



# THE MANE GROWL

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## WE SERVE

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### Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet  
 6:30 pm  
 Holiday Inn - Fairmont

Jan. 28 6:30 pm Meeting  
 3/50 Project  
 Virginia Gallion

Jan. 29 - 31 WV Lions  
 Leadership School  
 Flatwoods, WV

Feb. 4 6:30 pm Bd. of Directors  
 Home of A. Moffett

Feb. 11 6:30 pm Bus. Meeting

Feb. 25 6:30 pm Meeting  
 Anette Keese, Special  
 Olympics

### Visitations

The Club welcomed visitors from the Barrackville Lions on January 14th. Attending were PDG Tracy Smith, Linda Hoy, Clara Guthrie and Chuck Morgan. Also attending that meeting were Scott & Bonnie Summers along with Pilot Dog Winston from the Rivesville club.

Zone Chr. Jake Brumage, President Aletta Moffett and District 29-L Newsletter Editor Bob Moffett attended the district cabinet meeting in Wierton on Sunday, January 17th.

"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day."  
 -- Edith Lovejoy Pierce



### Club Loses Faithful Member

A long-time Fairmont Lions Club member, Edsel G. Michael, passed away January 10th. Lion Edsel graduated from Fairview High School, attended West Virginia University and graduated from Fairmont State College. He was retired from Allegheny Power Company with 35 years of service. Edsel had also recently received his chevron for 35 years of membership in Lions. Until recently, when his health began to fail, he could be counted on to take part in Lions activities and participated actively in the club's endeavors and was faithful in attendance at meetings. We extend our sympathy and prayers to Lion Mary Jo and the rest of the family in their loss. Lion Edsel Michael will be missed by his club and fellow Lions.



Edsel G. Michael

### Virginia Gallion to Present Program

Club member Virginia Gallion will present the program at the next meeting, January 28th. Her topic will be the 3/50 Project, a program aimed at supporting independent businesses. The club will meet at the Fairmont Holiday Inn at 6:30. Cost of dinner is \$12.00 including tax and gratuity.

### New Member Inducted & Key Awards Presented

Zone Chr. Jacob Brumage conducted the Induction of New Members ceremony at the January 14th meeting. The only new member in attendance was Burley "Butch" Tennant, who received his lapel pin from President Aletta Moffett. Several members who were unable to be present will be inducted when they are in attendance. Tennant was sponsored by Jake Brumage.

Also at the meeting, Aletta Moffett presented Jake Brumage first with a 2-Member Key Award and then with a 5-Member Key Award for having sponsored new members. A Lion gets his or her first Key Award by sponsoring at least 2 new members. Each of those members must maintain membership in the club for over a year before the award is presented. Congratulations to Brumage who sponsored those members.



Pres. Aletta Moffett affixes Butch Tennant's Lions pin.



The Fairmont Lions Club also received a Member Retention banner patch for its success during the previous club year. Martha Warren has applied that and other recently received banner patches to the club's banner.

Weather continued to tamper with the club's plans in January as another snow caused the cancellation of the January 7th board of directors meeting. As a result, board business was delayed to the regular club meeting on the 14th. Among other business, the club approved 10 eye exams and glasses for needy individuals recommended by the Eyeglasses Committee. The club also will provide a West Virginia basket for the silent auction to be held at the District 29-L Conference in March. Nancy Sickles is providing the basket and making an afghan. Club members are asked to provide a West Virginia item (paper weight, note paper, local products, etc.) The basket will be sold at the Conference with proceeds helping to defray some of the costs of the Conference in an effort to get all Lions to consider attending.



Aletta Moffett presents Jake Brumage with his Key Awards.

### It's a New Year & Dues Are Due

Club treasurer, Bob Brummage, reminds all members that dues are now due for all who pay six months at a time or those who pay for a year beginning in January. Except in the case of family memberships where the second family member's dues are less, six months dues are \$36.00. It is important that the Club receive dues from members promptly as the club must pay its dues to Lions International and to District 29-L in January.



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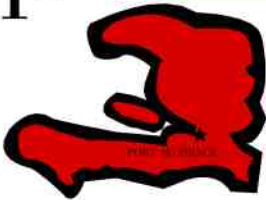
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## Lions Around the World Respond to Haiti Earthquake

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Haiti is located southeast of Cuba and borders the Dominican Republic.

Lions around the world are responding to the crisis in Haiti. Lions in neighboring Caribbean countries are sending cargo containers of targeted supplies through connections with transportation companies. Lions in Sweden are sending large tents through the Swedish government to provide housing for those who are now homeless, as well as relief workers, as they did for the China earthquake. Lions from Ontario, Canada were in the area when the earthquake hit, helping to establish a clean water system for an orphanage, and established a make-shift medical clinic, treating 600 people. Lions are contributing generously, some examples include: \$86,000 pledged from Lions in Norway; \$20,000 from Lions in China; \$14,000 from District 105-I.

Sadly, two of our Haitian Lions -- our family -- have perished and other Lions may have lost family members. LCI President Eberhard Wirfs said, "Naturally, the response by Lions to LCIF's Lions Hope for Haiti donation appeal has been tremendous. Within days, we have already mobilized more than \$350,000. By the time you receive this, I am sure it will be even much, much more. But we'll need millions more if we are to help the country rebuild, to provide homes for the homeless, to rebuild schools for the children, to rehabilitate those left disabled, and to help heal so many shattered and broken hearts. So please donate what you can."

To donate, make the check payable to Lions Clubs International Foundation, noting "LCIF Haiti Earthquake Relief" in the memo field and send to LCIF, 300 W. 22nd St., Oak Brook, IL 60523, Attn: Donor Services.

On-line donations may be made at [www.lcif.org/donate](http://www.lcif.org/donate). Select Disaster and include "LCIF Haiti Earthquake Relief" in the comments section.

Donations can be made in confidence to LCIF, as 100 percent of every donation will go directly to Haiti relief, as administrative costs are paid by interest earned on investments. Non-Lions may also donate to Haiti relief through LCIF using the above procedures.   
-- from Lions Clubs International

### Just a Lion or Two

Beulah "Boots" Miller's sister, Madeline Cunningham, passed away on January 3rd. We extend our sympathy to Beulah and the family.

We were happy to see members Jack Decker and David Cain at our January 14th meeting.

### On the Internet

The Fairmont Lions Club is on the Internet. The site features our upcoming schedule as well as an archive of back issues of the club's newsletter, club history, a photo gallery, and more. Find it all at [www.fairmontlions.org](http://www.fairmontlions.org)

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## Lions Reminded to Empty Eyeglass Recycle Boxes

Members who set out collection boxes for recycling eyeglasses are reminded to empty the boxes and see that glasses collected are taken to Wayne Dodd to be boxed for delivery at the District 29-L Conference in Wheeling March 19 - 20. Thank you.

## Tips for Inviting a Prospect to Become a Lion

Identify a friend, family member, business associate, neighbor or a member of the community. Meet with a prospective member individually to inform them about the club. Invite them to take part in the next meeting or club project. Then be sure to follow-up. Answer any questions they might have. Give them a copy of our club's brochure and then sign them up! New members are vital to our Lions Club.

### Lions on the Web

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

Bernice Pitcock, district governor for District 29-L, has as her theme for this year, "Service from the Heart."

