



## BELLBROOK LIONS

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**JUNE 2017 ISSUE**

### ***PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE--***

It is with sadness that we report the passing of another Bellbrook Lions member. Lion Benny Ulmer passed away on May 27th at Kettering Hospital. He was a decorated Vietnam War veteran, a Mason and a dedicated Boy Scout leader.

He also was a Lion who donated many hours behind the scenes, drawing and constructing the first "Welcome to Bellbrook" wagon wheel signs, helping with Festival set-up, manning the sausage trailer, and many other projects. He was Lion President, and he served on several committees. Many of you remember seeing him right after Thanksgiving each year when he came to deliver your Boy Scout Christmas wreath.

We will miss Lion Benny and send our condolences to his family.

Dues are due in June. Please come to a meeting and take care of this, or you may send your \$75 dues to Lion Treasurer Allan Huffman. Please pay on time so that the Club may count your membership when paying national dues.

We are continuing to plan for the August Festival, and the next Festival meeting will be next Wednesday, June 14h, at 7:30 PM. We have much to plan to make this year's Festival a very successful one.

Since this is my last article as President, I want to thank everyone for your support this year. Your encouragement during a difficult time has been much appreciated. The Lions family is one that provides social interaction while serving the community. Our Club has an outstanding reputation locally and it is due to the friendliness and willingness of our members to help when needed. I wish Lion Tim much success as your new President. He has been very helpful in filling in as secretary and president (and providing all the snacks). Please give him your support and attendance.

Again, thank you, and I appreciate every one of you.

Thank you for all you do for the Bellbrook Lions Club. Come to a meeting and join in our fellowship as WE SERVE.

In Lionism,

President Linda

## **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DINNER—JUNE 21!!!!**

### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES/EVENTS for June----**

**JUNE 7—Regular Meeting at 7:30 pm**

**JUNE 14 —Regular Meeting (re-scheduled) and Festival Meeting at 7:30 pm**

**JUNE 21—INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DINNER—6:00 PM**

**June 23—Lions Serving Lunch at Kamp Dovetail (be there BY 10:30 am)**

**JUNE 27—Board Meeting at 7:30 PM**

**FYI--**When making a reservation/reservations for a club dinner meeting, please keep in mind that you are responsible for the cost of the meal. The club must pay for all meals ordered and will pay regardless whether you attend or not. If you make a reservation and later realize that you cannot attend, PLEASE cancel your reservation ASAP so you won't have to be held accountable for the meal charges.

**THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS –**

- **Mary Penewit, Dogwood Forest of Dunwoody—Rm. 202, 7400 Peachtree-Dunwoody Rd. NE, Atlanta, GA 30328**
- **Debbie Gross, daughter of Lioness Sandy Edwards**
- **Lion Ed Case**
- **Steve Morgan**
- **Family of Honorary Lion Donnie White**
- **Karl Ralston**
- **Lori Sparks**
- **Family of Lion Larry D Johnson**
- **Family of Lion George Simmons**
- **Kathy Bennett and family**
- **Family of Lion Ben Ulmer**

## Bellbrook Lions Club is GROWING, be Part of It

If you didn't realize it, the Bellbrook Lions Club is growing and changing based on several new ideas taking hold and long range efforts finally working. Many years ago, The Club established the Bellbrook Lions Club Foundation under a 501(c)3 tax status as a charity and put into place several efforts to generate revenues that are allowed under that status. Those actions are starting to pay off to allow The Club to make a bigger impact within the community and generate new and renewed interest in The Club. These projects will be much larger in scale than what we have tackled in the past, but will have provide a lasting legacy to community improvement and The Club's impact on the community. Additionally, with several fresh ideas and the tenacity of Lion John Dorn our annual Festival is about to change significantly. These changes are for the good of The Club and more impact on our community. Based on the success of the Sugar Maple Festival introducing two nights of a Beer Garden to the annual spring festival, The Club is very close to making the same thing happen for our festival. While doing the planning, we have found several advantages of rearranging the layout of the festival to provide a better flow of the crowd and add new life to this annual event. We have two goals in making this changes, improve revenue and increase membership, that is where you can make your contribution.

First, help in making these changes successful with your participation. Throughout the summer we will be conducting several "work parties" to get the festival grounds ready for electric and basic infrastructure. Second, and way more important, invite someone you know in the community to come help. Help can be in two ways. Help for the "work parties" and also when conducting the festival. With the changes proposed, we will have need for help in a variety of capacities and all will be beneficial to making this year's festival a success. E-mails will go out soon announcing times and places for "work parties" and what we plan to accomplish which includes clean-up and improvement of the old fenced area, electrical infrastructure and new festival layout.

–Lion Gregg Sparks

## FLASH!! NEWS ABOUT FESTIVAL TICKET SALES OPPORTUNITIES

Listed below are the times open for Lions members to sell raffle tickets for this year's Festival:

June 7—Fresh Tyme	June 9-10—Dot's Market Kettering
June 21—Fresh Tyme	June 23-24—Dot's Market Bellbrook
June 30—Open	July 4—Americana Festival in Centerville
July 5—Fresh Tyme	July 14-15—Dot's Market Kettering
July 19—Fresh Tyme	July 21-22—Dot's Market Bellbrook
July 28-29 Dot's Kettering	Aug. 2—Fresh Tyme
Aug. 9—Fresh Tyme	Aug. 11-12—Dot's Market Bellbrook

Only one person can sell at each location (except for the Americana Festival). Pick the date you wish to sell and you must get on the schedule by calling Jack Moore at 937/848-2566 or 937/654-9266, or Bill Wharton at 937/848-4693 or 937/708-0374.

### THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY

"Our greatest fear should not be of failure, but of succeeding at something that doesn't really matter." --D. L. Moody

"The only place where success comes before failure is in the dictionary."  
--Vidal Sassoon

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the water to create many ripples." --Mother Teresa

"A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his hands are empty." --Unknown

“Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful.” – Albert Schweitzer

**IT'S GREAT TO BE A LION!**