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Message From the President

Experience the Service Together – An evening to remember

Greetings Fellow Lakeville Lions,

Recently Lions Diane, Darcy and Jennifer Gardner, and I attended the Summit Dinner in Plymouth. Lions Arden Balmer and Deb Mosson were also in attendance. Our club sponsors this very special dinner that recognizes the top ten Laville seniors and the teachers that they feel had a major positive impact in their lives. I'm pleased to report that this well organized, heartwarming event was very well attended.

All of us were so impressed with each of students and their individual stories of encouragement, determination and how their special teachers were mentors and inspirations in a special way. The parents of these students were also recognized for their hard work, dedication and efforts. As the ole saying goes, it takes a village to raise a child. It was evident that our village indeed raised some extraordinary seniors.

Part of the evening included presenting awards to the students and teachers to acknowledge what they together have achieved. Several of the honored teachers never imagined they would ever be asked to attend a Summit Dinner. One such case was Mrs. Radican. She is the school's special needs instructor. Her story told of how she and several of the seniors worked together to enrich the lives of the special students. These experiences provided many of us with a unique perspective on what all of our devoted teachers do on a daily basis. There was a true sense of pride yet humility in the things they do.

As things came to a close, all those in attendance thanked all of our members for supporting this incredible evening. It was truly an honor to represent our club and be part of such a meaningful gathering. Once again, because of what we do collectively we have made a huge difference in the lives of others. We made a lot of memories and an evening to remember. After all, making a positive difference in the lives of others is just one reason why WE SERVE. It's just another way we experience the service together.

Thank you for all that you doing and keep up the great work everyone.

Yours in Lionism,
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President Lakeville Lions Club

Newton Park Easter Egg Hunt



Members of the Lakeville Lions Club spent a very cold Holy Saturday supervising the Easter Egg hunt that was sponsored by Newton Park. We all appreciated the free hot chocolate!



PDG Paul Russell spent his 70th birthday with hundreds of kids at the park



Lakeville Lions who worked the event were Lion Max Feitz, Lion Rose Russell, Lion Jim Tillman, PDG Paul Russell, Lion Jennifer Gardner and Lion Darcy Gardner. Not pictured, Lion Anne Weber.

News from the Board of Directors

Once again your Board of Directors has been very busy. All Lions are encouraged to attend the Board Meetings. These meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at 7pm at Scout Hall. This is the best way to find out what is happening in your club. Only Board members can make proposals and vote, but all who attend may participate in the discussion. Among April's discussions were:

1. In March we had voted to sponsor an after prom party at Chippewa Bowling Alley. Lion Lissa Newton reported that there was not enough interest by the LaVille students to proceed with this project. In its place, the Board voted to sponsor the Special Needs Prom at LaVille High School. This special event will be held during the school day on Friday, May 11th.
2. Lion Jim Tillman reported that the remodeling of the 4-H food booth is progressing nicely. We are replacing countertops and generally updating the layout to make it more functional. He also reported that the coolers and freezer have been repaired and are ready to go. Painting will take place after the Relay for Life.
3. PDG Vic Fischer read Lion Max's report of the Legacy Project. Lion Max has come up with some more cost effective ideas for adding some nice signage to the approaches to the town.
4. We voted to sponsor five golf carts at the 4-H Fair this year. This sponsorship will allow us to add our name to five of the carts that are seen around the property during the fair. The money helps the fair with the costs of operation.
5. We voted to make donations to the Union Township Buyers Group and to the Lions Club Buyers Group in order to support Union Township kids with livestock entries in the fair.
6. Lion Lissa Newton reported that the Lancer Pride Club will have their trip to a Cubs game at Four Winds Field on May 9th. This is a reward for LaVille students who have had excellent behavior, attendance and grades for the first three quarters of the school year. The Lakeville Lions has provided monetary sponsorship for this club.

The Tail Twister's favorite color is green.



Once again the Lakeville Lions Club will be participating in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event. We will have our food booth open with all of the profit going to support the event. Lion Diane Fischer is our Team Captain and will be looking for people to walk the track over the course of the relay. Lion Jim Tillman needs people to work in the food booth. We are badly in need of sponsors and volunteers. We are taking a lead role and partnering with other Lions Clubs in our district. Please help us make this a successful project.

The opening ceremony is on Saturday, June 2nd at 10 am. There will be a survivor/caregiver walk immediately following the opening ceremony. The relay will last until the closing ceremony on Sunday, June 3rd at 9am. If you can help (or walk) for 30 minutes, an hour or even a few hours, please let us know and we will add you to the schedule. If you can work in the food booth, please call Lion Jim at 291-6437 or 360-5705. If you would rather walk, please call Lion Diane at 656-4235. You can make donations by contacting Lion Diane or visiting Diane's Relay Page at [Click here to view the TEAM page for Lakeville Lions Club](#)

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Other details of this event include:

1. Survivor Lunch- Saturday June 2nd at noon
2. Silent Auction-Saturday, June 2nd from 1:00pm -4:00pm
3. Survivors Birthday Party-Saturday, June 2nd at 8:00pm
4. Luminaria Ceremony-Saturday, June 2nd at dusk

Like the Indiana Lions Cancer Control project, the American Cancer Society provides support to cancer patients and their families in many different ways. They fund cancer research grants, provide information to cancer patients, and supply lodging to families at Hope Lodge. In support of this project, the Fraternal Order of Eagles is also hosting a Kiss Cancer Goodbye fundraiser. They are having an All-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 12th from 9am to 11am at 61601 Ironwood Rd, South Bend. The cost is \$5 each but is free to cancer survivors.



Lions Darcy and Jennifer Gardner are looking for volunteers to help at the Potato Creek and Lion's Strawberry Festival. This event is a Friday-Saturday event. We will have our food trailer there and will be serving baked potatoes and cheese curds. The Greene Township Lions Club has also asked us to help serve strawberry shortcake and work on their train. This is a fun event. If you can help, please call Lion Darcy or Lion Jennifer at 274-9548.



Dinner Meeting

We will be having a another special dinner meeting in April. Lion Rose Russel, Do Foster, and Lion Janet Weber will be planning and preparing our meal. Please call Lion Jean Barlow to make your reservation. Lion Jean can be reached at 291-0680. We want to be good stewards of our resources. And not buy more than is necessary. We also want to make sure that we have enough food for everyone. Guests are always welcome, but Lion Jean needs a final count of attendees by Sunday evening. If you would like to help Lion Rose with preparing the meal or cleaning up afterwards, please call her at 784-9094.

PDG Vic and Lion Diane have some special programming planned as well. We will be voting for our award recipients this evening. Between votes, Lion Diane has planned some games and door prizes in order to make the evening fun. If you do not have your award nominations in, please contact Lion Paul Russell as soon as possible to see if it is still possible to submit them. The award winners will be announced at the June meeting.

Little Free Library

Lion Marsha Omans is making good headway on one of our newer projects. The Plymouth Pilot donated an old newspaper box for us to use for our Little Free Library. Lion Marsha is looking for someone to add some minor modifications and a new paint job. If you can help, please call Lion Marsha t 784-2241. Lion Anne Weber is looking for book donations to fill the box. If you can donate family friendly used books, particularly children's books, please call Lion Anne at 291-3021 or bring them to any Lions' meeting.



4-H Fair time is rapidly approaching and Lion Jim Tillman is signing up volunteers. Lion Jim has done a terrific job in finding non-profit groups to partner with us to staff the food booth during the ten day fair. The Lakeville Lions will only be staffing the booth for seven lunch and/or dinner shifts. This is our biggest fundraiser and is a very fun event. All workers get free entry into the fair and a free meal in return for working a full shift. The following shifts are currently available:

Friday, June 29th-Lunch
Saturday, June 30th-Lunch
Wednesday, July 4th-Lunch and Dinner
Thursday, July 5th-Lunch
Friday, July 6th-Lunch
Saturday, July 7th-Dinner

Be sure to call Lion Jim as soon as possible to sign up for your preferred shifts. Friends and family members are welcome to participate with you. Lion Jim can be reached at 291-6437 or 360-5705.

Camp Millhouse

Camp Millhouse is having a spring cleanup day on Saturday, April 28th, from 8-12. While we are not participating in this project as a club, anyone who would like to help is welcome to come. Camp Millhouse has been partially supported by area Lions Clubs for many years. This camp is eagerly anticipated by special needs children and adults throughout our area.

Scout Road Cleanup Project

The Lakeville Lions Club sponsors a Boy Scout troop and a Cub Scout pack. These boys will be picking up trash on Pierce Road on Saturday, May 26th. Lion Jim Tillman is looking for some adult volunteers to supervise and talk with the boys. If you would like to help, be at Scout Hall at 10:30 for your assignment. Call Lion Jim Tillman with questions.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Tuesday, April 24th	6:30pm	Lions Dinner Meeting	Palmer Community Complex
Friday, April 27th	4:00-7:00pm	Lakeville Lions Tenderloin Fry	Palmer Community Complex
Friday-Sunday April 27-29		Indiana Lions State Convention	Muncie
Saturday, April 28th	8:00-12:00	Camp Millhouse Cleanup	25600 Kelly Rd, South Bend
Tuesday, May 8th	7:00pm	Lions Board Meeting	Scout Hall
Saturday, May 12th		District Meeting	Lydick
Tuesday, May 22nd	6:30pm	Lions Dinner Meeting	Palmer Community Complex
Saturday, May 26th	10:30am	Scout Road Cleanup	Meet at Scout Hall
Friday-Saturday June 1-2		St. Joseph County Relay for Life	St. Joseph County 4-H Fairgrounds
Friday-Saturday, June 8-9		Potato Creek/Strawberry Festival	North Liberty
Tuesday, June 12	7:00pm	Lions Board Meeting	Scout Hall
Tuesday, June 26th	6:30pm	Lions Dinner Meeting, Awards Presentation, Installation of Officers	Palmer Community Complex
Friday, June 29th-Saturday, July 7th		St. Joseph County 4-H Fair	St. Joseph County 4-H Fairgrounds



Pork Tenderloin Fry

Last, but not least, Lion Rose Russell needs your help. The Lakeville Lions Club will be having a tenderloin fry on Friday, April 27th. She is looking for volunteers. The event last from 4-7pm. She is particularly in need of people to set up and to help clean up afterwards. If you can help, please call Lion Rose at 784-9094.

Also, this event has generated a lot of interest on social media. We are still trying to determine how many sandwiches we need to order. If you have sold any pre-sale tickets, please let Lion Rose know as soon as possible to that she can add them to our order. Tickets are \$8 in advance or \$9 at the door.

Lakeville Lions Club Online

Home page: <http://www.lakevillelions.org/>

Club calendar: <http://lakevillelions.org/calendar.html>

KidSight/SchoolSight calendar: <http://lakevillelions.org/kidsight-calendar.html>

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