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President's Message:

Dear Fellow Dover Lions-

Our April club meeting will be held on the 16th at the Sheraton Hotel beginning at 6:30p.m. While I realize this may not be red hot news to anyone, what will take place at this meeting should be of extreme importance to every Dover Lion! IPDG Ralph has been working on a slate of club officers for the next Lion year to be presented at the April meeting. If you are approached, please seriously consider how you can best serve your club and further the cause of Lionism. If there is a particular position that peaks your interest and you have not been approached, I know Ralph would love to talk with you. The more members who are involved with the functioning of the club, the lighter the tasks seem to be.

The monthly meeting of the Board was held on Apr 2nd with a full plate of items for review and discussion. First, at our monthly April club meeting, we will have Lion Guyla Brinckmeyer as our guest. Lion Guyla is a candidate for Vice District Governor for the upcoming year, and she will speak to us about her candidacy. We are also gearing up for the sale of car raffle tickets. Letters have gone out to WAWA, ACME, METRO, WAL MART and SAMS CLUB for permission to sell tickets at these locations. Watch your monthly bulletin for the schedule of dates as they are confirmed.

Our third annual Flea Market will be held Saturday May 12th at Spence's Bazaar. Lion Lyle and his committee are busy, planning for this event. What better time to go through your basement, attic, and storage shed for those items you could donate to the club for resale.

If you would like to attend the Multiple District 22 Convention May 14-17, it's not too late to make your request for tickets. I have extra registration and ticket order forms available if anyone needs one. Our club delegates to the convention are Lions Lyle, Harry, Rosemarie, and Rennie. Our alternates are Lions Tee, Dick, Norm, and Gary. And again, remember the convention this year is right in our own back yard. We couldn't ask for it to be more convenient.

I always look forward to my monthly issue of The Lion Magazine. It's packed with great articles that keep you up to speed on Lionism and it's a great place to get some fresh ideas how other clubs are trying to revitalize themselves. The April edition was no exception. When you get a chance, check out the article, "Change Agents," beginning on page 18.

LIONS.....WE SERVE!

Yours in Lionism,

Rich

King Lion

LCIF UPDATE

Dear Fellow Lions,

LCIF is able to fulfill its mission of helping Lions serve worldwide through your support. In this message, I would like to update you on a convention fundraiser for LCIF, grants awarded at the March Board Meeting, a milestone in Melvin Jones Fellowship donation, Campaign SightFirst II, new Lions Quest grants awarded and non-traditional ways to support LCIF.

As part of the International Convention, attend "Lions Night at the White Sox" on Wednesday, July 4th, 2007. For every ticket sold to Lions, the Chicago White Sox baseball team will donate US\$5 to LCIF. This is a great opportunity for Lions to come together and enjoy an exciting Chicago experience. Lions are encouraged to bring family members and friends. Tickets to the Chicago White Sox baseball game against the Baltimore Orioles are now available to Lions for purchase (\$25 Lower Reserved, \$21 Bleacher, \$15 Upper Reserved Seats). Start time for the game is 6:05 p.m., and free shuttle service from official Lions convention hotels to the ballpark will be provided. President Jimmy Ross is expected to throw the first pitch and Lions will be recognized during the game. Fireworks will follow the game. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit <http://2007lionsconvention.com/>

More than US\$4.7 million in grants were approved at the March 2007 LCIF Board Meeting. Lions clubs from all over the world were granted funds to assist many humanitarian projects, such as: constructing a high school for disadvantaged children in England, equipping a hospital in India, repairing a residential facility for abused children in Japan, expanding a medical facility for diabetes care in Mexico and equipping an eye surgery unit at a hospital in California, USA. **View the complete list** of approved grants online. With these funds, Lions clubs worldwide will continue their service to their communities and begin new challenges to improve the lives of countless individuals. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lcif_gr_standard_recent.shtml

LCIF recognized its **250,000th Melvin Jones Fellowship donation** in February. Kazuhiro Seno, a member of the Imabari Lions Club in District 336-A, Japan, became the 250,000 Melvin Jones Fellow when he donated \$1,000 to LCIF. Seno designated his donation to Campaign SightFirst II. His club has made a \$500 per member pledge to the Campaign and has a total of 92 MJFs. Most of the funds raised during the first Campaign SightFirst were through MJF donations. http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lions_lcif_lcif.shtml

Lions surpassed a major campaign milestone by reaching more than US\$75 million raised, half of their Campaign SightFirst II minimum goal of US\$150 million to fight preventable blindness around the world. With 15 months remaining in CSFII fund raising, we are making great strides in reaching our ultimate goal: saving sight by raising funds to continue the SightFirst program. I encourage Lions to now begin focusing on our next benchmark of raising US\$90 million by the association's 90th anniversary this July. **Learn how** you can get involved in the Campaign. <http://www.lions-csfii.org/live/content/index.shtml>

The Lions Quest Advisory Committee awarded \$560,300 during its January meeting. The grants will enable Lions to implement the program in five new countries and expand existing Lions Quest programs in several countries. Motivational banners are now available to Lions for purchase online as a bridge tool to help establish Lions Quest into your area schools. **Lions Quest** is a school-based life-skills program for children from kindergarten to 12th grade. More than 11 million youth have taken part in a Lions Quest classroom, and more than 330,00 educators and other adults have been trained to implement the programs in school and community settings. <http://www.lions-quest.org>

Did you know there are a number of **non-traditional ways to donate** to LCIF? One such example is donations from an Individual Retirement Account. Under the Pension Protection Act of 2006, you can use funds from an IRA to make a charitable gift free of taxes. This law allows individuals ages 70.5 or older to make gifts now to LCIF using funds transferred directly from an IRA. Lions can also donate stock, make bequests, give life insurance, donate real estate and support LCIF in numerous other ways. <http://www.wpg.cc/stl/CDA/homepage/1,1006,627,00.html>

I thank you for your continued support of the Foundation. Your support is integral to what we can accomplish together this year and in the future.

With a Passion to Serve,

Dr. Ashok Mehta
2006-2007 LCIF Chairperson

Important Dates:

April

02 Board Meeting, 6:30 P.M., Lion Rennie's House
16 Regular Meeting, 6:30 P.M., Dover Sheraton
21 District 22-C Social
29 Fourth Cabinet Meeting

May

03 District Leadership School
07 Board Meeting, 6:30 P.M., Lion Rennie's House
12 Yard Sale at Spencer's
14 Multiple District Convention
15 Multiple District Convention
16 Multiple District Convention
17 Multiple District Convention

Upcoming Dates:

International Convention, Blue-Gold Game

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

April

05 Richard Bonnell
09 Evan Hensley
17 David O Kbani

May

12 Valerie Cszmadia
24 Robert J. Hicks Jr.

Flea Market Planning Session:

Thursday, April 5th, the following Lions met at Hall's Restaurant to plan for the flea market at Spence's on May 12th. Lions attending the board meeting were invited then attempts were made to contact and invite all other active Dover Lions. (Sorry, Lions Bill and Shirley, we called the wrong number. No wonder you didn't answer!) The following Lions were in attendance: Dick Holland, Elsie Heller, Gary Stumpf, Tee Bell, Rosemarie Milne, Norm and Rennie Quible.

We identified 8 areas for concentration:

1. Food and Drinks
2. Advertising - publicity (neighborhood, church, work, etc)
3. Canvassing Spencer's vendors
4. Assigning tables
5. Table reservations and money collection - checks, etc
6. Pick up of articles
7. Flyers
8. Auctioneer

Please volunteer to help on at least one of these committees. We want this flea market event to be our best. Even if you can't attend, choose an area where you can apply your talents.

Club Roster Change:

The telephone number for Lions Shirley and Bill Daisey should read: 678-9879.

Mini Auction Again – April Mtg.:

Our final mini auction will be held at the April mtg. Bring “new goodies” that you want to part with. Last month’s mini-auction raised \$137 thanks to Lion “Tee”’s expert auctioning.

Diabetes Corner:



I live alone. What can I do to reduce the risk of a severe nighttime low blood glucose reaction?

Studies have shown that 50% of severe low blood glucoses happen between midnight and 8 a.m. (usually at 4 a.m.). Having a normal blood glucose level before you go to sleep does not guarantee that it won’t drop too low a few hours later, especially if you use intensified insulin treatments, such as nighttime NPH.

Check your blood glucose level before bed and have a good bedtime snack to prevent low blood glucose before 8 a.m. If nighttime low blood glucoses happen often, set your alarm and check your blood glucose level at 3 a.m. every night. Eat some food if it is below 75 mg/dl. Ask your health care provider whether a slow-release carbohydrate snack bar, such as Extend or NiteBite, would be a good nighttime snack for you.

Lion Lore:

What remarkable and special event happened in April of 1948?

Club News and Notes:

MARCH REGULAR MEETING

Meeting Called to Order by King Lion Rich at 6:36 P.M.

Song Lion Rose
Pledge Lion Rodrick
Invocation King Lion Rich
Toast Lion Bill

Lion Tee auctioned off items with the proceeds going to the Administration Convention Fund. The auction netted \$137 for the club.

A motion was made to approve the Secretary and Treasure reports as submitted. Motion Passed.

Multiple District Convention to be held here in Dover from May 14th – 17th. King Lion encourage all members to attend.

All guests were introduced; these included three members of the Ridgley Lions Club, one prospective member and Lion Bob Daniels.

Lion Bob Daniels was our guest speaker and his talk was on Campaign SightFirst II. His report included a video which contained a great deal of helpful information. Hand outs on this campaign were given to all lions.

Lion Bob is also a candidate for Vice District Governor and gave the club his campaign speech.

Report on the Pre-School Vision screening the Dover Lions screened 354 children. Follow ups on the screening still need to be done.

The King Lion informed the club on upcoming events and the thank you notes received for the club’s donations.

Lion Rodrick is the club’s car raffle chairman this year. All members in attendance were given their tickets to sell. In the upcoming weeks a list of dates when the club will be selling tickets will be published in the club’s newsletter. All members are encouraged to sign up for when they will be able to help. All money is due to the club no later than September 17th. Last year’s winners are as follows: Car – Lisa Bortz, \$5,000 – Walter Little, \$3,000 – Nancy Flanagan, \$2,000 – Suzanne Leavelle.

Lion Elsie reported that an additional 126 pairs of eyeglasses have been collected, bringing the club’s total for the year to 1,626 pairs.

Contact PDG Ralph if you are willing to serve as a club officer. Installation of the new officers will be on June 18th.

The next board meeting will be on April 2, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. at Lions Rennie's house.

50/50 was won by Lion Norm for the amount of \$27.50.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded and passed at 9:05 P.M.

Dover Lions Celebrate Lions Day

Dover Lions gallantly represented Lionism in Service at Kent County School on Lions' Day, March 5th . King Lion Rich Bonnell along with Lions: Dick Holland, Tee Bell and Lyle Dabson helped serve refreshments, played with the young folks and posed with Dr. Carl Halpton, Kent County School's Principal. A booklet, relating Dover Lions Day was put together and submitted for judging by the Lion-Powers-That-Be. We'll know how we fared at Convention.

Answer to Lion Lore:

One of Lionism's most inspirational clubs was formed on April 24, 1948. The place, Kalaupapa on the island of Molokai in Hawaii. Kalaupapa is a leper colony founded by Father Damien in the 19th century. The members mirror the reflections Melvin Jones envisioned. They are dedicated to service. Near their colony, the Lions placed a cross with a bronze plaque at the base which reads: "Love never faileth." Lion Rennie called LCI and confirmed that the club is still indeed active. Lion Clarence Kahilihiwa is the king Lion.

APRIL BOARD MEETING

King Lion Rich called the April Board meeting of the Dover Lions to order at 6:36 P.M.

A motion was made to approve the Secretary as submitted and Treasure reports as corrected. Motion Passed.

Car Raffle status letters have gone out to Wa Wa, Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, Metro, Acme. We will be selling the car raffle tickets at Sam's Club on June 30th and July 1st. A schedule of when the club will be selling tickets will be place in the club newsletter.

Motion was made seconded to get 4 sandwich board signs made saying LIONS CAR RAFFLE with the LIONS LOGO. This motion was passed after a lively discussion.

District convention if you are going to attend please send in you registration.

PDG Ralph reported that the slate of officers for next year is almost complete.

Motion made and seconded for Lion Lyle to bring between 2 and 20 prospective new members to our next regular meeting. Motion passed after a long and very lively discussion.

Blue Gold game tickets will be passed out at the next meeting to all in attendance.

Motion made and seconded to drop the following members from the club due to NON PAYMENT of DUES and ATTENDANCE: Eddy Njubibo and Suzanne Sebastian. Members will be dropped at the end of April. Motion passed.

King Lion Rich informed the board of the Zone project for the Kent County Bookmobile. This project is to purchase large print books and audio tapes. After a long discussion a motion was made and seconded not to support this effort. The motion passed.

The Dover Lions has loaned the Capital City Lions a hospital bed.

The Dover Lions Flea Market is on May 12th items for this event are needed along with selling tables for \$20. A meeting of this committee will be on April 5th at 5:30 P.M. at Halls Family Restaurant. All members are welcome to attend.

Motion was made and seconded and passed to allow the club to go over budget for the Delaware Lions Foundation.

On February 28th the club loaned out a wheel chair.

Peace Poster Contest contacts have been made at five schools with one still to be made. One school has said that they would be glad to participate in the program.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded and passed at 9:00 P.M.



LYMAN LION SAYS:

Your true friends are those who really know you —but love you anyhow.

A Lionistic Thought (borrowed from James W. Moore)

A man was lost while driving through the country. As he tried to read his map, he drove into a deep muddy ditch. He spotted a farmhouse.

The farmer said that he had a mule named Warwick that could pull his car free. He hitched up old, feeble Warwick. Then as he snapped the reins, he called: Go, Bill! Pull, Jack,! On, Fred! Pull, Warwick!"

Old Warwick pulled the car from the ditch with very little effort. The man was amazed. Before thanking the farmer, he asked why he had called all of the other names before he called Warwick's. The farmer replied: "Warwick is nearly blind. As long as he believes he's part of a team, he doesn't mind pulling! (Ed. Note: Wow! Is that Lionism or what!)

Featuring a Dover Lion:

First Vice President Pat Wells is Dover's Pride's focus this month. Lion Pat joined the Dover Lions Club in 2002. When asked why she decided to become a Lion, she said, with a grin, "Lion Lyle goaded me into it, of course. I had to join to get him 'off my back'!" Then Lion Pat continued to state how much she has felt rewarded in her decision.

Lion Pat was born in Ardmore, PA and attended school there. She says that a divorce brought her to Delaware. "I am now glad to be here," she said.

Lion Pat has two grown sons and a daughter. "I'll gladly brag about all of them, especially my 11 grandchildren," Pat said with a twinkle in her eye and a chuckle in her voice. She continued: "I love kids. They are so much fun." Pat's face grew serious as she said: "One is the love of our lives— though she is both physically and mentally challenged." Pat said the adored "special one" is 11 years old.

Lion Pat went on to say: "My 17 year old granddaughter, Brittany, helps with the chicken fry and other Lion projects. She might just as well be a Lion!" (Ed. note: —sounds like a Leo in the making!)

Lion Pat explained that, while her real estate career keeps her alive, she makes time for her two special interests, art and travel. She leaves for Ireland in May.

Lion Pat concluded the interview by saying how she has admired King Lion Rich and hopes to follow well in his paces. She asked me to express her hope for support by every Dover Lion in next year's projects. (Ed. Note: Lions, we have another good King Lion stepping out of the Lions's den and into service.)

Your editor of Dover's Pride wants to feature a Dover Lion in each issue. Your editor urges you to submit information. Tell about yourself and/or one of your Dover Lion associates. Let's get to know each other "real good!"

District Governors Message:

Dear Fellow Lions, Lioness, and Leos:

Has your Club done any Paradigm Shifting this past Month? Planning any shifting in the few Months that remain in our Lions Year? Well, as the saying goes, it's not too late to start. Your Cabinet, just last night, made our last official visit to a Lions Club. Although we still have three Lioness Clubs to visit, your Cabinet has been very busy shifting. Shifting so much that your District Governor had to have the clutch in his little blue car replaced the other day. Oh my, the price of a clutch has done some major shifting since 1977, the last time that I had to pay to have a clutch replaced.

What a great time we have had in the District and what a great time we still have planned. Don't miss out on the upcoming Leader Dog programs. These are definitely don't miss programs. Lion Kudos go out to several of your District committees, and if you missed their events this year, be sure to put them on your personal and Club calendars for next year.

We started the month off with a great annual event: the brunch sponsored by your Delaware Lions Foundation. Chairman John and the Board of Directors of the Delaware Lions Foundation did a fantastic job on the brunch and the program, with testimonials from some of the folks in our local communities that your clubs have helped out. The event was very well

attended and we were so happy to have Gladys Helm and Lion Jan McCarty at the head table, representing PID'S Ralph Helm and Jim McCarty, who dedicated much of their lives to helping out so many folks less fortunate than themselves.

During the Month we also had a great time with the resurrected District Bowling Tournament, chaired by Lion Jim Littleton. He and his committee did a bang up job of getting out so many Lions and Leos to enjoy each others camaraderie in Milford. Although your District Governor's team did not win, we made a respectable showing and when I had the honor of throwing out the first ball I didn't throw a gutter ball while all the Lions and Leos were watching. Look for this event to continue on into the future thanks to all that attended.

Final Kudos go to Lion Janet and her committee for a wonderful Frog and Turtle Mid-Winter Social. A great time was had by all with plenty to eat (oysters, yum!) and the entertainment by Mr. Jack was just plain old FUN! I have never seen all the Lions stay for the entertainment. Hats off again to Lion Janet for arranging the entertainment. We also had some fun with the hopping frog games where your District Governor proved he's not from Calaveres County.

In closing, at our final Lions Club official visitation, to the Glasgow Lions Club, I had the honor of installing two of mine and PDG Debbie's very good friends. I congratulate PDG Debbie who worked very diligently and persistently with these two new Lions. For those of you who attended the District Governor's Ball we promised that at least two of our guests would be Lions by the end of the year and here we are "mission accomplished", with three months left to work on the others. We welcome Lions Nancy Reasin and Bob Snyder who have already proved their Lionistic instincts by participating in the District Bowling Tournament. This goes to show that you may have asked someone to join before and they said no, but times change and maybe the individual might like to be asked again. Shift that Paradigm back, and ask again.

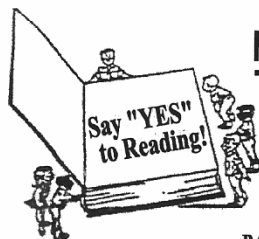
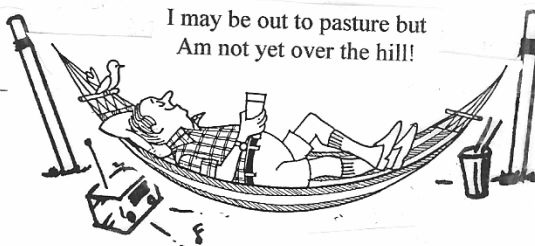
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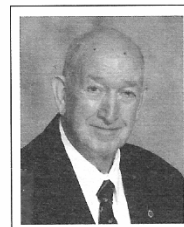


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