



THE MANE GROWL



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Club Activities Highlight Holiday Season

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Calendar

Fairmont Lions meet
 6:30 pm
 Clarion Inn - Fairmont

- Nov. 30 WVU Coach Bob Huggins Speaks to Local Service Clubs 11:45 am Westchester Village
- Dec. 3 Ring Bells for Salvation Army WalMart
- Dec. 8 Business Meeting
- Dec. 10 Eye Screening 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Marion County Courthouse
- Dec. 10 Christmas Parade Line-up 4:30 pm Parade 5:00 pm
- Dec. 15 Oliver Luck speaks to Local Service Clubs 11:45 am Westchester Village
- Dec. 17 Christmas Party for Children Lions Dinner 6:00 pm Give gifts 7:00 pm Union Mission

Visitations

Aletta Moffett, accompanied by Bob, presented the program for the Western Mon Area Lions Club on November 14th. Aletta & Bob Moffett attended the Zone 5 Meeting in Star City on Nov. 12th.

"My idea of Christmas, whether old-fashioned or modern, is very simple: loving others. Come to think of it, why do we have to wait for Christmas to do that?"
 ~ Bob Hope



Members of the Fairmont Lions Club will be busy during December. On Saturday, December 3rd, the Club will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army at Walmart from 9:00 am - 7:00 pm at the doors nearest the food section. Scheduled to ring are Elizabeth Swiger & Jim Coleman, Nancy & Chris Morgan, Keith Long & Wayne Dodd, Nancy Sickles & Virginia Gallion, and Jackie & Ed Neese. They will ring for two hour shifts throughout the day.

On Saturday, December 10th, in conjunction with the Feast of the Seven Fishes Festival in downtown Fairmont, Fairmont Lions will be screening eyes especially for visual acuity and for glaucoma. We will have the WV Lions Sight Foundation's Mobile Eye Screening Unit (MESU) parked at the Marion County Courthouse. Screening will take place from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Lions are needed to do registration and to do the screening.

Also on December 10th, the Fairmont Lions Club is sponsoring the Christmas Parade through the city. The Parade Marshall is our current Lions District Governor Patty Nutter. Club members are needed to do the parade line-up and to ride or walk in the parade. The Sight Foundation's MESU will also make an appearance in the parade.

The Annual Christmas Party for the Children at the Union Mission in Fairmont will take place this year on Saturday, December 17th. Club members will meet at 6:00 pm at the Mission for Dinner, followed by the party upstairs, at approximately 7:00, where Lions will distribute toys, hats, mittens and more to the underprivileged children of Fairmont. Members will also be wrapping the gifts purchased by the club prior to the party.

Club members are needed for all of these activities. Please try to make time available to help out with some of these projects.

Contact these persons to help or if you have questions:

Ringing Bells for the Salvation Army, Dec. 3...Aletta Moffett
 304-363-7060

Eye Screening at the Courthouse, Dec. 10.....Bob Moffett
 304-363-7060

Christmas Parade, Dec. 10.....Carol Baker
 304-365-8613

Christmas Party for the Children, Dec. 17.....Nancy Sickles
 304-848-3070
 Margaret/Jake Brumage
 304-363-1897



Debbie Harvey Inducted

First VDG Bob Moffett inducted Debbie Harvey into the Fairmont Lions Club at the November 11th meeting. She is sponsored by Jacob Brumage and we welcome her into the club.



Don Downs Speaks to Club

Don Downs (pictured above, right), President of the Marion County Humane Society, addressed the Fairmont Lions at the October 27th meeting. He indicated that they were at over capacity with 94 cats and 64 dogs. The Humane Society operates a "no-kill" shelter. The Society's mission is to educate, spay and neuter and find "forever" homes. Club members brought pet food for the shelter to the meeting.

Please Turn in Nut Sales at December 8th Meeting

Jim Coleman reported on November 10th that nut sales were doing well. At that time, there were still some cashews, chocolate cashews and pecans left. He asked that the sale be wrapped up and funds turned in at the December 10th meeting.



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District Governor Patty Nutter's theme this year is "We Believe"



Lions on the Web

Lions Clubs International
www.lionsclubs.org

West Virginia Lions (MD-29)
www.wvlions.org

District 29-L Lions
www.lions29l.org

WV Lions Sight Foundation
www.wvsight.org

Fairmont Lions Club
www.fairmontlions.org

Just a Lion or Two

We have several members who are or will be away through the winter. We'll miss you all and look forward to seeing you again come Spring!

Members are asked to collect gift wrap, gift tags and tape for wrapping gifts in preparation for the Christmas party for the children at the Union Mission.

Any Lions are encouraged to attend the WV Lions Leadership School, January 27-29 at Lakeview Resort in Morgantown. Early registration fee (through December 15) is only \$100. Registration forms are available on the club's website, www.fairmontlions.org.

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Poster Contest Winners

Kenneth Manuel (left), a student at West Fairmont Middle School and Brooklyn Nuzum (right), a student at East Fairmont Junior High School, have taken the first steps to becoming an internationally recognized artist by winning the local competition in their respective schools, sponsored by



the Fairmont Lions Club.

Nuzum's and Manuel's posters are among more than 350,000 entries submitted worldwide in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. Lions Clubs International sponsors the program to emphasize the importance of world peace to young people everywhere. The theme, reflected in this year's posters, is "Children Know Peace." Each of them received a \$25 gift certificate and the second place entries from each school received a \$15 gift certificate from the Fairmont Lions Club.

Eyeglass Requests Approved

Keith Long, Chairperson of the Eyeglasses Committee, requested approval for six individuals to receive eye exams and glasses from the Fairmont Lions Club. Approval of the club was given at the November 10th club meeting.

How 'Bout Them Apples?

Treasurer Bob Brummage, who also was in charge of the Apple Sale, reported that the club cleared \$1,035 on the fall sale. Thanks to all the Lions and friends who helped to sell them.

Are You Receiving the Lions District 29-L Newsletter?

Members of the Fairmont Lions Club may keep up on Lions activities and news from around District 29-L through the District's newsletter. If you are not receiving it by e-mail, simply e-mail a request to Phyllis Amrhein, pamrhein25@comcast.net, and she will add you to the e-mail subscription list.



Lions Reach for the Skies

A new promotional video about Lions and LCIF is being shown on Virgin Airways through January, US Airways in November, Delta in December, and American Airlines in November. To view it without paying the cost of a plane ticket, just visit <http://youtu.be/QBL788buYDM> on the Web.