



THE MANE GROWL



Fairmont Lions Club July 2005 Volume 20 Number 1

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 Martha Warren...Director
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Calendar

July 21 6:30 Eva Dague,
 29-L Vice District Governor
 & Mary Klages
 How to Start a Leo Club

Aug. 4 6:30 Family Picnic
 Wave-Tek Park Pavilion 4
 \$5.00 per family
 Bring a Covered Dish

Aug. 18 6:30 TBA

Sep. 5 Dist. 29-L Car Show

Sep. 10 Lioness/Lions Yard
 Sale at S&M Glass

Sep. 24 Lions Journey for
 Sight

Inter-Club Visitations

Bob Moffett installed the
 officers for the Rivesville
 Lions Club June 27th. Aletta
 Moffett attended with him.

Aletta and Bob Moffett
 attended the Past District
 Governor's Appreciation
 Dinner in Elm Grove on July
 9th.

George Janice, Wayne
 Dodd and Keith Long
 attended the Rivesville Lions
 Club's July 18th meeting.

"If you would thoroughly
 know anything, teach it to
 others." – Tryon Edwards



2005 - 2006 Officers Installed
 New Officers pictured with PDG Tracy Smith, Installing Officer, front row (l-r): George Janice, Bob Brummage, Jeff Miller, Martha Warren, Evelyn Martin; back row: John Marsicano, Jim Coleman, Bob Moffett, Aletta Moffett, Keith Long, Tracy Smith, Clyde Judy, Wayne Dodd

Past District Governor Tracy Smith installed the new officers for the Fairmont Lions Club at the June 16th meeting at USA Steak Buffet. Each of the incoming officers agreed to serve to the best of their abilities throughout the coming year. Smith presented each officer with a tennis ball and encouraged them to "carry the ball" in seeing to the club needs. He also stated that the club's success required a team effort. Keith Long is beginning his consecutive year as president. George Janice and John Marsicano will serve as vice presidents. Long-time treasurer Jim Coleman will assist Aletta Moffett as she takes over that responsibility. Bob Moffett is the new club secretary. Please see the listing at left for the complete list of club officers.

Family Picnic August 4th at Wave-Tek Pavilion 4

It has been some years since the Fairmont Lions Club enjoyed a summer picnic, but Wayne Dodd has made arrangements for the club to use Pavilion #4 on Thursday, August 4th, for a family picnic. Each family is asked to bring \$5.00 to defray the cost of renting the pavilion and to bring a covered dish to share, along with utensils and something to drink. The evening is intended to be one of fellowship and fun. Lions are encouraged to bring along family members and guests, as well as any prospects for membership.

Warren Receives Letter of Congratulations

President Keith Long presented Martha Warren with a letter of congratulations from Lions International President Clement Kusiak for having sponsored a new member during the club year 2004 - 2005. Carl Miller received a Certificate of Appreciation from Lions International posthumously.

Eyeglass Applications Approved

Eyeglass Committee Chairperson Wayne Dodd presented 7 applications for exams and glasses. These included an individual with Multiple Sclerosis and another who suffers from Cerebral Palsy.

Lions on the Web

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Birthdays

Wayne Dodd

Aug. 5



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Gary Pitcock Serves as District Governor

Gary Pitcock is the district governor for Lions District 29-L.

"Greetings to you and your families as we start another new leg of our journey here in District 29-L. Bernice and I have just returned from our trip to the International Convention in Hong Kong, and even though it was enlightening, it was also exhausting. Now that we are back, Lion Bernice and I will start Building Bridges. A Master Builder Award will be given to the individual or club that displays true Lionism by helping to build new clubs, or doing something special for their community, their club, or their district." *(Quoted from the District 29-L Newsletter)*

The August 7th District 29-L Cabinet Meeting will be held in Rivesville at 1:30 p.m.

Lions Assist in Tsunami Relief

Lions in South Asia are moving quickly with the rebuilding after the tsunami. Lions in Indonesia have built 100 homes, believed to be the first built by a non-governmental organization in Indonesia after the disaster. Lions in Sri Lanka have 500 homes under construction with occupancy expected in two to three months. These initial homes have been paid for through the resources of Lions in South Asia. LCIF will also be supporting the building of thousands of homes by Lions in South Asia. Rebuilding plans have been proposed and are currently being reviewed by LCIF.

LCIF has mobilized up to \$12 million for reconstruction and recovery in South Asia. Lions donated up to \$9 million. LCIF committed an additional \$2.5 million from its reserves as well as the nearly half a million dollars in aid it disbursed within weeks of the tragedy. Thanks to these funds, Lions will be building homes, schools and orphanages and will also be providing psychological treatment and physical rehabilitation for children and adults.

Although other charitable groups have been stifled by bureaucratic red tape, according to some news reports, Lions' ties to their community leaders and government officials have enabled them to move ahead with rebuilding. For example, Sri Lanken Lions met with the country's president personally and she authorized government officials to allocate to Lions the land on which new homes were built.

Club Roster Needs Member Information

A new roster of club members is being prepared. Please provide the following information to the secretary at a club meeting, by e-mail, or by postal mail. The information desired includes, name, address, phone(home and work), e-mail, spouse's name, employment and birthday (month and day only). Thank you.



Board of Directors

Monthly board meetings will follow the business meetings.

Just a Lion or Two

Everett Klingensmith has been recently hospitalized and we wish him a speedy return to health.

Christopher Wayne Dodd, son of club member Wayne and Bobbi, is engaged to be married to Jane Renee Parvin in September.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Tom and (Mary) Koon following the death of their daughter in an automobile accident.

Former club member Ralph Michael died June 22nd. He served the club as president in 1982-83.

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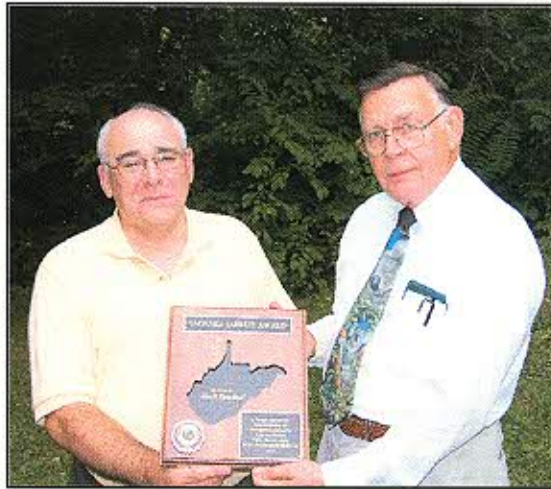
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Inter-Club Visitations

Aletta and Bob Moffett visited Lions International Headquarters in Oak Brook on July 28th while on vacation in the Chicago area.
 Bob Moffett attended the District 29-L Cabinet Meeting held at the Rivesville Community Center on Sunday, August 7th and visited the West Mon. Area Lions Club (Blacksville) on Monday, August 8th.
 Zone Chairperson Scott Summers and Bonnie, as well as "Lion" Winston (Scott's Pilot Dog) were in attendance at the July 27th meeting.

"Cutting your speech by 50% is half the prattle."

Wayne Dodd Receives Leonard Jarrett Award



C. Wayne Dodd (left) is shown receiving his plaque as a recipient of the WV Lions Sight Foundation's Leonard Jarrett Award. The presentation was made by James Coleman at the Fairmont Lions Club's picnic on Thursday, August 4th. Dodd was also presented with a lapel pin.

The Fairmont Lions Club just awarded Wayne Dodd, a club member, the Leonard Jarrett Award in appreciation for the time and effort he has made in service to the community and his fellow citizens. The Lions of West Virginia recognize West Virginia Lion Leonard Jarrett as founder of the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. Lion Jarrett knew from personal experience the financial expense of eye care and surgery. In honor of his efforts in establishing the Foundation, the WV Lions Sight Foundation established the Leonard Jarrett Award. It is the highest honor given by the Sight Foundation. A donation of \$1,000 to the Foundation was made in honor of Lion Wayne Dodd, a past president of the Fairmont Lions Club, because of his contribution to the sight and hearing needs of others.

Since the WV Sight Foundation is so close to the hearts of all West Virginia Lions, the Leonard Jarrett Award is considered to be the highest honor that West Virginia Lions, as well as the Foundation, can bestow.

The West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation, Inc. was established in 1959 to meet the sight and hearing needs of the citizens of West Virginia, if other aid is not available. Services provided include cataract removal, corneal transplants, detached retinas, crossed eyes, eye surgery, along with vision and hearing devices. Many corrective sight and hearing procedures and services for the needy have been financed by the WV Lions Sight Foundation and coordinated in the Fairmont area by the Fairmont Lions Club.

Multiphasic Proceeds Received

Fairmont General Hospital presented a check in the amount of \$450 to the Fairmont Lions Club as its share of the proceeds from the Multiphasic Clinic held June 11, 2005.

Coming Programs

The program for the August 18th meeting will be presented by our own Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman as they tell us about their recent trip to Ireland and Scotland with the FSU Folklife tour. The meeting will be held at U.S.A. Steak Buffet beginning at 6:30. The District Governor's Official Visit has been scheduled for September 15th.

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Bob Moffett Sept. 11





VDG Eva Dague discusses formation of a Leo Club at July 27th meeting.

Meetings

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Just a Lion or Two

We extend our sympathy to President Keith Long whose grandmother died recently and to club secretary Bob Moffett whose mother also passed away about a week ago.

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Leo Club is Program Topic

Vice District Governor Eva Dague and Leo Club Chairperson PDG Mary Klages were on hand at the July 27th meeting to explain the process of beginning a Leo Club and the sponsoring Lions club's responsibilities. Aletta Moffett has approached the principal at Fairmont Senior High School in hopes that the Fairmont Lions Club will be able to sponsor a Leo Club at the school.

Awards Received

At the July 27th meeting, President Keith Long presented the Fairmont Lions Club with the Membership Excellence Year Round Growth banner patch for the year 2003 - 2004. At the same meeting, Bob Moffett was presented the Membership Advancement Key for having sponsored five Lions members.

Region III Chairperson Bob Moffett was presented the International President's Extension Certificate at the District 29-L Cabinet Meeting for his assistance in establishing the Western Monongalia Area Lions Club. Moffett is one of the two Guiding Lions for that club.

Wayne Dodd was presented the Leonard Jarrett Award at the August 4th club picnic. *(See article and picture on page 1.)*

Club Supports District 29-L Car Show

At the July 27th meeting, the Fairmont Lions Club agreed to sponsor two trophies, at a total cost of \$30, for the District 29-L Car Show scheduled to take place at Cabella's near Wheeling on September 5th. The car show is a district-wide fundraiser for the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. Last year's show had 205 entries and raised over \$3,000.

PDG Dan Dague is heading up the car show and stated that those sponsoring trophies will be recognized in publicity about the car show and the day of the show.

Eyeglass Applications Approved

At the July 27th meeting, Eyeglass Committee Chairperson Wayne Dodd asked for and received the club's approval to provide eye exams and glasses for four individuals.

Club Directory Being Distributed

A club directory is being distributed with this issue of the newsletter (print edition only). If there are corrections, please let Bob Moffett, club secretary, know as soon as possible and an updated listing will be available soon, if warranted.



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Calendar

- Sep. 15 Dist. Gov. Visit
- Sep. 25 Lions Journey for Sight
- Oct. 6 Business Meeting
- Oct. 20 TBA

Inter-Club Visitations

President Keith Long, Secretary Bob Moffett and Treasurer Aletta Moffett attended the Zone Meeting hosted by the Rivesville Lions Club on August 30th. Bob Moffett, Region III Chairperson, installed the officers of the Barrackville Lions Club September 1st. Wayne Dodd attended both of the combined service club meetings (Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions) held recently to hear FSU Coach Rusty Elliott and WVU Coach Rich Rodriguez.

"Society works by putting opportunity and responsibility together."
-- Tony Blair

DG Gary Pitcock to Make Official Visit to Club



District Governor Gary Pitcock will make his official visitation to the Fairmont Lions Club Thursday, September 15, 2005. Pitcock is serving as Governor of District 29-L this year and will bring his wife, Lion Bernice, with him. Pitcock has been a member of the Weirton Lions Club for 11 years and served the club as president four times, was Membership Chairman, and a board member. He was awarded the "Lion of the Year" Award in 1997-98 and is a recipient of the Leonard Jarrett Award. He served as Zone Chairman twice and has been Zone Eye Screening Chairman, as well as having served as Vice District Governor during the 2004-05 year.

The District Governor has served on the Board of Directors for the A.L.I.V.E. Domestic Violence Shelter in Steubenville, Ohio and is a current member of the Friends of the College (West Virginia Northern Community College) and was awarded the "Friends of the College Citizen of the Year" for volunteerism in 1999. He serves as president of the Osiris Temple Shrine Clown Unit and is a member of the Blue Lodge and Shrine Temple.

The Pitcocks have one daughter, Jamie, who is also a Lion. They belong to Sacred Heart Church in Weirton. D.G. Pitcock worked for Kroger Food and Drug for over 36 years and in several supervisory capacities. Lion Bernice is a clinical manager at Trinity Health Systems in Steubenville.

The meeting will take place at U.S.A. Steak Buffet at 6:30 p.m. Spouses, Lioness Club members and other guests are welcomed and encouraged to join with us in welcoming D. G. Gary and Bernice Pitcock.

14 Applications for Eyeglasses Approved

Ten applications for eye exams and glasses were approved at the August 18th club meeting, following the recommendation of the Eyeglass Committee, chaired by Wayne Dodd. An additional four applications were approved at the September 1st meeting.

Leo Club News

Aletta Moffett has been spearheading an effort to initiate a Leo Club at Fairmont Senior High School. She, Vice District Governor Eva Dague and Youth Activities Chairperson PDG Mary Klages met with the dean of students on Friday, September 9th. Moffett indicated that the meeting was encouraging.

Lions Aid in Katrina Relief

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) has committed \$270,000 from its own reserves and has raised more than \$230,000 from Lions to help Lions in areas affected by the hurricane aid those at shelters. Lions are providing evacuees with food, water, medicine, personal hygiene needs and other items.

Closer to home, the WV Lions Sight Foundation set up its Mobile Eye Screening Unit at Camp Dawson and screened victims relocated there. For those needing glasses, the Sight Foundation is providing them.



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Birthdays

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|-------------|---------|
| Jim Coleman | Oct. 06 |
| Jack Decker | Oct. 14 |
| Milt Durbin | Oct. 22 |
| Bill Kime | Sep. 24 |





Jim Coleman and Elizabeth Swiger are seen at the August 18th meeting discussing their recent trip to Scotland and Ireland.

Lions Journey for Sight is September 25th

Once again, the Fairmont Lions Club will sponsor the "Lions Journey for Sight" on the West Fork River Rail Trail between Monongah and Fairmont, September 25th, beginning at 1:00 in the afternoon. Participants are asked to solicit donations and walk, jog, run or bicycle to help the club raise funds to provide vision services to the less fortunate. All Fairmont Lions Club members are needed to assist with the event. Club members are needed to take care of set-up and tear-down, registration, water stop, and more.

Marion County Parks and Recreation has once again agreed to provide full support for this effort, as they feel it enhances the use of the trail. For more information, contact Bob Moffett.



Awards Received

Mary Jo Michael was presented a Membership Key award for having sponsored two new Lion members. The award was presented at the August 18th meeting by 1st Vice President George Janice.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month, 6:30 p.m., at U.S.A. Steak Buffet, Fairmont Avenue.

Just a Lion or Two

The club was pleased to welcome Steve Criss, guest of Leola Robinson on August 18th and Keith Long's wife Lisa and mother-in-law Ann Legg at the September 1st meeting.

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Club Adopts Budget for Fiscal Year

Treasurer Aletta Moffett asked for and received the adoption of a club budget for the 2005-06 year. The budget expects Administrative Fund expenses to be \$2,059 and Activities Fund expenses of \$7,572.19. A line item was added this year for Pilot Dogs, Inc. and the District 29-L Car Show to support the WV Lions Sight Foundation.

All club funds received through fund raising efforts must go into the Activities Fund and be returned to the community in some form of service project. The Administrative Fund consists of dues, Tail-Twister fines, and other funds generated solely from the Lions, themselves and is used to pay all club operating expenses.

President Reports Club's Activities at Zone Meet

President Keith Long reported on the Fairmont Lions Club's activities at the August 30th zone meeting held at Rivesville. He included these items, among others:

- ▼ Four club members attended the Multiple District 29 Convention at Lakeview.
- ▼ 32 applications were approved [since the last zone meeting in the spring].
- ▼ Four club members assisted in Lions Clubs Int'l--Special Olympics Opening Eyes.
- ▼ 11 members and family formed a Relay for Life team.
- ▼ 2 members have received Membership Advancement Keys.
- ▼ The club sponsored two trophies for the District 29-L Car Show.
- ▼ Elimination dinner is being planned [with Rivesville Lions] for the spring.
- ▼ Annual Christmas Party for the children at the Union Mission is being planned.
- ▼ The club presented club member Wayne Dodd with a Leonard Jarrett Award.



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Calendar

Oct. 20 William Pitzer
Long Term Care

Nov. 3 Business Meeting

Nov. 12 District 29-L Steak
Fry in Wheeling to
benefit Sight Foundation

Nov. 17 Thanksgiving
Program

Dec. 16 (Tentative)
Union Mission
Christmas Party

Inter-Club Visitations

Bob Moffett visited the
West Mon Area Lions on
September 26th. Aletta and
Bob Moffett attended the
District 29-L Cabinet
Meeting, October 9th
at Weirton, WV.

"Good humor is one of the
best articles of dress one
can wear in society."
--Thackeray



Clyde Judy Receives Leonard Jarrett Award



Photo by Bernice Pitcock

The Fairmont Lions Club awarded long-time member Clyde Judy with the prestigious Leonard Jarrett Award, presented by the district governor on September 15, 2005. Pictured are D. G. Gary Pitcock, Judy, club president Keith Long and Region III Chairperson Bob Moffett.

A past president of the Fairmont Lions Club, Clyde Judy, was presented the Leonard Jarrett Award at the September 15th district governor's official visit. The Leonard Jarrett Award is the highest award given by the West Virginia Lions Sight Foundation and is, therefore, considered to be the highest honor that West Virginia Lions, as well as the Foundation, can bestow. The award was presented to Judy by District Governor Gary Pitcock, on behalf of the Fairmont Lions Club, for his many years of dedicated Lions service. A lapel pin, which accompanies a handsome plaque, was pinned by Bob Moffett, Region III Chairperson. Congratulations Lion Clyde!

DG Pitcock Outlines Program

"Building Bridges to Opportunities" is the theme of D. G. Gary Pitcock's term and he discussed that at his official visit to the Fairmont Lions on September 15th. He stated that one key is better publicity. He noted that the Fairmont club has had some success with that and he also thanked the club for all the club has been doing, recalling President Keith Long's report at the recent zone meeting. "Keep up the good work." He indicated that the Fairmont Lions Club has a long history and to "be proud of this."

Governor Pitcock was accompanied to Fairmont by his wife, Lion Bernice. There were nine additional visitors in attendance for the event. The club made a monetary donation to the WV Sight Foundation in honor of the district governor. Club member Bill Kime provided a floral centerpiece which was given to Lion Bernice Pitcock and roses which were presented to all the ladies in attendance.

Yard Sale Proceeds Earmarked for Sight Foundation

Proceeds from the Fairmont Lions Club's share of the Lioness and Lions Club yard sale were voted to be sent to the WV Sight Foundation. \$131 was the Lions club's share. The Fairmont Lioness Club also sent an equal amount to the Foundation.



Photo provided by Lisa Long

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Birthday lists are being suspended until member information is updated.



Lions Journey for Sight Raises \$465



D.G. Gary Pitcock is pictured with club president Keith Long at the district governor's Sept. 15th visit.

Ten Lions were on hand September 25th to help with this year's Lions Journey for Sight and five members walked or bicycled the route turning in their donations. Special thanks go to the top three money-raisers: club member Jim Coleman who raised in excess of \$100; Thomas Long, son of President Keith Long, who raised \$89; Patty Austin, of Capon Springs, who raised \$75.

A new aspect of this year's event was a "cookout" at the Norway rest stop, thanks to George Janice and Wayne Dodd. It was noted, however, that all the hot dogs had been eaten by the time Bob Moffett made it there on his bicycle and he had to make the return leg of the ride on an empty stomach. It was apparent, however, that Lions Dodd and Janice had substantially satisfied their appetites.

Bob Moffett, who chaired the event again this year, was especially appreciative of MCPARC and Tony Michalski, who provided bicycles and brought tables and chairs in case they were needed by the club. Moffett also expressed sincere appreciation for all Lions and family members who participated. Those present included Evelyn Martin, Nancy Sickles, Martha Warren, Aletta and Bob Moffett, Keith and Lisa Long with son Thomas, Wayne Dodd and George Janice.



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Eyeglasses Approved

Eyeglass Chair Wayne Dodd requested the approval of four applications for glasses at the October 6th business meeting. These applications were approved by the club.



Thanks to Martha Warren for repairing the cord and sewing the Membership Growth Patch to the banner.

Nuts On Order

The Fairmont Lions Club's next fund raiser will be the sale of nuts, according to President Keith Long. Nuts have been ordered, and the club received word from the company that they will be delivered toward the end of October for sale prior to Thanksgiving. These high quality nuts have sold well in the past two years.





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Calendar

- Nov. 17 Thanksgiving Program
- Dec. 1 Business Meeting
- Dec. 16 Union Mission Christmas Party
- Dec. 25 Merry Christmas
- Jan. 1 Happy New Year
- Jan. 5 Business Meeting

Inter-Club Visitations

Bob Moffett visited the Morgantown Lions on Oct. 18th. Aletta and Bob Moffett, Keith Long and Wayne Dodd visited Rivesville on Oct. 24th and Bob Moffett visited Westover Oct. 27th.

President Keith Long and Secretary Bob Moffett attended the Zone meeting on November 13th, hosted by the Rivesville Lions Club.

Correction

Club members Jim Coleman and Elizabeth Swiger were omitted from the list of participants in the Lions Journey for Sight. We regret the error.

"Ultimately, takers lose and givers win."
 --Unknown



Fairmont Lions Go Nuts for Fund Raising

Again this year, the Fairmont Lions Club is selling Terri Lynn nuts to raise funds for its many community activities. Pecan halves, whole cashews, chocolate cashews and chocolate bridge mix are available in one pound packages. Packages of nuts were distributed following the November 3rd club meeting.



Nut Prices

Pecan Halves.....	1 for \$7, 2 for \$13
Whole Cashews.....	1 for \$8, 2 for \$15
Chocolate Cashews.....	1 for \$8, 2 for \$15
Chocolate Bridge Mix...	1 for \$6, 2 for \$11

President Keith Long noted that a single package sells at a given price, but that two packages will sell for a one dollar savings over the price for two individually purchased packages. *See price list at left.*

These quality nuts tend to sell themselves during the holiday season.

Union Mission Christmas Party Scheduled

Lion Clyde Judy has announced that plans are underway for the annual Lions Club Christmas Party for the children at the Union Mission. The event will take place on Friday, December 16th and will include the traditional dinner prepared by the staff of the Union Mission prior to the party for the children. The Union Mission is currently accepting applications from the families of needy children. According to Sandy Thompson, as reported in the Times West Virginian, the Union Mission and the Lions Club have partnered for this event for about 50 years. Fairmont Lions records indicate that they have actually worked together to bring smiles to the children for more than 60 years and that this year may be the 65th party.

Lions should note that this is a Friday meeting and will take place instead of the normal Thursday meeting.

21 Applications for Eye Exams and Glasses Approved

Following the recommendation of Eyeglass Committee Chairperson Wayne Dodd at the October 20th and November 3rd meetings, the Fairmont Lions Club has approved 21 more applications for exams and glasses. Since August, the club has helped 29 individuals. Prior to taking the vote, the members in attendance examined the club's budget and the amount that has been spent to date. The club is approximately "on-track" for the time of year.

Club Welcomes Visiting Lions from Canada

At the November 3rd club meeting, a group of eight Lions from Little Mindon, Ontario, Canada, stopped on their way home from Myrtle Beach to eat at USA Steak Buffet and discovered that the Fairmont Lions were having a meeting. They presented First Vice President George Janice with a "Loony," the dollar coin of the country and were given a Fairmont Lions Club brochure to take with them.



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This thank you note was received from DG Gary Pitcock for the club's participation in the Car Show.



President Lists Activities at Zone Meeting

Fairmont Lions Club President Keith Long listed the activities that the club has been involved in since August at the November 13th Zone meeting in Rivesville. Among the items detailed by Long were the following:

- Provided eye exams and glasses for 29 individuals
- Presented club member Clyde Judy with Leonard Jarrett Award
- Working to establish a Leo Club at Fairmont Senior High School
- Presented Membership Key Award to Mary Jo Michael
- Members made 15 interclub visitations
- Sponsoring 2nd Vice President John Marsicano to WV Lions Leadership School
- Supporting Courtney Jurasko to National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence, and Diplomacy
- Sponsoring Christmas Party for children at the Union Mission in December

From the District Governor's Newsletter

The November District 29-L contest rankings show the Fairmont Lions Club to be in 3rd place of clubs our size in the Publicity contest. We are in 8th & 9th positions in the District Governor's contest and the Visitation contest, respectively.

The Cheat Lake Lions Club will host the district governor on November 17th. Any Lion may receive the district newsletter by e-mail. If you would like an on-line subscription at no cost, simply provide your e-mail address to Lion Bob Moffett.

Last Call for Vest Orders

The club has received 11 orders for the Lions vests. We need to order at least 12 in order to avoid an additional production charge. If you have not placed your order with the club secretary, please do so now. Individual orders placed at a later time will be more costly.

LCIF Aids Victims of Pakistan Earthquake

Shortly after the recent devastating earthquake that hit Pakistan and India, LCIF issued a Major Catastrophe Grant of \$200,000 to assist with both short and long-term needs. LCIF also quickly issued three \$10,000 Emergency grants so Lions in the affected areas could quickly help people get food, water and medicine. LCIF also created a Pakistan Earthquake Relief Fund for Lions, Lions clubs and others to make designated donations.

--Lions On-Line Newsletter

Happy Thanksgiving



Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month, 6:30 p.m., at U.S.A. Steak Buffet, Fairmont Avenue.

Just a Lion or Two

We extend our deepest sympathy to Elizabeth Swiger in the recent death of her brother.

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 Bob Brummage.....Tail Twister
 Wayne Dodd.....Lion Tamer
 Clyde Judy.....Director
 James Coleman.....Director
 Evelyn Martin.....Director
 Martha Warren.....Director
 Jeff Miller.....Membership

Calendar

Dec. 16 6:00 Union Mission Christmas Party
 Dec. 25 Merry Christmas
 Jan. 1 Happy New Year
 Jan. 5 Business Meeting
 Jan. 15 1:30 p.m. 29-L Cabinet Meeting Boaz
 Jan. 27, 28, 29 WV Lions Leadership School

"The interests of childhood and youth are the interests of mankind."
 --Janes

Union Mission Christmas Party Friday Dec 16 6:00

Lions will gather at the Union Mission on Friday, December 16th at 6:00 pm (Note: This is 30 minutes earlier than our regular meetings and on Friday rather than Thursday) to bring some joy to the less fortunate children of Fairmont. As has been the tradition, we will meet at 6:00 for a traditional dinner prepared by the Union Mission and a brief message from the director, Pastor Bob Thompson, prior to going upstairs for the children to receive their gifts. Lions, spouses, significant others and guests are welcome.

According to Clyde Judy, who has chaired this activity for many years, the change in meeting night and time is done so that the children are not kept out too late in the evening. This activity of the Fairmont Lions Club was begun in 1935.

Club Presents \$100 to EFHS Student to Attend Forum



Courtney Jurasko accepts the check from club president Keith Long to attend the National Youth Leadership Forum.

Courtney Jurasko, along with her parents Mike and Carol Jurasko, were guests of the Fairmont Lions Club at the November 17th meeting. President Keith Long presented Courtney with a \$100 check to assist her with the cost of attending the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy. Courtney was nominated by counselors at East Fairmont High School where she is a sophomore.

The Forum brings outstanding high school students from all over the country to a program in Washington, D.C., where the students represent their communities. While there, she will have opportunities to interact with many prominent men and women. Jurasko is currently Vice Commander of the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) at the school, is president of the Kitty Hawk Air Society, and is also involved in the speech team, Girl Scouts and Student Council. She plans to present a program to the Lions Club upon her return from the Forum. The club received the following thank you letter:

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Dear Lions Club Members,

Thank you very much for inviting my parents and me to your Lions Club meeting on November 17th! I was overjoyed to come and see Lions Club in action and get to know you all as a group of wonderful people, how active you are in the community! I want to thank you for your support in sponsoring me to go to the National Youth Leadership Forum this spring. Your generosity will not go unnoted.

I promise to take extensive notes and when I return, I will make an exclusive report to the Fairmont Lions Club, sharing the knowledge I will have gained on my once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Thank you again for what I am sure will be a memorable journey. I cannot begin to tell you how grateful I am to you all for having made such a generous donation. I look forward to seeing you once again at the Union Mission Christmas Party in December, and it is my hope that I may someday repay you for helping me.

God Bless,
 Courtney Jurasko



Lions on the Web

Lions International: www.lionsclubs.org
 West Virginia Lions (MD-29) www.wvlions.org/
 District 29-L: www.wvlions29-l.org/
 Fairmont Lions: www.fscwv.edu/users/rmoffett/fairmontlions/

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Rev. George Batten, Development Director at the Union Mission presented a Thanksgiving Program Nov. 17th.

Six More To Get Glasses

At the November 17th meeting, Wayne Dodd, Eyeglass Committee Chairperson, requested that the club approve applications for eye exams and glasses for three individuals. These were approved. Three more applications were approved at the December 1st Meeting.

From the District Governor's Newsletter

Multiple District 29 will hold its 84th convention April 21, 22 and 23 at Stonewall Resort. The registration fee, which includes five meals, is \$75 if paid by March 21, 2006 and \$85 thereafter. Room reservations may be made by calling the hotel at 304-269-7400 or on the Web at www.stonewallresort.com. Group number is 95338 for a room rate of \$90 + 9% tax, single or double. According to the December issue of the District Governor's Newsletter, the Fairmont Lions Club is in third place for clubs of our size in the district publicity contest.

Coleman Receives Letter from Int'l President

At the December 1st meeting, President Keith Long read and then presented a letter from Lions International President Ashok Mehta to club member Jim Coleman thanking him for sponsoring a new member. Coleman sponsored his wife, Elizabeth Swiger.

From the Board of Directors Meeting December 1, 2005

The Fairmont Lions Club board of directors acted to terminate the membership of Greg Church. Church has taken a new position in the Parkersburg area and the family is leaving Fairmont.

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