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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

December Lions Club Meeting to be December 12 at Legends

That’s right – the only meeting we will have in December will be on Monday evening December 12 (the 2nd Monday of the month) beginning at 6:00. This will be our annual Christmas Party so spouses (or significant others) are invited and you should not wear your Lions vest – just dress nicely. Lion Jay Fox will provide musical entertainment and business will be kept to a minimum. Cost of the meal will be the normal \$13.00. C’mon out and have a great time at our last meeting of the calendar year.

Note to Board members: There will be a Board meeting prior to the regular meeting.

November 21st Meeting Was a Good One

The meeting on November 21 was well attended in spite of yours truly putting the wrong date in the Newsletter. The program for the evening was presented by DG Millie Sweat who was very complimentary of our club as a leader in District 12-O as well as in the state. She also inducted two new members (Joe Ross and Roger Miller).



Thanks to Everyone For Making the Cheese Sale Successful

Lions Dave and Jeanne would like to thank all the Lions who sold cheese, and especially to recognize Lions Alex Ebneth and Billy Gustin for their extraordinary efforts and to Bob and Shelley Lewis for taking over while the Dougherty’s were away. Net profit should be over \$4,000 when all is said and done. We’ll be having a ‘Thank You’ dinner at Lefty’s early in 2012.

An interesting thing about golf is that no matter how badly you play, it’s always possible to get worse.

Happy Birthdays and Anniversaries!

Birthdays: 12/3: Greg Pugh; 12/11: Marvin King; 12/14: Robyn Hamblington; 12/15: Shirley King; 12/17: Tom Amann; 12/23: Ken Wolfswinkel; 12/27: Diane Mundt; 12/29: Bob Gruber and Bill Kallas.

Anniversaries: 12/2: Roger & Myrna Quackenbush; 12/5: Jay & Catherine Fox; 12/17: Bob & Peggy Dukes; 12/18: Walt & Audrey Mellor; 12/21: Bob & Mary Cover; 12/30: Charles & Charisse Straight.

LEO Clubs Are Active

Lion Bob Seabrook reports that the LEO Club at Cumberland County HS is currently collecting toys for the East Tennessee Children's Hospital and is also going to participate in Christmas on the Mountain in December. It's nice to see these students serving their community.

Have You Seen Weslie Lately???

Our own Lion Weslie Webster is currently playing the part of Yente the Matchmaker in the CCPH production of "Fiddler on the Roof". She does an outstanding job with this role and the entire play is extremely well done and enjoyable. If you have not seen it, you should. Weslie will also be at the FFG Community Center on December 5 as part of a singing presentation.

TSB Lions Day Will Be December 9

Since 1957 Lions like you have been gathering at the Tennessee School for the Blind to say "Merry Christmas" to the children before they leave to go home for the Holidays. It is almost that time again and I want to take this opportunity to invite you and all the Lions in your district to be a part of this long-standing tradition

This year *Lions Day* will be held on Friday, December 9. As usual, we will begin with registration and light refreshments in the Administrative Conference Room at around 9:00 a.m. At about 9:30 a.m., we will move to the Auditorium where the Chorus will sing a few songs of the season to get everyone in the holiday spirit. Then Lions by district will have the opportunity to personally present every child with a Christmas Gift – a check in the amount of \$50.00!

Lion Keith Pontius plans to go to this and would appreciate any other Lions who can make it going along with him. If you are free on December 9, give Keith a call.

ADULT TRUTHS

Sometimes I'll look down at my watch 3 consecutive times and still not know what time it is.

Nothing sucks more than that moment during an argument when you realize you're wrong.

Lions Learning Retreat Coming in January

Lion Keith Pontius, Carol and Marty Smith are planning to attend the Lions Learning Retreat in Manchester, TN on January 13-15. This should be an excellent conference for anyone who is currently an officer or plans to be one or plans to hold other offices. Let Lion Keith know if you would like to attend and he can furnish the info.

Wrap-Up Report on Hearing Screening

We have finished screening the students of the Cumberland County Schools. The screening went very well this year. I was not called back to rescreen as many children this year, which means the Lions did a good job. The results are as follows.

Total screened	2599
Total Passed	2450
Total Referred	149

Resulting in an average of 5.73% referral rate



This percent is the same rate for the last few years and down some before that. The number of Lions working was 41 and total number of “man” hours was 455.5. One interesting note was that the population of the schools in these grades is smaller this year.

Now I want to thank three special people Bob Emrick, Venita, and Warren McAlvey for their generous gift of a new meter that arrived on November 17th of course after the hearing screening was finished. Thank you Bob, Venita, and Warren.

While I am thanking people I want to say a special THANK YOU to all of you that support the Hearing Program by your willingness to help. Next year will be here soon enough and I have your name on my list and if you didn't get to go to the schools this year I'll be looking for you then.

Disaster Relief Updates From LCIF

LCIF remains committed to helping Lions long after the initial shock and devastation of a disaster. Rebuilding efforts continue in Haiti with a collaborative project between LCIF and Food for the Poor. US\$2.78 million will provide 400 permanent homes and a community center that will offer vocational training. Additionally, four projects totaling nearly US\$3 million are under way in Japan to continue providing needed aid, including a special victims' assistance fund, emergency radio equipment, cleaning and food service equipment and more. LCIF is mobilizing a total of US\$21 million for Japan.

SightFirst Making an Impact in Latin America

Lions in Latin America are changing lives through blindness prevention activities, with support from SightFirst. A total of 496,586 river blindness treatments have been provided. Additionally 12,528 cataract surgeries have helped to restore sight. Two comprehensive, multiple district diabetic retinopathy projects aim to treat 2,360 diabetic patients; 320 infants will be helped through a multiple district retinopathy of prematurity project; and four eye clinics are receiving support for renovation and equipment upgrades. Future newsletters will highlight the impact of funds raised through Campaign SightFirst II in other regions of the world.



Merry Christmas!



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