



# Carmel Lions Club March 2010 Newsletter

## Spring Planning

### Your 2008-2009 Board of Directors:

President	Alice Gossett	Tail Twister	Jason Randlett
1st Vice President	Jim Colter	Lion Tamer	Hank Lowenkron
2nd Vice President	Jeff Boller	1 Yr Director	Jane Flower
3rd Vice President	Nick Gonzales		Jim Thompson
Secretary	Bob Craigmyle	2 Yr Director	Rick Dossey
Treasurer	Carl Kinker		Woody Hurst
Membership Chair	Tom Lorson	Past President	Mark Anderson

### President's Message:

Even though the weather doesn't feel like it, it's time to start our spring planning. In March, the Nominating Committee, chaired by Lion David DeVilbiss, provided a list of Lions who are willing to be officers and hold positions on the Board for the 2010-11 Lions' year. This is not an easy task. We have many new members that we would like to be involved; we appreciate their new ideas and enthusiasm but also think that the board needs long-term members for their knowledge and guidance. The committee has worked hard to provide a slate that is a good combination of both. They are listed later in this newsletter, so please look it over. Lion David will formally present it at the March 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.



Lion Jim Colter would appreciate hearing from those willing to chair or serve on committees this next year. It's a great way to get involved, help & learn. Please give Jim a call at 846-0280, so that he can complete his 2010-11 roster.

Two spring fundraisers are coming up: the Rummage Sale on April 10<sup>th</sup>, chaired by Lion Jane Flower & the Spring Pancake Breakfast on April 17<sup>th</sup>, chaired by Lion Tom Lorson. There will be sign-up sheets at the next meeting for both of these events, so please check your calendars for those dates, as we can't be successful without your help!!

While we are still cooped up inside, it would be a great opportunity to clean out our closets, drawers and all those places that we store things that we don't use anymore.

Lion Jane Flower would love to get rid of those items for you. I am happy to announce that this year the proceeds from the rummage sale will provide a scholarship for a student from the Indiana School for the Deaf.

The Haiti collections were a success, as we collected about \$200. Please keep Lion Dave Van Horn in your prayers as he struggles to get well.

Thank you so much for all you have done to help our club, others and me this year! We are a great team and I am so proud of all of you!!  
Lion Alice

## **OFFICIAL NOTICE:**

The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate of officers for Lions' Year 2010-11:

**President – Jim Colter**  
**1st Vice President – Jeff Boller**  
**2nd Vice President – Nick Gonzales**  
**3rd Vice President – Norwin Hall**  
**Secretary – Bob Craigmyle**  
**Treasurer – Carl Kinker**  
**Tail Twister – PCC Lee Flower**  
**Lion Tamer – Dwight Gossett**  
**2 yr Director (1st year) – Ron Bussell**  
**2 yr Director (1st year) – David McPherson**  
**Membership Director, Chairperson – Tom Lorson**  
**Membership Committee, Vice Chairperson (2yr term) – Bill Ryan**  
**Membership Committee Member (3yr term) – Hillary Hushower**

At the March 23rd meeting, nominations will also be taken from the floor and then the nominations will be closed.

At the April 13th club meeting we will vote by ballot, if necessary, to elect the nominated slate of officers. No nominations from the floor will be accepted at the meeting on April 13th.

All Lion's Year 2010-2011 elected officers will be installed at the last club meeting of the 2009-2010 Lions year on June 22, 2010.

Club officers not subject to election are: 2 yr Directors (2nd Year) – Woody Hurst & Rick Dossey and Immediate Past President – Alice Gossett

Respectfully submitted,

The Nominating Committee  
Lion David DeVilbiss –Chairman  
Lion Alice Gossett – Secretary  
VDG Mark Anderson  
Lion Tom Lorson

## REVIEW OF FEBRUARY:

❖ **February 9<sup>th</sup> Spouses Night-“Valentine’s Day”**  
Meeting was cancelled because of bad weather.

❖ **February 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting:**

Carmel Clay Schools Superintendent, Dr. Jeff Swensson, gave a presentation on the reasons why the School Board will have a tax increase referendum on the ballot during the May Primary Election. He answered several questions and explained the budget cuts.

## MARCH MEETINGS:

**March 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting:**

**KP’S Otto Reifeis\*, David DeVilbiss, Jim Courts**

**Program: Jill Hoffmann**

Jill grew up in Wisconsin where she was formally trained as an aquatic biologist. However, her unique public management and outreach skills equip her to engage and empower citizen groups and government officials toward larger, shared environmental or community goals, well beyond water quality science. She has twelve years of experience in environmental planning, natural resource assessment, and public involvement. Jill has both program management and project management experience spanning a wide variety of Mid-western landscapes. She is an experienced ecologist skilled in water quality assessment, storm water management, and numerous non-point source pollution prevention strategies. Jill is also well-versed in public involvement and local/state/federal resource coordination strategies including all required NEPA evaluations and responsibilities. As the principal owner of Empower Results, she started the company hoping to fill the critical niche of affective environmental communication and community awareness.



**MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup> MEETING:**

**KP’S Phyllis Banton\*, Billie Elkins, Larry Woodling**

**Programs: Police Chief Mike Fogarty**

Mike Fogarty is a native of Indianapolis. After graduation from Cathedral High School, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

In 1968, Mike began his career as a police officer with the Indianapolis Police Department. He served as a district patrol officer until being promoted to field sergeant. In April 1975, Fogarty was reassigned from the street duty to become the Departments' Public Information Officer.

Then in January 1976, he was reassigned as the Administrative Assistant to the Chief of Police for five years, until appointed Deputy Chief of Administration in February 1981. He served in that role for over eleven years, when he was reassigned as the commander of the IPD Training Academy in January 1992.

In the spring of 1994 Fogarty was reassigned, this time to command the Human Resource Branch, and was appointed Personnel Director for the 1300 sworn and civilian employees of the Police Department. He was again promoted to the rank of Deputy Chief in 1995 and was named Commander of the South District, having law enforcement responsibilities for the southern portion of the city.

Mike retired from IPD in January of 1996, when he was named Chief of Police of the Carmel Police Department, the position he currently holds.

## CARMEL LIONS CLUB MEMBERS NEWS:

### Welcome a New Member:

Kevin Weaver  
Spouse; Beth  
13922 Stonemill Circle  
Carmel, IN 46032  
Phone: 848-4904  
Email: Kevinindy@gmail.com  
Sponsor: Tom Lorson

### March Birthdays

2 – Bill Ryan  
7 – John Axelson  
23 – Chuck Cary  
23 – Andy Schoendienst  
24 – Jane Flower

### ❖ Carmel Lions Food Drive:

As many of you know, the continuing economic situation has put a great strain on many services in our community, especially local food banks.

The Carmel Lions can help. Starting with the March 9 meeting, there will be a donation box for non-perishable food items and cash as you enter the clubhouse through the kitchen. We will hold a monthly food drive on the first meeting of each month. Items and cash collected will then be given to a Carmel-based food bank on a rotating basis.



We Serve. We can help feed those in need. Please consider this project while you are doing your grocery shopping this week.

If you need further information on what is needed specifically, Lions Woody Hurst and Kris Hodel work very closely with two Carmel food pantries and can provide guidance and can also help if you wish to make additional donations.

Tom Lorson

❖ Region I, Zone C Meeting on Thursday, March 11

A Zone meeting will be held March 11, starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Carmel Lions Clubhouse. This meeting includes the clubs from Noblesville, Homeplace, Westfield and Sheridan. District Governor Jack Weist will also be in attendance.

The purpose of the meeting is to learn more about what other clubs are doing and to get to know other Lions--this is an invaluable experience in learning more about Lionism.

If you have never attended a zone, district or state event, I highly recommend your attendance. Dessert will be served. Donations will be accepted to cover the cost.

Please RSVP to [tomlorson@iquest.net](mailto:tomlorson@iquest.net) or (317) 590-5418 by the Tuesday, March 9 meeting.

Tom Lorson, Zone Chairman

❖ Rummage Sale--Saturday April 10:



**RUMMAGE:** Yes, you are tired of hearing me talk about rummage. SO--- How about a \$1000 scholarship for a student at the Indiana School for the Deaf? Yes, that is what we are earning money for. The more rummage we have to sell, the more money we will make for this scholarship.

Bring your calendars to the next meeting so you can sign up to help the week of April 10th. You can start bringing your rummage to any meeting or on the Tuesday before the sale. We will be setting up Tuesday through Thursday with pricing on Friday. The sale starts on Saturday at 8 AM. Remember, anything sells. Jane Flower, Rummage Sale Chairperson

❖ Spring Pancake Breakfast--Saturday April 17:

Spring is in the air and that can only mean one thing: The Carmel Lions Spring Pancake Breakfast is just around the corner.

The breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 17, at the Clubhouse from 7 - 11 a.m. Ticket and flyer packets will be distributed at the March 9 meeting. Members not in attendance at this meeting will receive packets in the mail.



Sign up sheets for workers will be at the March 23 and April 13 meetings. ALL LIONS NEEDED.

Setup will be on Friday, April 16, from 5 - 7 p.m.

The key to a successful breakfast is a successful presale of tickets. A great way to get potential members to view Lions at work is to pay for their tickets and invite them to attend.  
Tom Lorson, Pancake Breakfast Chairperson

❖ Other Dates to Remember: Leadership Skills Workshop—Pennville, March 13  
Eyeglasses Recycling trip March 17  
Diabetes Youth Camp Work Day April 19  
State Convention—South Bend, April 22-25