

SPRINGFIELD LIONS CLUB

Lions' Lines



March 12, 2013



KING'S KORNER

Every February I join some friends from upstate Pennsylvania for a week of golf in Myrtle Beach. It is now a tradition that I eagerly await. The last few years my brother has also gone on the trip.

As I drove down to the Outer Banks where my brother lives, I was struck by the number of small towns on Route 113 and Route 13. Milford and Millsboro in Delaware, Berlin in Maryland, and towns like Accomac and Exmore in Virginia. I often saw Lions Club signs as I drove through these small towns, and found myself wondering if they held events like our Chicken BBQ. Do they collect money on Candy Day, or sponsor their town's 4th of July celebration? Do they deliver food baskets to needy families? What about eye exams for those who might not be able to afford them? It made me realize that we are not just the Springfield Lions and Lioness Clubs, but we are part of a much greater whole, Lions Club International. Throughout the world, there are men and women, just like us, who are serving others and helping out in their communities.

At our next meeting on March 12th, we will honor twenty graduating seniors (10 each from Springfield and Cardinal O'Hara high schools) who live in Springfield and who have distinguished themselves by their academic achievements and their service to their schools and community. It is one of our favorite evenings as we meet these youth and their parents to celebrate their hard work and learn about their future plans. Please join us if you can. Who knows just what these future leaders might accomplish?

VP Larry

NEXT DINNER MEETING

March 12th, 6:30 PM

Springfield Country Club

Dress Code: Business Casual or better

Program: Student Recognition Night

This is the night that the Springfield Lions Club honors seniors from Springfield High School and Cardinal O'Hara High School for their achievements. So join us for a night to honor our high school students!

LIONS' CALENDAR

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| Mar 19 | Breakfast meeting, 8 AM, Springfield Inn |
| Mar 26 | Dinner meeting, 6:30 PM, SCC, Speaker: Bill Adolph |
| Apr 6 | District 14-A Convention at the Crowne Royal Hotel, Trevoise, PA |
| Apr 9 | Anniversary/Memorial Night, Dinner meeting, 6:30 PM, SCC |
| Apr 23 | Health & Welfare Night, 6:30 PM, SCC, |
| May 14 | Community & Youth Night, 6:30 PM, SCC |
| May 16-19 | Pennsylvania Lions State Convention at the Radisson Hotel Valley Forge. |
| May 28 | Visit to the Center for the Blind & Visually Impaired |



EASTER BASKET EXTRAVAGANZA

As you may know, we are preparing holiday food baskets for community members in needs. The baskets will contain a ham, canned goods and produce items. Most items are arranged, **but you can help by bringing canned goods to the next Lions meeting (March 12th)**. There is **NO** limit; you can bring as much as you like!!

MARCH MADNESS FUNDRAISER



MARCH 17TH IS GETTING VERY CLOSE!!

Only 10 days left until the lottery drawing. We still have about 50 tickets unresolved. If you are holding tickets, please contact Lion Kurt Schaefer soon as possible and make arrangements to turn in the money/stubs or return the tickets for sale by other Lions. Kurt can be reached at 610-543-5523 or ktsjes@verizon.net. Thank you

RECENT EVENTS



Jim Krombach gave a very interesting talk about how our Navy pilots had to adapt and develop tactics to beat the enemy at the start of World War II. Jim is shown between Lion Andrew Schiavello and Vice President Bill Lavery.

BLIND AID SEALS

Have you participated yet? Those Lions that have participated were very generous. On the other hand, only 20 of our 94 Lions have participated!! How about you?

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Two important meetings for our Lions District and State Lions are coming up.

April 6th

District 14-A Convention at the Crowne Royal Hotel, Trevose, PA



May 16 to 19th

Pennsylvania Lions Convention at the Radisson Hotel Valley Forge. Highlight will be the Saturday evening the 17th banquet with our Lions International President Wayne Madden speaking. The President will be introduced by our own, Past International Director Jim Cavallaro. As a leading Lions Club in the District and the State, we should be well represented at these events.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL NEWS

March Is National Eye Donor Month

March marks the 30th Annual National Eye Donor Month! The Eye Bank will be featured on the PECO Crown Lights from March 11th to 13th, so look to the skyline for a special message about Eye Donor Month!

For the month of March, the Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley Facebook page will be celebrating with cornea transplant facts and stories of donation.



LIONS' LINES

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