

# AMPLIFIER

LIONS CLUB OF RICHMOND, INC • "WE SERVE" • 85<sup>th</sup> YEAR (Chartered October 5, 1924)  
Meets Every Wednesday Noon - MCL Cafeteria - 3801 East Main Street, Richmond IN

## OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mark Harris, President  
Idris Smith, Sec  
Don Sanford, Treasurer

Malynda Clevenger – 1<sup>st</sup> V. Pres.  
Mindy Reece – Lion Tamer  
Jerry Mielke-- Tail Twister

Howard Crist- 2<sup>nd</sup> V. Pres  
Becky House-- Asst. LionTamer  
Rollie North-- Asst. Tail Twister

Judy Harris 3<sup>rd</sup> V. Pres.

Ronald H. Smith Director 2008-2010 • Chad Harris Director 2009-2011  
• All Runkle Director 2009-2011

Robert Robbins-- Membership Chairman; ex-officio—Andy Smittkamp PDG Jack Buckland, Honorary Director

### "Where to Make Up The Meeting You Missed"

Centerville • 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays 6:30 Pm • Senior Center  
Economy • 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 6:30 pm • Lions Building  
Hagerstown • 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 6:30 • McCulough Community Center  
New Castle • Every Thursday 6:00 • Addison House 2244 Q Ave.

Connersville •Every Tuesday Noon • Willows 522 Central Ave.  
Fountain City • 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday 7:30 • Lions Den 600 W. Main  
Liberty • 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday • Southview Courts 615 W. High St.  
Williamsburg • 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. 7:30 • Lions Den

May 26, 2010

The Lions year is fast coming to a close. Even though income from our money making projects has been a little less this year, Lions have continued to make an impact internationally, nationally and right here at home. The Finance committee held its annual meeting on Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> with PDG Buckland leading the process. Again, it is anticipated income may even be less next year, therefore, the following adjustments were made to live within our budget:

- Reducing Amplifier cost by continuing to send the Amplifier via e-mail to the extent possible. If you have an e-mail address and can receive the Amplifier electronically, please provide your e-mail address to your Secretary by shooting an e-mail to me at [Idrisbond@aol.com](mailto:Idrisbond@aol.com) Reducing the Amplifier editor reimbursement to \$25.00 per month since the electronic format does not involve as much time expenditure as the prior snail mail mailing. This also will reduce postage required.
- Combining the School Eye Glass program and the contribution to Prevent Blindness Indiana. Money not expended locally through utilization of the Sight for Kids vouchers through Prevent Blindness Indiana will be contributed to Prevent Blindness Indiana
- Reducing contributions to Indiana Lions State Projects to \$500.00 per project
- Reducing costs expended on awards by "recycling" attendance tabs. Lions who have tabs that they no longer wear and are not a part of a collection, can contribute these to the re-cycling project by giving to the Club Secretary.
- Re-imbusement for the 2010 Lions International Convention dropped for one year only as Lions PDG Buckland and Sanford will take care of their own expenses.

The following Philanthropic donations were dropped:

- Wayne County 4-H Youth as this was not specified in the current contract for the use of Raper Center
- Salvation Army—Lions make a nice contribution with the Christmas Coal Bucket Project

The following Philanthropic donations were left unchanged:

- Safety Village per contract

Administrative funding has taken a hit from the drop in membership. For the year 2010-2011, there have been four deceased members as well as two members dropped for non attendance and no payment of dues. This results in a \$600.00 decrease in administrative funds. To date there are prospects for three new members as a result of the Membership Meeting developed by Lion Bob Robbins on May 5. As always, if you have a friend or acquaintance that could benefit from membership in the Richmond Lions Club, give them a call and invite them to attend a meeting. **A continued focus on membership is essential for survival.** Any questions regarding the budget may be addressed to any of the committee members. See the Roster for the names of those Lions on the committee. The following Lions participated in the budget development meeting: Lions PDG Buckland, Malynda Clevenger, Marc Clevenger, H. Crist, Sanford, I. Smith and R. Smith. New fund raising projects are badly needed to maintain the level of funding which has existed over the years. If you have a suggestion, please communicate this to any Board Member. Board members are listed on the front of the roster. **Speaking of the Roster**, it will soon be time to print Rosters for the 2010-2011 Lions year. **IF YOU HAVE CHANGES IN ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, or BUSINESS AFFILIATION and have an e-mail address by which you can receive the Amplifier and other communication, please let the Secretary know as soon as possible by either e-mail at [Idrisbond@aol.com](mailto:Idrisbond@aol.com) or telephone at 765-847-5401.** An updated Roster is the key to timely and effective communication.

**Upcoming events:** Lion Andy Smittkamp is organizing a "**Night at the Ball Park**" with the River Rats on Tuesday, June 15. Cost for a meal before the game and the game is estimated to be less than \$13.00 per person Lion Andy will have sign up sheets at Club for the next few weeks. **Wednesday, June 23**, annual awards day, and induction of officers for the 2010-2011 year, **Wednesday June 30**, Lions will again serve the Richmond Soup Kitchen. Donations of **time** to set-up, prepare, serve, clean up and **money** to purchase

needed food items is always appreciated. **Change in June Board Meeting time**—The June Board Meeting will be on **Tuesday, June 1** due to the Memorial Day Holiday. Have a great time with family and friends and don't forget to remember and give thanks for those who have died serving our great country as well as those living who have served and are currently serving in far away places so that we can continue to enjoy the freedom of the United States.

**Lions Update:** Lions Mark and Judy Harris are the proud grandparents of their 7<sup>th</sup> grandchild; Lion Phil Foughty continues to battle health issues as does Lion Bob Whipple.

Lion Judy Harris has planned the following programs for June:

Tuesday, June 1	Monthly Board Meeting at MCL at Noon
Wednesday June 2	Monthly Business Meeting—Induction of New Members
Wednesday, June 9	Lion Don Bates—Experiences from his recent Senate campaign
Wednesday, June 16	TBA—Watch the web site for updates
Wednesday, June 23	Annual Awards and Installation of 2010-2011 Officers
Wednesday June 30	Cynthia Warren Director of Personal Services— Independent Living Center Serving Richmond Community Soup Kitchen