

The Point Venture Lions club met at a holiday-decorated Point Venture Club Room Dec. 11, with special guests the Lakeside Singers entertaining the crowd.

A beautiful tree stood in the corner and tables were decorated in festive colors.

Directed by the talented Rich Witmer, the Lakeside Singers favored the club with barber shop quartet-style songs, patriotic melodies and traditional Christmas carols. Rich then asked the Lion members to join them in singing "Silent Night" and other Christmas carols. It was a beautiful evening and the rafters rang with melodious sounds.

After carols, Rich led the Lions in an inspirational prayer, following with Lion President Gary Robertson introducing guests, the wives of the Singers and prospective members inviting everyone to a bountiful pot luck dinner.

The meeting following the carols focused on future plans by various Lions committee chairmen. One of those projects for Point Venture residents included painting address numbers in front of each home. Lion Paul Woods is chairing this project and asked for volunteers to help with the upcoming project.

Another fund raising project will be a bass tournament headed by Lion Brian Koraska. He will need volunteers to help him get this off the ground at the PV Lions' next meeting. Many of the PV Lions' charitable projects were submitted to the board for approval. Lions will again fulfill the wish list for the Texas School of the Blind and financially backing the needs of the Texas Lions Children's Camp, as well as many other charitable needs in the community and beyond.

One PV Lion community project is food collection for those less fortunate. According to Lion Bob Adolph, the PV Lions' box at the village's entrance has more than 250 pounds of canned food, with that number rising daily. Thanks goes to Point Venture families who care and share.

Another example of PV Lions serving is their hosting of the monthly community potluck dinner for Point Venture families. At the dinner you can find Lions in their purple shirts manning the kitchen and taking care of the groups attending and bringing their special dishes to share.

The club is looking forward to the mid-winter conference in San Marcos in January 2008 and a joint Point Venture Lions and Lago Vista Lions meeting in February 2008. There are more events and projects coming in the future.

The PV Lions had an exciting and profitable year with a major fundraiser – the Point Venture Lions Golf Tournament – with the generous donations from sponsors and friends. This all makes it possible for the Lions to serve the community. The PV Lions thank Point Venture, Lago Vista and all the surrounding communities in helping them fulfill their motto, "We Serve."