

Club Officers

President.....Guy Ward
 1st Vice Pres...Virginia Gallion
 2nd Vice Pres...John Marsicano
 Secretary.....John Marsicano
 Treasurer.....Bob Brummage
 Tail Twister.....Keith Long
 Lion Tamer...Monica Delbrook
 Directors.1 yr John Marsicano
 1 yr Leroy Humberston
 2 yr Aletta Moffett
 2 yr Jacob Brumage
 Membership.....Bob Moffett
 Immediate Past
 President.....Keith Long

Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet
 6:30 pm
 Mom's Place
 501 Hoult Road
 Fairmont, WV

- Jan. 21 Read Aloud WV
 Marion Co. Chapter
 Board Meeting
 6:30 pm, White Hall
 Community Bldg.
- Jan. 28 Meeting 6:30 pm
 Mom's Place
- Jan. 29-31 Lions of WV
 Leadership Retreat
 Charleston
- Feb. 11 Meeting 6:30 pm
 Mom's Place
- Feb. 25 Meeting 6:30 pm
 Mom's Place

WE SERVE

Our grand business is not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.

—Carlyle

**Dignity.
 Harmony.
 Humanity.**



President Dr. Yamada's
 theme for 2015 - 2016



The Mane Growl

Lions of WV Leadership Retreat
 January 29-31, 2016



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Time to Pay the Piper

For club members who pay dues on a six-month schedule, it is that time again. The club must pay its dues to both Lions Clubs International and District 29L in January. Therefore, it is incumbent upon all members to keep their dues payments current and not to fall into arrears. Regular member dues are only \$39.50 for six-months. Please refer any questions about your dues to Treasurer Bob Brummage.

Fairmont Lions Club Helps Fairmont Celebrate the Christmas Season

The Fairmont Christmas Parade, once again organized and sponsored by the Fairmont Lions Club, kicked off at 5:00 pm on December 12th, which was a mild evening that promised a large turnout. Marci Carroll and Carol Baker had it well organized and moving smoothly. A comment on Facebook suggested it was Fairmont's largest parade in years. Large crowds lined Adams and Merchant Streets.



Our own Columbus Carpenter served as parade marshal and Leroy Humberston road in John Knoll's 1920 Ford Touring car, a parade regular. "Lennie" the Lion and others from the Friendly Lions Club were also on hand. Club President Guy Ward, Virginia Gallion, Aletta and Bob Moffett, in addition to Carpenter and Humberston, represented the Fairmont Lions Club in the parade.



Marci Carroll, Carol Baker, Virginia Gallion, Guy Ward, Aletta and Bob Moffett helped with the parade line-up.

Fairmont Lions Know How To Throw A Party



Keith Long, aka Fred Claus, hands bags of toys to children.

For over 70 years, the Fairmont Lions Club has sponsored a party for less fortunate children at Fairmont's Union Mission. Organized by Nancy Sickles, this year's party was a great success. Although the number of children served was down a little from recent years, all who attended received at least one item from their "wish list" as part of a large sack of toys and gifts. In addition, the children were able to choose from a wide selection of hats, mittens and gloves, stuffed toys, and more. These additional gifts were donations from churches and other local organizations.

Drawings were held for special prizes in four age groups, including a girl's bicycle, a boy's bicycle, a very large stuffed animal and a wagon piled high with gifts. It was an evening of joy watching the smiles of the children and their parents. Many parents made a point to speak to Lions afterwards and thanked the Lions for the evening.

At the club dinner, which preceded the party, the Mission staff prepared a fine repast. Nancy Sickles was presented a plaque by George Batten, Executive Director of the Union Mission, "in acknowledgment of her many years of service to the children of our community." It should be noted that Sickles did much of the shopping, too. A poinsettia, donated to the club by Kime Floral, was presented to the Battens.



George Batten presents plaque to Nancy Sickles.



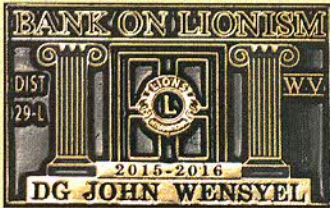
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District Governor John Wensyel's theme this year is "You Can Bank On Lionism"



Lions On The Web

Lions Clubs International
www.lionsclubs.org

West Virginia Lions (MD-29)
www.wvlions.org

District 29-L Lions
www.lions29l.org

WV Lions Sight Foundation
www.wvsight.org

Fairmont Lions Club
www.fairmontlions.org

Just A Lion Or Two

Keith Long's mother passed away after the last issue went to press. We express our sympathy to the family.

Please keep Pres. Guy Ward and family in your thoughts and prayers. His mother is in failing health.

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We are on Facebook.



Lions Spend Saturday for Salvation Army

On a cool December Saturday, members of the Fairmont Lions Club gave of their time to ring bells for the Salvation Army's Kettle Drive. Participating Lions were Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman, Leroy Humberston, Nancy Sickles, Virginia Gallion, Aletta Moffett, John Marsicano, Ed Neese, Bob Brummage and Bob Moffett.

Fairmont Lions Club Sponsors Peace Poster Contest



Kylie Andrade (right) was the first place Peace Poster Contest winner at East Fairmont Middle School. Jazlyn Messina (center) was the Second Place winner. Andrade's winning poster was submitted to the District 29L competition. Jacob Brumage (left) presented each with a certificate and gift card.



Clara Deskins (right) was the first place Peace Poster Contest winner at East Fairmont Middle School. Katheyin Mason (center) was the Second Place winner. Deskins' winning poster was submitted to the District 29L competition. Margaret Brumage (left) presented them both with certificates and gift cards.

Casey Conaway Doing Mission Work in Burundi

Casey Conaway, a graduate of North Marion H.S. and an RN, has been working with the deaf & blind students in Burundi, Africa, through Hands and Feet Ministries. She told about her work there at the December 10th Fairmont Lions Club meeting at Mom's Place. She was back in the area as a result of unsafe conditions, but hoped to return to Burundi in January. The club presented her with a gift of \$50 to support her work with the deaf and blind in Burundi. Several individual Lions provided her with additional financial support, as well.

Members Recognized

President Guy Ward presented Perfect Attendance pins to Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman, Leroy Humberston, Ed Neese, Aletta and Bob Moffett, and Keith Long. He presented LCIF Contributing Member pins to Aletta and Bob Moffett.

PDG Bob Moffett, on behalf of DG John Wensyel, presented a 10 year membership chevron to Virginia Gallion and the district governor's pin to Pres. Guy Ward.

More Eye Care Provided by Club

Eight applications for exams and glasses were approved at the January 14th meeting.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

