

President's Message

We are now back in full swing as a very busy, viable Lions club and in the past two months we have done a lot of good work.

We raised a goodly sum of money, to use for our many projects, at our Auction/Paddle Party.

We have done several environmental projects through our aluminum can collecting, our tree planting and our "Coastal Cleanup" participation.

We have continued our collection of non-perishable foods for the local food pantry and we have started helping our Leos with their project of collecting children's books for donation to the Selbyville Phillip Showell Elementary School. The "ramp" boys have installed 3 ramps in these two months. We have collected 90 pairs of eyeglasses to be recycled and served Meals on Wheels on our regular schedule. *(Cont'd next page.)*



Miss Delaware 2012--Alyssa Murray graciously poses with First Vice President Bruce, the long serving Chair of the Scholarship Committee John Furlow and KL Jean at our first meeting of the new season.

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, October 1st Regular Member Meeting 12 Noon at Harpoon Hanna's with guest speaker Phil Pease who will talk to us about NSA's mission and how it is positioned within the US Intelligence Community & the importance of the product it produces. Phil is a former Fenwick Island Lion and spent 37 years at the National Security agency. This will be an interesting and very informative presentation, not to be missed!

Friday, October 5th Club Picnic Holt's Landing State Park 12 Noon Bring your appetite and be ready for a day of good food, fun and fellowship. *(See picnic notice on page 6.)*

Sunday, October 7th LEO Leadership Bash at the Beach 1 PM Henlopen State Park

Monday, October 15th Regular Club Meeting 12 PM at Harpoon Hanna's featuring guest Speaker Laren Hughes Hall, Editor of the Delaware Wave newspaper. Laren will talk to us about the evolving way that the public gets its news and its impact on society. Another thought provoking program not to be missed!

Sunday October 21st DLF Auction at Milford... *(Check with Debbie Moreland for additional information.)*

Monday, October 22nd Board Meeting 4 PM Fenwick Island Town Hall.

Wednesday, October 24th Lions Selbyville Halloween Parade 7 PM *(See story beginning on page 4.)*

We have already begun working on reaching the goal of “at least three” new members. This goal was set by Membership Chairperson, Muriel Mooney who challenged the members in September and as of today we have two possible members being courted. We do not waste time!

We are very busy and we have only been back in” meeting mode’ for one month. We are fantastic!!!

We will now start our fall and winter activities, beginning with some very interesting speakers at our meetings. First Vice President Bruce Schoonover has lined up some great speakers. You have already experienced this at the two September meetings. Miss Delaware was not only very attractive to watch but she also held your attention as a speaker. Those of us on the Scholarship committee were especially proud since we had selected her for the four-year John Furlow Scholarship in 2010. Our second speaker, Joanna Carty, was also an exceptional speaker on a very close felt subject, *Connecting Generations*. The rest of our speakers have a high standard to reach and I am sure they will be just as dynamic.

We will start our *Visitations* this month and while it is difficult to fit these visits in our active calendars, we can grow as Lions by observing how other clubs raise their funds, conduct their meetings, and handle their problems such as increasing membership, finding people to share the work load and getting people to run for office.

Our biggest project this month is the Selbyville Halloween Parade. We started selling 50/50 tickets in July and despite some rain-outs we raised close to \$2,000. Now we need to continue our ticket sales at Ace Hardware, Walgreens, Food Lion and two PNC banks as well as the 5 books given to each member. Hopefully we will raise enough money to give the winner a sum around \$2,000. Get out there and sell, **sell, SELL** Also plan on helping that evening. Committee Chairperson, Fran Pretty will have a sign-up sheet and you will really enjoy watching the children in the parade.

The first activity in November is the Spaghetti Dinner (Nov. 3.) Planning, collecting materials and signing up help will take place this month. This is one of our regular fund raisers and we need to help by talking about it with our regular ticket buyers and anyone you meet. That’s how we sold tickets to the Auction/Paddle party and it works! So talk to everyone and carry some tickets with you at all times.

The District Governor will visit in November (Nov. 19th). Put this date on your calendar NOW so you and your spouse can be sure to be here for the meeting. We will have the District Governor induct our new members at this meeting.

We have a lot to do, and it seems like time moves very fast, so mark your calendars, eat your Wheaties and let’s keep on rolling towards another fantastic year in Lionism !

YIL,
King Lion Jean



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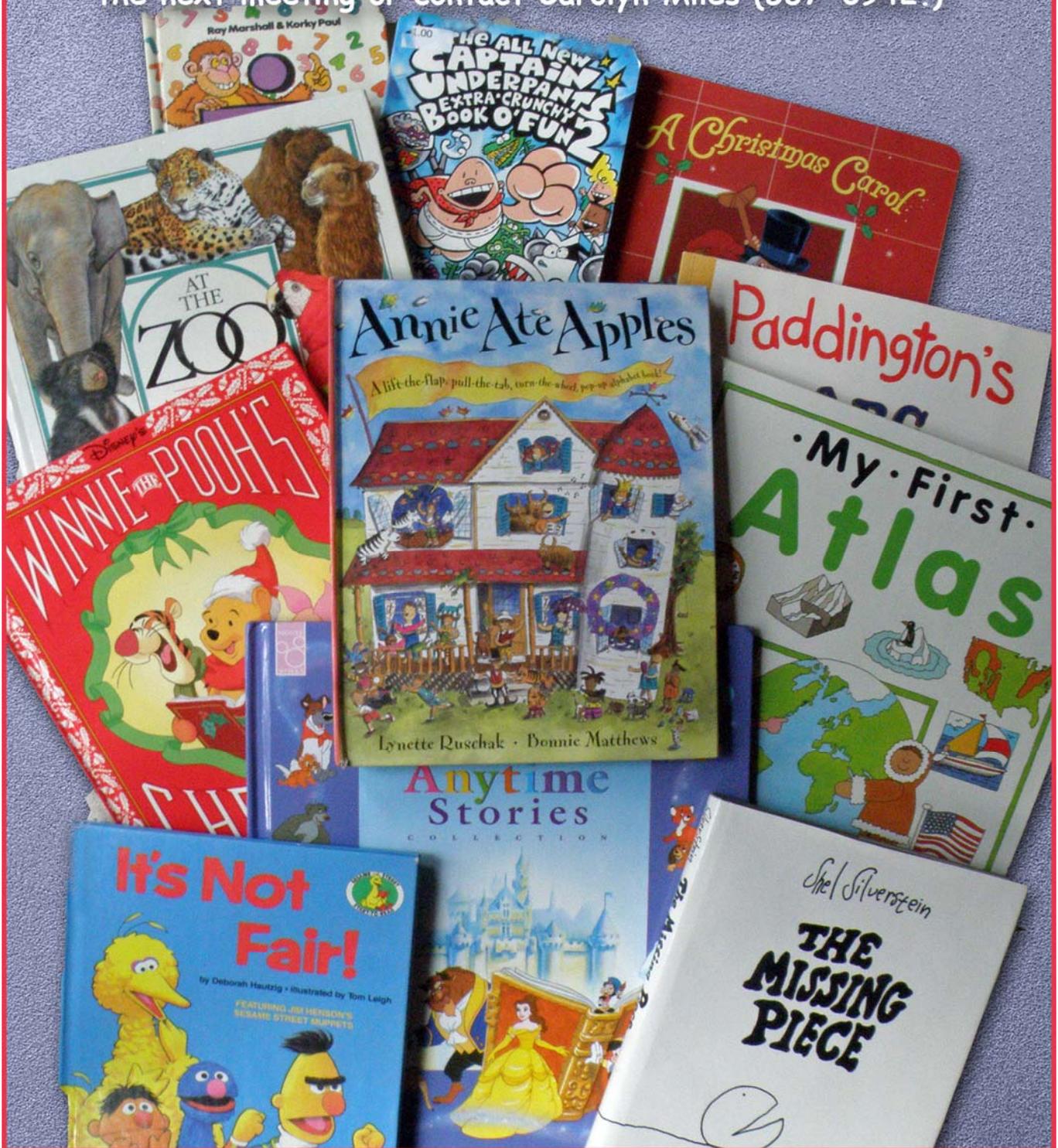
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We Need Children's Books!

One of the service projects being undertaken by our LEOs is to collect books to promote reading. Do you, your children or grandchildren have some no longer used books you can contribute to this effort? If so, please bring them to the next meeting or contact Carolyn Miles (537-0942.)



Lions Club Selbyville Halloween Parade

The tradition continues for area children and families...

The Parade

Continuing a 60+ year tradition in Selbyville, the annual Lions Club Halloween parade will be held Wednesday evening, October 24th beginning at 7 PM. This event is jointly sponsored by the Fenwick Island Lions Club and the Town of Selbyville.

Parade Route extended

The organizers have decided to extend the length of the parade for the floats and the bands to include the entire length of Church Street—from the Town Hall to the viewing stand in front of the PNC Bank. However, the costumed children will continue to meet in the Salem Methodist Church parking lot and will only march from there to the PNC Bank.

The Theme

While the primary thrust of this year's parade is—as it has been in the past—children, costumes, bands and fun, we have also, once again, chosen the theme of “Sight Night” for this annual event.

Lions Clubs worldwide are best known for their sight and vision work—whether it be providing glasses for those in need, administering a vision screening test for children to detect childhood vision disorders or raising funds to support vision research. Lions also address other sight issues—including cataracts, glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy, corneal transplants, river blindness and trachoma.

At this year's parade, members of the Indian River High School Leo Club—a Lions Club sponsored service organization which also emphasizes community service, will be collecting used eyeglasses. These eye glasses are ultimately distributed to those in need in developing countries.

When considering costumes for this year, you are encouraged to consider this “Sight Night” theme. **And, please remember to bring your old eye glasses for recycling!**



Parade Participants

Children in Costumes



As in the past, there will be a children's costume contest. All children are to meet in the parking lot of the Salem Methodist Church by 6 PM. Children will be divided into 5 age groups (Age 1-4, grades K & 1, grades 2 & 3, grades 4-6 and grades 7 & up.) 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place ribbons will be awarded for the best, most original costumes in each group.

High School Bands

This is by invitation and a number of bands have been invited to participate. This year the school bands will assemble at the Southern Delaware School of the Arts parking lot on Hosier Street, be assigned a marching position and will line up on Dukes Street. The bands are asked to register at the registration desk at the corner of Dukes and Main Street—behind the PNC Bank—by 6 PM. The Indian River High School Band - dressed in Halloween costumes - will lead off the parade as they have for many years.

Floats and Others

This category will include baton twirlers, folks running for public office, Miss Delaware (Alyssa Murray who is a 2010 graduate of Indian River High School and who hails from Selbyville), neighboring fire companies, scout troops, Miss Delaware Junior Teen, farm equipment, etc. On arrival these groups will also register at the registration desk at the corner of Dukes and Main Street—behind the PNC Bank—by 6 PM, then proceed to their assigned position on Dukes Street. Note that Selbyville Police Department has banned all motorized 4-wheelers and ATVs for safety reasons. Almost anything else is permitted, unless it is judged to be unsafe.

Food & Beverages

The Lions Club will be selling hamburgers, hot dogs and both hot and cold drinks near the viewing stand—in the parking lot of the PNC Bank. There may be other groups selling food items. However, due to new laws governing public events, all vendors are required to complete a vendor registration form that will be sent to DEMA before the start of the event. No exceptions! Vendor application forms can be obtained only by contacting Fran Pretty at 436-1773.

50-50 Raffle Tickets

The Lions Club will also be offering a 50/50 raffle, with the winner getting 50% of the proceeds from the sale of tickets. Last year, the winner of the raffle took home \$2,300. Tickets will be offered by Lions Club members prior to the parade date and also at the parade. The raffle winner will be drawn at the end of the parade. You need not be present to win!



Handicapped Parking

Parking will be available in the town parking lot behind The Georgia House Restaurant on Main Street.

Additional Information

If you should have any questions about the parade you may go on the web site for the Town of Selbyville at: www.townofselbyville.com. You may also contact Lion Fran Pretty at 436-1773 or Debbie McCabe at Selbyville Town Hall 436-8314.



Lions Picnic- Friday, October 5th... BE THERE!

Lion Jim Stone and Martha have arranged for our annual FILC picnic to, once again, be held at Holt's Landing State Park on Friday, October 5 from noon until 4:00pm. All are welcome and encouraged to attend this fun filled day, and Jim has provided a special invitation to the Friends of FILC to come join us.

Jim confirms that the weather forecast for that day is for sunny skies with temperature in the high 60's! If the weather is different on the 5th, please, blame Noble! (He is in charge of the weather).



Come out and enjoy the food/refreshments, BUT MOST OF ALL THE FELLOWSHIP!

Connecting Generations

At our second meeting of September, Calvin the Chef fed us, but our speaker Joanna Carty, Director of Connecting Generations of Seasons of Respect provided us with some real food for thought. She provided tips on how best to connect with the younger folks in our lives. She stressed the importance of spending one-on-one quality time with the individual child and giving him or her your undivided attention and really listening! Something that busy parents don't always have the time to do these days. She added that asking questions and showing real interest is another great way of making the connection and establishing a level of trust.

Joanna pointed out that, because of the Internet and all the new technology we use to communicate, a lot of the young people have not developed the social skills that we all take for granted. At times they fail to make eye contact and would rather text than talk! However, she added that there is hope, you can still "train" them.

Start building those relationships by giving that young person your full attention and letting them know that you will be there for them unconditionally. Spending "techless" time together, walking, bicycling, reading, cooking, playing cards or board games are all ways to enrich the time spent together. She also suggested that another good way to connect time together is have the child teach you about the new technology.



Guest speaker Joanna Carty shown here with Lion Bruce and King Lion Jean. Joanna presented some wonderful ideas on communicating with the younger generation.

Thank You!

Want to know that our programs are appreciated? Want to smile and feel warm and fuzzy (or at least happy?) Read on. The following are thank you notes to our club from two of this year's scholarship winners (and you will feel good after you read them!)

(From Grace Cummings)

Thank you so much for awarding me your scholarship and giving me such a warm welcome at your luncheon. I have to say that my interview with you guys was the best one I have ever had. Your interest was genuine and your kindness copious. I have never felt so welcomed, respected and understood. I want you to know that for me your organization in that one event reminded me of all I stand for. You embraced my ideas and understood my impetuous. When I was told that you guys went and saw my drawing I was deeply touched. Thank you so much for all you have done for me , not just the scholarship...

Your kindness is special...

Yours Truly,

Grace Cummings



Grace Cummings

Virginia Commonwealth University
\$1,000 Noble Simpson Scholarship

(From Kyle Marvel)



Kyle Marvel

University of Delaware
\$1,000 Skip & Ce Higgins Scholarship

Thank you all so much for awarding me the Skip & Ce Higgins Memorial Scholarship. It is an honor and your generosity is greatly appreciated. I don't only mean this scholarship; I mean all of the generous things the lions do. Your group has helped such a wide variety of people in many different ways. Everything from building ramps for the elderly to providing eye checks to children is appreciated by the community. On top of all the things you already do you have the time and resources to help high school graduates reach their goals as you have for me. The Lions are truly an impressive and underappreciated group. I can't thank you enough for all you do.

Sincerely,

Kyle Marvel

We have received many notes of thanks, but wanted to at least share a couple with you.

Birthday Wishes!

Do not regret getting older. It is a privilege denied to many.

~Author Unknown~

An archaeologist is the best husband a woman can have.

The older she gets the more interested he is in her.

~Agatha Christie~

Joe Diehl October 1st

Joe Kaub October 15th

Bob McCarthy October 18th

Don Olson October 21st

Jack Coxe October 27th

Charlie Lamb October 12th

Bill Scott October 17th

Sharon Schoonover October 20th

Al Jordon October 24th

Bob Pretty October 29th

Lauren Nuttle October 30th

