



Paw to Paw

N.J. District 16-B

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From the desk of the D.G.

Hello Lions of District 16-B, if you were not able to attend the district Reorganization meeting you missed a good meeting. We had some discussion on a few issues, which has resulted in the district obtaining a new host server for our district Web Site. This will give us more tools to work with. These expanded tools will make our ability to network between the Clubs and members more efficient and effectively achieving faster results to any inquires. One of the things we have started in early July is that any Lion that is an email user can sign up for our email list. The Email list will allow for a lion to receive news and information that could only be sent to club officers. In the future the email list will be made into an email network list. The Email network list will allow for a lion to send a message or question and everyone on the list will receive the message and then anyone can respond with their comments or information of assistance. A word of caution the email network will NOT BE FOR SHARING JOKES ECT. So please respect this it will be greatly appreciated by all lions.

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Eatontown Lions Club invited Major Paul Eberhardt, U.S. Army Aviator to speak

Eatontown, NJ, USA, August 11, 2011

On August 11, 2011, the Eatontown Lions Club invited Major Paul Eberhardt, U.S. Army Aviator, Operations Officer and Ocean Township resident, to speak with the general membership about his recent experience in Afghanistan.

Major Paul Eberhardt is a graduate of Red Bank Catholic High School and West Virginia University. He is a U.S. Army Aviator and Operations Officer who served in Kosovo, Iraq and most recently in Afghanistan. Most importantly, he returned home from active military service on August 10, 2011. He believed it was very important to relay the message to the community of how important their support has been to both him and the other service members deployed into battle. He was personally grateful for the support, thoughts and prayers from the community and performed with the knowledge that every day he knew that someone back home was thinking about him.

Major Eberhardt began his discussion of his experience in Afghanistan by noting that the country was broken up into five parts- Regional Command North, South, East, West and Capital. Regional Command Capital is also referred to as Regional Command Kabul. His company was located in Regional Command West - about 60 miles from Iranian border.

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The Highlands Lions Club participated in the Highlands Clam Festival from August 4th thru August 7th and sold over 500 funnel cakes.

On August 17th at the Neptune Lions Club meeting D.G. Michael Marrazzo inducted Terry Fancy, Terry Ivory-Brown, Sharon Terry and Amber N. Railey

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The peace poster contest is quickly approaching and your club should be beginning to implement your plans to have your community schools participate. This year the theme is "Children know Peace".

Peace Poster kits are available through Lions clubs Supplies and for more ordering information each Club Secretary can consult the club supplies catalog, or go online to www.lionsclubs.org, or simply call 1-630-571-5466 and choose option #4. One of the District committee positions that is currently VACANT is the Peace Poster chair so if you know a Lion who may be interested Please have them contact me by phone at 732-872-1990 so we can talk. Our district contest entries have gone onto the State level in the past and are likely to go that far again if not all the way to the International level. This is a very inspiring and rewording committee to chair as well as a great opportunity to work on the district level and expand your knowledge of Lionism, which can be helpful to your club. This position is open to any interested Lion.

I anticipate having the District 2011 – 2012 Directory out to all club Presidents, Secretaries, committee Chairs, and PDG's in early September. I am doing this because I want the Lions in our District to have the resources they need to start there year off prepared to serve your local community and participate more in the district. We will be sending out an electronic file of the directory soon for those who wish to have the file on their computers and or smart phones. Club President's and Secretaries when you receive the Electronic File of the district Directory please note the Governor's scheduled official visit to your club so you can prepare for this visit.

As your club starts up for another Lions year I suggest that you consider starting a new Tradition by adding one item to your meeting opening. Open your meetings with the Fag Salute, One Verse of America, Invocation, Lions toast with water, and now add The Lions Pledge. What is the Lions Pledge? Answer, "I Pledge allegiance to my country and to the cause of Peace throughout the world. I believe in the principles of Lionism as contained in the Code of Ethics. I'm proud to be a lion, dedicated to the Service of Others." This may go a long way in reminding each Lion why they became a Lion to begin with. So, with every meeting we all are reaffirming our commitment to service of others in our community.

Our District has sponsored a new Lions club in Neptune, "The Neptune Lions club". The Neptune

Club is in the process of planning their first fundraiser, their first white Cane drive, and many other things they are discussing. Coming soon will be the first Charter Night for the Neptune club. It my hope and the district as a whole that all of our Clubs will support the New Neptune club at there Charter Night with supporting things such as a program journal with a ad, sending a few or more members of your club to attend the dinner, and maybe make a donation to the club to start up there Treasury. Let's not miss the opportunity to show this new Club just how proud we are to have them join the District and appreciate there efforts in forming a new Club in Neptune. When more information is available it will be sent to you.

In closing I want to thank those Lions and Clubs who attended the Reorganization meeting. All of our Lions should know that the new web Site is already up ran running. So, visit www.njlion16B.org and any Lion in District 16-B can register and join the new message board. Take the power of the web and put it to work for your Club by joining the message board today. To those Lions who did not attend the reorganization meeting but have been wanting to offer a suggestion to the District come out to the September 20th meeting and present your idea on the floor for discussion and possible action by the District 16-B Lions.

Yours in Lionism,
Lion Michael T. Marrazzo
District governor
2011 – 2012
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August 10, 2011 at the District 16B Reorganization meeting IPDG Rosemarie Townend presented a Melvin Jones Award to Robert Burlew Jr, President of the Jackson Lions Club.

District 16-B launches new message board and asks all District Lions to register and add to or start a new discussion.

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This area covered by this command was the approximate to the size of the state of Georgia.

He arrived in Kandahar on June 10, 2010 and his company built up their aircraft for their move to Regional Command West. The aircrafts assigned to his company, known as "Task Force Comanche", were 10 UH60s (utility helicopters), 4 CH47s (Blackhawk helicopters), 8 AH64 (Apaches helicopters) and 12 medi-vac helicopters. Major Eberhardt was the operations officer for Task Force Comanche and managed both its' "day to day" and future operations. Once he arrived in Kandahar, the task force started immediately but slowly because of the lack of experience in managing and controlling these different types of air vehicles.

During his stay in Afghanistan, his task force performed various tasks ranging from troop transport, general support (moving a troop from one point to another), medi-vac missions, and resupplying all units in Regional Command West. Due to lack of infrastructure, resupplying the various outposts in the region was done by air. He noted that there were four resupply missions run each day to the various outposts scattered throughout regional Command West.

As time went by, he started to see the "hot spots" in his Company's area of operations. There were other entities, such as Marine Special Forces, working through Regional Command West, that worked with their Company in conducting deliberate operations to obtain "high valued" targets or locate insurgent strongholds. Their unit ran about one such deliberate mission per week utilizing air assault vehicles such as 4-5 UH60 Blackhawk helicopters, 2 CH47s, Apache helicopters and Air Force AC130s for coverage overhead. These operations were done at any time of the day but preferably performed under the cover of night, especially for operations involving extractions. Their unit ran about 55 deliberate missions per year. Unfortunately, the success rate for these missions were not as good as expected but the enemy knew that they could come at anytime and anyplace and was not restricted by time of day, weather or terrain. Despite not getting the target, the enemy could not move around as they saw fit.

Major Paul Eberhardt then completed his presentation and conducted a question and answer session with the general membership.

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I.T. TALK

This month the district has set up a new message board. It can be accessed thru the District 16-B web page.

The purpose of this board is to help bring together lions from all the clubs in the district. It is a place to share ideas, post events, ask for or offer equipment, or just talk to each other.

I have put up a few forums but if you have an idea for one please let me know via email and I will add it to the list. I should also note that all but one of the forums is privet meaning only registered users will be able to see them. This was done so that anything posted will not be seen by the whole world. The only one that non-registered guests will be able to see is the one for posting your events to.

Now I have been made aware of a slight problem with some of our visually impaired Lions being able to register because of the anti-bot security code not being able to be read by screen readers. The only thing I could do about that is to place a link on the home web page that will sort of take you around that and you will be able to register that way.

But the only way this will work is if Lions register and use the board. It will be a little slow at first but as more Lions start using the board. It will be a fantastic tool for the district. And just plane fun too!!

If you have any web site related questions I am just an email away at jacksonlion@optonline.net ⊗

Lion Bob

CALENDAR OF DISTRICT EVENTS

Marie Katzenbach School Family BBQ
320 Sullivan Way Trenton, NJ
September 25th 2011
10am - 2pm Rain or Shine

September 29,2011
1st Cabinet Meeting
7:00pm Location TBA

October 28, 2011
District 16B Charitable Foundation
Harvest Charity Ball
La Bove Grand in Lakehurst New Jersey.

November 29,2011
2nd Cabinet Meeting
7:00pm Location TBA

January 26,2012
3rd Cabinet Meeting
7:00pm Location TBA

April 5, 2012
4th Cabinet Meeting
7:00pm Location TBA

Visit our web site
www.njlions16b.org
For the most up to date info!
We are also on Facebook

Submit your club news or events by
the 10th of the month to:

Lion Bob Burlew
Email: jacksonlion@optonline.net

Snail mail: 2210 Shore Dr.
Wall N.J. 07719

UP COMING CLUB EVENTS

Lakewood Lions Club 30th Annual Renaissance Fair
September 17 &18 2011
10am -6pm Sat. to 5pm Sun.
Pine Park Lakewood, NJ
Contact Don Alemany (732) 890-9347

Allentown Upper Freehold Lions
"Pop" Rockhill Memorial Golf Outing
October 07, 2011 12:00 Noon Lunch - 1:00PM
Scramble Shot Gun Start.
Gambler Ridge Golf Club
Allentown Lions
P.O. Box 162
Allentown, NJ, 08501 USA
Telephone: 609-213-2068

Toms River Lions Club Beefsteak Dinner
Saturday October 15th, 2011

5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
East Dover Volunteer Fire Company
629 Fischer Blvd, Toms River, NJ
\$35 per person
Contact

Lion Ginny Bray or Lion Mel Bray at
732-350-4011 or 732-239-8968

The Palmyra Riverton Cinnaminson Lions Club
Annual Jack Davis Golf Tournament
September 27, 2011
At the Riverton Country Club, Highland Avenue,
Cinnaminson, NJ.
Contact Chairperson Russ Cook for information at
(856) 235-7204

Atlantic Highlands Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
September 18th 8:00am to 12pm
Atlantic highlands Senior Citizens building
Atlantic Highlands Municipal Harbor
Adults \$5.00 per person
Children 3 to 12 years old \$3.00
Children 3 years old and under FREE
Tickets can be purchased in advance by mailing your
request and check to:
Atlantic Highlands Lions Club
P.O. Box 215 Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716