



The Mane Growl



Next Meeting
Thursday, August 13, 2020

Fairmont Lions Club

July 2020

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Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet
 2nd & 4th Thursdays
 6:30 pm
 Mom's Place
 39 Philips Lane
 Fairmont, WV

Aug 13 Business Meeting
 7:00 pm

Aug 27 Meeting
 (To be determined)



Please continue filling those
 water bottles with dimes for
 Connecting Link.

"I've learned that I should
 make the little decisions with
 my head and the big decisions
 with my heart."

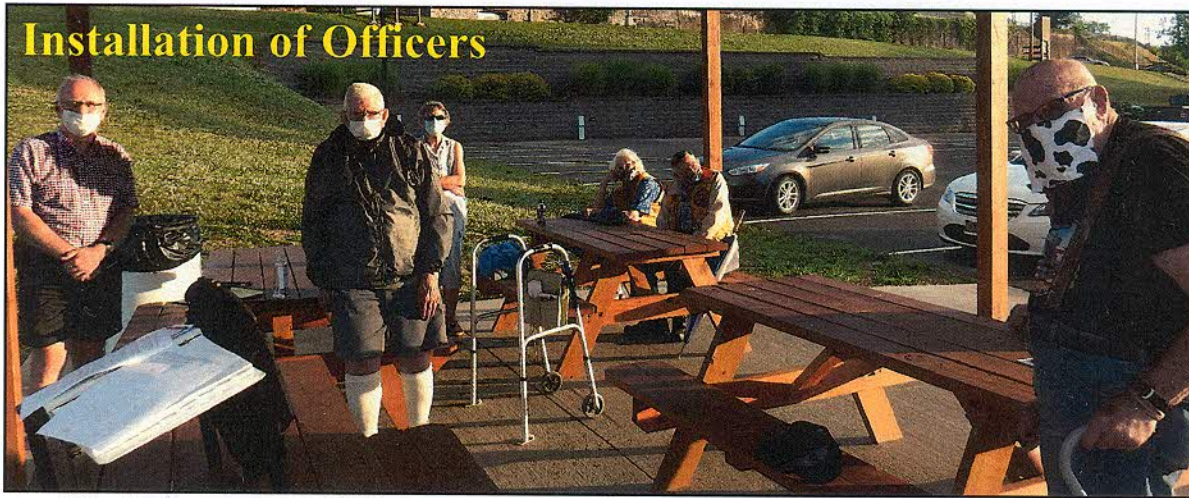
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KINDNESS MATTERS



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Installation of Officers



Club Installs Officers & Decides to Forgo July Meetings

At the July 25th meeting, held at Palatine Park, the club voted to approve up to 10 applications for eyeglasses (for July) and adopted the Activities and Administrative Fund budgets for 2020-20. Because of the ongoing COVID-19 threat, the club decided not to meet during July unless a meeting is needed. Should a meeting become necessary, the president will call a July meeting. Otherwise, the next meeting will be held August 13, 2020, probably again at Palatine Park. Eight members attended the June 25th meeting and President Bob Moffett inducted the incoming officers at that meeting (See list of officers at right).

The club has been asked to sell 20 tickets at \$5.00 each for the Beef Raffle to support the WV Lions Sight Foundation. The club voted to purchase any tickets not sold and if the club should win, the beef would be donated to the Soup Opera. Pres. Bob Moffett has tickets. Each ticket has four chances to win a quarter of a beef.

Present for the meeting were Lions Guy Ward, Elizabeth Swiger, Jim Coleman, Daniel Stutler, Leroy Humberston, Columbus Carpenter, Aletta and Bob Moffett. A thunderstorm moved out of the area just as it was time for the meeting to begin.



Fairmont Lions Club
Protecting the Environment

Adopt-A-Trail

Aletta Moffett, Guy Ward and Bob Moffett cleaned up the West Fork River Trail between Fairmont (Norway trail head) and Monongah on Sunday afternoon, June 28th. The club cleans this section of trail several times during the trail season each year.

Have a Happy & Safe Summer!



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Congratulations Fairmont Lions Club!

Fairmont Lions Club Service Activities July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

5,955	65	763	\$2,726
People Served	Service Activities Completed	Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated

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Serving Safely



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Club Meeting Virtually Again

The Fairmont Lions Club has gone back to meeting by way of emails and phone calls as the number of cases of COVID-19 has again increased in West Virginia. Until it is safe to meet in-person, club business meetings will be held once each month.

Twelve members took part in the August meeting which took place from August 11-13 by email and phone. At the meeting, the club approved up to 10 applications for eye exams and glasses for August.

A recommendation was made and approved to hold the next and final Adopt-A-Trail trash pick-up in late September or early October. Bob Moffett will contact the area schools about the Lions Peace Poster Contest once schools are in session in September. Kits will be ordered based on the ability and willingness of schools to take part during the current circumstances.

"Feel Good Meals" Offered by DAC

Fairmont's Disability Action Center has offered meeting space and a meal for club meetings at the DAC. As a plus, the location is closer to many of our members. On the downside, only cold foods, wraps and salads, are on the menu. The cost would be \$12.00 per meal and we would need to have a count to them in advance of each meeting. It is something for members to consider, once we are able to resume in-person meetings.

Club Needs Space for Broom Inventory

The club needs to locate a storage space for our broom and mop inventory as S&M Glass is no longer in business. On August 18, Bob Brummage, Aletta Moffett and Bob Moffett removed all inventory from the S&M Glass building and moved it to a short-term storage in a rental storage space being shared with and offered by Bob and Lois Brummage. Two pickup trucks were able to move the unsold merchandise. Sales are currently limited due to the business operations during the pandemic by some of the retailers that sell for us. The club is transferring some inventory to the Moundsville

Lions Club, which will see fundraising income of \$262.98 when Pres. Bob Moffett meets PDG Eugene Saunders on Tuesday, August 25th to transfer the brooms.

The temporary storage facility will only be available to the club for a short time. If anyone has an idea where brooms could be delivered and stored, please let Bob Brummage or Bob Moffett know. The club must find new space soon!

Bob Martin, who owned S&M Glass was thanked for his support for the club and for the support of his family. Fairmont Lions Club member Gene Martin began receiving shipments and storing club brooms after he started S&M Glass. After he died, his wife Evelyn, who later became a club member, continued assisting the club. When she passed away, her two sons, Bob and Bill continued the business's support for many years. We owe all of them our gratitude.

Club Provides Eye Exams & Glasses

In July, the club provided eye exams and glasses to four disadvantaged neighbors, according to Keith Long, chairperson of the Eyeglasses Committee.



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Sept. 10 Business Meeting
Expected to take place
via phone & email.
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bers to meet together,
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once a month.



If you have a collection of dimes for Connecting Link, please contact Pres. Bob Moffett (304-363-7060) so that we may arrange pick-up and then deliver them. Thank you.

"Behold the turtle. He makes progress only when he sticks his neck out."
—James Bryant Conant

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News of Our Members

Elizabeth Swiger was taken to the hospital. Please keep her and Lion Jim Coleman in your thoughts and prayers.

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6	3	13	\$0.00
People Served	Service Activities Completed	Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated



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As Club LCIF Coordinator, it is my responsibility to inform our members about LCIF (Lions Clubs International Foundation). Our foundation raises money all around the world to support Lions' service projects locally and globally. Lions clubs, including our own, contribute to LCIF. Individual lions also contribute. When a total of \$1,000 is donated by an individual or a club, the Melvin Jones Fellowship is presented to the one who is honored with the donation. Our organization has achieved so much in the past 100 years that Campaign 100 was launched to raise money for expanding our services in the next 100 years. There is an informative two minute video about Campaign 100 at the bottom of the Home Page on our club's web site. If you decide that you would like to make a small or large contribution to LCIF, go to lionsclubs.org/en/donate and click the donate button. If you do not use the internet, let me know that you would like a donation form and I will provide it. One hundred percent of your contribution is used in service to others.

-- Lion Aletta Moffett

Beef Raffle Tickets Are Still Available

Our First Vice District Governor Ramona Sago, and her spouse, David, are providing a beef to be raffled to benefit the WV Lions Sight Foundation. Our club has been asked to sell 20 tickets. Unsold tickets will be purchased by the club. Should a club ticket win, the quarter of beef will be donated to the Soup Opera. However, if you would like to help our Sight Foundation and perhaps win a quarter of beef, please contact Pres. Bob Moffett to get your ticket(s). Each ticket costs \$5.00 and has four chances to win since the beef will be split into four quarters.

Clubs around the state are being asked to help the Sight Foundation with this beef raffle since the District 29L Car Show had to be discontinued and PDG Patty and Lion Paul Nutter are no longer able to provide a beef for the raffle that had been held for many years. This year's drawing will be held at the District 29C Conference November 6-8, 2020. Beef will be butchered by Hydes Meat Packing in Enterprize, WV.



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Next Meeting: Thursday, October 22, 6:30 pm
(Virtual)



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Club Holds September Meeting On-Line
Seven people logged into Zoom for an on-line meeting on September 24th. Dan Heintzman, Friendly Lions Club and Marci Carroll, who has led the effort on the Christmas parade, joined members Joey Garcia, David Sturm, Aletta Moffett, Bob Brummage and Bob Moffett for the Zoom meeting. Other members

contributed via phone calls and emails with total participation of 10 members and two guests.

New Location for Club's Broom Inventory

Bob Brummage has reported that the club's broom inventory is being relocated to TNT Industrial Supply, 3535 Fairmont Avenue, in White Hall at the the intersection of Rt. 250 S. and Apple Valley Road, thanks to Steve Tennant. A display is also being set up at the business to sell brooms for the club.

Club Provides Eye Exams & Glasses

In August, the club provided eye exams and glasses to nine persons, according to Keith Long, chairperson of the Eyeglasses Committee.

Peace Poster Contest Is Underway

The Peace Poster Kit was ordered and delivered to Fairmont Catholic School where children will be creating their visions of peace through art. This year's theme is "Peace Through Service." In November, club members will vote to determine the winning posters. East Fairmont Middle School and West Fairmont Middle School are not participating this year.



Leader Dogs for the Blind Thanks Club

Leader Dogs for the Blind thanked the Fairmont Lions Club for its annual donation with a letter and a banner patch (shown at right). William Mathis was a "stay at home" veteran due to glaucoma. He was scared to go out because he didn't know what to expect. He asked for help. "Your club responded," the letter states. "Your annual donation made it possible for William to gain his independence from blindness." He received orientation and mobility training (how to navigate with a white cane) and later returned for Leader Dog Rio. "They let Rio off the leash...he jumped up in my arms and he assured me everything will be fine." Leader Dog gave William the skills to regain his confidence. "Thank you for making people like William unstoppable!" The letter was signed by five Lions, the Lions Team at Leader Dog. To hear William's story, visit <https://youtu.be/gjoBGgAjjs0>



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Oct. 22 Business Meeting
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"I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again."
—William Penn

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Fairmont Lions Club Funds Project ID

For Several years, the Fairmont Lions Club has donated \$300 to fund a project to provide West Virginia identification cards to the disadvantaged. An official ID is often required to obtain housing, a driver's license to get a job and other available services. If the person in need was born outside of West Virginia, it can be quite expensive to obtain an official birth certificate which is required for the ID. Our donation makes it possible to get the birth certificate or documents required and can mean a place to live or a job. Connecting Link works to obtain the documents for their clients.

Christmas Parade & Party Canceled

Due to COVID-19 and its risk to the community and to parade participants, as well as volunteers lining-up the parade, the Fairmont Lions Club decided to cancel this year's Christmas parade. Alternative on-line activities for children will be considered.

The Union Mission does not wish to have a large Christmas gathering this year, so the club, working with the Mission, will attempt to provide gifts for children, but without the usual party.



(Left-to-right) Aletta Moffett, Bob Moffett, David Sturm and Joey Garcia picked up litter along the West Fork River Trail on Sunday, October 4th.

Moffett presented Progressive Melvin Jones Pin

At the September virtual meeting, Aletta Moffett, Club LCIF Coordinator, presented Pres. Bob Moffett with his Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship lapel pin and read the letter he received from Gudrun

Yngvadottir, LCIF Chairperson, Board of Trustees. Donations to LCIF by the member, or made in a member's name by others, are recognized with an MJF by LCIF when the donations total \$1,000. Melvin Jones is considered the founder of Lions Clubs International.



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Winning Peace Poster Advances to District Competition



Winning Peace Poster by Annabelle Skidmore

Annabelle Skidmore's Peace Poster was selected by Fairmont Lions Club members to advance to the District level competition. Skidmore and Lydia Hatten, the second place winner, were presented with certificates and Walmart Gift Cards by the club in recognition of their efforts.



Lydia Hatten holds her second place Peace Poster.

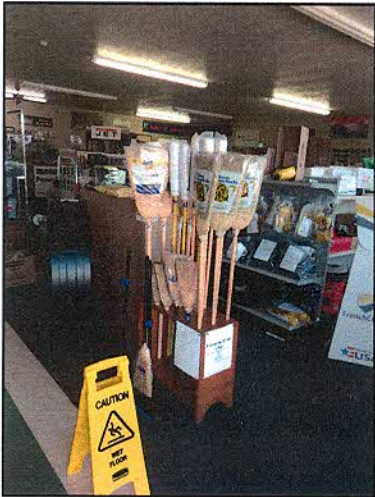
Both girls are students at Fairmont Catholic School. Judging was done by club members viewing the posters online and submitting their choices. Judges included Aletta Moffett, Bob Brummage, Nick Fantasia, Virginia Gallion, Guy Ward, Joey Garcia, Daniel Stutler, David Sturm and Bob Moffett. The day that had been scheduled for the presentations, Fairmont Catholic School was closed due to a case of the COVID-19 virus. However, Marci Cochran, teacher, Lydia Hatten and Bob Moffett met outdoors at the school to make the presentations. Annabelle Skidmore was not available.

Nuts, Brooms and Mops Providing Limited Income

Bob Brummage reports that some brooms have been selling at TNT Industrial Supply and at Kime Floral. A smaller quantity of nuts were ordered this year and sales are continuing, but at a slower pace this year. White Hall Pharmacy will be getting re-supplied.

TNT Industrial Supply in White Hall is now storing the club's inventory and also has a display set up to sell our brooms. Thank you TNT Industrial Supply for your support.

The club's brooms are displayed at TNT Industrial Supply. This picture of the display, which was posted on the club's Facebook page, has been viewed by 2,494 people. Not all of them have been to White Hall to purchase their brooms, however.



Dimes for Diapers Bottles Donated

In August of 2019, Fairmont Lions Club members were asked by Joni Webb of Connecting Link, Inc., to save their dimes in plastic water bottles to provide diapers for needy families. Members came through and made the donation in late October. The dimes (and a few other coins) totaled \$490. Well done, Lions!



More Than 50 Years of Positive Impact

Since 1968, LCIF has been helping Lions enhance their service. \$1.1 billion has been awarded through more than 15,000 grants resulting in: 9.1 million cataract surgeries, implementing Lions Quest in over 105 countries, \$134 million in disaster relief and more than 100 million children immunized against measles. You may use the yellow **DONATE** button at the top of the page at lionsclubs.org to make your personal donation. Thank you.



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Jan. 15 Business Meeting
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Jan. 29-30 Lions of WV
Leadership Retreat
Flatwoods Days Inn



"Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone."
—Charles M. Schulz

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Club Serves to Make Christmas Merrier

The Fairmont Lions Club provided two \$25 Visa gift cards to assist families of children who are undergoing treatments during the holidays at WVU Medicine Children's Pediatric Blood & Cancer Center. These cards, along with others provided by Lions clubs around the state, will remove some of the stress from families by assisting them in the purchase of food, gas and other items.

Virginia Gallion has been working with the Union Mission in providing toys and other gifts to children, since we are unable to hold our usual Christmas party at the Mission. The Union Mission has requested that the club provide gifts for about 30 children this year.

Marci Carroll and others are attempting to put together a virtual Christmas celebration for children and families since we are not sponsoring a Christmas parade this year.

It is hoped that our efforts in these projects will help brighten the season for those who need a little hope and cheer.



WV Lions Sight Foundation Benefits

The Fairmont Lions Club and its members purchased all of the beef raffle tickets we were asked to sell this year. The club bought two as a donation to the WV Lions Sight Foundation, which the raffle was intended to support. At last report, the ticket sales amounted to \$15,000.



Second Vice District Governor

A special election was held to fill the vacancy of Second Vice District Governor at the November District 29L Cabinet Meeting. Lion Jay Houser of the Williamstown Lions Club was elected to the position.



Eye Exams and Glasses Provided

Keith Long, Eyeglasses Chairperson, reported in November that another seven individuals were approved by the committee to receive eye exams and glasses from the Fairmont Lions Club.

