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# The Mane Growl



The Fairmont Lions Club July, 2002 Volume 16, Number 1

## Fairmont Lions Begin a New Club Year

### New Officers Installed

Incoming District Governor Paul Amrhein, a charter member of the Mount Olivet Lions Club, installed the club officers for 2002-2003 at Westchester Village on June 20, 2002. An avid NASCAR fan, Amrhein used a racing theme for the installation and had all the new officers sign the "green flag." Once all the officers were installed, he announced, "Lions, start your engines!"

Officers for the new year are George Janice, president; Milt Durbin, first vice president; Bill Linger, second vice president; Wayne Dodd, secretary; Jim Coleman, treasurer; Gerald Warren, tail twister; Tom Koon, Lion tamer; Bob Moffett, Ed Garlow, Edsel Michael and Gene Martin, directors; Clyde Judy, membership director; and Gerald Warren, immediate past president. Outgoing president Gerald Warren passed the gavel to the new president, George Janice, who adjourned the meeting.



*Left to right: Immediate Past President H. Gerald Warren, President George Janice, 2002-2003 District Governor Paul Amrhein, Installing Officer.*

### Year Reviewed and Awards Presented

President Gerald Warren discussed some of the highlights of his year as president of the Fairmont Lions Club prior to turning over the gavel to the incoming president June 20th. Among items he noted were the successful elimination dinner, Journey for Sight, the membership program and the nice meeting room the club now enjoys.

He also presented a number of awards. Darrell Kimoto was presented a ten year membership chevron. Certificates of appreciation were presented to the board members: Gene Martin, Edsel Michael, Bob Moffett, Tom Koon, Milt Durbin, Wayne Dodd, Tom Spiker, Jim Coleman, and George Janice. Certificates were also presented to Wayne Dodd, eyeglass committee chair; Bob Moffett, chair of the Journey for Sight; and Clyde Judy, membership chair. Warren also presented a certificate to his wife, Martha.

Bob Moffett received an award as Lion of the Year.

### Dues Are Due

Treasurer Jim Coleman reminds all members that their dues may be due for another six months. Club dues are \$30 for six months or \$60 for one year. A portion of the dues goes to Lions International to cover expenses (this includes your subscription to *The Lion* magazine). Another portion of dues is sent to District 29-L to cover expenses at the district level. The remainder of the dues stays within the local club and pays the club's administrative costs including the post office box, mailing of the newsletter, program guests, and more.

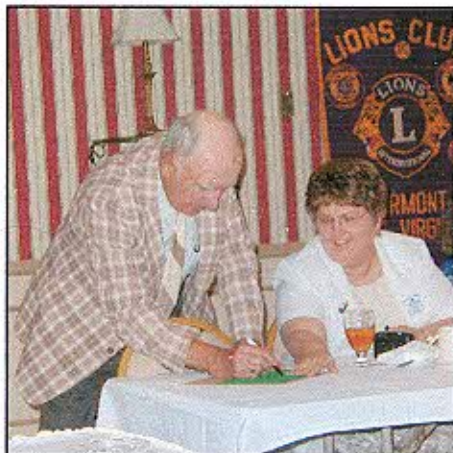


TO PROMOTE the principles of good government and good citizenship.

*from the Lions Clubs International OBJECTS*

### CALENDAR

- July 18 Club Meeting 6:30 pm
- Aug. 15 District Governor's Visit  
Special time: 7:00 pm
- Sept. 22 Lions Journey for Sight



*Director Ed Garlow signs the green flag as Phyllis Amrhein, wife of District Governor Paul, observes.*

**Ideas are a dime a dozen. People who put them into action are priceless.**



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**International President is Kay K. Fukushima**

Lions International President Kay K. Fukushima's has announced his theme for this year. It is "One World, One Heart." This theme is meant to help unify, motivate, and inspire all the members of the world to strive for excellence.

**Just A Lion or Two**

Jim Coleman happily reported that his wife, Joyce, was being transferred to Wishing Well and is improving. We were saddened to learn of the recent death of former club member Rev. Meredith Ball, a retired United Methodist Minister. This editor recently had the chance to chat with Rev. Ball and he had asked about the club and its members.

*Birthday Celebration*

Lee Meadows      July 15

**O'Brian Receives Lions Humanitarian Award**

Hugh O'Brian, television's famous "Wyatt Earp" and founder of Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY), is the recipient of the 2002 Lions Humanitarian Award. O'Brian received a Lions Clubs International Foundation grant for \$200,000, which he will donate to HOBY. A portion of the grant will be used to establish a Lions Clubs International Endowment Fund to send one boy and one girl to HOBY's annual World Leadership Congress. --Lions On-Line Newsletter

**Blood Screening Nets Club \$500**

Mary Jo Michael has reported that a check for \$500 was presented to Treasurer Jim Coleman as the club's share of the proceeds from the Multiphasic Screening Clinic held May 18th at Fairmont General Hospital.

**48 Years Ago...** The Fairmont Lions Club held its 1954 District Governor's Night on January 29th. The dinner of grapefruit and orange cocktail, roast sirloin of beef, mashed potatoes, lima beans, tossed salad, relish plates, hot rolls and apple pie and ice cream was followed by a dance featuring Hal Hartman's orchestra.

**Web Site Experiencing Problems**

The Internet hosting service that has provided space for the Fairmont Lions Club's web pages recently moved their equipment from California to Boston and has been experiencing numerous technical problems since the move. Since early June, the Fairmont Lions Club's website has been inaccessible to the club for editing. Therefore, the information posted on the Web is now outdated. (For several days, it was also unavailable for viewing.) Until the problem is corrected by the hosting service or a new hosting service is arranged, all members will be mailed copies of *The Mane Growl*.



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## Fairmont Lions Club Pays Dues on Time

Treasurer Jim Coleman reported at the July 18th club meeting that both Lions International and District 29-L dues have been paid. At the end of the club year, the Administrative Fund balance was \$931.52. The Administrative Fund consists of member dues and other funds collected from the members, such as from the Tail Twister's escapades.

The Activities Fund account balance was at \$4,330.85, reflecting a successful year of fund raising during 2001-2002. The Activities Fund consists of monies raised from the general public and all of those funds are returned through our service projects. Activities Funds are never used for the ongoing expenses of operating the club.

## WVU Coach to Speak August 22

WVU Football Coach Rich Rodriquez will speak to a joint meeting of the Fairmont Kiwanis, Rotary, and Lions clubs on Thursday, August 22, at Muriale's Restaurant. The meeting will begin at noon.



## 100% Attendance Awards

President George Janice presented

Perfect Attendance pins to club members Gerald Warren, Bob Moffett, and Wayne Dodd at the August 1st meeting.

## District Governor's Visit August 15



D. G. Paul Amrhein

### Meeting to Begin at 7:00 p.m.

District Governor Paul Amrhein will make his official visit to the Fairmont Lions Club on Thursday, August 15 at Westchester Village. This special meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. instead of the usual 6:30 meeting time. Club members are reminded that the meeting is a Spouse's Night activity. Guests are welcome.

Amrhein is expected to present his program for District 29-L at the meeting. He and his wife, Lion Phyllis, were also on hand in June to install this year's club officers.

A Charter Member of the Mt. Olivet Lions Club, the district governor has attended five West Virginia Lions Leadership Schools, 18 District Conferences, 17 State Conventions, and three International Conventions, just returning from Osaka, Japan, where he began his term as governor. He has been president of his club for three terms and has also served as Vice-President, Treasurer, Lion Tamer, and Director. In addition, he has been a Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, Regional Chairman and Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer, among others.

Lions Paul and Phyllis have twin daughters, Chris and Wendy, who are both Lions.



## Lions Journey for Sight Ready to Roll

Bob Moffett, chairman of the Lions Journey for Sight fundraiser, reports that initial contacts have been made with Marion County Parks and Recreation scheduling the event for Sunday afternoon, September 22, 2002 and with the *Times West Virginian*.

As in the past, members are asked to identify those persons who will be willing to take part in the event. In each of the last two years, proceeds approached \$1,000. Moffett hopes that we can top the \$1,000 mark this year.

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

*from the LIONS CODE OF ETHICS*



## CALENDAR

- Aug. 15 District Governor's Visit  
Special time: 7:00 pm
- Aug. 22 WVU's Rich Rodriquez  
Muriale's at Noon
- Sept. 22 Lions Journey for Sight

The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain. --Dolly Parton



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President George Janice, left, presents Immediate Past President H. Gerald Warren with a plaque for his service as club president last year. The presentation was made at the August 1st meeting at Westchester Village.

### Just A Lion or Two

Wayne Dodd reports that Gene Martin continues to recuperate.

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### *Birthday Celebration*

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|-----------------------|---------|
| Wayne Dodd            | Aug. 05 |
| Charles David Fawcett | Aug. 08 |
| Tom Spiker            | Aug. 15 |

### Notes from the District Newsletter

Club members may subscribe to the district 29-L newsletter, "The District Spirit," by submitting a request with \$6.00 to Mary Rose Yoho, Newspaper Editor, RR1 Box 144A, Proctor, WV 26055. Checks should be made payable to District 29-L.

The Fairmont Lions Club is currently at the top for its category (21-35 members) in the Membership Contest with 2000 points. However, both smaller (Friendly) and larger (Williamstown and Moundsville) clubs have more points.

The Middlebourne Lions Club will hold its Charter Night on Tuesday, August 20, 6:30 p.m., at the Court Restaurant on Main Street in New Martinsville. The Fairview Lions are having a Chicken Roast August 17th near the Fairview Post Office.

Lions Clubs International was formed in 1917. The Charleston, WV Lions Club was chartered September 30, 1921. Initially, there was a single District 29. By 1941-42, the district was divided into 29-W and 29-V. By 1947-48, District 29-A was added. In 1959-60, due to continued membership growth, an additional sub-district was added. At that time, districts in West Virginia included 29-L, 29-I, 29-O and 29-N. This is the structure currently in place. District 29-L consists of the most northern 15 counties in West Virginia. District 29-L is divided into four regions and each region is divided into 10 zones. *Editor's note: The Fairmont Lions Club is a part of Region III, Zone II.*

### New Web Site Launched

Due to technical difficulties that have lasted since June, the Fairmont Lions Club has relocated its Web site to a different server. Bob Moffett, the club's webmaster, is providing some of his space in order to get the club information and the monthly newsletter back on-line. The new Internet address for the Fairmont Lions Club is: [www.fscwv.edu/users/rmoffett/fairmontlions/](http://www.fscwv.edu/users/rmoffett/fairmontlions/)

Moving to this server will have the additional advantage of not displaying "pop-up" advertising everytime the page is accessed. Moffett hopes to have the new site up and running by the time members receive this issue of *The Mane Growl*.

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## Fairmont Lions Club Approves 2002 Budget

At the September 5th club meeting, the Fairmont Lions Club approved its budget for the year. Of special significance, the line item amount budgeted for eyeglasses was raised by \$1000 to \$3000 for the year. This will allow the Fairmont Lions Club to serve both the east and west sides of the river, now that there is no longer an East Fairmont Lions Club. The total Activities Budget amount for the year is \$8,065.51.

The Administrative Budget, based on receiving ten new members this year, was set at \$2,680.00, a modest increase from last year.

## Mayor to Discuss New Entrance to Fairmont

At the September 19th meeting, Fairmont Mayor Nick Fantasia will present the program and discuss the new entrance to Fairmont from I-79 and other development throughout the city.

Fantasia will bring with him the artists renderings of these changes in the city's infrastructure.

## 100% Attendance Awards

President George Janice presented Perfect Attendance pins to

club members Gene Martin and Clyde Judy at the District Governor's Visit as they had been unable to attend the previous meeting.



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## Lions Journey for Sight September 22nd

### Journey for Sight Duties Assigned

Members of the Fairmont Lions Club agreed to take on various responsibilities to make this year's Lions Journey for Sight a successful event. Wayne Dodd is arranging for Fairmont and State Police officers to be on hand with bicycle safety information. He has also arranged for water containers, thanks to the WV Dept. of Highways. Clyde Judy and Ed Garlow are planning to see that water is available at the Norway location. Keith Long has arranged for ice and will ask McDonald's for their orange drink. George Janice will try to arrange for soft drinks. Bob Moffett has made arrangements for his wife, Aletta, to be an "on-duty" nurse with first aid supplies. At Clyde Judy's suggestion, members with cell phones are asked to bring them so that we can communicate if necessary.

Fairmont Mayor Nick Fantasia briefly attended the September 5th meeting for a "photo-op" where he was presented with a Lions Journey for Sight T-shirt. George Janice arranged for Bob Moffett to be interviewed by WDTV News. The reporter indicated that he would also be on hand on Sunday, September 22nd, to do a story on the event.

With all the effort that has already taken place, the most important effort for the event's success is for club members to ask friends, relatives, co-workers, church groups, and others to join us in this fund raiser as we seek to raise funds necessary to continue into our 80th year providing assistance to the blind and visually impaired of the Fairmont community. Bob Moffett, chairman, asked all members to do their part and pointed out that posters and flyers are available for download at the club's website.



TO SEEK success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

*from the LIONS CODE OF ETHICS*

### CALENDAR

- Sept. 19 Club Meeting  
6:30 p.m.  
Mayor Nick Fantasia
- Sept. 19 Whitehall Lions Club  
7:00 Dist. Gov. Visit
- Sept. 21 Zone Meeting  
8:30 a.m. Poky Dot
- Sept. 22 Lions Journey for Sight
- Sept. 28 Rivesville Lions Club  
60th Anniversary
- Sept. 30 Bellview Lions Club  
Dist. Gov. Visit
- Dec. 13 Union Mission Christmas Party
- March 15, 2003 Elimination Dinner
- April 20, 2003 80th Anniversary

Where would Fairmont be without the Fairmont Lions Club? --D. G. Paul Amrhein



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Over 30 Lions and guests were in attendance for the District Governor's Visit to the Fairmont Lions Club on August 15th. A large number of guests from other clubs were on hand for the occasion.

**Just A Lion or Two**

We regret to report that Dr. Q. A. Malgarejo has asked to be removed from membership in the Fairmont Lions Club.



*It appears that a Fairmont Lions Club Tail Twister was a bit color-blind when putting on his socks for the last club meeting.*

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*Birthday Celebration*

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|--------------|----------|
| Bill Kime    | Sept. 24 |
| Gene Martin  | Sept. 12 |
| Bob Moffett  | Sept. 11 |
| D. J. Romino | Sept. 26 |

**Fairmont Lions Challenged by D.G. Amrhein**

Paul Amrhein, District Governor of 29-L, discussed his theme, "Highlighting Our Heritage," in his address to the members and guests attending his official visit to the Fairmont Lions Club on August 15th. He used the occasion to charge the members with the "responsibility to ensure the legacy of Lions endures for years to come" and to encourage the Lions to share the story of how we became a Lion. The Lions International focus is on membership and extension with an emphasis on the development of new clubs. Amrhein briefly turned over the lectern to his wife, Phyllis, who presented her thoughts on volunteering as a Lion.

In continuing his remarks, the district governor highlighted several of the ways that the Fairmont Lions Club has been in service to Fairmont and suggested that the membership role has been a "Who's Who in Marion County." He then proceeded to challenge the members to find new service activities, new members, and to share with the community through the newspaper. In describing International President K. Fukushima's theme, "One World, One Heart," Amrhein said, "Peace is not made in documents. It's made in the hearts of men."

Amrhein noted that LCIF has returned more funds to West Virginia than we (Lions in West Virginia) have sent them in urging support for the Foundation. The WV Sight and Hearing Foundation will have a new Mobile Eye Screening Unit this fall.

The centerpiece, provided by club member Bill Kime, was presented to Lion Phyllis Amrhein and the door prizes were awarded to Lions Wayne Dodd, P.D.G. Pat Julius, Gene Martin, and Vice District Governor of 29-I, Jim Canon.

**On the Web**

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## Lions Journey for Sight Is On a Roll

The 5th annual Lions Journey for Sight, held Sunday, September 22, saw more participants this year, but fewer dollars were raised than the last few years. Among those participating this year were 22 youth from Central United Methodist Church along with their four adult leaders. Proceeds from the event were \$340.

Local businesses contributed awards to be given to the participants. Those included cash or a Savings Bond from Monongahela Valley Bank, two Fun Passes from Valley Worlds of Fun, dinner for two from the Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, two dinners from USA Steak Buffet, and three large pizzas from Papa John's. Sgt. Menendez from the WV State Police was on hand throughout the afternoon distributing bicycle safety information.

In addition, MCPARC provided bicycles for use in the event, tables for our registration area and newly printed trail guides for the participants. Lions helping during the afternoon were Darrell Kimoto, Martha and Gerald Warren, Clyde Judy, Ed Garlow, Wayne Dodd, Keith Long (and Lisa), George Janice, Bob Moffett (and Aletta).

Bob Moffett, chairman of the event, has requested that the Lions Journey for Sight be scheduled on MCPARC's calendar again for the fourth Sunday of September in 2003 (September 28).



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## October is World Sight Month



*Thomas Long (above) finishes his ride in the Lions Journey for Sight while the Schroerings (below) enjoy the afternoon on their recumbent bicycle built for two.*

*(More pictures can be seen at the club's web site:*

[www.fscwv.edu/users/rmoffett/fairmontlions/](http://www.fscwv.edu/users/rmoffett/fairmontlions/)



The Fairmont Lions Club spent \$60 in September toward the purchase of eyeglasses.



TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

*from the LIONS CODE OF ETHICS*

## Susan Riffle To Speak On Drug Problems

Susan Riffle, Marion County Prosecuting Attorney and wife of club president George Janice, will discuss "Fighting the Drug Problems in Marion County" when she addresses the Lions at the October 17th meeting at Westchester Village. Numerous cases involving local drug dealing have been in the news lately and this timely program should be of interest to all Lions.

## Imagined Attendance Costs Club Real Money

Treasurer Jim Coleman reports that at two recent club meetings, the club had to pay a total of \$30 for unused dinners because Lions made reservations but did not show up for the meeting. When you say you will attend (and we hope you do), please do attend.

### CALENDAR

- Oct. 17 6:30 Club Meeting  
Program: Susan Riffle
- Nov. 7 6:30 Club Business Meeting
- Nov. 14 7:00 Board of Directors
- Nov. 21 6:30 Club Meeting  
Program: To Be Announced
- Dec. 13 Union Mission Christmas Party
- Jan. 31, Feb. 1 & 2, 2003 WV Lions Leadership School
- March 15, 2003 Elimination Dinner
- March 28 & 29, 2003 29-L District Conference
- April 20, 2003 80th Anniversary
- April 24, 2003 Fairmont Lions Club 80th Anniv. Celebration
- Sept. 28, 2003 Lions Journey for Sight

**The secret of getting ahead is getting started. -- Mark Twain**



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### Birthday Celebration

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| Earl Carpenter | Oct. 02 |
| Jim Coleman    | Oct. 06 |
| Jack Decker    | Oct. 14 |
| Milt Durbin    | Oct. 22 |

### Fairmont Lions Are Busy Lions

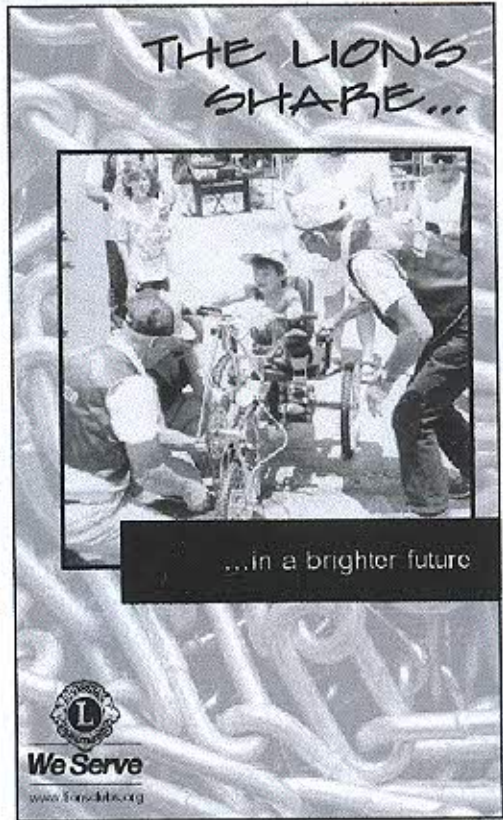
President George Janice appointed a committee to begin planning the club's 80th anniversary celebration. The event has been tentatively scheduled for Thursday, April 24, 2003. Lions who have become somewhat inactive are encouraged to become active in the club once again and help us celebrate 80 years of service to the Fairmont area. Committee members include Gerald Warren, Chairman; Jim Coleman; Bob Moffett; George Janice, and Gene Martin.

Members of the Fairmont Lions Club visited numerous other Lions functions recently. Four attended the Bellview District Governor's Night and three attended the joint meeting of Fairmont service clubs to hear WVU football coach Rich Rodriguez. One member attended District Governor's Night at the White Hall club and six attended the Rivesville Lions Club's 60th Anniversary meeting.

Members Jack Hawkins, Jim Coleman, Wayne Dodd and Gene Martin were on hand to help club member Dominick Romino celebrate his 91st birthday.

### Just A Lion or Two

It was reported that Earl Carpenter, who has been unable to attend meetings for some time due to his health, is now a resident at Wishing Well Health Center.



### Financial Snapshot

Club Treasurer Jim Coleman reports that as of the end of September, the club's Administrative Fund balance was \$1,105.23. The Activities Account reflected a balance of \$8,018.67.



### On the Web

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The Fairmont Lions Club November 2002 Volume 16 Number 5

## HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

### Susan Riffle Discusses Marion County Drug Problem

Marion County Prosecuting Attorney Susan Riffle presented the issues



facing the county in dealing with drugs when she spoke to the Lions on Thursday, October 17th. Cases that she has handled included marijuana (most

prevalent), cocaine, ecstasy, and even one case of a "meth lab." College students were involved in all the area cases of ecstasy. Riffle reported that there are three officers in the county working for the Mon Valley Drug Task Force, which is grant funded.

Problems have been concentrated in certain areas, particularly in the vicinity of Miller School and around the Fairmont State College campus. She also indicated that there appears to be a trend developing of heroin coming into the area.

Approximately \$60,000 and a number of automobiles have been seized from drug dealers. Nearly one-half of all cases involve people from outside the area.

Riffle, who is the wife of club president George Janice, answered questions from those in attendance following her presentation.

### DNR Officer to Present Program Nov. 21st

An officer of the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources will present the program this Thursday, November 21st, at the meeting of the Fairmont Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., at Westchester Village. Autumn is generally a busy time of the year for the DNR and the presentation will include interesting stories of the duties and unusual events of the DNR officer.



### PDG Gerald Warren to Install New Members December 5th

The newest members of the Fairmont Lions Club will be inducted at the regular club meeting of December 5th, according to President George Janice. The Fairmont Lions Club has welcomed several new members over the past months and will formally recognize them in this ceremony. All new members and their sponsors are encouraged to be present for this special ceremony.

Past District Governor H. Gerald Warren will conduct the ceremony. The meeting will take place at 6:30 pm at Westchester Village.



Wayne Dodd reports that 12 applications for eyeglasses have been approved and six more are pending. A collection box is available at the Worthington Post Office, thanks to Tracy Smith.

### Date Changed for Elimination Dinner

President George Janice reports that due to a scheduling error at the Knights of Columbus, the date for the elimination dinner has been moved to Friday, March 14, 2003.

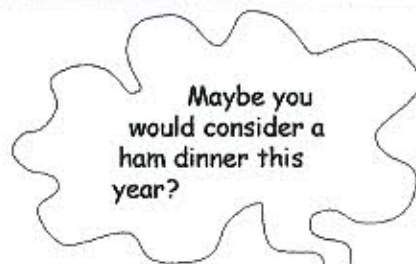
#### CALENDAR

- Nov. 21 6:30 Program: WV DNR
- Dec. 5 6:30 New Member Induction
- Dec. 13 6:00 Union Mission Children's Christmas Party
- Dec. 19 6:30 Program: Jeff Baxter Presentation on Core IV
- Jan. 31, Feb. 1 & 2, 2003 WV Lions Leadership School
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WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

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"See everything. Overlook a great deal. Improve a little." -- Pope John XXIII



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**Members Attend Events**

Several members of the Fairmont Lions Club attended the recent joint meeting of the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions Clubs to hear WVU Basketball Coach John Beilein. The meeting was held at Muriale's on October 30th.

PDG Tracy Smith, PDG Gerald Warren, Secretary Wayne Dodd and Zone Chairman Bob Moffett were present at the Region III Zone II meeting on Saturday morning, November 16th at the Poky Dot. Tom Spiker was also present.

**New Publicity Chairman**

Past District Governor Tracy Smith, who just recently transferred to the Fairmont Lions Club from the Worthington club, has agreed to head up publicity for the Fairmont Lions Club. He was appointed by President George Janice at the November 14th board of directors meeting, held at S & M Glass.

**Just A Lion or Two**

We extend sympathy to Lion Jim Coleman, treasurer, on the death of his wife, Joyce. It was quite common to see Joyce working alongside Jim at many of our club's activities and she will be greatly missed by all of us.

**Club Selling Claxton Fruitcakes Along with Brooms and Mops**

Once again, the club is selling the popular Claxton fruit cakes for the holiday season. The merchandise has arrived and is available at S & M Glass on Merchant Street. One pound fruit cakes are available for \$3.50 each or three for \$10.00, a savings of 50 cents.

Members are also reminded that the club maintains a supply of brooms and mops for sale, also at S & M Glass. Regular brooms sell for \$8.00, while the heavy "warehouse" broom sells for \$10.00. Mops are sold at \$5.00 each.

All members are encouraged to check with friends, neighbors and business associates as these sales are part of the club's on-going fund raising activities. It should be noted that Bill Kime keeps brooms and mops on hand for sale at his business, Kime Floral, on Fairmont Avenue.



**Lion Wins Nobel Peace Prize**

Lion and former U.S. President Jimmy Carter was awarded the 2002 Nobel Peace Prize for his "decades of untiring efforts to find peaceful solutions to international conflicts, to advance democracy and human rights, and to promote economic and social development." The Norwegian Nobel Committee cited Carter's success in finding peace between Egypt and Israel through diplomacy, specifically through his work in the Camp David Accords.



Bill Linger

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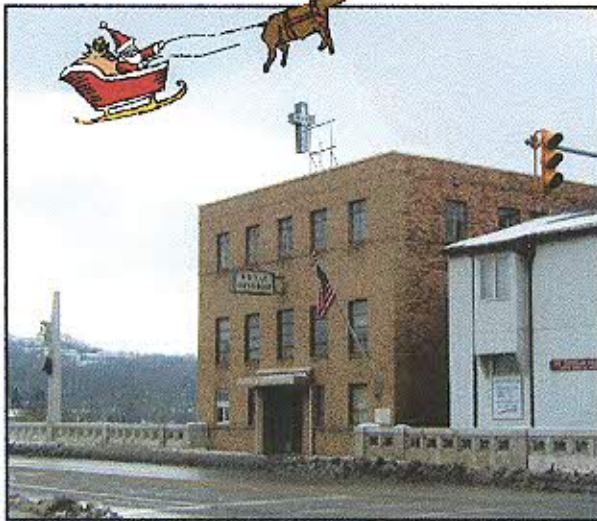
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# THE MANE GROWL



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**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



## Lions Club Christmas Party Set for Union Mission This Friday Dec. 13th

For over 60 years, the Fairmont Lions Club has been treating the children at Fairmont's Union Mission to a Christmas Party, and this year the tradition will continue. Approximately 100 children are expected to receive gifts from Santa at the December 13th party.

Continuing another tradition, the members of the Lions Club and their spouses and guests will gather at 6:00 the same evening for a holiday dinner prepared by the staff of the Union Mission and to hear a few words from the director of the mission, Pastor Bob Thompson. Following the dinner, the Lions will adjourn to join the children and their families for the annual party. At that time, Santa will distribute gifts provided by the Lions Club and others.

## Induction of New Members Rescheduled

Because of heavy snow which resulted in the cancellation of the December 5th meeting, the induction of new members has been rescheduled for the second meeting in January. At that time new members will be welcomed in a ceremony conducted by Past District Governor and Immediate Past President H. Gerald Warren.



## Lion Jeff Baxter to Present CORE-4 Program

Jeff Baxter, Past President of the Morgantown Cheat Lake Lions Club and currently the District 29-L WVU Eye Research Center Liaison Committee representative, will speak to the Fairmont Lions at its regularly scheduled meeting, December 19th, 6:30 p.m. at Westchester Village. The Core-4 Grant (Low Vision Initiative) is expanding low vision care and services to under-served populations,

increasing the output of existing low vision clinics, improving the availability of affordable low vision aids and devices, raising awareness and reaching out to children. This outstanding program is made possible by Lions.



TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

*from the LIONS CODE OF ETHICS*

## CALENDAR

- Dec. 13 6:00 Union Mission Children's Christmas Party
- Dec. 19 6:30 Program: Jeff Baxter Presentation on Core-4
- Jan. 2 6:30 Business Meeting
- Jan. 9 Board of Directors
- Jan. 16 6:30 Induction of New Members
- Jan. 31, Feb. 1 & 2, 2003 WV Lions Leadership School
- March 14, 2003 Elimination Dinner
- March 28 & 29, 2003 29-L District Conference
- April 20, 2003 80th Anniversary
- April 24, 2003 Fairmont Lions Club 80th Anniv. Celebration
- Sept. 28, 2003 Lions Journey for Sight

Four ages of man: 1) believes in Santa 2) doesn't believe in Santa 3) is Santa 4) looks like Santa



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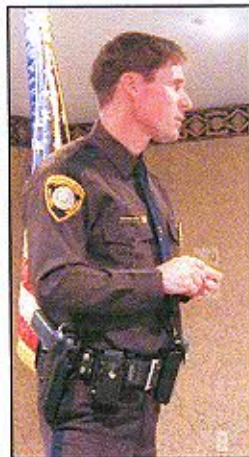
### Just a Lion or Two

Club members welcomed club member Bob Brummage at the November 21st meeting. A long-time member and club president in 1991-92, Bob had been unable to attend regularly since his job moved out of state. He is now employed at Urse Dodge Chrysler Jeep. Welcome back, Bob!

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### *Birthday Celebration*

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| Darrell Kimoto    | Dec. 26 |
| John David Manley | Dec. 14 |
| Edsel Michael     | Dec. 10 |
| Ted Sole          | Dec. 25 |
| Jack Hawkins      | Dec. 21 |



### Club Addressed by DNR Officer Brad McDougal

Conservation Officer Brad McDougal spoke to the Fairmont Lions at the November 21st meeting at Westchester Village. Fifteen club members were in attendance for the meeting. McDougal, whose role is often thought to be "game warden," discussed the conservation officer's role in enforcement of game and fish laws, boating laws, litter enforcement, as well as assisting the forestry department with issues such as fire and timber theft.

He spoke at length on the need to reduce the deer herd in Marion County and reminded all present that it is illegal to shoot a gun or bow in the city. Residents aged 65 and over can get a free senior's license for hunting and fishing. This includes the trout stamp and the national forest stamp. According to McDougal, the conservation officer can enforce any state law.

### January is Glaucoma Awareness Month

Millions of Americans are at risk of losing their eyesight to glaucoma, a leading cause of blindness in the United States. At high risk for developing glaucoma are African-Americans over age 40, everyone over age 60, and people with a family history of the disease. During Glaucoma Awareness Month in January, community leaders and health professionals are encouraged to provide sight-saving information to those who are at high risk. The National Eye Institute (NEI), one of the federal government's National Institutes of Health, has free materials that Lions clubs can use to plan and conduct successful campaign activities.

### More Used Eyeglasses are Needed

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), 500 million people world wide are in need of eyeglasses. Last year, Lions collected roughly six million eyeglasses. In the United States alone, approximately 148 million people have corrective eyewear that they replace every few years - leaving millions of eyeglasses sitting in drawers unused.

### On the Web

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