

Between the Lions

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President's Message ...

Fellow Lions -

"I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."

- Michael Jordan

I have a hard time believing it is already April 2021. Yes, I am getting old, but the time really is going faster. It is already time for the Smithfield Lions Club to elect officers for the year starting in June. Please do not be afraid to take on a leadership role in the club; we really need innovative ideas and fresh perspectives.

We are all learning to adapt to a new normal, and I hope each of us will have patience with club members as we navigate a future that will not look like our past. We are probably going to have failures, but we will also learn to adapt and have successes. Isle of Wight County citizens need us now probably more than any time since I have been a member.

The residents of Riverside Healthy Living have really enjoyed the holiday decorations. Several like to wave through the windows as we place shamrocks or Easter bunnies on the lawn. We have been providing prizes to the recreation department to use for their Bingo games. They are now allowing me to offer candy and cookies again. These are small projects, but really make a difference in keeping up spirits for people confined to one room for many months.

April 2021



The Prez ...

So please, contact me if you are interested in holding an officer's position. I will be happy to speak with you about specific duties involved. You can also go to Lion's International website to look up tutorials for training.

"Talent wins games, but teamwork and intelligence wins championships."

-Michael Jordan

Sincerely

Lion Betty

Remember: We're meeting by Zoom this Monday at 6:30 PM! Link to the Zoom meeting has been emailed by Lion Katie, but here it is if you need it: https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89772968809?pwd=dEd5SVZPM3pCNExMSFdocExBbkVCQTo9



April

Birthdays

Lion Sandie C.— 2nd Lion Jim—20th

Membership Anniversaries

Lion Aaron—2012 Lion Mike T.—2017

Treasurers Report

Activity Acct. \$7,394.74
Admin Acct. \$5,535.38
Smithfield Lions \$12,930.12
Project Lifesaver \$8,808.40
Total \$21,738.52
Leo Club \$974.85

Lion Terry

Dates to Remember

Apr 9: Lions Leadership Friday;

Secretary Training

Apr 12: Monthly meeting, online

May 9: Mother's Day

May 10: Monthly meeting

May 31: **Memorial Day**

Jun 14: Monthly meeting

Jun 20: Father's Day

Jun 25-29: Lions Virtual International

Conference



4th Quarter Dues are due!

Our Officers ...

President

Lion Betty Payne 484-8455

Secretary

Lion Katie Lemon 849-2946

Treasurer

Lion Terry Castonguay 870-2727

Vice-President

Lion Jon May 356-1226

Immediate Past President

Lion Martin Payne 484-8455

Membership Director

Lion Chanelle Zanders 870-2727

Sight & Hearing Chairman

Lion Betty Payne 439-2644

Lion Tamer

Lion Sol Sherfey 535-4776

Newsletter Editor

Lion Sol Sherfey 535-4776

Tail Twister

Lion Sean Catley 350-0872

Minutes from March

The Smithfield Lions Club met via conference call on March 8, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Lion Betty at 7 pm. Meeting protocols were bypassed for this event.

Committee Reports:

We are still getting requests for eye glasses and hearing aids from the community.

Cruz-In status is still up in the air. Discussion was held on new sites for the event. The Smithfield Little Theater lot was found to be "unfriendly" to the undercarriages of many vehicles so was shelved. We are still awaiting some information that should help us continue forward.

Bland Music Festival will not be held by the Smithfield Lions Club this year. We will concentrate on advertising for next year.

We are still working with the Nursing Home. We are extremely limited by COVID protocol. We are now allowed to donate small items for use by residents. Shamrocks will be used to decorate the facility for St. Patrick's Day.

Elections for Officers will be held in April. Please consider donating your time to help the Club. LOV tickets are still for sale—contact Lion Betty.

As more and more adults become vaccinated it is looking more promising that we will be able to hold an in-person meeting in the somewhat near future.

Meeting adjourned by Lion Betty

Respectfully Submitted, Lion Katie, Secretary

As of this writing, no member has stood up for office other than those already in office, who have held those jobs for some time. Roles of club officers are repeated on back page for your information; please take part in the life of your club.

- Editor

Meeting by Teleconference

Our February meeting will be conducted by Zoom.. Zoom link is:

https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89772968809? pwd=dEd5SVZPM3pCNExMSFdocExBbkVCQT09



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Roles of Lions Club Officers:

President: Preside over club and board meetings, appoint committee members, ensure regular elections are held, and engage in governor's advisory committee of the zone.

Secretary: Organize and attend club and board meetings, prepare agendas for and record minutes of all meetings, keep club records and receive club correspondence, complete and file all club reports, engage in the governor's advisory committee for the zone.

Treasurer: Preparing budgets, receiving and depositing monies, making payments on behalf of the club, maintaining separate activity and admin accounts, preparing financial reports and maintaining club records, filing taxes and complying with local tax rules.

Membership Chair: Promote membership opportunities and serve as key member of club's Global Action Team. Ensure each new member receives an effective orientation.

Lion Tamer: Have charge of and be responsible for the property of the club.

Tail Twister: Promotes good harmony, fellowship and enthusiasm in meetings thru stunts, games, and judicious application of fines.

From the Lions Induction Ceremony:

Do you hereby accept membership in the Lions club knowing that such membership obligates you to *participate in all functions of the club?*