



Club Officers

President.....Bob Brummage
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Secretary.....Bob Moffett
Treasurer.....Virginia Gallion
Directors.....Fred Cannon
.....Rob Pickett
.....David Sturm
Membership Chr...Rob Pickett
LCIF Coord.....Aletta Moffett
Leo Coord.....Fred Cannon
Tail Twister.....Rex Zickefoose

Calendar (subject to change)

Meeting Location
Apple Annie's
2nd Thursday of the month
6:00 pm to order from menu

Sept. 11 District Governor
Visit, DG Kim Ebert
Apple Annie's at
Middletown Commons
6:00 pm

Sept. 18-20 USA/Canada Lions
Leadership Forum
Atlantic City, NJ

Sept. 27 E-Waste Recycle Event
Pickup City Parking Lot
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

March 13-14, 2026 District 29L
Conference
Blennerhassett Hotel
Parkersburg

"I cannot do all the good that
the world needs. But the world
needs all the good that I can
do."

-- Jana Stanfield



The Mane Growl

Fairmont Lions Club
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District Governor Kim Ebert
to Make Club Visit Thursday,
September 11, 2026



Photo: Fred Cannon

Lions, Leos and More, Oh, My!

On Saturday, August 16, 2025, seven volunteers, involving Leos, parents and Lions, cleaned up approximately 2 miles of the West Fork River "Ralph S. LaRue" Rail Trail between Monongah and the Everson Trailhead. Several bags of garbage were filled as well as one tire that was removed.

The Fairmont Lions Club attempts to clean the trail four times throughout the trail season. However, the scheduled cleanup in June was called off due to thunderstorms. The final cleanup before winter will likely occur on an October Saturday.



MISSION 1.5 Kenzie Niezgoda is Newest Member

The Fairmont Lions Club was delighted to welcome Kenzie Niezgoda as our newest member. Lion Kenzie joined our club and became a Lion following her service as the president of the Midtown Leo Club. She joined the Leo club in June, 2024.



LCIF, Clubs, Lions Help Those Flooded

Marion and Ohio counties were severely impacted by the floods that took place on Father's Day, June 15th. Flooding in Fairmont caused property damage.

The flooding in Ohio County was more severe and caused several fatalities, as well as more extensive property damage. District 29L applied for an LCIF grant for the Wheeling area, since the agencies providing support in Fairmont (United Way, Red Cross and Marion County Rescue Squad) had suspended accepting donations due to the outpouring of local support.

District 29L received an LCIF grant for \$15,000 and asked for supplementing donations from district clubs of \$100. The Fairmont Lions Club did not have funds in the budget, but invited members to donate and received \$135 from our members. The total donations from clubs and individuals amounted to \$4,441.47 which meant District 29L could provide additional supplies and assistance beyond the LCIF grant for a total amount of \$19,441.47! As of July 26, 221 people had been helped and 1,991 items were purchased, with additional funds to have been shared the week of August 4th.



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Plastic Recycling Awaiting a Location for Storage

The Fairmont Lions Club has been considering doing plastic recycling (grocery bags and similar "film" plastic.) However, we will need to find a suitable storage facility for the club to collect the plastic. Fred Cannon has been exploring possibilities for a storage facility which could be used to store e-waste and plastic for recycling.

Eye Exams and Eyeglasses Provided

Each month, the club approves a standing request for up to two applications for individuals needing eyeglasses. Keith Long, Eyeglasses Chairperson, reports that one individual received an eye exam and eyeglasses for June and another one for July. The club received an application for an individual in Clarksburg. The application was forwarded to the Clarksburg Lions Club for action.



Midtown Leo Club Fundraising for School Security Locks

Fred Cannon and Guy Ward spoke about the Midtown Leo Club's fundraiser to provide door barricade locks for schools during the August Lions Club meeting. Ward said the Leos did a real good job setting their case before the White Hall Council. The town of White Hall wanted to cover the cost of all the safety locks for White Hall Elementary School, amounting to \$2,300. From that meeting, the Marion County Rescue Squad gave \$750 toward the safety locks. Congratulations to the Leos for presenting their cause well and achieving success!



District Governor
Kim Ebert



Lions On The Web

Lions Clubs International
lionsclubs.org

West Virginia Lions (MD-29)
wvlions.org

District 29-L Lions
lions29l.org

WV Lions Sight Foundation
wvsight.org

Fairmont Lions Club
fairmontlions.org

Just a Lion or Two

Beulah Miller has been having some health issues, but thinks of the club.

Elizabeth Swiger is getting along well, but gets lonely and would appreciate visits (afternoons are best).

Rex Zickefoose was in the hospital and suffered a mild heart attack, but there was no tissue damage and he is back home.

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Service Activities Completed by the Fairmont Lions Club 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026

Service Activities	People Served	Volunteers	Volunteer Hours	Funds Donated
5	317	30	78	\$135.00



E-Waste Recycling Event Scheduled

Fred Cannon announced that an e-Waste Recycling event has been scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 2025. The event will be held in the parking lot of Pick-Up City from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. Pick-Up City is located at 131 Middletown Road, White Hall, in the former Lowe's location. Please mark your calendar and lend us a hand!

In addition, Lion Fred is also working with Price Cutter for our club to begin pulling out the Redbox video vending machines. Redbox shut down and has filed for bankruptcy.



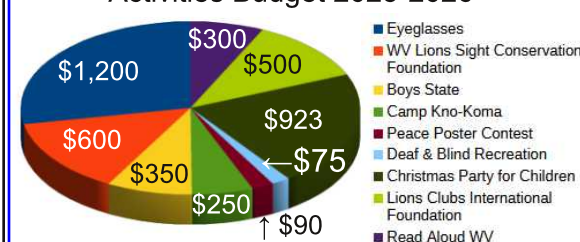
Early Planning Underway for Family Fun Night

Rob Pickett, Membership Chairperson, is planning to get input from and to team up with our new Lion Kenzie Niezgoda and the Leos to work on plans to hold an event such as a "Family Fun Night," perhaps at a skating rink or bowling alley as a way for the Leo club to recruit new members and for the Lions club to recruit adults, as well.

District 29L Second Vice District Governor Appointed

Bob Moffett attended the District 29L Cabinet Meeting in New Martinsville on August 9 and stayed for the Past District Governor Meeting which immediately followed. At that meeting, DG Kim Ebert presided over an election by the PDGs to select an individual for the vacant office of Second Vice District Governor. Following the vote, the successful candidate, Lori Roberts was appointed to the office of SVDG and is now serving in that role.

Activities Budget 2025-2026



More Leo News

Fred Cannon reported that the Midtown Leo Club Yard Sale brought in \$213. They also got three more "Squatchings."

Do you have a fundraising idea to share?

Have an idea for a new service project?