



LAKEVILLE LIONS CLUB



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LAKEVILLE, INDIANA

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A Message from the President

Greeting Fellow Lions,

When a young man in our Boy Scout troop recites the Boy Scout Oath, he promises, on his honor, "to do my best to do my duty to God and my country". What is our duty to our country? It is probably best expressed in the Oath of Office of the President of The United States: "to protect and defend the Constitution of The United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic". While the performance of this duty can take many forms, for many of us it takes the form of military service.

On Veterans Day, we pause to recognize those who have done their duty to their country through military service, to pay our respects to those who have died in the service of their country, who have given, in the words of Abraham Lincoln, "the last full measure", and to reaffirm our hope that our current war will also be our last war.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Paul Russell

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday	Nov 22	8:30 a.m.	Membership Information Breakfast
Tuesday	Nov 25	7:00 p.m.	Dinner Meeting, Lakeville United Methodist Church Theme: Honoring Our Veterans Speaker: Vice District Governor Bill Wallace
Saturday	Dec 6	All day	Toys for Tots "Blitz Day", Dave Grenert's Garage
Tuesday	Dec 9	7:00 p.m.	Board Meeting, Scout Hall
Saturday	Dec 13	10am-2pm	Pictures With Santa, Lakeville Library
Tuesday	Dec 16	6:00 p.m.	Christmas Party, Lakeville United Methodist Church
Friday	Dec 19	TBD	Food Basket Assembly
Saturday	Dec 20	8:00 a.m.	Food Basket Distribution, Ambulance Garage

Membership Information Breakfast

More than 30 prospective members have been invited to a membership information breakfast on Saturday, November 22. Attendees will be treated to a breakfast of biscuits and gravy, and will hear brief presentations about the work of Lions in Lakeville, across the state of Indiana, and around the world. If you know someone who should be invited to this event, please contact Lion Jim Foster (291-9076) or Lion Rose Russell (784-9094) as soon as possible.

November Dinner Meeting

The November Dinner Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 25, at the Lakeville United Methodist Church. The theme for this meeting will be 'Honoring Our Veterans', and the guest speaker will be Vice District Governor Bill Wallace.

Reservations are required. Please call Lion Jean Barlow (291-0680) by Sunday, November 23 to make reservations for the dinner meeting.

Please bring a donation of canned goods or other nonperishable food items for the food pantry at the church.

Hospital Notes

Lion Clarice Balmer is recovering from back surgery, and doing well. You may send cards to her at:

Clarice Balmer
St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center
801 E. LaSalle, Room 575
South Bend, IN 46617

Diane Fischer, daughter of PDG David and Jewell Court, is recovering from surgery, and awaiting the results of post-operative tests.

Please keep these members of our Lions family in your thoughts and prayers.

Christmas Projects

Food Basket: LaVille Elementary School is conducting a canned food drive which will end on November 21. The food collected in this drive will be collected and boxed by Lions for distribution to needy families in our community. Food basket assembly is scheduled for Friday, December 19, and distribution is scheduled for Saturday, December 20.

Toys for Tots: Collection boxes have been placed at several locations in and around Lakeville, and "Blitz Day" will be Saturday, December 6 at Dave Grenert's Garage.

Pictures With Santa: Santa will arrive at the Lakeville Library at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 13, and will be available for pictures until 2:00 p.m. We provide free pictures with Santa to all members of the Lakeville community.

Christmas Cards for U.S. Troops: Please bring unsigned Christmas cards – individual cards or boxes of cards - to the November dinner meeting. The cards must be non-religious as they will be sent to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. We are sending these cards so that the troops will have cards to send home to their families and loved ones. If you would like to send a signed card to a member of our military or a veteran, we will mail your card for you. For additional information, please call Lion Arden Balmer at 784-8089.

Winter 50-50 Contest: The Snow Is Right

Are you a weather prognosticator? Bring an extra dollar to the November dinner meeting and buy a chance to predict the total snowfall for the month of December. The person who comes closest to the official total, as reported by the National Weather Service, without going over the total, will win half the pot. The winner must be present at the January dinner meeting to collect the prize. If you cannot come to the November dinner meeting, you can buy a chance from Lion Dave Grenert until November 30.

On December 1, we will start a new contest to predict the total snowfall for January. You may buy a chance to predict the January snowfall from Lion Dave Grenert any time during the month of December. The winner will be paid at the February dinner meeting.

Lion Tamer Searching for Club Property

Lion Don Milzarek has volunteered to take on the daunting job of Lion Tamer. Club property has been stored in the homes, garages, barns, and businesses of several club members for the past year. If you have club property in your possession, please contact Lion Don Milzarek at 784-3272.

Lion Ben Leslie Recognized for Community Service

Lion Ben Leslie, immediate past president of the Lakeville Lions, and his wife Norma, were recently named the recipients of AARP Indiana's 2008 Andrus Award for Community Service. In addition to their Lions activities, Lion Ben and Norma are active in AARP and have participated in several disaster relief missions with their church. Congratulations, Lion Ben and Norma!

Thought for the Month

One person can make a difference and every person should try. – John F. Kennedy

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