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# The monthly newsletter of the Norwalk Lions Club



Norwalk Lions Club, Inc.

Meetings: 6:00 PM on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at Berry's Restaurant, Main Street, Norwalk P.O. Box 92, Norwalk, Ohio 44857

## **Board and Officers:**

President: Ken Leber First Vice President: Jim Maul

Second Vice President: Cindy Penza

Past President: John Flickinger

Secretary: Dick Boose

Treasurer: Carole Babcanec

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Tail Twister: Jim Maul

Membership: Jon Ewell, Bob Slauterbeck, Bob Berry

Beer Sales: Jay Ewell, Jon Ewell, Ed Leroux Sight & Hearing: Carol Hartzell, Jim Maul, Jon Zahler

Lion's Park: Ken Leber

Programs: Keith Kovarik

Parade: John Flickinger

Two Year Directors: Arthur Pember, Jeff Little, Ed Leroux, Wayne Babcanec

One Year Directors: Carol Hartzell, Bob Slauterbeck, Doug Gates, Bob Berry

Newsletter: Amy Little

Scholarships: Wayne Babcanec, Jim Hagemeyer.

Budget and Finance: Linda Bersche, Carole Babcanec, Wayne Babcanec, Ken Leber

Projects: Jay Ewell, Arthur Pember

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Audits: Doug Gates Dropoff Eyeglass Boxes: Dick Boose

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

February 26:	Carolyn Brook from District will be visiting. (We are part of District 13-OH2 in Ohio.)
March 12:	Jane Daniels from Stampede of Dreams.
March 26:	Officer of the Year Awards
April 9:	Dennis Doughty from St. Paul Catholic Schools.
April 23:	TIPS Training: If you work the beer booths at Summit Motorsports, PLEASE be sure to attend the TIPS training.
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Looking ahead: August 13th meeting our guest will be Carol Wheeler from Catholic Charities.

Have an idea for a program? Contact Keith Kovarik at <u>keith.kov@hotmail.com</u>

We have FOUR reading machines available for people who might benefit from having them. Talk to Carol Hartzell if you know anyone.



**Mission statement**: To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.

**Vision statement**: To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.

**Organizational statement**: We Serve. We have more volunteers in more places than any other service organization in the world. We are friends, neighbors and leaders ready to help our communities grow and thrive.

Welcome new member: Lion Jeff Hayes





Bob Sands of Inspiration Station visited on January 22, 2019 to say thank you for



the support the Lions Club has given to this ministry over the past couple of years.



Mayor Rob Duncan visited on January 22, 2019 and gave his annual "State of the City" speech. This was his 8th visit to the Lions Club! His first visit was just two weeks into his first term of office. He commended Norwalk for being a generous

community and the "Best Little City in Ohio!" We agree, Mr. Mayor!

## **BOARD APPROVED FUNDING**

Huron County Health Department for Huron County Fair shirts: \$200.00.

The Clothing Bank of Norwalk: \$100.00.



Find us on **Facebook** at Norwalk Ohio Lions Club! Like us and help spread the word as we continue to serve the Norwalk as we have for the past 73 years!

# PILOT DOGS

On February 12th our guest was Jay Gray from Pilot Dogs. He spoke about how Ohio Pilot Dogs has been in existence since 1960. Twenty percent of their annual budget is funded by Ohio Lions. They have 12 dogs placed in Brazil as well. Their puppy program is about 120 dogs per year and is made up of Golden Retrievers, Labs, Boxers, German Shepherds, Dobermans and Standard Poodles. They are continuously looking for people to take puppies to start . They also use 4 Ohio Correctional Facilities where they now have 60 dogs placed. The unit cost for puppies to graduation is \$10.000. There is no cost to the vision impaired person adopting a graduated dog. They are located in Franklin and do dog socializing in German Village. They also have a Hearing Dog Program on a smaller scale with smaller dogs.

### OUR NEW WEBSITE IS LIVE

Check it out at lionsclubnorwalk.org



# NEWS FROM NICARAGUA



**Nicaragua Clinic:** A report was given to Lion Jim Maul that in the first week of the year the clinic served 43 patients and supplied glasses. They are planning an upcoming clinic for children of the Cigar workers.

#### LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL

One of the initiatives of the Lions Club International is hunger around the world.

#### Check out these Hunger Facts:

- 815 million people affected by hunger in 2016: 11% of the global population
- 155 million children under age five are stunted due to chronic malnutrition
- 1/3 of annual food production is lost or wasted throughout the supply chain
- 33% of women of reproductive age suffer from anaemia

"Don't feel bad if people remember you only when they need you. Feel privileged that you are like a candle that comes to their mind when there is darkness."

- anonymous-