

**IN THE LION'S DEN**  
"MOVE TO GROW"

**BLED SOE COUNTY LION'S CLUB 9/24/009**

**Dear Members:**

**Our meetings are on the second Monday of each month at Mel's Diner at 12 noon and the fourth Monday at 6 Pm at the SVEC Meeting room. Our members in attendance voted to have four major fund raisers; Spring, Fall, Winter, and Summer each year with ¼ of each event's funds to be given to White Cane. This alleviates having to do a separate fund raiser for this important need. Through these four events yearly, we can substain and build up our finance account to meet our objectives and further support community needs.**

**Financial assistance was given to Rhonda Sills for the boot camp program, this summer on behalf of our local children that are in trouble, based on the decision of our court system locally to not incarcerate, but to rehabilitate them. We also funded the Lion's Quest program which trains teachers to work with children who might otherwise drop out of school.**

**Our club recently received three awards for participation with the American Red Cross and from the juvenile court system for participation in the boot camp program. You have worked hard to make this club proud and made these awards possible.**

**NEWS FLASH!!!! Our club has just received a Melvin Jones Fellowship Patch to be attached to the club banner.**

**At a recent meeting we discussed the possibility of starting a Leo Club at our local High School, with Lion Rhonda Sills helping to sponsor. Your input as members and help in establishing this worthy program would be greatly appreciated.**

**September 26, 2009 the club will be holding it's first annual golf tournament. This will begin at 8 am CST, first tee time. Golfers need to be there by 7 am to set up and get instructions. Cost is \$60.00 per golfer, which includes one round of golf, goody bags and free bottled water. We have great prizes to give to make this event successful for our community endeavors. Prizes for a hole in one on all four par threes: Par 3 hole 16, from East Tennessee Dodge, a new pick up truck; Par 3 hole 3, two tickets for two to anywhere in the Continental United States, Par 3 hole 12, a five day two night cruise for two people, Par 3 hole 5, three clubs, one Ti driver, and choice of fairway woods or hybrid. There will be prizes for the longest drive for both men and women and closest to the pin on all par 3's. These are all very nice prizes.**

**We need all members help to assist in this event and actively gather as many golfers as possible. Call 423-447-7257 or cell 423-309-1197 for more information and to submit your golfers names and phone numbers, no later than September 15, 2009, or mail your money and names of players to: The Bledsoe County Lion's Club, P. O. Box 366, Pikeville, TN, 37367. You can also pick up an application at Sells Building Supply on Main Street and pay your fees to Reed Sells or representative at that time.**

**We currently have 29 members. We are expanding our financial capabilities. Your attendance and input at our meetings are needed and appreciated as community minded and oriented,**

**caring people that you certainly are. Acknowledgments and gratitude go to Tom Farmer, Mary Fontaine and Ruth Burton for their commitment to the eye glass committee. Also, to Clyde Thompson, who has put in much work as Treasurer and recycling of eye glasses and all his previous work done for the eye glass committee. To President John Eason and Secretary Carolyn Eason for all the work accomplished on the golf tournament and current revitalization of our club, thank you again, all.**

**“We must stretch – in our dreams, our plans and our ACTIONS. If we don't, we will perish”. VISION without ACTION is only a dream”. From July/August edition International Magazine, President Eberhard J. Wirfs. On the same note, Proverbs 29:18 reminds us, Where there is no vision, the people perish. Our organization is unique and all of our members are responsible citizens of good character, blessed to live in this beautiful area. Your participation in attendance at our meetings as advisors looking out for future days ahead for betterment of our community are recognized and beneficial to the effectiveness of our Local Lion's Club.**

**Looking ahead, our winter event is set for sometime in February. It was voted in and decided that we should have a chili supper. Your input for this event, entertainment, etc., will help and more information about our winter event is forthcoming.**

**Servant Lion/Editor David Lee Lindemann**

**A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT JOHN: Hi, just a note to let you know we will be doing vision screenings and hearing testings at Give a Child a Chance Day, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm central time. This will be held again as last year at the Community Center Building on the fairgrounds. We hope to have leader dog Norman and Donna to share with the children at that time. Lion Rhonda has requested any donations you might pick up to give to these children going to school who are in need of the following items: pencils, crayons, kindergarten tablets, elementary school writing tablets, erasers and spiral notebooks.**

**We have been asked to participate in the Trunk and Treasure's Day on Main Street, Pikeville on September 19. Carolyn and I will be in Cookeville that day and would like to encourage anyone who will not be going to the Cookeville with us, to call us for more information at 447-7257.**

**Members are needed to join Lion Adele, membership chair, to form a membership committee.**

**Members going to the U SA Canada Forum in Memphis, TN this year, please get your reservations in asap.**

**My thanks to Lion David for his willingness to be News Editor and for putting together such a great newsletter and to each of you for your hard work in serving your community and extending your generosity to others as well.**

**Let's continue our efforts to serve others and to work together as a team. Invite friends to our meetings and ask them to join us in our activities to see how much fun we have while serving.**

**Thank you, Lion John**