

Program Committee

The Program Committee is responsible for arranging interesting club meeting programs. The programs should present a variety of topics, provide a balance of education and fellowship, and meet the needs and concerns of club members.

Duties

- Formulate plans and obtain speakers and entertainment.
- Arrange programs in advance.
- Give advice on the kind of programs desired and assists those who have been assigned to arrange them.
- Contact speakers and makes sure they appear.

Tips

- Insist on interesting, well-organized meetings
- Know what your fellow Lions want in programs! This is the best guarantee for successful programs. Ask for your Lions' suggestions.
- A Friendship banner should be given to every speaker immediately after his or her appearance.
- Good sources for speakers and programs can be found in local newspapers, which also will announce visiting dignitaries.
- You can be helped greatly by composing a "talent pool" of club members, listing the talents, and interesting backgrounds of your fellow Lions.
- Properly introduce your speakers. Make sure they are seated in proper protocol at your head table.
- Try to keep a balance between education and entertainment. Be sensitive to the immediate needs of your Lions. Sometimes your club will need humor more than anything else; other times they will need a strong dose of Lionism.
- If your program promises to be especially successful, be a host to other clubs. This can also be a great opportunity to invite many prospective members.
- A good program can also come from honoring local, distinguished citizens.

Avoid

- Discussions concerning partisan politics or sectarian religion.
- Lengthy club business that forces the speaker to sit idly.
- Speakers of programs you know nothing about.
- Programs that extend beyond your club's normal adjournment time.