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President's Message

Fellow **Lions**,

All I can say is WOW! Despite the weather not cooperating we had over 70 **Lions**, Spouses and guests show up for our first annual Membership Night. It took a cast of **Lions** to pull this one off, but I believe everyone was impressed with the location, food, drink and overall program. A gigantic thank you to **Lions Keith, Kathy, Jeremy, Debby, John, Bruce, Ed, Barb, Pam, Shannon** and of course our good friend JP Jones, I cannot imagine it could have gone any better. This one will be tuff to top and it looks like we will add probably three new members to boot.

Next up, our Health Fair and BBQ. This one will require each and

every **Lion's** participation to ensure a successful event as we will need to man at least 6 stations in the Sight and Hearing Van, not to mention **Lions** to cook, chop, and serve BB-Q. Should be another exciting time!

I want to wish **Lion Mark** a speedy recovery from his recent surgery, all of our prayers and best wishes are with you!

Yours in Lionism,

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Food, friends, fun, and
a beautiful setting—
Membership Night
was a great success!



Secretary's Report

The Board met at **Lions Kathy and Keith Feigh's** house on August 12, 2009. Only six of fifteen Board members were present which did not make a quorum. **Lion Keith** presided. The following actions were taken:

Opening Remarks: Lion Keith.
Minutes from last meeting: Presented.
Treasurer's Report: Presented.

Correspondence: The following correspondence was received:

-- The Club received a number of Thank You letter from Leader Dogs for the Blind for our donation of \$500 last **Lion** year.

-- **Lion Dan** received a letter from the Pin Traders Club of Virginia offering a Virginia **Leo** trading pin to commemorate the 2010 International Convention in Australia.

-- **Lion Dan** received the Summer 2009 copy of The Ear Drum as well as this year's Virginia **Lions** Hearing Foundation and Research Center Directory.

Committee Business:

-- **Health Fair:** Still on track for September 12th. **Lion Darlene Mueller** will be at the next Club meeting to provide diabetes screening training to Club members for the Fair. Club members must be trained before they can perform screening on the public visiting the District Sight and Hearing Van that day. Leo Club members and pharmacy students from Hampton University will be assisting the Club during this popular community event.

-- **Fall White Cane Days:** White Cane Days will be held September 25 and 26th. Sign up sheets will be handed out at the next few meetings so be sure to sign up for our first important fundraiser of the year.

Old Business:

-- **Membership Night:** **Lion Keith** reported that Membership Night was a great success with seven potential new members attending the festivities.

-- **Zone B/Region 1 Meeting to be hosted by Poquoson Lions Club:** **Lion Ray** sent an e-mail to the Club with potential dates for this event in November. Without **Lions BT** or **Ray** present, further discussion was deferred to a later date.

New Business:

-- **Baby Grand Piano:** **Lion Keith** was contacted by **Lion Ray Baker** about a baby grand piano The Chesapeake was willing to donate to the Bayside Convalescent Center that needed to be picked up and delivered. **Lion Keith** was going to contact a possible source of a truck that might be big enough to carry the piano and if found, strong **Lions** may be needed to help move the piano.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Next Month's Board Meeting: The next Board meeting will be on Thursday, September 10th at **Lions Barb** and **Gene Seiter's** house. If there are any changes, the Board will be contacted.

Respectfully, **Lion Dan Lange**, Secretary

Directory Changes

- **Change** the office telephone number for **Lion Keith Feigh** to 258-6533

- **Delete** Charles Elliott

Lion's Corner

Club Notes:

Poquoson Lion's Anniversaries

The following **Lions** observed their "Anniversary" as **Lions** this month. We are proud of their "**continuous service and dedication**" to club and community!

<u>LION</u>	<u>JOINED</u>	<u>YEARS</u>
RAY CARMINES	1951	58
BARRY HOLLOWAY	2008	1

Thank you, fellow **Lions** for being a "Beacon of Light" and quiet "Hero" for those less fortunate!

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Region 1 Meeting

When: Thursday, August 20th
 What time:
 - 6:00 PM President/Secretary Meeting
 - 6:30 PM Social Hour
 - 7:00 PM Dinner
 Where: Sarah Bonwell Hudgins Center, Hampton VA
 How Much: \$18/person
 See **Lion Dan** for details if interested in attending.

Poquoson Lions Club Coming Events



- Sep 3 Dinner Mtg—6:30 PM
- Sep 10 Board Mtg—**Lions Barb and Gene** hosts
- Sep 12 **Health Fair & BBQ Sale**
- Sep 17 Dinner Mtg—6:30 PM
- Sep 25-26 **White Cane Days**
- Oct 1 Dinner Mtg—6:30 PM
- Oct 8 Board Mtg—**Lion Bob Boddy** host
- Oct 15 Dinner Mtg—6:30 PM
- Oct 16-18 **Seafood Festival**

Don't Forget

You can read the *Knight's Vision* online at our web site—www.poquosonlions.com. You can also get all the latest news about the club and much more there. Give it a try.



Happy Birthday to Lions:



Bruce Edwards
Bob Ferrell
Vern Krueger
Congratulations
August Lions!

You could have heard a pin drop

There was a conference in France where a number of international engineers were taking part, including French and American. During a break, one of the French engineers came back into the room saying 'Have you heard the latest dumb stunt Bush has done? He has sent an aircraft carrier to Indonesia to help the tsunami victims. What does he intended to do, bomb them?'

A Boeing engineer stood up and replied quietly: 'Our carriers have three hospitals on board that can treat several hundred people; they are nuclear powered and can supply emergency electrical power to shore facilities; they have three cafeterias with the capacity to feed 3,000 people three meals a day, they can produce several thousand gallons of fresh water from sea water each day, and they carry half a dozen helicopters for use in transporting victims and injured to and from their flight deck. We have eleven such ships; how many does France have?'

Treasurer's Report

<u>Charity Account</u>	<u>May, June 2009</u>
COLLECTIONS:	
Broom Sale	\$22.00
Interest Income	\$0.70
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$22.00
DISPERSALS:	
None	\$0.00
TOTAL DISPERSALS	(\$0.00)
NET CHANGE	\$22.70

Robert Whiting , an elderly gentleman of 83, arrived in Paris by plane. At French Customs, he took a few minutes to locate his passport in his carry on.

"You have been to France before, monsieur?" the customs officer asked sarcastically.

Mr. Whiting admitted that he had been to France previously.

"Then you should know enough to have your passport ready."

The American said, "The last time I was here, I didn't have to show it."

"Impossible. Americans always have to show your passports on arrival in France !"

The American senior gave the Frenchman a long hard look. Then he quietly explained, "Well, when I came ashore at Omaha Beach on D-Day in 1944 to help liberate this country, I couldn't find a single Frenchmen to show a passport to."

HUMOR

Catholic Heart Attack

A man suffered a serious heart attack and had open heart bypass surgery. He awakened from the surgery to find himself in the care of nuns at a Catholic Hospital. As he was recovering, a nun asked him questions regarding how he was going to pay for his treatment.

She asked if he had health insurance. He replied, in a raspy voice, 'No health insurance.'

The nun asked if he had money in the bank. He replied, 'No money in the bank.'

The nun asked, 'Do you have a relative who could help you?' He said, 'I only have a spinster sister, who is a nun.'

The nun became agitated and announced loudly, 'Nuns are not spinsters! Nuns are married to God.'

The patient replied, 'Then send the bill to my brother-in-law.'

Catholic Horses

One day while he was at the track playing the ponies and all but losing his shirt, Mitch noticed a priest who stepped out onto the track and blessed the forehead of one of the horses lining up for the 4th race. Lo and behold, that horse - a very long shot - won the race.

Before the next race, as the horses began lining up, Mitch watched with interest as the old priest stepped onto the track. Sure enough, as the 5th Race horses came to the starting gate the priest made a blessing on the forehead of one of the horses.

Mitch made a beeline for a betting window and placed a small bet on the horse. Again, even though it was another long shot, the horse the priest had blessed won the race. Mitch collected his winnings, and anxiously waited to see which horse the priest would bless for the 6th race. The priest again blessed a horse.

Mitch bet big on it, and it won. Mitch was elated. As the races continued the priest kept blessing long shot horses, and each one ended up coming in first.

By and by, Mitch was pulling in some serious money. By the last race, he knew his wildest dreams were going to come true. He made a quick dash to the ATM, withdrew all his savings, and awaited the priest's blessing that would tell him which horse to bet on. True to his pattern, the priest stepped onto the track for the last race and blessed the forehead of an old nag that was the longest shot of the day. Mitch also observed the priest blessing the eyes, ears, and hooves of the old nag.

Mitch knew he had a winner and bet every cent he owned on the old nag. He then watched dumbfounded as the old nag come in dead last. Mitch, in a state of shock, made his way down to the track area where the priest was.

Confronting the old priest he demanded, 'Father! What happened? All day long you blessed horses and they all won. Then in the last race, the horse you blessed lost by a Kentucky mile. Now, thanks to you I've lost every cent of my savings - all of it!'

The priest nodded wisely and with sympathy. 'Son,' he said, 'that's the problem with you Protestants, you can't tell the difference between a simple blessing and last rites.'



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INVOLVEMENT

**MEMBERSHIP IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS
SHARE LIONISM - BRING IN A NEW MEMBER**

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The **Poquoson Lions Club** warmly
welcomes visiting **Lions** and guests.
We meet at the Old Community Center on
Odd Road in Poquoson at 6:30 PM,
the first and third Thursday of each month.
Come see us!