

December

Birthdays

Lion Betty Taylor – Dec 9th
Lion Tom Norris – Dec 12th



Membership Anniversaries

None



Dates to Remember

- Dec 8: Traveling Leo, James City, 7:30 PM
- Dec 9: Decorate Christmas Floats, CD Racing, 6 PM
- Dec 10: Smithfield Christmas Parade, 8 AM
- Dec 12: Smithfield Loins Monthly Meeting, 7 PM
- Dec 15: SHS Christmas Concert, 7 PM
- Dec 17: Assemble Food Baskets, 10 AM
- Dec 17: Riverside Nursing Home Activity, 2 PM
- Jan 9: Smithfield Lions Monthly Meeting, 7 PM
- Jan 28: Bland Competition, Smithfield Little Theater
- Feb 18: Governors Ball, Crown Plaza, Williamsburg

For information on any of these events, contact any club officer or refer to the Knights Vision.



Meeting: Second Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Smithfield Station
415 S. Church Street
Smithfield, VA

Smithfield Lions Club
c/o Lion Tim Marinelli
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Smithfield, VA 23430

“BETWEEN THE LIONS”

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President's Message

Fellow Lions,

Why was Ebenezer Scrooge so unhappy? He was alone. He had money, but no friends. He could have bought himself any luxury that was available to him at that time, but chose to live an austere existence. Failure to see the joy of the Christmas holidays was only one of Scrooge's many deficiencies. His unhappiness was born of his failure to see the simple joys of life. His focus was on work and the desire to make money. How often do we seem to emulate Scrooge, especially during the busy holiday season? Sometimes we need to be reminded of the past and think of the future and our role in it. Scrooge expected everyone to give of their time and effort for his benefit, but failed to give of himself. Once he was shown the simple joys of those who were less fortunate, he was able to understand the most important message of the Christmas season.

Christmas is the time of year to remind ourselves of friends and family and the simple joy we get from each other. The most important message of Christmas is that of joyous giving of ourselves. It's the message of such classics as "A Christmas Carol" and "It's A Wonderful Life." It is the message of the first Christmas that is very important to all of us. For the baby born in the manger in Bethlehem was a gift, a present from a loving heavenly father to his lost and hurting children, a gift the Bible says brought "good tidings of great joy."



As members of the Smithfield Lions Club, let us continue to "bring tidings of joy" to all that we come in contact with, not only during the holidays but all through the year.

I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year ahead.

Lion Terry Castonguay



Upcoming Community Service Activities



Christmas Float Decorating and Parade
Dec 9 & 10



Christmas Food Baskets
Dec 17, 10 AM



Riverside Nursing Home Activity
Dec 17, 2 PM

October's Month Ending Balances:

Administrative Account: \$3,101.76

Activities Account: \$14,369.15

Certificates of Deposit:

Project Lifesaver: \$3,135.85

General Funds, Activities: \$3,572.70

Remember to call Lion Sol. He needs to know if you're attending the December meeting: 484-7146

Traveling Leo Report



Year's Goal: Visit every Zone B Club!

James City – Dec 8th

New Kent County -

Poquoson -

Williamsburg Host -

Williamsburg New Town -

York County -

Second quarter dues are due

DECEMBER PROGRAM

Christmas Activities



EYEGLASS RECYCLING CENTER

Please bring recyclable eyeglasses to our monthly meetings until further notice.