

THE LIONS GATE



Albion Area Lions Club
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SEPTEMBER 2009

CHICKEN BARBECUE - 65TH ALBION AREA FAIR -- SEPT. 15 - SEPT.19

Chairman Dave Davis asks for all member's help and cooperation for this labor-intensive fund raiser!!

Please mark these dates on your calendar:

Wed. -- Sept. 9 -- 6:30 PM -- move tables

Sat. -- Sept. 12 -- 9:00 AM --set up for Chicken Barbecue

Mon. -- Sept. 14 -- 6:30 PM -- final set up at the park, a meal will be provided

Tues. -- Sept. 15 through Sat., Sept. 19 -- Albion Area Fair Chicken Barbecue

* Please be at Shorty's Kitchen by 3:30 PM-- Serving begins at 4 PM.

* Workers are also needed to set up in the mornings on each of these days.

* Note: Clean up starts immediately following serving hours on Sat. night.

Sun. -- Sept. 20 -- 8:00 AM -- Finish cleaning at Barbecue stand.

* Remember, the more people who turn out to work, the quicker the job will be done!

Sept. 15 to Sept. 18 -- Night Patrol @ Albion Fair, -- Tom Duda, Chairman

Please contact Lion Tom to see what shifts still need to be filled.

The price of a chicken dinner will remain at \$7.50. Due to restrictions by the Erie County Health Dept., no desserts will be served at the barbecue this year.

100 CLUB RAFFLE TICKETS

King Lion Bill Marino has issued an "urgent plea" for all members to push the sale of the tickets. An ad has been placed in the Albion News and will also appear in the Wildcat football program booklet. The first home game is rapidly approaching on Sept. 18. At least 50 tickets need to be sold so the club breaks even on this project.

Chairperson Bev Kennedy asks that all members turn in tickets and money or any unsold tickets to her as soon as possible. We will try to sell the unsold tickets during the fair and at the first home game.

OLD FASHIONED DAY CAR SHOW REPORT

Co-chair Dick Bennett thanked everyone who worked at the fund raiser. He especially thanked those who sold 50-50 tickets at three local stores on the three Friday evenings prior to the event. He also thanked Lions Mike Thompson and Bruce Hetrick for their donation of signs.

Lions Wendy Graff and Donna Gruzosky, along with Danielle Gruzosky worked at the tent where a huge utility tub filled with summery items and goodies was raffled off that day. Lion Wendy would like to thank all the members who donated \$5.00 toward the purchase of

items for the raffle which made \$227.00 that afternoon. The prize was won by Dennis Lance.

Although much hard work went into planning the Old Fashioned Day car show, it was not the successful fund raiser we had hoped it would be. Because of the inclement weather and other factors, only 14 cars were registered. At the business meeting on August 24, it was voted to not hold the car show next year.

ERIE COUNTY DIABETES ASSOCIATION BENEFIT

Albion Lioness and ECDA board member Lisa Graff invites all Lions and Lioness to a special benefit at Jr's Last Laugh Comedy Club on Thursday, Sept. 24 with Nick Siracuse as the featured act. Nick is not only a stand-up comedian, but has been a staff writer for comedy headliners such as Joan Rivers, Jay Leno and the Arsenio Hall Show.

Tickets for the show are \$10.30 and payable at the door. The Diabetes Association receives \$5.00 of each ticket purchased. Showtime is 6:30 PM. Doors open at 5 PM and dinner can be ordered from the menu. There will be a huge Chinese auction and other raffles that evening.

Last March a good-sized group of us attended their benefit and had a very nice evening. Let's get another group together to go and have fun while supporting a worthy cause. It would also be a good way to relax following fair week. -- Reservations need to be made by Sept. 20. Call Lions Ken or Wendy Graff for a reservation if you would like to join them at the benefit.

BUSINESS MEETING - SEPTEMBER 28

The fall schedule begins on Sept. 28 with a business meeting at Bob Rabell's Office at 7:00 PM.

Just a reminder that all "members only" tickets and money for the 1st quarter raffle must be turned in that evening. The winner of the \$35 Shurfine gift certificate will be drawn at the meeting.

2ND QUARTER RAFFLE

The tickets for the 2nd quarter raffle will be sent out online at the end of the October newsletter. Please print and clip them to turn in with your money. The prize for the quarter has not yet been decided. Those not having email will receive them in the usual manner.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to:
Mike Thompson - September 5
Evelyn Osterberg - September 6
Phil Perry - September 12
Dick Corbin - September 15
Bill Marino - September 15

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Wendy Graff - 2 years - September 1
Ty Perry - 3 years - September 11

**In Memoriam
Lion Richard M. Osterberg
1916-2009**