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Larryisms...

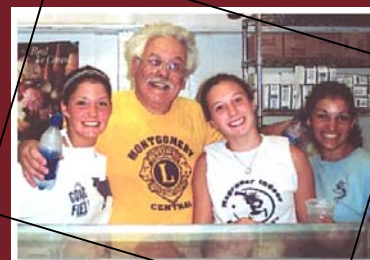
"This is my ex-fiancé', Bonnie



"We have a deluxe popcorn popper up for auction---again"



A legend in the Ice Cream Dippin' Business, Larry always has plenty of pretty helpers.



A Farewell to Lion Larry Hawley

Lion Larry Hawley and his wife Bonnie have moved to Spotsylvania County, Virginia. It is with great sadness we say farewell to Larry and Bonnie as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

Larry joined MCDL in December 1982, sponsored by the late Ed Rowse, and has served admirably for over two and a half decades,

In 1997, Larry was recognized as a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Here are some other highlights of Larry's service:

- KL 1995-1996
- Membership Chairman 6 times
- Fair & Ice Cream Chairman 7 times
- Camp Merrick committee 10 times

Larry has served on virtually every committee at least once over his 25 years of service.

Larry always made us laugh when he was the Tale Twister, collecting fees for everything he possibly could. He also liked to play a game of "hide the King Lion's gravel," much to our enjoyment.

Larry will be most remembered for his humor, generosity and friendship.

We'll miss you Larry!

Please keep in touch.

- Lion Tom Rowse



Preschool Vision Screening New Instrument Tested

In preparation for the big day, on the evening before the screening Lions Jack Waters, Jeff Robertshaw, Bill Duce and prospective member Judy Casey attended a training session at Lions Bill's home. A group the size of four offers the student a lot of time to practice and sharpen their skills, so we had a very good training session.

However, not much skill was necessary because on the next day, when Jack, Bill and Judy attended the MCDL Preschool Vision screening at Flower Hill Christian Center, the teacher was only able to have 4 students ready for screening.

Judy was the operator on the new *SureSight* screening instrument and she had the

perseverance and fortitude to stick with it and successfully screened all four children.

Just to be sure we had a successful session, Jack also screened the children using the old camera and he also was quite successful.

For the first time with the new instrument, it was very good session. Small, but good. We learned a lot and the students were excellent. Also, Judy gave each student a "glow bracelet" which was a big hit.

- *Lion Bill Duce*



White Cane Days with the boys



Larry and Gerta, "the ice cream lady" shared eight years of dippin' together



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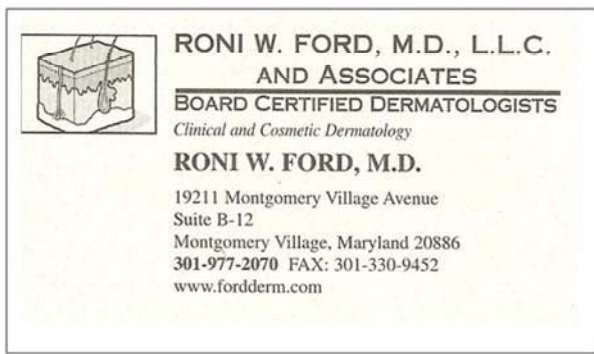
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Calendar of Events

July 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 NO MEETING	2	3	4 	5 LEOs Car Wash 11:30- 3:30 College Plaza Exxon at the corner of 355 and Gude Drive
6	7	8 Board of Director's Meeting @ Mike Planty's	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 INSTALLATION NIGHT	16	17	18	19
20 Birthday Linda Rowe	21	22 Birthday Lion Tony Koontz	23 Anniversary Ken & Diane Brace	24	25	26
27 <hr style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100%;"/> 31	28	29	27 Anniversary Tal & Susan Hughes	28	29	30

Minutes of Board Meeting Of June 10, 2008

- The Board meeting of June 10, 2008 was held at the home of Lion Mike Planty. Members attending were Lions Mike Planty, Jim Pope, Bill Reupke, Ken Twentey, Jim Walker, Jack Waters, and Tim Watts. The meeting was called to order by KL Bill at 7:28 p.m.
- The May Minutes were read and corrected by noting that the auction was held at the Montgomery Country Club and also it was understood that each of the attendees at the Multi Convention received \$100 towards their expenses.
- There was no Treasurer's report due to the absence of Treasurer Tal. However the question was asked if all the funds (checks) have been written as approved at the May meeting. They should be disbursed before July 1, 2008.

OLD BUSINESS

- DROPPED MEMBER-The secretary is to confirm that Ken Bowen has been dropped from membership.
- GOLF TOURNAMENT-The tournament took in \$8600, the highest in the 3 years of operation. Eighty-eight golfers played. The \$8600 is to be divided 80/20% between The Appalachian Housing and The Agricultural History Farm Park. The 50/50 took in \$660. The Club has \$330 to deposit. The question of whether this money is Activity money or is it Administration Fund money. The Board decided to deposit it in whichever account it went into in 2007. (A note-the secretary later determined that it went into the Activity Account).
- June 1, 2009, the first Monday in June has been scheduled for next year.
- SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS- Sarah and Kelsey (last names to be gotten) were the recipients of the scholarships. Each will get \$500 in each of 2 semesters for total of \$1000.
- INSTALLATION MEETING-June 17 is Officer Installation Meeting. A buffet meal will be served. The cost per meal will be \$18.00.
- PICNIC-Lion Paul had previously changed the date to Sunday, October 5 at his home.
- CHRISTMAS PARTY-The place is Montgomery Country Club and the date is December 16, 2008. More info later.
- CAR RAFFLE TICKETS - 100 tickets have been received from the Delaware Club (more can be acquired) The tickets will be distributed at a later meeting. Each costs \$2 and we keep \$1.

NEW BUSINESS

- BULLETIN-Incoming KL Mike is to receive all communications for the July Monty's Roar.
- The Bulletin will be E-mailed to all those having access to e-mail (unless you request it be mailed to you). All other members will be mailed a copy.
- MEAL INCREASE COST-The management of OTWC has increased the cost per meal from \$10.95 to \$12.95 per meal with the promise of a wider selection of menu. (The meal cost \$10.95 plus \$.66 tax plus \$2 tip for total of \$13.61 and the club got \$1.39 each toward the guest speaker meal for the present \$15 cost). The Board voted to increase our meal cost to \$18 with the gratuity to be \$2.25. (Meals will be \$12.95 plus \$.78 tax plus \$2.25 tip for a total of \$15.98, so the club has \$2.00 per meal towards the guest speaker cost.)
- JULY AND AUGUST MEETINGS-Only one per month - July 15 and August 19.
- FAIR-We dip ice-cream on August 16, the last day of the Fair. We do Vision and hearing tests on Saturday, August 9, and assist Pre-School tests on Monday, August 11.
- RESTRUCTURE SCHOLARSHIPS-This was tabled until next year's budget is determined.
- CAMP MERRICK ROAD FUNDS-The road washed out (the beavers dam broke and plugged the water exit). The road was repaired at a cost of \$8200. This was tabled until next year's fiscal budget is determined.
- AUDITING OF TREASURER'S BOOKS-This should be done in July/August for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.
- SPEAKERS AT MEETINGS-Lions Dale and KL Bill are to be commended for the excellence of speakers this past year.
- JULY BOARD-The Board will meet at Lion Mike Planty's on July 8, 2008.
- ADJOURN -KL Bill adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.



-- Minutes taken by Lion Jim Pope

From the (Incoming) King Lion's Lair



First, I would like to thank the members of the Montgomery Central Derwood Lions with electing me as their King Lion for 2008-2009. It is an honor to serve an organization that has been a leader in the Derwood community since 1968. Second, I would like to congratulate our outgoing KL Bill Reupke on a fine job over the past year. We had many successes as a club and he has set the bar high.

As we begin another year of service, I would like to say a few words about our direction as a service organization. Most of you know that I am a research scientist and I have spent a good chunk of the past 10 years working on a variety of social problems. One example I often use in course I teach on statistics deals with the strong relationship between ice cream consumption and violent crime. That is, within a given year, as ice cream consumption goes up, the crime rates also increases. To the novice one might come to the conclusion that a chubby group of teenage hooligans, high on ice cream sugar, are responsible for the crime spree (remember the Twinkie defense?), or that the CIA is secretly spiking your Nutty Buddy. Of course, we know that these reasons are not causes: both ice cream and crime share a relationship with a third factor, warm weather. As the weather warms up during the summer months, both ice cream consumption and crime increase, but one does not cause the other.

The point of this silly (and somewhat over-reaching) example is that without a set of principles or a strong theory as to how things should work, we can be misguided. As incoming King Lion, I propose we look to our international organization for guidance and reconfirm and rejuvenate our club's mission as a service organization. Focusing on the core mission of Lionism I propose 3 general initiatives to kick off the new year:

Point 1: Focus on our vision programs. Using Helen Keller's challenge to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness," let us reconfirm our club's mission to participate and invest in our local, national, and international sight service programs and charities. Let's be more active players in our community eye and hearing outreach programs, re-emphasize our eyeglass collection program, and commit to raising awareness and funds for the Lion vision programs.

Point 2: Recruit new members. While there is a push to recruit "younger" members, I would like to replace "younger" with "active." We need people "To Serve" regardless of age! We need people to donate blood, work White Cane Days, assist with the eye screening program, and participate in other activities throughout the year. We need new members with new ideas. New ideas on how to improve current activities and how to create new opportunities. This fall, Lion Tim will be organizing two recruiting events for new members and I hope you take advantage of these events to introduce potential members to our club. Again, attending club dinners and meetings are enjoyable and a major responsibility for each Lion, but the bottom line is that we need people **"TO SERVE."**

Point 3: Keep doing what we are doing. We are a successful and active club, and we must continue to do the things that brought us success in the past. BUT, we should encourage other not-so-active members to participate in these events and to take advantage of opportunities to lead. The citrus sale, mulch sale, white canes, golf tournament, LEOs club, Camp Merrick, Lions outreach, and club auction are fine examples of our successful events (among many others). However, we can make these events better and I encourage each member to become involved and to not assume that these events and other activities will happen on their own. It takes member participation to make these activities successful.

For many, these three points will serve as a simple reminder and for others I hope they create a renewed interest in service and our mission as Lions. Of course, our club does not operate in isolation and we must recognize the current social, political, and economic climate and respond appropriately when the need arises. I am confident that if we embrace Lionism as structured by our founding members, we can meet these challenges, and serve our Derwood community with great pride.

Yours in Lionism,
Incoming KL Mike

The Leo Zone

President's Report

On April 5th ten of our LEOs participated in the mulch sale at Magruder High School. We were responsible for loading and delivering 1,000 bags of mulch all around the area. It was hard work but we had fun and made \$450.00 for our club treasury. Thanks to Lion Paul Hassler for inviting us to take part in this endeavor. Our club now has \$652.00 in our account.



On April 12th and 13th we partnered with our Lion's Club to work for White Cane. Our April meeting was held on April 15th after school. There were 18 members present. We had a quick business meeting then we made Earth Day posters to post all around Shady Grove Middle School to remind students to conserve, recycle and protect our environment.

In May we completed our LEO Club Officer and Membership Report and sent it off to LCIF. We finished our year with 40 members! Also in May we submitted our application for the 22-C District Governor's Award. To earn this award a LEO Club must complete 5 of the 11 criteria. Our club completed 10 out of 11. Our May meeting was held on May 20th. We had 22 members present. We went over our activities and achievements for the year. We had a great time working with other LEO Clubs, with our sponsoring Lion Club, making scarves, holiday cards, visiting the Soldiers, making dinner for the women's shelter, raising funds for wheelchairs and books for schools, having two fund raisers and much more. We encouraged our members to re-join next fall, discussed ways to get incoming 6th graders to want to join us also and that elections would be held next fall when school starts up again. We unanimously voted to donate \$100.00 from our treasury to the earthquake victims in China. We sent our check to LCIF.

Our summer plans include having a car wash to benefit the *Washington Post's* "Send a Kid to Camp" drive. It costs \$700.00 to send one child to camp. These children are at risk or in single parent households in the District of Columbia. They very much look forward to getting away in a camp setting. The date will be determined soon. We had planned to participate in Camp Shriver but it has been cancelled this year. Many of us look forward to working with the Derwood Lions to serve ice cream at the Montgomery County Fair in August.

This past year has been a fun and exciting experience for me. I look forward to working with the Lions in the future, mentoring the Shady Grove LEOs next year and possibly starting another LEO Club at Magruder. I was very fortunate to have the help of many people to complete my year as Club President. I am honored that Mr. and Mrs. Pledger have nominated me for the Leo of the Year Award.

Our club would like to thank you for your belief in us, your sponsorship and for providing support, as well as our sweatshirts which we wear proudly. Thank you again and see you this summer.

Sincerely,

Michael Buscemi

Melvin Jones

Melvin Jones was born on January 13, 1879 in Fort Thomas, Arizona, the son of a United States Army captain who commanded a troop of scouts. Later, his father was transferred and the family moved east. As a young man, Melvin Jones made his home in Chicago, Illinois, became associated with an insurance firm and in 1913 formed his own agency.

He soon joined the Business Circle, a businessmen's luncheon group, and was shortly elected secretary. This group was one of many at that time devoted solely to promoting the financial interests of their membership. Because of their limited appeal,

they were destined to disappear. Melvin Jones, however, had other plans. "What if these men," he asked, "who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?" Thus, at his invitation, delegates from men's clubs met in Chicago to lay the groundwork for such an organization and on June 7, 1917, Lions Clubs International was born.

Melvin Jones eventually abandoned his insurance agency to devote himself full time to Lions at International Headquarters in Chicago. It was under his dynamic leadership that Lions Clubs earned

the prestige necessary to attract civic-minded members.

The association's founder was also recognized as a leader outside the association. One of his greatest honors was in 1945 when he represented Lions Clubs International as a consultant in San Francisco, California, at the organization of the United Nations.

Melvin Jones, the man whose personal code "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else" became a guiding principle for public-spirited people the world over, died June 1, 1961 at 82 years of age.



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get very far
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Montgomery Central Derwood Lions Melvin Jones Fellows

Donald King-1993
Bill Chiswell-1994
John Mohler-1994
Ken Twentey-1995
Jack Waters-1995
Jim Pope-1996
Paul Hassler-1997
Larry Hawley-1997

Jim Walker-1997
Ed Rowse-1998
John Knight-1999
Tony Koontz-2000
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Tal Hughes-2003

Bill Duce-2004
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Upcoming Events!

Please check out the website for updates www.derwoodlions.com

Car Wash to Benefit "Camp for Kids"

Saturday, July 5th
11:30 to 3:30

The LEOs will hold a car wash at the College Plaza Exxon at the corner of 355 and Gude Drive. Please email Lion Karen at chickenlady@aol.com or call for details (301.947.4203). If you can volunteer that would be great. More importantly please support the effort and drive by for a cleaning!

New Officers Installation Night

July 15th

The Outta of the Way Café

Please contact Lion Jim Walker for details.

Gaithersburg Olde Towne Days

Please contact Lions Tim Watts or Tommy Rowse for details on how you can help.

Montgomery County Fair Ice Cream Dippin' and Eye Mobile

August 8th-16th

Details forthcoming
<http://www.mcagfair.com/>

Derwood Lions Annual Picnic and Big Band Event

October 2008

Please contact Lion Paul Hassler for details.

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