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Calendar

- Fairmont Lions meet
6:30 pm
Backwoods Grill
- July 24 Meeting TBA
- Aug 14 6:30 Picnic at the
home of Elizabeth
Swiger and Jim
Coleman
- Sept 20 Lions Journey for
Sight - Pricketts Fort
- Nov 30 Dist. Gov. Visit

Every generation of Americans needs to know that freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought.
--Pope John Paul II

! IMPORTANT REMINDER !

Dues are currently due for those who pay six months at a time or those who pay once a year in July. Please keep your membership in good standing.



This is the logo for Lions International President Al Brandel, who sees his role as letting the world know about the miracles happening around the world and that we can make them happen in our own backyard.

Lions Change Meeting Location to Backwoods Grill

The Fairmont Lions Club is now meeting regularly at Backwoods Grill. Members made the decision to move because of the availability of a more private meeting room in the downstairs of the building. Members are advised that they may enter at the downstairs by going around to the side entrance at the left of the building. Most of the time we will be ordering from their menu, but may have a set menu for special meetings where there might be a larger attendance. The dinner check includes the gratuity.

The club had been meeting at U.S.A. Steak Buffet since 2005. It is hoped that the move to the Backwoods Grill and the new meeting nights of the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month will encourage a larger turnout at club meetings. Backwoods Grill is located in its own building at Marion Square near the Food Lion and CVS Pharmacy. Meetings will begin at 6:30, but plan to come a little early to place your order and socialize.

2008 - 2009 Officers Installed



Photo by: Tracy Smith

New Fairmont Lions Club Officers were installed by PDG Eva Dague at the June 12th meeting at U.S.A. Steak Buffet. Pictured are (left to right) Keith Long, Martha Warren, Nancy Sickles, Evelyn Martin, John Marsicano, PDG Dague, Jacob Brumage, Jim Coleman, Wayne Dodd, Aletta Moffett, Elizabeth Swiger and Bob Moffett. Offices held are listed in the column at left.

In addition to PDG Eva Dague, Clara Guthrie and Tracy Smith attended from the Barrackville Lions Club, PR Chr. Bonnie and Zone Chr. Scott Summers attended from the Rivesville Lions Club. Seventeen were in attendance for the Installation ceremony.

Yard Sale and Broom Sale Yield Needed Funds



Many Lions and members of the former Fairmont Lioness Club pitched in to help with the Yard Sale held at S&M Glass on Saturday, June 14th. In the photo at left, Nancy Sickles is happily collecting money in exchange for merchandise. The total from the sale amounted to \$415.

Lions also gathered at Wal-Mart on June 29th to sell brooms and mops and to promote Lionism. Although the White Hall Lions manned one entrance for a few hours, much of the day, the Fairmont Lions sold at both entrances. That sale raised about \$800.

Marsicano Serves as Zone Chairperson

District Governor Sue Grubb asked Fairmont Lions Club Past President John Marsicano to serve as Zone Chairman for the 2008 - 2009 year. Marsicano will preside at zone meetings of area clubs as a member of DG Grubb's cabinet.

Bob Moffett will also be serving on the District 29-L cabinet as Leadership Chairperson again this year. This will be his third year in that position.

Just as our members pay dues to the club, the club pays dues to the International Association and to District 29-L. According to Treasurer Aletta Moffett, the club dues have been paid for the current half-year period.



Jacob Brumage and Nancy Sickles peddle brooms and mops at Wal-Mart on June 29th. They were also selling Lionism.



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Lions Help Others to See Here at Home

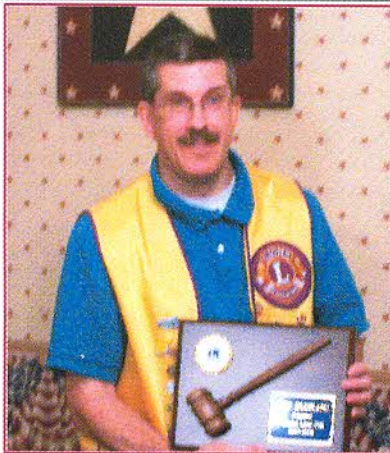
In addition to fighting blindness around the world, the Fairmont Lions Club continues its long practice of providing sight to those here in Fairmont. At the July 10th meeting, the club approved applications for 10 individuals to receive club-funded eye examinations and glasses. Wayne Dodd chairs the Eyeglass Committee.

HOBY Students, FSU and Boys' State Chairman Thank Club

Hunter Wood and Christian Cummings attended the HOBY Seminar this summer, thanks to support from the Fairmont Lions Club. The club received "Thank You" notes from each. The club also received a letter of thanks from Richard Bentel, Boys' State Chairman, for sponsoring Jonathan Turner of Fairmont to the American Legion's Boys' State. Mountaineer Boys' State was held at Jackson's Mill in Lewis County.

Board of Directors Meet to Map Out New Club Year

President Jacob Brumage called a special meeting of the club's board of directors, which was held July 2nd at the home of Aletta and Bob Moffett, to make plans for the coming year. Brumage stated his goals for the year. He expects members to try to achieve a gain in membership by approaching people. He asks every member to try to bring somebody into the club this year. Brumage would also like to see a "Mountain Music Festival" in Fairmont, sponsored by the club. This was a suggestion made by Aletta Moffett. Brumage also would like to have a fun get-together where members could bring a friend in the hopes that we may gain some members that way. A covered dish picnic has been set for the August 14th meeting and will be at the home of members Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman.



Outgoing President John Marsicano was presented a plaque at the Installation of Officers meeting on June 12th.

Just a Lion or Two

Steve Criss and Leola Robinson have both been in the hospital lately. We are happy to report that they are both doing better now.

We are also happy to report that Lois, wife of Bob Brumage, is improving and Bob has been able to participate in club meetings and activities once again.

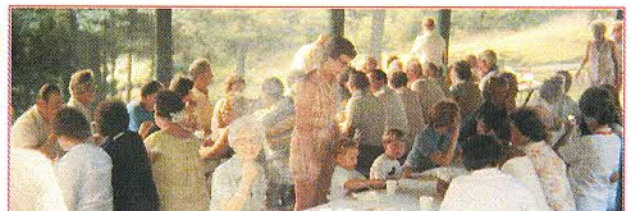
Marci Carroll has been recovering from emergency surgery on Father's Day and has been attempting to catch up at work.

Meetings

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CELEBRATING 65 YEARS!

Fairmont Lions Club picnic at Morris Park pavilion in the late 1970s.



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Pricketts Fort
- Nov 13 Dist. Gov. Visit
- Dec. 14 Zone Xmas Party
- Dec. 19 6:00 Lions Party for
the Children at the
Union Mission
- March 28 Elimination Dinner

Visitations

John Marsicano and Bob Moffett attended the 29-L Cabinet meeting at Valley Grove on August 10th.

Jim Coleman and Bob Moffett attended the Kiwanis Luncheon to hear FSU Coach Mike Lopez on August 13th. The Rotary Luncheon featuring WVU Coach Bill Stewart on August 21 was attended by Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman, Wayne Dodd and his son Jason, Nancy Sickles, Jake Brumage and Bob Moffett.



A good golfer and a good Lion member have one thing in common... both throw all of their weight behind their club.

Jonathan Turner to Present Boys' State Program Aug 28th

The Fairmont Lions Club sponsored Jonathan, son of Tom and Candy Turner of Fairmont, to Mountaineer Boys' State this year and he will speak to the club at this Thursday's 6:30 meeting at Backwoods Grill. Richard Bentel, Boys' State Chairman for the American Legion, Fairmont Post No. 17, Inc., stated that they had another successful year at Jackson's Mill. The Fairmont Lions have sponsored a student to Boys' State for many years.



Lions Enjoy Picnic

On August 14th, 20 members and friends of the Fairmont Lions Club met at the home of Elizabeth Swiger and Jim Coleman to enjoy the annual summer picnic meeting. Several members of the Rivesville Lions Club also attended so that dates could be set for the pancake dinner and the Zone Christmas Party.

In spite of an ominous weather forecast, the evening weather was ideal for the picnic.

Club Welcomes Two New Members in July

Beulah Miller and Katherine Miller were welcomed as new Fairmont Lions Club members at the July 24th meeting. Both had been active in the Fairmont Lioness Club for many years and were sponsored as Lions by Nancy Sickles.

Proceeds from Fund Raisers Reported/Budget Adopted

Aletta Moffett, treasurer, reported proceeds from the recent club fund raisers at the July 10th meeting. For comparison purposes, Broom Sale income from Shop N Save was \$1105 and from WalMart, \$799. Profit from Shop N Save amounted to \$599.82 and from WalMart, \$369.

Also at the meeting, the budget for the 2008-09 club year was adopted. A brief summary of the budget is presented here:

<u>Administrative Fund</u>	
Income	\$2537.11
Expenses	2537.11
<u>Fund Raising Account</u>	\$1127.39 (Carryover from 2007-08 used to pay for brooms, etc.)
<u>Activity Fund</u>	
Income	\$7651.88 (From 2007/2008 Fund Raising and Interest)
Expenses	
Sight (Eyeglasses, WV Sight Foundation, Guide Dogs, etc.)	\$5050.00
Youth (Leo Club, Boys & Girls State, Youth Exchange, Peace Poster)	1100.00
Community (Relay for Life, Blind Skiers, Mission Party, etc.)	1536.00
Total	\$7637.00

It should be noted that your Fairmont Lions will provide nearly \$8,000 in service during this club year.



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LIONS JOURNEY FOR SIGHT

Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008
10:00 - 2:00

Pricketts Fort Trail Head
Find some sponsors and join us
in walking, running, jogging, or
riding a bicycle along the rail
trail.

T-shirts will be given to those
who turn in \$50 or more.

Just a Lion or Two

Our sympathy is extended to President Jacob Brumage and his family in the loss of his brother, Floyd Jennings "Jim" Anderson.

Wayne Dodd's mother has been in the hospital.

Tom Koon is at Wishing Well and is doing better. Visits and cards would be welcomed.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club now meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at Backwoods Grill in Marion Square near Food Lion and CVS.

Western Mon Area Lions will host Dist. Gov. Sue Grub on Monday, Sept. 8th. All are welcome. Social is at 6:00 with dinner at 6:30 at their new meeting place behind the schoolhouse in Daybrook. RSVP by Sept. 3rd to (304) 449-1579. Cost is \$10.00.

Eye Exams and Glasses to be Provided by Lions

At the July 24th club meeting, ten new applications were approved for eye exams and glasses. Wayne Dodd, chairperson of the Eyeglasses Committee, presented the request to approve the applications following the committee's investigation.

Special Offer from Lions Clubs International and Beltone

LCI and Beltone have teamed up to offer all members a national hearing health care program. Beltone offers all Lions Club members and their immediate families (grandparents, parents, spouse and children) a free hearing exam and 15% retail discount off the price of any of over 80 models of Beltone Hearing Aid.

Fewer than 20% of approximately 28 million Americans who are hearing impaired actually seek help. 1 out of 4 people age 65 have hearing loss. Hearing loss is the third most prevalent chronic condition behind arthritis and hypertension. Common signs of hearing loss include difficulty understanding some words in conversation, need to ask people to repeat themselves, difficulty conducting telephone conversation, others complain that the TV or radio is being played too loudly, and not hearing normal household sounds such as a dripping faucet or doorbell.



If you noted on page one that the Union Mission party for the children has been scheduled for Friday, December 19, you may find it interesting to know that it occurred on December 14th in 1979. Jim Cain, program chair, so noted in the November issue of "The Mane Growl," then edited by Charles Herron. At that time, meetings were held each Friday at 6:30 pm at the Fairmont Motor Hotel. Lewis Herring reported on a survey indicating the members wished to continue that meeting schedule. Chuck Rawlings was thanked for turning in old gold from used eyeglasses and other sources which netted the club \$400.25.

--Reported in "The Mane Growl" November 30, 1979

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 6:30 pm
 Backwoods Grill

Sept. 25 HOBY

Oct. 9 Business Meeting

Oct. 25 Broom Sale
 Wal-Mart and
 Country Club Road
 Shop N Save

Nov 13 Dist. Gov. Visit

Dec. 19 6:00 Lions Party for
 the Children at the
 Union Mission

March 28 Elimination Dinner

Visitations

Guests at the September 18th meeting included Carol Rogers (Rivesville) and PDG Tracy Smith (Barrackville). Rogers also attended the September 11th meeting along with Ron Frey and Ron Sigley, also from the Rivesville Lions.

Jacob Brumage attended the Rivesville Lions meetings on August 25th and September 22nd. Bob Moffett visited Western Mon Area Lions for their District Governor's Night on September 8th.

Where there is great love,
 there are always miracles.
 --Willa Cather,
 Death Comes for the Archbishop



September Fund Raisers Earn Clubs Dollars



Participants in this year's Lions Journey for Sight included (left to right) John Marsicano, Bob Moffett, Aletta Moffett, Jake Brumage, Jim Coleman and Elizabeth Swiger. Not pictured, but also participating, were Sarah Marsicano, Lisa and Keith Long and Martha Warren.

Lions Journey for Sight

It was a cool and sunny September Saturday when the Lions gathered at the Pricketts Fort trail head for this year's Lions Journey for Sight September 20th. As in the past, MCPARC provided tables, chairs and bicycles. Thanks to Wayne Dodd and Jake Brumage, we had water coolers to use from McDonald's and Brumage fired up the grill to keep hungry riders and walkers fed with some very tasty hot dogs.

This was the 11th year that the Fairmont Lions have held the "Journey" and the club raised slightly more than last year. Bob Moffett, who chaired the event, wishes to thank all those who participated in any way, including Pricketts Fort State Park, the staff of MCPARC, McDonald's, Lions who assisted in any capacity and all those Lions and friends of Lions who walked or rode bicycles to support the sight conservation efforts of the Fairmont Lions Club. Proceeds amounted to \$646.25.

Buckwheat Pancake & Sausage Dinner

On Sunday, September 14, the Fairmont Lions and Rivesville Lions joined forces to flip some buckwheat flapjacks and sear some sausage in the hopes of raising funds to support the activities of the two clubs. Proceeds were split between the two clubs, with each club receiving approximately \$210.

Broom & Mop Sale Set for Saturday, Oct. 25th

President Jacob Brumage has announced that he has made arrangements for the club to sell brooms and mops on Saturday, October 25th, outside the White Hall Wal-Mart and at the Country Club Shop N Save. The broom sale has become one of the club's more successful fund raisers in recent years and the funds raised are needed to carry on the activities of the club. Mark the date on your calendar now and plan to spend a few hours assisting your fellow Lions. The sale is 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and we will work in two four-hour shifts.

Attendance Awards Presented

At the August 28th meeting, President Jacob Brumage presented three members with 100% Attendance Awards. Receiving the lapel pins were John Marsicano, Aletta and Bob Moffett.

A member who is unable to attend a regular meeting may make up the attendance by attending a board of directors meeting, visiting another club's meeting, or participating in a club activity. Please let the club secretary know so that the make up can be properly credited.



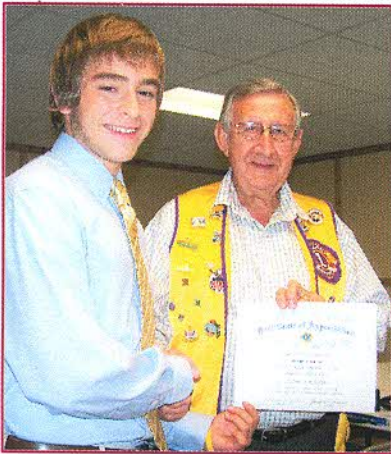


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Jonathan Turner (left) receives certificate from President Jacob Brumage.

Club Hears Turner's Experiences of Boys' State

Jonathan Turner was sponsored by the Fairmont Lions Club to attend Mountaineer Boys' State. At the August 18th club meeting, Turner described some of his experiences there to the club. John Marsicano, in his introduction, pointed out that Turner is also an excellent swimmer. Turner was appreciative of being sponsored by the Lions and said that Boys' State helped him establish friendships that will last for the rest of his life with other boys who have the same desire to succeed in life. Jonathan Turner was elected to the post of Circuit Judge while at Boys' State.

Club Provides Eye Exams and Glasses

Once again in September, Wayne Dodd requested that the club approve applications for 10 individuals to receive eye exams and glasses. The club has been taking care of these needs at the rate of about 10 a month, due to a large number of requests. These applications were approved by the club members.

Club Receives Check for Assisting Screening at FGH

Treasurer Aletta Moffett reported that the club received a check in the amount of \$550 from Fairmont General Hospital for its assistance with the Multiphasic Screening program held at the hospital.

Lions Disaster Response



In the wake of Hurricane Gustav, LCIF issued five Emergency grants to Lions districts in Mississippi and Louisiana, totaling \$50,000 in relief funds. Since Hurricane Ike, LCIF has issued five Emergency grants to districts in Texas and Louisiana totaling \$50,000 for immediate needs. Since July 1, LCIF has issued \$464,000 in Emergency grants. LCIF issued a \$100,000 Major Catastrophe grant following disastrous flooding in Bihar, India in September. Bihar is one of the poorest and most densely populated areas of India. Over half a million people remain homeless from those floods. As Lions, we all belong to Lions Clubs International, but LCIF belongs to us.

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Just a Lion or Two

Marci Carroll continues her slow recovery and we hope she will be back with us soon.

Due to Edsel Michael's illness, he and Mary Jo have been unable to participate in recent club activities. We are thinking of them both.

Bob Moffett is retiring effective October 1, after 37 years employment at Fairmont State. Moffett has been Media Systems Engineer at FSU.

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- Oct. 23 6:30 Program: Health & Family Resources
- Oct. 25 9:00-5:00 Broom Sale
Country Club
Shop N Save & Wal-Mart
- Nov. 7 10:00 - 3:00 Health & Family Resource Fair and Open House
Eastview Unity Apts.
- Nov 13 Dist. Gov. Visit
- Nov. 27 Happy Thanksgiving
No Meeting
- Dec. 14 Zone Christmas Party
- Dec. 19 6:00 Lions Party for the Children at the Union Mission
- March 28 Elimination Dinner

Visitations

Jacob Brumage attended the Rivesville Lions meeting on September 22nd. Bob Moffett attended the district cabinet meeting in Boaz October 5th.

To get something done a committee should consist of no more than three people, two of whom are absent.

--Robert Copeland



Health & Family Resources Program Topic for October 23rd

Tina Buchanan of Health & Family Resources will present the program at the October 23rd meeting, 6:30 pm at Backwoods Grill. The club will follow-up by providing eye health information about sight conservation at the Health & Family Resources Fair and Open House at Eastview Unity Apartments from 10:00 - 3:00 on November 7th.

HOBY Ambassadors Present September 25th Program



Christian Cummings receives certificate from President Jacob Brumage.

The program topic for the September 25th meeting was the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Seminar (HOBY). The Fairmont Lions Club sponsored two local high school students to this year's seminar, held in Charleston. Hunter Wood, a student at East Fairmont High School, and Christian Cummings, a student at Fairmont Senior High School, told about their experiences and impressions from the event. They were joined by Michelle Harshbarger, a 9-year HOBY volunteer, who



Hunter Wood receives certificate from President Jacob Brumage.

presented a brief video about the HOBY program and by Patty Nuttner, who represents HOBY to Lions throughout West Virginia. Harshbarger and Nuttner are both members of the Harrisville Lions Club.

Hunter Wood of EFHS is a wrestler, runs cross-country and plays golf. He expressed thanks for the club's sponsorship. He said that he learned confidence from the HOBY speakers and that it was an experience he will never forget. He indicated that he was inspired by the community service project and how to make a difference in the community.

Christian Cummings of FSHS said that he was honored to be able to attend. It was a unique experience because everyone there was similar and he was networking with others the same age. He said he felt challenged to be a better leader in the community because of the group project of cleaning a church that was being restored for theatrical purposes. He said this was the most positive group of students he had ever been around.

The HOBY seminar was held in May at the University of Charleston. WV HOBY began in 1978. Patty Nuttner said that she was enthused by the students. John Marsicano introduced the program guests.

Broom & Mop Sale Set for Saturday, Oct. 25th

Brooms have been ordered for the broom and mop sale to be held Saturday, October 25th, 9:00 - 5:00 at Country Club Shop N Save and Wal-Mart, according to Jake Brumage. Club members will work in two four-hour shifts, 9:00 - 1:00 and 1:00 - 5:00.

Backwoods Grill Begins Setting Food Bar

Following a discussion by the club, arrangements were made with Backwoods Grill to offer a prepared food bar with a set price for the meal. A selected entree and sides will be available to all attendees for a set price, rather than individually ordering from the menu. The cost will run around ten dollars, plus tax and gratuity. The restaurant management has agreed to continue offering options for those with dietary restrictions, as requested.

Visitors from Rivesville Lions Club

The Fairmont Lions Club welcomed five guests from the Rivesville Lions to the October 9th meeting at Backwoods Grill. Attending were Bonnie and Scott Summers (and Winston), Carol Rogers, Ron Sigley, and Ron Frye.



Learn the Danger Signs

Most blindness is preventable if detected early. Learn the danger signs and protect your sight. For more information about blindness prevention, contact:



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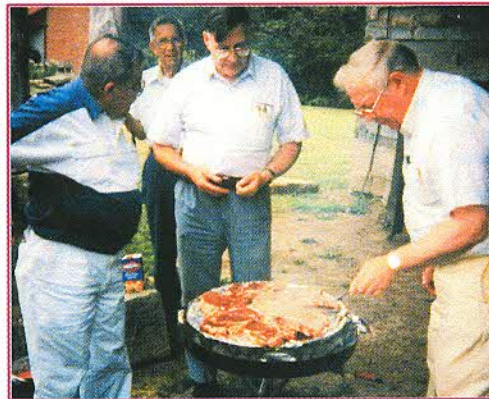
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Applications for Eye Exams and Glasses Approved

Following a pattern of recent months, the club once again approved the applications of 10 individuals to receive eye exams and glasses from the Fairmont Lions Club. Wayne Dodd, Eyeglass Committee chairperson, indicated that the applicants had been screened and found worthy.

Zone Christmas Party Set for December 13th

Aletta Moffett reported, on behalf of Jake Brumage and John Marsicano, at the October 9th meeting that the Zone Christmas Party has been scheduled for December 13th at Valley Worlds of Fun. Watch for more details.



CELEBRATING 65 YEARS!

Bill Woodrum, Hance Moffett and Jim Coleman look on as Gerald Warren grills up some steaks at the Lions Clubs "Officers Cookout" held at Pricketts Fort State Park. Jim Elliott was president of the club in 1995 when this picnic took place. The club was preparing for an October broom sale. The club had provided six pairs of eyeglasses in September of that year.

White Cane Safety

The familiar white cane with a red band at the bottom is an important mobility tool used by blind and visually impaired persons in many countries. --LCI

Promote Lions Eye Bank Week

The annual [Lions Eye Bank Week](http://www.lionsclubs.org) is December 7 - 13, 2008. Eye banks perform a valuable sight-saving function: they recover, evaluate and distribute human eye tissue for sight restoration, research and education. --LCI

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West Virginia Lions
 Leadership School
 Pipestem Resort State Park
 Pipestem, WV
 January 30 - February 1,
 2009
 Early Registration Fee only
 \$100

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Jim Coleman, Elizabeth
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 Club's District Governor's Night
 on October 27th.

I wear my wife's eyeglasses
 because she wants me to see
 things her way.

--Jayson Feinburg



District Governor to Make Official Visit to Club Nov. 13th

District Governor Sue Grub will make her official visit to the Fairmont Lions Club at the November 13th meeting at Backwoods Grill. She has been a member of the Valley Grove Lioness Club since 1966 and joined the Valley Grove Lions Club in 1999. She served as president of the Valley Grove Lions Club from 2002-2006 and secretary from 2006-2008.

She was a zone chairperson from 2006-2008 and has participated in numerous officer training events and the WV Lions Leadership School. She attended the Lions International Convention this past summer in Thailand, where she assumed her duties as district governor. Grub is a Leonard Jarrett Fellow.

Grub is a graduate of Felt, Tarrent, Lambert Business School, attended West Virginia Northern Community College from 1984 - 1986 and is married to Lion Carl Grub, Sr. -- a Lion for over 50 years. The district governor has two sons, one step-son and one step-daughter. In addition, she has nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Her theme for the year is, "Tools for Service."

All members are encouraged to attend and bring a spouse or other guest. The dinner will be an early Thanksgiving dinner with turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m., so plan to come a little early. A new member induction is planned.



President Thanks Members

Club president Jacob Brumage said, "I want to especially thank everyone who came out in the cold and rain on Saturday, October 25th, to sell brooms and mops... It was miserable weather, but we had a successful sale." Those working included Nancy Sickles, Virginia Gallion, Bob Brummage, John Marsicano, Aletta and Bob Moffett, Martha Warren, and Margaret and Jake Brumage. \$1,000 was raised from the sale.



Aletta Moffett, Martha Warren and Margaret Brumage are seen at the broom sale at Shop N Save on October 25th.

November is Lions Diabetes Awareness Month



New Broom Pricing	
Heavy broom.....	\$12.00
Regular broom.....	10.00
Whisk broom.....	4.00
Mop.....	6.00

Club Adds Two New Members in October

Two new members joined the Fairmont Lions Club in October. David D. "Dave" Cain is retired from the United States Navy. Several long-time club members may remember his grandfather, Jim Cain, who was club president in 1945-46.

Also joining in October was Kelby R. Church, a physical therapist at HealthWorks on Country Club Road. Both of these new members were sponsored by Jake Brumage. We welcome them.

Lions Provide Information for Health and Family Resource Fair

Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman, Aletta and Bob Moffett provided literature to residents of Fairmont's Marion Unity Apartments, Eastview Unity Apartments and Unity Terrace Apartments at the Health and Family Resource Fair and Open House held at Eastview Unity Apartments on Friday, November 7 from 10:00 until 2:30. Literature about glaucoma, diabetic eye disease, eye disease and smoking was available and a computer presentation about senior eye care was displayed, along with information about the activities of the Fairmont Lions Club.



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We Serve



Greg Michael, Manager at Unity Terrace, told about some of Fairmont's housing for elderly and disabled, as well as families, at the October 23rd meeting. Eastview Unity Apartments, Unity Terrace Apartments, and Marion Unity Apartments offer one, two and three-bedroom apartments and are operated by the AFL-CIO.

Peace Poster Contest

Jacob Brumage announced at the October 23rd meeting of the Fairmont Lions Club that the Peace Poster contest is underway again this year at West Fairmont Middle School.

Nuts Are For Sale Now

Elizabeth Swiger has announced that the Terri Lynn nuts have arrived and are now available for club members to sell.

- Cashews.....\$ 10.00
- Chocolate Cashews.. 10.00
- Pecans..... 10.00
- Bridge Mix..... 8.00

A \$1.00 discount applies to purchases of two bags.

CELEBRATING 65 YEARS!

In March of 1983, the club celebrated Past Presidents' night. George Turley presided. The program included dinner music by Marion Satterfield and the barbershop quartet, "The Mountain Statesmen," provided entertainment.

Plans were in the works for the eye clinic to be held on the campus of Fairmont State. Charter night had been set for the East Grafton Roads Lions Club, which was sponsored by the Fairmont club.

Our new project was the drop box for glasses at Middletown Mall and planning for the club's 60th anniversary celebration for April was underway.



Photo by Ed Davis

Bob Moffett, Jim Coleman, Elizabeth Swiger and Aletta Moffett at the club's information table at the Health and Family Resource Fair (see article on Page 1.)



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

Joint Meeting Announced

The Fairmont Rotary Club is hosting the annual meeting of the service clubs to hear WVU Basketball Coach Bob Huggins. The meeting will be held at noon Thursday, November 13th, at Westchester Village.

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Just a Lion or Two

We were happy to see Mary Jo Michael back at our meeting on October 23rd, but we are saddened to report that Edsel has been back in the hospital.

Meetings

The Fairmont Lions Club meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, but not on November 27th (Thanksgiving Day) or December 25th (Christmas Day). Meetings are held at 6:30 pm at Backwoods Grill.



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Club Officers

Jacob Brumage..President
 Jeff Miller.....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
 Martha Warren ...Director
 Leola Robinson...Director
 Keith Long.....Membership
 John Marsicano...Past Pres.

Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet
 6:30 pm
 Backwoods Grill

Dec. 11 Business Meeting

Dec. 13 5:30 Zone 6
 Christmas Party
 Valley Worlds of Fun

Dec. 19 6:00 Lions Party for
 the Children at the
 Union Mission

Dec. 25 Merry Christmas
 No Meeting

Jan. 8 Business Meeting

Jan. 30-Feb. 1 WV Lions
 Leadership School
 Pipestem Resort

March 28 Elimination Dinner

Visitations

Jake Brumage visited the
 Barrackville Lions Club on
 November 6th.
 Bob Moffett attended a
 meeting of the WV Lions
 Leadership School Committee at
 Pipestem Resort State Park on
 Saturday, December 6th.

Generous people seldom
 have emotional and mental
 problems.

--Unknown



New Members Welcomed Into Fairmont Lions Club



Left to right: Jacob Brumage, president; Beulah Miller; Margaret Brumage; David Cain; Dennis Basnett; DG Sue Grub; Kelby Church; Nancy Sickles; Mary Deavers

District Governor Sue Grub made her official visit to the Fairmont Lions Club on November 13. In addition to speaking to the club, she was asked to induct our new Lions. Lions present sponsored by Nancy Sickles were her daughter Mary Sue Deavers and Beulah Miller. Lions sponsored by Jacob Brumage included his wife Margaret, David Cain, Dennis Basnett and Kelby Church. Kathryn Miller was unable to attend.

In her comments to the club, DG Grub discussed her goals and said that the club was helping her with her membership goal by inducting the six new members. With these new members, the club membership stands at 31.

Following the remarks by the district governor, club president Jacob Brumage presented her with a card and gift from the club. DG Grub was accompanied by her husband Lion Carl. She is a member of the Valley Grove Lions Club.

Fairmont Lions Hosting Zone 6 Christmas Party Dec. 13th

Zone Chairperson John Marsicano has announced that the Fairmont Lions Club will be hosting the Zone 6 Christmas Party this year at Valley Worlds of Fun, Saturday, December 13th. A social time will begin at 5:30 and a buffet dinner will follow at 6:30. Fun and games will round out the evening's activity. Those attending are asked to bring a snack for the social and three wrapped gifts of no more value than one or two dollars each.

Annual Lions Christmas Party for Children Friday Dec. 19th

Again this year, the Fairmont Lions Club is sponsoring the Christmas Party for the children at the Fairmont Union Mission. The event will begin with dinner prepared by the Union Mission at 6:00 followed by the children receiving their gifts. The club provided \$1,000 toward the purchase of gifts and Lions are helping to wrap the gifts. Some Lions also donated Christmas wrapping paper.

This is the 68th consecutive year that the Fairmont Lions Club has seen that Fairmont's underprivileged children do not go without Christmas gifts. In recent years, other groups and individuals have also assisted in providing the gifts. The very first Lions Christmas party was held in 1935, but it became an annual project a few years later.

Nancy Sickles has coordinated with the Union Mission in planning for this year's event.

Club Members Hear FSU Coach Tim Murphy

Fairmont State Basketball Coach Tim Murphy addressed the December 3rd meeting of the Fairmont Civic Clubs at the Holiday Inn. The luncheon meeting was hosted by the Fairmont Kiwanis Club. Fairmont Lions attending were President Jacob Brumage, Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman and Bob Moffett. One thing that Murphy mentioned in his remarks was that the team now plays some Saturday afternoon games, which would be a good opportunity for people to attend. He emphasized the importance of players going to class on time and getting their education in addition to playing basketball.



DG Sue Grub opens her card and gift presented by club president Jacob Brumage at the November District Governor's Visit. Seated at left is DG Grub's husband, Lion Carl Grub.

Just a Lion or Two

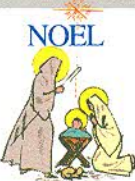
Edsel Michael is now at St. Barbara's Nursing Home in Monongah. We wish the best for Lions Edsel and Mary Jo.

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WV Lions Leadership School Pipestem Jan 30 - Feb 1, 2009

Registration remains \$100 through December 15th. Rooms are \$61.60 through December 30th.



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Christmas Tradition of Giving Continues

The following is excerpted and edited as necessary from The Mane Growl issue of December 3, 1981:

Lion Ralph Hawkins and his committee are well along on the plans for the Mission Party. Cost will be \$4.50. The club has voted to purchase extra candy so that the residents of Friendly Homes could be given a treat. There will be from 70-80 children. Candy and toys will be purchased for each. Some of the children need articles of clothing more so than toys and Miss Michael wondered if these articles could be purchased for certain children rather than a toy. To the club's credit it was decided that every child would receive a toy and that articles of clothing could be purchased and that Miss Michael would distribute the articles of clothing at a later time.

Nuts Are For Sale Now

Elizabeth Swiger reported at the November 13th meeting that \$800 had been deposited from the sale of nuts, but remaining nuts need to be sold. She was personally responsible for the sale of \$600 worth of the nuts. Swiger also asked that all proceeds from the sale of nuts be turned in to Assistant Treasurer Jim Coleman.

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Applications Approved

Jake Brumage reported for Wayne Dodd November 13th requesting the club approve applications for eye exams and glasses for ten individuals. The club approved the applications.



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