

HERE'S THE OCTOBER 2017

## CLAYMONT LIONS CLUB



### SCOOP

**PROVIDING 79 YEARS OF SERVICE-TO-OTHERS IN THE CLAYMONT AREA**

**Don LeCates, President, Lee Bird, Secretary, Richard Gackenbach, Treasurer**

**Tom Ramsay, Bulletin Editor**

#### CLAYMONT LIONS:

**Congratulations to Chair Frazier Van Velsor and his committee** for their leadership with the record-setting recent **White Cane Days** activity. **\$5,152.50** was collected from members of the community (the previous record was **\$5,005**). It was a great start to our new year of activities. Thanks are extended to the **45 Lions** who participated. We also thank our community partners, **Dunkin Donuts** and the **Acmes**, for permitting us to use their properties for our fund-raising efforts.

**Pancake Chair Fred Powell** is planning for the **Fall Pancake Day**, scheduled for **Saturday, October 28, 2017** at the **Claymont Fire Hall**. All meals will cost **\$6.00**. Meals will be served from **7:30 AM until 12:30 PM** (or later if a crowd remains at the scheduled closing time). Please plan to participate in one or more phases of this event (**Lion Fred** will identify the dates & times he will need help with preparations). Selling tickets helps with income, but is also a means of **advertising** the fund-raiser. The second **Pancake Day** will be held **Saturday, February 24, 2018** at **Claymont Fire Hall**; the third on **Saturday, April 14, 2018** at **Brandywine Hundred Fire Hall**. Last year, income from our fund-raising activities surpassed budget projections. Please plan to assist in one or more of the Pancake Day activities. Let's all work to repeat the fund-raising success of the previous Lion year.

Best wishes to **Lion Randy Keim** on his next **150-mile Bike-To-The-Bay** trip. Please consider a donation to **Multiple Sclerosis (National MS Society)** for his efforts. He will accept donations at our dinner meetings and the Board meeting.

Our **District Governor's official visitation to our club** will be held on **Wednesday, October 25**. Hope to have a good turnout of club members on this evening.

Please plan to attend dinner meetings regularly. Good attendance at dinner meetings helps set a good tone for a productive year of service in our community.

**KING LION DON**

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY OCTOBER LIONS**

Lions whose birthdays fall in **October** are reminded to bring a wrapped gift for auction at the first dinner meeting in **October**. Monies from this activity are deposited in the club Administrative Account and used in support of club activities and financial needs.

**October Birthdays are:**

**Jessica Graham Oct 10**

**Sandra Jeffries Oct 16**

**Bill Moser Oct 22**

**Liz Ramsay Oct 29**

**Bob Hershberger Oct 5**

**Nadar Makarious Oct 31**

**Hayat Omar-Hubert Oct 23**

**Mark Teoli Oct 12**

## **DINNER MEETINGS**

**Dinner meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays from September through June unless changed by Board action. Held at the Waterfall Banquet & Conference center on Philadelphia Pike, they begin at 5:30 PM with a social hour. Dinner begins at 6:30 PM. Dinner meetings in November & December are held the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays due to holidays those months. Dinner is now \$25 per person. Program Chair Ron Pierson has scheduled the following programs for February.**

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017 – To be determined.**

**Wednesday, October 25, 2017 – District Governor's Official Visitation.**

Members are to contact **Lion Mandy Scarborough (claymontlionsdinner@gmail.com)** by noon Friday preceding each Wednesday dinner with the number planning to attend. Items for the **Claymont Food Closet** are to be brought to the 1<sup>st</sup> dinner of the month. **Funds from 50/50 Raffle, Joker Jackpot & Birthday Gifts support the Administrative Account** used for club expenses. Dinner now costs \$25 per person.

## **OCTOBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

The **October Board of Directors meeting** will be held on **Wednesday, October 18** at the home of **Lions Elaine & Bob Hallsted**. It will begin at 7:00 PM. All club members are invited to attend Board meetings where the official business of the club is conducted. Those present may participate in meeting dialogue. Only Board members vote on items requiring Board action.

## **THE CLUB NEWSLETTER IS NOW SENT BY E-MAIL TO MOST MEMBERS**

The club newsletter is now sent by email to most members. Those without an email address will still receive a mailed copy. Past President Carol will handle email transactions. Please contact Lion Tom ([tlramsay@comcast.net](mailto:tlramsay@comcast.net)) if you do not receive a newsletter by email or regular mail.

## **EMPTY INK CARTRIDGES BENEFIT CLUB ADMINISTRATIVE FUND**

**Lions Gail & Kirt Krebs** continue to collect empty **computer printer ink cartridges**. Bring empty cartridges to dinner or board meetings. Cash from these empty cartridges is deposited in the club administrative account. **Can Tabs** will be donated to the **Ronald McDonald House**. And, if you shop on line, use **smile.amazon.com**, and select a charity to donate **0.5%** of your purchase price. Search for us at **Claymont Delaware Lions Club Foundation**.

## **DONATIONS FOR CCC FOOD CLOSET COLLECTED 1<sup>st</sup> MONTHLY MEETINGS**

Claymont Lions are encouraged to bring food items for the **Claymont Community Center** to the first meeting of each month. Among those items to be donated are:

Pancake Mix/Syrup    Pasta & Sauce    Canned Vegetables/Fruit

Cereal/Oatmeal                      Canned Soup/Juices                      Canned Beans

## **EDGEMOOR TRICK-OR-TREAT EVENT**

The Edgemoor Revitalization Center, in conjunction with the New Castle County Police, the Bellevue Community Center and the Bellefonte Branch Club will be hosting a trick-or-treat on Halloween (10/31) from 4-6 p.m. The New Castle County Police will be shutting down the main road for that 2-hour period. The event will also include drug prevention/awareness activities. **The Edgemoor Revitalization Center is in need of individually wrapped candy to give to trick-or-treaters.** If you are able to donate bags of candy, please bring them to one of the October dinner meetings or the October Board meeting and give it to Lion Tom McDonough. He will see to it that the candy is delivered in time for trick-or-treat.

## **PANCAKE DAY BAKE TABLE**

Pancake Day is October 28<sup>th</sup> and as usual, there will be a bake sale. Since Pancake day is right before Halloween, we'll be going with that theme for the bake table. Lion Carol is asking club members to please bring baked goods for the bake table.

## **Upcoming Events**

- LVRFB Shoot for Sight - October 14<sup>th</sup> – Henderson, MD
- Sight Night – October 19<sup>th</sup> – Dover Downs
- Orientation - October 21<sup>st</sup> – Dewey Beach Clubhouse (no cost to attend)
- District Governor's official visit to the Claymont Lions Club – October 25<sup>th</sup>
- Pancake Days - October 28<sup>th</sup> - Claymont Fire Company
- District Membership Meeting- October 28<sup>th</sup> - MMC Dover
- District Governor's Ball – December 2, 2017
- Claymont Christmas Parade – December 2, 2017
- Melvin Jones Breakfast – January 13, 2018