

The Lions will provide a community social event at the **Annual Trenton Thunder Baseball Game**. We will once again have tickets to the Yankee Skybox; the game, against Portland (Double-A Red Sox) will be on Sunday, **August 25, 2013** at 5:00 PM. Tickets are \$38 each, which includes full course buffet dinner with dessert. Please be sure to sign up to attend, either at a Lions meeting or by contacting Lion Phyllis Johnson, Chairperson. It should be a lot of fun!

While we're on the subject of the Trenton Thunder, annual attendance by the Cranbury Lions to the Trenton Thunder game in June (June 22, 2013) to sell 50/50 tickets netted \$587.00 for our charities. This was a fun event in beautiful weather. Lions attending included Phyllis Johnson (Chair), Christine Thompson, Frank Vesci, Fay and John Kobland, Bobbie and Frank Marlowe, Dave Shaffer and Rick Burke. Here's a picture of some of us; sorry Bobbie, Frank and Rick, you must have been out on your final ticket runs!



Club Field Trips

In the spirit of club field trips and special events per our club renewal process, a recent bike ride was held that was fun for all who attended. A trip is being planned for tubing down the Delaware River; more on that to come. Other events are in the early planning stages, but it looks like no stone is being left unturned to find creative, novel approaches for the Cranbury Lions to better serve its community and its members. Stay tuned!

Coming Soon

Cranbury Day is just around the corner on Saturday, September 7, 2013. The food stand will be chaired again by Lions Pat Meehan and Jeff Grundy. All who can are asked to join in to help set up the stand, sell food and beverages, or take down the stand. All for one and one for all, we can make this the most successful Cranbury Day event ever for the Cranbury Lions. Let's do it!

The 2nd Annual Duke Race will also be held on Cranbury Day. Chairperson Jon Goldstein and his team have done tremendous planning to make this a successful event, so please volunteer to join his team during this slice of the day. It won't take much time and it's truly a fun thing to do – quackery at its best! Also, Lion Jon will need your help on selling duck raffle tickets. All things duck; this will be cool and special!

The District 16-D Third Annual Charitable Foundation Family BBQ & Picnic will be held at the Knowlton Lions Club Pavilion on **September 8, 2013** from 12:00 to 4:00 PM (15 Valley Street, Delaware, NJ). Tickets are \$40 for adults, \$20 for children ages 4 to 11. All are encouraged to attend to support our District 16-D Charitable Foundation and raise money for the designated charities. It's the day after Cranbury Day, so it should be a nice respite and a fun time. Hope to see you there. Let's support our District Governor Bob Brandt and this great cause in the new Lions year!

The Annual Cranbury Lions Summer Picnic is planned for **Saturday, September 28th** at 3 pm at Treasurer Dean Koehler's home. More on this to come. A late September Saturday sounds great for this enjoyable event. Thank you, Lion Dean (and Ellen!).

Note from the Editor

Well, as Immediate Past District Governor, this is fun. I like to write and it's much more fun to write a newsletter for our club than for the district; it just feels more intimate. But I don't want to get too full of myself. My main message for now – please feel free to let me know if you want anything 'published' during the year. I will do my best to make that happen. Have a great year and I hope you enjoy the Lions Tales. Yours in Service, Lion John Kobland

Membership

For those of you who are not Lions - Lions are the world's largest service organization and lives up to its motto of "We Serve" at the local, state, national and international level. Much of Lions work is done at the local level in Lions Clubs across New Jersey and the USA.

Cranbury Lions has made, and continues to make, important contributions to Cranbury in the form of financial support to worthy causes, physical gifts to the town and support to other organizations. We are men and women of Cranbury and are always open to those who wish to look us over and make a decision to join and carry on the 80 plus years of service legacy to Cranbury. You may join us for a dinner meeting, work with us on a project or talk with another Lion.

Lions - Here's what you can do: contact a friend or neighbor and invite them to a Lions meeting; talk with Jon Goldstein or Fay Kobland about someone you think would be an asset to our Club and willing to serve Cranbury; look inside your own family, religious and other relationships you have and tell them about your experience and invite them to a dinner meeting; ask a group if they would be willing to listen to a short presentation on the Cranbury Lions (Men's/Women's Clubs, Knights of Columbus, PTA, social clubs.) Our club's service to the community depends on committed Lions who continue to make a difference in Cranbury, now and in the future.

The legacy of the Lions is all over Cranbury. Consider the service you can provide in a spirit of fellowship and fun with the Cranbury Lions. Lions consider why you joined the Cranbury Lions and spread the word of the rewards and value of serving others.

Reminders

Any member who learns of the **sickness or death of another member**, or in a member's family, or any other similar incident or emergency, should call or e-mail Lion Frank Marlowe (Chair, H&W), President Fay Kobland or Secretary John Ryan so that all members may be notified as soon as possible.

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