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BOARD ACTIONS

The Board of Directors held its August meeting on August 4, 2005, at the home of Lion Treasurer Bob Moore. Ten board members and Kylie Clark were present. The board approved a contribution of \$100 to the War Memorial in Fredericksburg and selected a Lion to receive the Lions of Virginia Distinguished Humanitarian Award which will be presented at Charter Night. The Board also received reports on corporate sponsors, the Heritage Run, and the schedule for upcoming sight and hearing screenings. The Board also authorized President Jack Rowley to order the White House Christmas ornaments which the club will sell as an additional fund raiser.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 4 Board Meeting at Moore's
- August 11 Dinner at FCC
- August 13 Sight and Hearing Van at Bragg Hill
- August 25 Dinner at FCC
- August 27 Sight and Hearing Van at Harrison Road Community Center
- August 28 Visitation/Awards at Park West Lions
- September 1 Board Meeting at (Lapin) Scafa's
- September 8 Cookout at Decatur's
- September 22 Dinner at FCC



CLUB ACTIVITIES FOR JULY

During the month of July, the Club made the following donations:

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| Eye exams (13) | \$ 390 |
| Eyeglasses(13) | 830 |
| Hearing Aids (1) | 175 |
| James Monroe HS Scholarship | 1,000 |
| Lions Clubs International Foundation | 500 |
| Remote Area Medical expedition | 250 |

Activities other than cash donations included: (1) July 28 dinner program by Lion John Howe on fall lawn care. Secretary Bob Sexton attended the District 24-A cabinet social and installation of the cabinet at the Fair Lakes Hyatt on July 24.

LION REX HOLLAND

Lion Rex Holland passed away on July 21, 2005. Rex had been a member of the Fredericksburg Host Lions since January 2001. A memorial service was held on August 9, 2005, at the Central Rappahannock Library Theater. Lions



Rowley, Lapin, Sexton, Daniel, Goodpasture, Murray, and Davies, as well as Lioness Shelley Burt attended.

Other notables who attended and spoke at the service included Mayor

Tomzak, Vice-Mayor Withers, and Council Member Kelly.

These and other representatives of organizations and friends spoke of Rex's service to the community and his British wit. Rex's son Jonathan was presented the Union Flag and a letter from the Royal Air Force. The service concluded in the front of the library with playing of taps, the release of red, white, and blue balloons, and playing of bagpipes. We will surely miss his wit and his attitude that disabled persons are not incapable.

It was Rex's wish to have an oak tree planted in his memory. A memorial tree planting will be held on the grounds of the Rappahannock Area Community Services Board, 600 Jackson Street on Tuesday August 23, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Program co-chairs Larry Cole and Clyde Matthews have arranged for the Fall Line Blue Grass Band to perform at our meeting on **August 25**. This should be an outstanding meeting and we would appreciate a good turnout for the event.

September 8 will be our fall cookout. Rick and Margi Decatur are hosting the event at their home in Widewater. Lion Rick will be sending out cards for the event. This will take the place of the cookout usually held the second meeting of September at the Elks picnic pavilion.

VISITATION AND AWARDS

KICKOFF DINNER

The annual Visitation Kickoff and Awards dinner will be held on Sunday, August 28, 2005, will be held at the Park West Lions Building , 8620 Sunnygate Drive, Manassas, VA. Social hour will begin at 4:00 PM and dinner will be served at 5:00 PM. The cost is \$16.00 per person and reservations must be made before August 19.

This is a great opportunity to meet Lions from other clubs in the District. Awards for clubs and individual Lions service will be presented.

HERITAGE RUN



The Heritage Run netted about \$2,750 from the 499 runners who participated. While the profit seems lower than in previous years, it actually is not very much different. The reason for the drop is that sponsor donations are no longer accounted for in individual events. They are now

counted under the fund raising category of Corporate Sponsors.

DIRECTORY UPDATES

Please remember to let the Club secretary know if you have any changes in the information printed in the handbook, such as address, phone number, or email address. The new handbook should be going to the printer very shortly.

MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

Membership Chair Denise Clarke has issued a challenge to Fredericksburg Lions to bring in new members. She will donate her \$25 gift certificate for the Olde Town Steak and Seafood and add an additional \$25 to the first Lion who brings a new member into the club.

It is imperative that we recruit new members who want to serve the Fredericksburg community.