



LAKEVILLE LIONS CLUB



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A Message from the President

Greeting Fellow Lions,

I woke up one morning with an old song going through my head, over and over and over again.

Make new friends,
But keep the old.
One is silver,
The other is gold.

The serenade continued as I shaved, showered, and dressed, and I began to think about the meaning of the words. One thought led to another and it occurred to me that the first two lines of the song – “Make new friends, but keep the old” – describe the life of our Lions Club, as we offer new members an opportunity to make a difference, while encouraging existing members to remain active and involved.

Family members are bound by blood; friends are bound by common interests and experiences. In Lionism, our common interest is, in the words of our founder, Melvin Jones, - “the betterment of our local community and the world at large”, and our common experiences are our club’s service projects and fund-raisers. Individual differences which might, in other contexts, define the boundaries of our social circle, disappear in Lionism, where we find bankers and bus drivers, plumbers and poets, lawyers and laborers working side-by-side to help our neighbors around the corner and around the globe meet the challenges which life throws at them.

Lion Rose and I hope you have a Happy Thanksgiving.

Yours in Lionism,
PDG Paul Russell



ATTENTION ALL COOKS (AND EVERYONE WHO LIKES TO EAT)

Our January Dinner Meeting will be something special. Lion Rose is organizing a Chili Cookoff! We want you to bring a pot of your favorite chili to share. There will be a contest for the best tasting chili. in Lakeville . Your fellow Lions members will be the judges. Lion Rose promises that there will be a totally worthless prize for the winner. Cooks, eaters, and observers are all welcome!

CHRISTMAS PROJECTS HAVE BEGUN



Jamie Dominguez of Leo's Family Restaurant in Lakeville and Lion Jim Tillman. Leo's Family Restaurant is a drop-off site for our annual Toys for Tots drive.

Food drive in progress at LaVille Elementary School - donations are down a bit this year; the Thanksgiving holiday is earlier this year than previous years, which also means there is one less week for the students to collect and turn-in donations. The food collection on Dec. 1st conducted by the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts will help bring in more items for the food baskets.



Oh the weather outside is frightful, but for people in need, the Lakeville and LaPaz Lions are determined to make Christmas delightful. **Our Toys for Tots Drive and Food basket collection is off to a great start!**

Here are the key dates. YOU can help in so many ways. Please consider donating a new, unwrapped toy, purchase a few extra non-perishable items, come out to serve at the many events, and tell your neighbors and friends how they can also help others in our own communities! **Service starts with the heart, and we know our Lions have big hearts!**

Saturday December 1st, 8 am to Noon: Lakeville Toys for Tots Blitz Day at Lakeville United Methodist Church (the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts pack will also pick up food donations that morning and deliver to the Church).

Saturday December 8th, 10 am to Noon: LaPaz Toys for Tots Blitz Day at the LaPaz Fire Station
(& also, *Pictures with Santa, hosted by our Club, from 10 am to 1 pm at the LaKeville Library*)

Thursday, December 13th, time to be announced: Food basket preparation at the Palmer Center

Friday, December 14th, time to be announced: Toy sorting and preparation at the Palmer Center

THE BIG DAY - Saturday, December 15th Food Basket and Toy Distribution Day at the Palmer Center.
Lions, please plan to arrive at 8 am and help until approximately Noon.

Lions, if you know a family or individuals in need and they have not signed up with other non-profit agencies, please contact Lion Jim Tillman at 574-360-5705, or Lion Lissa Newton at 574-360-4754 by Friday November 23rd so our Club can consider helping them as well as the families screened by the LaVille Elementary School Counselor.

Do you know where some of the Toys for Tots drop-off boxes are in our area?

You can find them at the following locations. ***Please consider supporting our community partners!***

DOLLAR GENERAL

Dollar General Stores in LaPaz, Lakeville, and the new store on Michigan St., just north of Kern Rd.



Leo's Family Restaurant in Lakeville

News from the Board of Directors

The Lakeville Lions Club Board of Directors meets the second Tuesday of each month at Scout Hall. All Lions members are welcome to attend and participate. Only Board members can vote, but discussion from our membership is welcomed and encouraged. Our last meeting was on Tuesday, November 13th.

*PDG Paul announced that the Operation KidSight screenings for the Head Starts have been completed. Our next task will be to complete screenings at interested area Catholic schools. After these have been completed, we will work to get all of the area pre-schools and kindergartens completed.

*PDG Paul explained that the previously announced technical problems that we had with our vision screening camera have been corrected. We have updated the software and everything is working correctly. However, the manufacturer has told us that this is the last update that can be done with our current equipment. If we have any more problems we will need to buy a new machine.

*We voted to give \$200 to the Friends of the Theater at LaVile Junior High School. This money supports the school's drama club and is used to make sets, rent costumes, print tickets, etc.

*We voted to give \$50 to the Bristol Lions Club. This is a newly constituted club that is trying to raise money to buy their own banner, flag and pole.

*We voted to give a \$250 check to the Salvation Army when they attend our November dinner meeting.

*We voted to give Lion Rose Russell a letter of support so that she can run for a position on the board of the Indiana Lions Foundation again this year. We also voted to give our newest Lion, Mary Klampay, a letter of recommendation for 1st Vce District Governor.



The 2019 Indiana Lions Mid-Winter Conference will be held in Indianapolis on Saturday, January 12. Register now for this outstanding opportunity to learn, share, and grow in Lionism. The conference includes new speakers, new topics, and a new location. See the web site

at <https://bit.ly/2F8VaOZ> for additional information and a registration form.

At our 75th Anniversary celebration on Saturday evening, the decorations included three large balloon bouquets. On Monday afternoon, we delivered the balloons to Beacon Children's Hospital in South Bend. Pictured here is Balloon Wrangler Jessica, a Certified Child Life Specialist, who was going to distribute the balloons to the children. — at [Beacon Children's Hospital](#).



TAIL TWISTER'S TIP

The Tail Twister hopes to see everyone bring a can of soup to the November dinner meeting. Be prepared with your soup or be prepared to pay a fine!



Lion Rose Russell and PDG Paul Russell were presented with President's Lifetime Achievement Awards for their many years of community service. Pictured here (l. to r.) are Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos, Lion Don Milzarek, Lion Dee Milzarek, Lion Rose Russell, Lion Paul Russell, Do Foster, Lion Jim Foster, and ID Nick Xinopoulos. Congratulations to Lion Rose and PDG Paul!

Operation KidSight is a community service program of the Indiana Lions Eye Bank and Lions Clubs throughout the state of Indiana. We provide free vision screenings to children 1-6 years of age using a computerized infrared camera that can detect several conditions that can result in permanent vision impairment or even blindness, if they are not diagnosed and treated before the child's eyes are fully-developed. If you can press a button to take a picture, type, or pass out stickers to kids, you are qualified to work on this project. We have several vision screening sessions coming up in early December. To volunteer to work on this project, contact PDG Paul Russell (574-250-2621 or Lion Rose Russell (574-784-9094).



Pictures with Santa

Once again, we have partnered with the Lakeville Branch Library to provide free Pictures with Santa and free Operation KidSight vision screenings during the Library's Holiday Party on Saturday, December 8th.

Santa and his helpers will be at the Library from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lion Howard Heines will be Santa's photographer, but Santa needs a few more helpers to print pictures (on-site training provided) and perform vision screenings. If you can help, please contact PDG Paul Russell (574-250-2621 or pdgpaul25@gmail.com).



75th Anniversary Pins

We ordered enough pins to provide each current member of the Lakeville Lions Club with one pin, free of charge. If you attended the 75th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, October 27th, you should have received your pin at that event. If you have not received a pin and you would like one, please contact PDG Paul Russell as soon as possible to make arrangements to get your pin. At some point in the not-too-distant future, all unclaimed pins will be made available for sale. Pins will be \$4 each.

75th Anniversary Celebration



PDG Dave Court



Lion Loren Rensberger



Lion Bob Feitz



PDG Paul and Lion Rose Russell



Lion Jim Tillman



Lion Howard Heines And Betty Heines



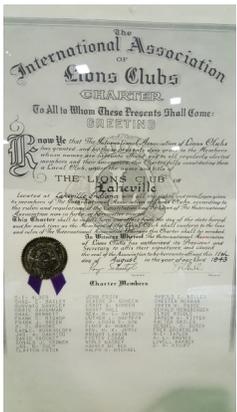
Lion Mike Wozny and Regina Wozny



Lion Brian White and Antita White



Lion James Tibbs Lion Darlene Shook



Lion Jim Foster



Lion Dee Milzarek and Do Foster



Lion Bill Weber and Lion Mike Johnson



Lion Janet Weberr and Lion Dee Milzarek,

Halloween Party

This year's Halloween Party was chaired by Lion Janet Weber. A total of 120 adults and children attended, over \$200 in cash prizes were awarded, and gallons of cider along with popcorn, donuts and Snickers bars were consumed. A big thank you to the twenty four Lions and family members who came to help.



Lion Marsha Omans, Lion Howard Heines and Lion Bob Feitz



Lion Austin Tillman



Lion Janet Weber



Lion Jim Foster



PDG Dave Court, Lion Howard Heines and Lion Larry Ort



Lion Rose Russell and Lion Dee Milzarek



PDG Paul Russell, Lion Larry Ort, and Lion Jean Barlow



Lion Sharon Feitz

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Tues, Nov 27	6:30	Dinner Meeting/US Marines and Salvation Army	Palmer Community Complex
Sat, Dec 1	8-12	Toys for Tots Blitz Day	Lakeville United Methodist Church
Sat, Dec 8	10-1	Pictures with Santa and Operation KidSight Vision Screening	Lakeville Branch Library
Tues, Dec 11	7:00	Board Meeting	Scout Hall
Thurs, Dec 13	TBD	Food Basket Prep	Palmer Community Complex
Fri, Dec 14	TBD	Toys for Tots Prep	Palmer Community Complex
Sat, Dec 15	8-12	Toys for Tots and Food Basket Distribution	Palmer Community Complex
Tues, Dec 18	6:00	Dinner Meeting-Social time at 6 followed by Christmas Dinner Program	Palmer Community Complex

Lakeville Lions Club Online

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

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

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