

## **February**

### **Birthdays**

*Lion Walter Ross – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Lion Sandy MacGregor – 9<sup>th</sup>*



### **Membership Anniversaries**

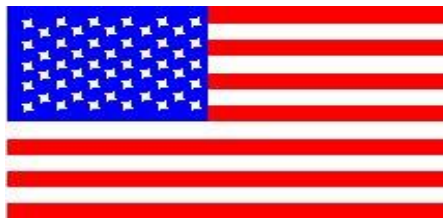
*Lion Sol Sherfey – '03*



### **Dates to Remember**

Feb 13: Smithfield Lions Monthly Meeting, 7 PM  
Feb 18: Riverside Nursing Home, 2 PM  
Feb 18: District Meeting/Governors Ball, Crown Plaza,  
Williamsburg, Meeting at 2 PM, Ball at 6 PM  
Mar 7: Region II Meeting, Hibachi Grill, Norfolk, 6 -9 PM  
Mar 12: Smithfield Lions Monthly Meeting, 7 PM  
Mar 17: Riverside Nursing Home, 2 PM  
Apr 6 & 20: Cruz-In, Charlie Daniels Racing, 6 PM  
Apr 7: Audible Easter Egg Hunt, Windsor Park, 8:30 AM  
Apr 9: Smithfield Lions Monthly Meeting, 7 PM  
Apr 21: Riverside Nursing Home, 2 PM

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  
106 Harrison Drive  
Smithfield, VA 23430

## **“BETWEEN THE LIONS”**

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### President's Message

Fellow Lions,

Daniel Kish has been sightless since he was a year old. Yet he can mountain bike and navigate the wilderness alone. He can also recognize a building as far away as 1,000 feet. How? The same way that bats do. Bats, of course, use echolocation as do Beluga whales, Dolphins, and Daniel Kish. He produces a brief, sharp click with his tongue. The sound waves that he creates travel at 1,000 feet per second, bouncing off every object around him, and returns to his ears at the same rate, though vastly decreased in volume. He is so accomplished at echolocation that he's able to pedal his mountain bike through streets heavy with traffic and on precipitous dirt trails. He climbs trees. He camps out, by himself, deep in the wilderness. He's lived for weeks at a time in a tiny 12ft x 12ft cabin two miles from the nearest road. He travels around the globe. He's a skilled cook, and avid swimmer and a fluid dance partner. Essentially, though in a way that is unfamiliar to nearly any other human being, Kish can see with his ears. Echolocation works because humans on average have excellent hearing. We hear better than we see. Much better! On the light spectrum, human eyes can perceive only a small sliver of all varieties of light, no ultraviolet, no infrared. Converting this to sound terminology, we can see less than one octave of frequency. We hear a range of ten octaves. Daniel does not go around clicking like a Wildman. Outside he may use some load clicks. In good conditions he can hear a building at 1,000ft away, a tree at 30ft or a person from six feet. Inside he can echolocate a 1 inch pole. When he puts it all together, he does not see color. It's like sonar, leaving detailed pictures in his head.



This is not enough for Daniel Kish. He's seeking nothing less than a profound reordering of the way the world views blind people, and the way blind people view the world.

Daniel Kish and a handful of coworkers run a nonprofit organization called "World Access for the Blind" headquartered in his home. They facilitate the self-directed achievement of people with all forms of blindness, and increases public awareness about the strengths and capabilities of blind people. They have helped over 5,000 students in over 18 countries by a dedicated team who led by example, as most are blind! Their unique, scientific method teaches blind people to see in new ways by activating the brain to gain images of the world through sound and touch – like lighting a match in the dark.

Daniel Kish is a visionary and so is our Lions Club. We are Community Ambassadors and I am very proud to be a member of the Smithfield Lions Club.

Lion Terry Castonguay



### Upcoming Community Service Activities



Riverside Nursing Home Activity  
Feb 18, 2 PM

### *December's Month Ending Balances:*

Administrative Account: \$2,644.86  
 Activities Account: \$12,245.08  
 Certificates of Deposit:  
 Project Lifesaver: \$3,136.37  
 General Funds, Activities: \$3,573.30



Remember to call Lion Sol. He needs to know if you're attending the February 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 –**

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**Third quarter dues are due**

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### **FEBRUARY PROGRAM**

**Tina Hill on the July Health Fair  
at Mount Zion Baptist Church**



### **EYEGLASS RECYCLING CENTER**

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