



International Association of Lions Clubs
CLARKSBURG LIONS CLUB

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Between the Lions

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**The highest result of education is tolerance.
Helen Keller**

WHITE CANE DAY

We need Clarksburg member's help to conduct this worthwhile effort to raise money for our sight projects.

SHIFTS: 10 a.m. to Noon Noon to 2 p.m. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

DATES AND LOCATIONS:

May 2nd - K-Mart - Emily Drive

May 16th - Krogers - Emily Drive

June 6th - Walmart - Emily Drive (main entrance and the Garden Center entrance.)



Please advise Stumpie Bice (Esbice@msn.com) or Clay Ott (lott082550@aol.com) which shifts you can attend by e-mailing them or e-mailing the Clarksburg Lions e-mail above. Don't be shy, members can help at more than one date and shift. This is one of the easier tasks for members to perform. You stand there, smile, and say, "good morning" or "good afternoon." You'd be surprised how people respond in a positive manner to you. Please, be sure not to block the entrances.

CLUB ELECTIONS

The following members have been elected as Club Officers for 2009-2010.

President - Patty Lambernedis 1st Vice - Linda Ott 2nd Vice - Clay Ott

1 Year Director (PP) - Nick Lambernedis and Al Cox

1st Year Directors - Doug Aspy and Mickey Nardella

2nd Year Directors - Warren Wilson and Susan Gifford

3rd Year Directors - Milt Laughland and Mary Laughland

Immediate Past President - Jim Richison Secretary - Howard Mall

Treasurer - Steve Glass Membership - Cindy Glass

Lion Tamer - Mickey Pettitio Tail Twister - Don Niles

MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Regular Lion meetings have been scheduled for 2009 on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month at noon at Mindard's Restaurant in Clarksburg, WV.

FOOD DONATIONS

Lion members Stumpie, Clay, Jim, Steve, Cindy, Mary, and Joe made \$200 food donations to both the Open Door and the Duff Street Food Pantry on April 11th. Visit web site to see pictures.



Open Door - An all-volunteer 501C3 organization which began in February 2000. They serve a hearty free breakfast and coffee and snacks until 4 p.m. Contact info: Dr. Helen Jones (304) 623-2018 Director or Courtney Hetrick Accountant with Kuntz Associates (304) 848-2600.

Duff Street Food Pantry - Open on Tuesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Since January 20, 2004, the Food Pantry has filled food orders for 22 families (42 adults and 30 children). This has been possible by the generosity of those who bring food items to the wishing well; donate money to the food pantry; and those who volunteer their time on Tuesday each month. If you know someone who is not able to provide enough food for their family, contact Pastor Amy Shanholtzer at 624-7951 or Carolyn Green at 622-2965.

EYE INSTITUTE TOUR

On April 4th, Lions Club members toured the West Virginia University Eye Institute in Morgantown, WV. The tour provided an excellent opportunity for members to see the results of its fund raising efforts to help people with vision problems.

The tour also celebrated the 2008 West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation's \$100,000 multi-year grant to the Eye Institute to purchase essential research equipment to advance the WVU Eye Institute's ongoing and new state-of-the-art clinical and basic science research.



"The WVU Eye Institute values our long-time relationship with the Lions of West Virginia. This grant furthers their legacy of supporting vision conservation in West Virginia," noted Dr. Charles Moore, assistant professor of Ophthalmology and West Virginia Lions liaison. The West Virginia Lions have a long history of providing support to the Institute, which provides vision care to patients from all 55 West Virginia counties and in neighboring states.

The Institute's research center was launched in late 2005 to conduct research into glaucoma, childhood blindness, low vision, night blindness, biochemistry of the eye, and genetics of the eye, retina, and cornea.

For more information on the WVU Eye Institute and ways to support its research program, call 304-598-4843 or visit www.wvueye.com. Go to our web site to see photos of this event.

APRIL CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

1974 Charles Freeman	1984 Rod Ferruso
1995 Cheryl Romano	2003 Frank Ferrari

APRIL EVENTS

April 10th Meeting

Guest speakers were Gregg Dale, County Appraisal Supervisor, and Allen Ferree, County Commercial Appraiser, from the Harrison County Assessor's Office.

Mr. Dale discussed the complexity of determining assessments with an effort of coming between 90 to 100 percent of the value. From there, the County computes 60 percent of the value and then multiplies that by the tax rate based upon one of three classes. Most homes are in Class 2. The percentage varies depending on where you live.



Mr. Ferree discussed the efforts to determine the value of commercial properties using one of three methods: Cost (cost to build property), Income (rental rates collected for property), and Market (sales of similar properties). Examples of commercial properties would be Charles Point and White Oak commercial developments.

April 25th Meeting

Greg Skidmore, Coordinator of the Addressing and Mapping Board from the 911 Center, spoke to the club concerning the Harrison County 911 system. Since its inception, the Center has held to its primary goal of providing the best service possible for the citizens of Harrison and Taylor counties. In recent years, 911 has added innovations such as computer-aided dispatching and Phase I Wireless Technology. Over the next few years, the Center will be implementing county-wide mapping and addressing, Phase II Wireless Technology (when available), automatic vehicle location, and a significant upgrade to the radio system.



HELP NEEDED

The Club needs volunteers for the Big Bucks Bingo game. PLEASE CALL Mickey Petitto at (304) 626-0372 or mickeypetitto@aol. *Thanks for your help.*

2009 DISTRICT 29-I FALL CONFERENCE

The 2009 District 29-I Fall Conference will be held at the Canaan Valley Resort and Conference Center, Friday, October 23 to Sunday, October 25.

Wow, what a great place to meet and talk Lionism. Not expensive - \$45 registration, and \$72.80 per night room rate. Go to our web site registration and schedule information in a PDF file format.

RECRUITMENT BROCHURE

We're working on a new Recruitment Brochure using a theme, "*Are You Ready to Join?*" The theme suggests that being a Lion isn't for everyone but for those who are ready to serve their community. The brochure can be used during public Lion events to solicit potential new members. Our policy of inviting new members doesn't change but the brochure will hopefully get motivated candidates to step forward and ask about being a Lion.