



FALMOUTH LIONS CLUB NEWSLETTER October, 2010



“We Have A Lot To ROAR About”



Off to a ROARING Start!

“King Lion Aaron began with a hearty welcome to Lions after the summer break. His message was positive and upbeat: “We Have A Lot to ROAR About” and noting Lions International’s theme this year is Lions offer a “Beacon of Hope” throughout the world. Reflecting on District Governor Duke Goranites’ motto “Together We Can”, King Lion Aaron reminded us the Falmouth Lions Club does, indeed, have much to roar about—so crow and be proud of all that we do toward our goals as Lions. Aaron expressed sincere appreciation for all the work Lions perform, unselfishly contributing untold hours of community service month after month, year after year.” (Gloria Giordano)

King Lion Aaron opens the meeting with a little help from our Club’s new mascot (AKA Lion Shawn Macmaster)

Dinner was prepared and served by Lions Ray Bell, Lou Zglobicki and Tony Hayes. During dinner, Lion Rick Lajoie presented a slide show of the 60th Anniversary Party. Rick announced he could provide anyone who wishes a CD of the pictures shown. Lion Paul Bachorik has extra CD’s of our 2009 Christmas Party at Lion Frank Olsen’s home. Please let these Lions know if you would like one.





Eric Sanderson presented the Club with a project to “Beautify Mackworth Island” in order to earn his Eagle Scout badge. He seeks to improve the appearance of the island entrance, the guard shack, and other areas of the school. With the help of an associate at Skillin’s Greenhouse, he drew a plan of the areas involved, and gathered the plants appropriate for the project, which he paid for himself, and completed the landscaping. His expenses

were approximately \$400 which he was hopeful Falmouth Lions would contribute a portion up to the full amount of the cost. The Board of Directors agreed to support his project with a \$150 donation.



The Falmouth Lions will go to the polls on Tuesday, November 2, at Falmouth High School. This event is a great public relations opportunity to meet the people of Falmouth: to tell them who we are and what we do for our community. It is hoped that we may even get a new member or two. The last time we went to the polls was at the last presidential election. We met some great people and gained a new member, Lion Donna Little. Donna is a great asset to our Club.

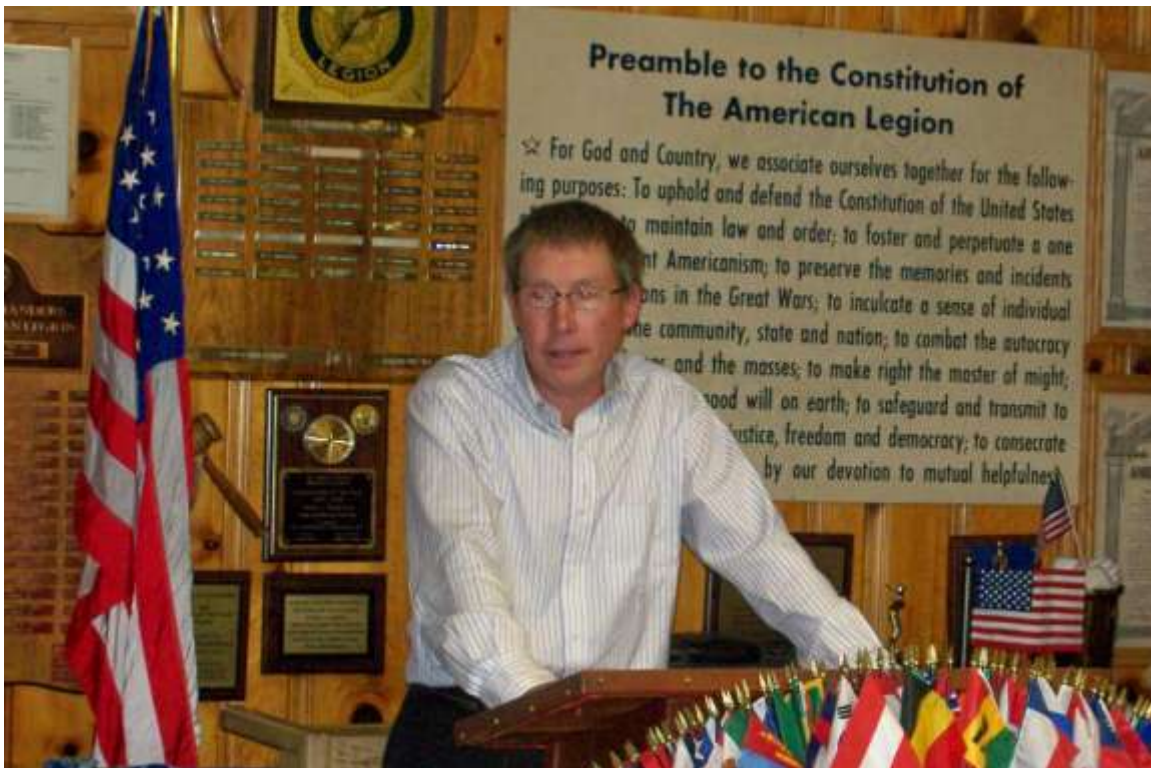
Volunteers are needed to man the polls. We may not be able to staff the polls for the entire day, but I hope we can cover a majority of the day. I am looking for volunteers to work in pairs for a two-hour shift. Lion Donna Lee, Linda Lajoie, and Aaron Tufts have already volunteered, but more are needed. If you can spare a few hours of your time on Election Day, please contact King Lion Aaron at 775-7290; or atufts1@maine.rr.com



Kevin Sackville, Director of Family Ice in Falmouth, spoke at our September 23 meeting. Family Ice Center is a privately owned and operated 501-C3 non profit corporation. The facility receives no local, state or municipal funding and operates solely on revenues generated from ice rental sales, corporate sponsorship agreements and donations from the private sector and grant/foundation community.

As a way of supporting our community, Family Ice created a skating based community outreach program called "Opportunity Skate".

Since the program's inception in 1999, it now offers 250 hours of ice time annually to numerous school groups and private non-profit associations that support the physically and mentally challenged, youth at risk groups, senior citizen groups and various adult and youth based special education and life skills programs. The list of program participants is growing each year and the need for additional funding to support this growth is urgent. The Opportunity Skate program now regularly supports the weekly recreation activities of over 1,000 local citizens per year and with additional financial assistance we can create new programs and touch even more lives.

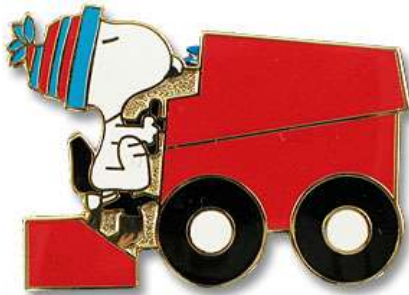


Kevin Sackville, Director of Family Ice, presents a new fundraising opportunity to the Club at our September 23 meeting.

Recent beneficiaries of Opportunity Skate are:

Baxter School for the Deaf	Boothbay Special Needs Association
Burchard Dunn School	West Elementary School
Opportunity Farm for Boys and Girls	Affinity International
West School - Special Needs Department	Durham Outing Club
Aucosisco School	Collaborative School
Boys and Girls Club of Portland	Young Life of Greater Portland
Maine Sled Hockey	Terry Smith Life Skills Resource Group
Prudential Northeast Sled Hockey League	Amistad
The Root Cellar Organization	Mainly Kids
Maine Adaptive Sports Hall School	Connections for Kids
Harrigate Exchange	Lunt School Winter Recreation Program
Reardon's Place	Riverton Community School
Busy Bee Child Development Center	Maine Educational Center for the Deaf
Creative Trails	The Real School
Deering Functional Life Skills	The Margaret Murphy Center
Sweetster Children Services	Long Creek Youth Development
	Youth Alternatives

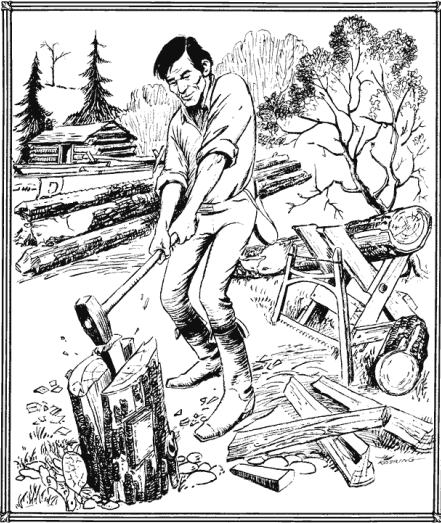
“I want to ride on a Zamboni!”



At our October 7 Board of Directors meeting, the Board approved a new fundraising opportunity for our Club and for the Opportunity Skate Program. The Falmouth Lions will sell raffle tickets at the Saturday evening hockey games for a ride on the Zamboni at Family Ice. Ticket sales will be split between the Opportunity Skate Program and the Lions Club.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our two organizations to partner together. The money raised will help boost our Club's Project Account. This will allow us to further support the many organizations that request our financial aid, and to further assist those individuals who need our help during these trying economic times. Thank you, Lion Shawn Macmaster for helping to build this relationship with Family Ice.

Games will begin sometime in November and volunteers will be needed to sell the raffle tickets. More information will be available soon.

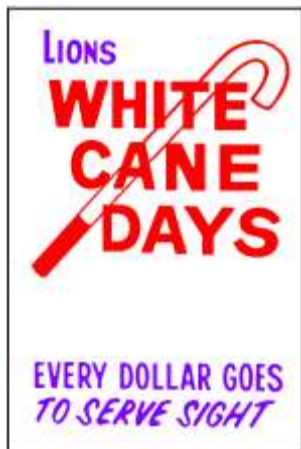


WOOD CUTTING DAY!

We are having our first wood cutting day at Tony Hayes house on Saturday October 16th! So far we have:

1. Dean Frost - cutter/Lifter
2. Tony Hqyes - cutter/Lifter
3. Shawn Macmaster - BIG splitter operator
4. Rick Lajoie - splitter operator
5. Linda Lajoie - splitter operator
6. Heidi Villacci- lifter
7. Dave Horne - cutter/lifter
8. Ray Bell - cutter/lifter

Shawn and Frank have already dedicated their splitters for the day (THANK YOU), working on getting Emery's as well. We will start at 8:30am. Please let Dean Frost know if you are available to help. We have 5 cords sold so far.



Our first White Cane fundraising day was held Sunday, October 10 at Wal-Mart. We raised \$255.00! Thank you to Lions Donna Lee, Rick & Linda Lajoie (and Ruby) and to Aaron Tufts, for helping to make this event a success.

Our second White Cane Day fundraiser will be held Saturday, October 16, at Shaw's in Falmouth. **More volunteers are needed to participate at Shaw's on October 16.** There will be two shifts on each day; one from 9 a.m. to noon; and the second from noon to 3 p.m. The Board of Directors has agreed to match the funds collected in both locations. Lion Aaron Tufts is chairman of this project. Please contact him at (atufts1@maine.rr.com; or 775-7290) if you would like to participate in this annual fundraiser to help Maine's blind and visually impaired.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Warren Cerrone (October 5)
Bruce Clement (October 9)
Russell Dow (October 9)
Lou Zglobicki (October 12)
Paul Bachorik (October 22)
David Bridges (October 30)



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CLUB HISTORIAN



"I am storing away memories from the anniversary party last May and wondered if any Lions had snapped photos that they would like to have archived? King Lion Aaron has given me an album and lots of photos taken by our wonderful official photographer, Andy. These are great, bless him, and I wondered if there are more and different pictures out there, as well. I am interested in anything and particularly in any of the group photo towards the end of the evening. I am at the end on one side and I think I remember someone standing next to me who apparently didn't get into the shot. Perhaps another picture taker was standing further away than Andy was? I will accept any media, so just let me know either via email or at a meeting and we will figure it out!" (Lion Linda Lajoie)



Get in the Halloween spirit at our October 28 meeting! Members are invited to wear a costume to this meeting. Don't have a costume? Instead, wear a funny or unusual looking hat. Don't miss the fun!

See you at our next Club meeting on Thursday, October 14!

Not Above You, Not Beneath You, But With You!

Aaron