



THE MANE GROWL

Fairmont Lions Club June - July 2007 Volume 22 Number 1



Club Officers

John Marsicano...President
 Pat Patton.....1st V.P.
 Jacob Brumage...2nd V.P.
 Bob Moffett.....Secretary
 Aletta Moffett.....Treasurer
 James Coleman,Assist. Tr.
 Bob Brummage..Tail Twister
 Wayne Dodd.....Lion Tamer
 Evelyn Martin.....Director
 Nancy Sickles.....Director
 Jeff Miller.....Director
 Leola Robinson...Director
 Keith Long.....Membership
 George Janice... Past Pres.

Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet
 6:30 pm
 USA Steak Buffet

July 19 Marci Caroll
 Family Law Mediator

Aug 2 Business Meeting

Aug 16 Picnic

Sept. TBA Lions Awareness
 Day

Sept. 23 Lions Journey for
 Sight

Visitations

Aletta & Bob Moffett attended
 the PDG's Appreciation Ban-
 quet in New Martinsville on
 June 9th.

Bob Moffett, Dist. 29-L
 Leadership Chair, attended
 cabinet training in New
 Martinsville June 22nd.

The Zone 7 Social at Valley
 Worlds of Fun, June 28, was
 attended by Evelyn Martin,
 Jake Brumage, Keith and
 Lisa Long, Martha Warren,
 Jim Coleman, Elizabeth
 Swiger, and Aletta & Bob
 Moffett. Mary Jo and Edsel
 Michael sat in the parking lot
 waiting for the downpour to
 ease, but it did not.

"I believe every person is
 created as the steward of
 his or her own destiny with
 great power for a specific
 purpose: to share with
 others, through service, a
 reverence for life in a spirit
 of love." -- Hugh O'Brian

Club Officers Installed for 2007 - 2008



Left to right: Bob Moffett, Aletta Moffett, Wayne Dodd, Jim Coleman, Pat Patton, John Marsicano, PDG Tracy Smith, Jake Brumage, Nancy Sickles, Leola Robinson, and George Janice.

George Janice passed the gavel to incoming president John Marsicano at the Installation of Officers ceremony on June 21st. District 29-L Past District Governor Tracy Smith conducted the ceremony having all incoming officers sign a soccer ball which he presented to Marsicano, indicating that we would be a team. (See list of 2007-08 officers at left and pictured above).

Marsicano stated that he would like to see the club continue its many worthwhile projects but also look at new opportunities to serve during his year as president.

Leonard Jarrett Award Presented to George Janice

Outgoing president George Janice was presented with a Leonard Jarrett Fellowship at the June 21st club meeting. The committee, made up of club Lions who have previously received the recognition, selected Janice because of his years of dedicated service to the club and to the goals of Lionism. \$1000 has been donated in Janice's name to the WV Lions Sight Conservation Foundation by the club, enabling the club to present the prestigious honor to him.

The Lions of West Virginia recognize Leonard Jarrett as founder of the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation.

The presentation was made by Jim Coleman, also a Leonard Jarrett Fellow and George Janice's sponsor (See picture.) Congratulations, Lion George!

Other club members to have received the Leonard Jarrett Award include: Merritt Chambers, James Coleman, Wayne Dodd, Charles Herron, Clyde Judy, James E. "Gene" Martin, Bob Moffett, H. Gerald Warren and William Woodrum.



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

New LCI Officers Elected



Mahendra Amarasuriya of Colombo, Sri Lanka, was elected president of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 90th International Convention, held July 2-6, 2007, in Chicago, Illinois.

Larry G Johnson (with wife Rachel at left) was elected as a Director of Lions Clubs International 2007 - 2009. Johnson is a Past Council Chair and Past District Governor of 29-L (1994 - 1995). Larry and Rachel reside in Vienna, WV.



Fairmont Lions Club Walks in Relay for Life

It was a dark and stormy night as the set up crew made its way to the high tech campus to prepare for the evening's Relay for Life, supporting the American Cancer Society. Once the storm passed, however, the downpour eased to a light shower and then the sun came out briefly before setting over the horizon.

The club donated \$131 to the American Cancer Society for the event raising some of the funds there through the sale of bottled water, pepperoni rolls and snacks. Fairmont Lions members on hand included Jim Coleman, Elizabeth Swiger, Steve Criss (who was supporting the team of a cancer survivor), John Marsicano and daughter Sarah, Aletta Moffett, Bob Moffett, Pat Patton and Kim, and Martha Warren.

Hold onto your seats, though! The story doesn't end there. Following the fireworks display, Elizabeth Swiger was unable to find the carry bag for her lawn chair. After Bob Moffett went to get his vehicle to pack up the canopy and other items, he observed that one of the chairs he and Aletta took was missing. It was later noted that a member had seen somebody in a passing group pick up a chair and take it. Since the carry bag for that chair was not taken, Elizabeth got a carry bag and the Moffetts just got "had." Nevertheless, those who stayed enjoyed the evening and were able to do what Lions do best -- serve others.

Left to right, John Marsicano and Sarah, Aletta Moffett, Martha Warren, Pat and Kim Patton await the next visit by Relay for Life teams needing some refreshments at the Marion County Relay for Life.



Lions Jim Coleman and Elizabeth Swiger walk in the "Survivor's Lap" at the Relay for Life on June 8th at Fairmont's "High Tech Campus."



Helping Others Retain Sight

The Fairmont Lions Club continues to provide eye exams and glass for those less fortunate. There were 12 applications approved in June, on the recommendation of the Eyeglass Committee. Wayne Dodd has asked to be relieved as chairperson and Pat Patton volunteered to take that position. Jake Brumage offered to assist on the committee, as well. Dodd's work over many years in that capacity is much appreciated by the club.

Helping Others

Tail Twister Bob Brummage, at the June 7th meeting, asked each person present what they had done to help someone else. Not surprising for a group of Lions, each had helped, ranging from donating blood to doing something kind for a neighbor. We Serve.

Lions on the Web

Lions International: www.lionsclubs.org
West Virginia Lions (MD-29) www.wvlions.org/
District 29-L: www.lions29l.org/
Fairmont Lions: www.fairmontlions.org 

The Mane Growl, Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club
PO Box 1164, Fairmont, WV 26555
Editor: Bob Moffett, rmoffett@fairmontstate.edu

Fairmont Lioness Club & Lions Club Join Forces in Annual Yard Sale

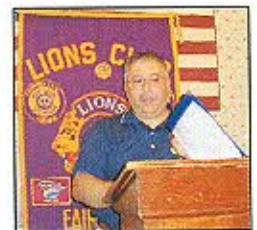


Clown Virginia Gallion directs passers-by to the Fairmont Lioness/Lions Yard Sale held June 2 at S&M Glass.

Once again this year, the Fairmont Lioness Club and the Fairmont Lions Club worked together to raise funds by holding the combined yard sale on June 2nd at S&M Glass. Over \$400 was raised by the yard sale. In addition, the Fairmont Lions Club made over \$100 on the sale of brooms, mops and nuts. At the June 21st Lions Club meeting, Nancy Sickles announced that the Lions Club was receiving \$300 from the sale. Many members of both clubs contributed to the success of the event. As always, thanks to Evelyn Martin and the folks at S&M Glass for their gracious hospitality.

Delegate Mike Caputo Addresses Club

At the May 17th meeting, Jake Brumage introduced Delegate Mike Caputo, a member of the Rivesville Lions Club, who presented the club's program. In his remarks, he mentioned a number of the important services that Lions provide to their communities and expressed his appreciation to the club for the work it does.



Club Activities During 2006-2007 Reviewed

Immediate Past President George Janice had a very successful year as president of the Fairmont Lions Club. In addition to the activities the club has conducted over the years, such as providing eye exams and glasses for the less fortunate and sponsoring the Christmas party for the children at the Union Mission, the Fairmont Lions took on some new efforts this year.

For the first time, the club sponsored the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest and hosted the winner, her parents and the school art teacher at one of our meetings. We also sponsored a student to HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership) camp this summer. HOBY programs provide youth selected by their schools to participate in unique leadership training, service-learning and motivation-building experiences. Hugh O'Brian played the role of Wyatt Earp in the "Life and Legend of Wyatt Earp" on ABC television from 1955-61.

The club committed to raising \$1,000 over two years for Campaign Sight First II and \$650 has been received so far on behalf of the Fairmont Lions Club. This includes \$150 in additional commitments by club members or friends.

The club also worked with Zone Chairperson Scott Summers to put together a very successful "Lions Awareness Day" and broom sale in May. In addition to selling brooms, mops and nuts, we were also "selling Lions." This year saw great success in fund raising efforts. According to Treasurer Aletta Moffett, the profits from fund raising this year exceeded \$7,000 -- better than recent years. This reflects the efforts of many hard working Lions at the fund raising projects including the pancake supper and elimination dinner, sales of nuts and more, as well as the leadership of Past President Janice. Congratulations to the Fairmont Lions Club on a job well done.

90th Anniversary of the Association (June 1917)

On June 7, 1917, Melvin Jones invited his fellow Chicago business leaders to help lay the groundwork for an organization focused on improving their communities. Today, 1.3 million men and women Lions in 200 countries and geographic locations are working to make the world a better place.



We Serve



THE MANE GROWL

Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club

P.O. Box 1164

Fairmont, WV 26555

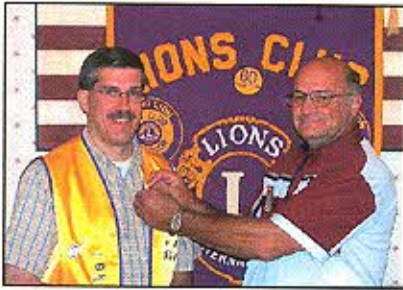
We Serve

THE MANE GROWL



www.fairmontlions.org

PAGE 4



Newly installed President John Marsicano receives his President lapel pin from installing officer PDG Tracy Smith at the June 21st Installation of Officers. (See article on page 1.)

Fairmont Lions Club Celebrating 85th Year

In 1923, Fairmont, in the heart of West Virginia's growing bituminous coal industry, was a thriving community with over 18,000 people and a county population of 55,000. Downtown Fairmont, with a modern streetcar system bringing residents of nearby communities to the bustling business district, saw the construction of several new commercial buildings.

On April 20, 1923, the Fairmont Lions Club received its charter from Lions Clubs International. During this club year, the Fairmont Lions Club will celebrate 85 years of service to the Fairmont community. The only remaining clues that the streetcars once traveled the streets of Fairmont are the few places where asphalt has been worn exposing the tops of the rails. Unlike the abandoned streetcar system, the Fairmont Lions Club continues to bring improved eyesight to the needy, educational opportunities for the youth, and help to the blind.



West Virginia
Lions

Leadership School

January 25-27, 2008
Waterfront Place
Morgantown, WV

Just a Lion or Two

Congratulations to Pat Patton who completed his masters degree in counseling.

Congratulations to George Janice, who has taken a position as Warden of the Stevens Correctional Center in Welch, WV.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!



Lisa Long bowls for the Fairmont Lions team at the Zone Social held June 28th at Valley Worlds of Fun.

Zone Social - Rivesville Lions vs. Fairmont Lions

Those Lions who made it out to the Zone 7 Social at Valley Worlds of Fun enjoyed good food and a good time. Although the Fairmont Lions had accepted the challenge by Rivesville Lions that the losing team would donate \$50 to the winning teams favorite charity, Lions on both teams cheered their opponents as well as their own team members. In the end, Rivesville won the 1st game and Fairmont won the second -- a draw.

Account Balances End of June 2007

Administrative.....	\$1321.86
Fund Raising.....	\$8075.54
Activities.....	\$302.15

New Web Address: At the request of newsletter editor and webmaster Bob Moffett, the club agreed to fund its own web space and a domain has been registered. The club's new web address is: www.fairmontlions.org



THE MANE GROWL



Fairmont Lions Club August 2007 Volume 22 Number 2

Club Officers

John Marsicano..President
 Pat Patton.....1st V.P.
 Jacob Brumage..2nd V.P.
 Bob Moffett.....Secretary
 Aletta Moffett.....Treasurer
 James Coleman..Assist. Tr.
 Bob Brummage..Tail Twister
 Wayne Dodd.....Lion Tamer
 Evelyn Martin.....Director
 Nancy Sickles.....Director
 Jeff Miller.....Director
 Leola Robinson...Director
 Keith Long.....Membership
 George Janice... Past Pres.

Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet
 6:30 pm
 USA Steak Buffet

Aug 16 Picnic

Aug 29 Zone Meeting
 Calvary United Meth.
 Fairchance Road

Sept. 6 Business Meeting

Sept. TBA Lions Awareness
 Day/Broom Sale

Sept. 23 Lions Journey for
 Sight

Visitations

At the July 19th club meeting, visitors included John Michael Simpson, Jake Brumage's grandson, and Tori Edwards from the Marulan, New South Wales, Australia, Lions Club.

August 2nd visitors included Lions Bobby, Tammy & Carrie Lemley from West Mon Area Lions with Tyler Lemley. Also attending were Clara Guthrie and PDG Tracy Smith from Barrackville Lions, and Kim Patton, wife of Pat Patton.

Bob Moffett, 29-L Leadership Chairperson attended the August 5th cabinet meeting in Weirton.

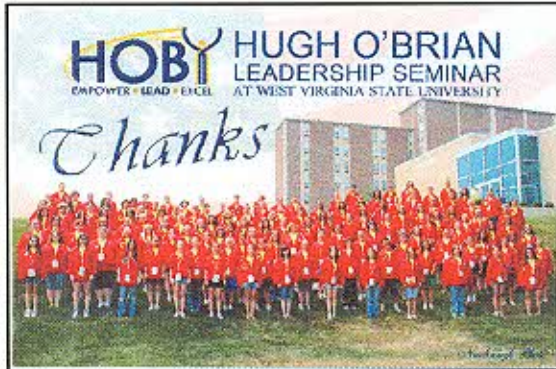
"It is not how old you are, but how you are old."

-- Jules Renard

Club Picnic is August 16th - Covered Dish

Club members Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman have invited the Fairmont Lions and spouses to enjoy a picnic at their home on Thursday, August 16th at 6:30 p.m. Members are asked to bring a covered dish but hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided. To get to their home, head out of town on Locust Avenue and turn left onto Hillcrest Road. Go over the hill and about half-way down the other side, turn right where the sign says "Grooming Alley" and go to the end. They suggested that we bring a lawn chair.

Club Receives "Thank You" from HOBY Camp



Jake Brumage reported at the August 2nd meeting that the Fairmont Lions Club has received a certificate of appreciation and a banner patch for sponsoring a Fairmont Senior High School tenth grader to the West Virginia Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar which was held May 31 - June 3 at West Virginia State University at Institute, WV. The club sponsored Kathryn Shields, a student at Fairmont Senior High School.

More than 8000 students attend HOBY Leadership Seminars each year, led by volunteers, community leaders, business executives, educators and parents. The HOBY motto is to teach students, "how to think, not what to think." Brumage recommended that the Fairmont Lions Club should consider sponsoring two students next summer and the club agreed to that by providing the funding as a line item in this year's budget.

Lions Help with "Growing Up Fun" Project

Thursday, August 9th, members of the Fairmont Lions Club rolled up their sleeves and got their hands dirty helping with the construction of a handicapped-accessible playground being erected at Watson School. The project was begun by parents at the school with a goal to raise enough money to buy the equipment and have enough volunteer help to install it. In addition to providing some volunteer labor, the Fairmont Lions Club also agreed to support the effort with a financial contribution of \$50. President John Marsicano provided four Lions brooms for the project as well. Members known to have worked on Thursday included Aletta Moffett, Jim Coleman, Martha Warren, Pat Patton, and Bob Moffett.

If any other club members worked on this project on Thursday or at any other time, it is important to let club secretary Bob Moffett know.

LCIF Ranked Best NGO Worldwide

In a special report released Thursday, July 5, 2007, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) ranked best among non-governmental organizations (NGOs) worldwide. From 34 global organizations, LCIF came in first for its execution of programs, demonstrated accountability, communications internally and externally, program adaptability to the surrounding community, and understanding the goals of its corporate supporters.

LCIF beat out Rotary International, Habitat for Humanity, UNESCO and UNICEF, to name a few on the list.

The ratings were compiled by the Financial Times in association with the Dalberg Global Development Advisers and the United Nations Global Compact. The list was released at a meeting of executives of NGOs and the UN in Geneva, Switzerland.



"Growing Up Fun" Playground constructed with assistance from the Fairmont Lions Club. See story on Pg. 1.



West Virginia
Lions
Leadership School
January 25-27, 2008
Waterfront Place
Morgantown, WV

Just a Lion or Two

Congratulations to Pat Patton's wife Kim, who has accepted a position as school counselor at Martinsburg High School.

Club president John Marsicano has moved. His new address is 1402 Arcadia Drive.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!

Members Receive Perfect Attendance Pins

At the July 17th meeting, President John Marsicano presented 100% Attendance pins to Jim Coleman, Elizabeth Swiger, Wayne Dodd, Aletta Moffett and Bob Moffett.

Club Takes Action on Projects

At the August 2nd business meeting, the Fairmont Lions Club agreed to assume responsibility for eyeglass applications for the Bellview area within the Fairmont city limits, since the Bellview Lions Club is no longer in existence. Because of Pat Patton's expected absence from the club, Jake Brumage agreed to work with Wayne Dodd on the eyeglass committee.

Also at the meeting, eight applications for eye exams and glasses were approved by the club.

Jim Coleman reported that 17 advertisers have committed for the upcoming calendar fund raiser.

Plans are in progress for this year's Lions Journey for Sight fundraiser which will take place September 23rd. It is hoped to be able to utilize the rail trail from Fairmont to Pricketts Fort this year in an attempt to attract a larger number of walkers, joggers and bicycle riders to participate.

The club has ordered two Lions Peace Poster Kits this year with the hope of conducting the contest at two schools.

Marci Carroll Speaks to Club

Marci Carroll, Family Law Mediator, presented the program at the July 19th meeting. Family Court has been in existence since 2002 and can be emotionally charged since persons involved know each other. Cases such as divorces and domestic violence are dealt with there and should be completed in eight months. Carroll is a candidate for Family Court Judge in Marion County.

Lions on the Web

Lions International: www.lionsclubs.org
West Virginia Lions (MD-29) www.wvlions.org/
District 29-L: www.lions29l.org/
Fairmont Lions: www.fairmontlions.org

The Mane Growl, Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club
PO Box 1164, Fairmont, WV 26555
Editor: Bob Moffett, bmoffett@fairmontstate.edu





THE MANE GROWL



Fairmont Lions Club September 2007 Volume 22 Number 3

Club Officers

- John Marsicano..President
- Pat Patton.....1st V.P.
- Jacob Brumage..2nd V.P.
- Bob Moffett.....Secretary
- Aletta Moffett.....Treasurer
- James Coleman..Assist. Tr.
- Bob Brummage..Tail Twister
- Wayne Dodd.....Lion Tamer
- Evelyn Martin.....Director
- Nancy Sickles.....Director
- Jeff Miller.....Director
- Leola Robinson..Director
- Keith Long.....Membership
- George Janice... Past Pres.

Calendar

- Fairmont Lions meet
6:30 pm
USA Steak Buffet
- Sept. 20 6:30 Meeting
Kathryn Shields
HOBY Guest
Ambassador
- Sept. 23 1:00 Lions Journey
for Sight
- Oct. 4 6:30 Business
Meeting
- Jan. 17 Dist. Gov. Visit
- May 10 85th Anniversary
Celebration

Visitations

- Jacob Brumage and Bob
Moffett attended the Zone
Meeting Aug. 29th at Cheat
Lake.
- Elizabeth Swiger and Jim
Coleman attended the
Barrackville Fund Raiser on
August 11th.
- Nancy Sickles and Virginia
Gallion attended the Labor
Day Car Show at Cabela's.
- Bob Moffett attended a
Meeting of the WV Lions
Leadership School
Committee on Sept. 16th.
- Wayne Dodd and Jacob
Brumage attended the joint
meeting of the civic clubs to
hear FSU Coach Mike Lopez.

"Nothing makes a person more productive than the last minute."

-- Unknown

Members Enjoy Picnic



Club members enjoyed the picnic hosted by Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman at their home on August 16th. Even though a chance of rain was in the forcast, the weather was delightful because, "it never rains on Elizabeth's picnics."

Lions Journey for Sight Takes Place Sunday, September 23rd

The 10th Annual Lions Journey for Sight will take place at a new location this Sunday. Lions will set up the registration table at the trail head located behind Northern Mountain State Metals on Morgantown Avenue in northeast Fairmont about Noon on Sunday, September 23rd. A water stop will be set up at the trail head at Pricketts Fort.

Promotional materials including posters, information sheets and flyers, are available to download and print from the club web site (www.fairmontlions.org). All members are encouraged to find volunteers in the community to participate in this fun fund raiser for the club's sight conservation activities. Possibilities include church youth groups, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, friends, family and neighbors. T-shirts will be given to all who bring in donations of \$50 or more.



Bob Moffett, event chairperson, is asking that all Lions come out to help with the event on Sunday afternoon. Many Lions may wish to enjoy the trail as well. The Fairmont Lions Club conducted the first Lions Journey for Sight in 1998.

CELEBRATING 85 YEARS!

Mark your calendars now. The Fairmont Lions Club's 85th Anniversary Celebration has been set for May 10th, 2008. In 1923, Fairmont, in the heart of West Virginia's growing bituminous coal industry, was a thriving community with over 18,000 people and a county population of 55,000. Downtown Fairmont, with a modern streetcar system bringing residents of nearby communities to the bustling business district, saw the construction of several new commercial buildings.

The "war to end all wars" was over and West Virginia -- still less than 60 years old -- was becoming increasingly important to the industrial development of the nation because of vast oil, gas and coal reserves.

It was in this atmosphere that the Fairmont Lions Club was born with the granting of a charter by the International Association of Lions Clubs on April 20, 1923. The first club president was Dr. Herschel R. Yost. Only the sixth Lions club in West Virginia and the first in the north central part of the state, the Fairmont Lions Club became part of the organization that was on the move throughout the United States and Canada, with clubs in 42 states and four provinces.



THE MANE GROWL

Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club

P.O. Box 1164

Fairmont, WV 26555

We Serve

THE MANE GROWL



www.fairmontlions.org

PAGE 2



Lion L. is ready to ride in the 10th Annual Lions Journey for Sight Sunday, Sept. 23rd, at MCTRAIL. See page 1 story for more details.

HOBY Guest Ambassador to Speak to Club

Kathryn Shields, a student at Fairmont Senior High School, will be the speaker at the club's September 20 meeting, 6:30 pm, at USA Steak Buffet. Shields attended the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar which was held May 31 - June 3 at West Virginia State University at Institute, WV. The club sponsored her attendance at the seminar where the HOBY motto is to teach students, "how to think, not what to think."

Lions Club Broom Sale October 6th

Jacob Brumage has made arrangements for the Fairmont Lions Club to conduct a broom sale on Saturday, October 6th at both the Fairmont Avenue and Country Club Road Shop N Save stores. Lions will work in two shifts: 9:00 - 1:00 and 1:00 - 5:00. Brumage emphasized the need for all available Lion members to come out so that we could fill all four shifts.

Eyeglass Applications Approved

Following the recommendation of Wayne Dodd, committee chairperson, 16 applications for eye exams and prescription glasses were approved at the September 6th meeting.

Additional Calendar Ads Needed

Jim Coleman reported as this issue went to press that 30 ads for the fund raising calendar have been sold at \$40 each. The club still needs to sell about 16 advertisements. If you make a sale, please contact Jim Coleman. The \$40 ad price includes 5 calendars for the advertiser.

October is LCIF Contributing Member Month. Lions can become contributing members for a contribution of \$20.



Lions Clubs International is re-introducing the October Membership Growth Award Program. Let's see if we can get new members in October.

Lions on the Web

Lions International: www.lionsclubs.org
West Virginia Lions (MD-29) www.wvllions.org/
District 29-L: www.lions29l.org/
Fairmont Lions: www.fairmontlions.org

The Mane Growl, Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club
PO Box 1164, Fairmont, WV 26555
Editor: Bob Moffett, bmoffett@fairmontstate.edu



West Virginia Lions Leadership School
January 25-27, 2008
Waterfront Place
Morgantown, WV

Just a Lion or Two

George Janice has asked to transfer his membership to the Welch, WV Lions Club, following his new position at the Stevens Correctional Center there. Lion George, please come back and visit.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!





THE MANE GROWL



Fairmont Lions Club October 2007 Volume 22 Number 4

Club Officers

- John Marsicano...President
- Pat Patton.....1st V.P.
- Jacob Brumage...2nd V.P.
- Bob Moffett.....Secretary
- Aletta Moffett.....Treasurer
- James Coleman.Assist. Tr.
- Bob Brummage..Tail Twister
- Wayne Dodd.....Lion Tamer
- Evelyn Martin.....Director
- Nancy Sickles.....Director
- Jeff Miller.....Director
- Leola Robinson...Director
- Keith Long.....Membership
- George Janice... Past Pres.

Calendar

- Fairmont Lions meet
6:30 pm
USA Steak Buffet
- Oct. 18 Cpl. Brad McDougal
Dept. of Natural
Resources
- Oct. 22 Rivesville DG Visit
- Oct. 23 Mannington DG Visit
- Oct. 27 Cabinet Meeting
New Martinsville
- Nov. 1 Business Meeting
- Nov. 1 White Hall DG Visit
- Jan. 17 Fairmont DG Visit
- Jan. 25 - 27 WV Lions
Leadership School
Waterfront Place
Morgantown
- May 10 85th Anniversary
Celebration

"It's not what you are not that holds you back, it's what you think you are not."

-- Denis Waitley

CELEBRATING 65 Years!

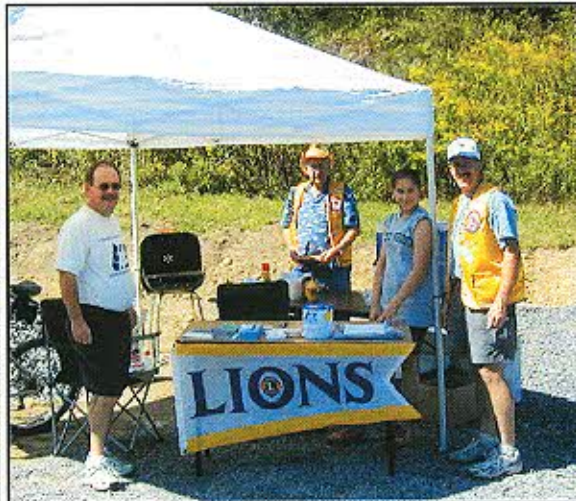
First meeting at the Fairmont YMCA, the Fairmont Lions Club soon moved its meetings to the prestigious Fairmont Hotel, where it held Friday noon meetings until 1935 when it switched to Friday evening meetings to accommodate members from outlying businesses and industries. In 1980, the Fairmont Lions Club said "farewell" to the Fairmont Hotel and to Friday meetings.

Oct. 18th Program to Welcome Potential New Members

Club president John Marsicano challenged all Fairmont Lions Club members to bring a guest to the October 18th meeting, in an effort to increase club membership. New members are vital to any organization to bring new ideas, more energy and more hands to share in the work. Jake Brumage reports that the program on the 18th will be presented by Corporal Brad McDougal, with the Department of Natural Resources. His topic will be the requirements of a conservation officer.

The club meets at 6:30 pm in the back dining room of U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. If you have not been to a meeting for some time, why not come out and join the fun. The club needs your hands, too.

Lions Journey for Sight Brings Needed Funds



Left to Right: Keith Long, Jake Brumage, Sarah and John Marsicano hold forth at the Pricketts Fort trail head.

The 10th Annual Lions Journey for Sight took place on a beautiful and warm Sunday afternoon, September 23rd. The donation cans did very well seeing over \$50 in donations from folks out enjoying the trail. Martha Warren held a yard sale of books with the proceeds dedicated to the Lions Journey for Sight and raised \$178. Lisa Long solicited \$160 in support. Sarah Marsicano earned a T-shirt by bringing in \$50 in donations. Jim Coleman, Elizabeth Swiger and Bob Moffett also succeeded in doing some fund raising for the event.

After expenses, total income of \$640.17 was reported at the October 4th meeting by the event chairperson, Bob Moffett. Participating Lions (and family) were: Jake and Margaret Brumage, Jim Coleman and Elizabeth Swiger, John Marsicano and his daughter Sarah, Martha Warren, Keith and Lisa Long, and Aletta and Bob Moffett, along with Bob's sister, Patty Austin. Wayne Dodd, who was unable to be present, assisted by arranging for the use of McDonald's drink coolers.

Richard and Steve, MCPARC employees, cleaned the length of the trail Sunday morning to have it in good shape for club use and also provided bicycles for our use. Dan Talbott, MCPARC director, and his wife also provided some trail patrol assistance.

Moffett expressed his appreciation for all those who assisted in any way with the project. Everyone worked together to bring success.



Left to Right: Jim Coleman hides behind Elizabeth Swiger while Aletta Moffett takes care of registrations. Steve and Richard with MCPARC cleaned the trail and provided bicycles for club use.

8 Approved for Eye Exams and Glasses

Eyeglass Chairperson Wayne Dodd recommended 8 individuals for eye exams and glasses at the October 4th meeting. The recommendation was approved.



THE MANE GROWL

Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club

P.O. Box 1164

Fairmont, WV 26555

We Serve



Pres. John Marsicano presents certificate to Kathryn Shields, HOBY Ambassador. She presented the program September 20th.

Lions Sell Brooms & Mops at Shop N Save Stores

Lion Jake Brumage organized a broom and mop sale at the two Shop N Save stores on Saturday, October 6th. Participating Lions were Nancy Sickles and Virginia Gallion, Wayne Dodd, Martha Warren, John Marsicano, Aletta and Bob Moffett, Margaret and Jake Brumage, Bob Brummage and Keith Long. Members worked 4-hour shifts keeping the sale in operation from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. One person dropped a bill in the donation can and said he wanted to contribute because "you helped me out one time."



(Top) Aletta Moffett, Martha Warren and John Marsicano sold brooms at the Fairmont Avenue store while (Left) Margaret and Jake Brumage, and Bob Brummage, who worked the Country Club Shops location are pictured with Aletta Moffett -- She's everywhere, she's everywhere!




West Virginia Lions
Leadership School
January 25-27, 2008
Waterfront Place
Morgantown, WV

Just a Lion or Two

Pat Patton now resides in Inwood, WV, following Kim's and his employment in the eastern panhandle.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!

October is LCIF Contributing Member Month. Lions can become contributing members for a contribution of \$20. At the October 4th meeting, Aletta and Bob Moffett were presented Contributing Member pins by President John Marsicano.



Lions on the Web

Lions International: www.lionsclubs.org
West Virginia Lions (MD-29) www.wvlions.org/
District 29-L: www.lions29l.org/
Fairmont Lions: www.fairmontlions.org

The Mane Growl, Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club
PO Box 1164, Fairmont, WV 26555
Editor: Bob Moffett, rmoffett@fairmontstate.edu





THE MANE GROWL



Fairmont Lions Club November 2007 Volume 22 Number 5

Club Officers

John Marsicano..President
 Pat Patton.....1st V.P.
 Jacob Brumage..2nd V.P.
 Bob Moffett.....Secretary
 Aletta Moffett.....Treasurer
 James Coleman..Assist. Tr.
 Bob Brummage..Tail Twister
 Wayne Dodd.....Lion Tamer
 Evelyn Martin.....Director
 Nancy Sickles.....Director
 Jeff Miller.....Director
 Leola Robinson..Director
 Keith Long.....Membership
 George Janice... Past Pres.

Calendar

- Fairmont Lions meet
 6:30 pm
 USA Steak Buffet
- Nov. 15 Program - TBA
- Dec. 6 Business Meeting
- Dec. 14 Christmas Party
 for the children at the
 Union Mission
 Special Time: 6:00
- Dec. 15 Zone 6 Christmas
 Party, Holiday Inn
 5:30 - 6:30 Social Hour
 6:30 - Dinner
- Jan. 17 Fairmont DG Visit
- Jan. 25 - 27 WV Lions
 Leadership School
 Waterfront Place
 Morgantown
- May 10 85th Anniversary
 Celebration

Visitations

Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman, Marci Carroll and Wayne Dodd turned out to hear FSU Coach Tim Murphy at the October 28th joint meeting of the Fairmont service clubs.

"Think of all the beauty still left around you and be happy."
 -- Anne Frank

Happy Thanksgiving

Marci Carroll Becomes Newest Fairmont Lion

Marci R. Carroll, a Family Law Mediator for 10 years, is the Fairmont Lions Club's newest member, having joined in October. You may recall that she presented a program to the club back in July of this year. Carroll is a candidate for Family Court Judge in Marion County. We welcome Lion Marci who was sponsored by Jake Brumage.

Zone Planning Christmas Party

Zone 6 Chairperson Scott Summers is planning a Zone Christmas Party for the Lions of the Barrackville, Brookhaven, Cheat Lake, Fairmont, Rivesville, Morgantown, Western Mon Area, and White Hall clubs. The event is planned for Saturday, December 15th, at the Fairmont Holiday Inn. A social hour will begin at 5:30 with the opening and dinner at 6:30. Each Lion or guest in attendance is asked to bring three gifts valued at \$1 or \$2 each to play the "special" Christmas game. Gifts should be non-gender specific and should be wrapped.

Each club is asked to bring some snack food items for the social hour. Firm reservations will be required and the cost will be \$10.50 per person which will include the meal, drink, dessert and gratuity. Reservation deadline is Friday, December 7th.

Sale of Nuts is Under Way

Nuts are available to sell now! They will be distributed at the meeting on November 15th for members to sell. This year's selection includes the following:

Chocolate Covered Cashews	\$8.00
Bridge Mix	6.00
Cashews	9.00
Pecans	9.00



Members Hear DNR Program

Corporal John McDougal, Marion County Conservation Officer in the WV Division of Natural Resources presented the program on October 18th. As the "Game Warden," his is the only state law enforcement agency that requires four years of college. He detailed many aspects of the conservation officer's duties and also provided a "goody bag" with information about hunting, boating and burning laws.

8 Approved for Eye Exams and Glasses

Eyeglass Chairperson Wayne Dodd recommended 8 individuals for eye exams and glasses at the November 15th meeting. The recommendation was approved. A motion was also approved that the club will continue to require applicants to follow the club's process of applying for assistance from the club prior to obtaining a prescription for glasses. A request to pay for glasses already ordered was denied by the club.



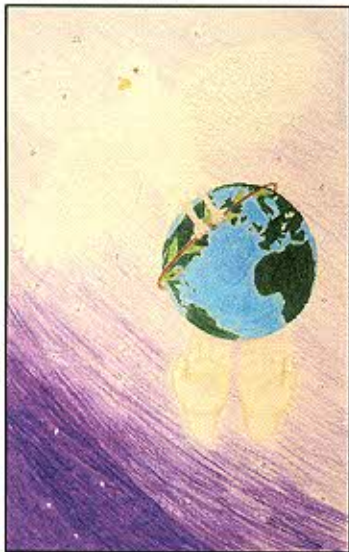
THE MANE GROWL

Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club

P.O. Box 1164

Fairmont, WV 26555

We Serve



Peace Poster Winner at WFMS

Jake Brumage reports that the winner in the Lions Peace Poster Contest from West Fairmont Middle School is Alyssa Linger, an 8th grader there. (See her poster at left.) Alyssa is quoted as saying, "Peace should be for all mankind." Her poster is on its way to the District Governor for judging at the district level.

Brumage is also hoping to be sending in a winner from Monongah Middle School.

Celebrating 85 Years!

During these 85 years, the Fairmont Lions Club has purchased thousands of pairs of eyeglasses for school children, as well as scores of others for needy adults. In their glaucoma and amblyopia clinics begun in 1971, the Fairmont Lions Club has helped to check over 10,000 adults for glaucoma and over 3,000 children for amblyopia and other eye diseases and problems. By early detection resulting in early treatment, more serious eye problems have been prevented. Recently, the Fairmont Lions Club began a program of diabetic eye disease education in the hope of preventing blindness in diabetics.

Brooms Sold Briskly

Jake Brumage reported on the success of the October 6th broom and mop sale at the two Shop N Save stores. Sales at the Fairmont Avenue Shop N Save brought in \$545.82, while sales at the Country Club Road location were \$569.30. Total income was \$1,115.12. After the merchandise was paid for, the club had net proceeds of \$599.82. There is currently about \$800 worth of paid inventory on hand.



Just a Lion or Two

Zone Chairman Scott Summers has been recovering from eye surgery and we wish him well.

Keith Long sent back a greeting from "sunny Kuwait" where he has been on business for several weeks.

Margaret Brumage, Jake's wife, is home after a hospital stay.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at U.S.A. Steak Buffet on Fairmont Avenue. We hope to see you there!

Lions Club Calendars have been received from the printer and are available for sale, according to Jim Coleman, who prepared the layout and chairs this fund raiser. Club member Tom Koon provided brief text about the postcard images.

Lions on the Web

Lions International: www.lionsclubs.org
West Virginia Lions (MD-29) www.wvlions.org/
District 29-L: www.lions29l.org/
Fairmont Lions: www.fairmontlions.org

The Mane Growl, Official Publication of the Fairmont Lions Club
PO Box 1164, Fairmont, WV 26555
Editor: Bob Moffett, moffett@fairmontstate.edu

District 29-L Lions sent a note of thanks to the members of the Fairmont Lions Club for our support of the Car and Bike Show which raised over \$17,000. There were 744 entries and 160 special class trophies were presented. All proceeds go to the WV Lions Sight Conservation Foundation.

