



Lions Roar

Fenwick Island Lions Club Newsletter

A Great Team in Action... We Serve!



September ~ 2005-2006



Prez Sez By King Lion Sam

I attended a meeting with all of the people involve with the Vision Screening of pre-School and School children. The Doctors that review the photos were very enthusiastic about this program and agreed to help with feedback for Lion Club records. Our new Lions Club of Spanish speaking members have agreed to help with contacting parents of all children that have been referred to a doctor for more tests. The meeting was very informative and reviewed all procedures. Many thanks to PCS Lion Guyla Brinckmeyer and Lion O.J. "Ash" Ashinhurst.

Many thanks to all that helped with the beach clean-up. Lion Bruce Schoonover was our team leader and had a great turn out from our club and the Leo club. They enjoyed coffee and donuts and received Tee shirts for their efforts along with having a great time.

I also attended the official Banner Transfer for our District 22D Governor Ralph Schieferstein with

Lion Bob Schlauch, Lion Bill Bunting and Lion Dick Waughtal. We had a great time and ate some good food.

Our car raffle ended and we have sold 3,020 raffle tickets to date. This will bring in over \$3,000.00 to our club treasury and involves a lot of man-hours. I would like to thank all that helped with this important fund raiser.

We have just sent \$4,660.00 to Lion Club International Foundation, for use in the Katrina damage in the Gulf Coast area. We had individual donations and money from our Activity funds included in this amount. These funds will also be eligible for Melvin Jones Fellow recognition.

Please remember upcoming Picnic scheduled for October 14, 12-3PM at Holts Landing. Come out and meet everyone and have a good time and enjoy good food.

On October 16, Registration/Walk 1-4PM walk for Sight the Monster Mile at Dover Speedway. Come out and raise money for the Delaware Lions Foundation. Get a pledge form and have your neighbors sponsor you as you walk. A total pledge of at least \$25.00 is needed to walk. Pre-register by October 1, and be guaranteed a Walk Tee shirt. This year the Auction will be held November 6, at 3PM and Fenwick Island is donating five items to be auctioned. Held at Ball Room B, Dover Downs Convention Center.

Yours in Service, King Lion Sam

Big Reminder: Some Club Dues are still Due!



ALERT: Mostly the dues have been paid for this year... that's the good news. However, we have 14 Lions members who have yet to pay for whatever reason. If you are one of the "gang of fourteen" who has paid since the recent Board meeting please disregard this message. For others, we realize circumstances may be difficult but your dues payment is critical to running our Club! Please help your Club by making your payment now! Every dollar is needed to help our administrative fund.

Please send your dues (\$60.00) to Lion Bill Neimiller (Treasurer):

346 South Ocean Drive, Ocean City, MD 21842.

Thank you for your support King Lion Sam.

Calendar Of Events

Oct. 3 Regular Member Meeting

Sunday, October 16, the Annual Walk The Monster Mile for Sight is being held at Dover Downs Speedway from **1 P.M. to 4 P.M.**

Oct. 17 Regular Member Meeting

Oct. 24 Board Meeting

Nov. 5 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser Fenwick Crab House

Sunday Nov. 6, Dover Downs Auction normally held with the Walk-for-Sight.

Nov. 7 Regular Member Meeting

Nov. 21 Regular Member Meeting & Club Charter

Anniversary (DG Lion Ralph Schieferstein & Cabinet Visit)

Nov. 28 Board Meeting

Dec. 3 District Governors Ball Sheraton, Dover

Dec. 5 Regular Member Meeting (Christmas Dance)

Dec. 19 Regular Member Meeting Dec. 26 Board Meeting Following Regular Meeting Dec. 19

Jan. 14 Melvin Jones Brunch 9:30 AM Sheraton, Dover

Saturday Jun 3, 2006 FILC Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser.

News from the Lions Den

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Some good news really, Lion Nick Alberti is now out of the ICU at Johns Hopkins Medical Institute in Baltimore. He received a heart pump which is working as expected and Nick can now receive phone calls at 410-502-4690 (this is direct to Nick's room refrain from calling late at night). Lion Bill Morison had successful surgery to implant a pace maker and is doing better. PP Lion Charlie Hyatt is going through some tough times and needs a prayer or two. Lion John Furlow is on the

repair but like many members today is one of our "walking wounded".

Please, also let us hear about other Lions who may also be under the weather.

Please recall... PDG Lion Noble Simpson (539-3734) will handle our good Samaritan task this Lions year.

So Please let him hear about Lions who could do with a little pick me up card, etc. Our sick members appreciate your thoughtfulness, as does your editor and I suspect Florence herself. Thank you so much!



Come to Our Big FILC Annual Picnic

Festivities begin Friday October 14,

12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM,

At Holts Landing State Park

Food & Refreshments Free, Wiffle Ball Softball Game

Plenty of Fun & Fellowship

Please Help Get The Message To All Lions & Friends of Lions... See you on October 14th

So, OK! Here are some words to live by... Don't worry about what people think; they don't do it very often or... Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity and finally... A balanced diet is a cookie in each hand...

well they work for me!





Filc 2005-2006 Meals on Wheels Program

Lion John Carl Chairman (302-436-0136)

Our Lions Club is responsible for delivering meals every day to shut-in and handicapped people in the Roxanna area. Unfortunately we have lost a couple of long time drivers due to relocation or sickness, which has depleted our regular drivers. I am appealing to all our members to volunteer for this worthwhile cause.

The meals are prepared and picked up at the Pyle Center on Route 20 just north of Roxanna Road. Drivers arrive there about 10:15 a.m. with insulated coolers for the hot meal and will put a bag of food for each recipient in their cars. There is a sheet with names and directions to each home under the bags. The number of homes averages between 9 and 10 and takes about 2 hours of your time.

We are thankful for the volunteers we now have. They are Dave and Kay Crum, John and Barbara Carl, Joe and Mary Jean Diehl, Larry and Ann Kovacs, Jim Stone, and non members Pat and Una Carew and Joe and Dorothy Kane. It is nice to have a helper to go along as they can really make it easier.

This is a rewarding experience when you see the appreciation in the eyes of the shut-ins. Please let me know if you can help.

Walk The Monster Mile For Sight



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This year the Auction normally associated with the "Walk" will be held on November 6, beginning at 3 P.M., in the Ball Room B, Dover Downs Convention Center.

Fenwick Island Lions Club has donated five auction items: two Accordion Lamps (wall mount), Metal bronze look Heron standing bird, Punch Bowl with twelve cups and ladle, Hand Crocheted Afghan and a Delaware Light House Throw.

Delaware Lions Raffle Tickets Are Here: Tickets are #2.00 each/3 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held at the "Auction for Sight" November 6, 2005 Dover Downs Hotel. You do not have to be present to win. The Prize is a Basket Of Cheer". Proceeds benefit the Delaware Lions Foundation. For tickets call Lion Dick Waughtal, 302-236-3790. Thanks.



Lions and Leos Participate in the Ocean Conservancy's 20th Anniversary Coastal Clean-Up

By Lion Bruce Schoonover, co chair Environmental Committee

On Saturday morning, September 17th, Hurricane Ophelia was downgraded to a tropical storm and veered to the East, well out to sea, and the weather cooperated so as to allow more than 60 individuals (and one dog-Charlie, belonging to Lion Jim Miles) to participate in the Ocean Conservancy's 20th Anniversary

International Coastal Clean-up of the beach at Fenwick Island. It was the largest turnout ever, according to the organizers.

Aside from the Fenwick Islands Lions Club, the Fenwick Island Society of Homeowners (FISH) and the Fenwick Island Women's Club also participated. The Fenwick Island Lions Club and the Leos were well represented... with a total of 20 people, consisting of a combination of members, spouses, one potential future daughter-in-law, and a nice group of Leos and their new advisor.

Those who participated... in no particular order, were: Ray Spence and his future daughter-in-law, Bethany Hooten, Bill Morison, Bob Cummings, Dan Mihalisin, Bob Schlauch, Jim & Carol Miles, David Crum, Bruce & Sharon Schoonover, Dick & Donna Waughtal, the new advisor to the Leos, Ms. Lonnie Riley and Leos, Josh Negley, Kara Roach, Lauren Cook, Johnathan Charles, Tanya West and Laura Walter.

The organizers provided bags and gloves for the clean-up, and at the end, a t-shirt, with the 2005 Coastal Cleanup logo (see below) to each participant, along with a cool drink and donuts.



King Lion Sam, Jean Bertram, IPP Lion Bob Pretty, Lion Joe Diehl & Lion Bob Bertram await the truck which will carry off over six pick up trucks worth of clothing for Katrina victims.

FILC Katrina Relief Effort

As of September 26, 2005, FILC and individual Club members have contributed \$4,660 toward Katrina relief to Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).

Donations made by individual Club members up to the deadline of November 2, 2005 will be sent later. If you have a donation to make please send your check, made out to FILC, to Treasurer Lion Bill Neimiller to be included with the Clubs second donation.

In addition, FILC in cooperation with Keen wick Sound & Keen wick West Developments (see sidebar pic) assisted by Region III Chair Lion Rich Holt (personally provided a big truck) delivered about 6 pickup truck loads of clothing destined for "Godsway Thrift Store" in Milford, DE for distribution to needy individuals hurt by hurricane Katrina. This initiative was in response to Lion Angela Lucas' Region III Zone 3 "gangs" effort in support of hurricane Katrina needy.

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Aluminum Can Collection Report

(The Beginning of: Lion Jay Downing's "Dirty Dozen")



Calvin Denis (left) and Jay Downing, Chairman of the FILC Can Collection Committee, pictured in about 1988.

By Environmental Co-Chair Lion Bruce Schoonover

The Fenwick Island Lions Club's single largest fund-raiser is the ongoing, year round, effort of a dedicated group of individuals that collect and sell aluminum drink cans.

According to PDG Lion Noble Simpson, shortly after the establishment of the Fenwick Island Lions Club in late 1986, Jay Downing, one of the Club's 38 charter members, came up with the idea of can recycling as an ongoing fund-raiser.

According to Joan Downing, Jay's wife, it all started with Jay on his bike, with wire basket attached, picking up single aluminum cans along the road, and he and Calvin Denis deciding it would be a good way to make money for the Lions Club. Early highlights of their efforts include:

- Collecting and selling cans to a recycler located at the Selbyville Food Lion for \$4.90 per pickup truck load;
- Acquisition of the red pickle barrels from the Vlasic Pickle Co. and placing them at swimming pools, a driving range, and later at the foot of the stairs on the beach at Bethany Beach;
- Making of 4' x 4' cages of donated hog wire and used lumber;

- The introduction of the 4' x 8' cages with wooden, and eventually white plastic, latticework in place of the wire, with Lou Friedner making elaborate signs indicating "Aluminum Cans only- No Trash;" and

- Along the way, the invention of numerous tools and holders to make the bagging of cans more efficient, with many of these inventions being the work of Paul Ravilius.

The operation grew as a result of more volunteers, and they were eventually referred to as the "Dirty Dozen." Today, this Dirty Dozen has grown to the "Dirty Dozen and One Half."

According to Bill Neimiller, the Club's treasurer, the sale of aluminum cans has enriched our treasury on an average of almost \$8,000 each year, for the past three years, and has contributed more than \$30,000, over the past four years. Aside from the ongoing community-based projects, as well as the Club's support of the Lions' vision programs, the largest beneficiary of these efforts are the students from the Indian River High School. Every year, for the past several years, the Club has provided four \$1,000 scholarships.

Today, some 18 individuals, and 6 alternates, quietly go about what admittedly can be a pretty dirty job-- collecting, sorting and bagging cans --at 16 separate locations spread from Fenwick Island, to Bethany Beach, Selbyville to Ocean View. The collected cans are taken to a central location where they are stored in a 48-foot trailer, and then sold to a recycler. Each trailer holds over 4,000 pounds of cans, netting the Club between \$1,400 and \$1,800, depending on the price of aluminum and the terms set by the recycler. Already this year, beginning in July, we have filled 3 trailers.

While this can be a dirty job, we should all be very proud of benefits derived as a result of our ongoing efforts. And, as Joan Downing recently pointed out, "no rain, snow or 100 degree heat can stop these dedicated Lions... and I have seen the can collecting efforts bring the men camaraderie, many humorous moments and a great feeling of accomplishment." Lionism at its best! Amen!

This is the list of members collecting cans as of the 2005-2006 Lions year:

- Team # 1** Nick Alberti, Bob Cummings & Larry McDonald
- Team # 2** Sam Mooney, Bill Morison, Cal Hook & Joe Diehl
- Team # 3** John Pitman
- Team # 4** Larry Feeheley & Nick Bartolomeo
- Team # 5** Dan Mihalisin
- Team # 6** Bruce Schoonover & Sharon Schoonover
- Team # 7** Don Stewart & Ray Spence
- Team # 8** Larry Kovacs & Lou Friedner
- Team # 9** Bob Pretty

Alternates: Mickey Cook, David Crum, Jim Miles, Bob Schlauch, Jim Stone, Bill Watson



IF YOU THINK NOBODY CARES, TRY MISSING A COUPLE OF CAN PICKUPS!

Fenwick Island Lions Club, Box 732, Bethany Beach, DE 19930
Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays, Noon - Harpoon Hanna's - September through June
PP Lion Dick Waughtal - Bulletin Editor (Photos by Lions Sam Mooney, Bruce Schoonover & Dick Waughtal)

Fenwick Lions Club Raffle Winners Circle!

FILC \$1,000, 2005 - 2006 Winners Circle:

March - Mickey Cook - Selbyville, DE

April - Ken Gillam - Selbyville, DE

May - Marvelle Blair - Selbyville, DE

June - Peggy Baker - Selbyville, DE

July - Melba Townsend, Dagsboro, DE

August - Lois Movellan - Bay Colony, Dagsboro, DE

September - Nancy Monaghan, Centerville, Va.

October -

November -

December -



The Board of Directors meets the fourth Monday of the month at 4:00 pm in Fenwick Island Town Hall—all members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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