

THE MANE TALE



Norwalk Lions Club, Inc.
meets 6:00 PM
2nd & 4th Tuesday
Berry's Restaurant

March 2018

President - John Flickinger
Secretary-Dick Boose
Treasurer-Carole Babcanec
Newsletter—Jim Maul



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March Short Meeting and Board Meeting

Meeting presented by Tacie Bond who is the new 911 co-ordinator for Huron County. She spoke about the various responsibilities of the EMA and her job as 911 co-ordinator. She explained the current system is not able to pinpoint cell calls or accept text or image messages. The new system will do all that and is called Nextgen. The estimated cost of the new system is \$400,000. In our regular program it was reported we have 4 of the magnifying machines available for loan. The Beer Booth committee noted that after the next meeting the team leaders will meet to fill the three large event calendar. Art Pember reported he had attended a Project Lifesaver meeting and that they were slowed by a Deputy on maternity leave but hope to have more sign up of elderly patients.

The Board met after the meeting and voted to accept Billy Cunningham as a new member. The board discussed the eye case that is costing \$900 per month and hope is that the patient may qualify for government assistance. The board voted to spend \$100 on each of the following programs: Kiwanis 4H Banquet, Norwalk Public Library summer reading program and the Huron County Health Department tee shirts to give away at the Huron County Fair.

March and April

- March 27 Full Meeting Berry's
Police and Fire Awards Dinner**
- April 1 April Fools Day**
- April 10 Humane Society Berry's
Board Meeting to follow**
- April 13-15 District Convention**
- April 24 Full Meeting Berry's
Kelly Lippus Huron Conty
Chamber of Commerce**

*"The first of April is the day we remember what we are the
other 364 days of the year." Mark Twain*

District Convention April 13-15

Our club is providing a seminar for the convention at Cast Away Bay. The presentation will focus on the Nicaragua clinic that we have funded. We are hoping to get other clubs to donate money for the reading glasses we need and possible also equal minus spherical lenses that they have requested multiple times. We will also offer any individual who wants to donate \$60,000 to build the clinic to get naming rights.

Esteli Clinic

The purchase of eyeglasses has been stopped by a refusal of the company to supply the small quantity of bifocals that we normally purchase. The committee has increase the order but we are only at 40% of the volume they demand. President Hess and the Lion District has notified the Chinese Company and their representative that they have been nominated to receive an eye care humanitarian award. As of this newsletters publication that effort has not been successful. With the increase of the bifocal we do not have reading glasses to send so we will have to expand our search for donated reading glasses in various US NGO who specialize in helping provide readers to people overseas who are in need.

Look Ahead

- May 8** **Short Meeting Berry's Board Meeting to follow**
- May 23** **Race Track Meeting with the Milan Lions and North Fairfield Lions Club please bring a prospective new member.**
- June 12** **Short Meeting at Berry's Board Meeting to follow**
- June 26** **Full Meeting at Berry's Open Program Date**

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