

# Township Organizations

## The Wayside-Morrison Lions Club

**The Wayside-Morrison Lions Club** was sponsored by the Reedsville Lions Club and held its charter night dinner at Kubsch's Hall in Kellnersville on May 14, 1951. The first club officers were Clarence Schwartz, President; Harold Meser, Secretary; Karl Falck, Treasurer; Norbert Griepentrog, Lion Tamer; Lloyd Humblet, Tail Twister; Wm. Herold, 1st Vice President; Al Falck, 2nd Vice President; Herbert Falck, 3rd Vice President; Directors were Ed Roeske, Robert Falck, Riney Kocian and Reine Siebert. Other charter members were Armin Blauert, Wm Daley, Len Detrie, Rudolph Falck, Sylvester Fels, Alvin Nickel, Joseph Pfeffer, Donald Quinnette and E.A. Quinnette.

The Lions' motto is "We Serve" and that is exactly what they do each year. The Lions raise money through fundraisers to support those in need both in our community and throughout Wisconsin. Annual events have included a chicken bar-b-q at the Rough Riders horse show, the golf outing held at Wander Springs Golf Course, and offer chicken booyah and hamburgers at community events. The largest fundraisers of the year currently are the Harley Raffle held in the fall and Branson North held in the Spring.

The money raised by the Way-Morr Lions goes to a variety of charities and needy community members. From a child in the township that needs special medical treatment, to building a wheelchair ramp, to donating money to the camp for the blind, run by the Lions of Wisconsin, the money is raised only to be spent on those in need.

In addition to fundraising and donation activities, the Way-Morr Lions also support the community in other ways. Music in the Park, organized by Jeff Goffard, has become a pleasant community event in the summertime. Held at Way-Morr Park, a variety of live music is provided for entertainment and an ice cream social at no charge (supported by the Way-Morr Lions and community donations). Hamburgers, Hotdogs and other amenities are served by the Way-Morr Youth Sports group as a fundraiser.

One of the club's members, Lion Ellsworth "Zeke" Hart, served as District Governor of District 27-B for the

1961-1962 Lions year. He represented the district at the International Lions Convention in Paris, France. The Way-Morr Lions have attended every state convention that was held at various sites throughout the state and usually a float was entered in the Lions Parade.

In 1980, five charter members were still active members of the Lions club. Today there is just one, Karl Falck. Today's club is one of the strongest in years with 32 active Lions members.



### Way-Morr Park

This is one of Brown County's most beautiful parks in a natural setting with the Branch River flowing through and an artesian well running year round. It's a family oriented park with a variety of playground equipment, complete picnic facilities, tennis courts, two baseball diamonds and horseshoe pits.

In 1958 groundwork was laid for the establishment of Way-Morr Park. An option was taken to buy the land (9 1/2 acres) which was surveyed and finally purchased, mutually by the club and Brown County. Over the years the park has grown to 32 acres owned by Brown County and 1 acre owned by the Way-Morr Lions Club. Land was purchased from Fred Otto for \$300.00 per acre.

In the fall of 1958, the Town Hall had to be moved to a club donated site across Hwy G and the Lions completed the purchase and installation of the first shelter house on park property.