

## August 2024

Greetings Fellow Lakeville Lions,

I am coming to you this morning from the Indiana State Fair. We only have three days left, then I'll be back.

I am also happy to report that we raised \$1,665 for Camp Millhouse during the Strawberry Festival this year. We accomplished this without any donations. That's the best we have done in the last three years. Thank you to everyone that worked with us to make this possible !!.

Our next dinner meeting will be on August 27th at the United Methodist Church, 6:30pm. It will be a pot luck carry in. Members with last names starting with A-M will bring side dishes, and N-Z will bring desserts. Please call Lion Jean DuFord with your reservations so we know how much to order for the main dish.

I want to thank everyone that participated in the 4th of July Parade this year. In addition to our club members the Boy Scouts helped us design and build our float. They were very happy to walk along with us.

Our 4H Fair food booth was a big success. We should all be proud of our 80 years of participation in the St Joe County 4H Fair. I am looking forward to another 80 years along side all of you. No matter what rumor you may have heard, we are not letting go of the 4th food booth!

From what I have been told we did very well with the Dog Show again this year. We did approximately \$6,044 gross, and served approximately 700 guest. Thank you Lion Max Feitz for a job well done, and thank you to everyone that helped make it possible.

Another completed project is the Party in the Park. Thank you Lion Diane Fischer for putting this together. Thank you for all our hard work to the 11 Lakeville Lions that helped make it happen. They gave out 180 ice cream cups, and there were 200 attendees at this function.

We are wanting to participate in this year's Fall Festival. Looking for some fresh new ideas on what we can do. Please contact me or any of our club officers with your idea.

PDG Marty Juel is asking for help cleaning glasses for our Eye Glass Mission. He has two time slots available on Friday, August 23rd. The first slot is from 9am-11am. The second is from 11am-1pm. Normally there are only four people per shift. Do to the large quantity of glasses left to be done before the next mission, he is taking any and all the help he can get. Please contact him at 574-322-1660 and let him know what shift you would like to work.

We are going to do First Friday in September at North Liberty. This will be the last one for this year. We can set up at 3pm and start selling as soon as we are ready. Lion Darlene and I could use at least two members to help us. We stop selling at 8pm or when we run out of supplies.

For a new service project, I would like us to start collecting prescription bottles. I have learned that there are missionaries that go to other countries to help with medical problems. When they go to distribute the medication the only thing to put it in is a napkin. By collecting these prescription bottles we give them a better way to carry there medicine home. Please collect your empty prescription bottles and bring them to our dinner meetings. You can ask your friends and family to collect theirs as well. There is a place called Matthew 25 ministries in Ohio that distributes them. I just now found out there is a place here in Indianapolis that does the same thing. I will have their name by the time I come home. Remember to keep the caps on these prescription bottles. Don't collect over the counter bottles, just prescription bottles.

Still looking for ideas for a veterans project to help our local veterans. They have given some to protect our freedom, it's time we gave something to help them.

In my last newsletter I asked everyone to send me a list of 10 new projects you would like to have us do. To my amazement I have not received a single list. We need input from everyone to make this work. So please send me your list. Better yet, bring your list and ideas to the next dinner meeting. Every voice counts!! We want to serve our community and have fun doing it.

Again, thank you to everyone for all the hard work you have already put in this year. I will be at the next dinner meeting.

Yours in Lions,
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