



Lions Tales

February - 2009 Elkhart Lions Club

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 4

Superbly Entertaining! Don't miss this one!

Feb. 11

Mark Potuck, Elkhart County Health Department/Smoke Free Indiana

Feb 25

TBA

March 7

District 25-G Convention, Christos, Plymouth.

April 17-19

State Convention; Merrillville

April 29

VIP Luncheon - YES, there will be a meeting on this Wednesday

May 2

Cabinet Mtg; Syracuse

July 6-10

International Convention (Minneapolis)

What's the new 'Lions Group' I got a notice all about?

Members with email addresses on file with us recently got an email/notice about a new 'Lions Club Group', and were 'invited' to join. Here's what it's all about.

We've been having some problems with the reliability of the email distribution list used to send notices to members about the weekly newsletter and other timely notices. To eliminate this, we've created a new Google Group, for the Elkhart Lions Club. We cannot automatically add all the email addresses to this group. An email was sent to each person in our old list (including many Lions from other clubs as well as other interested persons). Each person must make an election to 'subscribe' to this group, through a simple process.

If you have not signed up, or feel you may have signed up incorrectly, please email marty@martyjuel.com and you will be contacted.

In addition to receiving notices

It's time to 'Jump Start' a few things!

We are well on our way into 2009! Two projects that need to get started are:

- 1) The Memorial Flag Pole – Community Project
- 2) An earlier start to our Lion's Tale Newspaper

The Flagpole is on hold until we can actually break ground as the weather in mid-January probably dropped the frost line a few feet! -17 degrees on January 15th is what even I would consider COLD. However, my spirits are warmed by those that have volunteered to help with the Flag Pole Project. A meeting will be held on Tuesday February 17th at noon at the Four Arts Building for further planning and development. Pizza and pop on the Pres. For those that wish to join.

Also, I along with several of the Board members believe that the Lion's Tales -Newspaper Project needs to get a major jump-start in order to be as successful as we want and know it could be. I am very pleased with the team that handle the project this past year and the efforts they put into making it as successful as it was, despite the economic woes in our community. Again, I would like to remind all of our members to remember to say, "THANK YOU" to our advertisers and if you have the opportunity to please patronize them. Their advertising makes it possible to help a lot of folks here in our community.

Lastly, as we enter the home stretch for fiscal year 2008-2009, look within yourself to see if YOU have made a difference. Ask yourself; what more can I do to make our Club successful? I still challenge you to continue to bring in prospective members. Most of you joined to make a difference, to give something back, to HELP those that need it. Today we need you live up to your original intentions and bring in new members so we can carry on a legacy of hope and charity to our community and to those that WE SERVE.

Lion President Duane

about newsletters (weekly and monthly), we have plans to add several other items to this Group, making it one of the premier Lions web services in the country. You'll continue to receive news about this Group only after you subscribe. You'll also be able to post items, and receive notice with others have posted items to this Group. This will be a 'work in progress' situation, as there are very few other Lions clubs using the 'Group' service.

Diane Parker Accepts EAP Chairman Position

President Duane Klein announced recently that Diane Parker, a recent new member, has accepted the chairmanship of the club's Eyeglass Assistance Project. This is one of the club's most visible programs throughout the community. She has hit the pavement running and has started making some improvements in this project, to simplify our work in reaching out the those with vision needs.