

DECEMBER 2019 / JANUARY 2020

LIONS: IN FOCUS

Monthly Newsletter of the Massillon Lions Club



KING LION'S CORNER

This time of year brings to mind gratitude and giving. As Lions we are closing out 2019 with our first successful quarter auction fundraiser in the books, and the annual show just around the corner. We have sponsored two Salvation Army families for Christmas and will ring the bell on December 6th. We have supported two worthy local organizations, Whispering Grace Horses and Light After Loss. Thank you, fellow Lions, for all of your hard work so far this year on our vision screenings, volunteering at the Lincoln and Make a Difference Day, and for your donations and service as part of the quarter auction. We still have a lot of work to do, including generating sponsors, securing ads, selling tickets, and putting on a show. Great work, Lions! Wishing you and your families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

SUPPORT OUR LINCOLN THEATRE

Saturday, Dec. 7th @ 7:00 p.m.
2nd Annual Christmas Extravaganza!
at the Lincoln (featuring the Lions
Christmas Chorus!)

Sunday, Dec. 8th @ 7:00 p.m.
Movie: It's a Wonderful Life –
Sponsored by Massillon Lions Club

Thursday, December 12th @ 7:00 p.m.
A Christmas Carol – Presented by The
Luminescent Moon Theatre Company

Saturday, December 14th at 7:00 p.m.
Movie: How the Grinch Stole
Christmas

Sunday, Dec. 15th @ 3:00 p.m.
The World Famous Glenn Miller
Orchestra – In the Christmas Mood

Sunday, Dec. 22nd @ 7:00 p.m.
Movie: The Polar Express

THEATRE BOARD MEETINGS:

Lions are welcome to attend Lincoln
Theatre Board meetings, which are
held on the second Monday of the
month upstairs in the meeting room:

Monday, Dec. 9th @ 6:00 p.m.

Monday, January 13th @ 6:00 p.m.

UPCOMING LIONS CLUB MEETINGS

Tuesday, Dec. 3rd @ 6:15 p.m.
Program: Tom Phillips, Stark Fresh
Meal: Beef tips, noodles, succotash, gelatin

Tuesday, December 10th @ 6:15 p.m.
Zone 9 Meeting / Last meeting of 2019!
Meal: Turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes,
glazed carrots, apple sauce

Wednesday, December 11th @ 6:00 p.m.
Lions Club Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 7th @ 6:00 p.m.
Program: Glenn and Nancy Dumoulin's
River Cruise
Meal: TBA
*Bring in your unwanted Christmas gifts for
the Lions Club mini auction on 1/15!

Wednesday, January 8th @ 6:00 p.m.
Lions Club Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 14th @ 6:00 p.m.
Program: Mini Quarter Auction
Meal: TBA

Tuesday, Jan. 21st @ 6:00 p.m.
Business Meeting
Meal: TBA

Tuesday, Jan. 28th @ 6:00 p.m.
Program: Stephanie Thompson, Quota Club
of Massillon
Meal: TBA



ANNUAL SHOW REHEARSALS

Show practices will start up after the new year on Sunday, January 5th at 1:30 p.m. and after Lions Club meetings. We will start Tuesday night meetings at 6:00 p.m. starting January 7th.

DIABETES CORNER

This year as we try to be mindful of our meals and how they may be affecting blood sugar levels, we may also want to pay attention to the amount of salt we are consuming at holiday and everyday meals. People with diabetes are also at risk for heart diseases, and salt can contribute to high blood pressure. An article in *Diabetes Forecast* recommends leaving out the salt and using any of the following flavor enhancers:

- 1) **Spices:** salt-free chili powder, curry powder, or garam masala
- 2) **Citrus:** add a spritz of citrus juice or zest

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

We will be ringing the bell and collecting at the kettle on Friday, December 6th at the Massillon Buehler's from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. We still have shifts available so please sign up to help out!



- 3) **Garlic:** add sautéed garlic or a sprinkle of garlic powder
- 4) **Grill rubs:** pat meat dry before grilling and sprinkle with a salt-free rub with equal parts garlic powder, onion powder, paprika, and pepper
- 5) **Herbs:** oregano, rosemary, and cilantro make excellent additions to vegetables and salads

When you make these subtle changes your tastebuds will adjust to less salt!

MAD LIBS: A LIONS STORY!

The following story was created by the Massillon Lions Club and guests at the November 12, 2019 Fish Fry. The words appearing in all caps and bold were provided by the club when prompted for specific parts of speech or items like "animals," "articles of clothing," or "occupations."

It was a dark and **HAIRY** Tuesday evening as the Massillon Lions Club gathered for their annual Fish Fry dinner. All of the Lions escorted their spouses and special friends into the meeting room and the evening's guests were very attractive in their finest **SHIRTS**.

King Lion Maureen welcomed everyone in a **BRILLIANT** voice and waived her **ARMS**. The evening's meal included a delectable selection of pot luck favorite's including a casserole made of **ELEPHANT** and a pie made of **BEAUTIFUL SQUID**.

The evening's program featured a guest speaker who is a **LAWYER** by day, and a **DOCTOR** at night. He spoke about his extensive collection of **SLIMY MAILBOXES** he keeps in his **BATHROOM**.

After the program Lion **GEORGE** suggested a new fundraiser for the club. We could sell **DEER** that are crafted from artisans from **AFRICA**. We would charge **\$10** and use the money to purchase **NUNS** for the theatre.

Then Lion **MIKE** demanded that we change the theme of this year's annual show. Instead of a block party theme, we should have a show about **PRETTY PENCILS**. The music would be inspired by **THE SOPRANOS** and feature dancers wearing **SPEEDOS**.

Then Tail Twister Tom yelled out "**UGH!**" and exclaimed that whoever has stolen his **TICKET** should return it or be fined **362** dollars.

Lion George came up to the podium to entertain the club with a joke featuring a priest, a blonde and a **COW**. The punchline involved **SINGING** and Lion **FRANK E.** laughed so hard that we needed to mop the floor when **CHAMPAGNE** was spilled all over the floor.

At the end of the meeting, King Lion Maureen thanked everyone for a great meeting and asked members of the Christmas Chorus to sing us "**GRANDMA GOT RUN OVER BY A REINDEER**" and they sang **LIGHTLY**, to a standing ovation.

The End!

Happy Birthday

Let's celebrate with the following Massillon Lions who are celebrating birthdays soon:

January 13: **William Kraft**

January 14: **Marlin Durr**

January 15: **Courtney Serban**

