



From the Desk of Dave Grenert, President

Lakeville Lions Club Newsletter



IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

January, 2011

I trust you all had a good holiday season and are ready to get back to a regular routine.

I would like to thank PDG Dave Court, and all those who helped, for another successful Toys for Tots project. We collected close to 1600 toys and received over \$4000 in donations! 80 families received food baskets and 180 children got toys. We had help from lots of different groups and individuals to make this our best project of 2010.

We had nine members attend the Mid-Winter Conference this year. Eight were presenters: Lions Rick and Gloria McCartney, DG Paul and Lion Rose Russell, PDG Dave Court, Lion Vic Fischer, Lion Howard Heines and myself. Lion Diane Fischer also attended. Our club received a certificate of achievement for being the club with the third highest number of members in attendance. Our members had a good time and made our club look good. Thanks to all for the support.

Lion Rose Russell is heading up the Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, January 28th at 4:00pm at the Newton Center. Please see Lion Rose for tickets and work detail. Proceeds go to LaVille High School Band for their trip to Disney World for a concert this spring. If you can't work, please come for dinner and support the band.

We received the Vision Screening equipment this week and will set up training for all who want to help. When I have the details, I will pass them on to all. This is going to be a great project that will benefit a lot of people.

We will be inducting Ben Norton and Zach Moore at the dinner meeting this month. DG Paul will make his official visit to our club this month and be our speaker. Come and support DG Paul and hear his vision for our district and what we as Lions can do to help. Speaking of new members, please welcome the newest members, John and Jeanette Lymburner, who were inducted in December. They are a great addition to our club.

We will be electing new officers in April and will present a slate for first reading at the February dinner meeting. Give some thought to making the President's office a two year term and give me your thoughts on this matter.

I will be talking to the people at the Newton Center about extending our contract to meet there next year. See me with ideas or concerns on this matter.

The South Bend Silverhawks Booster Club donated \$1000 to us to send needy people to ballgames this year. I have asked Lions Rose Russell, Vic Fisher and Rick McCartney to help me work out the details.

The District Cabinet meeting is Saturday, January 22 in Milford. See DG Paul if you can attend.

The Lakeville Fire Dept. is having a Free Chili Dinner on February 26th from 3-6 pm at Newton Center. Any and all donations received for the dinner will be given to the Lakeville Lions for the Angel Food ministries.

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Speaking of Angel Food, orders are due on Saturday, January 22nd. If you know of a needy family, let me know so I can place an order.

I forgot to mention that Lion Bob Court has transferred his membership from Plymouth to Lakeville. Welcome Lion Bob! He will be a major contributor to our Good Friday Fish Fry.

Lion Anne Weber is asking for help for the Pride Ride in June. If you can help by being a Co-Chairperson, let me know. This is a good time to be involved.

I have been asked to make a donation on behalf of our club to the LaVille C.A.R.E. (Community Academic Rewards for Excellence) Dollars for Scholars. They host a "Summit Awards Dinner" to honor the Top Ten seniors chosen as the most influential during their school career. I would like our club to underwrite this worthy event. What a great opportunity to have our club associated with the best of the best students and their parents. I will make a recommendation of a dollar amount at the February business meeting. Contact me with your thoughts on the issue.

Welcome home Lion Ruth Whaley! If we can help you in any way, let me know. Remember, Lions, we serve.

Lion Dave Grenert
Serving You to Serve Others

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 22 – Cabinet Meeting in Milford – 11:30am
January 25 – Dinner Meeting – Newton Center – 6:30pm
January 28 – Spaghetti Dinner – Newton Center – 4:00pm
February 8 – Business Meeting - Scout Hall – 7:00pm

If you are not on the dinner list, please call Lion Jean Barlow by January 23 to be added if you wish to attend.