



Charleston Gold Dome Lions Club

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at Shoney's Restaurant in Kanawha City, Charleston, WV at 6:00 p.m.

GOLD DOME NEWS NUGGETS

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April Meetings—On April 5 at 6 p.m. at the Kanawha City Shoney's Restaurant we will have our regularly scheduled first meeting of the month with a program to be announced. On April 19th—same time and place—we will have the second regular meeting of the month with a brief business meeting along with our Elections Meeting.

May Meetings—Our club will have the first regular meeting of the month on May 3rd with a brief business meeting at Shoney's Restaurant in Kanawha City at 6 p.m. On May 17th—same time and place—we will have the second regular meeting of the month with a brief business meeting and program to be announced.

Board Meeting—A Board of Directors meeting is routinely scheduled immediately following the first regular meeting of the month.



Welcome New Members!—Lion Sheri sponsored two new members that were inducted at our March 1st meeting by Lion Immediate Past District Governor Eddie Queen. Welcome to Lions Wendy Peters (left) and Bridgit Brown (right). We need more good Lions just like them!



Charleston Gold Dome Lions Club Sight Foundation (CGDLCSF)– IN BUSINESS!—Congratulations Charleston Gold Dome Lions! Lion Darrell has been working for months to establish the CGDLCSF as a 501 (c) (3) organization. Last month he received a letter from IRS designating the CGDLCSF as a 501 (c) (3) organization, thus making donations to it tax deductible. This should help our fundraising efforts, since often-times individuals and corporations like to make donations that will be tax deductible for them.

Nominations Meeting and Elections Meeting—At our March 15 Nominations Meeting, the Nominations Committee (Lions Leslie Morris, Shelley Seafler and Sheri Lowery) presented a list of candidates for club officers for Lions Year 7/1/11 through 6/30/12. There being no nominations from the floor, nominations were closed. The Elections Meeting will be April 19th. The nominations are as follows: President--Sheri Lowery, Immediate Past President--Jimmy Lowery, 1st VP/Assistant Treasurer -- Leslie Morris, 2nd VP/Assistant Secretary--Shelley Seafler, Secretary/Treasurer--Jim McMillon, Tail Twister--Jill Marks-Jennings, Lion Tamer--Cheryl Jennings, Membership Committee Chair--Jimmy Lowery and Chaplain--Charles Varner.

Zone 6 Meeting Well Attended 3/22—The 3RD ZONE 6 meeting hosted by the Campbells Creek Lions Club held on Tuesday, March 22, 2011 at the Coal Fork Methodist Activity Building, 4449 Campbell Creek Drive at 6:30 PM was well attended and our club was well represented. Lion President Jimmy Lowery reported that those present from our club were Lions: Sheri, Shelley, Leslie, Darrell and Jill. Good information was presented and the clubs shared with each other.



Kiss A Pig 2011—Event and Artwork Contest— The 12th Annual KISS A PIG (KAP) event sponsored by the Charleston Gold Dome Lions Club (CGDLC) and the West Virginia Branch of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International (JDRF) is in full swing. It is a FUNdraising event to raise research dollars for a cure for diabetes and dollars for the Lions Club sight projects and charities. The KAP Kick-Off was held at the Appalachian Power Park Clubhouse in Charleston on Saturday, February 26th, at noon. The KAP Kiss-Off (when the winner is announced and gets to kiss a live pig) will be Saturday, April 23rd at the same location and time.

Since the pig was the first source of insulin in 1921, the JDRF and Gold Dome Lions recognize and really love the pig (enough to hold a contest to kiss it). Hence they are willing to support and happy to work with the 'Kiss A Pig' for diabetes awareness program.

Local candidates are now campaigning to solicit the most votes for their individual campaigns. Each dollar donation counts as a vote. Whoever garners the most votes gets the honor of kissing the pig. Candidates have been secured and are busily campaigning for the

high honor. Candidates include: Sheri Lowery and Ellyana (4) Harvey - Gold Dome Lions Club, Officer Duke Jordan - Charleston Policeman, Ashley Smith - WCHS-TV8/WVAH-Fox 11, Brian Belcher - Yeager Airport Director of Marketing & Air Service Developing, Wendy Peters - Poca High School Employee and Gold Dome Lion, Cathi Bradley - Principal- Elk Elementary Center, Tom Blankenship - Professional Dog Trainer/handler, C. Ed Childers, Jr. MD - Pediatrician, South Charleston, WV, Eric Lockhart – Retired, Roland Ferrell – Retired and David McDaniel - Business Person.

Diabetes team members selected by JDRF will be working with the candidates. They are Brody Aliff (10), Willow Shawl (10), Caitlyn Pace (8), Piper DeHart (2), Jay Haapala (13), Aaron Owen (17), Rachael Cottrill (12), Brooklyn Ann Prince (3), Kierstyn McDade (4) and Cole Binion (7) to raise votes for their campaigns.

Votes/dollars can be given (in any quantity) to the candidates for their competition to get the most votes to kiss a live pig at high noon at the “Kiss-Off” on April 23rd at Appalachian Power Park in Charleston. Tax deductible donations in the form of votes/dollars can be sent to the Kiss-A-Pig Program at P. O. Box 2385, Charleston, WV 25328. Make checks or money orders payable to Kiss-A-Pig Program. Be sure to indicate your candidate’s name in the memo portion of the check.

In connection with the KAP event an artwork contest has been held that was open to youth statewide. **The contest** will award a first place prize to each winner in four categories: Elementary School (Grades K-3), Elementary School (Grades 4 & 5), Middle School and High School. Each winner will receive a **\$100** US Savings Bond, donated by the City Bank-West Branch, via Clint Patterson, Jr., Branch Manager. The contest started January 21, 2011 and ended March 22, 2011. The winning entry in each category will be selected by April 11th and will be notified in person, by mail or by telephone no later than April 14th. Rules information can still be obtained from the following websites: www.lionsmd29-o.org or www.wvlions.org



For more information about Lions Clubs and the JDRF visit www.wvlions.org and www.jdrf.org. For more information about the diabetes, visit: www.lionsmd29-o.org or www.wvlions.org or contact Lori Haapala 304-965-3862 LoriHaapala@yahoo.com or Tammy Owen--304-346-7000 tjo@goodwingoodwin.com of JDRF. For more information about the Lions’ diabetes/sight programs or if you are worried that you or someone in your family may have diabetes or want to know more about how you can volunteer to help, contact Jim McMillon—304-769-5324 wvmcmillon@suddenlink.net of the Charleston Gold Dome Lions Club. For more information about Lions Clubs in general visit www.lionsclubs.org, or call West Virginia toll-free numbers: 1-866-WVLIONS or 1-866-WVSIGHT.



~--**Lion Eggs in April**--- On Fridays and Saturdays in April (See fundrasider schedule below), the Charleston Gold Dome Lions Club will be selling Lion Eggs. The Lion Eggs are plastic eggs, each containing a note and a Chenille chick that sell for \$1 per egg. All notes thank the buyer and some of the notes have a prize number indicating the buyer has won a small prize. Prizes range from a variety of items, like figurines, yo-yos and other fun things for adults and children. All materials and initial prizes were donated by Lion Jerri.

On March 18 and 19, Lions Jim, Sheri and Jimmy along with Lion Helpers Tiffany Faulkner and Ellyana Harvey sold Lions Eggs and delicious hot dogs. Now, we need members to volunteer to work at some of the events listed below. If you would like to work or have any items to donate as prizes, contact Lions Jim or Jerri. Profits from these fund-raisers will go to help the visually and hearing impaired by providing eyeglasses and hearing aides for the needy in the community as well as other Lions charities and activities. If you have questions, please call Lions Jim or Jerri at 304-769-5324.

FUNDRAISER SCHEDULE-April Thru June 2011

- Fri.-4.01--12-4-Kroger at Cross Lanes-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Sat.-4.02--11-3-Kroger at Cross Lanes-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Wed.-4.06--10-4-Shoney's Kan. City-Free Eye and Diabetes Screenings--Jim & _____, Jimmy, Sheri
- Fri.-4.08--12-4-K-Mart at St. Albans-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Sat.-4.09--10-4-K-Mart/Big K-Patrick Street-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Sat.-4.09--9-3-Thomas Hospital-Info Booth--Wendy & Jimmy and Sheri
- Fri.-4.15--11-3-K-Mart/Big K-Elkview-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Sat.-4.16--10-4-K-Mart/Big K-Elkview-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Fri.-4.22--12-4-K-Mart at St. Albans-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Sat.-4.23--11-1-Appy Power Park-Kiss A Pig Kiss Off--Jim & _____ Jimmy, Sheri
- Sat.-4.23--4-7-K-Mart/Big K-Patrick Street-Lion Eggs--Jim & _____
- Sat.-5.21--10-4-Location to be announced-Hot Dogs- -Jim & _____ Jimmy, Sheri
- Sat.-6.04--8-5-Date to change and Location to be announced-Poker Run- -Jim & _____ Jimmy, Sheri
- Sat.-6.11--10-4-Location to be announced-Hot Dogs- -Jim & _____ Jimmy, Sheri

~--**Elder Beerman Community Day Fund Raiser 2//26—Community Day Coupon Booklets**—Our club once more participated in the Community Day Program at Elder Beerman. Community Day on Saturday, February 26. In addition to coupon booklet sales, Elder Beerman provided a sharing check of \$163.38 to our club. Thanks to Lion Tim Keenan for coordinating this successful fundraiser.



🌀--*House for Sale*—In a recent communication with South Charleston Lion PDG Creed Adkins, it was learned that he is selling his home in South Charleston for only \$165,000. Located at 697 Gordon Drive, this lovely South Hills raised rancher has 1,600 square feet of comfortable living area with 3 bedrooms, 2 ½ baths, a great yard and much more. Any Lions or friends interested or knowing of potential buyers can contact Lion Creed at 304-342-1393.



🌀--*Lion Jill Mystery Solved*— So why is Lion Jill sometimes also known as “Lion Jill the Zipper?” The mystery is solved. While recently on a trip to Mexico with her daughter, they both took four hours off to try the zip line. Lion Jill says she ached for a few days but the experience was worth it! Congratulations Lion Jill!



☐🌀--*Birthdays*— We have four April birthdays—Lions Leslie Morris 10-Apr, Courtnay Johnson 15-Apr, Timothy "Tim" Anderson 26-Apr and Sheri Jean Lowery Jr. 30-Apr—HAPPY BIRTHDAY LIONS!

🌀--*Joke, No Really--* Why We Miss Rodney Dangerfield -- Because he said “... I know I'm not sexy. When I put my underwear on I can hear the Fruit-of-the-Loom guys giggling.”

🌀--*The GOLD DOME NEWS NUGGETS--* will be circulated monthly among those attending meetings and will be E-mailed to members with E-mail or snail mailed to those without E-mail. You don't have to have E-mail to save our club a stamp, just come to the meetings ☺. Let Lion Jim know (304-769-5324) of any “news nuggets” you might have.

🌀-- **To Seek** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

—**Second Item of Eight Lions Code of Ethics.**

🌀--*Works in Progress*—

- White Cane Day Planning—1,000 Stickers received—Plan to do with Poker Run
- Cell phones collections are still in progress
- Charleston Gold Dome Lions Club Sight Foundation



🌀--*Candle Sales*— The Gold Dome Lions Club continues to sell scented candles. They are great for personal use or as nice gifts. They are only \$10 per 16 oz/pint jar. The proceeds go to help the visually impaired and other Lions Club charities. The candles come in a neat pint size jar and have some really neat scents, like Apple Cinnamon, Banana Nut Bread, Cinnamon Stick and many others. Feel free to take orders from friends or family with delivery in a few weeks. **For sure-fire sales tips, contact Lion Jill, Champion “Candle Sales-Lion” of the Club.**

Coming Events – Note—“Program to be announced” will be abbreviated “tba.” Items in **red ink** denote First Vice District Governor (FVDG) Darrell Jennings Visits. Items in **green ink** denote fund-raisers. Items in **blue ink** denote service or other events. Items in **black ink** denote club meetings.

- ◆ April 5—Regular Meeting—tba—Raffle prizes by Lion Charlie Varner. Board of Directors meeting follows the regular meeting.
- ◆ **April 12 - FVDG Darrell attempting to visit Chas-West LC**
- ◆ **April 16 - FUND RAISER—Kiss A Pig Cut-Off for Votes**
- ◆ **April 18 - FVDG Darrell attending Alum Creek LC as guest speaker**
- ◆ April 19--Regular Meeting and **Elections Meeting**—tba—Raffle prizes by Lion Jill Marks-Jennings.
- ◆ **April 23 - FUND RAISER—Kiss A Pig Kiss-Off, Noon, Power Park**
- ◆ **April 26 - FVDG Darrell attending Glasgow-Cedar Grove LC as guest speaker**
- ◆ May 3—Regular Meeting—tba—Raffle prizes by Lion Jerri McMillon. Board of Directors meeting follows the regular meeting.
- ◆ **May 10 - FVDG Darrell attempting to visit Liberty LC**
- ◆ May 17--Regular Meeting—tba—Raffle prizes by Lion Cheryl Jennings.
- ◆ **May 20 - 22 - FVDG Darrell attending WV State Convention in Morgantown**
- ◆ **SERVICE/OTHER EVENT May 20-21-22, 2011—WV State Convention - Lakeview Resort Morgantown, WV**
- ◆ June 7—Regular Meeting—tba—Raffle prizes by Lion Jimmy Lowery. Board of Directors meeting follows the regular meeting.
- ◆ **June 11 - FUND RAISER—Poker Run –Tentative Site at Coonskin in Charleston or St. Albans Roadside Park**
- ◆ **June 14 - FVDG/DGE Darrell attending So Chas LC to install new officers**
- ◆ June 21--Regular Meeting and **Anniversary/Installation of Officers Meeting**—tba—Raffle prizes to be determined.
- ◆ **SERVICE/OTHER EVENT June 27, 2011—Lions Jimmy and Sheri Lowery leave for Seattle, WA for LCI Convention, returning on or about July 14**
- ◆ **SERVICE/OTHER EVENT June 29, 2011—Lion Darrell leaves for Seattle, WA for LCI Convention**

"With Heart and Hands We Make a Difference"
"MORE LIONS=MORE FRIENDS"