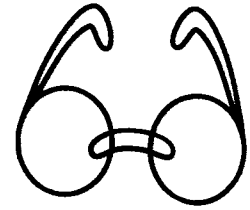




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Laingsburg Lions Club Quarterly News

Presidents Message

Reminiscing and evaluating the past 12 months certainly leaves a warm feeling with the cooperation and willingness to accomplish so many projects that the Laingsburg Lions Club has taken part in.

The Spring Festival, White Cane Days, The Golf Outing and more brought in many dollars to support local activities as well as our obligation to further the Lions both state wide and at the national level.

Adding five new members to our club was also a real plus.

I want to thank the community for the friendship and gracious treatment to our Lions members.

My wife and I would like to wish every member and their families a Happy New Year. And again, thank you all for your hard work and willingness to be a Lion Member in Laingsburg.

Your President In Lionism,
Ben Siniarski

100th Anniversary of Scouting

Large numbers of Michigan Boy Scouts will be invading Laingsburg while honoring 100 years of Scouting. This event will take place at Laingsburg High School on February 7th and 8th.

The Laingsburg Lions Club again will be helping as they are financially providing a pancake breakfast for these scouts.

For more details contact Lion John Carroll Jr.:
Email- jcv33@aol.com or
Call 517- 651-6254

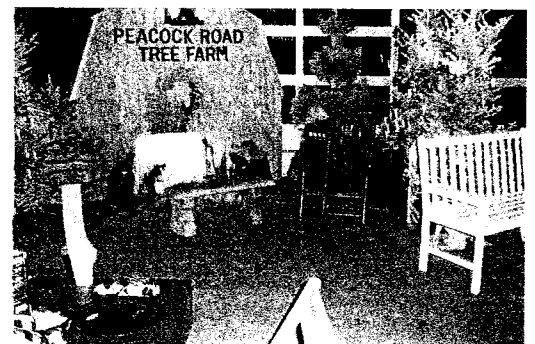
This weekend should be looked at as an honor for Laingsburg and we are excited about the celebration.

Christmas Party

On Thursday December 11th several Lions Club members, spouses, and guests celebrated a very busy and rewarding year with our annual Christmas Party. This year the Carpenters hosted this event at their famous Winter/Christmas attraction. The Peacock Farm has become a popular place for tree shoppers, children's events, decoration shopping, local TV parties and banquets. The Laingsburg Lions Club has used the farm on several occasions. Food, conversation, a warm fire, and a few old memories made the celebration special.



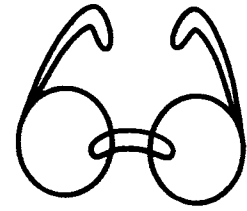
Peacock Tree Farm partygoers enjoying a delicious meal



View of the tree farm's manger scene



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Treasurer's Report

We need all members help and understanding regarding two financial commitments that need attending to.

First, I want to thank all those that pay dues on time, as that makes my job easier. I also want to thank those that attend functions which call for extra individual costs. These events are where we get to know each other in a relaxed gathering.

First commitment-

Semi and annual dues. Let me help. I know that our economy has seen better times. But I need your help. Just call, write, or email your intensions on back dues as well as 2009 dues that might be tardy. By doing this, I won't have to bore the board every month with a report showing total dues unpaid.

Second Commitment-

On outside functions and parties where reservations are necessary, we need payment whether you attend or not. Eating facilities prepare meals based on the number we give them and the Club is responsible for payment whether you pay or not.

Don't take these messages wrong. We appreciate every member and are excited with regard to our new members. Your contributions to this club are greatly appreciated as well as necessary.

Please consider that I have a job to do so help me and I will help you.

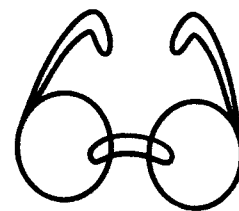
Lion Mike Danek
Treasurer

Change in Festival

Great news! Your Laingsburg Sports Booster organization will be your new Bingo Sponsors. They will take full control of this festival activity during the Lions Festival May 8th through the 11th. We are 100% behind their part in our festival. I'm sure they will do a bang-up job.



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Christmas Food Boxes

Several Lions Members participated in the packing and delivering of 21 Christmas food boxes again this year. The Lions Club purchased all kinds of groceries and meats to help many families that are having some financial difficulties. Owner Mark of Mark's Food Pride always sharpens his pencil when local help is needed. That generosity is welcome, thank you.

Now for a heart warming story this year. The Lions were packing food supplies as well as discussing the different items when a kind lady passing by overheard what they were talking about. She bought a big turkey, brought it to them, and asked if it were all right to add this item to their groceries. They graciously accepted the gift and added another box to the list. That's were 21 boxes were delivered this year instead of 20 that were projected.

This project is headed up by Lion Eric Schuman and he did an excellent job of making this successful project add to what our Lions Club does so often. Thank You Eric.

Material Provided by
Lion Larry L. Sparks

Publicity Director Comment

As Publicity Director in 2008, I've had a close view on how hard and dedicated many of our fellow Lions Members value this organization. Writing and witnessing several of the extra projects gives a Lion, like myself, a better understanding on how important this Lions Club is to our community. Laingsburg would not be where it is today without all their efforts.

For the members like me who have taken limited time in the past, lets try to be more active in 2009. I believe we will find a great deal of fun and satisfaction doing our part. Lets show Laingsburg, regardless of economy, lousy news casts, and political cutbacks that 2009 will show positive to our community.

Happy New Years to all!

Lion Jack L. Epple
Publicity Director

Important Dates and Reminders

January 8th - Lions members, sons and daughters will be treated to a new program. One quarter midget race cars. What they are? Who drives them? Where do they race? Jerry Carpenter and daughters to make presentation.

January 22nd - 5 new members to be sworn in. Help welcome them on Thursday the 22nd. District governor Shirley Marshall to do the honors.

March 12th - Kids Sight Program and where Michigan clubs are able to help. Past District Governor Lloyd Kilbreth

March 26th - Free Meal Senior Citizens. Lets invite everyone early. Make 2009 the top attended Senior Night ever.

May 8th-11th - Spring Festival- Biggest show of the year in Laingsburg. Some great changes are being discussed to make this year bigger than ever.

June 13th - Golf- The best golf outing of the season. Golf, Carts, Steaks, Prizes, and a lot more all for \$45.00. No outing offers more for less cost than this event.

Help your Lions Club by taking part in the festivities. You'll get to know your fellow Lions and help provide wonderful things for our community. Make it a point to attend 1 or 2 more meetings this year than last year. THE FOOD IS SUPER!

Help the Vision

There are many Lions that either live out of our area or can't be here when Lions Members are involved in news worthy projects. Many of us would like to know what happen.

Should any Lions Member be participating in an activity or meeting that would have Lions Club interest, please contact Publicity Director Jack Epple- phone: 517/651-5745 or email jle38@verizon.net. You can also write articles for use in our quarterly paper. We would also appreciate pictures to add value and color to the articles.

Thank You
Lion Jack Epple

I got this great new hearing aid
so I'll know what people are saying
to me on my birthday.

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is it?

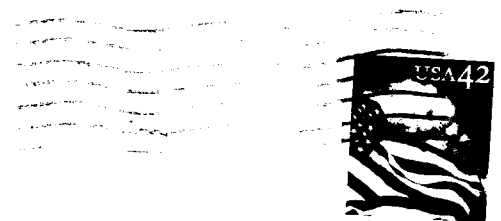
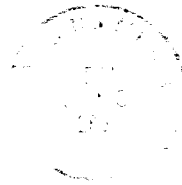
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Calendar or Meetings and Activities

January 8 Thursday	Father/Son/Daughter Night Special Program – 7:00 pm	Laingsburg Elementary School
January 22 Thursday	Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm New Membership Swear In	Laingsburg Elementary School
February 12 Thursday	Regular Meeting - 7:00 pm Child Site Program	Laingsburg Elementary School
February 26	Regular Meeting - 7:00 pm	Laingsburg Elementary School
March 12	Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm	Laingsburg Elementary School
March 26	Senior Citizen Night Complimentary Dinner – 7:00 pm	Laingsburg Elementary School



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