



Lakeville Lions,

December 2021 UPDATE

Happy Holidays from Carolyn and myself to all LIONS members and your families. We are wishing you a blessed Christmas and prosperous New Year!

At our November dinner meeting, we had special guest speaker, Alex DeGroot , from Potato Creek State Park. Alex is the Assistant Park Manager. He spoke about all the activities going on at the park and things to look for in the future. He feels confident within the next 5 years we will see an Inn built at the park near the big Red Barn on the south side of Wooster Lake. Let's hope so. He also outlined what we as Lakeville Lions can do to assist the park. Just like many other businesses the park is experiencing employee shortages. Alex mentioned the type of work we can help with such as painting, carpenter work on piers and the fish cleaning station, clearing debris on the walking and bike trails, etc.

Our December Christmas dinner meeting (Tuesday December 21st) will be held jointly with the Greene Township Lions Club. So far, they have called in 14 reservations. I sure hope we aren't outnumbered by our guests. Come on out everyone and bring a prospective member with you. It is going to be a great evening. Yellow Cat Cafe will be serving us a Polish dinner buffet for \$11.00 per person. As entertainment we will have the 6-person Blue Grass band called "Acoustic Harmony" offering pop, country, bluegrass and Christmas music. You don't want to miss this occasion.

This is going to be a very busy month. Saturday December 11th is our "Toys for Tots" Blitz Day at the Lakeville United Methodist Church from 9 until noon. The LaPaz Lions will have their blitz the same day but at the LaPaz Fire Station.

On <u>Tuesday</u> December 14th we need all hands-on deck at the Palmer Community Complex to sort food and toys (8 o'clock {AM} till we are finished). The students and staff at LaVille Elementary School exceeded expectations again this year with over 3,800 food items donated. The classroom who donated the most items will be treated to a pizza party compliments of our Club.

Saturday December 18th is the giveaway (distribution) day at the Palmer Community Complex. To date we have 28 families identified who are in need. Let's make their holidays a little more special. I REALLY NEED YOUR HELP WITH THE CHRISTMAS PROJECTS.

Lion Larry Ort, President

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

DATE WHAT WHEN? WHERE?

Sat. Dec. 11 "Toys for Tots" Blitz Day 9 AM to Noon Lakeville United Methodist Church

Tues. Dec. 14 Sort Food and Toys 8 AM until finished Palmer Community Complex

Tues. Dec. 14 Board of Directors Meeting 7 pm Scout Hall

Sat. Dec. 18 Food/Toys Distribution Day 9 am – Noon Palmer Community Complex (Lions and other Volunteers should arrive by 8:30 am to ensure everyone is ready to help the families who will receive assistance)

Please bring Hors d'Oeuvres to share. Hors d'Oeuvres start at 6 pm and the Polish Dinner Buffet will begin around 6:30 pm. The Greene Twp. Lions have been invited to join us!

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER RESERVATION(S) NOW!

1) Christmas Dinner on Tuesday December 21st at Palmer Community Complex – \$11 per person

Deadline to call - Thursday, Dec. 16

Please call Lion Jean DuFord at 574-291-0680 as soon as possible!

If Jean doesn't answer when you call her, <u>please leave a message that includes your name</u>, <u>phone number and the number of people attending the Christmas dinner</u>. Spouses, children, and friends are always welcome at the regular dinner meetings and holiday meal.

*A reservation means you plan to attend the dinner meeting, and when you arrive, you'll pay for the meal(s) you reserved. This allows us to give the caterer an accurate count. Children age 12 and over are considered full paying adults. If for some reason you are unable to attend, please consider paying the Club for the reservation(s) you made.

Lakeville Lions Club Online Home page: http://www.lakevillelions.org/

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



^{*}Tues. Dec. 21 Christmas Dinner* 6 pm Palmer Community Complex

^{*}Please note the special date and time - this is the 3rd Tuesday in December.