# **E-AMPLIFIER**

#### The Official Newsletter of Richmond IN Lions Club

#### Upcoming Events

Wednesday, July 7th: Monthly Board of Directors/Business Meeting, 12 noon Golden Corral; Saturday, July 10th: District 25 F Organizational Day/Officer Training, 9 am, Camp Woodsmoke Wednesday, July 21st: 3rd Wed. Meeting, Tim Thurston - SAWS, 12 noon, Golden Corral;

**Saturday, July 31st:** Jeff Locke Banner Night, 204 No. 10th Street, 5 pm.

Mark you calendars now for these additional special events during the year:

August 18th: Steak fry at the home of Lion Jack Buckland. Lion President Reeves will provide the steaks. Guests are invited. This would be a good time to invite a prospective new member. Reservations will be due by August 11th.

**November 19th (Friday):** Willie and Red's Smorgasbord in Hagerstown. Again, guests are invited. Additional information closer to the date.

## Looking Ahead A Year

Lion J. Edsel Reeves held the 2021/2022 organizational/ budget meeting at his home on Wednesday, June 23rd. In addition to developing a budget to present to the Board at the July Board Meeting, the group discussed the following:

- Include at least 3 evening social events during the year;
- Focus on membership—the goal is for each member to invite one person to visit and join our Club;
- Continue with plans for the annual fruit sale in December;
- Evaluate the golf outing for next year;
- Designate all members attending Board Meetings/ Business meetings to be "honorary board members" with voting privileges. More about this later in the Amplifier;
- Reviewed current committees, with suggestion to delete the following: InConcert, Leader Dog, Community needs and special projects;
- Add the following committee: Park maintenance—this would include the Lions Park on Ridge Street and the Rose Garden plot at Glen Miller Park;
- At least three Lions will work the gates at the Indiana State Fair;
- · Review the Club's website and update as needed;
- Increase the use of FB as a recruiting tool for new members;
- Discussed the impending increase in dues by Lion International. No action needed this year, but will have to evaluate for 2022/2023.



Have a safe and enjoyable Independence Day Holiday

#### **Banner Night**

DG Jeff Locke's Banner Night is scheduled for Saturday, July 31st at the former Knight's of Columbus Building, 204 N. 10th Street. A highlight of the evening will be a silent auction with proceeds going to Special Olympics. If you have an item you might want to donate to the auction, notify Lion Idris. Reservations due by July 21s. Reservation form included with this newsletter.

#### **Program Chairs** Needed

Program chairs are still needed for several months. The sign up sheet will be available at the July meetings. Consider being responsible for ONE meeting during the upcoming year.



If you're not making someone else's life better, then you're wasting your time. Your life will become better by making other lives better.



## Lions at Work

Lions Robert Moore, Idris Smith, Jill Moore, Don Duke, Jack Buckland and Dick Lehman completed building the third ramp on May 29th. We are getting better and better at building the ramps. If you'd like to join our team, notify Lion Idris.

## **Honorary Board**

Since Board meetings are no longer a separate meeting, and the fact that there are only a few Lions attending, the Board Meetings who are not Board Members, it was suggested that all Lions attending the monthly Board Business Meeting be considered "Honorary Board Members" with the privilege of voting on all motions. This will enable all Lions who are attending meetings to have an active role in Club decisions. This will be further discussed at the July Board meeting.

#### **Fund Raising**

One of the reasons for voting to not participate in InConcert this year, is the fact that the majority of the current sponsorships were Lions. Ticket sales also resulted from Lions purchasing blocks of tickets to give to individuals. In view of this, if you were an InConcert Sponsor, would you consider making a contribution to the Club in the amount of the sponsorship. One hundred percent of this money will go into the Club's treasury and can be used where the need is greatest.