



SHOOTIN' THE BREEZE

Northern Calvert Lions Club

February 2008

Fellow Lions,

Greetings again from the Northern Calvert Lions Club newsletter editor and editorial staff.

Keep PDG Ken Watson and his wife Nancy in your prayers. On 18Jan08 he had 5-way bypass surgery at the Washington Hospital Center and had returned home on 02Feb08. We understood that he was resting comfortably at home but have learned that on Thursday 07Feb08 he was back in the hospital, now at Calvert Memorial Hospital, having problems with blood clots. Nancy has requested that there be no phone calls or visits.

Our next regular meeting is 19 February 2008 and is a program meeting. Don't forget to mark that on your new 2008 calendars! Remember that we no longer meet in the back room. We now meet and have dinner in the public dining room and then retire to the hotel board/club room for our meeting.

The Melvin Jones Luncheon was held on Saturday 12Jan08 at the Brandywine Club House, Cheltenham, MD. 20623. Our President, Jim Daniels, Treasurer Corny DeBruyn, and I attended and really enjoyed the fellowship and the speakers. While there, our President Lion Jim did a great job with the preliminary sales of our 2nd Annual Fireworks Celebration Getaway Raffle tickets and sold \$90 worth. Tickets are \$5 each for 03 July 2008 overnight accommodations at the Chesapeake Beach Resort to include dinner and a continental breakfast. The drawing will be held at our 17 June 2008 meeting.

New member orientation will be Wednesday 20Feb08 at Momma Stella's Restaurant, 7918 Old Branch Avenue, Clinton, MD, at 6:30pm. Our new Lions Lisa, Toni, and Barbara will attend with their sponsors Karen, Dawn, and Jim. New Lion Robb will have to attend at a later date since he will be working.

LCIF reports that during the week of 17-24 Jan08 for Campaign Sightfirst II raised

U.S. \$1.29 million which brings the worldwide total to more than U.S. \$134.8 million. One of the highlights was that Sector I-2-E led by ID Joe Gaffigan surpassed 100% of its projected goal, the first sector in the United States to reach this milestone.

Our President, Lion Jim, on 09 December 2007, sent a letter to the Help Association, Inc. in Owings, MD seeking any available funding to non-profit organizations from them. Mrs. Brenda James, HELP's treasurer will attend our 19Feb08 program meeting and speak to us about her organization.

The Region 5 Social will be held 15Mar08 at the Upper Marlboro Firehouse. Details about cost, time, and theme will be provided when they become available.

Being the attentive individual that he is, Lion Bob McMahon has advised that a recent North Beach Town Newsletter announced that the dates for North Beach Bayfest 2008 will be 23 and 24 August. The club has agreed that the 2007 location of our beer trailer will be very acceptable for 2008. We now have to apply for our Bayfest licenses.

While on the subject of Lion Bob, he will be following up with North Beach Town Hall about our installing a club sign in North Beach.

Our Club President has reserved 4 rooms at the Dover Downs Hotel and Casino in Dover, DE for the 07-10 May 2008 Multiple District Convention at a discount rate of \$125 per night. Three rooms are open for anyone in the club so please let Lion Jim know if you would like to reserve a room.

A reminder again from our Lion Marian has to search for those "hidden treasures" at home and bring them to our meeting for our auctions which are always fun.

Another reminder is that our Tail Twister will be fining Lions not wearing their name tags \$1 (cash only) per meeting.

Upcoming Calendar:

11Feb		Blood Drive at St. Anthony's
19Feb		Northern Calvert Program Meeting
20Feb	AM	Noah's Ark Pre-School Vision Screening, Huntingtown
	PM	New Member Orientation, 6:30pm at Momma Stella's
22Feb		LCOF Board Meeting
14Mar		Combined Advisory/Cabinet Meeting – Mechanicsville (Date changed from 05Apr08)

15Mar	Region 5 Social, Upper Marlboro Volunteer Fire Hall
04Apr	LCOF Board Meeting
19Apr	22-C Night – All-Stars featured
07-10May	Multiple District 22C Convention in Dover, DE
14Jun	Incoming Officer Training
17Jun	03 July 2008 Fireworks Celebration Getaway drawing
23-27 Jun	91st Annual Lions Clubs International Convention, Bangkok, Thailand
27Jun	LCOF Board Meeting
28Jun	District Awards Luncheon
23-24Aug	North Beach “Bayfest”

A Word from the King Lion:

We give to others in hopes that we, in our own way, we can make a difference, a contribution. We do what we do because of who we are, what we are.
We are Lions and We Serve! It’s a good feeling, isn’t it?

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO!

And the Parting Shot of the Editor:

As always, having stated this many, many, many, times before I can very easily remind you that this is YOUR newsletter and I would very much appreciate any articles or material you feel would be of interest or concern to our members. My mailing address and e-mail address are on the club roster. Any input you provide will be appreciated.

Thanks for being Lions and thanks again for all that you do, God bless.

Lion Pat 07Feb08 08:08pm