for District 25G. That makes two trustees from our Lakeville Lions Club. PDG Dave is a Speech and Hearing trustee. Being a trustee for our state projects takes a lot of time, effort, and dedication. Congratulations Lion Paul and good luck. I also found out that our club is ranked very high in new membership in the state and also is tied for second in district 25G. That does not include the 4 new members we will induct at our Feb. meeting. Keep up the good work fellow Lions.

At the February board meeting we renewed the Boy Scout charter and were told that three more scouts were on the verge of becoming Eagle Scouts. Our Lions Club was also invited to the Boy Scouts awards carry in pot luck dinner on Feb. 27 at 6 PM @ the County Line Church. Any Lions Club member is welcome to attend and represent the club.

The Youth Service Bureau of St. Joseph County is looking for volunteers to help in assisting young people in crisis situations. The Subway in Lakeville is willing to become a Safe Place site if there are people in our community who are willing to help them. Anyone willing to volunteer is trained through the YSB and will be on call whenever needed, although that will be infrequently; they are just looking for people in our area to be trained and on call. YSB administrative office phone is 574-235-9231 or call Bonnie Strycker, Executive Director @ 287 8623.

DUES: In a recent conversation, Lion Treasurer Rob mentioned that we still have people who have not paid their dues. If you are not sure about your dues, please contact him or Lion Secretary Don. PLEASE PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES! As most of the commercials I see on TV say; DO IT NOW !!! PHONE NOW, DON'T WAIT !!! HURRY BEFORE IT'S TO LATE!!

The program for our February dinner meeting will be FUN FUN FUN Bring your cards, dominos, board games, whatever you enjoy playing and join us for a fun night. We will have pizza and sub sandwiches from our local eateries. Bring whatever munchies you would like and join in the fun. We will have a brief (PDG Dave said it will be short ) induction ceremony for our four new members at the start and then on to the games.

Future events to keep in mind where Lakeville Lions Shine: Fish Fry... Good Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup>: Camp Millhouse, Golf Outing; 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration; 4 H Fair, July 30 – Aug. 5, Lakeville Town Festival, Aug. 19.

On Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM at The Scout Hall in Lakeville there will be an orientation program for all new Lions especially, but all Lions are welcome to attend. This program will attempt to bring you up to date on the inner workings of the Lions Clubs, locally, state wide, nationally, and internationally. Please attend if you can.

More 'musing facts you can't live without ???

- If YOU suddenly discover that February only has 28 days; don't report it to the Consumer Fraud Department. Likely they will ignore your complaint.
- It's not hard to meet expenses, THEY'RE EVERYWHERE!!
- A conclusion is simply the place where you get tired of thinking.
- When using an acetylene torch, don't feel the flame to see if it's sufficiently hot. I'd explain it to you, but ...
- What has four legs and an arm??????? A happy PIT BULL!!!!!
- Everyone has a photographic memory; some don't have any film!!

#### Think SPRING Think DUES Think A NEW MEMBER Think WE SERVE

Don't miss out on the district convention in Plymouth on March 4<sup>th</sup>; see me for reservations. This is a good opportunity to see some of the inner workings of Lionism: it's close to home and doesn't cost all that much. Any Lion is welcome; you don't have to be an officer to attend.

Yours in Lionism President Howard

The midnight ride Of Paul for beer Led to a Warmer Hemisphere Burma Shave

## **Lakeville Lions Fish Fry**

The Lakeville Lions annual Fish Fry will be held from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Good Friday, April 14, 2006, at the Newton Center. The money raised by the Fish Fry helps fund our Club's community service projects. With this newsletter, each member of the Lions Club is receiving 10 adult/carryout tickets and 5 child tickets for the Fish Fry. The Club needs your help with advanced ticket sales. If you sell all of these tickets and need more, please call Lion Bob Feitz (784-8969).

IMPORTANT NOTE: The times printed on the ticket are incorrect, however, the printing was donated so we chose not to have the tickets reprinted. Please correct the times on the tickets you sell.

## Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday	Feb 21, 2006	New Member Orientation, Scout Hall
Tuesday	Feb 28, 2006	Dinner Meeting / Fun Night, Newton Center
Fri-Sun	Mar 3-5, 2006	District Convention, Plymouth
		Contact Lion President Howard Heines for more info
Wednesday	Mar 8, 2006	Fish Fry Committee, Scout Hall
Tuesday	Mar 14, 2006	Board Meeting, Scout Hall
Tuesday	Mar 28, 2006	Dinner Meeting, Newton Center
Wednesday	Apr 5, 2006	Fish Fry Committee, Scout Hall
Tuesday	Apr 11, 2006	Board Meeting, Scout Hall
Friday	Apr 14, 2006	Fish Fry, Newton Center
Tuesday Thu-Sun	Apr 25, 2006 Apr 27-30, 2006	Dinner Meeting, Newton Center State Convention, Evansville
		Contact Lion President Howard Heines for more info

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