



Fenwick Island Lions Club Newsletter

The Lions Roar



May 2007

Prez Sez by
King Lion Bob



The highlight of the month was the Multiple District 22 Convention in Dover. The attendance was up considerably from last year and the enthusiasm was clearly visible on the faces of most of the attendees. The accommodations were great, the food was outstanding and the Hotel and Food Service Staff provided exceptional service. As we have done in the past, our club had it's own hospitality room. It was well attended not only by our club but also by other clubs. I want to thank all of the members who brought goodies for us to enjoy. I look forward to next year's convention which will again be held in Dover. The keynote speech at the Multiple District 22 Dinner was given by International President, Jimmy Ross. President Ross gave an inspiring message and it made me feel good to be a Lion.

We had a lot of excitement in the District 22-D portion of the convention. There were two candidates for Vice District Governor, Lion Bob Daniels and Lion Guyla Brinckmeyer. As unlikely as it may sound, the vote ended in a tie after the first ballot. On the second ballot, Lion Bob was declared the winner with 51% of the vote. Both candidates are outstanding Lions and have contributed years of service to our District. I hated to see either one

of them loose.

On May 15th, our Scholarship committee met and interviewed six potential candidates for three different scholarships. All six candidates were such outstanding individuals, that based on the recommendation of the Scholarship committee, the Board voted to give scholarships to all six (see separate article). Congratulations to all the winners and thanks for a great job by our scholarship committee headed up by Chairman, Lion John Furlow.

Our speaker for the May 21st business meeting was fellow club member, Lion Bruce Schoonover. He presented a 30 minute documentary film on the "Establishment of the Virgin Islands National Park". The film was based on 2-1/2 years of research that he and his wife, Sharon, had devoted to this project. The documentary was as good as those that I have seen that have been produced by multi million dollar corporations. Thank you Bruce for an extremely interesting program.

By the time you read this, we will have completed the annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser. I want to thank Lion Bill Morison for once again chairing this event. Bill has done an outstanding job for many years. We are indeed grateful to the long hours of work he has put in on this event. Thanks also to all of you who came out and helped with this event. If nobody wins the 50/50 jackpot at the "Ladies Day" luncheon on June 4th, we will be talking about some serious money to the eventual winner. The jackpot is currently at approximately \$250.00 and we only have 15 cards remaining.



Yours in Lionism, King Lion Bob

*A smile from you can bring happiness to anyone,
even if they don't like you.*

Calendar Of Events

- **Monday June 18** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday June 25** Board Meeting
- **Sunday July 1, 2007** New Administration Begins.
- **Saturday August 8, 2007** Shorebirds Baseball Outing!

- **Tuesday September 4, 2007**
First Regular Meeting.

See Our Web Site's for additional schedule & general Info.: **www.filc.us**

News from the Lions Den

ILLions:

Illness is no "laughing matter" just ask any FILC Member who is having difficulties! So please don't neglect the power of prayer for our "walking wounded"?



Please continue to keep PDG Lion Noble Simpson (539-3734) informed of any Lions or family

members that could use a "thinking of you, please get well" or a little pick me up card nudge to remind them we are indeed thinking of them. Our sick members appreciate your thoughtfulness, as does your editor.

Thank you so much!



News You Can Use or Abuse: Or ... Things you really wanted to know but didn't ask!

- **FILC ATTENDED THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22 CONVENTION IN FULL ROBUST FORM: Over 970 Lions registered which exceeded attendance at our previous Ocean City, MD Convention by about 300 Lions. Be sure and read both King Lion Bob's and DG Keith's rendition of our participation. This Lions Year, our IRHS Leo's won a well deserved District Achievement award and FILC was awarded recognition in two areas, including: Dues/Attendance and Environmental Services. A fine touch to our participation occurred when our own King Lion Bob received his Melvin Jones Award from the one & only Lions International President Jimmy "give yourself applause" Ross! *Pictures follow:***



PP Jim Stone escorts King Lion Bob to dais where he is awarded the Melvin Jones Fellow by International President Jimmy Ross... cool.

District 22 D Officers elected for 2007-2008 Lions Year: (l-r) DT Mark Rubino, DS Brad Spicer, Joy Spicer, VDG Bob Daniels, DG Bob & Cheryl Jones, IPDG Keith & PDG Debbie Thompson



King Lion Bob accepts the FILC Achievement Awards from DG Keith & PDG Mike Mock.

Ever been a teacher? This is one reason to avoid the opportunity: **TEACHER...** Daniel, your composition on "My Dog" is exactly the same as your brother's composition. Did you copy off of him? **DANIEL...** No teacher, it's the same dog. And that's sure a big ... Ha-Ha!

FILC Annual Scholarships: As Chair Lion John Furlow has stated, “the high caliber of the students makes me wish that we had unlimited resources to devote to scholarships because all the candidates we interviewed were so incredibly impressive and deserving.” Club founder & permanent Director PDG Noble Simpson notes the Club has awarded scholarships annually since 1992, and over this period has made available over \$80,000 to local area youngsters to assist them in furthering their education. A complete write up is provided member Lions on our website www.filc.us. This article is the one Lion Bruce Schoonover developed for presentation at our Business Meeting on May 21, 2007.



Keili Ann Marvel Recipient of the Jon Furlow \$4,000 Scholarship



Scholarship Committee: Lions PP Bob Pretty, Chair John Furlow, PS Mickey Cook & Scott Fornwalt



Scholarship Winners dine with FILC during Ladies Day: (l-r) Keili Marvel, Heather Whippie, Karalyn Roach, Peter Roenke & Phillip Townsend with 3rd VP Elect Fran Pretty & PP Bob Pretty.

Essential Essence:



Dear Lions, Lioness, and Leos: *Wow!!!* Talk about your Paradigm Shift. For those of you who were unable to attend the just completed Multiple District 22 Convention, be sure to mark your calendar for May 2008 to attend next year's Convention back at Dover Downs. With the Paradigm Shift to the Dover Downs Convention Center and Hotel brought a sense of some uncertainty with our Convention being the first and largest Convention that the Hotel has hosted. With the intense preparation by PDG Jack Brinckmeyer, Lion Guyla, and the remainder of the MD 22 Convention Committee, no stone was left unturned and boy did everyone have a wonderful time.

The Lions, Lioness and Guests of 22-D turned out in full force to attend. I had hoped for 300 registrants and we ended up with 298. Let's see if we can't get 400 next year. Total attendance reached 976, nearly 300 more than last year's Convention in Virginia Beach. We should be able to reach 1,200 registrants easily, next year. So for those of you who attended, let's spread the word about how great the food was, how great the accommodations were and how great the Hotel and Food Service Staff were with the outstanding service provided to us.

We also "Shifted the Paradigm" this year in our Election, where for the first time anyone can remember, we ended up with a tie vote for the office of Vice District Governor. On the second ballot Lion Bob Daniels garnered 51% of the vote and was declared the winner. Congratulations go out to Lion Bob and Lion Guyla for a hard fought and very-clean campaign. Both Lions showed their knowledge of the Lions Code of Ethics in the Campaign conducted by both camps. For those keeping score, the Constitutional Amendments also passed by the required super majority.

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RATIONAL THOUGHT: A day without sunshine, is like night (at least in Rolinda, CA) or Save the whales. Collect the whole set! We must now have a moment of Zen for those who take life too seriously. So who knows? The Shadow do! OK you on to this... so what's the speed of dark? Ah ha!

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Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays, Noon - Harpoon Hanna's - September through June
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(Photos by Lions Bruce Schoonover, Sam Mooney & Dick Waughtal)



Donations to *CSF II* Go to Treasurer Bill, Care of *FILC!*:

Oak Brook, IL, USA, May 23, 2007 — Lions surpassed a major campaign benchmark by reaching the US\$90 million Campaign SightFirst II (CSFII) goal well ahead of convention. Lions are on track to surpass the US\$150 million minimum goal to fight preventable blindness around the world. Lions hoped to raise US\$90 million by the association's 90th anniversary and the 90th international convention but have met the goal nearly five weeks ahead of that date.

With 13 months remaining in Campaign SightFirst II fund raising, Lions are keeping their focus on their ultimate goal: saving sight by raising funds to continue the SightFirst program. "With each week, more and more Lions clubs are rallying around Campaign SightFirst II," said Dr. Tae-Sup Lee, Past International President and CSFII Chairperson. According to Dr. Lee, personal gifts from Lions and "Model Clubs" have and will continue to be the two major Lions' sources of fund raising. Gifts from public and governmental sources are also being sought and accepted through the campaign.

Give consideration to giving to help reduce blindness. If so inclined send your donation to Treasurer Lion Bill Neimiller. Thanks



So... come on out... Fellow Lions? Don't forget our meetings!



- **THE 90TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD JULY 2-6, 2007 IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, USA - THEME: THE "BIRTHPLACE OF LIONISM."**

THE LIONS OF ILLINOIS ARE BUSY PLANNING TO HOST THE LIONS OF THE WORLD AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR VISIT TO CHICAGO AND MULTIPLE DISTRICT 1 AS WE CELEBRATE 90 YEARS OF LIONS SERVING OTHERS IN NEED. DETAILS HERE: [HTTP://WWW.LIONSCLUBS.ORG/EN/CONTENT/NEWS_CONV_HOSTCITY.SHTML](http://www.lionsclubs.org/en/content/news_conv_hostcity.shtml)

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Additional congratulations go out to VDG Bob Jones in his election to the high office of District Governor. I have had the pleasure, and you have seen first hand on our official visitations, how hard a working Lion VDG Bob is in all his Lion work. DGE Bob named this coming year's officers also at the Convention. Lion Brad Spicer will be our Cabinet Secretary and Lion Mark Rubino will be our Cabinet Treasurer, officially taking office right after the International Convention in Chicago. Let's all show your new Cabinet Officers the respect; courtesy, and how hard we work in the best District in Multiple District 22.

In all our Official Visitations I kept telling the Lions and Lioness what a great guy President Jimmy is and he sure did not disappoint any of us. He spent the entire Convention walking around and just plain talking with all the Lions of Multiple District 22. I hope you had the pleasure of meeting he and his wife Lion Velda. With the convention behind us, my year is about over, but we still have some shifting to do in the last six weeks of the year.

Keep On Shifting, Keith

**AND SO IT WAS SAID... The remarkable thing is that it is the crowded life that is most easily remembered. A life full of turns, achievements, disappointments, surprises, and crises is a life full of landmarks. The empty life has even its few details blurred, and cannot be remembered with certainty...
by Eric Hoffer**