

# KEITH'S

22-DELAWARE



# BRIEFS

NOVEMBER 2006

KEITH L. THOMPSON, District Governor

ED SHORT, Bulletin Editor



**Dear Lions, Lioness and Leos:**

**Congratulations!!! The Lions, Lioness, and Leos of Multiple District 22 were asked to answer the call and of course we stepped forward and answered, loud and clear. On November 17<sup>th</sup> at the Lions Vision Research Foundation Rally it was announced that the \$4,000,000 goal for Campaign Lions Vision 2000 had been reached. Congratulations go out to PDG John Shwed, Chairperson of the Campaign, who has tirelessly rung the Bell in support. Most importantly, congratulations go out to all the members of District 22 who have provided the monetary and vocal support in this quest.**

**Your Cabinet officers have visited more than half the Clubs of District 22-D and have loved every minute of the meetings that we have attended. We have seen and experienced so much generosity from the Clubs in our District. In our Message of the Year on the Club Renewal we have found many exciting Community Service and Fundraising projects that work for Clubs and other projects that need re-examining for tweaking or changing altogether. Every Club is different, so fruitcake sales for one Club might have a completely different outcome from another Club. Of course, my personal opinion is that a fruitcake makes a great gift.....as a boat anchor. Just kidding, save your fruitcakes.**

**On our official visitations VDG Bob has been speaking of the Family Dues Plan to go into effect on January 1, but your Club secretary must file the paperwork/online filing by November 30<sup>th</sup>. Please keep this in mind as that deadline is just days away. To coincide with this paradigm shift is the development of a "Family Oriented Club", one in which 40% of its membership consists of family dues members. Does your Club qualify?**

**Keep on the lookout for the Multiple District 22 Convention Housing mailing form, which should arrive at your Club's Secretary or President's house any day now. There are only 150 rooms blocked at the Dover Downs Hotel and 8,000 Lions in the Multiple District, so do the math and send in your reservation.**

**Finally, we hope to see each and every one of you at the Governor's Ball and keeping with the Paradigm Shift theme, can you say Karaoke by the District Governor and First Lady?**

**Keep on Shifting!!!**

**KEITH**

# FOOT STOMPIN' THROUGH 22-D

Listed below are a few activities of clubs throughout 22D

## BROOKSIDE

Collected \$1123 during Vision Days. Pencader Fundraiser raised \$431. Approved a goal of \$3200 for Sight First II....considering Chicken BBQ. Getting ready for Christmas trees sales starting on December 2. (See Ad)

## CAMDEN – WYOMING

Looking for new locations to place eyeglass collection boxes. Welcomed new member. Over a third way through visitations. Donating \$200 to Delaware USO. Donated bell to new Capitol City Lions.

## CLAYMONT LIONS

Hosted 22D North Lions Eye Bank Awareness Night. Held successful annual Pancake Day. Getting ready for start of selling Christmas trees (see ad). Will participate in Christmas Kettle effort in Concord Mall. A couple schools have submitted entries in the club's Peace Poster Contest.

## DOVER

Served 1951 meals at Chicken Fry. Selling tickets for *Hunt Family Fiddlers* program (see Ad). 67 man-hours completed in info booth at Dover Air Base open house. Scheduling visitations.

## FENWICK ISLAND



PIP Kusiak & PDG Noble Simpson  
Share a moment at Anniversary Night

Completed successful Basket Bingo fundraiser raising over \$4,000. Held a successful Spaghetti Dinner. Held a great 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Charter Night with 20 clubs represented and PIP Clem Kusiak as speaker.

## GLASGOW

Completed Adopt-a-Highway collecting 48 bags of trash with 32 Lion hours. Preparing for spring Pancake Breakfast. Sold 1262 car raffle tickets.

## HOLLOWAY CAMPUS

Held a successful fashion show at the Grand Opera House in Wilmington.

## LAUREL LIONS

Will be ringing bell at Laurel Food Lion. Voted on Bargain Bill's for their dinner meeting location starting in January. Held a successful Pat Culver Memorial Journey For Sight. Tail Twister hinted they needed to wear a whole turkey --- or maybe just a feather at an upcoming meeting to avoid a fine.

## LAUREL LIONESSE

Preparing annual Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. Held annual Mother/Daughter Night with a doll presentation by Terry Wright.

## LAUREL LEOS

Participated in DLF Walk For Sight. Preparing gifts for Christmas Party for Blind. Plan to assist a family at Thanksgiving with canned goods at Good Samaritan Shop. Traveled with Trick or Treaters to collect used eyeglasses and hearing aids.

## MIDDLETOWN

Inducted 3 new members. Nine members cleaned up their Adopt-a-Highway gathering 19 bags of trash. Collected \$650 at Candy Day. Screened 200 children at Middletown schools. Preparing to sell crab cakes at Coleman's Tree Farm.

## MIDWAY

Held a successful Texas Hold Em Poker Tournament. Hoping to deliver 20 Christmas baskets this year. Had an interesting and unforgettable trip to Atlantic City. The Walk for Sight with 8 participants raised \$400.

## MILFORD

Completed another successful car raffle year with profits just over \$21,000. Preparing to deliver Christmas baskets again. Collecting aluminum can pull tabs. Visitations being scheduled.

## MILLSBORO LIONS

Fritter Shack going very well. Profit of \$3300 on golf tournament. Assisted 17 at a cost of \$1190 in sight programs. Vision Screening in two schools. Turned in 18 hearing aids.

## MILTON

Received \$400 from Roadhouse Steak House fund raiser. Served 467 adults and 16 children at annual Smorgasbord. Collected 60 pairs of donated glasses in October. Had participation from students at Eagles Nest School for Peace Poster Contest. Will Participate in Milton Christmas parade activities.

## NEWARK



Lions even have to clean up

Held another successful Spaghetti Dinner with over \$800 profit. Had lots of help from Newark ROTC and Delta Gamma Sorority. Will be roasting and giving away chestnuts at Newark Winter Fest. Sending \$300 to LVRF from Vision Days collection. 2007 entertainment books on sale. Realized a \$600 profit from Yankee Candle sales.

## NEW CASTLE HUNDRED

Held annual Halloween Parade. Proposed setting goal of \$7500 for the Sight First II program over three years. Helped Mancus Foundation with new bowling ramps for a physically handicapped group. Reported over \$17,000 profit for Art on the Green 2006.

## PIKE CREEK

Representatives attended Lions Eye Bank Awareness meeting in Claymont. Hospital equipment program active. Making monthly visits to Manor Care. Preparing for Salvation Army bell ringing. Completed Vision Days recently. Have received numerous cards and notes thanking them for scholarship

support. 106 pairs of eye glasses collected during the last couple months

## REHOBOTH BEACH

Had a great 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary party. Presented 3 Melvin Jones Fellows. Held a successful Pancake Breakfast. Preparing to sell Pecans at Sea Witch Festival. Club visitations are proceeding nicely. Preschool Vision Screening in full progress. Six Lions attended the Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley Dinner and presented a \$500 check.

## WILMINGTON GATEWAY

KL Jim presented DG Keith with a donation to be given to his favorite charity - DE Lions Foundation – Emergency Relief Fund. 200 tickets already sold for Basket of Cheer Raffle. Have ordered five vouchers from Lens Crafters. \$496 total collected at White Cane Days. Held a successful Old Fashioned Breakfast.

## WILMINGTON MANOR

Contributed \$500 to Blind Car Rally. Representation at Lions Eye Bank Annual Meeting contributing \$3000. Contributed \$10,000 to the Delaware Association for Blind (Camp Sunnybrook). Christmas party being scheduled. Supported Walk for Sight with \$155 donation raised by walkers.

## Cabinet Meeting #2

Minutes from the cabinet meeting are posted on the district web site at [www.lions22d.org](http://www.lions22d.org). While a couple people came to the meeting to conduct official Lions business, some guy in purple shoes calling himself *Keith's Briefs* was scampering around looking for someone who had lost his head, someone with color blinding clothes who was smoking a big cigar in the non-smoking area and a few other assorted characters. At the end of the night the Scariest costume was awarded to Lion Bailey Maull as the Headless Horseman, Funniest was Lion Winnie Spence as the Mad Hatter and Most Original was DG Keith as Keith's Briefs.



CAN YOU FIND THE LIONS ???

**Below:** DG Keith (aka Keith's Briefs) catches Mad Hatter, Lion Winnie and shows the camera a comparison of his costume with Keith's Briefs mast head, purple shoes included.



## **CHRISTMAS PARTIES FOR BLIND**

### **Sussex Party**

**Dec 5**

Millsboro Civic Center 6:30 PM  
322 Wilson Hwy, Millsboro  
Catered by "Jimmy's Grill"  
RSVP to Lion Rebecca Stancliff by 11/25/06  
302-537-2760

### **Kent Party**

**Dec 7**

Felton Fire Hall 6:30 PM – 9 PM  
Contact KL Jack Brownawell (422-2034) or  
Lion Tom Salerno (335-3854)

### **New Castle Party**

**Dec 9**

Wilmington College 6:00 PM  
Enter campus off RT 13, Last building on left  
(Wilmington Manor Lions)  
Contact Secretary Lion Shirley Pennypacker if you can assist  
(328-6159)

## **HUG A CHRISTMAS TREE**

Two clubs are selling Christmas trees again this season.

### **BROOKSIDE**

**DEC 2 -- TILL GONE**  
BROOKSIDE LION BUILDING (RT 4)  
(across from Shoprite Shopping Center)

M - F 10 AM – 9 PM

SAT – SUN 9 AM – 9 PM

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### **CLAYMONT LIONS**

**DEC 2 -- TILL GONE OR DEC 23**  
CLAYMONT FIRE CO (SUB STATION #31)  
Marsh & Naaman's Rd

M - F NOON – 8 PM

SAT - SUN 9 AM – 8 PM



## **HUNT FAMILY FIDDLERS RETURNING**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2007**

**7 PM**

**DOVER SCHWARTZ CENTER**

**\$25 PER SEAT**

Send checks payable to Dover Lions Club to  
PDG Ralph Schieferstein, 77 Valery drive  
Felton, DE 19943

Credit card sales - \$27 by calling 302-678-5152

Check them out on [www.huntfamilyfiddlers.com](http://www.huntfamilyfiddlers.com)  
DOVER LIONS

## **DISTRICT BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

**Sunday, MARCH 4, 2007**

Milford Bowling Lanes  
Details to Follow

## **2007 WINTER CRUISE**

**MARCH 3 – MARCH 10**

**The Royal Caribbean --The Legend of the Seas**

Visit: Grand Cayman, Costa Maya, Belize City &  
Cozumel

Sponsored by the Lions Eye Bank of Delaware  
Valley

Go to their web site [www.lebdv.org](http://www.lebdv.org) for more  
specific info or to their web site through  
[www.lions22d.org](http://www.lions22d.org).

**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 2007  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
JULY 2 THRU JULY 6**

**Plan Ahead**

All venues will be held in one location. Information will be in THE LION magazine as well as on the international web site at [www.Lionsclubs.org](http://www.Lionsclubs.org)...go to events and click on convention. Housing will be *Fairmont Chicago*. Bus transportation is being looked into. Register on line.

A MD convention pin has been ordered and will soon be available

There will be an info table at the Governors ball including registration forms, trip brochure and CD's of Boston

**SHADOWING DG KEITH**

**DECEMBER**

4 TALLEYVILLE-NAAMANS  
13 REHOBOTH

**Meeting Location Change  
Laurel Lions**

Starting on January 11 the Laurel Lions will meet at Bargain Bill's in their Banquet Hall located at the intersection of Route 13 and Rt. 9 in Laurel. Look for Shell Gas Station as landmark.

**Bulletin Editor Ed's Paradigm Place**

Our efforts to make things smoother for all last month by providing a summary and referring everyone to the district web site for a smaller file size version of Keith's Briefs...worked for some and not for others.

It would appear nothing will satisfy everyone (most but not all) – there are too many variables. So, Keith's Briefs is being sent by e-mail whatever size it may be. For those with file size issues, try going to the web site to download the smaller size file, but give web master time to place it on web site. If that does not work I suggest you try your closest county library or university library with the latest technology.

**Digressions:**

Whether we like it or not, or agree with it or not, computer technology is constantly changing and is going to stay....until the next technology is invented. And unless one keeps updated with self education, hardware and software there will be issues at times. The technology will not always provide us with instant gratification. In my opinion the computer industry is a leader in "planned obsolescence". Some servers are doing a better job than others of keeping updated. If you cannot gain access to the web site at one time, try at a later time as I am learning (after speaking with both AOL and Comcast) that often the number of people trying to use the "party line" may affect server performance at a specific time....patience is the key word here. When checking the web's operations last month, there were two occasions that AOL would not allow me access to Keith's Briefs but I had no issues gaining entry through Explorer. Two hours later AOL was fine. The web site is fully functional and accessible. If you do not have broadband ...patience is essential...I did not have broadband till June but with dial up last year was able to download most anything I was sent...with patience. I had one person imply to me last month that they could not even read the one page 48 kb word document file I sent as a summary..... I would hope we have all progressed beyond the Commodore 64's.

Check out the district web site at [www.lions22d.org](http://www.lions22d.org)

**LIONS CABINET POSITION VACANT**

**CHAIRPERSON  
YOUTH OUTREACH/LEO LIAISON/QUEST**

If you know of someone who might be willing to assume the responsibilities for the above position contact DG Keith

**Annual Eye Bank Calendar Raffle**

Drawings are from Jan. 1 to June 30  
Cash Prizes awarded daily

Cost; Tickets are \$35 EACH WITH CLUB KEEPING \$5. Tickets have been sent to all King Lions. Contact Althea Fogel at 1-800-743-6667 if you did not get yours or need more.

***Previous changes for August & September  
available on district web site [www.lions22d.org](http://www.lions22d.org)***

***Additional Changes as of 10-19-06***

- Pg. 12 Karl Gude, 31822 Hole in the Woods Rd.,  
Ocean View DE 19970  
Pg. 18 Jim Littleton, [littletonj7@peoplepc.com](mailto:littletonj7@peoplepc.com)  
Pg. 36 Bridgeville, St. Mary's Parish House, 101  
N. William St., Bridgeville  
Pg. 38 Eli Ramos 302-249-5073  
Pg. 46 Thomas Engel, Lewes, DE 19958  
Pg. 65 VI Visitations: based on March 31, 2006  
International Membership (as listed in roster book)

***Additional Changes as of 11-19-06***

- Pg 25 **MERL Team Chair**  
Bailey Maull, (Janet) Lewes Lions, 19027  
Breakwater Acres Lane, Milton, DE 19968  
302-684-3227, [mspankysgang@aol.com](mailto:mspankysgang@aol.com)
- Pg 26 **Leadership Development** Bailey Maull is  
only Chair
- Pg. 27 **Public Relations**  
Jay Wheeler (Lynn)  
Lord Baltimore Lions  
248 Oyster Shell Cove, Bethany Beach, DE  
19930 302-539-3501 [lionjay39@yahoo.com](mailto:lionjay39@yahoo.com)
- Roaring Lions**  
PDG Nick Scatasti  
Glasgow Lions  
20 Malvern Rd., Newark, DE 19713  
302-388-0659 [pdgdominic@aol.com](mailto:pdgdominic@aol.com)
- Pg 39 John Swed, P.O. Box 541, Delaware City, DE  
19706 Home: 302-322-0475,  
work: 302-834-4148 e-mail: [kswed@aol.com](mailto:kswed@aol.com)
- Pg 41 Robert Schlauch 410-250-9881
- Pg 45 Holloway Campus, new secretary  
Melodye N. May (Henry)  
205 Beeson Road  
Wilmington, DE 19809  
302-762-5076 [melodye@verizon.net](mailto:melodye@verizon.net)
- Laurel Lions**  
Meet at Bargain Bill's (effective Jan 07)  
Intersection Rt. 13 & Rt. 9, Laurel

**Welcome New Cabinet Members**

**Public Relations:** Jay Wheeler (Lord Baltimore)

**Roaring Lions:** PDG Nick Scatasti (Glasgow)

**Leadership Development & MERL Team Chair**  
Bailey Maull (Lewes) has assumed sole duties as  
Chairman of Leadership Development and  
MERL Team

**SIGHT CHAIRPERSONS !!!**

The Tobin Foundation is available to all clubs in  
Delaware to assist with vision aid devices for  
people in need. They may be able to share some  
costs of the equipment...equipment, which will  
remain the property of local clubs. For more  
info: Theresa Hines, Director 302-655-5046  
M/W/F 10 am – 2 pm

**NEED A LIFT ??**

The Brookside Lions has been contacted by a  
gentleman who have available a "stair lift" for  
handicapped persons unable to walk up and  
down stairs. Contact: Frank Webb 302-376-  
3804

**THE LION MAGAZINE**

AVAILABLE IN BRAILLE OR AUDIO TAPE

Lions Clubs International has recently informed the  
district that braille or audio tape versions of the Lions  
magazine are available.

King Lions are requested to check with their  
membership to see if anyone would benefit from having  
the magazine in one of these forms.

To avoid duplication of requests, the request should go  
through the King Lion of each club. To receive a Braille  
or Audio tape version of the magazine contact:  
[Dane.Lajoye@lionsclubs.org](mailto:Dane.Lajoye@lionsclubs.org).

**DO YOU HAVE ANY ITEMS FOR AFRICA ?**

Lion Al O' Neill is putting together another trailer load of non perishable items to go to Africa. If interested  
in making a donation give Lion Al a call at 834-4091 or on e-mail at [Rhobo47@aol.com](mailto:Rhobo47@aol.com).

## CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II: MEETING THE CHALLENGE

BY ID JOSEPH F. GAFFIGAN

AS I TRAVEL AROUND THE COUNTRY AS WELL AS AROUND MY HOME MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22, I AM HEARTENED TO LEARN OF MORE OF OUR MEMBERS AND MORE OF OUR CLUBS ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE OF CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II. THIS DOES NOT SURPRISE ME, HOWEVER, SINCE I KNOW THAT ONCE OUR MEMBERS AND OUR CLUBS ARE FULLY INFORMED OF THE SUCCESS OF CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST (CSF) AS WELL AS THE CHALLENGE OF CAMPAIGN SIGHTFIRST II (CSFII), THEIR DECISION TO ACT SIMPLY IS NOT IN DOUBT. I AM TROUBLED, HOWEVER, ABOUT THE NUMBER OF OUR MEMBERS AND CLUBS WE HAVE YET TO HEAR FROM. I CONCLUDE FROM THIS THAT WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB GETTING THE INFORMATION TO THESE MEMBERS AND CLUBS WHO, ONCE THEY HAVE IT IN HAND, WILL SURELY EXEMPLIFY THEMSELVES AS KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND IN OUR ONGOING CRUSADE AGAINST DARKNESS.

LET'S LOOK AT THE HISTORY OF CSF. WE ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE PRESENTED TO US 15 YEARS AGO BY THE WORLD'S EYE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS TO ENGAGE THE ENEMIES OF SIGHT AS ONLY WE COULD, BEFORE IT WAS TOO LATE AND BEFORE TENS OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE ALL AROUND THE WORLD LOST THEIR SIGHT. WE ACCEPTED THAT CHALLENGE. THE RESULTS? TODAY, BECAUSE OF LIONS, 27 MILLION PEOPLE WHO WOULD HAVE LOST THEIR SIGHT DID NOT. TODAY, BECAUSE OF LIONS, ANOTHER 7 MILLION PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY HAD GONE BLIND HAD THEIR SIGHT RESTORED VIA CATARACT SURGERY. THAT'S 34 MILLION PEOPLE AT AN AVERAGE COST OF \$6 PER PERSON. WE HAVE THE ENEMIES OF SIGHT ON THE ROPES. THE PROBLEM IS WE RAN OUT OF MONEY. IF WE WITHDRAW FROM THE BATTLE **WE ARE WINNING**, 37 MILLION PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD WILL GO BLIND BY THE YEAR 2020. NO WAY WE LET THAT HAPPEN. NOT THE KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND. NOT WHEN WE ARE WINNING THE BATTLE.

IT IS CRITICAL THAT EVERY MEMBER AND EVERY CLUB UNDERSTAND THAT CSF II IS ATTACKING ALL ENEMIES OF SIGHT, EVERYWHERE, INCLUDING GLAUCOMA, DIABETIC RETINOPATHY, AND MACULAR DEGENERATION, ALL MAJOR PROBLEMS IN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. WE HAVE NEARLY 5 MILLION PEOPLE WITH LOW VISION PROBLEMS JUST IN THE USA ALONE WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM CSF II. CSF II IS ALSO, FOR THE FIRST TIME, GOING TO HELP REHABILITATE THOSE WHO ARE BLIND AND HAVE NO HOPE OF GETTING THEIR SIGHT BACK.

EVERY COMMUNITY IS PLAGUED WITH ENEMIES OF SIGHT, THESE ENEMIES KNOW NO BOUNDARIES. THESE ENEMIES HOPE THAT MANY OF OUR MEMBERS AND OUR CLUBS WILL NOT JOIN THE BATTLE. IT INCREASES THE CHANCES THAT THE ENEMIES OF SIGHT WILL PREVAIL. HOW ABOUT YOU? WILL YOU JOIN YOUR FELLOW KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND IN THIS CRUSADE? NOW IS THE TIME. CONTACT YOUR CSFII GROUP COORDINATOR OR DISTRICT COORDINATOR OR DISTRICT GOVERNOR FOR MORE INFORMATION. OR GO TO THE LCI WEBSITE AND CLICK ON CSF II FOR INFORMATION.

# DEADLINE

## FOR NEXT KEITH'S BRIEFS

5 PM

DECEMBER 20

LION ED SHORT  
140 CANN ROAD  
NEWARK, DE 19702  
302-834-0310

E-MAIL: LIONEDD@AOL.COM

### CLUB SECRETARY REMINDER

THE CERTIFICATION DEADLINE FOR THE NEW FAMILY DUES IS ALMOST HERE.....November 30.

CHECK INTERNATIONAL WEB SITE FOR CERTIFICATION FORMS.

**NEW DUES STRUCTURE STARTS JAN. 1 FOR THOSE QUALIFIED & CERTIFIED LIONS.**

## DISTRICT WEB SITE

## [WWW.LIONS22D.ORG](http://WWW.LIONS22D.ORG)

### LIONS EYE BANK AWARENESS NIGHTS

A special thank you to the Claymont and Laurel Lions who hosted the annual dinners. Approximately 160 Lions, Lioness and Leos attended. A total of \$19,141.00 was donated.