Once again, thanks and blessings to all of the individuals and organizations which continue to offer us opportunities to enjoy the 2020 Holiday Season. As you can see below, through their volunteerism, community spirit, and charitable offerings, they once again remind us that we live in a wonderful community.

## VISUAL HOLIDAY JOY

Thanks so much to everyone who has decorated their homes and offered cheer to neighbors in so many ways. Thanks to PRIDE for placing holiday flags along the road so we can remind ourselves of the colors and pictures of the season.

## FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

Baby, it's cold outside...and we have a perfect meal to warm you up! It's almost time for the CrossPointe Community Church FREE MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEAL! As we continue to try our best to serve our Chippewa Lake community and friends in a safe, efficient way, **the meal will once again be available TAKE OUT only.** What is different this time: if you do NOT have transportation to come to CrossPointe to pick up a meal, you may call the church office at 330-723-9009 **by Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>** to request delivery to your home. **This a service provided by CrossPointe volunteers, so is available only if needed, and only in the Chippewa Lake/Gloria Glens area.** The meal will be served **on Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, from 5PM to 6PM.** On the menu: creamy pork marsala, penne pasta, green beans, and for dessert...holiday brookies! We will NOT serve a beverage.

If you would like to enjoy this wonderful meal, please observe these very important instructions: come to CrossPointe between 5 and 6PM on Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup> and follow the instructions of the volunteer at the entrance to the parking lot. A CrossPointe volunteer will come to your car to ask how many meals you would like to have. Another volunteer will then bring the number of meals you need out to your car. This procedure is being enacted to ensure your safety as well as that of our volunteers during this coronavirus outbreak.

CrossPointe is located at 7230 Lake Road, near the intersection of Chippewa and Lake Roads. If you need more information, please call the church office at 330-723-9009. This meal is sponsored in cooperation with the Chippewa Lake Lions Club.

## Lafayette Township Fire Department SANTA Run

Many of you are familiar with our annual Visit from Santa event that we have conducted seamlessly and consistently for the past 31 years in December. This is by far our most

favorite time of year and we look forward to this event each Christmas time. However, this year we will be creating a different event. We are joining with fellow Fire Departments: Lafayette, Seville-Guilford, and Westfield, so that we can provide a BIG parade run for several communities. Since this is a NEW and UNTESTED event, please bear with us, as we have quite a few communities to traverse.

We are starting Saturday, DEC 19th at 5pm , on the north side of Lafayette. This has never been done with 2 other departments before, so we are not sure what the pace or timing is going to be like. We were planning on frequently updating our Facebook page so people could somewhat track where we are. Listen and be watchful!

With that being said, we are enacting the following changes to this year's event: We are eliminating gift delivery this year. Therefore, both gift collection dates are canceled.

We will not go door to door.

Santa and fire department personnel will remain in or near the fire apparatus and will slow down and stop only to wave to your children.

We will not enter anybody's home.

We will wear masks.

Although appreciated, we will not accept any offers of food or drink from our residents. We know this year has been a tough one for everybody and we look forward to the day when your children are able to sit on Santa's lap again.

## LIONS SEEKING POLAR BEAR SIGHTINGS

The LIONS Club has regretfully had to cancel the TRADITIONAL Polar Bear jump....Chippy has apparently gone into hibernation. However, our intrepid Lions members are hard at work planning a new and exciting fundraising event..... and a HINT is that YOU can participate without JUMPING INTO FREEZING WATER.....stay tuned as we keep you posted... and remember that even as you read this, the Lions are preparing and delivering holiday food baskets to many families in the area. THANKS LIONS!