

SPRINGFIELD LIONS CLUB

Lions' Lines



October 16, 2013



KING'S KORNER

Autumn Greetings! Our annual White Cane Golf Outing was quite successful. The forecasted rain came one day early, and the weather was great. 21 golfer's participated in the event, plus 27 signs were placed on the tee boxes. This level of commitment led to the club being able to exceed the revenue estimates for the outing. Kudos to our two event co-chairmen, Jerry McCabe and Dick Wilson, and to Jim Beermann, Larry Peranteau, Tom Moran, George Bonadio and others who helped make the day such a success. Nice going!

We are hopeful that our White Cane collections will meet our budget estimate, as well. Thanks to everyone who assisted in this effort.

Just read an article in the newspaper about a talented 76'ers basketball player, Royce White, who is attempting to overcome a lifelong anxiety disorder which prevents him from flying. I was reminded of the extraordinary efforts the blind and visually-impaired members of our community put forth every day to get educations, hold down jobs, and become productive members of our society. I am always in awe of the resilience many people with disabilities show as they work toward fulfilling their personal goals. Our fund-raising efforts and contributions help many of them as they travel their difficult journeys.

To continue our efforts, we all need to work together as best we can. Our meeting on October 22nd will provide us an opportunity to participate in some "brainstorming", led by Jack Kinsley, to help us look at our club's strengths, weaknesses and future plans. If you have not been to a meeting in a while, this would be a good time to jump back in and have your voice be heard. We are also going to have some fun Halloween-themed activities designed by the Comedy, Fun and Song Committee. What more

could you want!! Oh yeah, don't forget to start bringing in your cans and boxes of food to our meetings so we can fill our holiday baskets for needy families.

Yours in Lionism, *King Lion Larry*

NEXT DINNER MEETING

October 22nd, 6:30 PM

Springfield Country Club

Dress Code Business Casual

TWO PART PROGRAM

First Lion Jack Kinsley will lead us in a brainstorming session on how we can improve all aspects of our club.

Second, our Comedy, Song & Fun Committee will provide some levity and get us ready for Halloween.

LIONS' CALENDAR

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| Oct 17 | Breakfast meeting, 8AM-9AM, Country Squire Diner, West Chester Pike & Rt.320, Broomall. Speaker TwpCommissioner Lion Lee Janiczek |
| Oct 22 | Dinner meeting, SCC, 6:30PM |
| Nov 2 | Special Olympics, Lions "Opening Eyes", Villanova, 9AM. |
| Nov 5 | Board meeting, St. Matts. ELECTION DAY? |
| Nov 6 | Leo Club Veterans Tribute at Scenic Hills School, 8:45AM |
| Nov 12 | Dinner meeting, SCC, 6:30PM. Clergy Night, Speaker Rob Rider, <i>Awaken Kiberia</i> |
| Nov 21 | Breakfast meeting, 8AM, Country Squire |
| Nov 26 | Dinner meeting, SCC, 6:30PM, U.S. Representative Pat Meehan |
| Dec 3 | Board meeting, St. Matthews, 7PM |

GOLF OUTING

Our annual White Cane Golf Outing was a huge success with 21 golfers and 27 hole sponsors. Chair Jerry McCabe would like to thank his committee consisting of George Bonadio, Larry Peranteau, Dick Wilson, Larry DeMooy, Jim Beermann, Jack Kinsley, with special thanks to Tom Moran who came through with additional golfers, hole sponsors and helped obtain the award gifts. Net income was \$2382.

WHITE CANE

Preliminary reports are we had a successful collection. Those who signed up for last weekend and were rained out may wish to go out again this weekend. Please turn over your collection funds (write a check) to Lion Jim Beermann at 610-662-6010, (jimebeermann@gmail.com).

LEO CLUB VETERANS TRIBUTE

The Community Service/Leo Club will be holding a Veterans Tribute at Scenic Hills Elementary School on November 6th at 8:45AM. Any Lion who is also a veteran can participate.

CALENDARS

We need all Lions to step up and help sell the 1,000 calendars for 2014 that are tied to the evening PA State Lottery. All need to be sold so we can maintain our level of giving to our club projects. Let Jim Cavallaro know if you need additional calendars or wish to turn in unsold calendars. Jim says he has members who are looking for more. He can be reached at 610-604-4551 or jamescavallaro@comcast.net. Jim will gladly accept your stubs and money at our club meetings.

SUNSHINE

Good to see George Bonadio at the last meeting. Jim Dyson is still recuperating at home. Cards, letters and phone calls are welcome. Please inform our Sunshine Chair, Lion Tom Citro, of Lion members or family illness. He can be reached at tcitro@comcast.net or 610-328-9886

CAVALCADE OF BANDS

Those Lions members participating in this community project are meeting 5pm Saturday, October 19th, at the Springfield HS football stands (Orchard Rd end). We will be responsible for "crowd control". Please wear Lions hats and vests and bring a flashlight. Contact person is Lion Bill Shiley 610-328-5920 or wshiley@aol.com. A great opportunity to serve and observe the best HS bands in the region.

Baskets of Good Will

Project Chair Lisa Tiffany reports we will have another baskets project in November with a goal to give out baskets at Thanksgiving. **Please inform Lion Lisa (610-449-7366) of any needy families and volunteer to help. PLEASE START BRINGING CANS AND BOXED FOODS TO THE UPCOMING DINNER MEETING**



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

We will be participating in the Lions "opening eyes" program at the Special Olympics being held at Villanova U, Saturday, November 2nd starting at 9am. We have participated several times in the past and for those who have not participated, it is a great event and one that makes you feel good to be a Lion. We assist in giving eye exams to the athletes – many receive much needed glasses. Report to Bartlett Hall, 2nd floor. The Lions District 14A Foundation will be providing lunch. Call Lion Jim Harrington for further info 484-410-4118

WELCOME SIGN



Courtesy of the former Springfield Rotary Club, the sign is in the State Rd median just past the Rolling Rd intersection

Children's Christmas Party – tentatively scheduled for Friday evening December 6th. Have you given your opinion to King Lion Larry on whether we should continue this long standing tradition or perhaps spend the money on a party for needy children?