

## **Akron Lions Club General Meeting 05 April, 2011**

Call to order at 6:30 p.m.

Opening remarks and welcome by President Stefan with introduction of Award Winners, spouses and other guests D.G. Elect Ken Hayward; Kim, Todd, & Makayla Swancutt; Allison, Jack, Nathan, & Kevin Schoenfelder; Ryan, Toby, Abby, & Delaney Ryan; Payton & Raiden Ericson.

Pledge of Allegiance and Singing of 1st verse of "My country, 'tis of thee"

Invocation by Chaplain Dee Watson.

Meal catered by Akron Jo's; Guests go first.

Tail twister Karen Taylor-Mortensen entertains members & guests with a story about

"The Italian Tomato Garden".

Introduction to the Awards Ceremony by President Stefan.

Presentation of our Peace Poster Winner Makayla Swancutt. Presenter: Peace Poster Coordinator Karen Taylor-Mortensen . Photo opportunity, volunteer was Nick Schoenfelder.

Vice District Governor Hayward presented a walking staff that he made to Bob Watson for a \$20 donation to ILF.

Presentation of the Town Citizens of the Year Award to Chad & Angela Ericson. Presenter: Robert Watson (in lieu of Kay Sandberg, out of town) . Photo opportunity, Karen Taylor-Mortensen & others

Presentation of Country Citizens of the Year Award to Nick & Allison Schoenfelder. Presenter: Tony Ryan he also expressed accolades to P.A. Paul Niles for his contributions to Akrons health care. Photo opportunity, Karen Taylor-Mortensen & others

Presentation of the Lion of the Year Award. Dee Watson . Presenter: Stefan Sandberg . Photo opportunity, Karen Taylor-Mortensen & others

**New Business:** Thanks to all who participated in the recent Paper barn load-out on March 22nd. It is reported that the Barn was packed full like never before to within a foot from the overhead door. We should receive a nice check for the Akron Care Center Construction account. A picture opportunity will be arranged.

Our Japanese Lions friends are suffering and Lions around the world are collecting funds. LCIF has gone out with appeals to all the clubs in the District; not sure if Akron has any funds left however.....

Next Regular Meeting: Miracle Man on 03 May, 2011 at the Akron Fire Station at 6:30 p.m.. Heart transplant recipient Gordon Johnson with spouse Erlene describes their long and difficult journey from near-death to a full life again with a new heart donated by a young man. A true tear-jerker, be there!  
Next Board Meeting: Tonight immediately following the club meeting.

Yours in Lionism;

Bob Watson, Secretary