

Carmel Lions Club

Newsletter - August 2016



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President's Message

Dear Friends,

My uncle, David Todd, PDG, approached me to join Lions when I was working in Kokomo. He said that he would get me in one of the best Lions' clubs in Kokomo, which was the Northwestern Lions Club. When I moved for my job to the Indianapolis area, my uncle said that he would get me into one of the best and most active Lions Clubs in the world, the Carmel Lions Club. I give all the thanks to my uncle for being where I am today in Lionism. The Carmel Lions Club is a very active and successful Lions Club. In August alone, this Club has been very active. Through the leadership of Bill Nesbitt and the help of the other Club members, we have now completed our 78th year of successful fish fries. Carmel residents look forward every year to come to our fish fry to have a great fish sandwich and to support our charities.

Bill has continued to lead our Farmers Market Brat Tent this summer as we raise money for our charities. Bill is stepping down this year as the leader of the Farmers Market Brat Tent. We all need to thank Bill for his time and talent in the last 4 years in ensuring the success of our efforts with the Brat Tent. As Bill is relinquishing his leadership, we are looking for someone to lead us with the Brat Tent so we can continue to help those charities that rely on the money we raise.

Another important project that we helped out with this August was the Indiana State Fair Project. This Project supports the Indiana Lions Foundation. Several Carmel Lions volunteered their time and talents to this project.

I want to personally thank everyone that has selflessly given his or her time and talents to all the projects we did this August.

I'm proud to be a Carmel Lion and serve my community through Lionism as I'm sure you all do too.

Thanks for all you do!

Ron Todd

Activities Recap

Saturdays through September, Carmel Farmers' Market Brat Tent
Project Leader: Bill Nesbitt

Monday, July 11: Fifth annual golf tournament at Hawthorns Golf & Country Club in Fishers
Project Leader: Dwight Gossett, Norwin Hall

Friday/Saturday, August 12 & 13: 78th Annual Fish Fry

Project Leader: Bill Nesbitt, Ronald Todd, Doug Lozier, Dwight Gossett

Thanks to all Lions who assisted with the Fish Fry.

Carmel Lions Club Member News

August Birthdays

Kurt Deichmann – 2nd
Ron Todd – 7th
Tom Lorson – 8th
Howard Brumbaugh – 11th
Don Kohler – 19th
Jeremiah Scott – 21st
Keith Chike – 22nd
Jeff Adair – 29th
Harvey Greene – 30th



Upcoming Events

Saturdays Now through September: Carmel Farmers' Market Brat Tent

Objective: Fund Raiser

Project Leader: Bill Nesbitt

Opportunities to help are still available. Look for sign-up sheets at our meetings or contact Bill. If you can't work at the Brat Tent, please support the Club by enjoying some brats or burrito scrambles or send others to the Brat Tent for them to enjoy some brats or burrito scrambles.

Tuesday, August 23: CATERED MEAL

(Spouse's Night) Fish Fry "Thank You"

KPs: Ron Block*, Floyd Jaquay, Bob Ferrin

Tuesday, September 6: Board Meeting

Host: Tom Lorson

Program: Club Business

Tuesday, September 13 Regular Meeting

KP'S: Bob Anderson*, Lee Flower , Kent West

PROGRAM: Program Committee

Tuesday, September 27 Regular Meeting

KP'S: Bill Ryan*, Jason Randlett, Tom Lorson

PROGRAM: Program Committee

Carmel Lions Club Board Meetings August 3, 2016

Ron Todd convened the regular board meeting for August at 7:03 p.m. on 8/3/16. Ten board members were present, as well as one member. Carl Kinker was the host, providing hors d'oeuvres made by Kandy.

Tim Fischer made a motion to accept the June secretary's report; Jeff Adair seconded, and it was approved by voice vote.

Carl Kinker was present and reviewed the following items:

June Y/E financial report -- Jeff Adair made motion to approve, Greg St. Amour seconded, approved by board

July financial report -- Tim Fischer motion to approve, Jeff Adair seconded, approved by board.

2016-2017 budget -- Jeff Adair made motion to approve, Dave DeVilbiss seconded, approved by board.

Here are the highlights of the 2015-2016 budget, 2015-2016 actual, and 2016-2017 budget:

<u>Fundraisers</u>	<u>2016 budget</u>	<u>2016 actual</u>	<u>2017 budget/actual</u>
(net income)			
Strawberry Festival	\$ 2,105	\$ 2,110	\$ 1,186
Golf Outing	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,015	\$ 5,744
Fish Fry	\$13,500	\$ 8,974	\$10,300
Fruit Sale	\$ 5,000	\$ 3,671	\$ 3,500
Brat Tent	\$ 3,650	\$ 4,393	\$ 3,500
Rummage Sale	\$ 995	\$ 410	\$ 900
Pancake Breakfasts	\$ 6,100	\$ 5,167	\$ 5,500

In 2015-2016, our club made donations totaling \$23,817. (in addition to the revenue above, the club also drew on grants and savings to make the donations). Some of the revenue from above goes to maintain the clubhouse and grounds, which is used to raise money, and serve other organizations --Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc.. The use of the clubhouse by these organizations is effectively another donation we make outside the \$23,817 mentioned above.

Old Business:

Club House telephone service. Jeff Adair reported that our clubhouse now has WiFi capability.

Building and grounds. Greg St. Amour will fix our doors in need of replacement. He also sprayed the grounds for poison ivy. Tom & Greg are coordinating clean-up efforts for the Fish Fry.

Membership: No new information.

Brats Tent: Sales have been inconsistent this year, but generally down from the prior year. We will not hit the budget number listed above. Nobody has stepped forward to lead this fundraiser in 2017, so this continues to look like our last year at the Farmer's Market.

Fish Fry: Bill has been working hard on the promotion and preparation for the Fish Fry. He is asking all members to promote the event amongst friends and at their workplaces. Ron Todd reported that our new placemats will be available for the Fish Fry and subsequent events.

New Business:

Lions Speech and Hearing: Lee Flower reviewed what Indiana Lions Speech & Hearing was doing, their budget, and how our support helps them. It was a presentation we should consider for a regular meeting -- perhaps in conjunction with the Cancer Control & Eyesight efforts.

District Cabinet Meeting: Lee Flower reviewed the first district cabinet meeting minutes, their budget, and the hope that more Carmel members and officers could regularly participate in future meetings. In spring of 2018, Lee revealed that our club would be the host to the State Lions convention, which will take place in Muncie.

Signature Project: Rick Dossey resurrected the idea of a signature project for consideration in future meetings. Any members with ideas for a high profile community project are encouraged to attend a board meeting and discuss their suggestions. Bill asked if we could do more (in terms of scholarships, for instance) for the Deaf & Blind Schools.

IU Health grant: Tom Lorson will pursue receipt of another grant this year, for use in health related projects. Last year's grant was \$2,750.

Future events:

Fish Fry -- August 13th and 14th

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m. The next board meeting is on September 6th, 2016; Tom Lorson will be the host.