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Brownsburg Lions Newsletter
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September 2013 Newsletter

MEETINGS

Sept 11 at 6:30; Regular meeting, Cap day for Lions. Wear a **Cap** or be fined! Tailtwister

Sept 18 at 6:00; Board Meeting

Sept 25 at 6:30; Regular meeting

"If it is to be, it's up to me."

A message from the President

Dear Lions,

It is time for us to consider the future of our club, and to decide what kind of Lions we want to be--to look to the future of our organization in Brownsburg.

There are a number of serious issues confronting us, and in my opinion they must be dealt with "head on".

There is no specific agenda of topics, but I would appreciate greatly your input for such topics. They should be unlimited in scope, but I would expect to have discussions on such topics as: Fundraising, Meals, Future Meeting Places, Community Awareness, Membership, and Long Range Planning. No ideas are "out-of-bounds", and for the purposes of this meeting, no decisions will be made.

I am aware of time constraints, but I am also aware of the importance of your input as we move past the 85th year of the Brownsburg Lions Club.

I would appreciate it, if you would let me know of your interest in attending, so that I can prepare the appropriate number of tables and chairs and prepare a written list of topics to be discussed.

The next regular meeting is on September 11 and will be devoted to club business affairs including discussion of the proposed budget, and Fall events. Please attend, and make your voice heard.

Yours in Lionism
Ray Furner

Past Presidents Dinner

The Past Presidents Dinner was held on August 28. Those attending offered both advice and support for the coming year. Lion President Ray Furner said he appreciated their suggestions to help make the Club stronger and more effective.

Officers and Board Members elected for 2013-2014

President – Ray Furner; **1st Vice**-Larry Whitmore; **2nd Vice**- Jeannie Zentz; **3rd Vice**- Open; **Secretary** – Gretchen Xinopoulos; **Treasurer** – Suzanne Graden; **Lion Tamer** – Joe Szentivanyi; **Tail Twister** – Paul Morrison **Directors**; Nick Xinopoulos, Angi Ratermann, Open

Third Vice President Opening

For our leadership team we still need a 3rd Vice President, a Board Member, and a Membership Chairman. Please talk with Lion Ray Furner about serving in one of these positions.

Lions Pancake Breakfasts

Pancake breakfasts will be held on the following dates:
October 5th, 2013 – 7:00am – till 9:30am.

Lion's fish fry

Our Fish Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, September 14 at Bundy Lodge. Tickets are: Adults \$10.00 ; Children under 12 \$5.00; and Children under 5 are free. This is an "all you can eat dinner", and we need to sell tickets in advance to make it successful. Contact Lion David Martinez (317-490-3790) or Lion Gretchen Xinopoulos (317-852-8015) for tickets, or for additional information.

Banner Night

Banner Night was a success. Lion Ross Draplick was master of ceremonies, PID Doug Lozier was the keynote speaker, and Lion Sue Sabol led the song for the evening. Twenty different clubs were represented in the Parade of Banners including the Alpha Leo Club from Zionsville. Our own DG Larry Graden is leading the District Leader this year. He will need our support to make this a successful year.

Computer Graphics and Design

If you have an interest in computers and graphic design, please contact Lion Ray Furner.

Bundy Lodge

Brownsburg senior card-players are now meeting in Bundy Lodge on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. This is a part of a Community Service Project approved by the Board at the August meeting.

Don Acton

Lion Don Acton is still at Manor Health Care in Avon , undergoing rehabilitation in preparation for surgery. If you are in that area, stop to visit—the nurses can help track him down.His room # 609
Phone # 386-6153. He enjoys hearing from you.

Cell Phones

Brownsburg Lions are still collecting cell phones, chargers and ear-buds. We have found a way to distribute the chargers and ear-buds to service members and to other persons and organizations who need them. The Lions are also sharing in the credit for this distribution.

Check us on Facebook

If you go to the district web site (<http://www.indianalionsdistrict25c.org/>) and click the button at the bottom of the page (a rectangle with the letter "f") it will take you to the Facebook page. This is a page to share info and photos and is very interesting.

Membership Drive

Ask someone you know to visit us during a meeting and consider becoming a member. You probably know at least one person who would make a good lion. There are great recruiting tips in the October 2012 issue of Lions Magazine.

Community Projects

Our emphasis this year is to become more visible in the community. Bring your ideas to the meeting.

Speakers

If you have any suggestions for speakers at our meeting in the coming year, please contact Paul Morrison with the name and phone number of the individual you would like to hear speak.

Dues are Due

Please remember to pay your dues in a timely manner.

A number of Brownsburg Lions were elected at the recent District 25-C convention as follows:

Larry Graden, District Governor

Don Acton School for the Blind Trustee

Nick Xinopoulos, Eye and Tissue Bank Trustee and International Convention Committee.

Speech and hearing: Rynn Gooley

Other officers, not elected at the convention, should also be mentioned:

Billy Chastain Lions Foundation and State Secretary

Gretchen Xinopoulos, District 25C Secretary

Larry Graden Leader Dog Trustee

John Sabol Cancer Control Trustee

Ray Furner, School for the Deaf – Board of Directors

These Lions represent incredible diversity and commitment to service. All of Brownsburg should be proud of them.

Quick Notes

Please remember to RSVP if you are going to attend a function requiring advanced seating and food ordering.

Also check out the Brownsburg Lions Web site at www.Brownsburglionsclub.org. The new web address for district 25C is www.IndianaLionsDistrict25C.org. Check it out.

In The News

We would like to recognize our member's birthdays and anniversaries in the newsletter. No ages please, just the month or month and day. If you are having an anniversary and would like it mentioned here call John at 299-6205 with the information.

In the case of an illness, surgery, accident or wedding we would like to send a card. This information will not be in the newsletter unless requested.

In the case of the death of a member or spouse, or extended hospital stay we would like to send flowers. Call Angie at 858-8617.

The Lions not only help others, we help each other. If there is a need such as lawn mowing, snow shoveling, bringing in food due to illness, transportation or something else contact Larry at 852-0273

The Leo Club

The Leo Club is accepting recycled aluminum. It can be the pop tabs or complete cans. If you can, please crush any items you save. If you would like to attend a Leo Club meeting they are held at St. Malachy School Library. Contact Billy Chastain or John Sabol

Mears Automotive

Remember if you have auto repairs done at Mears, and indicate you're a Lion, the club will get a 10% donation on the cost of those repairs. I understand they do very good work and it's guaranteed.

Bundy Lodge Rental

Just a reminder, anyone interested in renting Bundy Lodge for a meeting or party should contact Jeannie Zentz 317-601-1524 or Ken MaGee 852-2218. Rates are \$100 for a half day, \$175 for a full day and \$200 for weddings. Club members can rent the hall for a half day for \$45.

Birthdays

Lidija Rideout

Anniversaries

Do you have information that should be included in the newsletter?

Contact John Sabol 299-6205 or E-Mail Johns-sueco@sbcglobal.net