

# MONROE LIONS CLUB

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President: Joe Beatty

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**We Serve**

Secretary: Bob Bretland

Treasurer: Rick Kremer

## ***THE MANE REPORT***



### JANUARY 2010 ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!***

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The regular meeting program on January 11<sup>th</sup> will be Marilyn Butler a local dog trainer for Canine Companions. Meeting time is 6:30 PM.

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The regular meeting on January 25<sup>th</sup> will have no program and will be immediately followed by a Board of Directors meeting. Meeting time is 6:30 PM.

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For District 13-H announcements refer to the "Current District 13-H Newsletter" posted on our Club website.

### **MONROE LIONS ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST 2009**

Another successful Pancake Breakfast was held Saturday December 5, 2009. Whew!!! "THANK YOU" to everyone who helped at this year's breakfast. We could not pull this project off without all of us working together and I appreciate very much all the assistance I received.

We had 31 of the National Honor Society students show up and help at the breakfast. This was by far the largest turnout of students we have ever had. Prior to this year 2008 was the largest turnout with 19 students. I thought they looked pretty sharp in their blue T-shirts and they really seemed to like getting a shirt. Thank you to the wives who worked at the breakfast, Verna Kremer, Alice Ward, Marilyn Howard and Millie Bretland.

We served approximately 385 meals and, after all the ticket money is in, it looks like we will exceed \$2,600 in net profits. We were up about 85 meals from last year.

A big Lions thank you to Ed MacDonald for lining up our sponsors. The placemat ads represent approximately 40% of our net profits.

Rick Kremer  
Pancake Breakfast Chair

**THE FOLLOWING LIONS HAVE A BIRTHDAY IN JANUARY**

There are no active club members with a birthday in January.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Wow, has this Lion's year gone quick. One of our employees has a saying about how quick time passes. He says, "life is like a roll of toilet paper, the closer to the end, the quicker it goes." He may be correct, the closer we get to the end of this Lion's year the faster it is going and the older I get the faster time passes. Do not despair things are not over yet, we have accomplished much and we still have time to accomplish more.

Thus far we have paid out hundreds of dollars on last year's book scholarships, collected hundreds of used eye glasses, had a successful Pancake breakfast that will help fund next years book scholarships and we have enjoyed some good old fashion Lions fellowship. We have funds that will be paid out to worthy budgeted community projects and groups, as well as Lions related projects. Our next project will be the annual Monroe Lions Easter egg hunt and our next major fund raiser will be our Rose Sale. In other words, do not hang up the Lions Vest just yet; we still have another half year to go. Our 911 sign sale will be on hold until Lion Ed returns from wintering in the Deep South, due to low inventory of sign making supplies.

As always each New Year begins with both hope and a little dread as to what the future will hold in the coming year, but as a Lion we can do our best to shape the future in a positive way. I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year. See you all, except for the lucky ones down south, January 11th.

Thought of the day - DON'T CRY BECAUSE IT'S OVER-SMILE BECAUSE IT HAPPENED.

Lion Joe Beatty,  
President

