

Lakeville Lions August 2011 President's Newsletter

Fellow Lions, I presided over my first general meeting as President of the Lakeville Lions on Monday, July 11th, 2011. After deep thought, I have come to the conclusion that my previous job assignment as Vice President was a pretty good job. As all other new presidents, the first meeting you have to walk through the trial of fire. The first spark that started the fire was being fined numerous times for not addressing fellow members using the title of "Lion" first. The full blown blaze started when the bell and gavel suddenly vanished right in front of me and of course I was also fined for not keeping close tabs on these items. I would like to let you know I am a little older and wiser and I will be on guard to prevent any of the above occurrences from happening again.

I have set four goals for our club.

1. To increase membership
2. To look for options for increasing revenue
3. To have all members be prepared to participate in our fund raising and service events, and for all members to strive to be at every meeting
4. To have fun as we participate in the events we plan

It is of the utmost importance for those who have held a position on a committee to take the time to train the person replacing them. For our success as a Lions Club, well-trained committee members are a must.

We have many challenges ahead of us this year and decreasing revenue is at the top of the list. We need to think outside of the box to find ways to increase revenue so we can continue to support the work of our charitable giving.

I feel very fortunate to have been surrounded by many hard working and experienced officers to help guide me in my term as President of the Lakeville Lions. I am also very proud to be a member of the largest service organization in the world. I look forward to the days ahead as President of the Lakeville Lions working with you and for you to continue our success as a Lions Club.

God Bless
Lion President John Buehler

Alone we can do so little. Together, we can do so much. – Helen Keller