



LAKEVILLE LIONS CLUB

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Greetings Fellow Lions members:

I am hoping everyone had a blessed Easter. The grass is growing (I have mowed twice already), the trees are sprouting leaves, buds and blossoms, and spring flowers are blooming. All of that puts a smile on everyone's face. Some of the local farmers have tilled the ground and I have seen one field of corn planted this past week. The fish fry is behind us and I want to thank everyone for pitching in to make it a success. I counted 22 members directly working the project that final day and an additional 24 Lion members driving through to pick up their evening meal. Four Scout members assisted in carrying out the fish dinners to ticket holders. By my count the Lions unofficially sold 387 fish fry tickets. That equates to 96.7% of our allotted tickets sold. I cannot comment on what the ticket count was for the Fire Department AND we did not run out of fish this year. Lions Max Feitz and Troy Rowe get credit for selling the most tickets. HOORAY!!!! We had 6 Lions show up at Newton Park on April 8th to handle crowd control for the "Easter in the Park" event. 20,000 plastic Easter eggs filled with candy were scoured clean in 3 minutes and 40 seconds from four soccer fields. Thank you, Lions Max, Sherry, Lloyd, Chris, and Mike for your devotion to duty.

At the April Board meeting we voted in a new member as presented by Lion Sponsor Jim Tibbs: Ross Hanney who is the Lakeville Public Library manager. His wife's name is Mikala and they hail from the southside of South Bend. Welcome, Ross. Join us at our April dinner meeting when we induct him as a new member.

The Club is being gifted a cotton candy machine from Lion Max Feitz's brother Gene Feitz. We will use that machine for small functions in and around Lakeville such as "Fun in the Park". Thanks, Gene, for your generosity. Also under new business it was voted on and approved to donate \$250.00 to the "LaVille After Prom" event in keeping with past donations for the school. Two \$1,000 scholarships will be presented at Honors Night to honor two of LaVille's finest graduates. I have chosen those two from 5 applicants and their names are withheld until that special evening at the High School ceremony.

Please remember to submit your applications for Lions Club awards at our April dinner meeting (the apps were printed on blue paper). If you don't have a copy of that application, just submit a short paragraph to present the applicant's name and why you nominated that individual.

Jim Tillman will have a sign up sheet for work details at the 4-H Fair booth.

Dates to Remember:

April 25 dinner meeting at the Palmer Complex at 6:30. Please get your reservation to Lion Jean Duford 574 - 291 - 0680. Our guest speaker will be Todd Zeltwanger from Cultivate Food Rescue. He wants to update us on their progress.

July 4th Parade in Lakeville sponsored by the American Legion. Need volunteers to be in the parade.

I leave you with this: "If you burn your neighbors house down, it doesn't make your house look any better." -- Lou Holtz

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Larry Ort, President
Lakeville Lions Club