



THE LION SPIRIT



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My Fellow Lions:

I would like to thank you all for giving me the opportunity to serve as President of The Churchville Lions Club. I can assure you that I will not take this position lightly and will "Serve" to the best of my ability. The preliminary budgets are ready for review and approval of the Board and we are ready to kick off another year. In the next several weeks I will be contacting current Committee Chairs to discuss this coming year and will try to find Chairs for Committees that don't have one.

I would like to thank all the Lions who helped with the Camp Abilities Pancake Breakfast last week. Under threat of rain you did what Lions do best, provide service to the community. Special thanks to Lion Allyn Barnard for chairing this event again this year. I would also like to thank Lion Bernie and Lion Mike for continuing as Treasurer and Secretary and for all the help they have been already.

The Country Fair Kickoff Picnic is at the Maher Lodge on July 14th at 6:00 pm. Along with great food and friends there will be a Fair overview presentation. Thanks goes out to Lion Ruth for organizing this event again this year, please call her if you plan to attend (494-2567). All Lions and their families are encouraged to attend, just bring a dish to pass. The Fair is right around the corner and there is still much to do, if you wish to help out please contact Lions Jim E., Bob Weitz or Pam B.

The first Board Meeting of the year will be July 21st at 7:00 P.M at The Johnson House. The main discussion of the meeting will focus on this years proposed budget. Remember all Club members are welcome and encouraged to attend. The decisions that are made at this meeting affect all members of The Churchville Lions Club.

Fellow Lions, in closing I would like to ask each individual Lions Club Member for something that is crucial to the very existence of the Club, *your participation*. Try to be active in the Club; come to meetings and/or help out with fundraisers or a service project. Help is always needed somewhere in the community and remember "WE SERVE"

Yours in Lionism,
Lion President Bill Brunelle

INSTALLATION DINNER

Award recipients:

Career Lion – *Bernie Rabideau*

Melvin Jones Fellows – *Marty Molinari, Bob DeNormand, George Beldue*

Uplinger Awards – *Bill Brunell, Mike Hammel*

CAMP ABILITIES BREAKFAST



STATE CONVENTION

On May 22-24 8 Churchville Lions and 4 spouses represented the club and District 20-E1 at the NYS&B Lions Convention in Binghamton, NY. Conventions are a time to learn, pin trade, renew friendships and have fun.

At the impressive Friday night opening ceremony we were introduced to the sitting Governors, listened to the nominations of next years District Governors, 1st Vice District Governors and 2nd Vice District Governors. Our district candidates are DG elect Marvin Hankinson, Jr., 1st VDG elect Greg Lung, and 2nd VDG elect Keith Countermen. The highlight of the evening was watching our own Lion Bernie Rabideau receive the distinguished

Past District Governors Leadership Award.
Congratulations Lion Bernie.

On Saturday there were seminars for some, pin trading & shopping at Boscov's for others. The ladies enjoyed a luncheon with the sitting Council partners and next years International President's wife Margaret Wirfs, from Germany, while the Churchville men Lions enjoyed lunch at Little Venice. On Sat. evening after a social hour, we attended a 50's style dinner and Sock Hop. After the dinner the Hospitality Rooms were open for more socialization. This is a great way to meet the incoming District Governors and meet new and old friends. Sunday morning found most of us voting early, saying our good byes and heading for home. At the final plenary session the NYS&B Lions Foundation raffle and the Youth Band raffle are drawn. Unfortunately no one in our area won the \$20,000. or the \$1000. Maybe next year! The NYS&B Lions Foundation did have another other special raffle of a handmade quilt. Much to our surprise that raffle was won by Lion Pete. Congratulations.

Hope to see a good turnout of the Churchville Lions and Partners in Service in Buffalo the 1st weekend in May, 2010. Now is the time for you to consider joining your fellow Lions for fun, education and more fun. There will be something for everyone during the weekend. Lion Ray Jackling has information and applications. There was an early registration but it isn't too late to sign up.



LION BERNIE



LION BOB & FRAN



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MOM!!! CAN WE KEEP THE KITTENS?