

# MONROE LIONS CLUB

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## ***THE MANE REPORT***

### **AUGUST 2008 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **District 13-H Night at the Dayton Dragons**

We only had 4 tickets ordered for this event, but it should still be a fun time for all that attend. If you are interested but missed the cutoff for getting tickets through the club, you can still call the Dayton Dragons at 937-228-2287 and see if tickets are available.

The ticket contact at the Dayton Dragons is : Andrew Aldenderfer. Tickets are \$12 each.

Hope to see some of you there!!!

#### **Lion Humor**

One day, a lion happened upon another lion, who was busy eating a hunter. 'Where did you get that hunter?' the first lion asked. 'Well, I caught him. You see, the reasoning was simple enough. I could either be stuffed by the hunter now or later. So, I chose now.

#### **Annual DUES!!**

Hopefully, everyone has paid their dues. If not, you will soon be receiving a follow-up notice. We need dues paid as soon as possible so that we will have the funds available for our International and State obligations.

Don't make us submit your name to the Tail Twister collection agency.....:)

#### **Raffle for Canine Companions**

We still have tickets for the annual raffle to benefit the "Lions Project For Canine Companions For Independence". The tickets are \$5 each and the winner will receive a \$2,500 travel certificate from anywhere to anywhere (or you can take \$2,000 cash). The drawing will be held by 9/30/08.

This will be the final announcement for this event.

See Lion Bob if you are interested in purchasing a ticket.

#### **Monroe 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade**

Lions Joe Beatty, Doug Ward, Ed MacDonald, Emile Larcher and Jack Brannan represented the club in the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. It looked like a lot of fun. There are two pictures posted on our web site. Check them out!!!!

**The following Lions have agreed to get programs for the listed months.**

- July - Lion President Joe Beatty installation dinner
- August - Committee assignment meeting

**Lion Birthdays in August**

Lion Carlos Cattani	August 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Lion Ernie Howard	August 18 <sup>th</sup>
Lion Boyd Smith	August 28 <sup>th</sup>
Lion Emile Larcher	August 29 <sup>th</sup>

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

I want to thank all of you for coming to the installation of officers, it is nice to have the support for our incoming officers and we are going to need it. The last time I saw a report from Lions International on club size it was stated that the average club has twenty members. We had twenty one in attendance last night and as I looked around the room I could not help but think what it would be like if we had that many members. Can you imagine what our club could accomplish with that many members? I asked District Governor Nancy and PDG Hugh how other clubs like ours turned their clubs around. Their answer was simple; get your spouses to join. That was the spark that started a new fire in their clubs.

Think about this, we could almost double our membership; bring fresh ideas to the club and new leadership. Most of our wives are already pretty involved now helping us out without the fellowship and pride that comes with membership. I know not every one of our spouses would want to join, maybe none but it is a start to a new future for the club. Think about it and start talking it up to them. If we could get three or four it would start the ball rolling and maybe start other couples to consider becoming Monroe Lions, couples that are not currently members.

If we do anything this year we need to bring in some new members and promote what our club is doing and has done. If we wait our future looks very dim and when you think of what this club has done for Monroe and could do I don't think we can just do nothing. Now is the time, it's now or never....

Please note the following dates for meetings in August:

August 11th, 6:30 p.m. at 401 Lawton Ave. (no meal)  
This will be committee assignments and includes the whole membership. (not being at this meeting could be dangerous.)

August 18th, Board of Directors meeting will be cancelled

August 25th, regular meeting will be cancelled.

September 8th, will be our first regular meeting after our summer break.

Lion Joe Beatty, President