



# THE MANE GROWL

THE FAIRMONT LIONS CLUB  
Fairmont, West Virginia

MEETINGS: 1st and 3rd Thursdays - 6:30 pm

Fairmont Field Club

February 2, 1984

We trust that everyone had a good Christmas. We wonder sometimes when people say they had a good Christmas just on what basis they based their judgement. What is a good Christmas to you?

The new year has started and all or mostly all resolutions have been broken and forgotten so everything is back to normal. We wish for everyone a healthful and prosperous 1984.

On December 1, there were two deputy sheriffs present who gave us a program on drug and alcohol abuse - Deputies Slaughter (a new Lion) and Watkins. Their presentation was well received. The drug situation today is frightening. These men deserve our recognition and support.

Lion Bob Powell, Sight Chairman, needed and got confirmation for six adult applications for glasses.

Everyone was pleased to see Lion Tom Koon in attendance. Lion Pres. Lee announced that the next be held at the home of Lion Bob Moffitt on December 8, at 7:00 pm.

At the December 8th Board meeting we were informed that the Field Club would not be opened during the first two weeks of January. This would mean that the club would have no place to meet on January 5. Plans were made for encouraging our members to visit other clubs that evening. It was decided that three papers would be distributed on the night of the Mission Party so members could sign up to visit the club of their choice. The choices and the person responsible for the reservations were: Barrackville, Ralph Michael; Kingmill Valley, Jim Coleman; Bellview, Lee Meadows. Five of our members went to Bellview, two went to Kingmill Valley and four went to Bellview.

Again the Mission Party was a success. There were 58 reservations for this the 45 party. It was good to see Lion Bill Chambers there, Lion Bill Kime had sent a poinsetta to be auctioned and our good auctioneer Lion Cliff Stalnaker did the honors and collected \$20.00 for the Tail Twisters' fund. Lion Burl McQuain was high man on the bidding and presented the flower to Rev. Gugenheim. Rev. Gugenheim gave a brief Christmas message. Approximately one hundred kids were present. Club members always enjoy the program put on by these kids. Lion Pres. Lee's brother was Santa and did a bang-up job. Lion Ed Garlow chaired the event.

The following is a quote from the Mission's January bulletin: "The Fairmont Lions Club's Christmas Party for our Sunday School boys and girls is history now, but there were so many there, and the faces of the boys and girls as they sat on Santa's lap would have you agreeing that it was worthwhile. This is the 45th Christmas party at the Mission that the Lions Club has sponsored."

Lion Jake Brumage was in town for the holidays. He says he is not as active in Lionism as formerly.

The Board met on January 12 at the home of Lee Meadows. It was reported that 697 pairs of glasses have been deposited in the Mail Collection Box. Our personable treasurer,

Lion Bob Brummage reported that we have spent to date \$1025.00 on glasses this fiscal year. The Board requested that a thank you note be sent to Santa for his good work at the Mission party. Also, a motion was made to recognize Mrs. Joe Perry with a plaque for her keen interest and help over the years in the Lion Mission Parties. Lion Charles Herron, Ed Garlow and Ralph Michael make the committee for this recognition.

Our current membership is 66 reported Lion Jim Coleman who acted as secretary in the absence of Lion Bob Moffett.

Lion Pres. Lee reported that we are 5th in the Dist. Governors Contest and 4th in visitation. There are 249 clubs in the state.

Lion Walter Jordan and former Lion Jack Bunner were guests at the Jan. 19 meeting.

Lion Bob Powell presented five applications for adult glasses. These were approved. Lion Bob noted that the club is at the budgetary limit placed on spending for glasses this year and that some decision would have to be made regarding further spending for glasses. A motion was made and passed that the Board make some recommendations for the club to follow regarding the budget.

It was noted that Lion Art Cunningham had fallen and broken his shoulder. He is at home but immobilized. (It was suggested that we should send him cards.) Also Lioness Lucile King suffered a broken ankle. Get well cards would be in order.

Lion Pres. Lee presented to Lion Gerald Warren a check for \$400.00 as the club's contribution to the WV Sight Conservation Foundation.

Lion Dr. Melgarijo was in attendance and it was good to see him. Also PDG Bill Chambers was back with us after recuperating from surgery.

The program was presented by the American Cancer Society. A film featuring Mr. McGoo was shown which was humorous as well as getting its point across. Mr Bob Hammer answered questions and proved to be well informed. It was a good program.

On February 9, the Board will meet in the home of Lion Jim Coleman.

For the program on Feb. 16th a representative from Pricketts Fort will present a slide presentation on the program at the fort.

Late news bulletin - word was recently received that Lion Paul Opp suffered a mild stroke in January and that he is being moved to Illinois by one of his sons. Over the years Lion Paul was a very loyal lion who set an example we could all learn from.

Late, Late news bulletin -- Our speaker for Feb. 16th is Dave Elkinton

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March 1, 1984

Probably everyone knows by now that Lion Bill Beall has undergone open heart surgery. At latest report he is getting along fine. His address is:

Lion William Beall  
Court Capri Motel, Unit No. 1  
2610 N. Ocean Blvd.  
Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29577

Cards would be good therapy for Lion Bill.

The program on February 2 was presented by Mr. Jack Miller - a former telephone company man. Specifically his program concerns a project of the Telephone Pioneers at North Bend State Park. The project started as a project for blind kids and progressed with the help of many volunteers to wheel chair confined kids and mentally retarded kids participating in special olympics. It was an inspiring report.

Lion Paul Opp has had a slight stroke and has been taken by his son to this address:

Dr. Paul Opp  
% C. I. Opp  
10-5  
126 Ridge Rd  
Naperville, ILL 60540

We are indebted to P.D.G. Bill Chambers for writing me a note suggesting that Lion Paul's address be included in this month's Mane Growl. Again cards would be good therapy for Lion Paul. We have since learned that Lion Paul has diabetes and has had a leg removed.

Praying Lions should remember Lion Beall, Lion Opp and Lion Ralph Hawkins who fell and broke his arm in two places. Cards again.

At the Board meeting on February 8, held at the home of Jim Coleman, it was reported that in one year the collection box at Middletown Mall has presented us with 758 pairs of used glasses.

The Board had been given the responsibility of coming up with a set of recommendations regarding action to be taken on the continued purchase of eye glasses. It was necessary to do this because we have already spent the amount budgeted for the entire year. There was considerable discussion and the following recommendations were made to the club:

- 1) The club would attempt to meet the needs for glasses.
- 2) Hold additional fund raising activities and use some of the funds raised this year.
- 3) Use present funds now in 30 month C.D.'s if necessary.

The club approved these recommendations on Feb. 16.

Lion Ralph Michael, chairman of the Eye Clinic Committee, reported that the glaucoma clinic will be held in Hunt-Haught Hall, Fairmont State College, on April 15 from 12:00 to 4:00 pm.

Since more money is needed for this year's Sight Committee, the Board had a long discussion about fund raising ideas.

The March Board meeting will be held on March 22 at the home of Lion Ralph Michael.

On February 16 P.D.G. Warren reminded us that Lionism is in the midst of membership development time. Membership in Lionism is by invitation so invite a few good men to join us.

March 8 will be District Governor's Night for the East Grafton Road Club at the Crossroads 4H Club House. There will be a steak dinner. Deadline for reservations is March 1. Time of the dinner is 6:15 pm. Sorry, I don't know the cost. [Printer's note: \$6.50 per person.]

The State Convention will be held in Chareston on March 18, 19, & 20th. Make your own reservations, we understand that the Holiday Inn is full.

According to lion Pres. Lee our club is 4th in the District Governor's Contest. We are 3rd in visitation and 3rd in membership.

The Clarksburg Lions Club will celebrate its 60th Anniversary on March 24 at 7:30. Place - Shareton Motel and the International President will be the speaker, Cost is \$15.00. Mail your request for reservations to:

Dr. Robert Wanker  
9 Wayside Lane  
Bridgeport, WV 26330

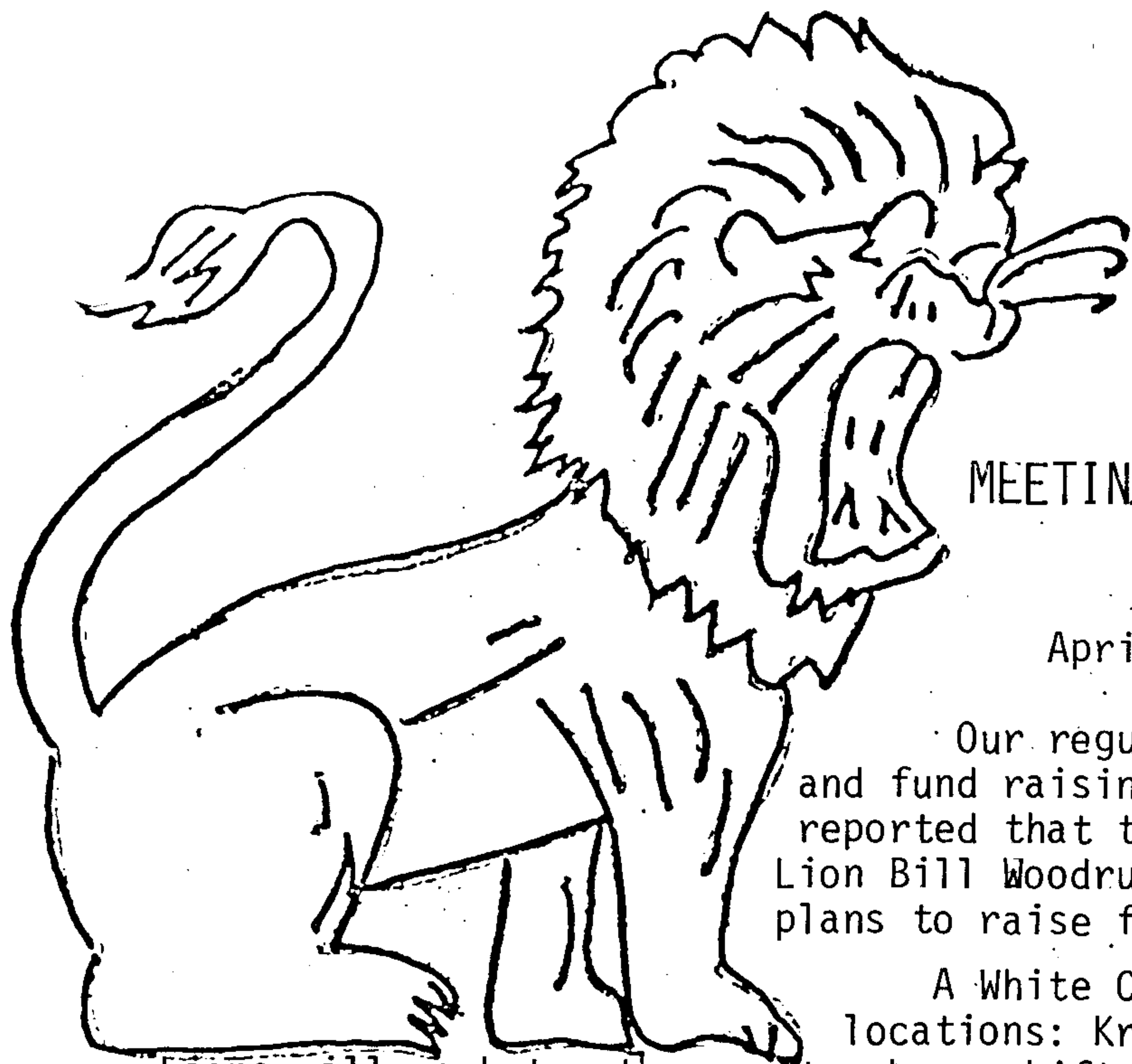
The program for Feb. 16 was presented by Mr. Dave Elkington. He used a series of slides which were very interesting. He brought out the fact that Lion Ralph Hawkins did most of the leg work in acquiring the logs to build the current Pricketts Fort. He scoured a good part of West Virginia and part of Pennsylvania. 57 log buildings were examined and 40 were chosen. Lion Ralph arranged for transporting these buildings to the fort site.

We hope the Fort gets proper state support.

Good advice? Don't start vast projects with half vast ideas.

Added in press - On Monday February 27, 1984, the bodies of Lion Paul Opp and Lion Ralph Hawkins were laid to rest in the soil of West Virginia. Their spirits though remain with us to remind us of the call of Lionism. Two more loyal lions will not be found. They served the club as long as they could and if we remember their example and let it inspire us to keep the spirit of Lionism alive - they will continue to serve.





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April 5, 1984

Our regular meeting on March 1 was all business and fund raising was the main topic. It already had been reported that the club had overspent its budget for eyeglasses. Lion Bill Woodrum reported on the Fund Raising Committee's plans to raise funds this spring.

A White Cane day is planned for April 7 at three locations: Krogars, Caputo's and Shop and Save. Two Lions will work together on two hour shifts. Hours are: 9:00 - 11:00, 11:00 - 1:00, and 1:00 - 3:00 PM. If you have not volunteered and are able bodied you should do so.

The first Saturday in May the Club will hold its broom and bulb sale. Sad to say we have never been able to get out enough members to cover our area. It would seem that if enough men would turn out that we could probably make enough to carry out our commitment. It is possible that it will be necessary to work on the following Monday and Tuesday evenings.

For years we have been told we are a rich club. We are now told we are not rich anymore. Without wanting to be pert this may tell us if that rich club remark was just an excuse for not helping. I am indebted to P.D.G. "Chuck" King for the following which he said appeared in Ann Landers column of March 8, 1984:

## WHAT WENT WRONG?

This is the story of four people:  
Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.  
There was an important job to be done and Everybody  
was sure that Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry because it was Everybody's job.

Everybody thought that Somebody would do it.

But Nobody asked Anybody.

It ended up that the job wasn't done and Everybody blamed  
Everybody, when actually Nobody asked Anybody.

We appreciate anyone sending us material for the Main Growl.

The possibility of a flea market or auction to be held in June was discussed. This would be a big undertaking but it is a money maker. It was pointed out that finding a proper location to hold the sale and serve as a collection point would have to be found. Several locations are being checked.

Lion Terry Brake's guest on March 15 was Mr. Dave Bonasso, Bill Conrad's guest was Lion Ed Bean, Tail Twister of the Kingmill Valley Club.

Have you noticed how Lion Terry comes across in the Lions' Song each time we sing it?

Lion Ralph Michael reported on the Glaucoma Eye Clinic. Work assignment sheets were passed out. Posters were ready and club members took many of them to place in various public places. He reported that Lioness Coleman will prepare cloth covers for the examination tables. Paper covers did not work out very well. Dr. Melgarejo has three cassetts that can be shown in the waiting room through a T.V. set. The cassetts have to do with eye care and diseases. Lion "Gene" Martin will furnish memo pads to record blood pressures.

Lion Bob Powell presented five adult applications for glasses which were approved.

An interesting movie about coal mining was presented by Mr. Jim Wolfe, an employee of Consol. Many Lions had favorable comments.

Fund Raising Chrm. "Butch" Osbourne reviewed the fund raising plans.

The Board of Directors met on March 22 at Lion Ralph Michael's . There was a request from Lion Tom Koon to have his membership moved to the Bethesda Lions Club, Lilburn, GA. Lion Sec. Bob has taken care of the details.

Lion Sec. Bob has credentials for delegate to the International Convention. If interested see Lion Bob.

Lion Bob recieved a note from Mr. Joe Opp, son of Lion Paul Opp. Included was a check made out to Lions Sight Foundation in memory of Lion Opp.

Friut cakes(will they never go away?) are back in Lion Ralph Michael's freezer. There are 10 on hand and may be purchased for \$2.00 each. Pleez.

Three Rivers Coal Festival is asking for help again this year. The Board didn't know exactly what we could do since the festival will be held at the Mall. We will wait for suggestions from the festival people and then we can make a decision whether to help or not.

Our sympathies go out to Lion " Skipper" Springston and his family in the loss of wife and mother. Lions who pray should remember them.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be on April 12 at 7:00 at the home of Lion George Corder.

Several Lions have had the flu bug. We won't list for fear of leaving out someone. We hope they are all well by now.

Late flash - We understand the White Cane day has been moved up to April 6 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm.

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May 3, 1984

We must have broken some recent records on April 5th because we had 40 in attendance. Usually there are from 25 to 30. It was good to see Ted Sole and Bill Beall there. Lion Bill says he feels fine. Lion Bill Woodrum's guest was Lion Dave Fritz of the State of Mississippi. Mrs. Faye Perry was a guest and was presented a plaque to show our appreciation for her support in all of the Christmas parties the club has given for the underprivileged kids the mission works with.

Lion Hank Viglicanco was inducted. P.D.G. Gerald Warren did the honors.

An interesting and informative program on electrical safety was presented by Mr. Frank Price, an employee of the Power Co. He used a clever visible aide set up to demonstrate the dangers involved when working around electricity.

By this time everyone knows that Mrs. Burl McQuain has presented the sum of \$8,000,000.00 to help finance the new WVU Hospital. Quite amazing.

The April meeting of the Board of Directors was held at the home of Lion and Lioness George Corder. The Preliminary report on the results of the White Cane Day showed a total of \$300.00 collected. This amount was confirmed by Lion "Butch" on April 19. It is unusual for a fund raising activity to total out to an even dollar but it happened. No doubt the results would have been better had we been able to have had the sale on a Saturday. This we could not do because another group beat us to the Saturday date and the city will not permit two groups to collect on the same day.

Lion Terry Brake spoke at length on organizing an auction as a fund raiser. He has agreed to chair the activity. He was very enthusiastic and his enthusiasm was catching.

The "They Serve Memorial Fund" has received some funds in memory of Lions Ralph Hawkins and Paul Opp. Unless the policy is changed, funds which the donor does not designate how such funds be used will go to the Pilot Dog organization.

At the April 19 meeting Lion Terry again discussed the auction as a fund raiser. He already has several commitments for donations. Committees have been lined up. The date is set for June 30 (New developments may cause a shift in this date.) at the old Grant building at Edgemont. This will take considerable work. We have a go getter with Terry. Help him.

More immediate is the broom bulb and mop sale to be held May 5th. This is a Saturday sale. Teams have been assigned so it behooves everyone to help his team cover its territory. Assigning teams was a good idea. It used to work and it should work now.

The glaucoma/amplyopia clinic was held on April 15, Lion Chairman Ralph Michael had things well organized. Attendance was disappointing. In fact attendance has been dropping over the years. The following table tells the story.

|           | 1980 | -81    | -82 | -83 | -84 |
|-----------|------|--------|-----|-----|-----|
| Adults    | 319  | 276    | 244 | 234 | 142 |
| Referrals | 19   | 12     | 10  | 15  | 5   |
| Children  | 39   | 45     | 55  | 28  | 27  |
| Referrals | 0    | 3 or 4 | 2   | 3   | 0   |

The number of glaucoma referrals very closely follows the national average of 6%. All of those referred upon closer examination will not have the disease but if what we are doing prevents blindness in a few people we are doing good work.

The clubs officers for 1984-85 are as follows:

|                              |                                       |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Pres. Jim Coleman            | Tail Twisters- Gene Martin            |
| 1st Vice Pres. George Corder | Hank Viqlianco                        |
| 2nd Vice Pres. Bill Conrad   | Lion Tamer- Clyde Judy                |
| 3rd Vice Pres. Terry Brake   | Board of Directors- Bill Woodrum      |
| Sec. Bob Moffett             | -Charles Herron                       |
| Treas. Bob Brummage          | Hold over Directors - Skip Springston |
|                              | - Dominic Romino                      |

I have been asked by Mr. Harold Goff, Chrm. of a Father's Day Committee of Central United Methodist Church, to invite all Lions and their wives to a Father's Day Service at the church on June 17. This is a significant occasion because this church is the decendent church of the Williams Memorial Methodist Episcapa1 Church, South where the first Father's Dar service ever was held on July 5, 1908. An historical marker will be dedicated. Mr. Goff has written letters to all district governors in the state inviting them to be present.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held at Terry Brake's home, 1127 Lake Street, Barry Addition, May 10.

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June 7, 1984

Congratulations are in order to Lion and Lioness Jim Coleman. Their son is the recipient of a Merit Scholarship. These things don't come easily. Best wishes to the young man.

The club had its fund raising effort on Saturday May 8. Several teams participated. Each team chose its own area. The work was done out of the basement of Lion Skippers's office. There was the usual assortment of brooms, whisk brooms, 3-way bulbs, packages of 60 and 100 watts bulbs and mops. Lions worked on Monday evening and Tuesday evening. On May 17, Lion Merritt reported that sales of \$900.00 plus. All money has not been turned in. This sale had been the best effort that we have had for several years.

Lion Terry Brake reported on plans for the auction to be held at the old Grants Store building on Aug. 11, 1984 at 10:00 am. Lion Terry reported several donations had already been received. The most interesting one is a 1984 Renault Alliance Car- designed in France and built in America. 3000 tickets are being printed to be sold for \$5.00 each. Since Lionesses will be helping with this sale, raffle profit will be split with them. Lionesses will run the concession stand for the auction. There will be a flea market in conjunction with the auction. Terry listed several other donations. Slips have been sent to the membership so that each can solicit articles new and used to be auctioned. Also be saving things for the flea market. The club has approved the raffle. A raffle is now legal in this state. The fund raising committee is meeting every Tuesday evening at CB&T to discuss plans and to allow members to report on their donations.

The Board of Directors met on May 10 in the home of Lion and Lioness Terry Brake. The question of where to hold the installation of officers came up. Lion Pres. Lee had checked with Staud's. Their charge would be \$9.00 per person. Other plans are being checked.

The Lioness Club's request that it be permitted to hold its installation ceremony with ours was approved. There will be no meeting on July 5, 1984. A proposal for membership was approved.

The next Board meeting will be held June 14, at Lion Pres. Lees's home. (1st Vice Pres. Jim has asked that both old and new Board members attend the meeting and that they double up on the rides so there will be enough parking.)

On May 17 Lion Skipper introduced cub Lion George Walls- an associate in Skipper's business. We welcome this young man to our club and hope he will be happy as a LION.

Lion Bob Powell, Chrm. of the Sight Committee, presented four adult requests for glasses. They were approved. One other bit of information on the raffle on the car was brought out. If not enough tickets are sold to pay the cost of the car, the ticket purchaser understands that the car will go back to Barrick motors and the money that is collected will be split between the club and the holder of the winning ticket.

A Kingwood Lion, John Trickett, Supt. of Stepping Stone Home told us about his work. The home is located near the Auxillary Police building. At present there are seven boys there between the ages of 12 and 17. These boys are boys having personal difficulties. They are out of control. They attend local schools and have the responsibility of taking care of the out-of-doors part of the property. At the end of 6 to 18 months, the boys return home, if possible.

Incoming President Jim Coleman is trying something new. He listed the committees for the coming year on a piece of paper and asked each member present to check the committees on which each member would prefer to serve. Should make happier Lions.

News for next month. The July 5th meeting has been moved to avoid the 4th holiday season. We will plan to have a meeting on July 12th at the Field Club. The annual cook out at the Carpenters will be on July 19th which is a regular meeting night. Mark the date and plan to be there.

The date for the Installation of officers has been set. It will be June 20th. Please note THAT IS A WEDNESDAY. The change was necessary to be able to have it upstairs at the Field Club. That will be a joint meeting with the Lionesses and also a ladies night.

Well. that's about it. See Yuh!



# FAIRMONT LIONS CLUB NEWS LETTER

July 1984

Dear Lions,

In view of certain information that should be called to your attention, I am writing this news letter in leau of a JULY Bulletin.

First of all we regret to report that Lion George Mason was in a very serious auto accident in Pittsburgh. His car was rear ended and he suffered a serious head injury. The last I heard he was still in a hospital in Pittsburgh and still unconcious. Let us keep him in our prayers.

Important dates to remember:

\*July 12 Our Next Meeting -It was moved to this date to avoid the July 4th holiday.

\*July 19 Annual Cookout at the Carpenters -Be sure to be there.

\*August 3rd - Annual Lionesses Picnic -this is in place of our 1st meeting in August. Please note: The date is for a Friday!!!

\*August 11 LIONAUCTION

At our last two meetings Lion Terry Brake has reminded those present of the work we need to be doing NOW to prepare for the LIONAUCTION. Teams have been chosen to approach different merchants for donations. If you are on a team please contact your merchants soon and report back to Terry. The Auction Committee is meeting every Tuesday night at CB&T at 8:00 pm. If you are not on a team and have a good prospect you wish to contact, please clear it with Lion Terry. Also let's get those tickets sold for the car. As soon as you have sold a complete book turn the money in to Lion Butch Osbourne.

At the instillation of officers, Lion President Jim reported that the coming year would be one of continuing the things we have done well and a rebuilding year. During the last year we have lost some very loyal and faithful Lions whose shoes will not be easily filled; but we have much talent in the club. Some of it needs to be put into action and some needs to be trained for service and some that just needs some support.

For the coming year Lion Jim proposed the following goals:

\*Fund Raising \$10,000-a continuation of efforts in motion now.

\* Membership: a) 10 new members above present count.  
b) 2 membership applications from every active Lion.

\* Visitation: At least two visitation by each active Lion.

\* Membership Cultivation: a) Activate the inactives who are able.  
b) Help new members grow into responsibility.

\* Lionism: Hold up a value of Lionism each month.

\* Committees: Reconsider the committees, drop those that are not active and create new ones for new areas of interest.

\* Service: Consider new areas of service and make an effort to involve more members in service and fund raising.

\*(For the President): Recognise one Lion each month for his contribution to the club.

These are not the goals of Lion Pres. Jim but goals for the club.

Also installed at the meeting were the new Officers of the Lioness Club. With Lioness Joyce Coleman as President, we should have good communications between the two clubs this coming year.

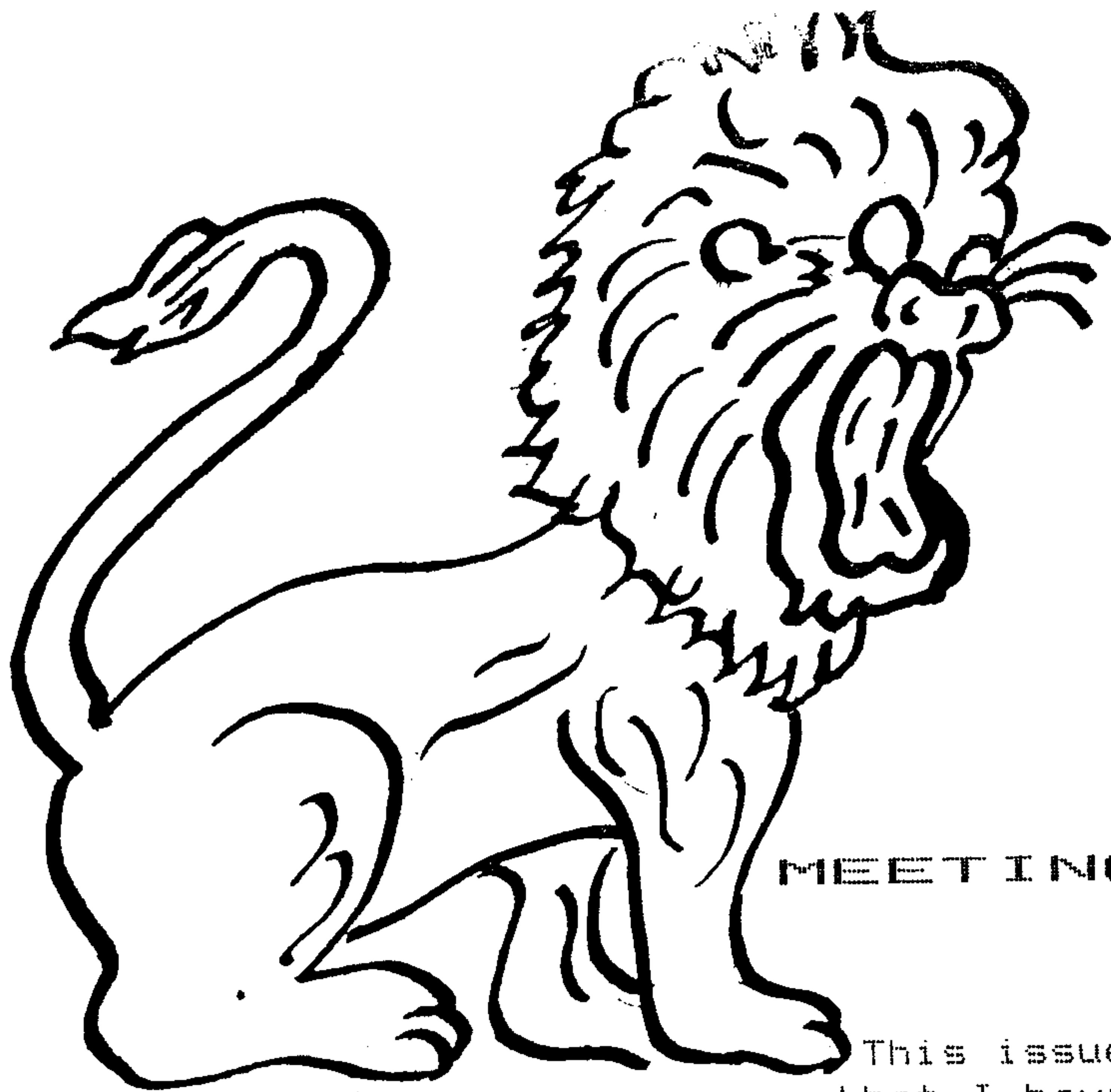
The Board of Directors will have its next meeting at Lion Pres. Jim's house on July 16. At that time the committees for the new year will be selected and the budget drafted. If you have not yet filled out a Committee Preference Survey slip, please contact Lion Jim.

See YOU at the July 12 meeting.

#### LIONS CLUB OFFICERS- 1984-85

President James Coleman  
1st Vice-President George Corder  
2nd Vice-President William Conrad  
3rd Vice-President Terry Brake  
Secretary Robert Moffett  
Treasurer Robert Brummage  
Lion Tamer Clyde Judy  
Tail Twisters: Gene Martin  
Henry Viglianco  
Board of Directors: Charles Herron  
William Woodrum  
Dominick Romino  
Skipper Springston





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Aug. 2, 1984

This issue of the Mane Growl begins the sixth year that I have attempted to write the bulletins. I am unable to make comparisons. I hope the bulletin has been informative. One thing I hope I can do this year is to include more personal items. To do this, I will need your help. Call me at 363-5259 and give me news of the members who are ill, are in the hospital, or any good news about any of the members or write items of interest and give them to me.

I have seen Lion John Ross a couple of times. He is feeling better and misses the club.

Lion Romino reports that Lion George Mason was seriously injured in an auto accident in early June. This happened near Pittsburg and as of July 19 his condition was critical. Lions who pray (I hope they all do) remember Lion George.

Lion Pres. Jim presided over his first meeting and while he looks at the duties that will be his during the coming year, Past Pres. Lee is basking in the light of new found freedom. Seriously though everyone has read Lion Jim's goals for this year. They are worthwhile goals and if they are accomplished the membership will have to work. Past experience with Jim makes us realize that he will do more than his part. Can we do less?

Fund raising Chm. "Butch" reported that Fund Raising netted us \$2000.00 last year which is less than the year before. However, some funds were diverted to last years expenses. Needless to say we overspent our glasses budget both years. \$1,000.00 had to be taken out of C.D.'s to pay up last year's bills and the remaining \$1000.00 C.D.'s was put into this year's Activity Budget. If I mistake not this exhausts our backlog of funds.

Lion Terry Brake along with the rest of the Fund Raising Committee are working hard to make the LIONAUCTION and raffle on Aug 11 a success. The secret seems to be volunteer workers. Two cars have been on display at the Mall on Saturdays and Sundays, at Foodland Stores at the Mall and at Hills plaza, at Kroger's and at Shop and Save.

The team idea for getting donations from businesses seems to be paying off. A partial list: \$350 lawn mower, 2 dish washers, 3 watches, radial drill press (used), gasoline, oil changes, front end

alignment, carpet, tires, motor oil, meals, 19 inch color TV, ceiling fan, etc.

Lionesses under the leadership of their new president Lioness Joyce Coleman are selling tickets on the car and will handle concessions during the auction. It will take plenty of help to carry on the sale on August 11. Keep your calendars open.

The Board of Directors met on July 15 at Lion Jim Coleman's home. Much of the discussion centered around the coming sale, the budget, committee assignments, etc. Lion Secretary Bob Moffett reported that at the end of June we had 65 members including two new members-Cub Lion George Walls III and Frank Zasloff. We are glad to have them with us.

It was suggested that we may be paying too much for our glasses since one member had been told by another optometrist that he would furnish them much cheaper. It may be worth looking into. The Board approved a goal of adding 20 new members this year- an increase of 10 over Lion Jim's original goal.

On July 12 we had a guest with us - Lion Dave Fritz -who is waiting to be transferred to our club from a club in Mississippi. We welcome him.

It was good to see Lion Clyde Judy back after surgery. Lion Clyde is the new Lion Tamer and he plans to reorganize the badge case.

1059 pairs of glasses have been collected in the box at the Mall.

On July 19 we enjoyed the stag nite at the home of Lion and Lioness Earl Carpenter. The club owes the Carpenters a lot of gratitude for opening their home to us. It cost them time, work and money. However, they enjoy it and they make everyone feel welcome. We thank them. The food was good, the weather was good, the fellowship was good and the highlight was Lion Jim's recognition of Lion Merritt Chambers as Lion of the Month and presented him with a miniature lion. Lion Chambers was a deserving choice. Lion Jim plans to do something like this each month. (Jim, add anything else like this you wish.)

The next Board of Directors meeting will be on Aug. 9, location to be announced. At this meeting we should finallize our committee assignments. A new directory for our club will be distributed after these assignments are completed.

From the President: The new Internation President is Lion Bert A. Mason from Donaghadee, Northern Ireland. Lion Bert's theme for the year is to "Answer the Call to Serve". With the amount of effort we have put forth for our LIONACTION and raffle, we have made a good start to following that theme. It is a theme we will hear often this year and I hope we can respond as well as we have these first two months.

**Importants Dates:**

Aug 9 - Board of Directors Meeting

Aug 11 - LIONAUCTION

Aug 16 - Lionesses Picnic, Morris Park -this is our regular meeting night.

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Sept. 6, 1984

Preparations for the auction have been dominating the club's thoughts and activities during the past two or three months but that is not to say there have not been some discussions about other things. For example dues for this quarter are past due. Examine your receipt and see how you stand and if need be, pass the bucks to our good treasure Lion Bob. The price per half year is \$13.50. Double that for one year.

On August 2 Lion Bob Powell presented one adult request for glasses which was approved.

Lion Brake gave a pep talk concerning the auction and raffle. He stated that \$7000.00 worth of merchandise had been donated for the auction and that \$9800.00 worth of tickets had been sold for the car raffle. (See results in a later paragraph.)

There was a short Board meeting to discuss committee assignments.

Our sympathy goes to Lion Warner whose daughter-in-law passed away recently.

The Board of Directors met on August 9 at Lion Corder's home. The question of perfect attendance pins came up. Apparently there is some doubt as to whether they are still to be given.

There was a long discussion about this year's administrative budget. Members should understand that any money raised through fund raising such as broom, bulbs and mop sales, auctions, raffles etc., in which the general public is involved, can not be used for administrative expenses. Money for this fund must come from dues or from intra-club fund raising. So a motion was made to have some sort of intra-club fund raising this year and it carried.

Committee assignments were worked on.

Well, this didn't come up at the board meeting but there was a man complaining about his insomnia. He slept fine at night, pretty well in the forenoon but he got restless in the afternoon. (How did this get into this paper?)

President Jim has plans to do something about attendance at meetings. There is an attendance policy adopted during Lion Bob Moffett's administration and that policy was reapproved with an

addition: any member missing four consecutive meetings without proper cause will be contacted by a member of the Membership Cultivation Committee.

District Governor's night will likely be in November depending on a number of things including the Governor's schedule. An attempt is being made to find another location for that meeting.

Lion Romino was elected treasurer of the "They Serve Memorial Fund". The next board meeting will be held September 13 at Lion Bob Moffett's home, 7:00 pm.

1138 pairs of glasses have been collected at the Mall Collection Box.

Some auction impressions:

The auction was held inside because of fear of rain. In our opinion this was a wise decision anyway. It is doubtful if the crowd would have stayed with us in the bright sun. It did rain.

Mrs. America was a charming gracious addition to our auction. Her rendition of America the Beautiful gave me goose bumps. She was appreciated by the crowd.

The Lionesses did a good job with the concessions. The hot dogs reminded me of the kind we used to get.

The Lions turned out in numbers to help. Therein lies the reason for success. We had wonderful leadership in Lions Terry and Butch and members of the Fund Raising Committee.. We found that most of our members worked in many capacities. All this shows that with organization and workers, the club can move.

The auctioneer might have moved things a little more rapidly but it was surprising how high were the prices received for most of the items. Everyone was sorry that he/she did not win the car. Everyone was sorry the winner was not present to claim his prize. He lives in Worthington and his name is Peter Lindsey.

Our good Fund Raising Chairman, Lion Butch Osborne gave me the following report of the income from the auction and raffle:

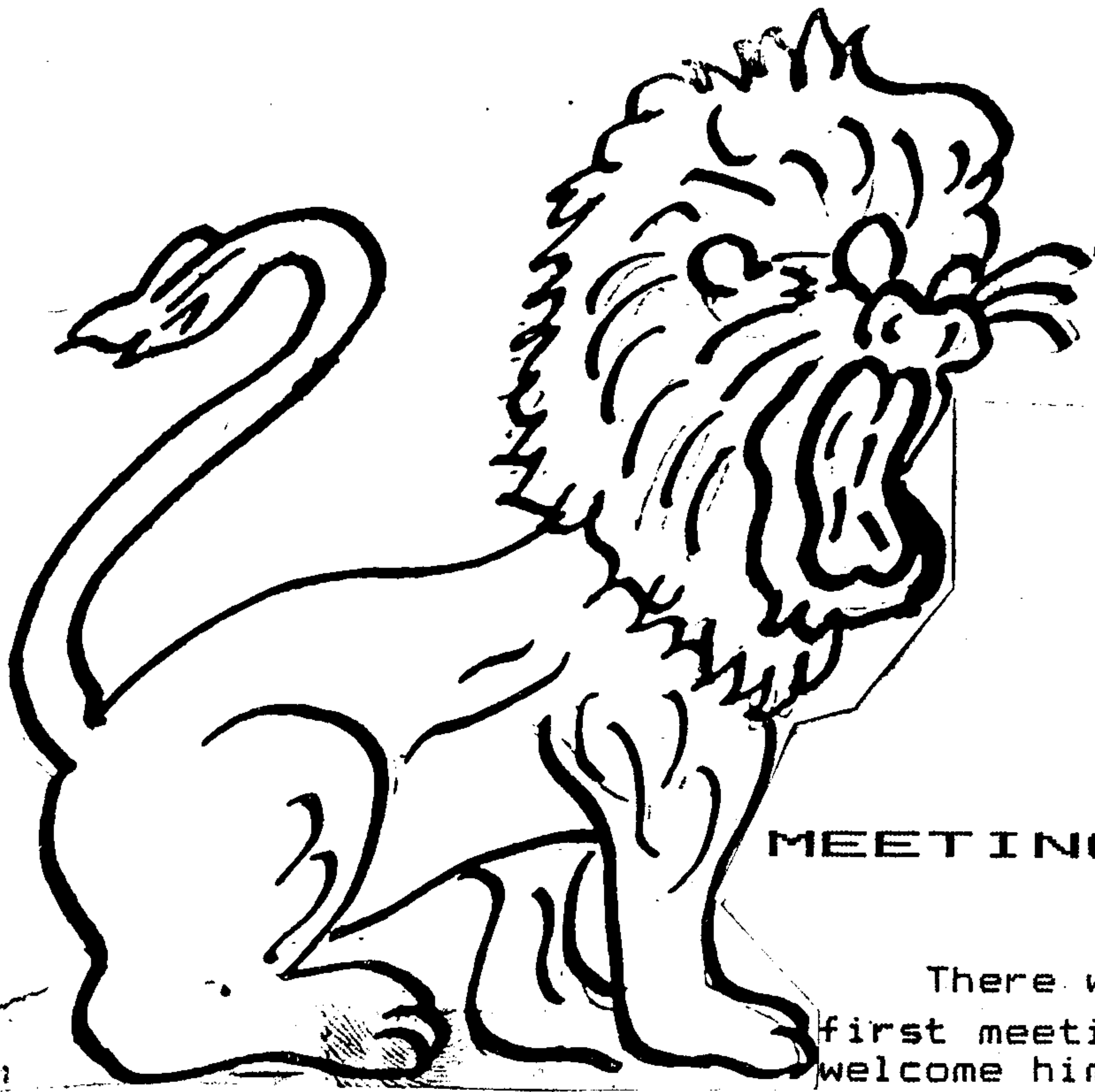
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| Net income from the auction and the concessions       | \$ 6460.00     |
| Net income from the Car raffle                        | <u>6204.52</u> |
| Total net income                                      | \$12664.52     |
| 1/2 of net income from car raffle to the Lioness Club | <u>3102.26</u> |
| Fairmont Lions Club profit                            | \$9562.52      |

How about them apples?

Many thanks to the Lionesses for a fine picnic on August 16 at Morris Park.

Well, there you have it. See You!





# THE MANE GROWL

FAIRMONT LIONS CLUB

FAIRMONT, WEST VIRGINIA

MEETINGS: 1st and 3rd Thursdays - 6:30 pm

Fairmont Field Club

There was a new Cub Lion with us at our first meeting in September—Frank Zasloff. We welcome him to our club. A guest was Mr. Gary Jolliff. Lion Carl Miller was in attendance.

We were notified that the Whirehall Club is anxious to form a winter Bowling League. Anyone who bowls and would be interested in the league should let Lion Jim know.

Our membership at the close of July stood at 64. Lion Claude Springer, Chairman of the Eyeglass Sub-Committee reported that three applications for school childrens' glasses had been received. The club approved two adult applications.

The director of United Way since June 11, 1984 gave a program. She is Mary Jo Buchanan. She explained the goals for this year and stressed her idea that through giving to United Way one can show he cares for others. She showed the United Way film in which John Madden, former coach, starred.

There were four Lions who had birthdays but we call attention to Lion Earl Vincent who has had 91 birthdays. Congratulations Lion Earl. Have many more.

According to the District Governors letter, our club is 7th in the District Governor's contest and 3rd in visitation.

The Board of Directors met on Sept. 13 at Lion Bob Moffett's. Lion Bill Schleicher requested that he be dropped as a member and his request was approved. Lion Fatzer, who had moved out of this community months ago was also dropped.

Our club paid out more than \$2000.00 for eyeglasses last year. Our budget had called for \$1300.00 to be expended for the glasses which obviously was not enough. The board amended the Activity and Sight budget by approving \$2500.00 for eyeglasses this year.

Since the Administrative Fund budget was out of balance and actually in arrears, the board discussed intra-club activities and approved a white elephant sale for Sept. 20 and a turkey will be raffled within the club in November. Proceeds will go to the Administrative Fund.

Club membership was approved for Gary Paul Jolliff- sponsored by Lion Jim Coleman.

Activity and Sight Fund income for last year (including car raffle and Lionauction) was as follows:

|                                |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Broom, mop and light bulb sale | \$ 1,944.58     |
| Lionauction                    | 6,460.00        |
| Car Raffle                     | <u>3,102.27</u> |
| Total                          | \$11,506.85     |

Lion Terry Brake asked to be removed as 3rd Vice President. The By Laws say that the Board will appoint someone to fill the unexpired term. The Board did have a brief meeting after the Sept. 20 meeting and appointed a member who has since declined.

There will not be another auction this year but there will be a Broom and light bulb sale on Oct. 6. All members should report to Lion Skipper's place of business between 9:00 and 9:30 AM in order to be ready to start selling by 10:00 AM. We are being assigned to teams and will be assigned areas. Teams will work until noon; then after a break for lunch, selling is to continue to 3:00 PM. One of the problems has been that we do not cover enough of the area. It is hoped this arrangement will do just that. Enough supplies are being ordered so that brooms, mops, etc. will be available all year. This means we can sell at any time. If we cover our territory, we do not plan a spring sale. There is another reason for a good turn-out. You can help President Jim celebrate his birthday.

October is membership development month. We are said to be an "old man's club". The only way to correct that image is to get younger men to join with us. Be on the look-out for some good men.

District Governor's night is on November 15. The Board approved the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church as the location but they have informed us that their building can not be available. More on this later.

Lion Cliff, Inter-Club Relations Chm., passed out a list of area clubs and their meeting nights and locations of their meeting places. He reminded us that Pres. Jim's goal is that each Lion visit at least 2 clubs this year. He reminded us that visitations do not count unless validated by the visiting club's secretary.

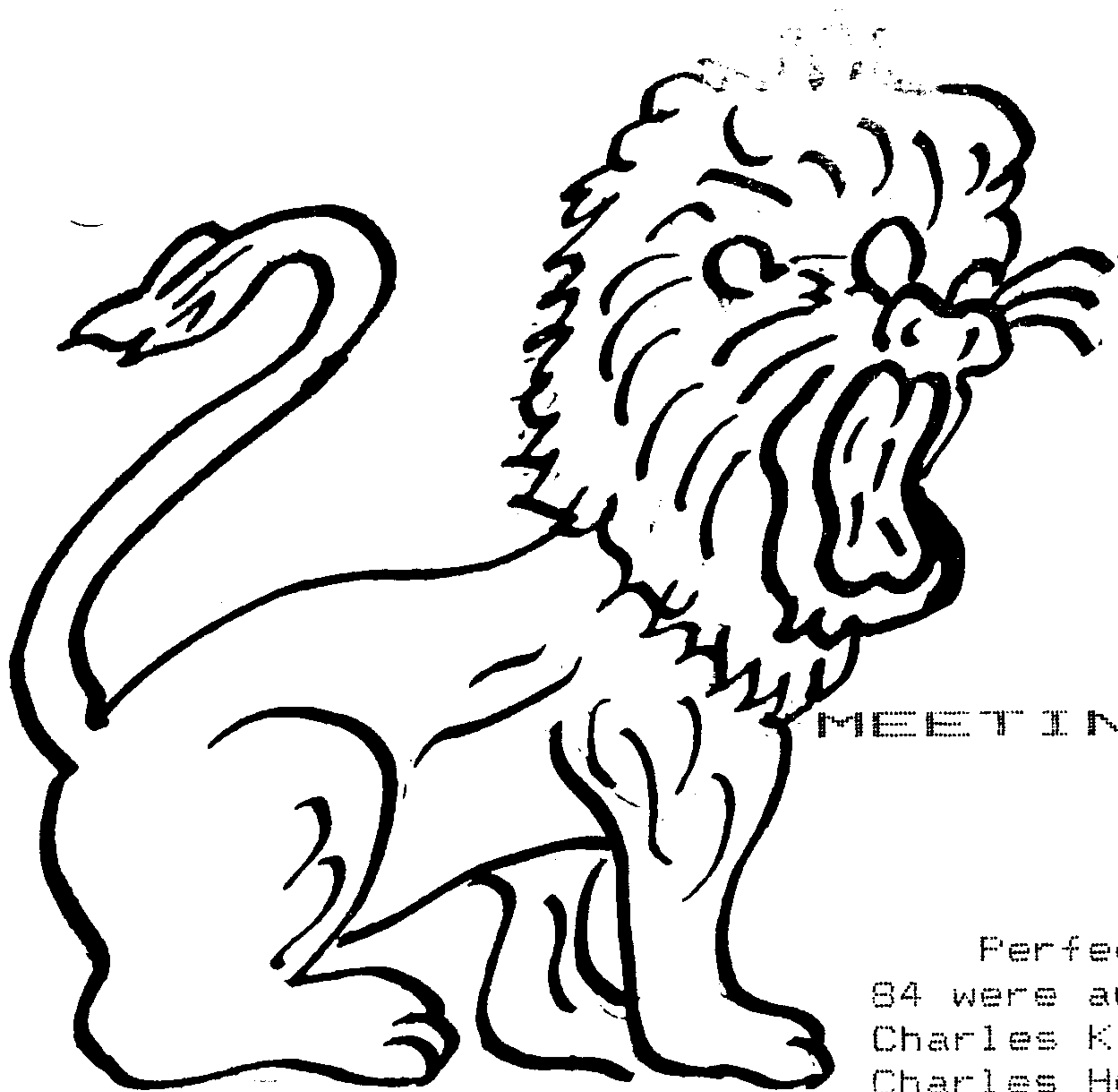
Pres. Jim's Lion of the Month was Lion Skipper for his efforts in making the Lionauction a success.

The white elephant sale brought in \$66.25 to be added to the Administrative Fund.

The Dandy Lion was retrieved from Lion Kime with a donation. The next recipient will be Lion Spiker.

Well, that's about it. See You!





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FAIRMONT, WEST VIRGINIA

MEETINGS: 1st and 3rd Thursdays - 6:30 pm

Fairmont Field Club  
Nov. 1, 1984

Perfect attendance pins for the year 1983-84 were awarded as follows: Bob Moffett, Charles King, Gerald Warren, Cliff Stalnaker, Charles Herron and Lee Meadows. The program on October 4 was given by Mrs. Sharon Morgan and Mr. Randy Farley, Marion County Special Education Teachers, who spoke in favor of Amendment 4 which will be on the November ballot. This amendment especially will benefit schools. It will also help build roads, bridges, build sewer treatment plants and build water lines. To get these things will require an extra penny on the sales tax. They also say that many thousands of jobs will be created.

The District Governor's letter reported that the district lost seven members in the month of August. Fairmont is third in visitation.

Lion Chuck King spoke for the Sight Committee and presented three applications for adult glasses. They were approved.

The Board of Directors met on October 11 at the home of Bill Conrad.

Lion Butch Osborne was present at the board meeting. He talked about the broom sale. He said when the sale began, the Fund Raising Committee had \$157.10. The merchandise cost \$3243.36. Eighteen Lions worked the sale. Lion President Jim was disappointed that more men didn't turn out to celebrate his (Jim's) birthday. The total amount collected that day was \$1411.26 - not enough to pay for the merchandise. A motion was made to keep the light bulbs and return the unbroken bundles of brooms. The motion carried. There will be plenty of bulbs, brooms, mops, etc. on hand for members who can sell and want to sell brooms, etc. until the next sale time. These articles are in the basement of Lion "Skipper's" office. Lion "Butch" was very frank when he said that the committee thought Oct. 6 would be a great day for a sale. Sad to say it did not turn out that way. The committee deserves our thanks for the way it organized the sale. Lions "Butch" and Terry even made a trip to Pittsburg to get bulbs.

Lion Springer was at the meeting as Chrm. of the Sight Committee to talk about some questions that club members have been raising about the cost of glasses. There are reports that other optometrists would



furnish glasses to the club at a cost of \$20.00 to \$40.00 as compared to an average cost of almost \$60.00 per pair that we now pay. Consensus of opinion was to divide the business at least for a time to see if these reports turn out to be true. It was left for the eye glass subcommittee to investigate further.

Lion Jim Coleman was notified by the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church that it could not give the club a firm date for our District Governor's night because the membership of the church would have priority over dates for its activities. Therefore District Governor's Night will be held on Nov. 15 at 7:00 at Bonanza. Cost \$8.00 per and it will of course be ladies night.

Our membership stood at 63 at the close of September according to Lion Secretary Moffett.

The annual Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 14 at 6:30 pm at the Mission.

The Salvation Army asked for the club to help in manning one of their out door kettles on November 24. Lion Jim is to try to arrange a date for us to be at the mall. (He arrange for us to be at Krogers on Dec. 1.)

We are told that Lion Abe Modi spent some time in the hospital. He hope he is home by now.

We understand that Lion George Mason has regained consciousness but cannot talk. Lion Art Cunningham is not very well. He is the one who never forgets our birthdays.

On October 18 Mayor Greg Hinton was the program. He discussed a number of city problems and accomplishments. He ranged from the past form of city government to the new sewage treatment plant, the upgrading of the water system, the proposed post office to Mary Lou Retton Drive and people who are not paying their fire fees.

Lion Clauade presented two adult applications for glasses which were approved. 1238 pairs of glasses have been collected at our Mall box.

Lion Cliff reported visits to Bellview, Fairview, East Grafton Road and a training seminar in Parkesburg. He reminded us that the goal set by Lion President Jim is for each Lion to visit a minimum of two clubs.

President Jim announced that the Lion of the Month was Bill Woodrum for his work in fund raising as well as his continuing support of the club.

In order to help balance the Administraative Fund a turkey raffle is being held or rather a gift certificate which may be used to purchase a turkey. The drawing will be made on District Governor's night.

Two members are to be initiated on November 1.

We are indebted to Lion Claude for the following two letters of Appreciation:

Dear Mr. Powell:

I can't begin to tell you how very much I appreciate my glasses. They had not been changed for five years and I was in bad need of a change.

Dr. Wyszner was very nice. I like my new glasses very much. Thanks again and again.

Lions Club  
C.A. Springer  
Sirs:

This letter is in appreciation of your assistance in helping me obtain new eye glasses.

Because of your prompt response to my need, Dr. Wyszner was able to determine that I did need new glasses and as of September 27, I have had my glasses.

Thank you again for the service you've provided.

Such letters make us feel we are doing something worth while.

For the Program on Dec. 6th, we are going to have one of our own. Lion Clyde Judy will tell us of his trip to India. It should be a very interesting talk with some interesting slides.

Remember Nov. 15 is District Governor's visit and the meeting will be at Bonanza at 7:00 pm.

Well, there you have it. See You !



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FAIRMONT LIONS CLUB

FAIRMONT, WEST VIRGINIA

**MEETINGS:** 1st and 3rd Thursdays 6:30 pm.  
Fairmont Field Club  
Dec. 6, 1984

Two cub Lions were initiated on November 1. They were George Walls III, sponsored by Lion Springston and Frank Zasloff, sponsored by Lion Brake. We welcome these two men to our club and trust they will enjoy the fellowship and work and so become dedicated

Lions. Lion Cliff did the initiation honors and did his usual good job. He didn't use the blindfold system which is probably just as well although that method does impress the new Lion with the magnitude of the handicap the blind person faces. Cliff extolled the virtues of Lionism.

President Jim reminded us of his goal of two visits per Lion this year.

Lion Gerald had District Lions pins for sale at \$1.50 per or two for \$3.00. No discount there.

Our good Lion Tamer Clyde Judy has been working on the badge box and it is all done over. After taking out badges of people who are no longer with us, it was necessary to renumber our badges. So be careful to check for your new number or the Tail Twisters may catch you wearing someone else's badge.

Lion Abe Modi was a patient in Fairmont General Hospital and Lion Chuck Rawlings reported that he had been moved to WVU Hospital. Lion Abe was very sick. Then, sad to say, Lion Abe passed away on November 3, 1984. We offer our condolences to his family.

We understand that Lion Art Cunningham is improving.

Lion George Mason at this writing has improved to the point that he knows his children.

The Board of Directors met at President Jim's home on November 8. Most of the discussion centered around arrangements for the District Governor's night.

It was announced that we have spent to date this year \$344.00 on glasses.

President Jim announced that the club will man the Salvation Army Kettle at Kroger's on Saturday, Dec. 1.



The Field Club, as usual, will be closed for two weeks at Christmas time. This means that we must find another meeting place for our first January meeting. That spot will likely be Bonanza and we may go through the line.

The District Governor's night was an enjoyable one. It was different. District Governor Armingier, who resides in Vienna, West Virginia, did not make a long speech but instead told a very interesting story of how the Braille system of reading for the blind came about.

President Jim presented the District Governor a check for \$600.00 (up from \$400.00 last year) who in turned presented it to the president of the West Virginia Lions Sight Foundation, Past D.G. Hance Moffett.

According to President Jim we are No. 7 in the District Governor's contest, No. 2 in visitation and No. 8 in membership.

President Jim explained for the benefit of guests and the District Governor what was meant by the Lion of the Month. Then Jim announced that the Lion of the Month was Charles Herron because of his work as editor of the Mane Growl. Lion Herron was so surprised and pleased that he wore his badge home. Thanks, Jim.

A gift of glassware was presented to the Governor and his wife.

As most of you know the club has been trying to bring its Administrative Fund into balance by having a turkey raffle. The drawing was made after the District Governor's dinner. It was decided at the beginning that the winner would have to be present to collect his prize. The first ticket was no. 128053, holder not present. The second ticket drawn was No. 128052, holder not present. The third ticket drawn was no. 128022 - the winner Lion Lee Meadows.

The paper this morning (Nov. 20) reports the death of Mr. Robert Sole, brother of Lion Ted Sole. Lion Ted has our sympathy.

While this writer was given the Lion of the Month award because he writes the Mane Growl, there are two other Lions involved with the bulletin who deserve much of the credit. After the bulletin is written it is sent to President Jim who adds any information he might think needs to be included. He types it, takes to the APS to get copies made, goes back and picks up the copies and delivers them to the club meeting where they are distributed to the members in attendance. The remaining copies are then turned over to our good secretary who mails them to absentee members as well as to Lions International and the District Governor.

As of October 29, 1309 pairs of glasses had been collected in the mail box.

Past District Governor was overheard telling someone that he had a small woodworking shop in his basement. It is worth \$1,000,000.00 He knows this is a true figure because the shop was appraised by the Department of Defense.

The Christmas Mission Party is scheduled for Friday Dec. 14. at 6:00 pm. Please notice this is earlier than our usual time - don't be late. The cost will be \$5.00.

At this time we are planning to have a meeting on Jan. 3, 1985. Since the Field Club will be closed, as mentioned above, we are considering the Bonanza Sirlion Fit for the meeting. More later but be informed.

The Board of Directors will meet on Dec. 13 at Lion Clyde Judy's home.

Well, there you have it. See Yuh!

P.S. The district party scheduled for Dec. 14 was cancelled.

A suggestion for the Holidays -

**Look for prospective members.**

**Surely there are some good candidates  
that we could invite to join us.**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**