

# The Mane Growl

Happy  
New Year!



Fairmont Lions Club Dec. 2019 - Jan. 2020 Volume 34 Number 5



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Jan. 24-25 Lions of WV  
Leadership  
Retreat  
Flatwoods

Feb. 13 Business Meeting  
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*Dues Reminder: If you pay half year or full year dues in January, those dues are now due.*

*"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year."*

*-Ralph Waldo Emerson*



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## Christmas Party Brings Joy to Disadvantaged Children

Approximately 159 volunteer hours went into this year's Christmas Party for children at the Union Mission — 116 of these hours were worked by eight Lions. Virginia Gallion organized the event. 54 children from 24 families were provided gifts from the club, along with other organizations and individuals. Again this year, our members shopped for each child using that child's "wish list" as a guide, attempting to get at least one or more items from the child's list. In addition, prizes were drawn for winners of digital tablets.

Prior to the party, the Lions met for a seasonal dinner prepared by the Union Mission staff. Kime Floral donated a centerpiece.

Participating Lions included Nancy Sickles, Virginia Gallion, Ralph Davis, Beulah Miller, Joey Garcia and his wife Heather, Dan Stutler, and Aletta and Bob Moffett. Other volunteers included Joe Zicafoose, Wilma Sternthal, Beula Miller's niece, Michael and Debra Zickefoose, and a gift wrapping team from Alaska's.

Funds spent on the Christmas Party amounted to \$1,328 and change. WBOY-TV in Clarksburg was present and reported on the party on their news broadcast as well as on their website. A huge thank you goes to all members and other volunteers who made Christmas a bit brighter for these children and their families.



## Request for Eyeglasses Continue

Keith Long, chairperson of the Eyeglasses Committee, reports that nine more individuals have been provided eye exams and glasses by the Fairmont Lions Club. Bob Moffett reports that a significant number of requests are being made through the club's Facebook page and website, as well as through the Lions Club's International website.



## Lions of WV Leadership Retreat January 24 & 25

Seminars and presenters have been announced for the Lions of West Virginia Leadership Retreat to be held at the Flatwoods Days Inn & Suites later this month. Presenters include Past International Directors Jennifer Wade, Cindy Gregg, Bob Browning, Larry Johnson and Steve Glass, as well as PDG Wendy Cain, FVDG John Mason, Zone Chairperson Daniel Elkins and Eric Minor.

Seminar topics include, "Preparing to be a Club Officer and Beyond," "Lions Orientation," "Successful Club Strategies," and many more.

All seminars are on Saturday. Registration is \$100 for Friday and Saturday and \$75 for Saturday only. Prices include Friday dinner (if registered for both days) and lunch and dinner on Saturday. Contact the Days Inn for room reservations at 866-700-7284. The Fairmont Lions Club can provide one or two members with the registration fee. A brochure and registration form is available from Pres./Sec. Bob Moffett.

## Lions Clubs International Foundation Grants

Our Lions Clubs International Foundation, working with local Lions and Lions leaders, assess urgent needs and quickly deliver aid to disaster victims. More than \$118 million has been provided for disaster relief programs worldwide.





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We have learned that Wayne Dodd has returned home from the hospital and we wish him the best.

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Fairmont Lions Club Service Activities

Services Completed 7/1/2019 - 12/23/2019			
People Served	People Served Per Member	Service Activities	Volunteer Hours
3,052	122	25	348



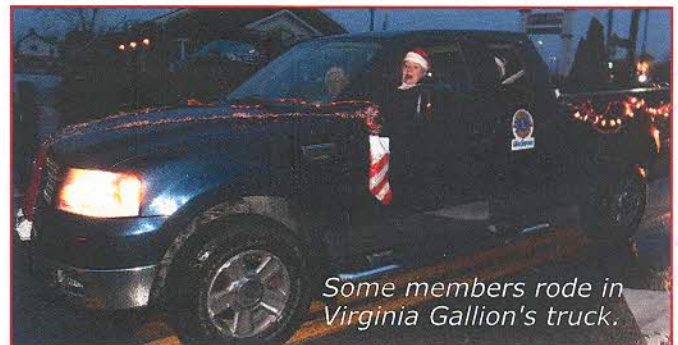
(Above) Members Joey Garcia and Daniel Stutler carry the club's parade banner as the parade gets underway.

assisted.

The parade included the "Blessing of the First Responders," the three county high school bands and Santa Claus, floats and much more.

Club Sponsors  
 Christmas Parade  
 Film makers Bob and Jeff Tinnell served as Parade Marshalls for Fairmont's Christmas Parade on

December 14<sup>th</sup>, a chilly and rainy evening. Member Nick Fantasia was their driver. Other Lions helping with line-up and/or participating in the parade were Marci Carroll, chairperson; Virginia Gallion; Nancy Sickles; Bob Brummage; Joey Garcia; Daniel Stutler; Ralph Davis; and Bob Moffett; plus Charlotte and Dan Heintzman and Kathryn Dalrimple as "Lennie — the Friendly Lion" from the Friendly Lions Club. Joe Zicafoose and and Marci's friend Samantha also



Some members rode in Virginia Gallion's truck.

Leadership Retreat Service Project

District 29L Lions clubs are being asked to support a service project at the Lions of WV Leadership Retreat. This project would benefit the Pediatric Blood and Cancer Center at WVU Medicine Children's Hospital by providing certain food items and/or gift cards for the young patients and their families. The Fairmont Lions Club has budgeted \$200 for Childhood Cancer this year and will consider this at the January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.



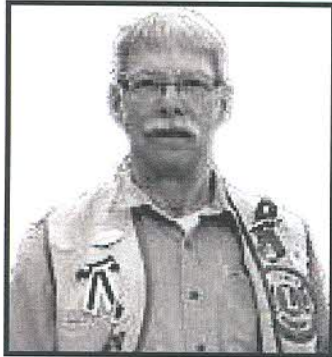
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## REMEMBERING



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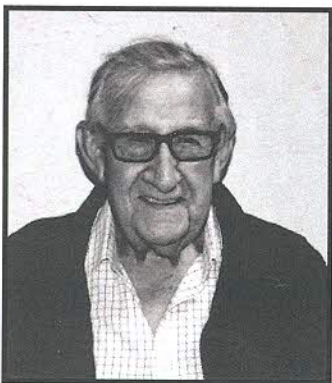
Ralph Davis, Jr.

**Members Leave a Legacy of Service**  
Ralph Lee Davis, Jr. passed away on January 24, 2020. Ralph has been a Lion since 2010, serving some of that time as a member of the Mannington Lions Club and some as a member of the Fairmont Lions Club. Ralph was always eager to participate in club fundraisers and service activities. He was always willing to pitch in and lend a hand. Beyond the club, he traveled on mission trips to help rebuild after Hurricane Katrina and to clean up homes after the more recent flooding in the Mannington area a few years ago. Ralph was a recipient of the Leonard Jarrett Award from the WV Lions Sight Foundation.



Wayne Dodd

Charles Wayne Dodd also passed away on January 24, 2020. Wayne was a Lion since 1998, serving our club as president in 1999-2000. Wayne spent many hours serving on the club's Eyeglasses committee over many years. Wayne also was a recipient of the Leonard Jarrett Award from the WV Lions Sight Foundation.



Jacob Brumage

Jacob "Jake" Gladstone Brumage passed away on February 12, 2020 in Florida. Jake first joined our club back in the 1970s and served as club president in 1996-1997 before moving away from Fairmont. He returned to Fairmont and joined the club again in 2006. He again served as club president in 2008-2009, 2010-2011, and 2013-2014. He received his Senior Master Key in 2019 for sponsoring 25 new Lions. For many years, Jake was in charge of broom and mop sales and with his wife Margaret, who passed away last year, insured that the Peace Poster Contest was conducted in area middle schools. Jake had received the Leonard Jarrett Award from the WV Lions Sight Foundation and was presented with the International President's Certificate of Appreciation in 2008 and again in 2010 for a significant service to Lions Clubs International, given at the discretion of the international president.

Lions Ralph, Wayne and Jake have left a legacy for the club and for Fairmont through their dedication to service. They were also our friends and we miss them. Leonardo da Vinci said, "As a well spent day brings happy sleep, so life well used brings happy death."

### Former Member Passes

Scott Summers, a former member of the Fairmont Lions Club, passed away in December. His wife, Bonnie, also a former member, survives him. Scott had also belonged to the Rivesville Lions Club and had served a number of years on the District 29L Cabinet as Zone Chairperson and Pilot Dog Chairperson. Many of us remember Scott fondly and miss him.

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Feb. 27 Meeting  
Jack Oliver as  
Boaz Fleming  
6:30 pm  
Mom's Place

Mar. 12 Business Meeting  
6:30 pm  
Mom's Place

Mar. 14 District 29L  
Conference  
Blennerhassett Hotel  
Parkersburg

Mar. 26 Program - TBA  
6:30 pm  
Mom's Place

Please remember our collection of food and toiletries for the Soup Opera the second meeting of each month.

Please continue filling those water bottles with dimes for Connecting Link.

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others"

—Mahatma Gandhi

### District 29L Conference

March 14, 2020  
Blennerhassett Hotel,  
Parkersburg  
304-422-3131

Registration 8:00 am  
Reg. Fee: \$40 includes lunch  
Cabinet Meeting 9:00 am  
Luncheon 12:30 pm  
Guest Speaker:  
PID Roderick P. Wright  
New Brunswick, Canada

MD29 Council Mtg. 4:00pm



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Fairmont Lions Club Service Activities July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

3,882	34	628	\$501
People Served	Service Activities Completed	Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated

February 27<sup>th</sup> Program Will Be Portrayal of Boaz Fleming  
 Jack Oliver will visit the Fairmont Lions Club and portray Boaz Fleming, the founder of Fairmont, on Thursday, February 27, 2020. Oliver has been portraying Fleming at several events for the Fairmont bicentennial. This promises to be an informative and enjoyable program.

Nominating Committee Appointed

It is that time of year again when the club needs to begin preparing for the new club year beginning July 1. President Bob Moffett has appointed a Nominating Committee consisting of Virginia Gallion, Nancy Sickles, Leroy Humberston and Elizabeth Swiger who will report a proposed slate of officers in March to be elected in April. If you are interested in holding an office, please let one of the committee members know. If you are asked to serve in a leadership role for next year, please thoughtfully consider a positive response.

People Are Helped with Eye Exams & Glasses



Eyeglasses Committee Chairperson Keith Long reports that the club is providing four individuals with eye exams and glasses. The club is now receiving an increasing number of requests through Facebook. Some have been from other communities and have been referred to clubs in those areas.

Vision Screening Planned for Board of Education

The Fairmont Lions Club has partnered to assist the Marion County Board of Education with Pre-K Registration required vision screening. Screening will take place on two days, Tuesday, April 21, and Wednesday, April 22, 2020 from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm each day.

Barrackville and Rivesville Lions clubs have been invited to join us in this screening, as we will need a number of volunteers for this two-day event. Please mark these dates on your calendar, if you may be able to help out.

PDG Tracy Smith, Aletta Moffett and Bob Moffett attended the Lions of WV Leadership Retreat in January.



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**March 26th Meeting Canceled**  
Proposed Slate of Officers to Be Distributed



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Apr. 21 & 22 Vision Screening  
Pre-K Registration  
8:30 am - 3:00 pm  
Knights of Columbus

Apr. 23 Election of Officers  
6:30 pm  
Mom's Place

Apr. 25 Vision Screening  
Family Literacy Fair  
10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
FSHS Field House

Please remember our collection of food and toiletries for the Soup Opera the second meeting of each month.

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"Man can't live forever, but his gift to the world will."  
—Michael S. Lambiotte



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## Official Notice of Nominations & Election of Officers

The Nominating Meeting originally scheduled to be held on Thursday, March 26, 2020, 6:30 pm at Mom's Place has been canceled due to CDC and advice of other authorities and in consultation with Lions Clubs International. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers for the club year 2020-2021 which will be distributed by email, phone or other means. If we are able to hold a regular meeting on April 9, nominations from the floor will be accepted then. If the club is unable to meet on April 9, any nominations "from the floor" should be made by email, telephone, or postal mail to both the club president, Bob Moffett, and the secretary, Virginia Gallion, to be received by April 9, so that members can be informed promptly.

As of now, The Election of Officers will take place on Thursday, April 23, 2020, 6:30 pm at Mom's Place. At this meeting, there will be no nominations from the floor, as prescribed by the Constitution and By-Laws. It is likely meetings will be canceled through the end of April.

**FAMILY LITERACY FAIR**  
Marion County  
Literacy Campaign  
talk sing read succeed

Scholastic Book Fair! Prizes!

**Saturday, April 25, 2020**

Local Authors! Special Guests!

**10 AM – 2 PM**

**STUDENT ART EXHIBIT**

Marion County Board of Education  
(Old Armory)  
1516 Mary Lou Retton Drive, Fairmont, WV

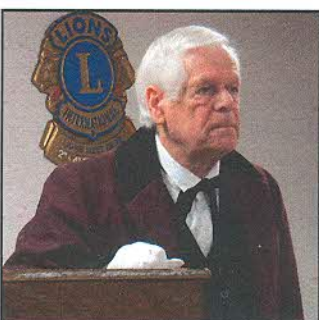
Information Tables! Family Activities!

## Family Literacy Fair Book Give-Away

At the February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting, the club approved the purchase of 200 books to be given to children at the Family Literacy Fair, hosted by the Marion County Board of Education. The books were ordered from Scholastic for \$200, which included free shipping. The Family Literacy Fair is scheduled to be held April 25 and the Fairmont Lions Club will be providing free vision screening for children from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm at the Fair. The club has participated in the Fair for three years.

## Vision Screening for Preschool

The Fairmont Lions Club will assist the Board of Education with vision screening at the Pre-K Registration on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 21 & 22, 8:30-3:00 pm each day. Please pitch in if you are able. (May be canceled.)



Boaz Fleming, as portrayed by Jack Oliver

## Jack Oliver Portrays Boaz Fleming for Club

Jack Oliver was the club's guest on February 27<sup>th</sup>, and he came dressed as Boaz Fleming would have dressed in the late 1800s. Oliver portrayed Boaz Fleming, the Founder of Fairmont, explaining the role that he had in establishing the city. Oliver was a 15 year member of the Rivesville Lions Club.

## Eye Exams and Glasses Provided

According to Keith Long, chairperson of the Eyeglasses Committee, three more individuals have been provided eye exams and glasses.



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We are happy to hear that Ed Neese is doing much better. Beulah Miller is recovering from surgery.

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4,998	48	678	\$2,526
People Served	Service Activities Completed	Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated

Lions to Clean Rail Trail

Again this year, the Fairmont Lions Club plans to clean the section of rail trail from Fairmont (Norway) to Monongah. The clean-up will take place on Saturday, April 18 or Monday, April 20, 2020, 2:00 pm. Watch for more specific information. April 22<sup>nd</sup> will mark 50 years of Earth Day.



Reader Orientation Scheduled

Aletta Moffett reported for Read Aloud WV that a Reader Orientation has been scheduled at the Marion County Public Library from 10:30 am - Noon on Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. (May be canceled.)

Nuts Still Selling

Bob Brummage reported that an additional \$425 has come in from the nut sales.

Club Donates

The club has made its annual donations to these Lions causes at the District Conference March 14.

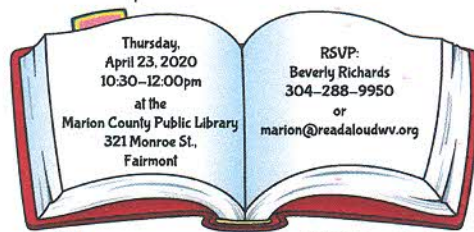
WV Lions Sight Foundation	\$850
Lions Clubs Int'l Foundation	500
Camp Kno-Koma (Diabetes)	250
Deaf & Blind Recreation	75
Leader Dogs For The Blind	150
Pilot Dogs	150
Lions Youth Exchange	50



*Make a difference in a child's life by becoming a volunteer classroom reader!*

Spending just a small amount of time once a week, sharing your favorite books, will have lasting effects in motivating children to want to read and help them develop a lifelong love of literature.

Please join us for a volunteer reader orientation and become a role model and friend who opens a new world of adventures to a child.



Follow us on Facebook @ Read Aloud WV of Marion County

Congratulations Lions

Elizabeth Swiger 15 year chevron  
Leroy Humberston 40 year chevron

Zone Chr. PDG Tracy Smith, Aletta Moffett and PDG Bob Moffett attended the District 29L Conference and Cabinet Meeting in Parkersburg on March 14, 2020.



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April 23rd Meeting Canceled



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## Club Officers Elected for 2020-2021

Ballots have been returned by email and postal mail and the results have been tabulated. Incoming officers for the 2020-2021 club year which begins July 1 are:

President	Bob Moffett
Vice President	Guy Ward
Secretary (recording)	Virginia Gallion
Club Administrator	Bob Moffett
Treasurer	Bob Brummage
Membership Chairperson	David Sturm
LCIF Chairperson	Aletta Moffett
Program Chairperson	Guy Ward
Directors	Nancy Sickles
	Leroy Humberston
Tail Twister	Columbus Carpenter

Congratulations to each of these Lions and thank you to each of them for their service. Ballots were verified by the president and secretary. Each new officer received a solid majority of votes cast.

A special thank you to all of you Lions who made the effort to mark and return your ballots in a very unusual, but necessary election process.

## Lions Continue to Serve in Different Ways

The Fairmont Lions Club made its annual donation to the Fairmont State University Foundation in the amount of \$200.

The club also provided two \$50 Visa Gift Cards to WVU Medicine Children's Pediatric Blood and Cancer Center. Each summer, the Center holds a summer camp for their patients. This year, the camp had to be canceled, so they are putting together a virtual "Camp in a Box," to include items for each camper. Since many of the families have very low income, they hoped to include a Visa Gift Card in each box. Other Lions clubs and districts around the state are participating in the project for these young patients.



Aletta and Bob Moffett, Read Aloud WV volunteer readers, have made video recordings reading children's books and the recordings have been posted to the Read Aloud WV of Marion County Facebook page so that children who are at home can have stories read to them. Other members of the Marion County chapter of Read Aloud WV have also been reading virtually to the children and these readings are being viewed hundreds of times.

## Cancellations

The WV Lions State Convention has been canceled and District 29L voting for District Governor and other officers will be conducted by mail.

All vision screening has been canceled or postponed for the immediate future, including the Pre-K Registration and the Family Literacy Fair.

Read Aloud WV Reader Orientation has been canceled.



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May 28 Meeting  
 To be Determined

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Because the way  
 was steep and long,  
 And through a strange  
 and lonely land,  
 God placed upon my lips  
 a song,  
 And put a lantern  
 in my hand.  
 —Joyce Kilmer



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## Club Approves Exams & Eyeglasses

The club approved up to 10 applications for eye exams and glasses while meeting virtually by phone and email in April.



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We are happy to know that Ed Neese is back home following a hospital stay.

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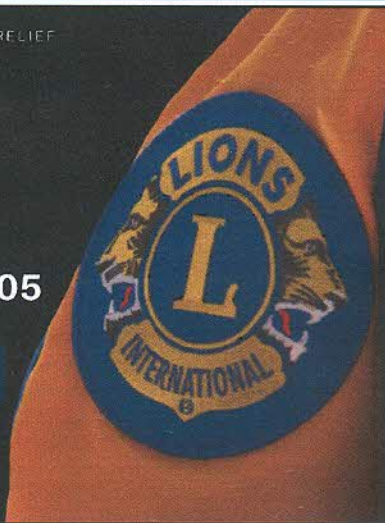
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5,523	55	711	\$2,726
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COVID-19 FRONTLINE RELIEF GRANT UPDATE

**81 LCIF GRANTS AWARDED TOTALING US\$2,237,705**

[lionsclubs.org/lcif-response](http://lionsclubs.org/lcif-response)



COVID-19 Frontline Relief Grant Update

LCIF has now been able to award 81 grants totaling US\$2,237,705. Donations for our COVID-19 response are being accepted through LCIF's General Disaster Fund.

<https://bit.ly/2V11mOW>

Thank you for your generous donations!

District Training Schedule for 2020-2021 Club Officers

Saturday, May 9, 2020 10:00am - 12:00pm Club Officer Training via Zoom Meeting for Presidents/Vice Presidents

Saturday, May 16, 2020 10:00am - 12:00pm Club Officer Training via Zoom Meeting for Secretaries/Treasurers

2020 Lions International Convention Canceled

The Board of Directors has voted to cancel the 2020 International Convention due to concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19). This means that the next International Convention will be held in 2021 in Montreal, Canada.

In these times, KINDNESS MATTERS.





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Memorial Day May 25



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## June Meetings Uncertain

As we are going to press, Mom's Place Restaraunt is operating "Carry Out Only." Whether we will be able to physically meet on June 11 or 25 is currently unknown.

The May business was conducted via email and phone calls.

If enough members would like to participate in an on-line virtual meeting, we now have options in addition to Zoom. Facebook Messenger Rooms is a new option now available. Up to 50 people may be invited to join a video call without requiring they have a Facebook account. Facebook Rooms may be joined by phone or computer -- no need for a download. Skype offers video meetings up to 50 people through the app or on the Web. Please let the president know if any of these would work for you or if you have other suggestions for a way we could have a meeting.

## Club Approves Applications for Eyeglasses

The club voted virtually in May to approve up to 10 applications for eyeglasses. Keith Long, committee chairperson, reported that the club approved three applications in April, after reviewing applications received.



## Club Recycles Scrap Metal

VP Guy Ward and Pres. Bob Moffett combined some scrap metal they had collected for recycling. Once Northern Mountain State Metals opened back up to the public, Moffett hauled 100 pounds to the facility. Proceeds will be donated to the club's administrative fund. Two very old Lions Emblem highway signs were removed by Guy Ward from a heavy metal hanger. The signs were kept, but the scrap metal was among the items turned in for recycling. Since scrap metal brings in all of 10 cents per pound, the truckload brought in a whopping \$1.00 for the club. However, it did not go to the landfill.



## Officer Training & Webinar Attendance

Club Officer Training for club officers was held via Zoom meeting on May 9<sup>th</sup>. 2020-2021 Vice Pres. Guy Ward and Pres. Bob Moffett attended the training which was conducted by PDG Bernice Pitcock, District 29L Leadership Chairperson.

President Bob Moffett attended a "North American Membership Fireside Chat with Vice Presidents" webinar on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Lions Clubs International First Vice President Doug Alexander, Second Vice President Brian Sheehan and Third Vice President Dr. Patti Hill discussed the current state of our International Association in light of the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic and provided information about how Lions are continuing to serve, especially in the US and Canada.

## Funds Received for Brooms

Treasurer Bob Brummage reported that Western Mon Area Lions Club picked up brooms from our club providing proceeds of \$148 and reducing inventory some.

## USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

At this time, plans are still underway to hold the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Louisville, KY September 17-19, 2020. Early registration deadline is May 31, 2020. If the event is canceled, refunds will be made.



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June 11 Business Meeting  
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June 25 Meeting  
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Please continue filling those water bottles with dimes for Connecting Link. We will collect them ~~April 23~~ at a later date.

"If you want to thank a soldier, be the kind of American worth fighting for."  
—Unknown

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Just A Lion or Two

Columbus Carpenter was doing well after being in the hospital with the flu.

Beulah Miller and Ed Neese both indicated that they were getting along well.

Leroy Humberston spent a night in the hospital for a routine procedure.

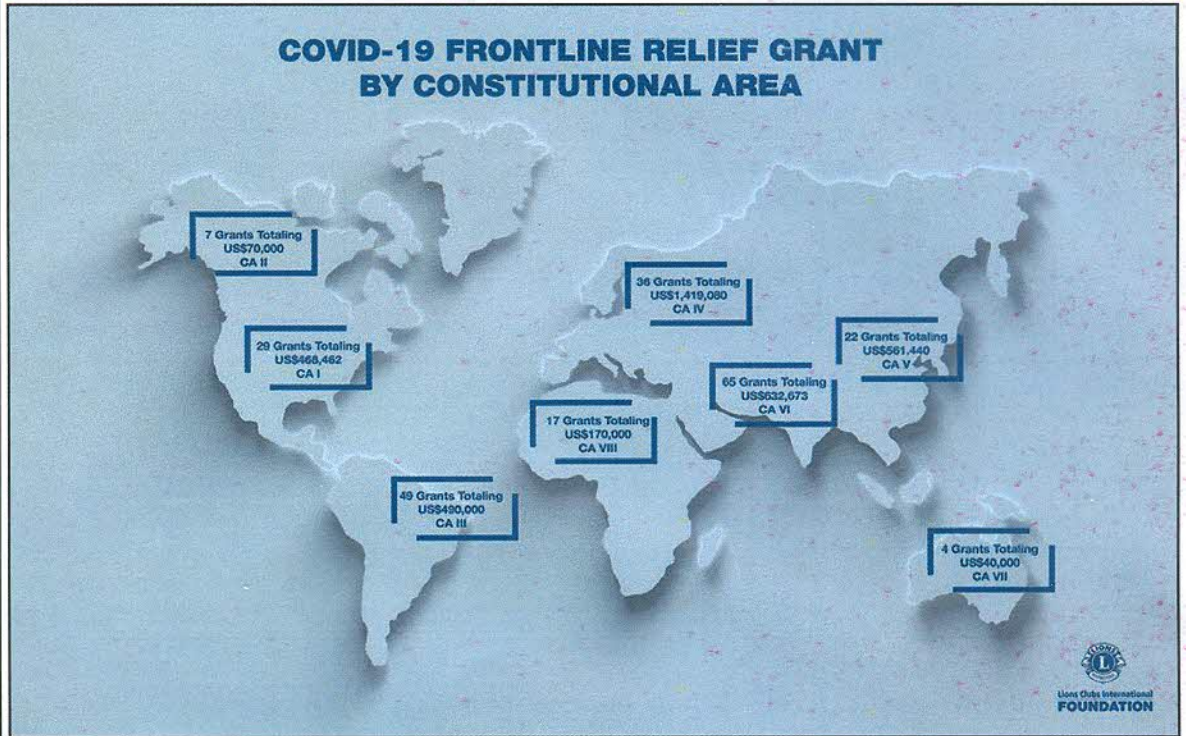
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COVID-19 FRONTLINE RELIEF GRANT  
 BY CONSTITUTIONAL AREA



COVID-19 Frontline Relief Grant Update

As of May 21, LCIF, our foundation, has now been able to award 229 grants totaling US\$3,851,655. Donations for our COVID-19 response are being accepted through LCIF's General Disaster Fund at this link:

<https://bit.ly/2V11mOW>

Thank you for your continued support!

Thank You Letters Received

The Fairmont Lions Club has received thank you letters for club donations made to Pilot Dogs, Inc., Leader Dogs for the Blind, and the WVU Medicine "Camper in a Box" virtual camp for patients of the Pediatric Blood & Cancer Center.



# The Mane Growl

West Virginia Day is June 20



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## June 25<sup>th</sup> Meeting to be Held Outdoors

The June 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Fairmont Lions Club will take place outdoors so that we may be physically distanced, but meet together for our Installation of Officers and review/adopt a budget for the coming year. Immediately following that meeting, there may need to be a brief board of directors meeting.

We will gather at Palatine Park at 7:00 pm, Thursday. Since there will not be food, this will allow extra time to eat before you come or bring a bite to eat with you. Palatine Park does not reserve space, but there is a shelter at the parking lot behind the amphitheater that will probably be available. If not, there are other locations in the park where we can meet. You may wish to bring a lawn chair, just in case.

Because many of our members are in the vulnerable age group, we request that everyone wear a mask or face covering to protect all of our members. Nearly every day, it seems more evidence is coming out that a face covering is one of the best ways to limit the spread of the coronavirus, especially protecting those around us, but also affording some protection to the wearer as well. We will also need to properly distance from one another. No handshakes and no hugs, please, even though this is what Lions normally do. As of this writing, Mom's is still limited capacity and closing at 6:00 pm.

If, for any reason, any member that feels he or she would be safer at home, please feel free to remain at home. We would welcome a phone call or email from you. If you feel like you would like to join us, we welcome you. We do need to remember that this virus is still around. Please stay safe.

## Thank You Received from LCIF



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

The following letter was received from Gudron Yngvaottir, Chairperson, Board of Trustees, Lions Clubs International Foundation:

"For more than 100 years, Lions have made a great impact in the lives of the most vulnerable. Your recent [ club] gift enables Lions' impact to grow at the start of another century of service. Thank you for your generosity.

"We are now in the midst of Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service, our most ambitious campaign to date. Through Campaign 100, we will increase our service impact, fight diabetes, and expand our global causes to include childhood cancer, hunger and the protection of our environment. Your gift lights the way for Lions addressing some of the most pressing needs of our time and improving lives around the world. Thank you!

"We are grateful for your support..."

The club's annual donation to LCIF of \$500 was made during the parade of checks at the District 29L Conference.

## Club Receives First Place in District Governor's Contest

The Fairmont Lions Club came in first place in the District Governor's Contest this year for clubs with 21-35 members. Second place in this category went to Morgantown Lions Club and third place went to Southeast Huntington Lions Club. First place in clubs of 20 or fewer members went to Vienna Lions Club, while first place in clubs of 36 or more members went to Wheeling Lions Club. Awards will be presented at the cabinet recognition banquet or mailed to the club.



Club Officers

President.....Bob Moffett  
1st Vice Pres...Elizabeth Swiger  
Rec. Secretary..Virginia Gallion  
Rep. Secretary.....Bob Moffett  
Treasurer.....Bob Brummage  
Tail Twisters.....Ralph Davis  
Ed Neese

Directors....  
1 yr Leroy Humberston  
1 yr Nancy Sickles  
2 yr Jim Coleman  
2 yr Columbus Carpenter

Immediate Past  
President.....Virginia Gallion

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"A smile is the shortest distance between two people"  
—Victor Borge

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## Budget for 2020-2021 To Be Considered

Administrative and Activities proposed budgets were prepared by Treasurer Bob Brummage for consideration. Please look these over and see if any additions, deletions or changes should be made for the coming year. Activities budget proposal is on Page 3.

Fairmont Lions Club				Budget	2020-2021		
Administrative Account							Actual
					2020-2021		2019-2020
Income							
Dues	4Fam X 57	5		4Fam	230.4		
	20 Mem X 79			20 Mem	1580		
	2 Assoc						
Tail Twister					100		
Carry Over					1140		
Pass Through							
Total					3050.4		
	Recycle						
	DG Fund						
Christmas Parade							
Expenses							
Newsletter/Printing					150		0
Administrative Expense					150		108
Web Site/IT					84		83.88
Program/ Guests					150		75.3
International Dues					946		1066.17
4x 21.5	20x43.0						
District Dues					288		300
24x12.0							
Inter-Club					0		0
Leadership					250		0
DG Gift	50 + 10				60		60
PO Box Rental					90		92
Miscellaneous					682.4		80.68
Meals for Pros Members					200		0
Total					3050.4		1866.03

## Input Needed from Club Members

In April, club members would have cleaned the rail trail from Fairmont to Monongah. However, due to the Stay at Home order, this was not done at that time. Now, we should be able to clean trash along the trail safely. We need to know what day and time would work best. Please advise.

## Club Approves Applications for Eyeglasses

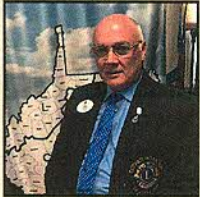
The club voted by email and by phone in early June to approve up to 10 applications for eyeglasses.



Fairmont Lions Club	Budget	2020-2021	
Activity Fund			
		Budget	Actual
		2020-2021	2019-2020
Income			
Carry Over		429	
Fund Raising		9130	
Mint Sales		0	
Interest		0	
Total		9559	
Expenses			
Sight			
Eyeglasses		3000	870
WV Sight & Hearing Fund		700	850
Eye Clinic		100	40
Leader Dog		150	150
Pilot Dog		150	150
Youth			
Leo Club		0	0
Boys State		250	250
Camp Kno-Koma		250	250
Youth Exchange		50	50
Peace Poster		150	121.8
HOBY		450	0
Community			
Deaf & Blind Recreation		75	75
Romney School Work Program		0	0
FSU Scholarship		200	200
Mission Party		1500	1328.4
LCIF		500	500
Special Olympics		0	0
LIONS Alert		0	0
Miscellaneous		1234	248.65
Read Aloud WV		200	200
Childhood Cancer		200	200
SWSH		100	0
Connecting Likn ID		300	300
Total		9559	5783.85



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Three of our members competed in the recent primaries. We congratulate Joey Garcia and Guy Ward for their successes and we thank Nick Fantasia for his eagerness to serve.

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 Thank You From WVU School of Medicine  
"On Behalf of the children we serve through our summer camp program, Camp Winaca Hemo Von, we would like to thank the Lions Clubs of West Virginia for their support of our summer camp program through gift card donations..."

"The gift cards you have provided will go to our [ virtual Camp-in-a-Box] campers so they can purchase food supplies to go along with some of the planned camp activities like 'How to Make a Camp Grilled Cheese Sandwich' which is a video recorded session by Chef Pete, the camp chef. In addition, we will be holding a virtual campfire and want families to be able to make s'mores (in the oven) during campfire... We know some of our families may be struggling during this time and we wanted to insure their child(ren) could fully participate in all the camp activities.

"Camp serves children ages 7-17 from throughout West Virginia and surrounding states with either a cancer diagnosis or a bleeding disorder. ...We are planning on 57

campers as well as their siblings and parents through our Camp-in-a-Box summer camp program. We truly appreciate the West Virginia Lions Club's generosity and for helping make camp as special as possible for our campers."

The letter was signed by the Pediatric Hematology Oncology Team, Pediatric Blood and Cancer Center, WVU Medicine Women's and Children's Hospital.

The club also received a card of appreciation from PCC Cindy Glass, who organized the Lions' statewide response.

WV Lions Multiple District 29

Beef Raffle

Proceeds Benefit: WV Eye Sight Foundation



"Follow me each month to see how close to our goal we're coming".

Even though we can't get out due to the coronas virus we can still use media, telephone and the mail.

- "EACH CLUB" will have 20 tickets to sell at \$5 each. Each ticket holder will get 4 chances to win, since the beef will be split into 4 quarters.
- Drawing will be held at the District C Conference – November 6, 7, 8, 2020.
- The GOAL is to raise \$20,000. Every Club in each District MUST do their part in order for this fundraiser to be successful!

Beef will be butchered by HYDES MEAT PACKING – ENTERPRIZE, WV