



# LAKEVILLE LIONS CLUB



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LAKEVILLE, INDIANA

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## A Message from the President

Greetings Fellow Lions,

My, how time flies when we're having fun! Summer vacations are over, kids are back in school, and we've started planning our fall and winter projects.

Kids and teachers aren't the only people who go back to school at the end of summer. Our Operation Kid-Sight volunteers are busy providing free vision screening to children in Head Start programs, kindergartens, pre-schools, and day care centers throughout St. Joseph County. By the end of September, we will have screened approximately 700 children at approximately a dozen sites. We have more screenings scheduled in October and more sites to contact to schedule our annual visit. You can check the schedule on our Operation KidSight calendar at <http://lakevillelions.org/kidsight-calendar.html>. There are no extraordinary skills required to participate in this project. If you can type, take pictures, or give stickers to children, you are almost certainly qualified to join our Operation KidSight team. Call Lion Rose or me (574-784-9094) to volunteer.

Our Toys for Tots and Christmas Food Basket projects bring together individuals and organizations to provide some measure of Christmas cheer for less fortunate members of our community. For more than a decade, PDG Dave Court has been the driving force behind these projects. A few weeks ago, PDG Dave informed me that it is time for him to pass these projects on to other Lions. Lion Lissa Newton and Lion Jim Tillman have volunteered to serve as co-chairs of these projects, and they will need our help to ensure the continued success of these projects. Please call Lion Lissa (574-784-7915) or Lion Jim (574-360-5705) and offer your support.

The Lakeville Lions Club has been serving this community for 75 years. Each of us joined this club because someone offered us the opportunity to make a difference in our community. If we want this club to continue to serve for another 75 years, we must offer that opportunity to others. Invite someone to work on one of our service projects. When they experience the joy of serving others through Lionism, they may be receptive to an invitation to join our club.

Yours in Lionism,  
PDG Paul Russell



### INDIANA STATE FAIR

Lakeville Lions Club members and family members covered 100 shifts on the gates at the 2018 Indiana State Fair. In the top picture, Lion Mike Johnson and Lion Jim Foster are pictured here with Past Council Chair David Eisen of the Mishawaka Club. The trio worked at Gate 12 on Opening Day.

In the bottom picture, Lion Darcy Gardner, Lion Jennifer Gardner, PDG Paul Russell and Lion Rose Russell are at work on Gate 18 the afternoon of the final Saturday of the Fair.



Other Lakeville Lions Club members and family members who worked at the Indiana State Fair were Lion Max Feitz, Lion Bob Feitz, Lion Sharon Feitz, Lion Dee Milzarek, Lion Don Milzarek, Lion Lissa Newton, Terry Newton, and Lion Anne Weber.

Thank you to all who came out and supported the Indiana Lions Foundation!



On July 15th, members of the Lakeville Lions Club helped assemble 175 backpacks at the Lakeville United Methodist Church. Pictured are PDG Vic Fischer and Lions Diane Fischer, Jim Tillman and Jean Barlow.

The Lakeville Lions Club provided and served biscuits and gravy for the Laville High School Lancer Booster Club Golf Outing on Saturday, August 4th. Lions Bob Feitz, Sharon Feitz and Max Feitz represented our club at this event.

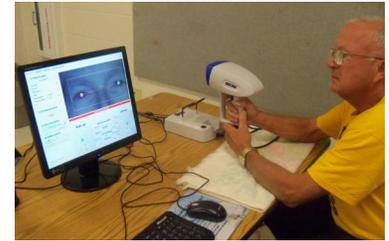


### Tenderloin Dinner

Lion Rose Russell is heading our next fundraiser. We will be having a tenderloin dinner on Friday, October 5th at the Palmer Center. This will be CARRYOUT ONLY. There will not be any pre-sale tickets for this event. It will run from 4:30 until 7:00. Lion Rose will have a sign-up sheet at the next dinner meeting. Please help us spread the word!

### Operation KidSight and Operation SchoolSight

If our club has a defining project, it is probably the free vision screenings that we provide for area kids. About 90 years ago, Helen Keller challenged Lions to become "Knights for the Blind." Our club has a strong history of supporting this vision. We are need of some new workers on these projects though. The process is very simple, it does not require any special skills, and you get to serve with some terrific people. You can work for just a few hours or sign up for projects on multiple days. Please help. You can find out more by visiting our web site or by calling PDG Paul or Lion Rose .



### Scout Hall Cleanup Day

Many Hands make light work. Scout Hall is in need of some TLC. We are going to have a cleanup day on Saturday, October 6th, starting at 12:00. We will be washing windows, washing walls, scrubbing tables and mopping the floor. If you can donate an hour or two of time, we could have our club house looking much better for the upcoming Lions/School year. If you have questions, please call Lion Anne Weber at 291-3021. Everyone is welcome to participate.

### Lakeville Fall Festival

The Town of Lakeville is sponsoring a fall celebration on Saturday, October 13th. Last year the Lions Club served donuts, hot dogs and cider. This year we are going to try something a little different. Our club will be running an area with games for children. We are planning games, including prizes, for kids of all ages. This is an all-day event. If you have ideas for games or if you would like to help, please call Lion Anne Weber at 291-3021.

### Halloween Party

The Board of Directors has voted to sponsor a Halloween Party again this year. This is a project that, in some form, the Lions have supported almost every year since we were chartered. The party will be at Palmer Center and will take place as soon as Trick-or-Treating ends. All children (and Lions) are welcome to participate. We will have refreshments and a costume contest. If you can help, please call Lion Janet Weber at 256-5253. Lion Janet needs an emcee, judges, servers and people to help set up and clean up.



At right are pictures of Lion Larry Ort and some of the contestants from previous Halloween costume contests.

### Dictionary Project

Lion Howard and his crew have finished delivering dictionaries to area 3rd graders. He has just a few left. If you would like to purchase a dictionary, call Lion Howard Heines at 784-8666. Dictionaries cost \$3 each.

### October Dinner Meeting

Our District Governor, Jim Reeve, will be making his official visit during the October dinner meeting. Lion Rose and her helpers will once again be cooking a special dinner for us. Please plan to attend and show our governor that we have a motivated club that is committed to serving our community. Be sure to call Lion Jean Barlow with your dinner reservation. Lion Jean can be reached at 291-0680.

## NEWS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Lakeville Lions Club Board of Directors met last Tuesday to conduct the Club's business. As always, Board meetings are open and any member may attend. Only Board members may vote, but all Lions are welcome to participate in the discussion. We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 7pm at Scout Hall. Scout Hall is located in Mott's Alley, behind Hilltop Restaurant.

- Lion Max Feitz reported that all of the leftover food has been sold and the food booth is ready to shut down for the winter. He still plans to drain the deep friers and drain the water heater.
- Lion Max reported that the sheet metal work is done on the Little Free Library. Lion Marsha Omans will be making arrangements to have it painted.. Lion Max and PDG Paul Russell will make the final preparations to have it installed at Culp Park. Thank you to all who have donated books. We have a nice selection to stock the box.
- The board voted to pay for an eye exam and glasses for a needy child in the community.
- The board voted to give \$500 to the Lakeville Volunteer Fire Department to help with their Las Vegas Night Fundraiser.
- The board voted to participate in the Lakeville Library's Pictures with Santa event. This is scheduled for December 8th. We will provide the Santa and will also provide a camera and equipment to take and print pictures for the families that attend.
- The board voted to fund the Lancer Pride Club again this year. \$2100 was allocated to provide incentives for the high school to use when promoting this program. It rewards students with at least 96% attendance, no failing grades and no more than two referrals to the office in a nine week term. Last year , Lancer Pride Club Members were rewarded with a cookout, bowling outing and a South Bend Cubs baseball game.
- Lion Diane Fischer reported that the American Cancer Society has announced that they plan to have the Relay for Life at the 4-H Fairgrounds again next year. She is looking into the possibility of having our club participate in this event again next year.

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### Celebration Dinner

The Lakeville Lions Club was chartered in 1943. This year, therefore, is our 75th Anniversary. We plan to celebrate! Lion Rose is still firming up details for a venue and caterer, but keep Saturday, October 27th open on your schedule. A special speaker and entertainment is being planned.



### Membership Dues

The Lions year starts in July. That means all memberships expire in June and due are payable in July for the upcoming Lion year. Lion Rose Russell has sent out two dues statements. Please check to make sure that you are up-to-date on your membership dues. If you need a payment plan, please call Lion Rose to discuss your options.

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Tue, Sept 25	6:30	Dinner Meeting with DG Jim Reeve	Palmer Community Complex
Fri, Oct 5	4:30-7:00	Carryout Tenderloin Fry	Palmer Community Complex
Sat, Oct 6	12:00	Scout Hall Cleanup Day	Scout Hall
Tue, Oct 9	7:00	Board Meeting	Scout Hall
Sat, Oct 13	9:00-?	Lakeville Fall Festival	214 W Patterson
Tue, Oct 23		NO DINNER MEETING	
Sat, Oct 27		75th Anniversary Celebration	
Wed, Oct 31		Community Halloween Party	Palmer Community Complex

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The Tail Twister likes chocolate chip cookies.

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### 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>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LakevilleLionsClub>