



## Fenwick Island Lions Club Newsletter

# The Lions Roar



February 2007



### Prez Sez By King Lion Bob

Happy February to you! While the King Lion is away... the mice will play or so it is said! So now you're stuck with your editor for this column. After racking my brain for a special message this month I decided to "punt" and present International President King of King Lions Jimmy Ross' February message! It is heartfelt and I'm sure and addresses many avenues to "Renewal" for our Club. So read and heed, these excerpts and the special Keith's Briefs Remarks on page 3:

**Dear Club Officer,**

I am very pleased to tell you that our new Family Membership Program is off to an excellent start. In the month of January alone 42 new family-oriented clubs have been chartered (with at least 25% of the charter members coming in as family members).

To keep this trend going and to cement our new members' commitment to the spirit of Lions Clubs International it is imperative that clubs participating in the family initiative plan for family involvement and family-oriented service projects. Family projects should include "hands-on" activities for children, allow families to work together and make use of the talents and skills of members at all stages of life. These fun and engaging projects can also help to invigorate existing members, many of whom report that they enjoy the time they spend with young adults and children.

Please also continue to strengthen your club by inviting new members - you may not have to look far for them. Surely there are family members who have become familiar faces by participating in Lions' events just to lend an extra hand. Some may have participated in meetings as guests. These individuals are prime candidates to become full Lions Club

members.

Integrating family members into your club is an "win-win-win" situation!

New members benefit by gaining a formal role in the governance of the club and our association. Their service, which many have gladly given informally and even anonymously, will become eligible for the recognition it truly deserves. And perhaps most important, they will share in the pride of being a Lion.

Your club will gain not only additional hands and minds devoted to service projects, but also increased representation at district conventions. The additional contacts your new members have in the community will expand your networking resources and make it easier for your club to get things done.

Finally - and this is at the heart of why we all became Lions - your community wins today because your club will be able to provide more and better service, and in the future because your club will remain a strong force in your region, providing service for generations to come.

Many clubs will use Worldwide Induction Day on April 21 to showcase their new members and show prospective members what it means to be a Lion. This is an excellent opportunity to contact local media outlets and provide them with a public service announcement that will tell the story of Lions Clubs International and your club.

Thank you for all you do to serve your club and your community.

Sincerely, Jimmy M. Ross International President

***Yours in Lionism, Your Editor!***

### Think About It!

Without membership we are certainly not serving our community. Without funding & without service work! So take a few minutes and thoroughly read this months offerings. Convince friends and or neighbors of the great value to Lionism! Show them the value of charitable service to their community. New member candidates are there we just have to persevere and find them! Your editor

## Calendar Of Events

- **Saturday March 3** Delaware Lions Foundation Breakfast
- **Monday March 5** Regular Member Meeting
- **Saturday March 10** Mid-Winter Social 22-D
- **Monday March 19** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday March 26** Board Meeting
- **Monday April 2** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday April 16** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday April 23** Board Meeting
- **Monday April 2** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday April 16** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday April 23** Board Meeting

- **Monday May 7** Regular Member Meeting
- **Thursday to Sunday**
- **May 17-20** Multiple District 22 Convention Dover, Delaware
- **Monday May 21** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday May 28** Board Meeting
- **Saturday June 2** FILC Pancake Breakfast
- **Monday June 4** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday June 18** Regular Member Meeting
- **Monday June 25** Board Meeting

See Our Web Site's for additional schedule & general Info.: [www.filc.us](http://www.filc.us)

## News from the Lions Den

### ILLions:

That great smile still on your face? Don't neglect prayers for our "walking wounded"?



You never know! So please continue to keep PDG Lion Noble Simpson (539-3734) informed of any Lions or family members that could use a "thinking of

you, please get well" or a little pick me up card nudge to remind them we are indeed thinking of them. Our sick members appreciate your thoughtfulness, as does your editor.

Thank you so much!



## The Way We Were ... or News You Can Use:



Community service comes naturally to FILC & IRHS Leo's shown embarking on a windy rainy day at "the Fenwick Island beach" in late fall 2006.

**Lion Jack Coxe Introduces "his new Leader Dog "Riker" in the fall of 2006.**



**Ask Lion Jack:** Why do they put Braille dots on the keypad of the drive-up ATM? ? You know that little indestructible black box that is used on planes, why can't they make the whole plane out of the same substance? I am becoming increasingly worried that there isn't enough anxiety in my life... **I'll Ask Lion Jack!**

## District Governor Keith Thompson & December "Keith's Briefs":

Dear Lions, Lioness, and Leos:



Has your Club or its membership started Shifting the Paradigm yet?

As I have been shifting my little stick shift car up and down the District, I too have been Shifting the Paradigm. Thanks to the Brookside Lions and their generous gift of a pair of "Keith's Briefs" I

was able to Shift the Paradigm at the Polar Bear plunge. Although I have been plunging for nine straight years (5 less than Lions Winnie & Barb Spence) I decided to Shift and wear the official Keith's Briefs into the Ocean. It was quite a sight to behold. I decided that morning to advertise the Lions website and emblazoned my new briefs with the website address, [www.lions22d.org](http://www.lions22d.org). It was just like the boxers who advertise on their shorts while boxing in the boxing ring. Except these were briefs, get it, briefs not boxers.

Another Shift that I made this past month was to attend the Regional Lions Leadership Institute in Emmitsburg, Maryland. I have never been able to attend due to a little thing called Tax Season, but this year I wanted to be there and help represent the Lions of District 22-D. What a great experience and oh how proud I was of the Lions of your District. In attendance, we had nine Lions from 22-D. Also in attendance, your District had ten of the sixteen member faculty and staff team.

This is an indication of the commitment of your Leadership within the District. I would strongly encourage you to attend the Institute next year when the Basic and Advanced course will be given. I will guarantee that you will come away with more knowledge and enthusiasm to be a Lion. If you don't believe me, just ask one of your fellow Lions that attended. By the way, it's not that far.

Your Cabinet has shifted in our official visitations as well. After twenty-nine years in Lionism, a couple of us attended our first Seaford Lioness meeting. What a fun, wonderful and dedicated group these Lionesses are. We had a great time learning about all the community service and fund raising activities this, small in numbers, big in service, Club performs. We were able to help them out by informing them of the mission of the Delaware Lions Foundation's. There are still too many Clubs in the District that need to know why your Foundation is in existence.

It's not too late to start Shifting the Paradigm in your own personal Lion's life or in your Club's life. You still have one month left in the current visitation year, so get out there and visit a Club that you may have never visited before, just don't wait twenty-nine years to do it.

*Keep on Shifting... Keith*

**In my experience:** Exaggeration is a billion times worse than understatement. Death to all fanatics! If at first you don't succeed, then skydiving definitely isn't for you. An oral contract isn't worth the paper its written on. Don't chew with your mouth full. I always wanted to procrastinate! Rehab is for quitters! To understand recursion, you must first understand recursion. If you want people to know where you stand, wear the same socks for two weeks. The shortest distance between two points is how far apart they are. Don't be redundant by repeating yourself... Or something like this!

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Meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, Noon - Harpoon Hanna's - September through June  
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Donations to *CSF II* Go to Treasurer Bill, Care of *FILC!*:

**THE STATE OF CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II (February 2007)**

LIONS & FRIENDS HAVE RAISED  
**US\$70,917,627**  
TO SAVE SIGHT THROUGH CSFII

**Latest Ticker Tape results!**

Lions around the world have now raised over US\$70 million toward the US\$150 million minimum goal of Campaign SightFirst II. Over the previous 18 months, Lions in each of the seven constitutional areas have responded by raising funds for CSFII in many different ways. Nearly 1,400 clubs have agreed to continue this success by becoming Model Clubs, and 44 individuals have stepped forward with Lead Gifts (US\$100,000 or more). These efforts have been tremendous, but much work lies ahead. Lions must honor their promise to SightFirst and with 18 months remaining in Campaign SightFirst II, there is no better time to act than now.

# Lions News Network

Investigate the relatively new LNN. Lots of info for your Lions bag!

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/content/lnn/index.html>

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**Why Not Give It a Try?**

**Again... Do as Lions Do! Bring in new family members or even a friend or two!**



**More Over... Do As Larry the Cable Guy says! . . . "Just get'er Done"**