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Your success and happiness lies in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties.

-Helen Keller







# The Mane Growl

## 95 YEARS of SERVICE TO FAIRMONT

Fairmont Lions Club December - January 2019 Volume 33 Num

Club Meets Thursday January 10th

After an extended period with no regular club meetings, due to the busy schedule of service activities, the Fairmont Lions Club will hold its first 2019 meeting on Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm at Mom's Place. Mark your calendar and let's start the new year off on the right foot. If you are able, come a little early for fellowship and to order from the menu.

Fairmont Provides Christmas Party for 80 Years



This year was the 80<sup>th</sup>
Christmas party for less
fortunate children held each
year at the Union Mission.
Children were registered
through the Mission, and with
"Christmas lists" in hand, club
members went shopping and
purchased toys and gifts, trying
their best to include at least two
or more items from the child's
list. Members wrapped the gifts
and organized them in large
bags (one for each child). At the
party, following food and

refreshments provided by the local Subway restaurant, club members distributed the bags of toys, which also included coloring books and crayons for each child. Other organizations and individuals had donated winter coats, hats, gloves, blankets, pajamas, and books. The children were able to select from these with the help of a Lion at each table

helping them find the best fit or most desired design. Sixty children received gift bags and the other items. Fifteen non-Lion volunteers assisted with food crafts games and music

with food, crafts, games and music.
Lions gathered before the party for a dinner provided by the Union Mission staff. A poinsettia, donated by Kime Floral, was auctioned to Dr. Phil Wilmoth, Vice-Chair of the WV Rescue Ministries Board of Directors. He donated the poinsettia to the Union Mission. In attendance and helping distribute gifts were Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman, Aletta & Bob Moffett, Dr. Wilmoth, Nancy Sickles, Virginia Gallion and her "elves" (family) Mary, Michael and Debra.



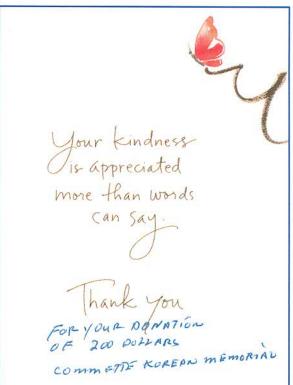
Read Aloud West Virginia Supported by Books-A-Million
The Marion County chapter of Read Aloud WV set up a table display and handed out bookmarks and magazines to children, as well as



magazines to children, as well as brochures to adults at Books-A-Million at Meadowbrook Mall on October 27th. Books-A-Million donated 10% of the day's sales proceeds to Read Aloud WV. The Fairmont Lions Club sponsors the Marion County Chapter of Read Aloud WV.

Aletta Moffett and Cindie Wilson with the Read Aloud WV display

### Thank You Received





January is Hunger Awareness Month

Club Loses Longtime Members

Several of the club's longtime members asked to be removed from membership due to health reasons. Margaret Brumage has not been able to attend meetings or participate for some time. She and her spouse, Jacob, who remains a member, have moved to Bridgeport. Karen and Robert Gribben are no longer able to participate.

The club has not been able to contact Joseph Sarsfield or Connie Canfield and therefore were dropped so that the club would not be "on the hook" for their dues in January. Numerous efforts to contact each of these were made by phone, email, and mail, but the club received no response. Dropped members may be reinstated into the club if they choose to do so within the time frame permitted by Lions Clubs International and pay any back

We will miss these former members.

Club membership currently stands at 25, the lowest point in a number of years. The district governor has offered assistance if we wish to conduct a new member drive in the spring.

Apple Sale Was Success

Bob Brummage reported that the October apple sale raised \$985 for the club. Lions who helped with the sale included Nancy Sickles, Bob Moffett, Aletta Moffett, Beulah Miller, Wayne Dodd, Ed Neese and Bob Brummage. These Lions put in 36 hours. That works out to over \$27 for each Lion-hour worked. Thank you Lions!

Soup Opera

The Fairmont Lions donated five bushels of apples (from the apple sale) and toiletries to the Soup Opera.

LCIF Provides \$100,000 Grant
After an earthquake rattled Indonesia in early August, the country **Lions Clubs International** was hit with another. A 7.5 magnitude earthquake triggered a tsunami killing more than 1,300 people. Our Foundation has awarded a \$100,000 grant to provide immediate relief. Our club supports our Foundation.

RAP/Read Aloud WV News

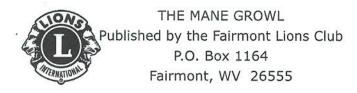
A second Volunteer Reader Orientation for Read Aloud WV was held in November, Nine new readers were oriented.

Aletta Moffett, Marion Co. chapter president who is reading in three kindergarten classrooms this year, recommended the book, <u>The New Kid on the Block</u> by Jack Prelutsky, in an article published in the latest issue of the Read Aloud WV Newsletter. The book is one she has read to second, third and fourth graders in past years.

Still Time To Register For Retreat At Flatwoods

Seminar topics at this month's Lions of West Virginia Leadership Retreat include "New Voices," "Harness the Leader in You," and "How to Recruit and Retain Younger Lions," among others. The Retreat is January 25 & 26, 2019, at Days Inn Flatwoods. The cost of \$100 includes 'dinner Friday evening, lunch on Saturday and dinner Saturday, as well as materials for the Retreat. The fee for Saturday only is \$75. The registration deadline is January 18, 2019 and room reservations at the Days Inn (call 866-700-7284) are due by January 15 (\$89.99 for 1 or 2 people or \$99.99 for 3 or 4 people). Breakfast is included for those staying at the hotel. For a registration form, visit http://wvlions.org/LeadershipSchool/pdf/RegistrationForm.pdf

or ask Bob Moffett, club secretary for a copy. It is a great opportunity for networking with Lions from around the state and beyond.



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Just A Lion or Two

Ralph Davis is recovering from surgery. We wish him the very best.

Congratulations to Leroy Humberston, who recently celebrated his 90th birthday.

DG Bob Moffett, Editor rmoffett@ma.rr.com 304-363-7060

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Christmas Parade Draws Crowd
The Fairmont Lions Club kicked off the
holiday season by sponsoring Fairmont's
Christmas parade on Saturday, December
8th. This is the eighth year the club has
sponsored and organized the parade, which
was made up of about 130 units including
three county high school bands, floats, Girl
Scout troops, 4-H, Cub Scouts, television and
radio stations, and even a cement mixer
decorated for the season. Of course, the
Fairmont Fire Department was on hand to
bring Santa and Mrs. Claus to join the
celebration.

The parade was led by the Police Department, Sheriff and a Vietnam Veterans

Memorial Color Guard, local Marines, VFW and the Fairmont Lions Club's own member, Columbus Carpenter, who is chairperson for the Korean War Veterans Memorial. Lenny, the Friendly Lion and a contingent from the Friendly Lions Club were followed by members of the Fairmont Lions Club. Lions tallied 153 hours of service organizing, marking the streets for the parade line-up, lining-up and sending out the parade. Thanks to Marci Carroll who took care of all of the advance planning and organizing. John Funkhouser and Bob Moffett helped Marci mark the streets for the line-up and Aletta Moffett, Ashley Merrifield, Bob Brummage, Virginia Gallion and Bob Moffett assited with the line-up.

Virginia Gallion, Nancy Sickles, Aletta and Bob Moffett took part in the parade, as well. The parade began on Fairmont Avenue at Fourth Street and traveled to the court house, crossed over the Monongahela River on the High Level/Million Dollar Robert H. Mollohan Bridge, turned down Merchant Street and disbanded at Palatine Park. A crowd lined the

streets on both sides of the river.

Reminder: Dues for January to June 2019 are due. Nine Individuals Provided Exams and Eyeglasses

Keith Long, Eyeglasses Chairperson, reports that 14 people were approved by the Eyeglasses Committee to receive eye exams and glasses for October, November and December.

FY 2018 Fairmont Lions Club

People Served: 8808

People Served per Member: 304

Service Activities Completed: 41

Volunteer Hours: 495

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A smile is the shortest distance between two people. -Victor Borge



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(Left to right): Fairmont Lions Club treasurer Bob Brummage presents Peace Poster Contest winners Greyson Stewart (Second Place) and Kenly Rogers (First Place) their certificates and gift cards. Mrs. Misty Skarzinski is their art teacher.

Peace Poster Contest Winners Announced

The Fairmont Lions Club is pleased to announce that Kenly Rogers was the First Place winner in the Lions Clubs Peace Poster Contest, held at East Fairmont Middle School. Greyson Stewart's poster came in Second Place. The theme for this year's contest was "Kindness Matters." Both students received a certificate and a gift card in recognition of their efforts. Kenly Rogers' winning poster was sent on to be judged in the District 29L competition. The winning poster there will move on to the West Virginia statewide competition and that winner's poster advances

to international competition where it will be judged along with posters from around the world. One grand prize winner and 23 merit winners are chosen

each year.



Grevson Stewart's Second Place Peace Poster (The First Place poster was sent on in the competition without being photographed, due to the contest deadline.)



Hearing Aid Specialist To Speak

Dr. John Vash, Hearing Aid Specialist, will speak to the Fairmont Lions Club at the February 28th meeting. Our club's requests to the WV Lions Sight Foundation are handled by Vash, through The Starkey Foundation, which assists our Foundation in providing hearing aids to those unable to afford them.

The club meets at 6:30 pm at Mom's Place, but some members like to come early to order from the menu and to visit with other members before the meeting gets underway.

Club Receives Membership Satisfaction Award Again The Fairmont Lions Club earned the Membership Satisfaction Award for the 2017-2018 Lions year and received the fiscal year patch to place below the Membership Satisfaction Banner Patch received previously.

The accompanying letter from Immediate Past International President Dr. Naresh Aggarwal stated in part, "The strength of your club supports your ability to help those in need. It is clubs like yours that truly exemplify the Lions Mission Statement: 'To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs."

The club thanks Nancy Sickles for sewing the fiscal year patch under the banner patch and fiscal year 2016-2017 patch.

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Beulah Miller is recovering from surgery and Ralph Davis has had bronchitis. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

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John Provins Talks MCPARC
At the January 24th Fairmont Lions Club
meeting, John Provins, Director of Events at
MCPARC, discussed upcoming events at
Palatine Park. The bass tournaments being
held on the river there have caused the locks
on the Monongahela River to be opened.
Upcoming events at Palatine Park will include
Kentucky Head Hunters and Father of Rock &
Roll Tribute, as well as a Disabled American

can be found on the Web at www.mcparc.com/palatine.html.



John Provins is presented a Certificate of Appreciation from V.P. Guy Ward.

Club To Obtain Brailler Repair

Bob Moffett requested at the January 24th meeting that the club consider providing repairs to a brailler (braille typewriter) used by a Fairmont blind individual. An estimate was obtained and presented to

the club, which approved the action. Moffett will pick up the brailler, ship it for repair and see that it is returned to the individual once repaired. This is far less expensive than the cost of replacing the brailler.

Veterans Benefit. The season's full schedule

Notes From the Treasurer

Bob Brummage reported that the club has paid its Intenational and State dues. Year-to-date Mint Sales, which Ed Neese works to keep businesses supplied, have raised \$251 above expenses. The club's profit from Nut Sales is \$1,132.09, but noted that sales are a little slower this year.

Aletta and Bob Moffett attended the Lions of WV Leadership Retreat in January and Bob Moffett attended the meeting of Zones 5 & 6 February 16. FY 2018 Fairmont Lions Club

People Served: 9117

People Served per Member: 326

Service Activities Completed: 52

Volunteer Hours: 541

Two Individuals Provided Exams and Eyeglasses Keith Long, Eyeglasses Chairperson, reports that two people were approved by the Eyeglasses Committee to receive eye exams and glasses for January.



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Mar. 28 Program Meeting Tadashi Kato, Ph.D. 6:30 pm Mom's Place

April 3 Vision Screening Sunbeam 8:30 am

April 4 Vision Screening Valley Chapel UMC 9:30 am

April 5 Vision Screening Valley Chapel 9:30 am

April 8 Vision Screening Edgemont Head Start 9:30 am

April 11 Business Meeting Officer Elections 6:30 pm Mom's Place

April 17 Vision Screening Learning Land 9:30 am

April 20 Chicken Roast & Membership Drive

April 22 Earth Day Rail Trail Clean- up Monongah & Norway Trailheads 2:00 pm

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Fairmont Lions Club members (left to right) Ed Neese, Virginia Gallion and Bob Brummage display their Leonard Jarrett Award plaques.

Awards Presented Three members of the Fairmont Lions Club received recognition as Leonard Jarrett Award recipients at the March 14th Fairmont Lions Club meeting. Recognized were Bob Brummage, Virginia Gallion and Ed Neese. PDG Bob Moffett and Leroy Humberston, who

Leonard Jarrett

received his Leonard Jarrett Award while a member of the White Hall Lions Club, made the presentations.

Lion Leonard Jarrett is recognized by Lions of West Virginia as the founder of the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation, Jarrett knew from personal experience the cost of eye care and surgery. In 1984 the Foundation established the Leonard Jarrett Award. It is the highest honor given by the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. The Fairmont Lions Club has donated \$1,000 to the Foundation over several years in the names of Lions Brummage, Gallion and Neese in recognition of their service to the sight and hearing needs of others.

Club Officer Elections Set for April 11, 2019

The slate of nominations for election as 2019-2020 Fairmont Lions Club officers was presented at the March 14th club meeting. Aletta Moffett presented the list of nominees:

> President Vice President Recording Secretary Reporting Secretary Treasurer Tail Twisters

Directors

(1 yr.) (1 yr.)

(2 yr.)

**Bob Moffett** Elizabeth Swiger Virginia Gallion **Bob Moffett Bob Brummage** Ralph Davis Ed Neese Leroy Humberston Nancy Sickles Jim Coleman

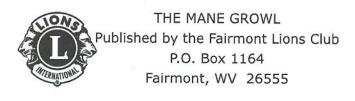
(2 yr.) Columbus Carpenter
The slate will be read again at the March 28<sup>th</sup> meeting, at which time nominations may be made from the floor. Club officers will be elected at the April business meeting, Thursday, April 11, 2019, 6:30 pm at Mom's Place. There will be no nominations from the floor April 11<sup>th</sup>. All club members in good standing are entitled to vote at this meeting.



Adopt-A-Trail Clean-up Set for Earth Day

Members of the club will pick up trash between Monongah and Fairmont along the West Fork River/Ralph S. Larue Rail Trail on Earth Day, Monday, April 22, 2019 beginning at 2:00 pm.





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Just A Lion or Two

Beulah Miller continues her recovery.

Laughter is an instant vacation.
—Milton Berle

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Fairmont Lions Club Supports Causes

Fairmont Lions Club members collected 2,395 pairs of used eyeglasses (a full pick-up truckload) that were delivered to the Lions 29L District Conference at Oglebay Resort in Wheeling March 15 – 16, 2019. They will go from there to the Lions Eyeglasses Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA.

Also at the Conference, the club took part in the annual "Parade of Checks" to support our Lions charities. The club donated to these organizations:

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WV Lions Sight Foundation	\$700
Lions Clubs Int'l Foundation	500
Camp Kno-Koma (Diabetes Camp)	250
Deaf/Blind Recreation	75
Leader Dogs for the Blind	150
Pilot Dogs	150
Lions Youth Exchange Program	50
	\$1,875

Aletta and Bob Moffett represented the Fairmont Lions Club at the Conference and they also delivered used eyeglasses and hearing aids from the Barrackville Lions Club.

Tadashi Kato, Ph.D. to Discuss Stress and Coping

The program for the March 28<sup>th</sup> club meeting will be Dr. Tadashi Kato, Professor of Psychology at Fairmont State University. He will discuss factors that increase stress levels in our everyday lives, how mental stress can result in physical diseases and how to reduce stress in our daily lives in order to prevent the development of major illnesses. He will also introduce a glimpse of relaxation exercises that are an integral part of the Stress Reduction Outreach Program offered by the Department of Behavioral Science at Fairmont State University.

2018-2019 Fairmont Lions Club

People Served: 11,728

People Served per Member: 434

Service Activities Completed: 59

Volunteer Hours: 683

Vision Screening Takes Place in April & May
The club will conduct vision screening in preschool facilities
on these dates: April 3, 8:30 am; April 4 9:30 am; April 5, 9:30
am; April 8, 9:30 am; April 17, 9:30 am; and at the Marion
County Family Literacy Fair May 4, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.
Volunteers are requested to help with this sight-saving project.

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April 25 Program
Tony Golden
Marion Co. Solid
Waste Authority
Mom's Place
6:30 pm

April 29 Vision Screening Learning Land 9:30 am

April 30 Volunteer Reader Training (RAP) Marion Co. Public Library 10:30 am

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It is only the farmer who faithfully plants seeds in the Spring, who reaps a harvest in the Autumn.

−B. C. Forbes





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Ralph Davis is presented the plaque and lapel pin signifying his receiving the Leonard Jarrett Award.

Davis Receives Leonard larrett Award

Ralph Davis was honored as a recipient of the Leonard Jarrett Award. The award was presented at the March 28<sup>th</sup> club meeting by PDG Bob Moffett.

The Leonard Jarrett Award is named after a West Virginia Lion who is considered to be the founder of the WV Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. It is the highest honor given by the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. The Fairmont Lions Club has donated \$1,000 to the Foundation over several years in the name of Ralph Davis in recognition of

his service to the sight and hearing needs of others.

2019-2020 Officers Elected

Congratulations to newly elected 2019-2020 Fairmont Lions Club officers who were elected at the March 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. They will assume office July 1, 2019:

President
Vice President
Recording Secretary
Reporting Secretary
Treasurer
Tail Twisters

Directors

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Columbus Carpenter

Club Officer
Training
Club officer
training for the
2019-2020 year
will be held Saturday, May 25,
2019 at the WVU
Eye Institute in
Morgantown from
10:00 am until
12:00 noon.

# Lions Screen 124 Children



The Fairmont Lions
Club's spring vision
screening is underway. To
date, 124 preschoolers
have been screened at
Sunbeam Early Learning
Center, Valley Chapel
Child Development Center
and Edgemont Head Start.

Of these, 19 have been referred for examination by an eye care professional.

Club members taking part in these screenings include Aletta Moffett, Nancy Sickles, Bob Brummage and Bob Moffett.

Additional screenings will take place at Learning Land on Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> and at the Marion County Family Literacy Fair on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.



2nd Vice President Guy Ward presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Tadashi Kato of Fairmont State University following Kato's description of a new stress reduction workshop Fairmont State is offering to the community. Kato spoke at the March 28th meeting.

## Nut Sale Proceeds = \$2,323.09 Total Hours (Lions & non-lions) = 86.5

Lions participating included: Bob Brummage, Wayne Dodd, Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman, Beulah Miller, Nancy Sickles, Virginia Gallion, Aletta Moffett, Bob Moffett, Guy Ward, Ed Neese Non-Lion: Jason Dodd

Walmart Takes Over Used Eyeglass Collection in White Hall Store
The Fairmont Lions Club has been informed that the local Walmart is now collecting used eyeglasses in a co-branded collection box bearing the LCI, Walmart and Sam's Club logos. This program began in 2010, but is just now

being implemented in the local store.

Wallmart will ship collected eyeglasses to their distribution centers, where they will be delivered to the nearest Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center for sorting, cleaning and processing. Used eyeglasses will continue to be available ght for Lions and other optical missions to developing nations, where the glasses will be dispensed to children and adults free of charge.

As a result of this change, the Fairmont Lions Club will remove its collection box from Walmart in White Hall. Columbus Carpenter is looking into placing it at another area location.

## Dan Dague Memorial Car & Bike Show Report

For 17 years, District 29L Lions put on the Dan Dague Memorial Car & Bike Show for Sight. The effort was initiated by PDG Dan Dague and primarily led over the years by PDG Eva Dague (Moundsville Lions Club) and PDG Jeff Baxter (Cheat Lake Lions Club) and many Lions from around the district and state of WV pitched in to make it a success year after year. Hundreds of cars, trucks and motorcycles were exhibited each year. The final show was held in the fall of 2018. During the 17 year run of the show \$185,000 was raised and used to support the Lions of West Virginia Sight Foundation. Thank you to a good number of Lions from the Fairmont Club who participated in this event over the years. The club also provided trophies, dash plaques and financial support during those years.

# Club Receives Thank You Letters

The club received thank you letters from WV Lions Youth Camps and Exchange for the club's donation. Henry Krautwurst, MD29 Youth Camps & Exchange Chairperson, said in part, "On behalf of the Youth Camps & Exchange committee and the students traveling abroad, thank you

for your continued support." A letter was also received from Naresh Aggarwal, Chairman, Board of Trustees of Lions Clubs Interna-

& Exchange

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tional Foundation, thanking the club for it's "generous contribution of \$500.00. Your club's gift will help support Lions' many projects locally and around the world.... Your gift will make a difference in the life of someone in need."

Eye Exams and Glasses Provided

In March, the Eyeglasses Committee approved applications for 10 people to receive eye exams and glasses. In April, five more people were approved. Keith Long is chairperson of the committee.



April Issue of The Lion is On-Line Only

While Lion Magazine is still mailed every other month, the other months are available only on-line. The April issue, which is now on-line, can be found at:

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/footer/lion-magazine

PDG Tracy Smith Affiliates

We welcome PDG Tracy Smith as an Associate Member of the Fairmont Lions Club. Tracy, who was a member of our club some years ago, is currently a member of the Barrackville Lions Club. He desires to assist Fairmont with activities and has been attending meetings as well.

Program Announced Tony Golden, Marion County Solid Waste Authority, will be the guest speaker at the April 25th Fairmont Lions Club meeting at Mom's Place. The meeting begins at 6:30, but come a little early if you are able to order something to eat and socialize. Consider inviting somebody that you think might make a good Lions club member to join you and tell them about the Lions club.

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Repaired Brailler Returned to Owner

The Fairmont Lions Club, at the request of a blind Fairmont resident, sent a braille typewriter (braillewriter or brailler) off for repair and then returned it in good working



order to that individual. It was learned that the brailler had been given to the individual by her grandmother about 53 years ago and could now last another 50+ years. Total cost to the club (including shipping) was \$229.89.

2018-2019 Fairmont Lions Club

People Served: 12,102

People Served per Member: 448

Service Activities Completed: 74

Volunteer Hours: 742

Fairmont Lions Club is providing vision screening at the Fair...



A weekly visit from YOU...

Can make a lifetime difference to a child.

Read Aloud volunteers...

Share favorite books

Motivate children to WANT to read

Serve as role models and become friends

Volunteer Reader Orientation
Tuesday April 30
Marion County Public Library 10:30 am to 12:00 pm
Register by e-mail: almoffett@gmail.com
or by phone: 304-363-7060

Saturday, May 4, 2019

10 AM – 2 PM

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(Old Armory)

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May 25 Broom Sale 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Save A Lot Bellview

June 13 Business Meeting 6:30 pm Mom's Place

June 27 Installation of Officers PDG Tracy Smith 6:30 pm Mom's Place

Club name will be lettered on back of new vests ordered from the LCI Supplies Store during the month of May 2019 for no additional charge.

Joy can only be real if people look upon their life as a service and have a definite object in life outside themselves and their personal happiness.

—Leo Tolstov



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New Member Drive to be Meeting Topic District Governor Gary Pitcock, a member of the Weirton Lions Club, will speak with the Fairmont club at Thursday's meeting, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30 pm at Mom's Place. He will discuss the club's planned New Member Drive.

The Fairmont Lions Club lost some good members at the end of December and it is important to bring the membership number up so that we have more hands to help with our service activities. In just four years, the club will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary and in order to insure the club continues to meet community needs, an increase in our membership is

necessary. Included with this newsletter is a copy of the club brochure and a membership application. Please plan to attend Thursday's meeting, invite a friend, neighbor, family member or business associate to attend with you and encourage that person to join you in serving the Fairmont community.

## Carpenter Receives Leonard Jarrett Award

Columbus Carpenter was presented a Leonard Jarrett Award from the Fairmont Lions Club by PDG Bob Moffett at the May

A Lions club member, Leonard Jarrett is considered to be the founder of the WV Lions Sight Conservation Foundation and so the Foundation's award is named after him. The Leonard Jarrett Award is the highest honor given by the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. The Fairmont Lions Club donated \$1,000 to the Foundation over a period of years in the name of Columbus Carpenter in recognition of his service to the sight and hearing needs of others.



PDG Bob Moffett (left) presents the Leonard Jarrett Award to Columbus Carpenter.

# Spring Vision Screening Completed



The Fairmont Lions Club's spring vision screening is complete. To date, a total of 153 children were screened resulting in 22 refers for eye examinations. In addition to earlier screenings, additional

children were screened at Learning Land Daycare & Preschool and at the Board of Education's Family Literacy Fair. Assisting with those last two events were Aletta Moffett, Guy Ward, Bob Brummage and Bob Moffett.

Books were also given to children from the Fairmont Lions Club at the Family Literacy Fair.

Club Officer
Training
Club officer training for
the 2019-2020 year will
be held Saturday, May
25, 2019 at the WVU
Eye Institute in
Morgantown from

10:00 am until 12:00

noon.

Mint Sales
Ed Neese continues
selling remaining stock
of mints which brought
in another \$80 to the
club.

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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

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Just A Lion or Two

It is good to see Beulah Miller and Columbus Carpenter at our meetings again.

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(Left to right) Bob Brummage, Ralph Davis, Aletta Moffett, Bob Moffett on the trail

Lions Adopt-A-Trail Four Fairmont Lions Club members enjoyed a pleasant Earth Day, April 22, 2019, on the West Fork River/Ralph S. LaRue Trail cleaning up litter. Bob Brummage, Ralph Davis, Aletta Moffett, and Bob Moffett worked in teams from each end of the approximately 2 mile section of the trail and met near the middle bagging trash along the way. They were greeted along the trail by a nice display of spring wildflowers. The club cleans the section of trail several times during the trail season.

Fairmont Lions Club Receives First Place

At the WV Lions State Convention, it was announced that the Fairmont Lions Club received First Place in the District Governor's Contest for clubs with 21-35 members. Western Mon Area took First Place for clubs with

20 or fewer members and Parkersburg took First Place in clubs with 36 or more members. 2018-2019 Fairmont Lions Club

People Served: 12,558

People Served per Member: 465

Service Activities Completed: 82

Volunteer Hours: 790

Broom Sale Date Set

Jacob Brumage has announced that a broom and mop sale will be held at the Bellview Save A Lot on Saturday, May 25, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Lions are needed to help out.

Four more individuals will receive free eye exams and glasses from the Fairmont Lions Club.



2nd Vice President....Guy Ward Secretary.....Bob Moffett Treasurer.....Bob Brummage Tail Twisters.....Jacob Brumage Ralph Davis

Directors....

1 yr Leroy Humberston Nancy Sickles 1 yr 2 yr Nick Fantasia

2 yr David Sturm

Immediate Past President......Virginia Gallion

### Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet 2nd & 4th Thursdays 6:30 pm Mom's Place 39 Philips Lane Fairmont, WV

June 27 Installation of Officers PDG Tracy Smith 6:30 pm Colasessano's

July 5-9 LCI Convention Milan, Italy

July 11 2019-2020 Business/ Planning Meeting 6:30 pm Mom's Place

July 25 Progam Meeting 6:30 pm Mom's Place

8 District Governor Aug. Visit Joint Meeting Barrackville & Rivesville have been invited to join us to welcome and hear our District Governor 6:30 pm

Reminder: Depending on your payment schedule (semi-annual or annual, etc.) your club dues may become due on July 1, 2019.

"Like a welcome summer rain, humor may suddenly cleanse and cool the earth, the air and you."

-Langston Hughes



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Installation of Officers Thursday at Colasessano's Members, please note that our meeting Thursday, June 27, will be held at Colasessano's, 141 Middletown Circle (behind the former Middletown Mall) at 6:30 pm. The location, for this meeting only, was changed because Mom's Place is closed for vacation. We will order from their menu. They offer a wide choice of menu options and pricing is reasonable. In order to use their dining room, we will pay an 18% gratuity rather than a room use fee.

PDG Tracy Smith will serve as Installing Officer to conduct the ceremony installing the 2019-2020 club officers who will begin their terms on July 1, 2019. Incoming officers are Bob Moffett, president; Elizabeth Swiger, vice president; Virginia Gallion, recording secretary; Bob Moffett, reporting secretary; Bob Brummage, treasurer; Ralph Davis and Ed Neese, tail twisters; and Leroy Humberston, Nancy Sickles, Jim Coleman, Columbus Carpenter, as directors.

Jacob Brumage Receives Senior Master Key Award



Jacob and Margaret Brumage have just moved to Florida. Before they left, PDG Bob Moffett visited them and presented Jacob Brumage with his Senior Master Key Award for sponsoring 25 new Lion members throughout his time as a Lions member in the Fairmont and other clubs. Brumage first served as president of the Fairmont Lions Club in 1976-77. He and Margaret moved from the area but returned to Fairmont years later when he once again became a member of the Fairmont Lions Club and served as president in 2008-09, 2010-11, and 2013-14. He headed up the broom and mop sales in this club for many years. Jacob Brumage will be missed, but for now retains his membership in the club.

ENTIENNIA. Service Challenge

DG Gary Pitcock Makes Presentations At the May 23rd club meeting, District Governor Gary Pitcock and First Vice District Governor/District 29L Global Membership Team Chairperson Bill Syphers visited the club to provide information regarding the club's plans to recruit new members. DG Pitcock began by presenting some awards. He presented Visitation certificates to Bob Moffett (21 visits) and Aletta Moffett

(10 visits). Lions Clubs International Years of Service chevrons were presented to Beulah Miller (10 years), Aletta Moffett (15 years), Wayne Dodd (25 years) and Constance Canfield (25 years). The Fairmont Lions Club earned a Centennial Service Challenge patch for Diabetes, a

Centennial Service Award 2017-2018 patch with four diamonds, a Centennial Legacy Project patch and a medallion for First Place in the District Governor's Contest 2018-2019.





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Just A Lion or Two

We welcome our newest member, Dan Stutler. He is the grandson of and sponsored by member Columbus Carpenter.

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A new West Virginia flag flies over Mom's Place. The flag was provided to the restaurant by the Fairmont Lions Club. Club Membership Drive Underway
While acknowledging that the Fairmont Lions Club
sees a need to increase membership, FVDG/District
29L Global Membership Team Chairperson Bill Syphers
complemented the club on such a good turnout saying
it was the most people he had seen at a Lions club
meeting in a long time. There were 21 in attendance,
including several guests, at the May 23rd meeting.
Syphers suggested inviting people 10 years younger
who can then invite people 10 years younger than
they are. When inviting, first discuss the club's service
activities rather than fundraisers, he said.

Several members are working in teams of two to call on prospective members for the club. Any club member may invite a prospect to join the club. The key is to ask. Invite them to join you at a service activity or meeting. A club brochure is available on the club's website and may be downloaded and printed to hand to any prospective member. Member applications and brochures are available from the

secretary as well.

Kelly Shreves Receives Leonard Jarrett Award

2018-2019 Fairmont Lions Club

People Served: 12,773

People Served per Member: 473

Service Activities Completed: 86

Volunteer Hours: 810

Kelly Shreves was presented a Leonard Jarrett Award at the May 23rd meeting. A donation of \$1,000, over a period of years, was made by the Fairmont Lions Club to the WV Lions Sight Foundation in her name. The award is



named for Leonard Jarrett, who was instrumental in starting our WV Lions Sight Foundation.

Keith Long, Chairperson of the Eyeglasses Committee, reports that three individuals were approved for eye exams and glasses in June.