

### President's Message

June brings us the start of summer, our pancake breakfast, then Ladies Day and our awards Ceremony. The convention in Salisbury was a bit closer than the previous two in Dover, and was well attended by Lions from District 22-D, as well as all others in the Multiple District. We were pleased to hear from our District Governor Karl Gude, as well as from International President Sid Scruggs. At the convention, we received awards for communication, visitation, dues, attendance, and environment. A special award was also presented to Lion Dick Waughtal for his work as webmaster for not only our FILC website, but also for the District and our Leo club's websites. Another special award was given to Lion Bruce Schoonover for his work in bulletin editing.



Please make sure you sell as many pancake breakfast tickets as possible, since this function on June 4<sup>th</sup> is one of our prime fund-raisers. The annual ladies day luncheon follows on June 6<sup>th</sup>, and we have invited all the "friends of the Fenwick Island Lions Club" to attend as our guests; eight have responded favorably, with several others possible. As in the past, we will have flowers for all the ladies attending. Melvin Jones awards will also be given at the June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

On June 20<sup>th</sup>, we will have our last meeting of the FILC year, since we will be on vacation until September. However, the board of directors will continue to meet throughout the summer as they plan for the coming year. Additional awards will be presented at that meeting, to recognize Fenwick Island Lions who have shown exceptional performance during the year. The new officers and directors will be sworn in and I will also turn over the gavel to Lion Jean Bertram, who will lead our club in the 2011 – 2012 year.

I want to thank all of you for allowing me to serve as your President for the year, which will end on June 30<sup>th</sup>. I hope you have enjoyed our programs, and I hope you will give Lion Jean the same support you gave me during the past year. *(Cont'd next page)*

### Mark Your Calendar

**Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser**, Harpoon Hanna's 7 AM till 10:30

**Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> Ladies Day Luncheon**, Harpoon Hanna's 12 Noon

**Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> Selbyville Old Timers Day**, Church Street Selbyville Beginning at 9 AM (See page 2 for details)

**Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> Final Regular Meeting of this fiscal year**, Harpoon Hanna's 12 Noon

**Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting**, Fenwick Island Town Hall 4 PM

Please make any contributions you can afford to the LCIF Japanese relief fund, and/or to the southern states tornado relief fund at (<http://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lci-foundation/supporting-our-work/make-a-donation/index.php>), and remember to bring cans and packaged goods to each meeting for our food pantry, also to bring a potential member.

As always, maintain your pride in being a Lion.

YIL,

KL Tom

## Selbyville Old Timer's Day

Selbyville, just inland from Fenwick Island, is a town with some wonderful small town traditions that date back decades. One such tradition, the annual Selbyville Old Timer's Day will be held for the 55<sup>th</sup> year on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. This event features old (1975 and older) cars, truck, farm tractors and police cars.

Church Street in Selbyville is blocked off from the PNC Bank to the railroad tracks—down by Town Hall. And from 7 AM on, the old vehicles keep coming and coming and coming. Last year they had over 200 old vehicles on display.



Again this year the Fenwick Island Lions Club will have a booth in front of Town Hall and will be offering hot dogs and cold drinks for sale. The Club will also be offering its 50/50 Selbyville Halloween Parade Raffle tickets. We will be looking for volunteers to help us man the booth throughout the day (from 9 till 4). Fran will be passing around a sign-up sheet at our June 6<sup>th</sup> Ladies Day Luncheon meeting. Whether you want to help or not, come say hello and enjoy the old vehicles, the food, the entertainment and this slice of Americana... at its best.



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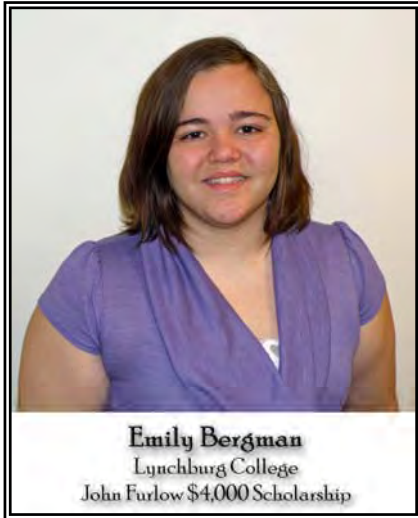
## Six Scholarships Awarded to Deserving Indian River High School Seniors

This year, the Fenwick Island Lions Club awarded scholarships, collectively amounting to \$8,000, to six uniquely qualified seniors of the Indian River High School.

In the first part of May, the Club's Scholarship Committee interviewed 14 applicants for the awards. The committee consisted of Lions John Furlow, Bob Pretty and Bruce and Sharon Schoonover who were all supported by PP Fran Pretty who oversaw the application and scheduling process. It was the collective sentiment of the committee, that each and every one of the applicants could have been awarded these scholarships because of their



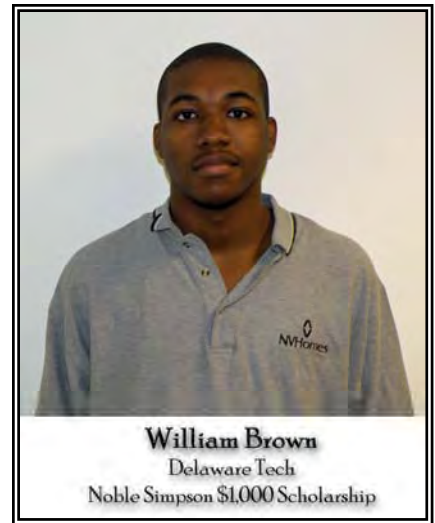
This year the Scholarship Committee, consisting of (L to R) John Furlow, Sharon Schoonover, Bob Pretty and Bruce Schoonover interviewed 14 applicants for our six scholarships... The consensus was that the quality of the applicants was such that we could have comfortably awarded a scholarship to each of them.



**Emily Bergman**  
Lynchburg College  
John Furlow \$4,000 Scholarship

outstanding achievements. The committee uses criteria which include consideration of academic standing, financial need, community service involvement, extracurricular activities, and the ability to communicate. As John Furlow—the long serving chairman of the committee said, “This year’s applicants have made our job of selecting the winners of our scholarship, the most difficult I have ever experienced.” Regardless, this was the selection.

The \$4,000 John Furlow Scholarship this year was awarded to Emily Bergman who will be attending Lynchburg College in the fall. Emily has been an active member of the Leo Club throughout her high school career and was also the recipient of our Club’s special award two years ago which enabled her to attend a summer leadership program at Princeton University. This scholarship is paid-out at \$1,000 per year for four years.



**William Brown**  
Delaware Tech  
Noble Simpson \$1,000 Scholarship

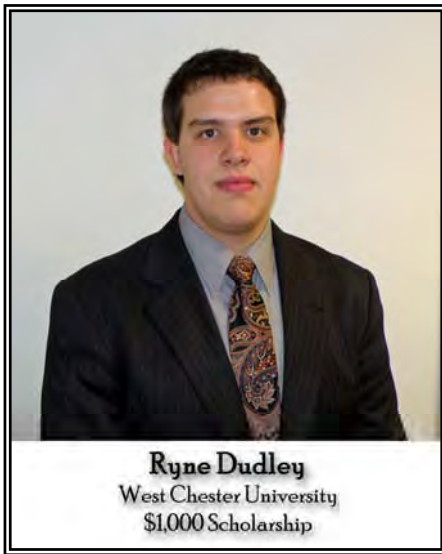
The \$1,000 Noble Simpson Scholarship—named for the founder of our Club was awarded to William Brown who will be attending Delaware Tech later this year. William, who is originally from South Carolina, has achieved much since moving to Delaware and attending Indian River. He is also a very personable and polite young man who has demonstrated an admirable work ethic.



**Lucy Rinker**  
University of Delaware  
\$1,000 Scholarship

This year the Club ear-marked an additional \$3,000 for three \$1,000

scholarships. The first was awarded to Lucy Rinker who will be attending University of Delaware this fall. Lucy has also been active in the Leo Club and served as its President this year. She also has excelled academically and has achieved a well rounded four year high school experience.



The second Club scholarship was awarded to Ryne Dudley who will be attending West Chester University where our chairman John Furlow was a coached for many years. Ryne will be majoring in music after an outstanding high school career which included school soccer and as a volunteer in TOPS, a club that helps mentally challenged youth have fun playing soccer and to make friends. He has also volunteered for many projects in the community including helping to rebuild a homeless shelter. Of course, music is his love and he has been a member of the county and all-state bands.

Our third recipient was Kevin Rowe, who will be attending the University of Delaware this fall with the ultimate goal of becoming a biomedical engineer.



Kevin has excelled in soccer. He also has volunteered many hours in the community, particularly for Justin’s Beach House where he installed irrigation, sod and landscaping. He is a well grounded young man who we believe deserves our support.

Finally, the Club is most fortunate to once again have the financial support and the interest of Ce Higgins—the wife of Fenwick Island Club member Skip Higgins. Each year Ce has chosen to honor Skip’s memory by presenting a scholarship for \$1,000 in his name. This



year the committee chose to award this scholarship to Jennifer Clark who will be entering Shenandoah University in Winchester, VA, where she will begin an ambitious eight-year program to become a pharmacist. In high school she excelled in her academics and showed initiative and strong leadership qualities.

The Club has had a long history of supporting the youth of our community. This includes being the sponsor of the Indian River High School Leo Club—a club devoted to the promotion of humanitarian services and good fellowship among young people, and a vision screening program designed to identify eye problems, such as amblyopia and other childhood vision disorders, in pre-school age children. The Club also identifies and addresses specific needs within our community—such as our recent financial support of Justin Lowe after his spinal injury and, of course we have long

financially supported our ongoing scholarship program.

According to Noble Simpson, the Founder of the Fenwick Island Lions Club and a permanent director, the Club has awarded scholarships annually since 1992, and over this period has made available over \$109,000 to local area youngsters to assist them in furthering their education. Of this amount, \$91,000 was the direct result of our fundraising efforts and the other \$18,000 represents remembrance/memorial scholarships, which are either the result of the generous contributions made in memory of former Fenwick Island Club Lions, or contributions made by present members who simply wish to financially support this worthwhile program.

## Fran Pretty Recognized for her efforts by Lions Clubs International President Sidney Scruggs

At the MD-22 Convention in Salisbury this past month, Past President Fran Pretty was recognized by the International President, Sidney Scruggs, with an Appreciation Certificate for her service to Lionism. Fran's service goes well beyond work for our club. Carol Miles was also recognized for her work as District Chair of International's Peace Poster Contest. Additionally both Dick Waughtal and Fran Pretty received District Awards for all they do for the District Lions organization.

The MD-22 convention was a bit of a mixed bag this year, marred by both the "ho-hum" and dated venue, as well as some inattention to details by the Convention Committee. On a positive note, there were a number of very worthwhile seminars which were available for all to attend. And, I thought it was once again pretty impressive that the Lions Clubs International President and his wife were there for the entire convention. (Actually very impressive, when you consider there are only 365 days in a year and there are 45,000 clubs in 206 countries which he oversees.) And not only was he there, but he was accessible and very easy to talk to. Witness, the picture op as he joined some of us Saturday morning.



Lions Clubs International President Sidney Scruggs (center) joins some of the Fenwick Island Lions Club members for a picture Saturday morning at the MD-22 Convention in Salisbury.

A Very Warm Welcome to New Member Lorelei (Lee) Summerville!

The board unanimously approved Lee Summerville's application for membership at the May 25<sup>th</sup> board meeting. She is sponsored by Lion Carol Miles.

Lee is a former teacher and administrator in the Howard County school system, where she continues to spend two days a week mentoring teachers in science. Lee and her partner Joel Bastow split their time between their home in Millsboro, DE and Columbia, MD. Lee also has a farm west of Deep Creek in West Virginia.

Lee hopes to be able to help at our pancake breakfast, will be at the Ladies Day Luncheon with Joel and will be sworn in at our final meeting of June. We extend a very warm welcome to both Lee and Joel.



2010-2011  
The year that was...

Fenwick Island Lions Club  
Donates \$2,500 to the Lions Vision Research Foundation in the Name  
of Club Founder, Noble Simpson

At the May 23<sup>rd</sup> board meeting, the board of directors unanimously voted to support the Arnall Patz Professorship for The Lions Low Vision Center by making a contribution of \$2,500 in the name of the founder of our Club, and a Past District Governor, Noble Simpson.

The Lions Low Vision Center (LVC) at the Wilmer Eye Institute, Johns Hopkins University Hospital in Baltimore is a Lions Multiple District 22 project. It is sponsored by the five Districts, with over 300 Clubs, that make up Lions Multiple District 22. The LVC is a pioneer in new clinical approaches to and research in low vision rehabilitation, offering the most advanced solutions and comprehensive clinical studies in this area. Visual impairments that cannot be corrected by medication, surgery, lasers, eyeglasses or contact lenses, are known as low vision, which is the third leading cause of disability in the United States.

Dr. Patz himself was a pioneer in this field having done extensive research into retrolental fibroplasia—a blinding disease of premature infants. He also developed one of

the first laser instruments for the treatment of retinal blood vessel diseases. As Director of the Wilmer Eye Institute, Dr. Patz had a longstanding relationship with Lions Clubs. When he passed away in March, 2010, his family decided that the most meaningful tribute would be to link his name to the Lions through an endowed professorship fund to be held at the Wilmer Eye Institute.

Dr. Patz's former patients, colleagues, students, and friends have come together to honor him with monetary gifts to create the "Arnall Patz, M.D. Professorship for the Lions Low Vision Center." At Johns Hopkins, endowed professorships are especially important to its mission of teaching, research and service.

The LVC has also established a program whereby with a donation of \$2,500, a club may recognize an individual with an Arnall Patz Fellowship. The board of directors thought it would be a fitting tribute to honor the founder of our club, Noble Simpson, who through his leadership these past 24 years has exemplified the Lions Clubs International mission of service to others.

This fall, our Club will organize a trip to the Wilmer Eye Center so that our members can better appreciate the type of research the institute is engaged in and see first-hand examples of the programs designed to improve the lives of the visually impaired and help make them more independent.



Dr. Arnall Patz, shown on right, is presented with the Albert Lasker Medical Research Award--one of the most prestigious honors in American medicine--for his discovery that infant blindness in premature babies was caused by too much oxygen... Presenting the award was none other than Helen Keller.

## Birthday Wishes!

**Birthdays are good for you. Statistics show that the people who have the most live the longest.**

**There is always a lot to be thankful for, if you take the time to look. For example, I'm sitting here thinking how nice it is that wrinkles don't hurt.**

*~Author Unknown~*

**Bob Dickerson June 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Ann Jaeger June 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Naomi Popolo June 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Harold Rabinowitz June 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Jim Miles June 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Mickey Cook June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Dave Crum June 30<sup>th</sup>**

