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Orrville Lions Tale

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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A message from our President

What Am I Thankful For?

During Thanksgiving, reflecting on the Holiday season, I gave it much thought as to what I'm thankful for... thought I would share it with my wonderful Orrville Lions.

Since I have adopted this great country as an immigrant, the first thing on my mind was tell you how much I love America. How, exactly do you say "I love America," without sounding mushy, and you all know what a mushy person I am. And then it hit me!!

I LOVE AMERICA THE MOST WHEN I WAKE UP IN THE MORNING!! I am alive, I am breathing, and I AM FREE. I go where I want, no one questioning me, looking over my shoulder....I have the freedom to take a deep breath and walk in my own chosen direction.

I LOVE AMERICA THE MOST WHEN I AM TALKING!! Everyone knows how I love to talk. Just think, I have the choice of voicing my opinion about politics, religion, business and whatever my heart desires, without fear of being classified as an undesirable or a troublemaker and being punished for it.

I LOVE AMERICA THE MOST WHEN I AM READING!!! I love to read, and when I pick up the newspaper I know the truth is printed the majority of the time, and it is pretty hard to cover up the truth, to try to fool the citizens of this great country. I can buy what I want to read, without question, without reprimand. I have the choice of selection for the printed word, and I would die without that.

I LOVE AMERICA THE MOST WHEN I GO TO BED!!! That secure feeling of the safety of my home, the protection given me by our local law enforcement (way to go Chief Dino and crew!!), is second to none. America is not perfect, yes we have problems, but how wonderful it feels to know that we have the freedom to do something about it. Take a few moments, this holiday season, to think about what this country means to you.

I LOVE AMERICA THE MOST WHEN I PRAY!! America lets me be Catholic, lets me get on my knees and thank God whenever, wherever I choose. I love my children, I love my family, I love my Lion friends, I love my life....last but not least, I LOVE AMERICA! Thank you for allowing me to be one of the most wonderful people in the world - an American. Have a blessed Christmas Season, my Lion friends and thank you for being part of my life!! Lion Rita

2010 Calendar of Events

January 2010

12 Lions Shine and Shirley Zoday– Shreve Lions, Lion Ron Derry, 7:45 AM

26 Matt Miller Salvation Army/Crok Rec Center, 7:45 AM

February 2010

2 New Member Induction 6 PM at the Pines

9 Ron Amstutz, State Representative 7:45 AM

23 Lion Chuck Fleming, Principal of the Opportunity School, 7:45 AM

25 District 13G, Zone Meeting @ Orrville Trinity United Methodist , 6 PM



Orrville Lions Members on the International Website!



How do you like this... our very own Kathi and Gail and Dori's daughter, Tess, on the International website. They walked into the Convention Center in Minneapolis and the photographer grabbed them. Does he have good taste or what? We are so proud of our presence on the website. Our gorgeous girls have made us famous!



Orrville Lions made \$500 selling Christmas greens. Good job Orrville Lions! Thanks Dale for all your hard work!

December Spotlight—

Lion Harvey Esterle



Birthday— December 8
Family and or pets: 1 wife, 4 kids, 10 grandkids, 1 dog in a can on the mantel
Hobbies and interests: Sports, watching anything on TV that has a ball involved. Also, being a private driver for grandkids' after school activities
Education: Degree in Business management/Accounting Ashland College
Favorite Vacation Spot: Hilton Head Island, SC
Reason for joining Orrville Lions: To become more involved in the community we work in.
Favorite color: Green, (as in money)
Favorite Season: Rainy, lots and lots of rain!
Words of wisdom: Plan your work and work your plan
Favorite Musicians: Il Divo, Toby Keith, Jewel, Willie Nelson
Favorite TV show: Cleveland Cavaliers
Favorite food: A big fat juicy steak, baked potato (butter only)
Place you want to visit: Colorado, again. Son & family are there.

Lions International Purpose

- **To Organize**, charter and supervise service clubs to be known as Lions clubs.
- **To Coordinate** the activities and standardize the administration of Lions clubs.
- **To Create** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.
- **To Promote** the principles of good government and good citizenship.
- **To Take** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.
- **To Unite** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.
- **To Provide** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provided, however, that partisan politics and sectarian religion shall not be debated by club members.
- **To Encourage** service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works and private endeavors.



Orrville Area Community Food Drive

Submitted By Gail Steiger

Orrville: Jeff Lorson of the Orrville Firefighters Association addressed the needs of this year's Orrville Area Community Food Drive at the Orrville Lions Club meeting Tuesday, November 24 in the Community Room of the Dunlap Community Hospital. The food drive was established around 1985 to serve

only a couple families in need. By 2000, it was serving 100 families 100 pounds of food plus perishables. In 2007 Stacey Underwood, Director of the Salvation Army, spoke with the Firefighters Association and a new, cooperative effort was born. By combining their efforts, they were able to reach over 150 families. Last year, 307 families received 30,000 pounds of food and \$4,000 of perishable goods. This year, they anticipate the needs to surpass 350

families. With the motto "Hunger Has No Limits" they serve those who request help without judgment. Jeff shared "This will be a difficult year, as some of the people who have donated in the past will be receiving help this year." Area businesses as well as individuals have come together to help. Last year Smith Dairy provided a cooler truck and discounted milk to help make ends meet. Will-Burt donated almost 4,000 pounds of food and many of the employees donated

their company gift of turkeys. Money donations are always welcome and are used to buy perishable items through local businesses. Sav-a-Lot has joined in this year to offer food donation boxes. With 52% of our area school kids on free breakfasts and lunches, the 16 day holiday break means food shortages at home for many.

Orrville Police Department "Shop with a Cop" Program

Submitted By Gail Steiger

Orrville: The Orrville Lions Club was moved to tears by the heartwarming presentation by Josh Hunt of the Orrville Police Department about the "Shop with a Cop" program. Children are selected by teachers and counselors and recommended to the Police Department. These children are then matched one-for-one with a Police Officer and start their morning with breakfast at Bob Evans in Wadsworth with other area participants. Then the parade begins with police/fire vehicles (over 60 participated in 2008), sirens blaring and lights flashing, driving the children up to Wal-Mart. Each child is given a \$100 gift card to spend any way they choose. He shared about their choices often being more necessity items like shoes and socks than toys. They also often choose to buy gifts for family members.

The number of children able to participate depends on the money collected. It costs about \$100 per child. The Police Department is selling raffle tickets for \$1 each or 6 for \$5 to help raise funds. The Orrville Lions Club members bought \$270 worth of tickets on the spot, and the Club also volunteered to sponsor one child in addition to that. Because so many children buy gifts for others, this year the Police Department will have a gift-wrapping session at the end of the program. The Orrville Lions Club volunteered to bring cookies and punch for the wrapping party. This is just another reason why Orrville is a very special place to live, especially around the holidays.

Lions Code of Ethics Part I

- **To Show** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.
- **To Seek** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.
- **To Remember** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.
- **Whenever** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.



Mrs. & Mr. Claus, alias Orrville Lions Kathi and Hobie Bond, have fun greeting customers while ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at Orrville Buehler's on November 30

Vision Statement

To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service

Mission Statement

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, Encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs



Give a little Christmas

Orrville Lions adopted a family of six from the Salvation Army to "give a little Christmas" this year. From left front row Lions Jean Hurley, Ralph Hurley, Hank Troyer, Hobie Bond, Kathi Bond, Dale Hess. From left back row Harvey Esterle, Bob Ballentine, Scott Imhoff, David Schoffman, Garth Schoffman, Karen Gilkison, Stacey Underwood, Margie Skeen, Denise Turchiano

