# Along the Lions Trail

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### Upcoming Meeting

The first get-to-gather of the 2021-2022 Lions year will be our annual Steak Fry on Monday, September 13, 2021. Serving begins at 6:30 pm at the Log Cabin at the Mansion House in Centerville.

## Lions Eat Pizza Following Annual Fish Fry

It was the last meeting of the year Monday evening June 14<sup>th</sup> for the Centerville Lions Club following its annual fish fry on Saturday. And pizza from Americana Pizza in Centerville was on the menu... in fact the only item besides soft drinks.

Treasurer Dennis Stephen and Fish Fry co-chair reported a profit of over 13-hundred dollars from the Fish Fry held on Saturday, June 12. He said the club served around 480 meals during the seven-hour drive-thru this year. He added that's comparable to previous fish fry events that were eat-in affairs.

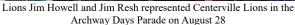


The club will hold its Fish Fry on June 11 next year.

Outgoing president Holly Stiggleman presented two Diamond Centennial awards to Lions Dennis Stephen and Ty Farmer. The awards are part of the Centennial Membership Awards program of Lions International. The president also swore in First Vice President Jeff Jenkins, who was unable to attend Installation of Officers on May 24.

### **Centerville Lions Were Busy This Summer**







Lions Jim Resh and Bob Hobson helped sell tickets at Autumn Oaks September 4

Ty Farmer did a great job getting the float put together for us...big thanks to Holly Stiggleman for donating water and running beside the float handing out 200 bottles of water on the route, and for having a couple of CHS's finest Leo's to join us. Really loved being able to honor our 2 most tenured Lions for their service to our club... Lion Resh (61 years) and Lion Howell (58 years).

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#### Message From President Scott Bevington

We're going to redouble our effort to add to our membership roll. Today, all civic organizations are struggling to hold numbers w/aging memberships. I'm going to encourage our group to do more to market ourselves; trying new things along the way.

As part of this effort, we're going to run a tight ship at meetings. The minutes and financial statement will be published for membership review; instead of read. They will either be provided by email the day before...or copies will be offered for review during the fellowship/dinner time. Programs will be held to 15 minutes, and will start promptly at 7pm. They will be 10-minute programs w/the additional 5 minutes for questions. If there are questions beyond this timeframe, I'll ask they be held until after adjournment. This will offer those in the workforce a better ability to participate without infringing too much on their family time/responsibilities.

The Covid-19 pandemic continues. I made clear to the board that we need to host meetings where everyone is respected. While I hope everyone will strongly consider vaccination, we should wholeheartedly support an individual's right to choose their own path. Whether vaccinated or not, if anyone feels more comfortable masking up, they should be made to feel comfortable doing so.

Our funeral committee, established during Lion Stiggleman's term, was scheduled to meet Sept 1. This meeting has been previously delayed due to illness.

Again this year we participated with the Autumn Oaks event. It's an important fundraiser for us, as it brings in \$1,000.00.

The Steak Fry is September 13, and Marie Elstro is once again leading the way. Members should not forget to bring their own dinnerware, and a guest.

The board discussed the implementation of Saturday morning breakfasts 3X's this year. The membership had not formally voted on the matter, and I suggested the board should. I stated that the board should exercise caution in the matter. Meals provide an ever-dwindling margin, and are a great deal of effort for a small membership. After some discussion, the board unanimously approved the Oct 2 breakfast, and will be evaluated after each event.

#### **Upcoming Events**

September 27, dinner meeting - October 11, dinner meeting October 25, dinner meeting - October 25, dinner meetiing

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