



# THE MANE GROWL



Fairmont Lions Club January 2006 Volume 20 Number 7

## Club Officers

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## Calendar

Jan. 19 6:30 Patricia Hartley  
 Chestnut Ridge Hospital

Jan. 27, 28, 29 WV Lions  
 Leadership School

Feb. 2 6:30 Business  
 Meeting

Feb. 16 6:30 TBA

March 5 1:30 Zone Meeting  
 Rivesville Com. Bldg.

March 17-18 District 29-L  
 Conference, Wheeling

April 21-23 State Convention  
 Stonewall Resort

## Guests

Several members brought guests to the Mission party: Leola Robinson-Steve Criss, Nancy Sickles-Virginia Gallion, Clyde Judy-Eleanor, Wayne Dodd - Bobbi, Pat Patton - Kim, Bob Brummage - Lois. Also attending were Zone Chairperson Scott and Bonnie Summers and Pilot Dog Winston, and Pastor Bob Thompson and his wife.

## Visitations

Region III Chairperson Bob Moffett attended the Cabinet meeting hosted by the Boaz Lions on Sunday, Jan. 15th.

**A tradition is what you have when you're too lazy to think up something new.**

## 95 Poor and Needy Children Receive Gifts



*Children received gifts from the Fairmont Lions Club and other organizations December 16th.*

Before the members of the Fairmont Lions Club went upstairs to see the children receive their gifts at the Union Mission Christmas Party, Pastor Bob Thompson reflected that this was his 13th Christmas with the Fairmont Lions Club and the 65th consecutive year of the party for the children. He thanked the club for what we do for the kids. It was standing room only as 95 children received gifts contributed by the Fairmont Lions Club, Haught Chapel, Boothsville United Methodist Church, Alan Ice and WesBanco Bank.

As in the past, club member Bill Kime donated a beautiful poinsettia for the club to auction. George Janice was the high bidder.



*Lions and guests watch as gifts were presented to the children at the 65th consecutive Lions Christmas Party for the children at the Union Mission.*

## Hartley to Discuss Chestnut Ridge Hospital

Patricia Hartley is the community liaison for Chestnut Ridge Hospital, West Virginia University Hospitals. At the January 19th club meeting, she will talk about the services offered by Chestnut Ridge Hospital. Chestnut Ridge Hospital is a leading regional referral center for treatment of psychiatric illness and addiction for adults and adolescents, located on the campus of the Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center in Morgantown.

The Fairmont Lions Club meets at U.S.A. Steak Buffet at 6:30 p.m.

## Club to Host Zone Meeting March 5th

The Fairmont Lions Club has agreed to serve as host for the Region III Zone II meeting to be held Sunday, March 5th at 1:30 p.m. at the Rivesville Community Building. Club members will be expected to help with the set up of tables, probably on Saturday, and with the clean-up after the meeting. Scott Summers is Zone Chairperson.

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Club member Pat Patton and wife Kim sing Christmas music at the Union Mission Dec. 16th.

### Meetings

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### Just a Lion or Two

Lion Greg Church and his family have moved to Parkersburg where he is postmaster.

### Fee Rebate Available

Through June of this year, former Lions may join a Lions Club and a Lion's spouse may join the spouse's club and receive a rebate of the \$25 entrance fee.



## Seven More To Get Glasses

At the January 5th meeting of the Fairmont Lions Club, Eyeglass Committee Chairperson Wayne Dodd asked for and received approval to fund eye exams and glasses for seven individuals.

## Club Receives Thank You Notes

The Fairmont Lions Club has received notes of thanks from the staff of Scott Place Shelter and from the woman who received a white cane, or as she referred to it, her "sight cane" from the club.

## Membership Increases

Lion Nancy Sickles sponsored her daughter, Virginia K. Gallion, who has joined the Fairmont Lions Club. Gallion is employed as Internet Sales Associate at Urse Honda.

## Tickets Available for Elimination Dinner

This year's elimination dinner fund raiser will be a joint effort of the Rivesville and Fairmont Lions clubs. The dinner will be held Saturday, March 25th at the Rivesville Community Building. Social hour begins at 6:00 with the dinner at 7:00. The grand prize will be \$1000. Requested donations are \$35 per couple.

## January is Glaucoma Awareness Month

Eye disease is a major public health problem in the United States and causes significant suffering, disability, loss of productivity and diminished quality of life for millions of people. With early detection and timely treatment, most vision loss can be avoided. Through the Lions Eye Health Program (LEHP), clubs and communities can be empowered to save sight through early detection and timely treatment of glaucoma.

*-Lions E-Newsletter*



### From the Treasurer's Report (as of the end of December 2005)

Administrative Account Balance.....	\$ 1,334.70
Fund Raising Account Balance.....	2,446.53
Activity Account Balance.....	2,563.17





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## Guests

Zone Chairperson Scott and Bonnie Summers visited the club on January 19th. PDG Tracy Smith was a guest at the Feb. 2nd meeting.

## Visitations

Jim Coleman and Elizabeth Swiger visited the Freeport, Florida Lions Club on January 26th. President Keith Long and Wayne Dodd visited the Rivesville Lions Club on January 9th.

## New Country Added to LCI

Republic of Maldives is now a Lions Clubs Int'l country. LCI is now in 197 countries and geographical areas.

**Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently.**

## Rev. Jack Squires to Present Valentine's Day Program

The Rev. Donal M. "Jack" Squires will present a Valentine's program at the February 16th meeting of the Fairmont Lions Club, announced Clyde Judy, program chairperson. It was suggested that all members be encouraged to bring their valentine to the meeting for this program.

A retired United Methodist clergyman, Squires is a 1948 graduate of Fairmont State and was student body president in 1947-48. A graduate of Duke Divinity School of Duke University, he served as a chaplain in the U. S. Air Force where he was last assigned to Arlington National Cemetery, where he was in charge of all Air Force funerals. Squires has received numerous awards including the West Virginia Bar Foundation Citizen of the Year Award and is a recipient of the Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award.

## Club Vests Have Arrived

The Fairmont Lions Club has received the club vests that were ordered from Club Supplies. The vests have the Lions emblem on the front and announce that the wearer is with the "Fairmont Lions Club" on the back. Members are being encouraged to wear the vests to club meetings as well as all fund raising and service activities. The vests were a suggestion of Lions Jim Coleman and Elizabeth Swiger who observed club members wearing vests at club meetings they visited while in Florida.

For any member who did not order a vest, but would like to have one, the club anticipates a second round of orders to be placed in the near future.



*Virginia K. Gallion, the newest member of the Fairmont Lions Club, models the new club vest.*

## Officers Attend School



Photo: J. Puckett

Three members of the Fairmont Lions Club attended the 10th Annual West Virginia Lions Leadership School the weekend of January 27-29 held at the Radisson Waterfront in Morgantown. Attending were Aletta Moffett, treasurer, Bob Moffett, secretary, and John Marsicano, 2nd vice president. Those attending heard four featured speakers and were able to select from numerous seminar topics offered throughout the weekend.

Bob Moffett, a member of the WVLLS committee, was a seminar presenter at the school, as well. Aletta Moffett served as moderator for that seminar.

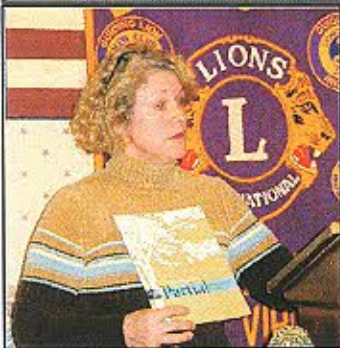
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**Seven More To Get Glasses**

At the February 2nd club meeting, the club approved seven applications for eye exams and glasses. The eyeglass committee, chaired by Wayne Dodd asked for the approval, following the usual investigation of the applications.

**Club to Host March 5th Zone Meeting**

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**One Child Goes Blind Every Minute**

It is a fact that somewhere in the world, a child goes blind every minute, but childhood blindness is only part of the global vision crisis. If nothing is done, experts say that the world's blind population could double from 37 million to 74 million by 2020.

But Lions will not allow "nothing to be done." Lions have launched Campaign SightFirstII to prevent this tragedy. CSFII has set out to raise at least \$150 million to continue and expand the extraordinary work of SightFirst, the Lions worldwide program to combat preventable blindness. Local level fund raising will take place from 2006-2008. CSFII is a project of LCIF.



**Learn the Danger Signs**

Most blindness is preventable if detected early. Learn the danger signs and protect your sight. For more information about blindness prevention, contact:



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--Lions International Web Site





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## Calendar

March 16 Clyde Judy  
 March 17-18 District 29-L  
 Conference, Wheeling  
 March 25 Elimination Dinner  
 April 6 Business Meeting  
 April 20 Election of Officers  
 April 21-23 State Convention  
 Stonewall Resort

June 10 Multiphasic  
 Screening at FGH

## Guests

Eleanor Judy came with Lion  
 Clyde to the February 16th  
 meeting.

## Visitations

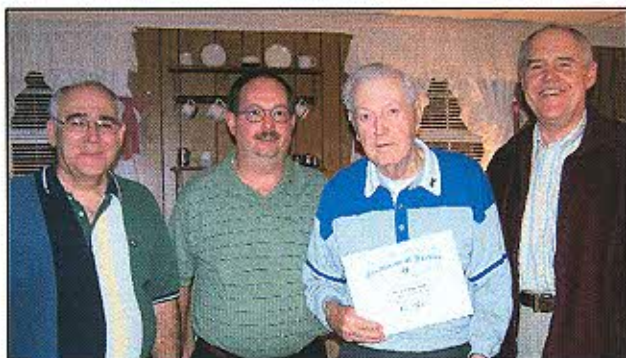
Keith Long & Wayne Dodd  
 visited Rivesville Lions Feb.  
 27th. Jim Coleman &  
 Elizabeth Swiger visited the  
 Sandestin, FL Lions Feb.  
 20th and the Freeport, FL  
 Lions on Feb. 23rd. Aletta &  
 Bob Moffett visited West Mon  
 Area Lions on March 10th.

A successful Lions club is  
 a club that is broke.

## Elimination Dinner Saturday March 25th

The time is fast approaching for this year's elimination dinner, which is set for Saturday, March 25th, at the Rivesville Community Building. The Fairmont Lions Club and the Rivesville Lions Club are partnering to make this a successful fund raising endeavor. The social hour begins at 6:00 and the dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. Grand prize for the event will be \$1000 and the requested donation is \$35 per couple. Club members are asked to attend and help out with this event.

## 50-Year Monarch Award Presented



Left to right: Lions Wayne Dodd, President  
 Keith Long, 50-year Monarch Everett  
 Klingensmith and Bob Moffett.

Three club members paid a special visit to Everett Klingensmith on Thursday, March 9th, to present him with his Lions International 50-year Monarch Chevron and a certificate. On hand for the presentation were his wife, Eileen and many of the family members who had made it a point to be there for the presentation.

Klingensmith recalled many club members, both current and past, and was appreciative of the recognition.

## Club Welcomes New Members

The Fairmont Lions Club now has two new members, bringing the current membership to 29. William "Steve" Criss is sponsored by Leola Robinson and has been to several previous meetings as her guest. Also joining is Jacob G. "Jake" Brummage, sponsored by Clyde Judy. Brummage was a former member of the Fairmont Lions having served the club as president in 1976-77. He has now returned to the area. Lions Steve and Jake are both retired.

## Club Hosts Zone Meeting

On Sunday, March 5th, President Keith Long called to order the zone meeting of Region III, Zone II, and then turned the meeting over to Zone Chairperson Scott Summers. Long reported club highlights since November and included these items: sponsored student to National Youth Leadership Forum, provided eye exams and glasses for 20 individuals, sponsored the Christmas party for the children at the Union Mission, addition of three new members, and three members attended the WV Lions Leadership School. Long made his report sporting the new vest that many in the club have obtained.

Fairmont Lions in attendance were President Keith Long, 1st Vice-President George Janice, Secretary Bob Moffett and Treasurer Aletta Moffett.

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*Jim Coleman & Elizabeth Swiger are pictured with Jimmy Fitch (center), a past president of the Freeport, FL Lions Club.*

## Notice of Election of Club Officers

President Keith Long appointed Mary Jo Michael to head up the nominations committee. The first reading of the proposed slate of officers for 2006-07 will take place at the March 16th meeting. The election of officers is scheduled for the April 20th meeting, which will be held at 6:30 p.m. at U.S.A. Steak Buffet. The officers elected at that time will take office July 1, 2006.

## Women Receive Roses for Valentine's Day

The Fairmont Lions Club and member Bill Kime provided a rose for every woman in attendance on February 16th when Rev. Donal M. "Jack" Squires presented an entertaining program for Valentine's Day.

### Just a Lion or Two

Lion Wayne Dodd is recuperating following surgery.

### Meetings

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### Fee Rebate Available

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## Club Profits from Nuts

As a part of her Treasurer's Report at the March 2nd meeting, Aletta Moffett announced that the club sold \$1,945 worth of nuts last fall. After the cost of \$1,464.12 was subtracted, the club's profit from the sale amounted to \$481.88.

## Did You Know?

The physicians at the WVU Eye Institute charge the WV Lions Sight Foundation nothing for the eye surgeries performed. The Foundation pays \$2,400 to Ruby Hospital and to UHA (Anesthetists, etc.) under a special agreement. The clients served by our WV Lions Sight Foundation have been the recipients of \$1,500,000 in free eye care. The dollars that we contribute to the Foundation go a very long way in providing much needed eye care to the less fortunate.

*-- Thanks to Lion Jeff Baxter for this information*

## March is Eye Donor Awareness Month

There are approximately 60 Lions Eye Banks worldwide that provide quality eye tissue for corneal transplants, research and other medical purposes. At the conclusion of 2004-2005, Lions Eye Banks report that they provided more than 19,500 corneas for sight-saving transplants and approximately 12,000 eyes for research and education.

*--Lions International Web Site*



*Rev. Jack Squires spoke at the March 16th meeting.*







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## Calendar

May 3 Business Meeting  
 May 7 1:30-3:30pm  
 Officer Training  
 WVU Eye Institute  
 May 17 TBA  
 June 3 Yard Sale  
 S&M Glass  
 June 7 Business Meeting  
 June 10 Multiphasic  
 Screening at FGH  
 Sept. 14-16 USA/Canada  
 Lions Leadership  
 Forum  
 Columbus, OH

## Guests

Carol Rogers of the Rivesville Lions Club payed a visit on March 16. Zone Chr. Scott & Bonnie Summers (Rivesville) visited on April 4th.

## Visitations

Aletta & Bob Moffett attended the District 29-L Convention at Wheeling Island on March 17-19 as well as the Multiple District 29 (WV State) Convention April 21-23 at Stonewall Resort. Jim Coleman & Elizabeth Swiger visited the Sandestin, FL Lions Club on April 3rd.

It's nice to be important,  
 but it's more important to  
 be nice.

## Officers Elected for 2006-2007 Club Year

The election of officers was held at the April 20th meeting. The slate prepared by the Nominations Committee was read and the slate was elected. The officers for next year are listed:

President.....George Janice	1st Vice Pres.....John Marsicano
2nd Vice Pres....Pat Patton	Secretary.....Robert Moffett
Treasurer.....Aletta Moffett	Asst. Treas.....James Coleman
Tail Twister.....Robert Brummage	Lion Tamer.....Wayne Dodd
Directors.....Clyde Judy, James Coleman, Evelyn Martin, Martha Warren	
Membership.....Virginia Gallion, Nancy Sickles	

These officers-elect will assume these positions on July 1, 2006 and serve through June 30, 2007. Congratulations to all of our incoming officers.

## District 29-L Officers Elected at State Convention

Vice District Governor Eva Dague was elected at the WV Multiple District 29 (State) Convention to serve as District Governor of 29-L. The convention was held April 21,22 and 23 at Stonewall Resort near Weston. Fred Knight of the Doddridge County Lions Club was also elected to serve next year as Vice District Governor.

## Two Candidates from WV Seek Int'l Director Slot

At the District 29-L Convention at Wheeling Island in March, PDG Larry Johnson was endorsed as a candidate from District 29-L seeking the position of Lions Clubs International Director. PDG Jim Canon of the Wilsonburg Lions Club is also seeking that position as a candidate from District 29-L. At the State Convention next spring, the candidate from West Virginia will be selected to run for the International office. In 2007, the State Convention will be held at Waterfront Place Hotel in Morgantown.



PDG Larry Johnson, pictured with wife Rachel, was endorsed by District 29-L to seek the office of International Director.



President Keith Long is seen with Pastor Bob Thompson of WV Rescue Ministries. The Fairmont Lions Club recieved this year's Heart Award at their Faith Promise Banquet April 1.



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## Elimination Dinner is Success

At the April 4th meeting, President Keith Long reported on the success of the elimination dinner held in conjunction with the Rivesville Lions Club on Saturday, March 25th. Long indicated that the attendees reported very positive experiences and suggested that we continue this fund raising activity with the Rivesville Lions Club on a regular basis. Each club will be receiving \$2,213.45 from the event.



*Pictured below are scenes from this year's elimination dinner held at the Rivesville Community Center on March 28th. The group includes Lions from both the Fairmont and Rivesville clubs.*



## Sickles Receives Letter from Int'l President

At the April 4th meeting, President Keith Long read a letter from International President Ashok Mehta thanking Nancy Sickles for sponsoring a new member.

## Dodd Receives Award

Tail Twister Bob Brummage presented Wayne Dodd with a coffee mug filled with Snickers candy bars because Dodd brings out the snickers in all of us regularly at club meetings.



*Photos courtesy of Bonnie Summers, Rivesville Lions*



Bob and Aletta Moffett hauled several boxes filled with a total of 380 pairs of used eyeglasses to the State Convention at Roanoke, WV, where they were combined with those collected by other clubs to be delivered to the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA.

raising campaign during the 2006-2007 club year and selected Wayne Dodd as Campaign SightFirst II chairperson for the club.

Campaign SightFirst II seeks to continue the efforts of Campaign Sight First in eliminating preventable blindness. Campaign SightFirst has prevented serious vision loss for 24 million people around the world with \$143 million raised during 1991-1994. These funds will be depleted within four years and new challenges to sight could

double the world's blind population by 2020. Another child goes blind every minute.

The goal of Campaign SightFirst II is to raise at least \$150 million to combat emerging threats to sight. CSFII seeks funds in addition to those provided for other important Lions activities.



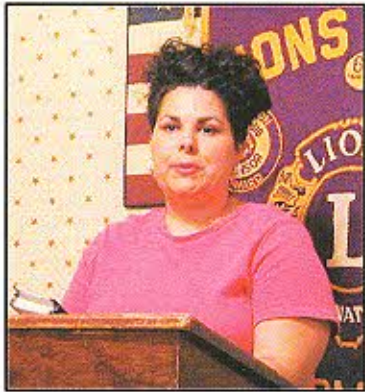
**CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II**  
LIONS' VISION FOR ALL

Bob Moffett, Campaign SightFirst II Group Leader, introduced the program at the April 20th meeting. The Fairmont Lions Club decided to conduct the fund



## OIC is Program Topic

Cheryl Lewis, Development Coordinator for O.I.C. (Opportunities Industrialization Centers), presented the program at the April 20th meeting of the Fairmont Lions Club. She described the training programs available through the center and how those programs have impacted the lives of their students. Lewis was introduced by Wayne Dodd.



Cheryl Lewis, Development Coordinator for O.I.C.

## Club Provides More Eye Exams and Glasses

At the April 20th meeting, Eyeglass Committee Chairperson Wayne Dodd asked and received club approval to provide eye exams and glasses to two individuals who were in very urgent need. Dodd also reported that HOPE, Inc. will be donating glasses to the Lions Club.

## Date Set for Annual Yard Sale

Nancy Sickles announced that the date has been set for the annual Lions/Lioness Club yard sale. The sale will be held June 3rd at S&M Glass. Thanks to Evelyn Martin, the sale has been held at S&M Glass for several years. Sickles reminded all Lions to begin collecting their merchandise for the sale.

## Lions Club License Plate Authorized

Governor Joe Manchin III has approved Senate Bill 183 authorizing a special license plate for Lions Clubs International. However, the legislation requires that the organization obtain a minimum of 100 applications with deposits before the DMV proceeds with the design and production of the special plate.

Each application is to be accompanied by a check made payable to the organization (Lions) in the amount of \$55 to cover the first year's registration fee. This fee includes the annual basic registration fee (\$30), annual additional fee (\$15) and the one-time manufacturing fee (\$10). Applications must be submitted to the Lions and then by Lions to the DMV no later than December 12, 2006. Plates will be issued in sequential order and can not be personalized. Renewals will be processed through the DMV at a fee of \$45 per year.

**Glaucoma  
has no  
warning  
signs.**

If you are a person:

- Who is African American and age 50 and older
- With a family history of glaucoma
- With diabetes

You are at higher risk for glaucoma, a leading cause of vision loss. Check out the new Medicare benefit.



**Get a dilated eye exam every year.**

## FAIRMONT LIONS CLUB VEST ORDER FORM

Qty. _____	Small through Large	\$35.75 + Service Charge
Qty. _____	XL and XXL	40.70 + Service Charge
Qty. _____	XXXL and XXXXL	50.05 + Service Charge

Note: Because we will be ordering fewer than 12 additional vests, a service charge will apply for lettering the vests. If we order 6 vests, the service charge will be \$19.45 or about \$3.25 per vest. The per vest charge may be more or less depending on the number of vests ordered.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to  
Bob Moffett, secretary,  
by May 10, 2006.





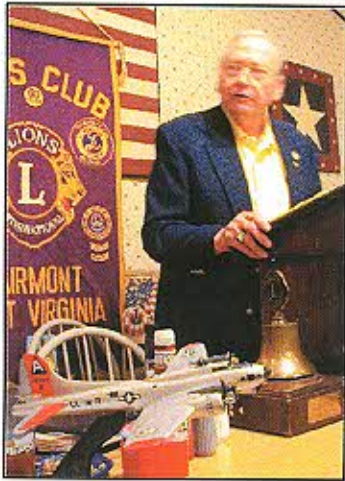
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*Club member Clyde Judy is pictured behind a model of the B-17 as he relates his experiences during World War II.*

## Lion Clyde Judy Tells of World War II Flying

Lion Clyde Judy introduced the guest speaker, who was Clyde Judy. Judy discussed his flying experiences and the history of air flight. He brought with him models of the B-17, Lockheed's P-38 and the B-34. Judy graduated from the Air Force Cadet program in 1943 and had a choice of flying bombers or fighters. He chose bombers because of the potential to fly commercial airlines after the war. Judy flew the B-34 and crash landed in Rome. He later took a direct hit by a dud shell. In Germany, Judy was at 24,000 ft. and taking flak. He lost co-pilot controls and some of the instrument panel and was hit in the leg. After losing the #2 engine over Vienna, Austria after dropping their bombs, they were on their own with two engines headed for home when they lost #3 engine at Yugoslavia and Judy gave the order to bail out. When he pulled his rip cord, the chute didn't open, but he gave it another very strong pull and out it came. Judy came down in water and swam about 3 hours, during which he prayed. He was picked up by boat and was given artificial respiration. His rescuers kept him in a cave until he was finally picked up by a Navy captain on a sub-chaser. After being hospitalized in Italy for awhile, Judy became a test pilot. After his lungs healed, he flew 10 more missions and headed home. He was an instructor pilot on the B-24.

### Just a Lion or Two

We are happy to report that Clyde Judy is back with us following knee surgery.

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## Club Makes Donations



At the District Convention "Parade of Checks," Treasurer Aletta Moffett presented DG Gary Pitcock with the Fairmont Lions Club's contributions to these causes: WV Sight Foundation \$478.85, Leader Dogs \$100, Pilot Dogs \$100, LCIF \$100, Blind Skiers (Blind & Deaf Recreation) \$25, Youth Exchange \$25. Total= \$828.85. This and donations made by other clubs yielded a total of about \$26,000 for this year's "Parade of Checks."

## Moffett Honored at Convention

Bob Moffett, District 29-L Region III Chairperson, was honored by DG Gary Pitcock during the district breakfast at the State Convention. Pitcock presented Moffett with a Certificate of Appreciation and a lapel pin signifying that a \$100 donation was made in his name and that he is a Life Member of the Permanent Endowment Trust Fund of the WV Sight Conservation Foundation. Only the interest from the fund can be used for sight and hearing related expenses.







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## Club Officers

Keith Long.....President  
 George Janice....1st V.P.  
 John Marsicano..2nd V.P.  
 Bob Moffett.....Secretary  
 Aletta Moffett....Treasurer  
 James Coleman..Assist. Tr.  
 Bob Brummage..Tail Twister  
 Wayne Dodd.....Lion Tamer  
 Clyde Judy.....Director  
 James Coleman..Director  
 Evelyn Martin....Director  
 Martha Warren...Director  
 Jeff Miller.....Membership

## Calendar

June 1 Installation of Officers & Induction of New Members  
 June 3 Lioness & Lions Yard Sale at S&M Glass  
 June 9 6:00 Relay for Life  
 June 10 Multiphasic Screening at FGH  
 June 15 Business Meeting

## Guests

The club was happy to welcome Kim Patton when she came with Pat to both May meetings.

## Visitations

Jim Coleman & Elizabeth Swiger attended the Sandestin, FL Lions meeting on April 17 and the Barrackville Lions' spaghetti dinner on April 29. Keith Long also ate spaghetti at Barrackville. Aletta & Bob Moffett attended Officer Training in Morgantown on May 7. Wayne Dodd attended Rivesville's steak dinner on May 7. Aletta & Bob Moffett visited Western Mon. Area Lions on May 22 and Bob Moffett visited Mannington on May 23 and Bellview on May 24.

Going the extra mile puts you miles ahead of your competition.

## Installation of Officers & New Member Induction June 1



District Governor Elect Eva Dague

The Fairmont Lions Club will install officers for the coming year on Thursday, June 1 at 6:30 pm. District 29-L Governor Elect Eva Dague will be the installing officer and will also induct our new members. All members are asked to attend and all incoming officers and new members are especially encouraged to be present for these two important ceremonies. This is a "spouses night" and guests are welcome.

Incoming officers to be installed are George Janice, president; John Marsicano, 1st vice president; Pat Patton, 2nd vice president; Bob Moffett, secretary; Aletta Moffett, treasurer; Jim Coleman, assistant treasurer; Bob Brummage, tail twister; Wayne Dodd, Lion tamer; Evelyn Martin, Martha Warren, Clyde Judy and Jim Coleman, directors; and Virginia Gallion and Nancy Sickles, membership.

Club members to be officially inducted are Elizabeth Swiger, Virginia Gallion, Jacob Brumage and Steve Criss.

## Lionesses & Lions to Hold Yard Sale

The annual Fairmont Lioness Club/Fairmont Lions Club yard sale will be held on Saturday, June 3rd, beginning at 7:00 a.m., at S&M Glass. Sale items may be delivered to S&M Glass on Friday, June 2nd, after 4:30 p.m.

## Club to Participate in Relay for Life

Pat Patton is the "team captain" again this year for the Fairmont Lions Club's team in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, which is being held on Rosier Field at Fairmont State, June 9th. Participants are asked to be there at 6:00 p.m. for the event.

## Club to Assist with Multiphasic Screening

The Fairmont Lions Club is again assisting with the multiphasic blood screening conducted at Fairmont General Hospital. The event will take place early on the morning of June 10th.



MAY IS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT MONTH

MEMORIAL DAY MAY 29



## Lions on the Web

Lions International: [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)  
 West Virginia Lions (MD-29) [www.wvlions.org/](http://www.wvlions.org/)  
 District 29-L: [www.wvlions29-l.org/](http://www.wvlions29-l.org/)  
 Fairmont Lions: [www.fscwv.edu/users/rmoffett/fairmontlions/](http://www.fscwv.edu/users/rmoffett/fairmontlions/)

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Bob Brummage, left, receives his 25 year Monarch chevron from club president Keith Long.

**Meetings**

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month, 6:30 p.m., at U.S.A. Steak Buffet, Fairmont Avenue.

**Fee Rebate Available**

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**Members Hear about Habitat for Humanity**



Suzanne Goralczyk

At the May 4th meeting, Fairmont Lions Club members heard about the local efforts of Habitat for Humanity. Suzanne Goralczyk with AmeriCorps, described how a family can obtain a home. She explained that the owners are required to put in 400 hours of "sweat equity" and will pay on a mortgage. Goralczyk, who once lived in Michigan, recalled how Lions were always doing things for people and suggested that Habitat for Humanity could become a project for the Fairmont club, as well. In addition to construction work on a home, the club could provide meals to the volunteers, inventory materials, or provide other help to the organization.

In 1999, LCIF began a partnership with Habitat and set aside \$3 million per year for three years to build homes for people with disabilities. In 2001, LCIF committed an additional \$3 million to the partnership. A total of 741 homes have been built or approved for construction so far.

*--Some information for this article came from the Lions International Web Site.*

**Helen Keller Day**



In 1971, LCI declared June 1 as "Helen Keller Day" in honor of this amazing woman who holds a special place in the hearts of Lions everywhere. At a Lions convention in 1925, Helen Keller personally challenged Lions to become "Knights of the Blind" and since then Lions have conducted countless sight conservation efforts. We encourage Lions to take this opportunity to conduct blindness-related service activities in their communities.

*-- from Lions Clubs International E-Newsletter*

