

March

Birthdays

Lion Kasey Campbell – 5th
Lion Yvonne May – 8th
Lion Karrie Lyons – 12th



Membership Anniversaries

Lion Bruce Young – '66
Lion Bentley Crabtree – '97
Lion Charlie Daniels – '11



Dates to Remember

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
Mar 18: 1 PM, Region II Bland, Aldersgate UMC,
4320 Bruce Rd., Chesapeake
Mar 24: Club visit to Eyeglass Recycling Center,
2040 Broadmore Ave, Chesapeake, VA
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

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Smithfield, VA 23430

“BETWEEN THE LIONS”

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President's Message

Fellow Lions,

Last month I was watching the evening news when a story was presented about a man named E. J. Scott, who had just run a marathon in Phoenix, Arizona. Thousands of people run marathons, but what made this story captivating, was the fact that this man ran the marathon blindfolded.

He said "I have to do them blindfolded because of the disease I have." Choroideremia is a degenerative hereditary eye disease that causes blindness.

Scott has had the disease since birth, but it didn't start affecting his eyesight until about ten years ago. He stopped driving a number of years ago and walks with a cane so he does not "bump" into people or things. He could not run the marathon without a blindfold because he cannot be exposed to direct sunlight. He has to run with a guide who holds onto his forearm and he holds a cane with the other arm. "I can't see anything. I'll have my eyes closed underneath the blindfold so I don't really see anything," Scott says.

Even that isn't the amazing part. This is: "The plan is to do 12 marathons in 12 states in 12 months," he says. This was the first stop on his 12 month journey to raise money to find a cure for the disease that's changed his life.

"I'm not here to break any records or anything. I just want to finish," and that he did using two guides and finishing in just over six hours. He further stated, "this is a big accomplishment for me. I mean, I'm an ex-smoker, I'm ex-fat guy and I'm an ex-couch potato."

If you see Scott running this year, cheer him on and know that his journey is just beginning. As Scott's limitations grow and his eyesight worsens, his goals are stronger finding means of raising money to cure this terrible disease.



We, as proud members of The Smithfield Lions Club, strive to continue to find new opportunities to raise funds to help the less fortunate in the Smithfield and Isle of Wight County area. I am proud to serve with you, my fellow Lions.

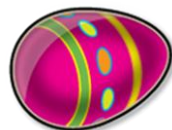
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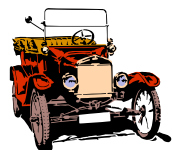
Upcoming Community Service Activities



Riverside Nursing Home Activity
March 17, 2 PM



Audible Easter Egg Hunt
April 7, 8:30 – 11:30 AM



Cruz-Ins
April 6 & 20, 6 – 9 PM

January's Month Ending Balances:

Administrative Account: \$2,644.64

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 March 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 –

Third quarter dues are due

MARCH PROGRAM

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



EYEGLOSS RECYCLING CENTER

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