



TEAM WORK

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HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE EVENING LIONS CLUB BULLETIN

APRIL 2011

MEETING CALENDAR

April 6	Regular Meeting
Program	Recollections of WW II in the UK – Mike & Lynn Millwood
Menu	Bacon Wrapped Pork Filet
April 20	Regular Meeting following 4 PM Board Meeting
Program	Bob Simpson – Arkansas Eye Bank & Lab
Menu	Chicken Cordon Bleu, Birthday Cake
May 4	Regular Meeting
Program	Scott Randall, HSV GM – State of HSV
Menu	Beef Tri-tip

From Lion President Bob DeVinney

Fellow Lions:

WOW! It's hard to believe, but we are three-quarters through this Lions year. It is hard to imagine that there are only six meetings remaining this fiscal year before our new Officers and Directors (elected at our March 16th meeting) begin their term of office. It has been a fantastic year and we are going to finish the year very strong. Here is what's on the agenda for the balance of this year:

Your trusty President will be attending a Leaders Weekend April 8-9, hosted by Mid-South Lions Sight and Hearing Service (one of our major charities). On April 15th our BIG Lions White Cane Day is being held with all donations going to help the visually impaired. Please don't miss the opportunity to volunteer for this great event and enjoy the feeling of what it truly means to be a Lion.

The Arkansas State Lions Convention is being held May 13-14 in Jonesboro. If you've never been to a Lion's state convention, I suggest you make this your first one – should be lots of fun. The famous Evening Lions Hamburger Day is on May 21st. Be on the lookout for further announcements and the sign-up sheets to volunteer.

Then, on the last meeting of the year June 15th, the installation ceremony for incoming Officers and Directors will be conducted. This is also guest night and a great meeting you will definitely want to attend.

There is one more piece of exciting news to pass on to you. You might recall that Mike Rohrer of the Better Business Bureau made a very nice presentation at our March 16th meeting. Afterwards, I met with Mike and discussed the possibility of our Club partnering up with the BBB in sponsoring a 'Village Document Shredding Day'. He thought it a great idea and so does your Board of Directors. We are working out details with BBB to hold this community project on June 4th. Stay tuned for further announcements.

The Club has been very fortunate to have experienced nine (9) years without an increase in dues or cost of meals. Wouldn't it be wonderful if more things would stay the same price for nine years?! At the April 20th Board meeting, the need to increase the quarterly membership fees will be discussed. In the event the board approves an increase, it will be submitted to the club members for approval at the April 20 Annual Meeting.

Be sure to invite a friend to a meeting and let them see first-hand what the Evening Lions are all about. Always be on the lookout for the opportunity to talk up our great Club and share the passion we have for making a difference in the community and for helping the visually impaired.

Yours in Lionism,

Bob DeVinney

ISN'T IT GREAT TO BE A LION !?!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Mike Fleming, 8 Rocosco Dr., 501-915-830

Jeannette Fleming, 8 Rocosco Dr., 501-915-830

Gary Puffer, 3 Valencia Way, 501-781-5246

Sherry Weaver, 3 Valencia Way, 501-781-5246

Sponsor: Larry Ketcham

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MEMBERSHIP BEGINS WITH ME!

Help us build our membership by inviting friends and acquaintances to a meeting with you. Let's all try to bring in two members and receive a "Two Key" award from International. Tell them about the "Family Plan" which means a family member can join at reduced dues and no initiation fee. Application forms are available at meetings or from Membership Chair Lion Bob Jordan.

NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS:

All Lions are invited and encouraged to attend board meetings, held at 4:00 PM on the third Wednesday of each month (except December due to holiday travel). By attending, you will quickly learn the workings of our club and the way WE SERVE. For new members, if you attend Board Meetings, visit LWSB, join a committee or volunteer to work fund raisers or other projects, you can turn that RED BADGE into BLUE quicker than six months.

WHITE CANE DAY IS FRIDAY, APRIL 15th

White Cane Day is one of our major fund raisers every year. Members will be stationed at as many locations as possible to collect money from the public. If you signed up to work a shift, please show up wearing your vest and a big smile. At the April 6th meeting, assignments will be attached to name badges and first shift volunteers are to pick up the collection containers and placards, then pass on to next shift workers.

This is a great WE SERVE opportunity for our many new and experienced members to raise money for the blind and vision impaired. Don't forget.

Lions Larry Ketcham (922-9191) and Libby White (922-5650) will gladly answer any questions you may have.

BINGO SCHEDULE 2011

April 15 only, May 6 & 20, June 3 & 17, July 1 & 15, August 5 & 19,

September 2 & 16, October 7 & 21, November 4 only, December 2 only.

If you would like to work Bingo or be a sub, please contact Lion Ed Pearson.

HAMBURGER DAY IS SATURDAY MAY 21

Another important fund raiser is coming up next month. This will be the 32nd Annual Hamburger Day. If you have not worked this event, THINK FUN! You will see many Villagers you know. GET A JOB! We need all able bodied members to sign up and give this a couple of hours. If you have a physical limitation but would like to help out, we will find you a sit-down job. Sign-up sheets will be on tables at the April 7th meeting. Please sign up. It will not be a success without you. The Chair of this important event is Lion Tom Brink.

LCIF JAPANESE RELIEF DRIVE

Lions Clubs International Foundation reports it is seeking pledges of more than \$6 Million from Lions worldwide for the Foundation's *Japanese Relief Fund*. Japanese Lions clubs are working to raise \$3 Mil themselves during their own crises.

With the death toll exceeding 18,000 and rising, the devastation is clearly greater than anyone could have imagined. More than 400,000 survivors are in shelters, in the cold, often going without hot meals for days. Now that some roads have reopened, Lions from all over Japan are sending relief aid from every corner of the country, including 30 tons of rice, baby formula, 20 tons of food, bottled water and emergency supplies, all despite great risks and challenges to themselves.

If you wish to donate to this cause, please send a check payable to LCIF with "Japanese Relief Fund" on memo line which qualifies it as a tax deduction, and mail to our Club Treasurer Doug Wilson who will mail all contribution checks to LCIF.

THANKS to all who participated in the Village Pride Day cleanup this past weekend. Terry & Karen Sterzik.

INFLATION HITS OUR CLUB!

After nine years without an increase, the club has finally used up its cash surplus and is faced with raising the member dues and price of meals for fiscal year 2011-2012. The Board of Directors will meet on April 20th to decide on the amount of the increase and will present it to the membership that evening for approval. Please try to be there if you want your voice heard on this important matter.

LION MAGAZINE ARTICLE ABOUT PANCAKE DAYS

If you haven't read it yet, there is a very interesting article in the April issue about the many Lions club pancake day fund raisers across the country, some of which have been flipping pancakes for 20 to 70 years. Lions in Wilton, Wisconsin cook pancakes every Sunday from Memorial Day to Labor Day! 92 year old Bob McCune of the Wichita Lions, has been at it for nearly 50 years. His advice is "never pat a pancake" as that lets the air out. You want a lighter pancake, not a heavier one". Duluth club member Bob Howe's goal is "to use enough food and supplies to quickly feed patrons without unnecessarily opening boxes that cannot be returned". That article is worth the read.

LIONS BRAILLE BIBLE WORKSHOP

The HSV Evening Lions Braille Bible group meets every Tuesday at Christ Lutheran Church, 103 Ponferrada Way, from 9 to 11:30 AM to press, bind, package and mail Bible chapters to many countries throughout the world. This helps the blind and vision impaired learn the Bible and learn English. All participants receive meeting attendance credit. If you would like to join this fun and social group or visit them in action, please contact Lion Floyd Garrot.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE:

www.hsvelions.org

(Username and Password are on the back of your Membership Card)

The HSV Evening Lions website, developed by Webmaster and Club Secretary, Lion Jimmy Hamilton, contains everything in our Directory and more. The "more" includes membership updates, member photos, the current and past monthly club bulletins, updates on activities, etc. If you need a reminder of what the dinner will be, you can also check that out under 'Bulletins'.

NEW MAP BOOKS AVAILABLE, etc. As this is a club fund raiser, the books are available to members at a discounted price of \$4.00 per copy. Map Books are sold at locations in and around the Village for \$5.00 per copy. See Lion Alton DeVille.

ALSO AVAILABLE FROM CLUB SECRETARY

~~~ LION BASEBALL HATS \$10 & UP ~~~ LIONS AUTO DECALS ~~~

~~~CLUB VESTS~~~

Need a vest? Some are the short style (without pockets).

New style (longer & with pockets) will have to be ordered and are sold at club cost.

Used vests at lower cost, abused vests are free or for a small donation, depending on condition.

If you wish to have the Club Secretary order something for you from the Lions catalog,

please submit your request in writing to Secretary Jimmy Hamilton.

**Pray for peace, our troops,
those in need, those ailing,
the economy, our Country and our World.**

FYI: TEAM WORK is published each month for the benefit of membership to keep you informed. If you are an officer, board member, committee chair, or wish to have any announcement or update relating to Club activities reported herein, please notify Editor Nola Lauber at nelauber@sbcglobal.net.