

Austin Lions Club April, May plans

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Members of the Austin Lions Club made plans recently for activities in April and May.

The club held a very successful fund-raising pancake breakfast on March 13. Funds collected will be presented to an Austin Middle School student who is raising money to pay for a specially-trained dog that will alert the girl to nuts and nut dust. The student is allergic to nuts, so much so that the dog is needed to protect her from potentially fatal reactions.

Prior to that, the Lions enjoyed a scavenger hunt of old items. Members had to locate a 1943 penny, a three-cent stamp and old copies of Lions publications among other items to win. The Red Team of J.D. Buchanan, David Lally, Raleigh Campbell and Ralph Randall won the contest and were awarded a new traveling trophy. Placing second was the team of Albert Thormyer, Don Taylor and Glen Hollan.

In April, Lions will meet on April 12 and 26. At that first meeting, Lions will host a clown as a guest and learn about his avocation. On Monday, April 26, the club will have officer elections for 2010-11. Current President Jerry Buchanan will be relinquishing his office.

The local Lions raise a lot of the money they disperse each year for community projects during Little League season. In May, the Lions will be working at the refreshment stand at Community Park, and no scheduled meetings will be held by the club.

In normal months, Lions meet the second and fourth Mondays for a supper and a meeting. Sessions are held at the Austin train depot off U.S. Highway 31 North.

Persons interested in joining the club and helping with its newest project, developing a "pocket park" on Austin's south side, are welcome to contact any Austin Lion Club member for more information.