

Carmel Lions Club – Newsletter

September 2017



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President's Message

With the end of September came the end of the 2017 Summer Farmer's Market. Thank you Bill Nesbitt, for everything that you have done with the Brat Tent. The Brat Tent would not have succeeded without your continuous hard work.

If the Brat Tent is to continue in 2018, we need 3 Lions to step up as co-chairs to run the Brat Tent. If you are interested in Co-Chairing the Brat Tent for next year please tell Bill by October 31, 2017. If we do not have 3 Lions step up for next year then the Brat Tent will not happen in 2018.

The Fall Pancake Breakfast is October 28. If you have not signed up to help set up or work the breakfast, please contact Tom Lorson with your availability or sign up at the next meeting.

We Serve!



President Angie

September Activities Recap

September 5: Board Meeting

September 12: Regular Meeting
Objective: General Meeting

September 26: Regular Meeting
Objective: General Meeting

September 11-15: Dictionary Project
Objective: Service
Project Leaders: Bill Shaffer

Upcoming Events

Saturday's May through September: Carmel Farmers' Market Brat Tent
Objective: Fund Raiser
Project Leader: Bill Nesbitt

Carmel Farmers Market will be held on Saturdays from May through September. Carmel Lions partner with Kiwanis of Cicero to operate the Brat Tent. This season, each group will provide 3 workers on each Market date. Signup sheets will be available at the next meeting.

October 28: Fall Pancake Breakfast
Objective: Fund Raiser
Project Leader: Tom Lorson

November and December: Salvation Army Bell Ringers
Objective: Fundraiser
Project Leader: Tim Reiman, Paul Arnone

December 8-9: Annual Fruit Sale
Objective: Fund Raiser
Project Leader: Jeff Adair

March 16-17: Annual Rummage Sale
Objective: Fund Raiser
Project Leader: Angie Swenson

***I know it is early to think about the rummage sale but you are going to be putting your Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas decorations out soon. If you don't love it, don't throw it away! Start a box to donate for the rummage sale! Remember, we will take ANYTHING for the rummage sale.**

March 31: 2018 Carmel Marathon
Objective: Service
Project Leader: Dwight Gossett, Alice Gossett, Jim Colter

April 21: Spring Pancake Breakfast
Objective: Fund Raiser
Project Leader: Tom Lorson

October Meetings

October 10: General Meeting
KPs: Sally Lafollette, Gary Lafollette, Bill Shaffer
Program: Program Committee

October 24: General Meeting
KPs: Ron Todd, Randy Stoltz, Kent West
Program: Program Committee

Carmel Lions Club Board Meeting October 2017

Carmel Lions Club Board Meeting Minutes October 2017

October Meeting (10/4/17)

12 board members present, 1 member present

Meeting commenced at 7:05 p.m. and concluded at 8:15 p.m..

Rick Dossey noted the combined minutes from the prior three board meetings were in the September newsletter. Steve Gross made a motion to accept them, Bill Shaffer seconded, and the board approved.

Carl Kinker presented the Treasurer's report; Bill Shaffer made a motion to accept, Bill Nesbitt seconded, and the report was approved by voice vote.

Building & Grounds: Steve Gross reported the purchase of a new vacuum cleaner.

Membership: Tom Lorson noted that Judy Shaffer had joined the club.

Brat Tent: Bill Nesbitt reviewed final 2017 results, which were up slightly from 2016. However, the overall trend is down, as additional food vendors participate in the market, and other community events draw patrons away from the market. **Unless three Lions Club members step forward to lead the effort in 2018, we will discontinue the Brat tent fundraiser.**

Pancake Breakfast (10/28/17): Tom requested assistance in the time leading up to the breakfast, as he will be out of town.

Vision Screening with Zionsville Lions: In October, we will be continuing to assist the Zionsville club to perform in-school eye screening. Contact the Gossett's if you can volunteer for this effort.

White Canes for the needy: Angie read a letter from Jessica Hunt, a teacher at the Indiana School for the Blind, requesting assistance to purchase white canes for the blind and needy. Tom Lorson made a motion to provide \$300, Angie seconded, and the board approved.

VIPS donation: At our last regular meeting, the local manager of VIPS presented at our meeting. Dwight Gossett made a motion to donate \$250, Steve Gross seconded, and the board approved.

Fish Fry enhancement committee: Angie reported that the following individuals will meet to discuss how we might improve future fish fry's: Angela Swenson, Bill Nesbitt, Ron Todd, Tom Lorson, Tim Fischer, Carl Kinker. Others will be asked to assist as needed -- Doug Lozier and Dave DeVilbiss, for example.

3rd Vice President position: Jason Randlett has expressed willingness to be considered for this position. Jeff Adair made a motion to accept Tim's recommendation for nomination, Steve Gross seconded, and the board approved. Announcement of the nomination and confirmation will take place at our regular October meetings.

Val Pak presentation: Representatives of the company that distributes Val Pak coupons and REACH magazine presented a marketing opportunity to the Board. The presentation was promising -- Bill Nesbitt will follow up with

the company to formalize the pricing. If cost effective, we may use this method to promote our 2018 fund raisers. The Val Pak people had seen Tom Lorson on television, being interviewed about our loss of Marsh & O'Malias as fund raising locations.

Kurt Deichmann presentation: Kurt & his wife Cindy presented a new concept being developed to assist individuals who have recently become blind, for the Board's consideration and feedback.

Key dates upcoming:

Fall Pancake Breakfast: 10/28/17

Fruit Sale: 12/8/17 & 12/9/17

Future meetings:

The next board meeting is on November 7th, 2017. Angie Swenson will host.