



**In Memorium**

We lost one of our members in May. Life Member and newly named Melvin Jones Fellow Charlie Dancause. Lion Charlie was a member of the Ashland Lions Club since May 1976. Over the years, Past President Charlie gave a lot to the club, selling light bulbs and making the wood cabinets for the original food trailer. Lion Charlie was presented the Melvin Jones at his home by President Tom Grady, Past President Jens Thoresen and several other Melvin Jones Fellows. Lion Charlie was a good friend to all and he will be missed by all of us. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

**Club News**

**Tuesday June 8th**

Regular Business meeting at TJ's 7:00PM. Bring along a friend. Dinner selection; Meat Loaf or Chicken Teriyaki Stir Fry. Incoming President Tom Heguy is planning a surprise!!!

**Friday June 11<sup>th</sup>**

Relay for Life Cancer Walk at Ashland High School. Sec. Jim is looking of help in setting up the food trailer Friday.. Volunteers should arrive at 5:00PM.

**Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup>**

Awards Banquet at Lombardo's Randolph. Cost is \$18.00. Sec. Jim is taking names of those that wish to attend.

**Sunday June 13<sup>th</sup>**

Clubs annual Triathlon at the Warren Center in Ashland. President Tom Grady will need the help of all Ashland Lions. There are many jobs to be filled to make this a successful fundraiser. If any Lion knows of someone with boat experience please call President Tom. Also, if you know of sponsors who wish to have their name or company name on event T-shirts call Pres. Tom. 508-478-6404. This is the Sunday prior to Father's Day so hopefully more members will be able to participate.

**Tuesday June 15th**

Board of Directors meeting to be held at the VFW. at 7:00 PM. Cards or Email will be sent to board members as a reminder

**Tuesday June 29th**

Clubs Mobile Kitchen will be at the summer concert in Stone Park. Lots of fun, good music and our club is sponsoring two concerts this year. Your help is needed in the kitchen to set up and serve hot dogs etc. If you can come early and only stay an hour then set up is meant for you. If your schedule is on the later side then come late and help serve and clean up. Schedule is flexible. The concerts will run every Tuesday through August.

**Visitations**

Chairman of visitations is Lion Joe Curran. Good job, this year club members have visited the following clubs:

- Sherborn
- Natick
- Holliston
- Gr. Ashland
- Marlboro
- Clinton
- Framingham
- Medfield
- Newton
- Hopedale
- Boylston
- Hopedale
- Bellingham

**June Birthdays**

Lions "Red" Breault, Jim Cerutti, Bob DeMeo, John Ellsworth, Steve Leacu, Jim Lefter, Nicky Nickole, Don Pickersgill, Arthur Rosen and John Wilson, Laura Rowe. Happy Birthday and many more.

**Scholarships**

This year the Ashland Lions Club will be awarding three \$1500.00 scholarships to Ashland High School students and one to a Keefe Tech student at their graduation.

**Upcoming Club Event**

Special Olympics. Weekend of August 13th, 14th and 15<sup>th</sup>. (2nd weekend in August) at UMASS Amherst and Easthampton. We will have at least 3 Olympic towns for Club members to man this year. If you plan to stay at the UMASS dormitories please give your name to Chair Jill Colwell. Plenty of hotels in the area but you'll be responsible for your own reservations. Please attend this very worthwhile club service project. The emotional reward is great.

**July and August No dinner meetings.**

Board of Directors meetings will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. The meeting is changed to Wednesday to accommodate the concerts on Tuesday evenings.

**The Installation Dinner/Dance** was held at the American Legion on Friday May 14<sup>th</sup>. Officers for Lionistic year 2004 – 2005 were installed by PDG Dick Silviera. Special Congratulations go to Melvin Jones recipients Charlie Dancause and Sid Buma. This is the highest honor in Lionism that a club can bestow on one of its members.

Life Memberships were presented to Lions Ralph O'Coin, Bob Gonfrade and Paul Santoro. Incoming President Tom Heguy was named Lion of the Year. Congratulations to each of you.

**Blue Badge**

Congratulations to Lions Barbara Barman, Tina Cass, Ralph Cass and Paul Ciccolo for being awarded a Blue Badge certificate and Pin for completing this program. District Leadership Chair Eileen MacKeil made this presentation at our May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.



**Recycled Eyeglasses**

Through May 2004 club members have collected 6,740 pair of eyeglasses towards club goal of 7,500 for this lions year which ends in June 2004. If anyone has eyeglasses please bring them to PP Eileen at the June dinner meeting.

**The Watertown News**                      **FYI**                      **Harry H.**

**From the National Park Foundation's "Best of Parks" 2004:**

- Best sunrise: Acadia National Park, Maine
- Photo op: Yellowstone National Park, Idaho/Mont./Wyo.
- Beach: Olympic National Park, Wash.
- Watering hole: Grand Teton National Park, Wyo.
- For non-campers: Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Va.
- Access to beauty: Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo.
- Proud moment: Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site, Ala.
- Fossil-watching: Carlsbad Caverns, NM.
- Stargazing: Glacier National Park, Mont.
- Goose-bump experience: Antietam National Battlefield, Md.

**Donations**

To date for this Lions year under Lion President Tom we have allocated the following.

Ashland Day Committee	\$ 600.00
Council on Aging (Country Store)	\$ 300.00
Natick Eye (4 Eye Exams)	\$ 120.00
Mrs. Slote, Ashland Teacher (Sandwiches for Salvation Army)	\$ 300.00
Cystic Fibroses Ride (Raffle Ticket)	\$ 100.00
Ashland Fire Aux (Triathlon)	\$ 200.00
VFW (New Chairs)	\$ 1,000.00
Senior Wellness Fair	\$ 200.00
Meals on Wheels (Christmas Gifts)	\$ 100.00
Meals on Wheels (Address Books)	\$ 75.00
Ashland High Year Bk.	\$ 90.00
Xmas Gifts for Kids (Food Pantry)	\$ 200.00
Thanksgiving Dinners (Food Pantry)	\$ 250.00
Senior Christmas Party	\$ 600.00
Thanksgiving Dinner (Legion, if needed)	\$ 150.00
Library (Large Print Books)	\$ 500.00
Association of Blind Citizens	\$ 100.00
Grant for Pittaway School for Books	\$ 500.00
Ashland Wildcats softball Team	\$ 500.00
Senior Dinner - So Far	\$ 600.00
Eyemobile volunteers (Don Shaw)	\$ 200.00
Ashland Town After Prom Party	\$ 300.00
3 Middle School Students trip to Wash. DC	\$ 652.00
Scoreboard Ashland Softball	\$1,096.00
Installation expenses	\$ 700.00

Learning Ctr for the Deaf Framingham \$ 300.00

Anna Rivera Fund	\$ 300.00
Tball Shirts	\$ 936.00
4 Scholarships	\$6,000.00
School Ed foundation-Computer	\$ 800.00
Spaulding Rehab. In Framingham	\$ 500.00
Summer Concerts	\$ 600.00
Town Flag (from last year)	\$ 870.00

**TOTAL**    **\$19,739.00**

Ad for Midwinter Ad Book	\$ 100.00
Mass Lions Eye Research Fund (Canisters)	\$ 126.00
Dist 33K Governors Emergency Fund	\$ 100.00
Perkins School For The Blind	\$ 100.00
Carroll Center for the Blind	\$ 100.00
Clara Barton Camp	\$ 100.00
Dist 33K Hearing Foundation	\$ 100.00
Dist 33K Quest Program	\$ 100.00
Dist 33K Eye Mobile	\$1,000.00
Dist 33K Fidelco Program	\$ 100.00
Peace Poster Contest	\$ 150.00
Dist 33K Speech Contest	\$ 100.00
Dist 33K Needs Program	\$ 100.00
Dist 33K Lazarus Fund	\$ 100.00
Mass Lions Eye Research Fund	\$15,000.00
Mass Lions All State Band	\$ 310.00
2 Melvin Jones Awards (LCIF Donation)	\$2,000.00
3 Life Memberships	\$ 900.00
MLERF (4 Memorials)	\$ 200.00

**TOTAL**    **\$20,786.00**  
**Grand Total**    **\$40,525.00**

**Variations on Murphy's Law**

**Everyone has a photographic memory – some don't have film.**

**He who laughs last, thinks slowest.**

**You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say will be misquoted**

**News**

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