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The Bob Stahl Memorial Newsletter - Fairfax Lions, Serving Since 1951 -



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Fairfax Lion Helps with Hearing

3 Big Cheers for Lion Marty Lockard !!!

A Fairfax County Health Department (HD) "Homeless Healthcare" staff specialist sent an email to Lion Marty, asking: "I have a client who does not qualify for insurance and experiences difficulty hearing. I am referring him to the FFX CO HD for a hearing screen. Once he has that, can I refer him directly to the Lions Club, with hearing aids? I have hearing aids that were donated, but do not know if they work or how to get them in working condition, or if they are correct for the client."

Lion Marty replied: "You already took the correct first step – to get a hearing aid test through the Fairfax County HD. They will determine what kind of

hearing aid support your client will need. Some individuals have extremely bad hearing and require expensive hearing aids and support from audiologists. That can cost \$5,000 or more every 4 or 5 years. Individuals who have mild-to-moderate hearing problems can frequently be helped with approved low-cost over-the-counter hearing aids that are self-adjustable. There are pretty good hearing aids in this category that cost about \$300/pair. They are real hearing aids - not amplification devices.

The FCHD audiologist will refer your client to the VA Lions Hearing Aid Bank Foundation (D24-L) in Reston. (Marty included an attachment with details.) Our club and others in our district support this foundation in a number of ways – donations, support for particular clients, collecting used hearing aids in eye-glass collection boxes in our service areas, etc. Used hearing aids make their way to the Hearing Aid Bank where they are sent for refurbishing. The Hearing Aid Bank then works with clients to get them fitted with refurbished or new low-cost OTC hearing aids appropriate to the level of hearing loss. The fitting is done by one of a number of audiologists supporting the program in Northern VA. The client is asked to pay a \$50 share of the cost. The Hearing Aid Bank will reach out to a Lions Club in the service area where your client lives [i.e., if in Reston, they

will ask the Reston Lions Club if they can pay for the remainder of the cost - typically \$250-\$350).

You'll see a reference to LCIF in the attachment. It is our International Lions Club Foundation. Lions Clubs worldwide support LCIF with annual donations. Check out this.link. LCIF has provided a grant to the Northern Virginia Lions Hearing Aid Bank to start the Hearing Aid Bank's efforts to integrate new low-cost OTC hearing aids into their program. I attached a copy of the Hearing Aid Bank's application for financial assistance to help get your client going in the right direction."

Thank you Lion Marty, for your knowledge, desire to help others, selfless service, and for being an inspiring member of our Lions Club!

Lion Jeff Root in the District News

(From August PAWPRINTS, at <u>this link</u>)
"2023-2024 Peace Poster Contest"
By Lion Jeff Root - 24-L Peace Poster Chair

"The theme for the 2023-2024 Peace Poster Contest is "Dare to Dream." Students ages 11-13, as of November 15, 2023, are eligible to participate.

To order Peace Poster kits, go to: https://lionsclubsinternational.myshopify.com/collections/peace-poster/ products/ppk1

Clubs should mail winning posters no later than November 15 to:

Lion Jeff Root, Peace Poster Chair 4788 Tapestry Drive, Fairfax, VA 22032-1918

If your club plans to sponsor a Peace Poster contest, please provide the name and contact information for your contest chair to Lion Jeff at JNRoot@aol.com or 703-508-1876."

Note: Lion Jeff has been a long-time, successful Peace Poster Chair for Fairfax Lions. Just think of the many years, at dinner meetings, we met the artists and their families, and admired the Wonderful peace posters. Great Work Jeff!

You can review winning Peace Posters over the years, on our club web page at: FHLC Peace
Posters

SERVICE DEPENDS ON CHARITY FUNDS

Vehicle Donations

FHLC has a vehicle donation program; it brings in charity funds every year. It could generate MORE charity funds if we promoted it more. We recently placed the following ad on the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce's

internet page. CLUB MEMBERS CAN HELP... tell your friends, put an ad on bulletin boards, spread the word! Our recent ad:



Donating your car (or truck, van, SUV, boat, motorcycle, ATV, RV, trailer or airplane) has never been easier! Simply have the vehicle (it doesn't even need to run) & title; we do the rest.

WE BOTH BENEFIT! You get a tax deduction; and Lions Charity Programs get 100% of the net proceeds from sale of your donated vehicle.

Simply give us a call at 844-45-LIONS (844-455-4667), and our trained staff will guide you

through the donation process. OR - submit your info via our webpage https://www.fairfaxlions.org/donate-a-vehicle/ - It is very simple!

Upcoming Fruit Sales

Our annual fruit sales are our most important fund raisers. Fruit Sale dates are Nov 16-18, and Dec 14-16. The FS committee has begun planning for success...(cmte meets via zoom, 7pm Mondays; you are welcome to dial in..learn about the sales, and help the cmte: email Chair Ken Schutz, ken@schutzfamily.us).

<u>ACTION NOW</u>: **Tell your friends/neighbors to sign-up now for email notices** to purchase fruit online (we order only the amount of fruit that is presold). On-line fruit sales will begin Oct 1. Go to **this page** to sign up for the email notices - <u>which include</u> discounts!

And, plan to work at both sales. The Club will open a SIGNUP GENIUS page for you to select work

shifts; watch for it. As former Lion & Fruit Sale Chair Elden Wright used to say: "each fruit sale is a 3-signature event." (Meaning, we need members to work 3 shifts.)



Club Meetings

Aug 1st Dinner Meeting

Our speaker was Lion Doug Brisson, on the topic of <u>The Red Tails</u> (the Tuskegee Airmen).



Through Scouting, Doug met one of the veteran Black aviators of WW2 fame, and became fascinated with the history.

In the 1940's era of racial segregation, the men in the Army's aviation units that trained at Tuskegee, AL (known as "The Red Tails")

overcame adversity and served their nation with distinction - yes, as heroes - in World War II.



Doug told us about the Red Tails' "Six Principles," a good framework for team building and individual work....and an example of applying them to daily life:

- Aim High Set high standards for your performance and skills
- <u>Believe in Yourself</u> Know you can accomplish the work required with excellence; speak truth to power

- <u>Use Your Brain</u> Develop your skills and certification, keep learning; study and ponder your environment and job requirements
- <u>Never Quit</u> Keep yourself physically and mentally capable to complete the work. Don't settle for good enough; keep pushing for what is needed- but also know when you are done; avoid diminishing returns
- <u>Be Ready To Go</u> Maintain your tool kit, physically and mentally; be responsive and ready to take on whatever is needed
- Expect to Win Be a force for success; turn weakness or problems into winning strengths. Avoid the temptation of I can't do this or others are better than me.

Doug provided several take-aways: pamphlets and booklets, a red dog-tag with the 6 principles; and, three Red Tails caps were awarded to lucky ticket holders.

It was nice to hear a Lion talk about a favorite topic; thank you Lion Doug! IF **YOU** WANT TO SPEAK ON SOME TOPIC, TALK TO 1ST VP, KAREN DEROSA.





Lions Who Won Caps: Jim Boney, Maggie Reidy, Karen DeRosa



Club News, like The Red Tails talk, is at **Fairfax LionsClub** - share with your friends, and also invite them to visit our Club!

KL Greg DeRosa presented Club Secretary Jeff Root a certificate for completing Secretary training (again!). Mike Rumberg also received a

training certificate, for Treasurer.

(Sorry for this fuzzy photo of Lion Jeff)

After the meeting, Secretary Jeff Root

assembled recent transferring Lions to take their individual photos for the Club directory.



Aug 2nd - Lion of the Year Recognized



This Volunteer-of-the-Year Ceremony put on by the Fairfax City Inter-Service Club Council was a very nice event - as it is each year. Recognized at the event was the Fairfax Lions Club Lion of the Year...Lion Ken Schutz, Lion of the Year 2022-2023

All the Volunteers-of-the-Year, from local service clubs, are pictured on our <u>club web page</u>.

About Lion Ken: Ken was born in Detroit. Ken's dad spent a career in the FBI, and the family lived in cities across the Eastern part of the US. His family moved to VA in 1955. Ken majored in electrical engineering at Lowell Technological Institute (Lowell, MA) - later named University of Massachusetts Lowell. Ken fondly recalls that time in his life, because that is when he met his future bride, Diane.



KL Greg announces Ken's selection citing why Ken is Lion of the Year



(L-R) City of Fairfax Mayor Catherine Reed, Lion Ken Schutz (with Certificate), ISCC President Al Leightley, Fairfax Lions Club President Greg DeRosa

Ken and Diane's family:

- Daughter Kerry lives in GA with husband Brian and 2 college age sons.
- Daughter Heather lives in MD with husband and 3 daughters.
- Son Mike (member, FHLC) and wife Erica have 2 sons - Charlie (HS Senior) and Alex - both at Robinson HS. Charlie helps at many Lions events!

After college, Ken went to work with Virginia Electric and Power Company (VEPCO) - later absorbed by Dominion Energy - and was stationed across VA wherever duty called. The Schutz's lived in Norfolk, Richmond, Alexandria, and Fairfax. In each locale, Lions became an important part of Ken's life, and Ken was important to Lions.

 1980 - In the Wards Corner Lions Club (Norfolk) -Ken immediately got involved in calling bingo, the start of Ken's love of Lions charity fund raising. It was in Norfolk that Ken interested his son Mike in helping with Lions activities. (Years later, in Fairfax, son Mike asked dad Ken - "When are you going to bring me into Lions?")

- 1985 Ken transferred to Richmond West Breakfast Lions Club
- 1989 Ken transferred to Alexandria Host LC
- 1996 Finally, Ken transferred his membership to FHLC. One high-lite of Kens leadership: he led FHLC to be the Host Club for a VA State Lions Convention. This was a rewarding function for the Club, as the Host Club receives part of conference attendance fees in return for their work. That effort gave FHLC's admin account a healthy jump!

After 31 years with Dominion Energy, Ken worked for the consulting firm Key Solutions, Inc, helping companies develop business proposals to win contracts. (Ken worked with Doug Brisson, and Ken encouraged Doug to become a member of FHLC.)

Ken and Diane celebrated their retired life last year with a family cruise to the Greek Islands. Ken likes to say: the essentials in his life are family, church and Lions!

Citation in the August 2nd V-o-Y Program

The Fairfax Host Lions Club Volunteer of the Year for 2022-2023 is Lion Kenneth A. Schutz.

Ken and his lovely bride Diane enjoy life in the City of Fairfax and travel, and Ken has taken up golf. They have three children (Kerry, Heather, Mike...all married), and 7 grandchildren. Son Mike is also a Fairfax Lion.

Ken has been a Lion since 1980. Over his career with Dominion Energy, Ken served in Lions Clubs in Norfolk, Richmond, Alexandria, and Fairfax. He has held leadership positions in all those clubs, and was President of Fairfax Lions, 2005-6. Service through Lions is important to Ken; he lives the attitude: Lions service is important to life; active participation in Lions is key.

Ken is key to Fairfax Lions Club fund raising. He leads our annual food sales at the July 4th City Parade, Fall Festival, and two Lions citrus fruit sales. The citrus sales are critical to Lions charity programs, and Ken has improved processes assuring outstanding charity fund raising. He introduced pre-paid ordering, fruit pickups at scheduled times, and point of sale inventory control.

Fairfax Lions have been a vital part of Fairfax for over 72 years. Our service includes diabetes awareness, sight and hearing programs, various youth programs, support to area food banks and The Lamb Center, holiday meals for local families, and

much more. Lion Ken Schutz leads the fund raising to make those happen.



To Lion Ken: the club is honored by your long membership in Lions, and your sustained support of FHLC. Well done!

August 3rd - Lions Lunch Bunch

Each month, PCC Bill Bartlett organizes this event. As the invitation says, the location is Wegman's Fairfax (Market Cafe), 11620 Monument Drive, and: No Programs, No Speakers, only lunch and fellowship at a reasonable price.



Aug 8th - Vienna Fund Raiser

Recall, Lion Tom Comi coordinates this legacy dining fundraiser at Fosters Grille. Fosters' donates 20% of spending to Lions programs. It's always on the 2nd Tuesday, 11am-9am; put it on your calendar! We announce the event on our web page, and on the Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce event listing. September's dining event at Fosters: **Sept 12th**! Bring used eyeglasses or hearing aides to donate. See **this ad** on the Chamber's page (and pass it on to your friends). Also see Tom's update info at Aug 15 mtg, below.

Aug 15th Dinner Meeting

Harper Garcia of

Britepaths (NoVA charity) told
us about their mission: To
stabilize low-wealth working
families, build resilience
through financial
empowerment and workforce
development, and provide
support for children.



Harper Garcia, BP Community Development Mgr

Last year, Britepaths provided programs, services and resources to 7,999 households including 11,555 individuals. A donation of \$25 provides a backpack & items for one student. Become a "Back to School" donor at this link.



After the wonderful Britepaths presentation, Lion Marty Lockard told us about the upcoming fruit sales and encouraged all to **get on the email list to receive promotions and notices** of the sales: **click here**



Lion Tom Comi coordinates charity fundraiser dining at Fosters Grille. Tom announced <u>Fosters</u> will donate 20% of Lions spending ANY DAY - just tell the cashier you are a Lion!



Aug 25th Board Meeting

The bulletin editor is unable to attend the August Board meeting; so no information about that meeting. Next month!

September Events (Club events in Bold)

Sep 2 - Remember VJ (formal surrender, Tokyo Bay)

Sep 4 - Labor Day

Sep 5 - FHLC Dinner Meeting* (See note below)

Sep 6 - ISCC meeting

Sep 7 - Lions Lunch Bunch (Qs? email Lion Bill)

Sep 11 - Remember 9-11, Patriot Day

Sep 12 - Fundraiser, Fosters Grille (11am - 9pm)

Sep 15 - Rosh Hashanah

Sep 17 - FHLC Picnic (watch for details!)

Sep19 - NO FHLC Dinner Meeting - due to picnic*

Sep 23 - Autumnal Equinox Day

Sep 24 - Yom Kippur

Sep 26 - FHLC Board Meeting

-- Coming Up, Important Charity Fund Raisers --

Oct 1 - On-Line Sales begin for Citrus Fruit Sales

Oct 14 - Lions Food Booth at Fairfax Fall Festival

Nov 16-18 - Citrus Fruit Sale (pick up orders)

Dec 14-16 - Citrus Fruit Sale (pick up orders)

* Note: The Board will consider swapping Sep 5 meeting, and Sep 19 NO Mtg - due to Labor Day. Stay tuned for email info!

Fairfax City Inter-Service Club Council

The highlight of the year for the ISCC was the Volunteer-of-the-Year ceremony, reported earlier in this newsletter. The ISCC resumes monthly meetings in September (first Wednesday each month).



New Lions Signs Are Installed on the City Entry Sign Boards

Lions Information...

Remembering

Kelly Elizabeth Eignor, 1978-2023



Lion Scott and Liz
Dulaney's daughter Kelly
Elizabeth (Lender) Eignor,
44, of Centreville, passed
away on May 4, 2023.
Kelly was born in State
College, PA, on November
4, 1978. Kelly grew up in
Clifton, VA, and graduated
from Fairfax High School.
She earned a BS degree
in business from Penn
State University. Kelly
worked as a fundraiser

and event planner for ALSAC/St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. When her first child was born, Kelly dedicated her life to raising her children and supporting her husband in his travel intensive career. She continued to serve her community in a variety of roles. Kelly was president of her children's preschool co-op, their elementary school PTA, and their middle school PTA. For 15 years, she was an Advisor to

Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority at George Washington University. Above all, Kelly enjoyed supporting her children in all of their activities and was beloved as the planner and orchestrator of all family events. She had the gift of making others feel important and was always being available to her many new and lifetime friends.

Kelly is survived by her loving husband of 18 years, Eugene Eignor; Children Ethan, Ben, and Dulaney; Parents Elizabeth and Scott Dulaney; Inlaws George and Linda Eignor; brothers Mark Lender (Mimi Lender), and Josh Lender (Shannon); Brother in law George Eignor (Jamie); Nieces Hailey and Allison Eignor; Nephews Jackson and Thompson Lender, Alexander Eignor; Aunts Barb Spell (Sam Sero), Nancy Dietz (Marlyn) and Megan Fioravanti; Uncle Thomas Spell (Ellen); Cousins Sam, Nick, Katie, Madison, TJ, Gabriela, Emma, Thomas, Amy and Alyssa.

The Mass of Christian Burial was held May 11th, 2023; Kelly rests at Fairfax Memorial Park.

A comment from the tribute book: "Kelly had a special sparkle in her, always smiling, so thoughtful, and willing to help. It was so good to be around her, she would always make you feel joy and happiness. Her dedication to her family and friends will never be forgotten."

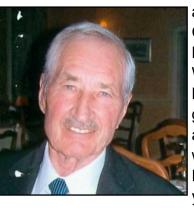


All Lions and friends sincerely offer our prayers of sympathy and compassion to the Dulaney and Eignor families for their loss.

Hubert Dulaney, 1922-2010

Thinking of Scott's family, we remember Scott's dad, Lion Hubert Dulaney. We have seen Lion Scott many times wear his Dad's Lions gear - with pride. We remember...

HUBERT LEE DULANEY of Clifton, VA, on June 11, 2010. Beloved husband of Audrey Dulaney. Loving father of Gary L. Dulaney, Stephen A. Dulaney and Scott R. Dulaney (Liz). Dear brother of Carl, Ervin



and Ronald Dulaney.
Cherished grandfather of
Kimberly, Andrew, Lauren,
Wyatt (Dace), Mark and
Kelly (Eugene). Great
grandfather of Dalija, Ethan
and Benjamin. Mr. Dulaney
was the former owner of
Fairfax Hardware for many
years, and was a US Army

veteran. On Wednesday, June 16, 2010 a Lion's Service was conducted. In lieu of flowers, the family requested memorial contributions be made to the Fairfax Host Lion"s Club Charities, PO box 98, Fairfax, VA 22038

One tribute: "To The Dulaney Family: We simply cannot express our deep sorrow to your family for the loss of this extraordinary man. He gave so freely of himself to others and was an example of what a true humanitarian should be in this world. We loved him for just being Hubert Dulaney with his ready smile and kind words. We grieve with you and at the same time our fond memories of him will always stay within our hearts. He sings in THE BIG LIONS CLUB OF ANGELS NOW"



Miscellaneous Info...

What's Up With the Name "September?"

Many Thanks to Lion Joe Breda for suggesting this as a monthly topic in our Newsletter

For many, September signals the end of summer, the beginning of autumn, and the start of a new school year.

On the calendar, September marks the beginning of the series of months named after their numerical position in the year. But the numbers and months don't add up anymore. September, from the Latin septem - meaning "seven," is the ninth month of the year. In 46 BC, when Julius Caesar introduced the Julian calendar, the year grew to include two more months, January and February. Quintilis and Sextilis were renamed July and August in honor of Julius Caesar and Augustus Caesar, but - despite repeated attempts to change them - the names for September, October, November, and December remained

For many of us, Labor Day (first Monday in September) means the end of summer vacation, but, it's important to keep in mind the true history behind this holiday: Labor Day is a celebration of laborers, of workers. And, it was introduced at a time when labor meant something far more grueling than it generally does today.

September is the start of the new year at many schools, and also the start of school sports - especially football in the US. Yom Kippur meaning "Day of Atonement" is a Jewish high holy day; it

begins several minutes before sunset on Sunday, September 24, and ends after nightfall on Monday, September 25.

Seen Oppenheimer?

This summer's blockbuster movie *Oppenheimer* is about the physicist that led the development of the Atomic Bomb that ended WW II. If you watched the movie carefully, you saw the lab where the world's first sustained nuclear reaction was created, at the University of Chicago in 1942. AND - Fairfax Lions who attended the FHLC dinner meeting on Jan 15, 2019, know all about that. Thanks to Lion Mike Rumberg, our speaker that night was Mike's stepfather, Mr. George Tressel. George was at the University of Chicago and wrote and produced the original film about that proof-of-concept chain reaction on Dec 2, 1942.

See our full report on that talk in our Feb 2019 newsletter (beginning on page 4). Mr Tressel (1926-2019) became an award-winning documentary filmmaker, and produced films still viewed daily at Oak Ridge and Argonne National Laboratories. He also invented the first machine to show non-live commercials at Chicago's experimental TV station, and he invented the first news "ticker." He was instrumental in making closed captioning ubiquitous.



Club President Karen Parker presents gift to George Tressel after his talk

As a senior executive at National Science Foundation, with his counterpart at Dept of Education, they mandated that all television funded by NSF must have closed captioning...leading to a universal standard for commercial TV. His obit.

A Complete Rainbow?

Have you ever seen a **complete**, or **entire**, rainbow? From the ground, typically, only the top portion of a rainbow is visible. From the air, the entire 360-degree circle of a rainbow can be visible.

The photo below, *alleged* to show a complete full-circle rainbow, appeared on various social media web sites saying: "A rare sight was captured from the cockpit of a commercial airplane as pilot Lloyd J Ferraro took a stunning photograph of a complete rainbow from an altitude of 30,000 feet."



"Complete" Rainbow -Real or Fake?

The problems: (1) it is not a real photo, and (2) Lloyd J Ferraro (a real pilot) copied and shared that image, but he did not take the photo.

Real or fake photo? A professor of Atmospheric Science at the University of British Columbia states

conclusively: "It is fake." The explanation is technical and complex; you can real about it at this page.

Two lessons for us, about stuff on the internet:

- You should not accept at face value everything you see on the internet/social media. There are both mistakes, and intentionally deceiving wrong information.
- But there ARE beautiful Full Circle Rainbows you might see one someday. Below is a complete rainbow photographed over Norway, cited by NASA as a good example of a "Full Circle Rainbow," see also this page.



Special thanks to...

Several Lions always step up to help make this newsletter happen...thank you for providing ideas and/or input (whole articles, reports, photos). Such help is essential to presenting the news of this Club!

YOUR COMMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME! Send words & photos for the newsletter, anytime. They must be received by the 25th of the month to be included in the next issue. We need your help to publicize information about our Club, and about you.

"The Bob Stahl Memorial Newsletter" is published on the Fairfax Lions web page (see the right hand column for the entry titled "Pages"). You should check the FHLC web page periodically - have you seen the entry dated July 22 about the package our club received in the mail?

Club members are alerted around the 1st of each month to the newsletter's availability on the web page.

That's all folks!

Send any suggestions, or items to include in the next newsletter.

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