

LAKEVILLE LIONS CLUB

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## LAKEVILLE, INDIANA

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## A Message from the President

Hello Lions!

Welcome to September! The Lakeville Lions have had a busy month since the last newsletter. We have been living up to our motto "WE SERVE". During the last month, we have given out dictionaries to third-graders in 5 schools, done Operation KidSight and Operation SchoolSight vision screenings, served breakfast at a fundraising function, and had an informational dinner meeting with the director of the Miller Vet Center from South Bend.

I would like us to keep the families of Lion Jere Wendt and Lion Jenny Balmer in our thoughts and prayers. Lion Jere Wendt passed away on August 27th; Lion Jenny Balmer passed away on September 1st. Our Lakeville Lions family will miss them. I would like to thank members of our club who helped Lion Arden Balmer in his time of need by stepping up and helping with the services and wake.

We have a big month coming up. Plans are in motion for the upcoming Indiana Bicentennial Torch Celebration on Saturday, October 8th! We will keep you informed on help that we need to make that day a success. This month's dinner meeting will be at the Lakeville Fire House, same time as usual. Let Jean Barlow know for the dinner count. It will be a fun and informative night. See you all there!

Yours in Lionism, Lion Bob Court, President Lakeville Lions Club "WE SERVE, BECAUSE WE CAN!"

**September Dinner Meeting:** The September dinner meeting will be held Tuesday, September 27th, at 6:30 p.m., at the Fire Station in Lakeville. If you are planning to attend this meeting but are not on the permanent dinner list, please call Lion Jean Barlow (574-291-0680 or 574-514-6310) by Sunday, September 25th to make a reservation. If you are on the permanent dinner list, but will be unable to attend this meeting, please call Lion Jean Barlow by Sunday, September 25th to cancel your reservation.

**Opportunities for Service:** Fall is the busy season for Operation KidSight and Operation SchoolSight, and volunteers are needed for these projects.

**Operation KidSight:** We work with Lions Clubs throughout St. Joseph County to provide vision screening for children between 1 and 6 years of age in day care centers, pre-schools, and kindergartens throughout St. Joseph County. In most cases, a team of 3 volunteers is sufficient.

**Operation SchoolSight:** This is our new project to assist school nurses with state-mandated visual acuity testing for children in grades 1, 3, 5, and 8. We need 7-10 volunteers for each session.

Check the online schedule at http://lakevillelions.org/kidsight-calendar.html, then contact Lion Jean Barlow (574-291-0680 or 574-514-6310) to volunteer for Operation KidSight, or Lion Rose Russell (574-784-9094 or 574-250-0125) to volunteer for Operation SchoolSight.



(I. to r.) PCC David Eisen of the Mishawaka Lions Club and CC Vic Fischer of the Lakeville Lions Club pause for a moment before the Saturday night banquet at the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Omaha, Nebraska. This annual conference features 3 days of seminars on a variety of topics of interest to Lions. The 2016 Forum was attended by approximately 2000 Lions from the USA, Canada, and several other countries.

Mark Your Calendar			
Tue, Sep 27	6:30 pm	Dinner Meeting	Fire Station, Lakeville
Sat, Oct 8		Indiana Bicentennial Celebration	Lakeville, Indiana
Tue, Oct 11	7:00 pm	Board Meeting	Scout Hall, Lakeville
Tue, Oct 25	6:30 pm	Dinner Meeting	Newton Center, Lakeville
Sat, Nov 5		Indiana Lions Fall Leadership Conference	Plainfield, Indiana
Tue, Nov 8	7:00 pm	Board Meeting	Scout Hall, Lakeville
Sat, Nov 19		District Meeting	Urbana, Indiana
Tue, Nov 22	6:30 pm	Dinner Meeting	Newton Center, Lakeville



The Lakeville Lions Club distributed dictionaries to more than 130 third-graders in 5 schools: LaVille Elementary, Community Baptist, St. Jude's, Stanley Clark, and Veritas Academy. Pictured here, Dictionary Project Chairman Howard Heines describes some of the extra content of the dictionary to third-graders and their teacher at Veritas Academy.



Lion Dee Milzarek (left) and Lion Rose Russell (right) perform near-vision acuity testing on children at Success Academy in South Bend. Approximately 300 children were tested during this Operation SchoolSight event which involved 7 Lions from 3 Lions Clubs. Also participating in this project were: Lion Delbert Kelver and Lion John Krzyzanowski (Clay-Granger LC), Lion Bev Reid and PDG Lana Wilson (Pierceton LC), and PDG Paul Russell (Lakeville LC).



## Lakeville Lions Club Online

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