



# Lions Club of Aberdeen

## Lions Pause

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### King Lion Kevin's Message

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Resuming in January will be the awarding of door prizes at the second dinner meeting of the month.

**January 10,** Dinner Meeting and Super Bowl raffle drawing will take place. Also, Club self-assessment is due back to Lion Senora Haywood.

**January 13:** Full Cabinet Meeting.

**February 3:** LASH general meeting.



Dear Fellow Lions:

Happy New Year! Before we turn the year page however, I want to reflect briefly on how the Aberdeen Lions Club closed 2011 in remarkable fashion.

Several activities are noteworthy. Our Christmas tree sales were the second highest in the past five years. Credit for continual success and improvement of this fundraising project is not accidental and our club owes much thanks to Chair Lion Chris Gaeth and the rest of the tree committee members. Secondly, I can't help but mention our Christmas Basket service project which saw Lions delivering 100 baskets to needy families. At this past board meeting, participants commented very favorably on the large turnout of Aberdeen Lions Club members who participated in the project. Thanks Lion Senora Haywood for continuing helping the club lead another wonderful service project for the community.

The fresh start of another calendar year is exciting! It is a time when hope prevails and dreams come alive for many. Whether 2011 was good or bad doesn't matter now because the year is history. Our focus and goals for 2012 should be fresh. Perhaps many of you made New Year's resolutions including some of the top 10 favorites like: learning something new, losing weight, taking better care of yourself, quit smoking, and getting organized. But, did you know some of the other top 10 resolutions made include helping others, enjoying life more, and spending more time with family and friends? As Aberdeen Lions, now is not only an opportunity for us to fulfill our own resolutions but many others as well. Volunteerism to "help others" can take on many forms. Why not carefully consider and recommend folks in our community for membership in our club? We want to see our club grow and these folks genuinely want to "help others". Do you know most people report "enjoying life more" by "helping others". Who can you ask to become a member of the Aberdeen Lions Club to "help others" and "enjoy life more"? Let's resolve and concentrate our Lions focus on creating many more new members so that we can all simultaneously "spend time with friends", "help others" and "enjoy life more"! I would like to extend to each Aberdeen Lions Club member my most sincere wishes for happiness, health and success for this coming year.

Stay Lion Focused,

King Lion Kevin



Aberdeen Lions Club  
Minutes of January 3, 2012  
Board of Directors Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Aberdeen Lions Club began at 7:02 P.M. on January 3, 2012 at the Aberdeen Senior Center.

The following Lions were present:

Kevin Shetterly	Larry Harris	Kersey Jones	Senora Haywood
Linda Baine	Tom Baine	Cindy Moats	Rowe Haywood
Mark Schlottman	Marilyn Craig	Lambert Rickey	Cheryl Rickey
Art Coates	Karen Mitchell	Linda Slutzky	Herman Moxey

Board members not present were, Chuck Jacobs, Lynn Jastrab, and Melvin Johnson.

Lion Larry moved to approve the Minutes of the December 6, 2011 Board Meeting. Lion Karen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The treasurer's report was accepted for audit. Super Bowl raffle ticket sales are down.

**Financial Secretary Report:**

Lion Larry thanked the Board for its concern during his recent surgery and reported that dues for the next quarter are coming in.

**Correspondence:**

1. Lion Charles Duff requested MAL status from January 1 through April 15, 2012. Lion Rowe motioned that we accept Lion Duffy's request for MAL. Motion was seconded by Lion Marilyn. Motion carried.
2. Thank you letter from Leader Dog for the Club's donation.
3. Thank you letter from Lights of Life Committee of Harford County.
4. Request for donation from the American Society.
5. Thank you card from Lion Sandy Osborn for the Club's support following the death of her father.
6. Lion Jane Gevecker-Mello requested info and pictures of Lions activities. She would also like older pictures for the photo gallery.
7. Lion Mark has send Thank you letters to individuals and Businesses that supported the Club during its recent fundraisers. Copies were sent to the King Lion, Secretary, and the Pause editor.

**Committee Reports:**

**Aluminum Cans:** Lion Mark presented the Club with a check for \$33 from recycled precious metals.

**LEOs:** The Leos served 300 meals to the Community during their Annual Christmas Dinner at the Aberdeen High School. That number included take outs. They also supported seven families during their Project Toy project for Christmas. Lion Herman moved that the Club present the Leos with a check for the support that they provided the Club with its Christmas trees and fruit sale fundraisers.



**Christmas Baskets:** Lion Senora reported that 100 baskets were delivered for Christmas. Twenty Lions recommended families for Christmas baskets – 126 individuals and 26 children. Overall the event went well and there was excellent turnout of Lions to help.

**Christmas Trees:** The committee is working with Walmart for the possibility of their donating their Christmas tree stands that were not sold this year to the Club.

**Christmas Street:** Lion Tom Baine indicated that the turnout For Christmas Street Parade was poor. Lions Tom, Linda, Lambert, and KL Kevin and his family were the only participants in the parade.

**Fruit sales:** Lion Karen Mitchell reported the proceeds from the fruit sales.

**Little Lions:** Lion Linda Baine indicated that she has spent \$40 for small stuffed animals which have already been presented to the Police Department.

**Sight and Hearing:** Lion Bill Allbritten provided his report on sight and hearing for the first half of the year.

**Membership:** Lions Rowe Haywood and Thomas Baine indicated that the Club may have 3 and possibly 5 new members to be inducted at the first meeting in January.

**Nuts Sales:** Lion Herman reports that there are approximately 12 cans of nuts available for sale.

**New Business:**

**Joint meeting:** KL Kevin indicated that he would like to see a joint meeting or service project with the Lioness Lions. Lion Mark Schlottman will coordinate with the Lioness Lions on this issue.

**Social media:** KL Kevin had asked for feedback during one of the general dinner meetings regarding establishing a social media as a mechanism for exposing people to Lionism. He will work with the publicity committee to take on this project.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

**Dates to Remember:**

January 10: Super Bowl raffle drawing will take place. Please get all money to Lion Chuck Jacobs as soon as possible.

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January 13: Full Cabinet Meeting.

February 3: LASH general meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lion Kersey Jones,  
Secretary



## Constitutional Corner By: Larry Harris

Jan (Part 1 of 3): The perfect attendance record of a member shall not be penalized for meetings missed due to illness or occupation. Absence from a regular meeting of this club may be made up either 13 days prior to or 13 days following the meeting missed by attending any of the following:

- A. A meeting of any other Lions Club, regular or special
- B. A meeting of the Board of Directors of this club.
- C. A duly constituted meeting of a standing or special committee of this club.
- D. Any meeting scheduled or sponsored by this club, including a club fund raising or service activity.
- E. A regional or zone meeting or any "Lionistic" activity such as a District, Multiple District, or Lions Association for Sight and Hearing (LASH) meeting, among others.
- F. An International or District convention, or any other recognized Lions meeting.
- G. A Lion who visits the International office, or any district or state office outside of the United States is allowed attendance make-up if such visit is made within the above-mentioned time limits. Cards announcing these visits are presented to Lions when they visit these offices.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## JANUARY

James Kelton	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Skip Hoffman	7 <sup>th</sup>
Karin Hancock	11 <sup>th</sup>
Bill Braerman	14 <sup>th</sup>
Tom Fender	16 <sup>th</sup>
Tammy Buckley	17 <sup>th</sup>
Edgar Collins	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Sharon Fradel	24 <sup>th</sup>
Melody Bennett	28 <sup>th</sup>



## FEBRUARY

Melissa Jordan	8 <sup>th</sup>
Richard Slutsky	17 <sup>th</sup>
Christopher Gaeth	20 <sup>th</sup>
Joe Swisher	23 <sup>rd</sup>



## ABERDEEN LIONS CLUB - SIGHT/HEARING COMMITTEE FIRST HALF REPORT- JULY 1, 2011 THRU DECEMBER 31, 2011

### SIGHT:

- 1. Number of people approved for exam/glasses ..... 53  
(Same Period Last Year - 50)
- 2. Number of people treated and paid for ..... 25  
(Same Period Last Year - 36)
- 3. Amount paid out for sight ..... \$

### HEARING:

- 1. Number of people approved for exam/hearing aid...0  
(Same Period Last Year -3)
- 2. Number of people treated/paid for.....0  
(Same Period Last Year - 1)
- 3. Amount paid out for hearing..... 0

*SIGHT: Fifty eight percent (58%) of the people approved for help with eye exams and glasses were homeless - still our biggest customers.*

*HEARING: Kind of odd - we have received more in reimbursements (last year's folks) than we have paid out. We have had several requests and the forms have been mailed, but folks are slower to respond when there is something to do.*

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### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Bill Allbritten  
For the Great Sight/ Hearing Committee

## CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS (*Boxes*)

100 baskets of food were delivered for Christmas. The event went very well and there was excellent turnout of Lions, and others to help!



Unloading after picking up food at Klein's Shoprite.



Getting organized

Lion Teri looks like she's having fun and Lion Lynn is all business!



Lions Kersey, Chris and Skip waiting to deliver within Burton Manor



King Lion Kevin looks lost in a field of food boxes!



Lion Lynn makes sure each box has eggs.



Lion Melody getting ready to work.



A crew waiting to deliver includes, Lion Marilyn, Lion Linda, Brad Bennett and Lion Lambert and some young helpers!

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