

Swanton Lions Club charters Leos chapter

The Swanton Lions Club, who were chartered on September 2009, has made great strides as they have help to nurture a Leos Club in Swanton. A member of Leos ranges in age from 12 to 18 years of age. They are dedicated to performing community service, in the tradition of Lions Club International.

The dinner took place at Valleywood Golf Club in Swanton on Oct. 16. On this special occasion, the Swanton Leos Club was formally recognized.

The Swanton Lions Club hosted the evening's events and has overall responsible for supporting and guiding the Leos Club. The dinner was also held to recognize the Leos achievements over the past year, induct its members and have the Swanton Leos Club officers take their oath of office.

There were 11 Swanton Leos Club members inducted into the club by Lions Club District Governor **Barbara Plaugher**. After being in-

ducted, the Leos were presented with their Certificate of Membership and Leo Club pin. The club currently has 17 members of which four are officers as follows: President - Saedi Briskey, Secretary - Emily Silveous and Treasurer - Jenni Shelton. They each took their oath of office from District Governor Plaugher.

Six members of the club - Abby Lawson, Brandon Schory, Don Johnson, Emily Silveous, Jenni Shelton and Saedi Briskey - were recognized by Lions Club International for having over 50 hours of community service completed within a 12 month period.

Guest speakers for the evening included the State Leo Chair Karen Knaur and Swanton Lions Club Past President and current Zone Chair Joe Kahl.

The Swanton Lions Club presented the Leos with their charter from Lions Club International. The charter serves as the

official certificate of organization for the Leos and was signed by all the Leos present.

The night ended with the presentation of the "Leo of the Year" award. Swanton Lions President Bill Webert presented Brandon Schory with the award. The award is presented to the member of

the Swanton Leos Club that has contributed the most to the club through attending meetings, participation and community service hours.

To find out more about the Leos Club and what they are doing out in your community, find them on Facebook by searching Swanton Leos Club.