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Jan. 18 Peace Poster Winner

Jan. 26-28 WV Lions Leadership School

Feb. 1 Business Meeting

Mar. 16-17 District 29-L Convention

Mar. 24 Elimination Dinner

April 27-29 State Convention

Guests

Zone Chr. Scott and Membership Chr. Bonnie Summers paid a visit to the club meeting on Jan. 4th.

Visitations

Aletta and Bob Moffett attended the Certificate of Organization meeting for the Ritchie Co. High School Leo Club on Jan. 2. Aletta, who is District 29-L Leo Co-Chr., installed the Leo officers. The meeting was hosted by the Harrisville Lions.

If your life is free of failures, you probably aren't taking enough risks. -- Ŭnknown



95 Children Receive Gifts from Lions





Eye Exams Approved

Six applications for eye exams and glasses were approved at the January 4th business meeting, following the recommendation of Wayne Dodd.

Tickets Available

Keith Long has elimination dinner tickets for members to sell. The dinner is set for Saturday, March 24 at the Rivesville Community Building.

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The Fairmont Lions Club sponsored the Christmas party for the children on December 15th. Following the dinner downstairs, Lions went upstairs to assist and join in the fun as 95 children, infant through age 15, received their gifts.

Pastor Bob Thompson noted that he was in his 14th year at the Mission and this was the first time that Lion member Clyde Judy had not been present. He also noted that this was the 67th consecutive year the party has been provided by the Fairmont Lions Club.

Keith Long was the winning bidder for the poinsettia, provided by Bill Kime. The \$40 proceeds were donated to the Union Mission.

(Top) Kim Patton helps children stuff the teddy bears they received.

(Center)Many of the children fill the air with excitement as they gather on the floor for the Christmas party.

(Below) Pat and Kim Patton, Keith Long, Nancy Sickles, Steve Criss and Leola Robinson join in singing Christmas carols.







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Jake Brumage and Nancy Sickles were among the Lions helping distribute gifts to the children at the annual Christmas party at the Union Mission

Fairmont Lioness Club Wraps Gifts

The Fairmont Lioness Club assisted with the annual Christmas party for underprivileged children at the Union Mission this year. Five of the Lioness members, Nancy Sickles, Kathryn Miller, Martha Warren, Buchla Miller and Naoma Brandley, went to the Mission days before the event and wrapped the gifts. Thanks to the Lioness club for making this year's party a little bit nicer.

Early Registration for WVLLS Extended

The early registration fee of \$100 remains until January 15th, when the fee will increase to \$125. The Charleston House Holiday Inn has also agreed to extend its group rate until the same January 15th cutoff date. Registration information is available at the West Virginia Lions (MD-29) www.wylions.org/ web site.

Just a Lion or Two

As this issue goes to press, Mary Jo Michael is having eye surgery for her other eye, following successful surgery on the first one.

New Year's Resolutions for Lions

Invite somebody to be a

Visit another Lions club.

Spend time with a less fortunate child.

Write a check for Campaign SightFirst II.

Attend District Conference, State Convention, or Leadership School

Say "Yes" when asked to hold club office.

Get your eyes checked.

Peace Poster Contest Winner to be Guest

Stephanie Morgan, along with her parents and her art teacher at Miller Jr. High School, have been invited to the Fairmont Lions Club meeting of January 18th. Jake Brumage will discuss the Peace Poster Contest at the meeting. Lions Clubs International is providing a display for the meeting.



Zone Christmas Party

Fairmont Lions joined Lions from around Zone 7 for a Christmas party at the Fairmont Holiday Inn on December 8th.



Members enjoyed snacks, dinner and a gift exchange.

At the January 4th meeting, Scott and Bonnie Summers were applauded for putting together this activity that allowed members from the area Lions clubs to get to know each other better.

SightFirst II Fund Raiser

Jake Brumage is making plans for a broom/mop sale to be held in the spring. He and Zone Chr. Scott Summers are encouraging other clubs in the zone to do a broom sale the same day at grocery stores or other locations around the area and all benefit from joint publicity.

The Fairmont Lions Club has designated its proceeds from this sale to go toward the club's \$1000 Campaign SightFirst II goal. The club hopes to man sales at both the Fairmont Avenue and Country Club Road Shop N Save stores.



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Feb. 15 Meeting

Mar. 1 Business Meeting

Mar. 16-17 District 29-L Convention

Mar. 24 Elimination Dinner

April 27-29 State Convention

May 5 Broom & Mop Sale

Guests

Zone Chr. Scott and Membership Chr. Bonnie Summers paid a visit to the club meeting on Jan. 4th.

Visitations

Lions Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman have been busy visiting the Freeport and Sandestin, Florida Lions Clubs.

Bob Moffett attended a MERL (Membership, Extension, Retention, Leadership) Meeting on Feb. 9th.

You must learn from the mistakes of others. You can't possibly live long enough to make them all yourself.

--Sam Levenson



Club Welcomes Peace Poster Winner



(Left to right) Fairmont Lions Club 1st Vice President John Marsicano presents the certificate to Peace Poster Contest winner Stephanie Morgan, while her art teacher, Don Stevens, looks on.

Stephanie Morgan, the winner of the Peace Poster Contest sponsored by the Fairmont Lions Club, along with her parents, Nancy and Jeff Morgan, and her art teacher, Don Stevens, were guests of the club at the January 18th meeting. Stephanie was presented with a certificate recognizing her achievement.

The contest emphasizes the importance of world peace to young people everywhere. More than 350,000 entries are submitted worldwide. The winner of the MD-29 contests will be recognized at the WV State Convention in April.

Eye Exams Approved

Four applications for eye exams and glasses were approved at the January 18th meeting. The request was presented by John Marsicano on behalf of Wayne Dodd, who was unable to attend.

Tickets Available

Keith Long has elimination dinner tickets for members to sell. The dinner is set for Saturday, March 24 at the Rivesville Community Building. Again this year, the Fairmont Lions Club and the Rivesville Lions Club are working together on this project.

Broom & Mop Sale in May to Benefit CSFII

Are all CSFII funds spent outside the USA?

- No. The SightFirst program has designated \$50 million in CSFII funds to develop new capacities for controlling glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy, as well as strengthening low-vision services. These components will benefit both the developing and the developed world.
- With the achievement of the US\$200 million challenge goal, \$50 million will be designated to fund rehabilitation efforts, research initiatives and sight programs for high-risk populations in developed countries, including the USA.



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The Fairmont Lions Club was represented at the WV Lions Leadership School by (left to right) Aletta & Bob Moffett, and John Marsicano.

Fairmont Lions Attend Leadership School

The Fairmont Lions Club sponsored First Vice President John Marsicano to attend the West Virginia Lions Leadership School in January. Aletta and Bob Moffett also attended the school, which was held in Charleston this year. Among the keynote speakers was Past International President of Lions Clubs International Clem Kusiak.

Those attending were able to select from more than 20 seminar topics during the weekend-long event. On Sunday morning, Bob Moffett presented a seminar titled "Leadership by Consensus." Moffett also served on the WVLLS Committee again this year. This was the 11th year that the WV Lions have held the Leadership School. Next year's school will be held in nearby Morgantown.

LIONS Have the Hearts to Serve

March is Eye Donor Awareness Month

There are approximately 60 Lions Eye Banks worldwide. At the conclusion of 2005-2006, Lions Eye Banks reported that they provided more than 26,000 corneas for sight-saving transplants and approximately 13,000 eyes for research and education. March is Eye Donor Awareness Month. Lions may contact their local Lions Eye Bank to determine ways the club can promote eye donation. Also, contact the Health and Children's Services Department for more Lions Eye Bank information or phone 630-571-5466, ext. 318. To read more about Eye Donor Awareness Month, visit the Eye Bank Association of America (EBAA) Web site.

Did you know?: Through the establishment of medical standards the eye banking community strives to ensure the superior quality of human eye tissue provided for transplantation. The EBAA Medical Advisory Board sets guidelines for member banks to maintain the highest proficiency in eye tissue procurement, preservation, storage and transplantation. EBAA Medical Standards are endorsed by the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) and are reviewed semi-annually.



-- From the Lions e-Newsletter and the EBAA Website

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April 5 Business Meeting

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May 5 Broom & Mop Sale

June 9 Multiphasic Screening - FGH

Guests

Zone Chr. Scott and Membership Chr. Bonnie Summers and Carol Rogers, all of the Rivesville Lions, visited on Feb. 15th.

Visitations

Bob Moffett attended a meeting of the WV Lions Leadership School Committee Feb.24th.

Action is the antidote to despair.

-Joan Baez



ELECTION TO BE HELD APRIL 5, 2007

The Nominations Committee has presented a slate of officers for the 2007-08 year, which begins July 1, 2007. Keith Long presented the slate which will be up for election at the April 5th meeting. Officers nominated by the committee include:

President 1st Vice President 2nd Vice President Secretary Treasurer Ass't. Treasurer Lion Tamer Tail Twister Directors

Past President

Membership

John Marsicano Pat Patton Jake Brumage **Bob Moffett** Aletta Moffett James Coleman Wavne Dodd **Bob Brummage** Evelyn Martin (1 yr.) Nancy Sickles Jeff Miller Leola Robinson George Janice

Keith Long



Helping Our Neighbors to See

At the February 15th club meeting, Eyeglass Committee Chairperson Wayne Dodd reported that there were 35 pending applications. In recognition of the continued need in Fairmont, and after considering the financial implications, the Fairmont Lions Club approved 15 applications for free eye exams and glasses.

Elimination Dinner Proceeds Support Club Activities

This month's elimination dinner will provide much needed funding to allow the Fairmont Lions Club to continue funding the worthy projects of the club throughout the year. The dinner is being held in conjunction with the Rivesville Lions Club at the Rivesville Community Building on Saturday, March 24. Lions are encouraged to help with the dinner.

Club Supports Johnson for Int'l Director

The Fairmont Lions Club has directed its voting delegates at the Multiple District 29 (WV) Convention to cast their votes in support of Past Council Chairperson Larry Johnson as a candidate for International Director. Members John Marsicano, Aletta and Bob Moffett have said that they plan to attend the convention April 27-29 in Morgantown.

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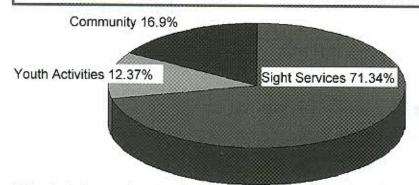


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This chart shows where the funds raised by the community are planned for use during the current club year. The major emphasis of Lions has been Sight Conservation and work with the blind and that is how the Fairmont Lions Club expends most of its funds.

Activities Budget

Sight Services	Eyeglasses	\$3000
	WV Sight Foundation	650
	Campaign SightFirstII	500
	Eye Clinic	50
Ú#C	Leader Dog	100
	Pilot Dog	100

Youth Activities Boys State, Girls State

Youth Exchange

Peace Poster, HOBY \$ 750

Community Relay for Life, Car Show

Blind Skiers, FSU Scholarship

Mission Party, LCIF

Habitat for Humanity \$1005

Just a Lion or Two

We are happy to hear that Clyde and Eleanor Judy are both doing better.

We have also learned that Milt Durbin had a stroke in November and was hospitalized five days but is now doing "real well."

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!

Lions Awareness Day Planned

The Fairmont Lions Club, in conjunction with other Lions Clubs in the zone, will conduct a Lions Awareness Day and Broom Sale on Saturday, May 5th. The broom and mop sale proceeds of the Fairmont Club are to be applied to the club's \$1000 goal for Campaign SightFirst II.

Jake Brumage has made arrangements for the club to sell brooms and mops at the Fairmont Avenue Shop N Save (formerly Giant Eagle) and the Country Club Road Shop N Save. The Rivesville Lions will sell in the Rivesville community and the Bellview Lions Club is expected to sell at the Bellview Shop N Save. Other clubs may also join in on the effort.

Zone Chairperson Scott Summers and Jake Brumage have worked together to plan this event in the hope that all the clubs will benefit from the coordinated publicity.

In addition to the sale merchandise, clubs are planning to display Lions information in the form of posters, brochures and membership applications. It is hoped that the Lions of the community will be widely visible that day to enhance the image of the area Lions Clubs.



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Calendar

April 19 6:30 Meeting - TBA

April 27-29 State Convention

May 3 Business Meeting

May 5 Broom & Mop Sale

Mar 17 6:30 Meeting - TBA

June 9 Multiphasic Screening - FGH

June 28 Zone Social

Guests

Carol Rogers, Bonnie and Scott Summers from Rivesville Lions visited on April 5th.

Visitations

Omission: Left out of last month's visitations was mention that Elizabeth Swiger & Jim Coleman continue to visit the Sandestin and Freeport, FL clubs when they meet. We regret the omission.

If you have the courage to begin, you have the courage to succeed. -- David Viscott



BROOM SALE MAY 5th TO BENEFIT CSFII Jake Brumage has been working with Zone Chr. Scott Summers to coordinate our

Jake Brumage has been working with Zone Chr. Scott Summers to coordinate our club's May 5th broom sale with other area clubs. The Fairmont club's proceeds were determined at an earlier meeting to go toward the club's \$1,000 goal in support of Campaign SightFirst II.

According to Brumage, the Rivesville and Bellview clubs are also planning to sell brooms and mops in their communities on the same Saturday. The Fairmont Lions will be selling brooms and mops in front of the Shop N Save stores on Fairmont Avenue and on Country Club Road from 10:00am through 2:00 pm. The Fairmont Lions Club may also need to sell brooms at Wal-Mart on May 12, as Wal-Mart was unable to schedule the event on May 5th. It is undetermined whether the Whitehall Club will participate.

A supply of brooms will be obtained for this sale. Brumage suggested that those wishing to sit during the sale should bring a lawn chair.

Elimination Dinner Sees All-Time Record Proceeds

The Fairmont Lions Club received \$2,961.47 in proceeds from this year's elimination dinner, according to Keith Long, Chairperson for the event, and Aletta Moffett, Treasurer. Total profit from the dinner was \$5,922.93, \$71 more than the club has raised in any previous elimination dinner.

Club president George Janice thanked everybody who participated and helped in making this event such an outstanding

At right, Martha Warren, Mary Jo Michael, John Marsicano and George Janice are pictured at the elimination dinner March 24th.



Officers Elected for 2007-2008

The Fairmont Lions Club conducted its election of officers for the 2007-2008 club year at the April 5th meeting. The slate of officers presented by the Nominations Committee was adopted by a vote of acclimation. Officers elected are:

President
1st Vice President
2nd Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Ass't. Treasurer
Lion Tamer
Tail Twister

John Marsicano Pat Patton Jake Brumage Bob Moffett Aletta Moffett James Coleman Wayne Dodd Bob Brummage Directors

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Bob Brummage presented the program on March 15th and reminded club members of much of the club's history. He also asked what got members started in Lions and what keeps them coming back.

Just a Lion or Two

Members are invited to a 90th birthday celebration for Leola Robinson on April 28th. Please let Leola know if you plan to attend. The family requests no gifts. Happy Birthday Leola!

Congratulations to Jeff Miller, who has accepted a position with Centre Business Products. Inc.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!

Club Continues to Provide Eye Care

At the March 15th meeting, the club approved applications for 10 individuals to receive eye exams and glasses. Another four applications were approved at the April 5th club meeting, following the recommendation of the committee, chaired by Wayne Dodd.

Virginia Gallion and Nancy Sickles are seen at the elimination dinner sponsored by the Fairmont and Rivesville Lions Clubs March 24.



Zone Social Planned

When: Thursday, June 28th, 2007 Where: Valley World's of Fun

Pasta Bar available 5-7:30 pm for \$7.50

Unlimited pasta bar and bowling \$11.00

Lions families and guests are welcome to attend and enjoy the amenities of Valley Worlds of Fun. Bowling will begin promptly at 7:00 pm.

May is Recycle for Sight Month



May is Recycle for Sight Month. The Fairmont Lions Club collects used eyeglasses at the Middletown Mall and at Monongahela Valley Bank. Some members may recall that the collection box at Middletown Mall was constructed by former club member Charles Herron many years ago. Members Tom Koon and Wayne Dodd arranged for the box at MVB in 2001.



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Calendar

Mar 17 6:30 Delegate Mike Caputo

June 2 Yard Sale S & M Glass

June 7 6:30 Business Meeting

June 8 Relay for Life

June 9 Multiphasic Screening - FGH

June 28 Zone Social Valley Worlds of Fun

Visitations

Bob Moffett, 29-L Leadership Chairperson, led a session at the Club Officer Training held on May 10th in New Martinsville.

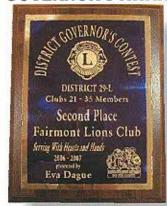
"A committee is an organized group that keeps minutes and wastes hours." -- Unknown



FAIRMONT LIONS CLUB RECEIVES DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S AWARD

District Governor Eva Dague presented a 2nd place in the District Governor's Contest for club's with 21-35 members to 1st Vice President George Janice and Secretary Bob Moffett at the WV Multiple District 29 Convention on April 29th during the District Breakfast.

The award recognizes the activities and accomplishments of the club in many categories including sight conservation and other Lions projects, attendance at special events, community activities of the club, publicity and fund raising, among others. The club secretary is responsible for compiling the information and submitting it monthly to district officers. It has been several years since the club has placed in the contest.





Aletta Moffett was presented with a membership in the West_Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Endowment Trust Fund of MD29 by District Governor Eva Dague at the District Breakfast April 29 at the State Convention in Morgantown. Moffett received the award for her efforts as Leo Club Co-Chairperson. A monetary donation to the Trust Fund was made in Moffett's name.

Delegate Mike Caputo to Address Club May 17

The May 17th meeting of the Fairmont Lions Club will feature Delegate Mike Caputo as our guest speaker. He is expected to discuss the legislative process. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. Majority Whip of the WV House of Delegates, Caputo serves on the Agriculture & Natural Resources, House Rules, Government Organization, and Constitutional Revision Committees and several Interim Committees.





Broom Sale Clean Sweep

According to Aletta Moffett, treasurer, the Fairmont Lions earned a profit of about \$646 selling brooms and mops at Shop N Save stores and Wal-Mart on May 5th and May 12. Jake Brumage organized the sale. Others participating were (L-R)Wayne Dodd, John Marsicano, George Janice and Jim Coleman. Not pictured here were Aletta and Bob Moffett, Keith Long and Elizabeth Swiger.

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Left to right, DG Eva Dague presents the 2nd Place Award in the District Governor's Contest to Fairmont Lions John Marsicano, 1st VP, and Bob Moffett, Secretary.

Just a Lion or Two

Congratulations to Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman who were awarded certificates for making 17 club visitations this year. Aletta Moffett received a certificate for 24 visitations and Bob Moffett made 28 visits.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!

Club Providing Much Community Service

At the May 3rd meeting, Treasurer Aletta Moffett reported that the Fairmont Lions Club provided a \$175 scholarship to Girls State and \$100 to the FSU Scholarship Fund. Jake Brumage reported that the club is sponsoring a young lady from Fairmont Senior High School to HOBY Camp at a cost of \$175. In addition the club voted to provide \$200 to the Lions Youth Exchange Program to assist a West Virginia high school student participating in the Lions Youth Exchange program.

Wayne Dodd requested approval for 13 applications for eye exams and glasses on behalf of the Eyeglass Committee. These were approved at the May 3rd meeting, as well.

The club received "thank you" notes from Leader Dogs and Pilot Dogs for support of those schools this year.

Lions Awareness Day Proves Success



Not only were the Lions selling brooms and mops, but we were also selling Lionism in front of Shop N Save stores and Wal-Mart. Brochures on Lionism and the Fairmont Lions Club were available and questions were answered. Several expressed interest and were invited to visit our club meeting with the hope that we may soon be welcoming some new members into the Fairmont Lions Club. Jim Coleman was interviewed for WDTV News. Seen at left with a couple of young "helpers" are (*L-R*) Keith Long, Bob Brumage, Aletta Moffett and Bob Moffett.

Zone Social Planned

The Fairmont Lions have accepted a challenge to take on the Rivesville Lions in bowling at the Zone Social, Thursday, June 28th, at Valley Worlds of Fun. A Pasta Bar is available from 5:00 - 7:30 pm for \$7.50. Unlimited pasta and bowling is \$11.00. Bowling is set to begin promptly at 7:00.