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# Lions Roar Newsletter

## Fenwick Island Lions Club



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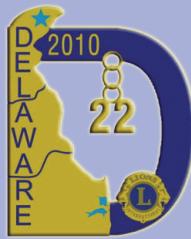
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## Upcoming Events:

Melvin Jones Breakfast in Dover	Saturday Jan 9	9:00am	
<b>REGULAR CLUB MEETING</b>	Monday Jan 18	12noon	2pm
Board Meeting	Monday Jan 25	4pm	6pm
DIST22D Cabinet Meeting (Dover Downs Casino	Thursday Jan 28	5:30pm	
<b>REGULAR CLUB MEETING</b>	Monday Feb 1	12noon	2pm
<b>Polar Bear Plunge</b>	Sunday Feb 7	TBA	
22D Region III-Zone II Meeting	Thursday Feb 11	6:30pm	8pm
<b>REGULAR CLUB MEETING</b>	Monday Feb 15	12noon	2pm
Leadership - Emmitsburg	February 19-21	TBA	
Board Meeting	Monday Feb 22	4pm	6pm
<b>REGULAR CLUB MEETING (Nom'tns)</b>	Monday Mar 1	12noon	2pm
DE LIONS Foundation Breakfast	Saturday Mar 6	TBA	
<b>REGULAR CLUB MEETING (Nom'tns)</b>	Monday Mar 15	12noon	2pm
Dune Grass Planting Service Project		9am	12noon
Board Meeting	Monday Mar 22	4pm	6pm
Delaware State Lions Day	Saturday Mar 27	TBA	
LIONS LEADER DOG - REG 3 Dinner	Tues Mar 30	6:00pm	
<b>REGULAR CLUB MEETING</b>	Monday April 5	12noon	2pm
Dist22 Cabinet Meeting	Sunday April 18	TBA	
<b>REGULAR CLUB MEETING (Elections)</b>	Monday April 19	12noon	2pm
Board Meeting	Monday April 26	4pm	6pm
22D Region III-Zone II Meeting	Thursday April 29	6:30pm	8:30p.m.

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### Our Prez Sez:

Our first six months were a busy and gratifying time. Fellow lions we have accomplished so much. Just think, we made an appearance at the first Fenwick Island's Day, parked cars at the softball world series, cleaned the beach, walked for sight, built a ramp, held a parade in Selbyville, had a spaghetti dinner, completed most of our visitations, collected food and bought glasses for the needy, delivered Meals on Wheels, kept the aluminum cans picked up and collected used eyeglasses. Then, we took a few deep breaths to get ready for the holiday season.



December began with the visually impaired Christmas party. It was well-attended and FILC contributed \$250 for the fruit baskets and other gifts given to the invited guests. The LEOS did a great job of assisting guests when needed, distributing the gifts and making a nice ornament that they gave to each one.

Four days later, we traveled to Dover for the Annual Governor's Ball. DG Lee Bird and First Lady Anita appreciates the support that all of the Clubs are providing and urged us to continue to serve our communities.

Two days later, we had our annual Christmas party attended by more than 80 people. Thanks to PP Bruce and Lion Sharon for planning this very nice affair. And, thanks to Santa Jim and his helpers, Martha Stone and Jean Bertram. Also, thanks to the Lions who donated gifts.

Again this year, we bought 48 small hams that were delivered to the recipients of Meals on Wheels, decorated Jack Coxes' Christ-

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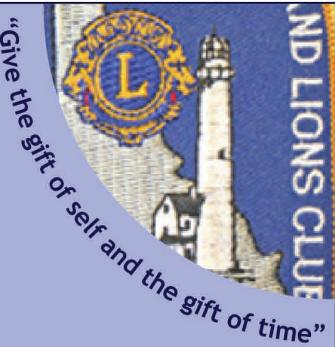
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mas tree and cleaned up leaves in his yard. We donated \$500 to the families of deployed National Guard members to make their Christmas a little brighter. We also decorated a tree at Grotto's "Parade of Trees" to benefit the Youth Vision Screening. Then, we took time to relax a little and enjoy great fellowship on December 14<sup>th</sup> at a "Grotto's Pizza Night."

At this time of the year, we are reminded that it is better to give than to receive. Fellow Lions all of the above demonstrates that we have "given the gift of self and the gift of time" to fulfill our motto, **WE SERVE**.

A new year begins! My hope is that FILC will continue to make a difference in the lives of others and that each of you and your family had a **VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS** or a **HAPPY HANKAHAH** and my best wishes for a **HAPPY & HEALTHY 2010!**

King Lion Fran



## **A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS:**

Lions: Neva O'Hara, Robert & Nancy McCarthy, Jacquie Ashinhurst and Donald Lynch. Please make give them a special welcome and any help they may need when you meet them! There will be many wonderful contributions by our new friends in the future.

## **MIDWINTER SOCIAL – February 6**

The Annual District 22D mid-winter social is at the Felton Fire Hall on Saturday, February 6. The theme of the evening is "Mardi Gras" and a Dixieland Band is the entertainment.

The cost is \$23 per person and the menu is fried oysters, chicken salad, roast pork, cole slaw, dumplings, parsley potatoes, gravy, green beans, applesauce, rolls and butter, beverages and dessert. The cash bar opens at 5:00 p.m. and dinner is served at 6:00 p.m.

*This is a very enjoyable evening of good fellowship, fun, and delicious food. Please let KL Fran know if you're interested in going. Deadline for reservations is January 22.*

**MELVIN JONES BREAKFAST – Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**: The Annual Melvin Jones Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday January 9<sup>th</sup> at the Dover Sheraton at 9 a.m. FILC members attending are "Ash" Ashinhurst, Lion Luke Martin, PP Sam & Lion Muriel Mooney, KL Fran & PP Bob Pretty, and PP Don Stewart. By the time this important event takes place you may not have read this announcement here but if not and you want more info just call. Thanks, KL Fran.

## **LIONS LEADERSHIP TRAINING – EMMITSBURG, FEB. 19-21:**

This is an outstanding opportunity to meet fellow Lions and learn more about the District and to develop leadership skills to help our Club. The District will pay one-half of the cost and FILC will pick up the balance. All meals are included. Therefore, the only cost to you is gas and 3 days of your time. Please contact KL Fran if you would like to attend. She attended a couple of years ago and highly recommends it!

**SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS:** Go out to Lion Jack Coxe for doing a fantastic job as a soloist at Sunday's January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 Cantata at St. Matthews Methodist Church. If you have not heard Lion Jack before you have missed a very accomplished singer in action.

**Please Note:** Also, Fellow Lions, changes to the little white District Roster Book that you received in early fall were attached to my email of January 3rd titled: District 22-D Roster Changes for Dec 2009. I thought you would want to make changes in your copy. KL Fran

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**ON A SAD NOTE,** in case you have missed the news that Thelma Denis, the beloved wife of Cal Denis, (our long-time charter member who departed us in January) died on Thanksgiving morning. Her family had her memorial service Saturday, December 12th at 2:00 p.m. at the Salem Methodist Church in Selbyville. The burial was private. If condolences are appropriate they may be sent to: The Denis Family, c/o Susan Denis, 38373 Walnut Lane, Selbyville, DE 19975.

**ON A MORE CHEERY NOTE...** Publicity Chair IPP Lion Bruce Schoonover points out that on page 10 of the December District 22D Newsletter there is a picture of our 'tree decorators' at Grotto Pizza and an article on vision screening. Many Lions went to Grottos for Pizza, talk and a fun evening December 14, 2009 & verified our wondrous Tree decorations ... more Grottos Night Outs are In the Cards! Article below.



## Lions Clubs Youth Vision Screening Program

Each year, the Lions Clubs in the lower Sussex County area participate in a program designed to test for Amblyopia and other vision abnormalities. Amblyopia, a Greek word simply translated as "dull eye", and commonly referred to as "lazy eye," results from a set of childhood vision disorders that affect how the brain processes unequal or abnormal visual input from the eyes. In most cases, it is a condition that cannot be easily detected by a parent or guardian and sometimes is even missed during screenings by health practitioners.

Some 3-5% of all children in the United States are affected by such vision abnormalities. These problems are most easily dealt with if they are detected before the child reaches 6 years of age. If left uncorrected, Amblyopia may lead to irreversible vision loss and most certainly will affect a child's ability to learn.

The program, which is free to all, targets Pre-K and Kindergarten age children, and this fall, has tested over 1,000 children at 13 locations throughout Sussex County. This is all made possible through the collective efforts of the Fenwick Island Lions Club, Lord Baltimore Lions Club, Laurel Lions Club and the Millsboro Lions Club and their members.

To call attention to this program and help raise funds to finance its ongoing cost, the Fenwick Island Lions Club, on behalf of all the local clubs, participates in the Grotto Pizza "Parade of Trees." Non profit organizations are invited to decorate a tree and patrons are encouraged to make a contribution to the charity of their choice. In this case, all funds raised goes toward the Lions Region 3, Zone 2 Lions Clubs Youth Vision Screening Program. Pictured with their Christmas tree at the Bethany Beach location are Betty Cummings, Sharon Schoonover, Margaret Ann Leonard and Carolee Rooney. Visit the Rte. 26 Bethany Beach location of Grotto Pizza over the holidays and support this worthwhile cause.

## FINAL DRAWINGS FOR 2009:

WEEK #1 WINNERS ARE NANCY & MICKEY COOK, ONCE AGAIN!  
THEIR NUMBER WAS 625 & THEY WIN \$25.  
NEXT WEEK'S PRIZE IS \$50. GOOD LUCK!

DECEMBERS SECOND WEEK WINNING NUMBER, 78 HELD BY PHYLLIS HERD  
& SHE WINS \$50!

DECEMBERS FINAL WEEK WINNING NUMBER WAS 38 HELD BY LION BILL WATSON  
HE WINS \$200!

THIS WAS THE FINAL DRAWING OF THE YEAR  
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!  
GOD BLESS

FILC PARTY CHAIR PP LION JIM STONE



Fenwick Island  
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On the night of December 1, 2009 the Millsboro Civic Center was filled with Christmas cheer. The Lions Clubs of

Region 3 held a Christmas Party for the Visually Impaired of Sussex County. Nearly 50 visually impaired and over 180

Lions, Lioness, Leos and guests enjoyed the catered dinner, Christmas music, fun, fellowship and the holiday music of

The Humanaires.

The following letter was received from a guest at this years' party. It explains exactly why we go to such lengths to

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## Cooperative Holiday Spirit between LBLC and FILC Continues:

Lord Baltimore Lions Club Lion Pat Murray and his crew built a wheelchair ramp for Lion Lenny Price, a member of the Fenwick Island Lions Club. This was done in the true spirit of Lionism and Thanksgiving day.

Many thanks to all that took the time to serve their fellow man. PP Sam Mooney (Pictures below)



FILC members recently attended a thank-you party for the volunteers that deliver meals for the Meals on Wheels Program. Representing the Fenwick Is-

land Lions club were our; President Frances Pretty and Husband PP Bob Pretty, Meals Program Chair Lion John Carl and Wife Barbara, Lion Joe Diehl and Wife Mary Jean, PP Sam Mooney and Wife Lion Muriel. A

delicious meal and good time by all provided by the Cheer-Center at the Pyle Center. The Delaware Health and Social Services Pyle Center provides a Home-Delivered Meals Program and delivers nutritionally-balanced, hot meals during the day to homebound persons. Some people also receive cold, bagged meals so that they will have food available in the evening as well.

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Meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, Noon - Harpoon Hanna's - September through June

PP Lion Dick Waughal-Bulletin Editor (Photos by Lions Bruce Schoonover, Sam Mooney, Dick Waughal & Roland Hudson)

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raise funds to sponsor this type of event. Here is her letter:

"It is with much thanks and gratitude that I send this letter to The Lions Club, all members, supporters and helpers. My husband and I were once again delighted to be invited to your Christmas Party. I cannot express how much it means to know that there are good people who care and support us. The fruit basket will be very much enjoyed and the gift certificate to Giant was a lovely surprise. In these tough times it is much appreciated. I would like to say a special thank you to the young ladies who helped with our dinners. What a pleasure to meet great young people. They are a credit to their parents. Please tell them we appreciate them. It was my pleasure to meet Rebecca at the close of the program. You all do a wonderful service. May you all have a Blessed Christmas and a Joyous New Year. Sincerely, Linda Fairbee."

I believe she has said it all. It's great to be a Lion!

YIL Lion Rebecca Stancliff, 2nd VP, Lord Baltimore Lions Club

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