

THE AV-OP NEWS

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-- photo by Paul Grant

Mike Lotz and Pres. John

March 22nd Meeting

Our speaker was Mike Lotz, a Chaplain at Plainfield Correctional Facility, with an excellent presentation about his work there. He talked about some of the positive programs that are taking place for offenders in the facility. He gave a brief summary of a day in the life of an offender, and he explained about some of programs that they offer to assist them with their re-entry back into the community. Mike also described some ways that community members can help. -- *thanks to Paul Grant*

Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Washington Township Park. We need helpers to arrive at 9:00 am to "hide" the eggs and to help with parking. The event will start at 11:00 am. We will also need some members to help clean up. Project chair Beth Floyd has done a great job setting things up: in addition to the 2,500 eggs filled by the folks at Park Square Manor and 500 eggs from Texas Roadhouse, we will have the Easter Bunny, a Girl Scout and Boy Scout information booth, a Girl Scout Troop selling cookies (with permission!), and a table for Harmony Baptist Church. The weather is looking good, too. Please come out and help to make a lot of kids very happy. -- *thanks to Beth Floyd and Paul Grant*

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY March 26th: Easter Egg Hunt, Washington Township Park
Help needed – see above for more info

TUESDAY March 29th: Spouses' Night Meeting, 6:30 pm, Papa Joes Jr., Avon
All members, family and friends welcome!

TUESDAY April 5th: Math Bee, 6:30 pm, Kingsway School
Help needed – see below for more info

TUESDAY April 12th: Regular Meeting, 6:30 pm, Monical's Pizza
Speaker: Carolyn Burdsall, Hendricks Regional Hospital, on diabetes

Member News

Thanks to Paul Grant for finding the speakers for March, and to Dave Kersey for April.

2016 Math Bee: Tuesday, April 5th

Instead of our dinner meeting, the 16th annual Avon Optimist Math Bee will be held at Kingsway School, with registration beginning at 5:30 and contest starting at 6:00. Several volunteers are needed for judging, photo taking, and miscellaneous other duties – all fun and absolutely no Math experience needed! This should be another good year for the Math Bee. Please let project chair Carolyn Moench know how you can help. -- *thanks to Carolyn Moench*

Third District Conference - Saturday, April 30

The Conference will be held at beautiful Spring Mill State Park in Mitchell. In addition to the Conference sessions, we will have the Oratorical Contest District Finals, the Essay contest winners presenting their work, and a “Southern Indiana” Luncheon. You can still pre-register until Friday, April 15th. See "Dates and Links" at www.optimistindiana.org for all the details.

2016 Tox-Away Days - Just in Time for Spring Cleaning!

For all Hendricks County residents (no business waste, please) from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

- April 9 at the Brownsburg High School—enter from Odell Street
- May 21 at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds—enter from East Main Street
- July 16 at Hickory Elementary School (Avon)—enter from Avon Avenue
- September 17 at the Hendricks County Fairgrounds—enter from East Main Street
- October 22 at Plainfield Middle School—enter from Longfellow Drive

Promise yourself... To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

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