

July 2023

Hello my fellow Lakeville Lions,

It's the start of a new Lion year 2023-2024 and I am honored that you have chosen me to lead you this year. The first thing I would like to do is thank Past President Larry Ort for his excellent leadership the past 2 years. He has set the bar high and I will do my best to achieve that same level of excellence.

We have already hit the ground running with the St Joe County 4H Fair and have the Dog Show and Gem Show coming up at the fairgrounds. The Dog Show is July 20th-23rd. The Gem Show is August 18th-20th. Contact Max Feitz for available shifts. We also participated in the Lakeville 4th of July Parade, we had a great Lions turn out for that event. Thank you to everyone who assisted at the 4H Fair and participated in the parade. It goes to show we can accomplish great things when we work together.

One thing we need to work on is making our reservations for our dinner meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Our caterer needs an accurate count of how many meals to plan for so no one is left out and it cuts down on waste. Please contact Jean DuFord at least a week before the meeting with a yes (I am coming), or no (I won't be there). It would be greatly appreciated. She has kindly agreed to do this for another year.

Things are progressing with our food trailer. I have run a new gas line to the grill. We now have a new 60lb gas tank and regulator to run it. I got the exhaust fan over the grill working again. For those who didn't know, the wiring has also been updated. The most exciting thing I have to share is I stopped at Bob Miller's Appliances in South Bend on Monday the tenth Today, July the 12th I was informed that they are "DONATING" a 14 cubic freezer (Valued at \$1068.93) for the food trailer. We will have our trailer up and running soon.

For not knowing what to say, I think I've said quite enough for my first newsletter. See all of you at the next dinner meeting.

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