



THE LINGO

Bellbrook Lions Club

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Take PRIDE in your Lions Club!

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President: Lion Gregg Sparks
1st Vice: Lion Rick Robertson
2nd Vice: Lion George Simmons
3rd Vice: Lion Tad Barnes
Treasurer: Lion "Doc" Wright
Secretary: Lion Ernie Josche
2nd Yr Dir: Lion Steve Tobias
1st Yr Dir: Lion Alan Huffman
1st Yr Dir: Lion Tony Chitwood
Lion Tamer: Lion Mike Zehringer
Tail Twister: Lion Harry Crowe
Membership: Lion Ed Hammer
Past Pres: Lion Ed Hammer

Meetings are 8:00PM the **first** and **third Wednesdays** of EVERY MONTH
@ Lions Grange Center (Wilmington-Dayton Rd & Conference Rd) See you there!!

APRIL/MAY 2009

The Lions Den

The fun never ceases when you're a Lion. We had a great turnout for both the Pancake breakfast and blood drive, and now we are just weeks away from Charter Night (Apr 15), Sugar Maple festival (April 18/19) and Helping Neighbors project (Apr 25). Everyone should note we are reactivating many Lions by doing projects that help the community and follow the statement "WE SERVE...". International Lions Club President Al Brundell has communicated to Club officers about making our clubs *relevant* to the community and our membership. He questions: "Does your club seek out the most pressing needs in your community? Are your members willing to try something new? Do you have the heart and dedication to take on big projects? Does your club meet the member's needs to be involved in their community?" If we ask ourselves these questions, we can point to a long history of projects that have made the Bellbrook Lions *relevant* to the Bellbrook/Sugarcreek residents, but what about the future? We have established a committee to construct a mission statement and set of objectives for the club looking to the future, especially if we take the Club to 501(c)3 charitable status.



Expect to see results from this committee in the late April timeframe as we work to define a future direction for the Club while taking from our successful history.

Please support events like Charter Night on April 15 as we not only recognize the Club's establishment, but also invite Kamp Dovetail director Linda Allen as our guest and conduct our annual election of officers in the same evening. Always remember that the festival is just around the corner, as season change and the summer will be here before we realize it. The festival will need everyone's support as our annual fundraising event.

Gregg Sparks, President

LINGO UPDATE

I skipped the March Lingo due to lack of material. If there is enough information for a May Lingo, one will be provided, else this is for April & May. I have been asking for project chairs or members to provide inputs, with little success. To date only Lion John Dorn provided a write-up on the basketball program for the Feb Lingo, and it was **OUTSTANDING**.

Last month we had a Pancake Breakfast and Blood Drive, but I have received no information from the people running the projects, so I will summarize with what I know

Lion Tad Barnes

**CHARTER NIGHT
ELECTION OF OFFICERS
APRIL 15TH @ 6:30 PM**

The 2009 Charter Night and Election of Officers will take place on April 15. Showtime and fellowship is 6:30 with the meal @ 7:00. Ms. Linda Allen of KAMP Dovetail will be our Guest Speaker this year. Election of officers will also take place. In addition Election of two members to the Lions/Grange board will take place.

2009 SLATE OF OFFICERS:

President: Lion Rick Robertson
1st VP: Lion George Simmons
2nd VP: Lion Tad Barnes
3rd VP: Open
Treasurer: Lion Doc Wright
- Asst Treas: Lion Jeff Bennett
Secretary: Lion Ernie Josche
2nd Yr Dir: Lion Alan Huffman
2nd Yr Dir: Lion Tony Chitwood
1st Yr Dir: Lion Chris Demeter
1st Yr Dir: Open
Membership: Lion Ed Hammer
Tail Twister: Lion Bob Havard
Lion Tamer: Open

**2009 LIONS/GRANGE
BOARD NOMINEES**

Lion Gregg Sparks
Lion Ernie Josche
Lion Ed Hammer

Lion Ernie Josche

ZONE 1 CHAIRMAN



**2009 - 2011
LION ERNIE
JOSCHE**

Our own Lion Ernie has been selected to be the Zone 1 Chairman from 2009 to 2011. He will continue to be our Secretary during his stint as Zone 1 Chair.

Lion Tad Barnes

**SUGARMAPLE FESTIVAL
APRIL 17TH-19TH**

We will man booths for the Car Sales and Sausage Trailer.

Signup to work the Car booth with Lion Harry Crowe, 848-4450.

Signup to work the Sausage Trailer with Lion Ernie Joche, 435-0995; or Lion Mark Keller, 247-5104.

Lion Tad Barnes

Lion Walt Worthington has been named this year's Sugar Maple Festival Citizen of the Year by the festival committee. Lion Walt and Lioness Linda have run the Bellbrook tee-ball league for 34 years. He has also been a member of the Bellbrook Lions Club for 30 years, and has helped the Bellbrook boosters complete several projects. Lion Walt became a park commissioner in the late 1970's and served 13 years, helping to merge the Bellbrook and Sugarcreek Twp. parks.

Lion Jerry Wannemacher

**ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY
SATURDAY, 16 MAY 09**

8:30 at Lions/Grange for donuts & coffee

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Deadline: Forth Tuesday of the Month (Board Meeting)

District 13-J News: <http://www.district13j.com/>

2009 LIONS FESTIVAL

WITH 1ST VICE

PRESIDENT

LION RICK

ROBERTSON



Lion Rick continues to have his Lions Festival meetings. I attended the March one, but could not make the April meeting. Things are progressing nicely. Hopefully Lion Rick will provide a write-up for the next Lingo.

Lion Tad Barnes

HELPING NEIGHBORS

APRIL 25TH

This is a spin-off of the Civil Rights Day Project we worked. We are building a data-base of Widows and Widowers, and other in need in the Bellbrook Sugarcreek Area. Lion Gregg Sparks is currently chairing project until long-term project lead is identified - if interested, contact Lion Gregg.

We are looking to do Spring Cleanup and other needed projects with Lions as the coordinator of Lions and OTHER volunteers.

Lion Tad Barnes

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

AND BLOOD

DRIVE RESULTS



The Pancake Breakfast was very successful. Approximately \$1,400 net this year.

The Blood Drive was also very successful. It was our best one to date with 35 units.

Lion Tad Barnes

ANNUAL LIONESS

GARAGE SALE

Was very successful. This years take was approx. \$2,000. *Lion Tad Barnes*

ISSUES NIGHT

On 1 April, we had personnel from Bellbrook and Sugarcreek Fire Departments and the Parks District come to speak on issues on the ballet. We had 17 Lions in attendance, and no one from the community. The Sugarcreek School District did not attend.

Lion Tad Barnes

DONATIONS:

BELLBROOK FIRE DEPARTMENT:

\$600 or \$800 for a High-End Nikon camera, 200mm lens and carrying case used for evidence documentation:

BELLBROOK POLICE:

\$500 for a 26" flat screen TV with built-in DVD player to be used in the dispatch office - NOTE: this is used for their duties, not breaks and such.

SUGARCREEK FIRE DEPT:

\$600 of \$655 for a set of multi-hook fire fighting tools to get into ceilings, attics, walls, etc.

SUGARCREEK POLICE:

\$250 for sponsorship of the Drug Awareness Program.

OTHER DONATIONS

\$250 to the 2009 attendee to Logan Smith to attend the Hugh O'Brien Youth Fellowship Summer Conference

\$2,000 to sponsoring a KAMP Dovetail lunch meal on Wed., June 24th. In addition, we will help serve it.



THOUGHTS & PRAYERS



CALLS & CARDS ARE APPRECIATED FOR:

Lion Doc & Gerry Wright
 Lion Roy & Marilyn Hensley
 Lion Willard Wilson
 Lion Norm & Judy Clay
 Lion Andy and Maria Asaro
 Mrs. Jean Bohman (Lion Ken's Wife)
 Lioness Marcie Brawner
 Ms. Freda Macy (Lion Bob's Wife)
 Lioness Velma Roney
 Lion John Dorn
 Lion Bob Havard

CONDOLENCES:

Lion Steve & Lion/Lioness Dodi Morgan:
 Death of Lion Steve's Mother
 Lion Jerry & Evelyn Wannemacher:
 Death of Lion Jerry's Mother
 Lion Tad Barnes:
 Death of Lion Tad's Step-Dad
 To the family of PDG Lion Gene
 Pummell of the Jamestown Lions Club

Lion Ernie Josche

PARTING THOUGHTS:

Fascinating Facts About Presidents

I found this interesting, I hope you do too.

Record Setters

Tallest: Abraham Lincoln - 6 ft 4 in
 Shortest: James Madison - 5 ft 4 in
 Heaviest: William Howard Taft - over 300 lbs
 Biggest Feet: Warren G. Harding - Size 14
 Youngest Elected: John F. Kennedy - 43
 Youngest to take office: Teddy Roosevelt - 42
 Oldest Elected: Ronald Reagan - 69
 Longest-Lived: Gerald Ford - 93 yrs, 166 days
 Longest time in office: F.D. Roosevelt - 12 yrs
 Shortest time in office: Wm H Harrison - 32 days
 First President Born a U.S. Citizen: Martin Van Buren
 Born West of the Mississippi: Herbert Hoover - Iowa
 Born in a Log Cabin: Andrew Jackson

Born in a Hospital: Jimmy Carter
 Bearded: Abraham Lincoln
 A Bearded Democrat: None
 Assassinated: Abraham Lincoln
 Impeached: Andrew Johnson
 A Boomer: Bill Clinton
 1st President to Die in Office: Wm Henry Harrison
 Attend Baseball Game: Benjamin Harrison
 Spoke on Radio: Warren G. Harding
 Appeared on Television: Franklin D. Roosevelt
 Establish a National Park: Ulysses S. Grant -
 Yellowstone
 Presided Over 50 States: Dwight D. Eisenhower
 Appointed a Woman to His Cabinet: Franklin D.
 Roosevelt (Frances Perkins)
 Appointed an African-American to His Cabinet:
 Lyndon B. Johnson (Robert C. Weaver)
 First African-American President: Barack Obama

Only President Who

Didn't Live in Washington: George Washington
 Was Defeated by His Vice President: John Adams
 (Thomas Jefferson)
 Founded a University: Thomas Jefferson (University
 of Virginia)
 Could Write with Both Hands at the Same Time in
 Two Different Languages: James Garfield
 Hanged People: Grover Cleveland (as County Sheriff)
 Serve Two Non-Consecutive Terms: Grover Cleveland
 Later Served as Supreme Court Justice: William
 Howard Taft
 Was Sworn in by His Father: Calvin Coolidge
 Resigned: Richard Nixon
 Served as Both President & Vice President without
 being elected to either office: Gerald Ford
 Earned a Ph.D.: Woodrow Wilson
 Earned an MBA: George W. Bush

Family Matters

Only Child: None
 Raised with Half-Siblings Only: Franklin D. Roosevelt,
 Gerald Ford & Bill Clinton
 Bachelor: James Buchanan
 Got Married While President: Grover Cleveland &
 Woodrow Wilson
 Divorced: Ronald Reagan
 Fathered the Most Children: John Tyler (15)
 Fathered Another President: John Adams, George
 H.W. Bush & John Quincy Adams
 Grandfather of Another President: William Henry
 Harrison (Benjamin Harrison)
 Father-In-Law to Confederate President: Zachary
 Taylor (Jefferson Davis)

LIONS CALENDARS

APRIL 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Issues Meeting 8:00 PM	2	3	4 Fish Fry
5	6	7	8 Festival Meeting 8:00 PM	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Charter Night Dinner Meeting 6:30 PM	16	17	18 Sugar Maple Festival
19 Sugar Maple Festival	20	21	22	23 Scholarship Committee 6:30 PM	24	25 Neighbors Helping Neighbors
26	27	28 Board Meeting: 8:00 PM Lingo Deadline	29	30		

MAY 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6 Guest Meeting Surprise Guest 8:00 PM	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Festival Meeting 8:00 PM	14	15	16 Adopt-A- Highway Cleanup
17	18	19	20 Regular Meeting 8:00 PM	21	22	23
24 31	25	26 Board Meeting: 8:00 PM Lingo Deadline	27	28	29	30