



We Serve

The Lions Roar

Stanwood Lions Club

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1. Hello dear friends. If it's Saturday morning and it's pouring down rain you can usually plan on that being a work day at the smokestack. Shamrocks are out and our Easter theme of an Easter egg and bunny rabbit are blazing away. We had our normal robust team and Frank Votry brought visitor Roy Johnson to the affair also.



2. Once again we had a very productive and active meeting this past Wednesday, April 5th. Here are the key points.

Flag Program. Lion Dan Cassidy reported that we are already beginning to receive some revenue from the annual renewals, but

there are over 50 companies in Stanwood that have not signed up. Help from the membership is requested. You can sign up to contact one or several firms, but you need to get the information kit from Dan first. Please call Dan at 387-8107, or send him an e-mail at dcassidy@camano.net if you were not able to sign up for any firms at the meeting. All members enjoy spending the money the Flag Program brings -- here is a personal way to make the program even better!

Stanwood Christmas Lighting Program. Lion Jim Joyce reported on very positive gains being made in this program including a series of offers of assistance from Wave Cable. Lion Ron Zentner reported on the establishment of financial controls for the effort. The Stanwood Lions Club, as an IRS approved 501(c)(3) organization, will provide a dedicated account under our umbrella account system which will be use solely for the Christmas Lighting Program. Individuals who will have controlling access to these funds will include key personnel from our Lions Club, the Rotarians, and other groups playing a leading role in this effort. A motion to approved this structure was made by Lion Ron Zentner, seconded and approved unanimously by the forty-six members in attendance.

Election Preparations. Lion Vice President Paul LaCroix is preparing our slate of officers and project leaders for the coming year and is contacting current and proposed leaders for these positions. If you are contacted by Paul, please remember the Lions motto, "We Serve."

Relay for Life. Lion Oisten Boge began organizing our team with the identification of members, who will help with fund raising, and our other participants who will take part in the team walking schedule. Please mark your calendars for the walk: 3:00 pm Saturday, June 3rd, to 9:00 am Sunday, June 4th.

White Canes Days. Lion Dave Danubio also began preparing shift assignments for this major event. May 5 and 6. As you know this is the only time we go to the public directly asking for funds. I will plan on getting some advertising in the paper also. If you haven't signed up for one or two shifts yet, we will certainly make that opportunity available to you again -- and again.

Weather Radar. You won't find a closer NEXRAD radar than this one. It's right on Camano Island. Thank you Lion Tom Webb.

<http://www.weatherunderground.com/radar/radblast.asp?ID=ATX&type=NOR>

Okay. NEXRAD (Next Generation Radar) See <http://www.wunderground.com/radar/help.asp> for good background information on our weather radar environment.

Eyeglass Collection Boxes. We just received a fresh pack of the "official" eyeglass collection boxes. Three will go immediately to a citizens group that's going to be helping with eyeglass collections on Camano Island, and three more will go on loan down to the Ballard Lions Club. They called me this past week for suggestions on getting their collection program up and running and I want to loan them three boxes for starters. Their next meeting is Friday the 21st of this month for a noon meeting at Ray's Boathouse in Shilshole. If anyone would like to join me, please let me know. I think my wife, Sally, will be joining me for the great food there.

Business Meeting. Don't forget the next business meeting this coming Monday at 8:00 am at the Viking Restaurant. Certainly open to all members. Pay for your breakfast a la carte.

Very best to all.

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