

# District 22-W Newsletter November 2024

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**DG Theme: Find Joy in Service** 



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#### **DG** Susan Cox's Monthly Message:

Dear Lions and Leos,

"The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today." — H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

As we continue moving forward in this Lions year, this quote really speaks to the work we do in service to our communities. Every day, we can make a difference, not only for the present but also to lay the foundation for a brighter future.

By focusing on doing our best today, we ensure the longevity and success of our goals: strengthening membership, empowering leadership, and expanding community service. It's through our everyday efforts that we contribute to the growth and impact of our clubs, support the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), and find joy in the service we provide.

I want to express my heartfelt thanks to those who have generously donated to LCIF. Your contributions enable our foundation to provide critical assistance in the disasters that have impacted our country and those around the world. Your support ensures that we, as Lions, continue making a profound impact wherever the need arises.

November also brings an important opportunity for service. World Diabetes Day is November 14, 2024. I encourage each of you to recognize this day by planning a diabetes service project with your club. This is a great way to raise awareness and make a real difference in our communities as we continue our mission to serve.

As we enter this special season of service, it's an ideal time to focus on those in need within our own communities. This is an opportunity for us to reach out, identify any specific needs that have yet to be met, and explore new ways to serve. By doing so, we ensure that our efforts remain meaningful and responsive to the unique challenges faced by those we serve.

As we approach Thanksgiving, let us also take time to reflect on the many blessings we have, both personally and as Lions. Together, we have achieved great things, and with continued dedication, the future holds even more opportunities for us to serve and grow.

I wish you and your loved ones a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving. May this season bring joy, gratitude, and renewed inspiration for the work that lies ahead

Yours in Service, Lion Susan Cox District Governor

#### On the Road Again! - Our District Governor's Schedule:

#### November 2024:

Nov. 2 - District 22A Social

Nov. 6 - Cumberland Lions Club OV

Nov. 9 - 2nd District 22W Cabinet Meeting

Nov. 12 - Taneytown Lions Club OV

Nov. 19 - LaVale LC Charter Night

Nov. 21 - Flintstone Lions Club OV

The convention committee needs help with committee assignments. Please contact DG Susan Cox if you plan to attend the MD22 Convention and you are willing to sign up and help a committee.

#### **Put these Lion Events on your Calendar:**

**November 2<sup>nd</sup>** – District 22A Social at Annapolis Elks.

**November 9<sup>th</sup> -** 2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Mtg and Deadline for 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Service Challenge, hosted by Hagerstown Lions Club at the American Legion

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>** - LVRF Vision Fest Rally at Johns Hopkins Hospital

**On Dec. 7**<sup>th</sup> - District 22D Social at Harrington Raceway & Casino

January 11th - 3rd Cabinet Mtg

Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> – Roar Like a Lion Event

# 2027 Lions International Keynote Speakers at Joint Meeting hosted by Greater Carroll Lions Submitted by IPDG Jeremy Bair

Surrounded by 70 guests representing 20 Lions Clubs, Greater Carroll Lions President Mike Mykulyn and IPDG Jeremy Bair, host emcee, led the evening where Kiwanis Past International President Arthur Riley and Lion Past International President Clem Kusiak were guest speakers at the October 10th meeting. Both International Civic Leaders recounted their journeys to International Leaders and how our District and Multiple District Lions can help motivate the local clubs to be participative in a once in a lifetime opportunity as the Lions Clubs International Convention 2027 will be held in Washington from July 2 through July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2027. Fundraising efforts, sub-committee preparations, volunteerism and attendance will be vital. The evening was complemented by a raffle won by Rachael Graham and a silent auction. A 2027 Sponsor was presented to Westminster VFW Commander Gary Scarborough and Marcie Brengle for the Westminster VFW's commitment to helping Lions Clubs with fundraising efforts and function. Fusion Lion Scott Long was the winner of a 2027 pin drawn by Lion Jeanne Kusiak. Our 22W District Governor Susan Cox gave the final comments on this important night. Lion Tom Harney, a 10+ time president of the Taylorsville Winfield Lions Club, was presented with a 2027 Pin as a champion for Diabetes Awareness fundraisers in our district including the Kiss a Pig Contest, a yearly rock band fundraiser at the Winfield Fire Hall, his support of day camps and Lions Camp Merrick and Zone Golf Tournaments.





22W Diabetes Awareness Co-Chair Tom Harney received a 2027 Lions Convention Pin from PIP Clem Kusiak





#### A Message from FVDG Martin Bonura:

International First Vice President A.P. Singh and my FVDG/DGE group leader, PDG Daniel Elkins have requested that next year's district team be developed now in order to continue the great work begun by DG Susan Cox. This means that next year's district team would be ready to hit the ground running in July. DG Susan's team, which I am a part of, is currently working on assisting clubs, encouraging reporting of service, providing training, developing innovative ways to serve, and promoting the creation of new clubs. IFVP Singh promotes building a "robust and forward-thinking team" to reach the goals of the district. He further states, "this is an opportunity to empower someone to grow as a person, as a leader and as a Lion." They develop their leadership skills, and we get a better Lion leader. The district team will consist of Lions who have a passion for the service they provide and an interest in the area they serve. We need cabinet members who will be able to vote on the future of our organization. Next year, IPDG Susan Cox and the new FVDG Leon Cardiff are automatically members of the team and voting cabinet; but we need a new SVDG interested in joining the team. We will need Zone/Region Chairs, and a Cabinet Secretary and a Cabinet Treasurer. They make up the voting cabinet. They are expected to help existing clubs in retaining members, growing service, growing leadership, and growing membership. They will focus on what clubs are doing and how the district can promote them.

The next part of the team is the Global Action Team. They act together with zone/region chairs and work collaboratively to inspire clubs and leaders grow to provide more service by helping to improve club membership, club leadership, new club extension, and club service. They are the Global Membership Team coordinator (GMT), Global Leadership Team coordinator (GLT), Global Extension Team Coordinator (GET), and the Global Service Team Coordinator (GST).

The membership coordinator works with clubs to assist them in retaining membership, improving member satisfaction, and in recruiting community members to join their club through visits to clubs, membership events, and through training opportunities. The leadership coordinator provides orientation training, zone chair training, officer training, and assists in promoting district and international level training. The new club extension coordinator concentrates on opportunities to develop new clubs with the assistance of existing clubs in the region. The service coordinator supports club reporting of service activities, development of zone, regional, or district service projects, and assist clubs in the development of their own plans. All report on their activities at each cabinet meeting.

Committee or Program	Expectation
Alert	Develops notification and response to disasters
Auditor	Conducts the annual audit of district finances
Awards Coordinator	Collects reporting data for district awards from clubs and secures awards
Chaplain	Responds to deaths, cares, and concerns of Lions, conducts invocations and benedictions, assists with memorial services
Constitution and By-Laws	Reviews and recommends changes to the constitution and to the policies manual
Convention	Encourages participation in the convention
Diabetes Awareness	Promotes awareness of diabetes, raises funds for awareness programs and camperships
District 22W Foundation	Monitors the operation of the foundation to ensure compliance with appropriate regulations
Environment	Promotes environmental programs
Hearing Preservation, Awareness &	Promotes hearing programs, collects hearing aids, coordinates camperships
Action	
Historian	Compiles district reporting into a secure online document
Information Technology Webmaster	Maintains the website and assists clubs with IT needs
Leader Dog Chair	Promotes Leader Dog and coordinates the annual banquets
Lions Quest	Promotes this Lion owned social-emotional-learning program
Lions Saving Kids Sight	Promotes and assists with eye screenings by Lions
Marketing & Communication	Publicizes District activities and assist club marketing
Mobile Screening Unit	Coordinates operation, scheduling and secures funding for the unit
Newsletter	Prepares and issues the district's official newsletter
New Voices	Promotes diverse membership in clubs
Peace Poster	Promotes and coordinates the peace poster contest
Sight Conservation Eyeglasses Recycling	Collects and coordinates distribution of used eyeglasses
USA/Canada Leadership Forum	Promotes attendance and fellowship of attendees
Vehicle Tags	Promotes the purchase and use of Maryland Lions Club tags

Please consider your passions and let me know of your interest as a member of the district team. The team needs those who already serve as role models and who demonstrate accountability. We need diversity of ideas, creative thinking, and problem-solving skills. It takes a great team to accomplish great things. This is your opportunity.

Submitted by Lion Martin Bonura

#### A Message from SVDG Leon Cardiff Jr:



Some will read, some will understand, others may need an explanation while others will believe that I don't need to refresh my memory on this topic, I don't need that as we do things this way. Most of us learned cursive writing one group of letters at a time. There was the chart on classroom wall or board that we could see. Yes, we repeated writing those letters, staying within the three lines whether the letter was a capital or a lower case. One that likely gave us all some difficulty was the letter "Q". For those much younger, they draw a large O and put the tail lower middle going to the right (Q). The shortcut on what was the practice then and is now accepted as the norm. (Thank goodness the letter "Q" or "q" did not overly dominate our vocabulary of words in penmanship.)

Just as our putting pen to paper for correspondence and the tools of the "written" word has changed to that of word processors, grammar as well as spell checkers, PowerPoint presentations and yes AI. Printers and the internet have become our implements of moving information and knowledge more easily. As Lions though, our motto of "We Serve" has a very fundamental foundation as set forth with the Constitution and By-Laws as well as the Policies and Procedures of Lions Clubs International (LCI). Yet, many professions require periodic review, training as well as testing for both "seasoned" and new hires. During my flying years, I continually had quarterly and yearly study and written testing requirements as well an evaluator flying with me, observing and evaluating my knowledge in many areas including Mayday, Pan and Secruite procedures. These check rides were pass/fail. LCI does not require for club officers or those serving at the cabinet level any yearly training or testing.

If you ask though any of our Past International Directors or Past District Governors before holding that position if they were exposed through some type of training, seminar or conference of being a district, club officer and a Lion's officer the answer is likely very little. Learning today for each Lion is much more clarified, enlightening, flexible and with mentors for our lifestyles to facilitate us on the path within the Pride. Yet each member, mentor, Guiding Lion, present or past officer as well as new Lion member should review or be aware or be exposed to the current LCI areas that guide our clubs and district. Just as visiting our health provider to get an update on our physical health, we should do the same as a Lion so we are not out of touch with the overall health, activities and scope that facilitates our clubs in serving and growing. I will be the first to say, nobody else can for me, that other Lions provided me the opportunities, tools, encouragement and path to learn and utilize the multitude of instruments of Lionism available. Serving as a cabinet member, being asked to be a Guiding Lion twice and then a Trustee of LVRF, these were not done singularly but with the soft interaction with those of our district.

Expanding my fundamental basis of Lions beyond my club activities participation was also through the Lions Portal and acquisition of material knowledge ranging from the different membership titles to that of secretarial duties and reporting. I found the portal required only to go to the Lions International web page and use the search function. NO, email sign-in or password required. Wow, what a concept, access to information about Lions without a password or an email address and no inundation of my email box with messages for the latest and greatest way to Roar like a Lion.

Yes, this is a start for refreshing or for new members to grasp the many functions, duties of club officer positions (<a href="https://www.lionsclubs.org/en">https://www.lionsclubs.org/en</a>). The other Lion Encyclopedia volume in available as a resource for learning and reviewing is Lions University (<a href="https://lionsuniversity.org">https://lionsuniversity.org</a>). This source of provides webinars for multiple areas which compliments the Lions Portal for knowledge and presentations other than pressing the "NEXT" arrow.

The Lions University does require an email and establishment of a password for access. It does not cost you anything and is managed through the USA/Canada Forum. Again, the only email you will get is an acknowledgment when you have completed a webinar such as Club Treasurer. No push, shove hurry up, Buy Now. NO time limit.

Yes, Lions University has a Bachelor, Masters and Doctorate "Degree" (BMDD) pathway. Don't let the disco ball and shining lights distract you from the real reason you are viewing the webinars. It is refreshing and balances the presentation of pertinent materials for each of us as a Lion to place in our mental encyclopedia Lion data base.

I am viewing the webinars of Lions University to make me a better Lion, not only for myself but for helping when needed by or for other Lions. I am not concerned about receiving a BMDD, that is having like the extra toppings on a dessert. Balanced learning through different presentation methods of similar material enlightens our knowledge base to help ourselves, our clubs and our district over our time as a Lion. A refresh can be similar to watching an old movie or documentary. The little things we did not see or hear before which brings us to appreciate the small substance, idea of a nuance as presented. Time to review an old movie and see what lines and processes the directors focus has for all Lions now?

"It Can Happen Here"
Submitted by Myron Horn, District ALERT Chair



It was less than a month ago that two hurricanes came ashore in Central Florida. The combined damage of Hurricanes Helene and Milton was over \$150 Billion with over 250 confirmed deaths and still rising. Whole towns were devastated, roads are still blocked, electricity was out for over a week in some areas, and people will be suffering long into the future. So what, this happened in Florida, North Carolina, and Georgia. It can't happen here. I'm here to tell you that it can happen here and it has!

In 1972, Hurricane Agnes stalled over Pennsylvania and Maryland and dumped a week's worth of heavy rain over the area. The resulting intense flooding of the Susquehanna River in Pennsylvania and the Patapsco River in Maryland can still be seen with the highwater marks. In 1996, Tropical Storm Fran caused flash flooding in fifteen Western Pennsylvania Counties. In 1999, Hurricane Floyd caused a 2.8 ft. storm surge in Philadelphia and 500,000 homes lost power. In October 2012, Superstorm Sandy caused Coastal Flooding in Crisfield, MD at the same time it caused heavy snow and blizzards in Western Maryland. In 2016 and 2018, Ellicott City, MD endured a "Once in every 500 years flash flood." In 2022, West Virginia had flooding that knocked out bridges and roads. Let's not forget the various tornadoes, power outages, blizzards, and flash floods that happen every year in Maryland. Given that, we now understand that it can happen here, what is your plan? What will you do if you lose power in your area for three days? What if your roads or bridges are blocked for a week and you can't get out of your block? Suppose WiFi and the Internet are down for several days, how would you respond? Do you have food and water stored? Can you protect your family if the police can't come? What can you do to assist someone else that has suffered in your area? The time is now to make your plan and to get prepared.

# October 5th 22W Social

**Social Committee Members:** Chair Larry Stambaugh, CS Wendy Drum, CC Evan Gillett, and Lion Paul Dolan (Social Book Design).

There was a total of 172 attendees at the event:

28 Clubs in our district with representatives that attended the Social: Boonsboro, Chewsville, Deer Park, Emmitsburg, Frederick Fusion, Freedom District, Francis Scott Key, Glade Valley, Grantsville, Greater Carroll, Hancock Lioness Lions, Kitzmiller, LaVale, Libertytown-Unionville, Lineboro-Manchester, Middletown, Myersville, New Windsor, New Market, Oakland-Mt Lake Park, Roaring Run, South Carroll Lioness Lions, Taneytown, Taylorsville-Winfield Lions, Thurmont, Terra Rubra, Westminster, and Williamsport.

Some Lions from the Multiple District: PIP Clem Kusiak, PID Joe Gaffigan, ID John Lawrence, PCC Charles Taylor, PCC Dave Studley, PDG/DG Jim Katzaman, IPDG John Mosier, PDG Sue Parks, PDG Sonia Wiggins, PCC Gary Burdette, PDG David Mitchell, PDG John Burris, PDG Kenny Vincent, PDG Tommy Lu, 22AVDG Suzette Kettelhofen,

#### Presentation of Awards by ID Marie Cunning & DG Susan Cox:

They awarded Terra Rubra Lion Larry Stambaugh, Lineboro-Manchester Lion PDG Andy DeMario Sr, and Chewsville Lion PDG Margarito Ochoa (Och) with the International President's Certificate of Appreciation for their years of service.

**Book and Bookmark Activity:** The committee conducted a service project with 140 books there for Lions to create a bookmark and gift the book and bookmark to children. Lions Becky Wilson, Diane Richards and Jerry Wilson were there to instruct and help folks with the activity. (See right)

**Silent and Live Auction:** There were 25 silent auction items and 3 live auction items. The live auction items were The Lottery Tree from Hancock Lioness Lions, The Fall Dinner Tray from Kitzmiller, and The Boston Crème Cake from Terra Rubra. The Hancock Lioness Lions Club was in charge of the auctions.

















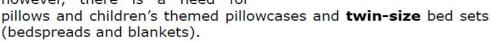


## Vice District Governor Challenge # 1

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

Our district was introduced to Sleep in Heavenly Peace several years ago. This organization seeks to ensure that no child need sleep on the floor by building and providing free beds for them.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace continues to provide beds and sheets; however, there is a need for









In Heavenly Peace

Our challenge to the clubs of District 22W is for clubs to collect new pillows and bed sets (if possible children themed) for delivery to Sleep in Heavenly Peace . This challenge will be introduced at our first Cabinet meeting on August 17th in LaVale and end on November 9th, the date of the second cabinet meeting.

Please contact 1st VDG Martin Bonura (lionsbonura@gmail.com) or 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Leon Cardiff (<u>Illdgomlp26@gmail.com</u>) (3 L's in front); with your club name, item and quantity so we can have the proper transport of these items to Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

> Vice District Governor Challenge # 1 Sleep in Heavenly Peace

## **Brochures for Clubs:**

# **Submitted by 22C PDG** Sonia Wiggins, LCI -New **Club Development** Consultant

There is now a link that needs to be used to order Membership Materials directly from the print shop. This link can be used by any Lion who would like to order materials. Please be advised that the print shop is swamped with orders so it may take a bit to get the materials.

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## **2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Service Challenge:**

The next Service Challenge begins on November 9th until January 11th.

Clubs are asked to collect school items for a local school in your community.



















Bottom photo is before the flooding and the top photo is after. So many mountain communities in North Carolina have been hard hit plus Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia and Ohio.

LCIF is already in action with disaster relief grants and aid. LCIF was there for 23A after our August 2024 floods so we could help and now other communities need our help!

Can you take a moment to donate to LCIF to the "Disaster Relief" fund so they can continue their support in goods and financial aid? Scan the QR code above or click the link below to donate.

https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate

Thank You! DG Eileen, LCIF Coordinators Lion Susan Etsy and PDG Mary Krogh

Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton impacted the southeastern coastline of the US, particularly Florida. Many homes were damaged and families displaced.

As of October 3, 2024, LCIF has awarded 8 Emergency grants totaling \$120,000 for districts in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. They are in contact with several more districts and anticipate additional Emergency grants will be issued soon. Additionally, Major Catastrophe grants of \$100,000 each have been awarded to Multiple District 35 (Florida) and Multiple District 31 (North Carolina).

Go online to the LCIF website and make a donation to the Disaster Relief Fund.

**Source:** Taneytown Lions Club Newsletter

Help replenish school supplies for a local school.

Join the Lions VDG Challenge

November 9, 2024, to January 11, 2025



Drop off school supplies at the



Lions Clubs International

District 22-W Second Cabinet Meetin

Region II

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Hosted By:

The Hagerstown Lions Club

WHERE: American Legion 405 Northern Avenue Hagerstown, MD 21742

TIME: 10:00 AM

MENU: Eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Hash Browns, Pancakes, Apple or Orange Juice, Coffee

COST: \$15.00/person

Please make checks payable to: Hagerstown Lions Club

Send Reservations NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 31, 2024 to:

Lion Paul Leatherman, Treasurer 18812 Preston Road Hagerstown, MD 21742

Lions Club International District 22-W Second Cabinet Meeting November 9, 2024, 10:00 AM American Legion

Club Name:	Total Attending:
Amount Enclosed at \$15.00/per person: _	
Members Attending:	
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#### From: Region Chair Nelson Baker

TO: All Region II Clubs

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Region II All Zone Meeting for the year 2024-2025, will be held on:

Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2024

Place: Bethel United Methodist Church Activity Center
21006 Twin Springs Drive Smithsburg (Chewsville) Maryland 21783

Time: 6:30 PM

Program: Lindsay Ridenour, Washington Co. Health Department, will talk about Type II Diabetes

Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert

Cost \$12.00 per person

#### MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CHEWSVILLE LIONS CLUB

Reservations by: November 08, 2024

Mail Reservations to Lion Lee Williams, 20118 Jefferson Boulevard, Hagerstown, Md. 21742

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# **World Diabetes Day-November 14<sup>th</sup>:**

It was established in 1991 by the International Diabetes Federation with support from WHO in response to growing concerns about the health and economic threat posed by diabetes. World Diabetes Day became an official UN Day in 2006 and is held every year on November 14<sup>th</sup>. LCI partnered with the International Diabetes Federation to help one



million people get screened for Type 2 diabetes. Lions on every continent are organizing projects and raising funds to support our work changing lives in every community we touch. The color blue is associated globally with Diabetes Awareness.

**SOURCE:** LCI

Lions should organize activities for November 14th to bring awareness to diabetes and ways to lower the risk of developing diabetes. Let's reach out to our local schools and restaurants to help spread the word. Be sure to wear blue, enjoy a diabetes healthy menu, get some physical activity and schedule an appointment with your healthcare provider. Let's help spread information and awareness. **SOURCE:** Boonsboro Lions Club Newsletter

## **Diabetes Kiss a Pig Event:**

On October 5<sup>th</sup> at Krimgold Park in Winfield, there were 39 attendees from 6 Lions Clubs (Terra Rubra, South Carroll Lioness Lions, Taylorsville-Winfield, Roaring Run, Emmitsburg, Westminster,) in our district and 2 outside of our district who came out in sunny but slightly cool weather to take part in this fundraiser. ID Marie Cunning from Arizona, our keynote speaker at the 22W Social, came with DG Susan Cox and ID John Lawrence from 22B. They were among those who came and walked the trail. Region 4 Chair Rachel Graham and FVDG Martin Bonura were also in attendance. The event was organized by Lions Tom Harney, Co-Chair Dianne Walbrecker, Terri Parkent and Tim Ganski. Lions Tim and Laura Ganske brought their pot belly pig, Penelope, to the event where Lion Tom kissed the front of the pig since he raised the most money. There were several children in attendance who enjoyed seeing Penelope. Co-Chair Dianne said "I was willing to kiss Penelope's other end, but Laura said she had just had a series of shots which made that impossible!".

The total proceeds raised by this event were \$5,626.00. 5 clubs donated \$1,100 dollars. Lion Tom Harney was surprised and very happy with the results! Lion Dianne Walbrecker said that "Lion Tom and I appreciate all the support for Diabetes Awareness & Action". Hot dogs, chips and beverages were available to all. Several Lions,















# **Updates on Lions Vision Research Foundation (LVRF)**

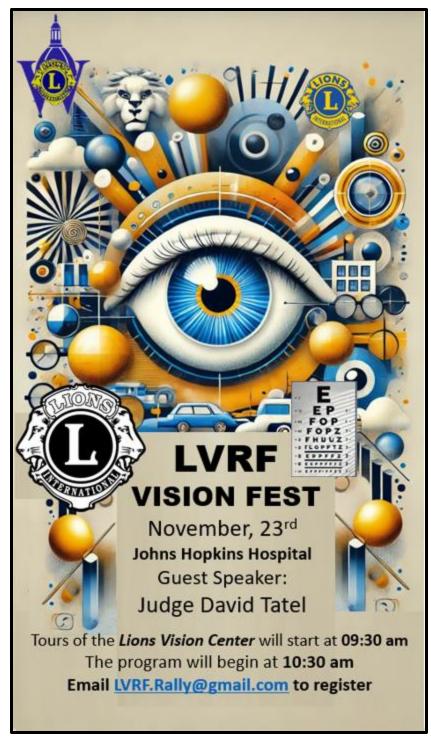
#### Submitted by LVRF Secretary, PDG Barb Brimigion

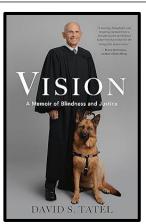
LVRF holds a **virtual meeting** by Zoom every two months. LVRF Chair Evan Gillett extends an invitation to any Lion who would like to attend the meetings to learn more about the operation of the Foundation. Contact LVRF Secretary Barbara Brimigion for the Zoom link at <a href="mailto:bbrimigion@gmail.com">bbrimigion@gmail.com</a>. Our next virtual meeting will be held on Saturday, January 25th at 9:30am. Meetings generally last about 1-1 ½ hours.

The LVRF Vision Fest (Rally) will be held in-person at the Wilmer Eye Institute at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Come to hear some interesting speakers and patient testimonials, present your club donation, tour the LVR clinic, and receive a complementary boxed lunch. Sign-up at: <a href="https://linker.ncbi.nlm.ncbi.n

Clubs in our district hold fundraisers for LVRF throughout the year: **A Vision Days Project** is held every year at the **home of FVDG Martin & PDG Susan Bonura** on 1743 Deer Park Road; Finksburg, Md for the month of December and early January. Come see the Christmas decorations and make a donation! **Region 4 Zone 3 Golf Tournament** will be held on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Oakmont Green Golf Course in Hampstead, raising money for LVRF among 2 others.

Learn more about Lion Vision Days on the LVRF's website <a href="http://www.lionsvision.org">http://www.lionsvision.org</a> to download "How to Guide for Vision Days", stickers and the LVRF Brochure to print. Contact our District LVRF Trustees CC Evan Gillett, SVDG Leon Cardiff and Lion Sunhe Price for help.





Guest Speaker, Judge Tatel recounts his remarkable career as a civil rights lawyer and federal judge. Tatel retired from the bench earlier this year, having spent 30 years on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, taking over the seat vacated by Ruth Bader Ginsburg in 1993. He recounts the challenges of living with a disability (genetic condition called retinitis pigmentosa) with the help of his guide dog.

#### **LVRF Rally:**

This is a **free event**, but Lions and guest must pre-register at IVRF.Rally@gmail.com. Everyone must bring a photo ID to show hospital security when they arrive.

The best parking option is the large parking garage on Orleans Street. Lions and guest can use the skybridge to enter the hospital and check in with security there. Everyone will be asked to pass through a metal detector. Lions and guest can then proceed to the Chevy Chase Auditorium.

Tours of the Low Vision Center will begin at 9:30 am.

The program will start at 10:30 am, with the keynote speech by Judge David Tatel. There will also be other speakers.

Clubs and individuals will be given an opportunity to make donations to LVRF during the program.

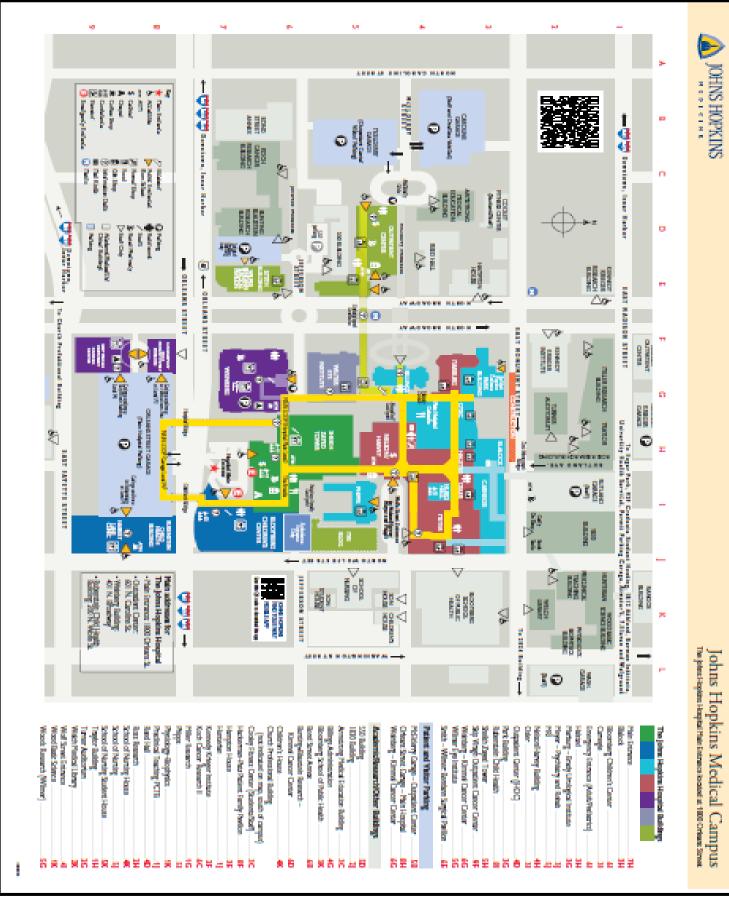
There will be complimentary boxed lunches.

Your continued support of this service project truly impacts the lives of the people with better treatment, greater independence, and more possibilities for a brighter tomorrow.

For Lions who want to attend the LVRF Rally, Vision Fest, we request that they send an email to:
<a href="mailto:lvrf.rally@gmail.com">lvrf.rally@gmail.com</a> by November 17th.

Please help promote the rally in your club. Share the flyer on your social media and in other communications with Lions and eyecare professionals.





Below is an elevator speech, created by LVRF Chair Evan Gillett, that the LVRF trustees can use as they visit clubs or for club officers to use to explain LVRF to their own club members:

Low vision is a significant visual impairment that cannot be corrected with standard glasses, contact lenses, medication, or surgery. It affects millions of people worldwide, making everyday tasks like reading, recognizing faces, or driving difficult or impossible. Here in the United States, it's estimated that over 3 million people suffer from low vision, and this number is projected to double by 2050 as our population ages.

Through our partnership with the Wilmer Eye Institute at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Lions support groundbreaking research, clinical care, and rehabilitation programs for people facing these challenges. One of our key initiatives is the **Lions Low Vision Rehabilitation Fellowship**, a program that trains future leaders in low vision care. This fellowship helps equip specialists with the skills and knowledge needed to provide life-changing care to those with visual impairments, ensuring that future generations of patients will continue to receive the highest quality of support and rehabilitation.

LVRF is rooted in the core values of Lions Clubs International—our tradition of service, community support, and addressing critical needs globally. Lions are best known for our tireless work in the fight against preventable blindness, the work of LVRF continues this legacy by focusing on research and patient care that directly impacts lives.

By supporting LVRF, you're contributing to a future where low vision patients have better treatments, greater independence, and more possibilities for a brighter tomorrow.

Thank you for your time, and together, we can continue making a profound difference."

### **Celebrating Our District's Commitment to Service!**

#### Submitted by Lion Bonnie Gillett, Global Service Team Coordinator

I am filled with pride and excitement as I reflect on the incredible work our Clubs are doing in District 22-W. It warms my heart to see the dedication and passion for service that shines through in our monthly newsletter. Your fundraising efforts and service projects make a meaningful impact in our communities, and it's truly inspiring!

A special shout-out goes to the following Clubs for reporting their activities in the Lions Portal. Your commitment to transparency and sharing your accomplishments is commendable!

- Boonsboro Lions Club
- Deer Park Lions Club
- Freedom District Lions Club
- Glade Valley Lions Club
- Hancock Lions Lioness Club
- Libertytown-Unionville Lions Club
- Mount Savage Mason-Dixon
- New Market Lions Club
- Oakland Mt. Lake Park Lions Club
- Sharpsburg Lions Club
- South Carroll Lioness Lions Club
- Taylorsville-Winfield Lions Club
- Union Bridge Lions Club

- Deep Creek Lake Lions Club
- Frederick Frances Scott Key Lions Club

Wilmer Eye Institute

Lions Vision Research and Rehabilitation Center

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

- Frostburg Lions Club
- Grantsville Lions Club
- LaVale Lions Club
- Middletown Lions Club
- Mt. Airy 4-County Lions Club
- North Branch Lions Club
- Roaring Run Lions Club
- Smithburg Lions Club
- Taneytown Lions Club
- Terra Rubra Lions Club

As we celebrate these achievements, I also want to encourage all Lions and Leo Clubs to report their activities. Last year, we had 15 additional Clubs that reported but have not submitted their activities this fiscal year. Additionally, 9 Clubs have not reported since 2023 or earlier.

Let's keep the momentum going! Reporting your Club's activities not only highlights your hard work but also inspires others. Your time and effort in fundraisers and service projects deserve to be recognized.

Please take a moment to ensure you're using the completion/submission box on the Lions Portal. Together, we can showcase the fantastic work happening throughout our District.

Remember, when it comes to service, the only wrong way to serve, is to not serve at all.

#### A Special Welcome to our New Lions in the District:

#### **South Carroll Lioness Lion**

Vicki Hodges was inducted at their charter night on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. She is standing between DG Susan Cox and her mentor, Lion Linda Smith.



On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Council Chair PDG Evan welcomed **Roaring Run Lion** Teresa Flanagan, wife of Lion Dan in an impressive induction to join their Pride

**Grantsville Lion** Dave Topper was officially inducted in October.



**Libertytown - Unionville Lions**: Tim Saylor, Mary
Nalepa, Dawn Albertini, and
Dave Albertini, were inducted
at the DG Official Visit on
October 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Deep Creek Lion** Peter Schoonmaker (left) was recently inducted.





Deep Creek Lion Jan Hawkes (left) was recently inducted

**Deep Creek Lion** Derek Fouts (left) was recently inducted.



**LaVale Lions** Kathy Donahoe and Debbie Lang were inducted into the club on October 1st. Lion Kathy was sponsored by Lion Sunhe Price, and Lion Debbie was sponsored by her son, Lion Brian Lang.





# Congratulations to the Following Recipients of Rewards/Recognition from their Clubs or the District:



South Carroll Lioness Lion Dan Landry received the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award and an Arnall Patz Award at their Charter Night on October 3rd



TERRALINA TUNNO CUAL T Lineboro-Manchester PDG Andy DeMario Sr. was awarded an International President's Certificate of Appreciation at the 22W Social.



**Chewsville** PDG Och Ochoa received the International Certificate of Appreciation at the 22W Social.



Terra Rubra Lion Larry Stambaugh received the International Certificate of Appreciation at the 22W Social

#### <u>A Special Welcome to our New Lions in the</u> District:

**New Windsor Lions Club** inducted 2 new members on October 23<sup>rd</sup>: **left to right:** mentor Lion Neal Roop, David Coe, Bob Guthridge and mentor Cathy Guthridge.



# Congratulations to the Following Recipients of Rewards/Recognition from their Clubs or the District:



CT Guy Garey became a Melvin Jones Fellow at the Lineboro-Manchester 80<sup>th</sup> Charter Night



Boonsboro Lion Jerry Itnyre, Sr. received the Melvin Jones Award.



# **In our Thoughts and Prayers:**

**Freedom District Lion** Don Van Cleve, 82, of Eldersburg died on October 11<sup>th</sup>. He became a residential real estate agent in the South Carroll area. He was a long-time member of the Freedom District Lions Club serving in many different offices for 31 years.



**Deer Park Lion** Robert Nelson, 85, of Westminster passed away on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Bob. Nelson's TV Service became a well-known name in Carroll County. Bob was not only talented at working on televisions, but he also often repaired antique toys, tractors and especially loved restoring old cars. He also served as the primary sound engineer for the annual Howard County 4H Fair for many years. Bob was a longtime member of the Deer Park Lions Club, having received the Melvin Jones Fellowship for his 50 years of service.



**Union Bridge Lion** Donald B. Elliott, a pharmacist and former Carroll County Republican Delegate, died on October 7<sup>th</sup> at the age of 92. He was a descendant of Henry Samson, a passenger on the Mayflower, which arrived in Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1620. He first became a Lion in May 1997 and became a Privileged member in 2023.



Georgeine Roberta "Bobbi" Miller, 82, of Middletown, MD passed away on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at Meritus Medical Center in Hagerstown. Lion Bobbi was a member of the Middletown Lions Club, the Middletown Valley Historical Society, and retired after working for many years at Eastalco. Bobbi loved dogs, the Baltimore Orioles, the Hallmark Channel and UMD Terrapins Women's Basketball.

On October 29th, as follow up to the October 10th Joint International Convention Meeting, IPDG Jeremy Bair presented two 2027 International Convention Sponsor Pins for District Recognition. Greater Carroll Lion Marci Brengle is instrumental in the planning of many Carroll County clubs using the Westminster VFW for meetings, programs and fundraisers. She is a 31-year Lion. Silver Run Union Mills **Lion President Jeff Moody** is a vital part of the Union Mills Homestead Corn Roast and a longtime president serving those two areas in Carroll County.





#### **November 2024**

**Nov. 2nd – New Market Lions** Semi-Annual Bobby Rakestraw Cash Bingo at the Libertytown Fire Dept Hall. See the flyer on page 19.

Nov.  $2^{nd}$  – Country Breakfast by the Myersville Lions & Middletown Lions

**Nov.** 9<sup>th</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Meeting in Region 2, hosted by the Hagerstown Lions Club at the American Legion. Starts at 10am. Vote taken on the Peace Poster Contest.

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> – Terra Rubra Lions Club will hold their Bull, Shrimp and Oyster Feed from 1-4 pm at the Lions Bldg.

**Nov.** 9<sup>th</sup> – Roaring Run Flea Market at the Ag Center in Westminster from 6:30am-3pm.

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> – Thurmont Lions Club Cash Bingo at Guardian Hose Activities Bldg. Doors open at 5pm. See flyer on page 22.

Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Hampstead Lions Club will sponsor "Sunday in the Park Show" at the Hampstead Lions Park at 3 pm. The club's cornhole board raffle will be drawn at this event.

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> - Lineboro-Manchester Lions will hold their monthly Preschool Vision Screening at North Carroll Library. Come & bring the kids and/or the grandkids!

Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> – Westminster Lions will hold a Veterans Dinner.

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> – Terra Rubra Lions Club Big \$1500 Cash and Dinner Club for LYF from 2-4 pm at the Lions Bldg.

**Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> - Hancock Lioness-Lions Club** will hold their Open Mic event – free event with light refreshments at the Hancock Community Center at 126 W. Hight Street in Hancock from 5-8 pm.

Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> – New Windsor Lions Club Bus Trip to Sight and Sound to see "Daniel". See the flyer on page 20.

**Nov. 16th - Multiple District 22 LYF Fundraiser -** The Lions Youth Foundation Fundraiser sponsored by the Terra Rubra Lions Club at the Terra Rubra Lions Park Building

Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> – LaVale Lions Club Charter Night at Cumberland Country Club.

Nov.  $23^{rd}$  – LVRF Vision Fest Rally at Johns Hopkins Hospital. See the flyers on pages 12 & 13.

**Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> – Deer Park Lions** Toy Train Show at the AG Center in Westminster from 10am-3 pm.

Nov 29<sup>th</sup> – LaVale Lions Club will begin to sell Christmas trees when they arrive on that date.

#### December 2024

**Dec. 1**<sup>st</sup> – Deadline for the District Governor to submit the winning 22W Peace Poster to Council Chair Evan Gillett

**Dec. 2**<sup>nd</sup> – **Smithsburg Lions Club** will host a Red Cross Blood Drive at the Smithsburg VFD

**Dec.** 7<sup>th</sup> – **Taneytown Lions Club** Benefit Bus Trip to see "White Christmas" at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania (See the flyer on page 24)

Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> – Thurmont Lions Xmas Extravaganza. See pg 23

**Dec. 10**<sup>th</sup> - **Lineboro-Manchester Lions** will hold their monthly Preschool Vision Screening at North Carroll Library. Come & bring the kids and the grandkids!

**Dec. 12**<sup>th</sup> – **Westminster Lions Club** will hold their Charter Night at the VFW in Westminster. See flyer pg. 24

**Dec. 13**<sup>th</sup> – **Multiple Lions Club Christmas Party** at Friendly Farms. See flyer on page 18.

**Dec. 13**<sup>th</sup> – **Harney Lions** Cash Bingo/50<sup>th</sup> Charter Night see flyer on Pg. 24.

Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> – Thurmont Lions Cookie Contest 6-7:30pm

**Dec. 14**<sup>th</sup> – **Terra Rubra Lions Club** to host a Santa Visit at Middleburg Park from 1-3 pm with picture taken with Santa and light refreshments.

Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> – Mt Airy Lions Meet Santa & Mrs. Claus event

Dec. 15th – Deer Park Lions Texas Roadhouse fundraiser

Dec. 18th – Middletown Lions Joy to the World Bus Trip

**Dec 20<sup>th</sup> - Hancock Lioness-Lions Club** will hold their Open Mic event – free event with light refreshments at the Hancock Community Center at 126 W. Hight Street in Hancock from 5-8 pm.

**Dec. 27**<sup>th</sup> – **Union Bridge Lions** hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive at the Union Bridge Church of the Brethren.

# Down the Road Again

Jan. 4th – Thurmont Lions Xmas Extravaganza-See Pg 23

Jan 11<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet Meeting

**Jan. 18**<sup>th</sup> – **Westminster Lions Club** Cabin Fever Fundraiser – Food will be supplied through Maryland Mallet at the VFW at 519 Poole RD in Westminster

# From 22W Cabinet Treasurer Guy Garey



# Lion Bobby Rakestraw Memorial CASH BINGO



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OTHER CARD GAMES, including Bingo games



Sponsored by New Market District Lions Club

Held at Libertytown Volunteer Fire Department 12027 South Street, Libertytown, MD

# Saturday November 2, 2024

Doors open at 5:00 PM

Games begin at 6:30 PM

Game prizes will be \$75 per regular game with four \$100.00 games Special Jackpot of \$200.00 Plus Senior Jackpot \$500.00

Admission \$20.00 advance sale or \$25.00 at door, if available

For tickets call:

Diana @301-865-6830 or Donna @301-865-3134 Or ask any New Market District Lions Club Member

Bring three food items for local food bank and receive a strip of three bingo cards for a special food drive game. Funds from the Bingo will be used to support the many community projects of the Lions Club

Food and drinks will be available at 5:00 PM Food and drinks provided by, Libertytown Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary.



# Toy Train Show

Sponsored by the Deer Park Lions Club



AGRICULTURAL CENTER Westminster, Maryland

November 24, 2024 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

ADMISSION: \$5.00 Children under 12 Free!

The club could use your help. Please volunteer.

LARGE OPERATING TRAIN LAYOUT SPONSORED BY: THE BALTIMORE AMERICAN FLYER CLUB

#### REFRESHMENTS BY THE DEER PARK LIONS CLUB

COME SEE 190 TABLES OF TOY TRAINS AND RELATED ITEMS FOR SALE, INCLUDING: LIONEL, AMERICAN FLYER, BING, IVES, HO, N, STANDARD GAUGE, AND MANY OTHERS!

Find those things needed for the Christmas Garden or to add to your collection!

For more information contact: Richard Liebno 410-848-4929

General Information/Directions: The Agricultural Center is located in a beautiful part of Carroll County, adjacent to the Farm Museum and the county hospital. From Baltimore, take 1-695 to I-795 to Maryland Route 140. Continue on Route 140 to Westminster. Turn left on Center Street. Go 1.7 miles and turn right to the four way stop sign at Gist Road. Go half a block and turn right onto Ag Center Rd. Proceed straight ahead to the Agricultural Center. If coming from points west, look for the Center Street intersection on Route 140.

Plenty of free parking!



# Sunday In the Park Car Show

presented by the Hampstead Lions Club} Sunday, Nov. 10

Registration begins 10 a.m./Awards ceremony, 3 p.m. Hampstead Lions Club Park, 4125 Hillcrest Ave., Hampstead



\$15 per vehicle/free for spectators

Participants enter @ Summit Street & Hillcrest Avenue Spectator parking at public lots; enter from Black Rock Road Residences of Hampstead, 1211 N. Main St.

Dash plaques & goodie bags for first 50 entries 50/50 raffle & more

The Lineboro-Manchester Lions will be on hand selling food and beverages.

Lions will be collecting non-perishable food items for NESAP Food Pantry & pet food items for MCQE Mobile Pet Pantry



Information: Shiela Johnson, sastonejohnson@gmail.com/410-412-6787



New Windsor Lions Club
Day Trip To



Lancaster, PA
Saturday, November 16, 2024
Cost: \$145.00
Includes

Bus Fare, Show Ticket & Lunch at Hershey Farms Restaurant

8:15 AM: Bus Leaves New Windsor Fireman's Carnival Grounds

11:00 – 1:45: Sight & Sound Theatre – Daniel

2:00 - 4:00: Family Style Lunch at Hershey Farms Restaurant

6:00: Bus Arrives at New Windsor Carnival Grounds

For Reservations: Contact Neal Roop at 410-596-7912 or nealroop@comcast.net

FLORIDA INDIAN RIVER GROVES FUNDRAISING

\$18



#### FREEDOM DISTRICT LIONS CLUB CITRUS SALE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 410-549-LION (5466), EXT. 7
\*SEE BACK OF PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION\*



Navel Oranges
ITEM #I 11 Oranges
ITEM #J 22 Oranges



Pink Grapefruit
ITEM #L 8 Grapefruit
ITEM #M 15 Grapefruit

\$18 \$30



Navels & Pink Grapefruit (Mixed)

ITEM #0 6 Navels, 5 Grapefruit \$18

ITEM #P 12 Navels, 10 Grapefruit \$30



Mandarins
ITEM #T Two 5 lb bags per Carton
(13-20 pieces per bag)

\$29



Navels, Pink Grapefruit, Mandarins (Combo)

ITEM #W 6 Oranges, 6 Grapefruit, 6 Mandarins \$25



18 Piece Sampler

ITEM #53 4 Navels, 2 Red Grapefruit, 4 Mandarins, 4 D'Anjou Pears, 4 Red Delicious Apples \$3

#### Order Online! Visit: FDLCFruitSale.com



ote: All items purchased from this brochure will be delivered to the fundraising organization. Please consult with the organization in regards to pick up and/or delivery. ereserve the right to make substitutions in the event of unforeseen circumstances.

# Libertytown-Unionville Lions Club Christmas Party

Date: Dec. 17th.

Details to follow next month.

Open to any Lion who makes a reservation.



## DISTRICT 22W FUND RAISING DINNER FOR LIONS' YOUTH FOUNDATION:

Will be held at Terra Rubra Lions Club on Saturday, November 16, from 1 to 3 pm. The menu will be fried chicken, hot dogs and side dishes plus dessert.

#### FLORIDA INDIAN RIVER GROVES FUNDRAISING

PO BOX 2764 • VERO BEACH, FL 32961 • www.FloridaIndianRiverGroves.com



# FREEDOM DISTRICT LIONS CLUB CITRUS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 410-549-LION (5466), EXT. 7 • ORDER ONLINE! FDLCFRUITSALE.COM

Orders are Due by Friday, November 15th
Fruit Pick Up December 7th and 8th between 9am and 5pm
behind the Sykesville Freedom District Firehouse at 6680 Sykesville Road, Sykesville MD 21784

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# **HAGERSTOWN LIONS CLUB**

# CITRUS FRUIT SALE





We are offering premium fruit from Florida Indian River Groves, hours off the tree, backed by a 100% satisfaction guarantee!

To place your order online, simply click on the link below: shop,floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1030162

To place an order by cash or check, contact any Hagerstown Lions Club Member or call 301-393-9333.

In Person and eCommerce Orders are due November 10, 2024 for Pick-Up after Thanksgiving.

eCommerce Orders for Ship to Recipient with Guaranteed Delivery by December 25 can be placed through December 15, 2024.

Gift a box of Sunshine this Holiday Season!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

# SOUTH CARROLL LIONESS LIONS CLUB RADA CUTLERY FUNDRAISER



Bridal Showers, Birthdays, Weddings,
Anniversaries, Christmas, or Just Because....Buy
Rada Cutlery from us and support your
community at the same time. While also
getting wonderful products.





You will Absolutely LOVE them!
Easy Ordering – Click on the link below to place
your order today!

Rada Cutlery Fundraising Store | Shop Cutlery & Gifts (radafundraising.com)

or Contact Lion Susan Bonura (443-745-1281) to place an order

#### **South Carroll Lioness Lions Fundraiser:**

Terri Lynn Candies and Nuts Sales – They are taking preorders for 1-pound bags of mammoth pecans (\$14) and chocolate covered pecans (\$12). Online sales continue throughout the year at <a href="https://SCLLC.terrilynncares.com">https://SCLLC.terrilynncares.com</a>. If you do not shop online, call PDG Susan Bonura to place

#### **FSK Ongoing Fundraiser:**

The club continues to fundraise by promoting Cedar Ridge Soaps online at

www.cedarridgesoaps.com.

your order.

This family-owned company has been making handcrafted soaps and body care products since 2004.



Check the website for some Christmas ideas!

# **South Carroll Lioness Lions Fundraiser:**

The club is taking orders for Pampered Chef (kitchen tools, cookbooks, & food items) until Dec.7th. Contact Lion Vicki Hodges at 410-596-0084 or vlhodges@gmail.com

https://www.pamperedchef.com/

#### The Thurmont Lions Club Fundraiser:

The club continues to sell a variety of delicious, hand-made chocolate bars for \$4.00 each. They have added milk and dark chocolate candy bars with peanuts to the chocolate bar lineup. They are larger than a regular candy bar. *The Chocolate Bars are Going Strong and Remain Popular!* 

#### The Thurmont Lions Club Semi-Annual CASH BINGO

November 9<sup>th</sup> at the Guardian Hose Activities Bldg on E. Main Street They will have baskets and desserts to raffle and 50/50 tickets There will be King Tuts and Tip Jars

Cost is \$20.00

Doors open at 5:00 pm and bingo begins at 6:30 pm. Food for sale

Come purchase their delicious homemade candy!

# Enjoy a Christmas Extravaganza!!

# December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Benefiting a Lions cause to be named soon!

# **January 4th, 2025**

Benefiting the Maryland Patriot Guard, Heroes Ridge and the Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution



Thurmont Lions, Doug Favorite & Don Keeney, are hosting an open house-style (come & go as you please) tour and dinner at their home <u>from 4-8pm</u> on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 & Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Cost is \$25.00 per person

Address is 15000 Roddy Road, Thurmont MD 21788

Doug & Don decorate with more than 150 trees at Christmas from 1.25 inches to 12.5 feet. Many themed trees with several new trees added each year.

A full buffet meal <u>is included</u> with this event!

Enjoy the sights, the sounds and the tastes of Christmas as you celebrate the spirit of the season

ENJOY THIS CHRISTMAS TRADITION OR START A NEW ONE!

To make sure we have enough food for everyone attending, we kindly request that you RSVP with a phone message at 301-271-0558 or email to <a href="mailto:doug.favorite@gmail.com">doug.favorite@gmail.com</a> no later than the Wednesday prior to the event! Thank You!!



# TANEYTOWN LIONS CLUB BENEFIT BUS TRIP SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024

# "White Christmas" at Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre

Get some gifts crossed off your holiday shopping list with a visit to Christmas Tree Hill Mansion in York, PA where you can browse a unique showcase of fine gifts, candles, collectibles, jewelry, holiday decorations, and home accessories for the holidays. Then, enjoy lunch & a holiday show at Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre in Lancaster. The 328-seat theatre provides an intimate yet elegant setting featuring a delicious buffet of classic American cuisine, top quality productions, and exceptional service. "Irving Berlin's White Christmas" - Based on the beloved movie. Two male singers meet a sister duo and follow them to an inn in Vermont. They discover it's owned by their old Army General who fell on hard times. The foursome decides to put on a show to save the inn. Hear your favorites "Blue Skies," "Sisters," "Happy Holidays," and "White Christmas."

Get in the holiday spirit on this fun-filled trip with the Taneytown Lions Club!

#### @ \$135.00 p/person

(price includes motorcoach transportation, lunch, show, & driver tip)

#### **Schedule:**

8:30AM – Depart from Taneytown Shopping Ctr 10:00-11:00 – Christmas Tree Hill Mansion 11:30-3:30 – Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre 5:15PM – Return to Taneytown

Please contact Barbara at (410) 984-0213 or Paul at (443) 812-6689 by November 15<sup>th</sup> to reserve your seats. (Limited space is available.)

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# Westminster Lions Club

Cordially invites you to join us as we celebrate our

# 84th CHARTER NIGHT

On Thursday, December 12, 2024

Social begins at 6 pm with Cash bar

Dinner begins at 6:30 pm

Cost is \$25.00 per person

Westminster VFW, Post 467 Social Hall, 519 Poole Rd, Westminster, MD

Menu: Roast Beef, Fried Shrimp, Salad, Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert

RSVP by Monday Dec. 2 to Lion Barb Hayes at 410-596-1483

# Harney Lions Club 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cash BINGO

2-\$200.00 Cash Jackpots

# Friday December 13, 2024

Doors open at 5:00pm, meal served at 6:00pm

Bingo starts at 7:00pm

\$30.00 per ticket: includes dinner, and 20 games

\$50.00 Cash Prize per game

Extra Packs, Specials and Raffles will be available

VFW Post 6918, 5801 Conover Rd. Taneytown MD.

In The Social Hall

For tickets or more information contact:

Harney Lion's Club President- Michelle Vaughn (410 259 7738)

Lions Club Secretary - Ginny Fair (443 375 0053)

Lions Club Service Chairman- Mike Vaughn (410 259 7738)

This Bingo is to support local and Lions International Projects and celebrate 50 years of service by the Harney Lions.



Permit # 340





THURMONT LIONS CLUB

# **CHRISTMAS COOKIE CONTEST**

BRING 6 OF YOUR FINEST CHRISTMAS COOKIES
ON A PAPER PLATE!

WHEN: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

WHERE: DROP OFF COOKIES ON 12/13 AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH 15 NORTH CHURCH STREET THURMONT, MD 21788

TIME: DROP OFF COOKIES FROM 6:00PM - 7:30PM

COOKIES WILL BE JUDGED BASED UPON TASTE, APPEARANCE, TEXTURE, CREATIVITY, & CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

A \$10 ENTRY DONATION IS REQUIRED
ALL PROCEEDS GO DIRECTLY TO LOCAL CHARITIES

PRIZES ADULT CATEGORY

IST PLACE = \$100, 2ND PLACE = \$75, 3RD PLACE = \$50, 4TH PLACE = \$25 CHILDREN'S CATEGORY (AGES IS AND UNDER) IST PLACE = \$75, 2ND PLACE = \$50, 3RD PLACE = \$10

#### **Funding Service Projects:**

**Local Partnerships** – There may be a business or other organization in your community that will partner with your club and provide support for your volunteer efforts. Our <u>Service Toolkit</u> also includes a link to the *Developing Local Partnerships* guide.

And don't forget about other Lions clubs nearby. You may be able to pool your resources and make a bigger mark than you could alone. **Source: LCI** 



# Greater Carroll Lions Club 10% in 2025 Discount Card

With a \$10 donation to the Greater Carroll Lions Club, you can receive a 10% discount every visit during the 2025 calendar year at the following local businesses:

Pardiso Maggie's

Serra's Giulianova Groceria

Ledo Pizza Genova's To Go

Tim Thai IHOP Stables

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Life is Pizza
Sergios
Classico
Cafe Blue

Ying Thai Cuisine FireHouse Subs

Blue Point Crabs Jiffy Lube

Papa Joe's Mexican Westminster Car Wash

Maryland Mallet & Smokehouse Pub

Available November 11th
Please contact: Emerson Bair at 410-848-7700
or Jeremy Bair at 410-596-2917

\*\$10 Donation. All proceeds benefit Lions Club Initiatives.



# Greater Carroll Lions Club Stocking Stuffer

The Greater Carroll Lions Club will be working with local community members and local businesses to make Christmas Stockings for Westminster VFW Veterans this holiday season. If you would like to sponsor a Veteran Christmas Stocking for a \$25 donation, please contact IPDG Jeremy Bair.

Remember to support businesses that support the community & Lions this Holiday Season.

Loew Vineyard Hoffman's Ice Cream Pub Dog Brewery Loew Vineyard Website
Hoffman's Ice Cream Website
Pub Dog Brewery Website









CHRISTMAS SHOW JOY TO THE WORLD

The ringing of church bells in a quaint town square set the scene for <u>Jov to the World</u>, AMT's newest holiday spectacular. Evoking the revered holiday nostalgia of hometowns all across the US, our stage will transform into a small-town winter carnival brimming with family and friends. Featuring scenes filled with entertaining elves, dramatic dancing, sensational singing, and grand moments galore.

The incredible AMT Singers, Dancers, and Orchestra will perform favorites such as "Away in a Manger," "Jingle Bells, "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing," "Let it Snow," and "Carol of the Bells" live on stage. Awe-inspiring music and dance, phenomenal voices, and light-hearted holiday humor are the ingredients for this season's all-new extravaganza.

Sponsored by the Middletown Lions Club December 18, 2024

Total Cost \$120 per person. Payment due by November 3, 2024.

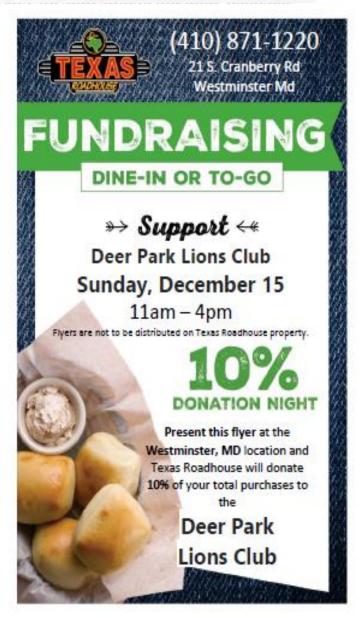
Depart from Safeway Parking Lot at 9:30 a.m.

Lunch at Noon at Miller's Smorgasbord, leave restaurant at 1:30

Be at American Music Theatre by 2 p.m. Show is at 3 p.m. and is over at 5 p.m.

We should be home by 7:30 p.m. Email Nancy at nancykb51@gmail.com to reserve seat.





## **Texas Roadhouse Gift Card Fundraiser**

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#### From the Desk of .....

Peace Poster Contest Chair, Lion Michelle Miller: The 2024-2025 contest theme is Peace Without Limits.

This year, the participating students will be asked to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits. Student ages 11, 12, or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate. Each Lions club decides which organization or school they would like to sponsor. It is up to each club to decide what supplies they would like to provide for the contest, and any subsequent awards for participation. District 22W will vote on the winning district poster at our 2nd cabinet meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Voting is opened to all club members at the beginning of the cabinet meeting and the winner is announced by the end of the meeting. The winning poster is then handed over to the District Governor to be mailed to the Multiple District Council Chairperson by **December 1**<sup>st</sup>.

Please let me know if anyone has any questions or needs further information.

# Info About our Clubs

#### **Boonsboro Lions**



The club played their monthly bingo game with the residents at Charlotte's Home on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Plans are in the works for a great presentation on the **Wounded Warrior Project** that Trinity Reform United Methodist Church on Potomac Street will host on Saturday, November 2nd at 3pm. Guest speakers will include Army Veteran Jacob Norotsky, and 101 year old WWII Veteran Jack Myers. The event will also include music, light refreshments, and resource tables for veterans in need of help. Come out and support a wonderful organization and hear the stories of the brave men and women who have sacrificed so much for our great country.

The club held another BBQ on Oct.5th.

# **Brunswick Lions**

The "Shoots" (Turkey Shoot) is held twice a month at the Brunswick Lions Building and the club receives a portion of the proceeds as a fundraiser for the club. The shoots are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday throughout the year.

# Chewsville Lions

Starting October 1<sup>st</sup>, the club will be collecting toys for children up to the age of 12 years for **Toys For Tots** through December 9<sup>th</sup>.

PDG Och Ochoa was awarded the International President's Certificate of Appreciation at the 22W Social.

The club sponsored a **Trunk or Treat** with Betel and New Beginning Church. The date is Friday October 25, 2024 from 5 to 7 PM.

The club is selling 22" **evergreen wreaths** with decorations. Order will be taken until Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Cost is \$30.00. Quantity is limited. They will be available for pick-up

between Nov. 21-23<sup>rd</sup>, depending on arrival. Call Lion Dawn at 301-491-3629.

# **Boonsboro Lions Continued**

**22W Reading Action Program**: The Boonsboro Lions Club partnered with Sharpsburg Lions Club to donate \$400 worth of books to 8 Pre-K classes. Teachers at Boonsboro, Sharpsburg, Greenbrier, and Pleasant Valley Elementary Schools were given \$50 each towards books of their choosing to grow their classroom library and promote reading and literacy. The teachers were very grateful for the donation and were looking forward to reading these books to their young students.

# Clear Spring Lions

The club is looking for donations of medical equipment. They need wheelchairs, bedside toilets and bathchairs

The club continues to run the Clear Spring Food Bank.

The club is planning a pancake breakfast. More information to follow.

## **Cumberland** *Lions*

The club continues to pay \$200.00 towards the cost of eye exams and eyeglasses to the needy in Cumberland.

They continue to collect eyeglasses for recycling.

# **Emmitsburg Lions**

The club runs the concession stand at the swimming pool during the summer as a fundraiser and the baseball concession stand for Fall Ball, starting October 1<sup>st</sup>.

The club worked with local organizations to coordinate the Emmitsburg Halloween Parade, costume awards and party event on Oct. 31st. They provided the games.

# Chewsville Lions Continued

The club assisted the **Bethel Church** in making subs on October 17<sup>th</sup>. This is the main fundraiser for the Bethel Church.

The club is participating in the **Peace Poster Contest** again this year with Smithsburg Middle School.

The November 5<sup>th</sup> meeting will be moved to November 12<sup>th</sup> as the church is being used for elections.

The club will hold a **Creative Memories** Event, a Card Making Fundraiser with light snacks & refreshments for \$20.00 on November 16th.

The club has committed to **decorating a Christmas tree** at Springfield Barn in Williamsport

# Deep Creek Lake Lions

In a cooperative project with Miranda Gallagher's Gifted & Talented class at Southern Middle School and HART for Animals, the club had installed and operates a 40,000 square foot off-leash dog park at their park on 1249 Bumble Bee Road Accident MD. The dog park includes a double-door entry system, waste disposal, and separate fenced areas for small and large dogs. The park is open dawn to dusk year-round (although snow removal is not guaranteed at all times). The Dog Park is free to use.





In a partnership with Garrett Trails, they have a GRIT All Terrain Wheelchair available for loan. Designed by MIT engineers, the GRIT Freedom Chair is a mix between a manual wheelchair and a mountain bike. It can be operated by the occupant as lever-driven but is also easy to push for assistance from companions.

They have one of these available for day-use to get people of all abilities out on the trails!



# Frederick Lions

The club co-hosted the Liberty Open Golf Classic on October 11<sup>th</sup> at the Glade Valley Golf Club with the Libertytown-Unionville Lions Club and the Linganore High School Alumni Association.

The club is looking for people 55+ in Frederick who need eyeglass assistance for testing and eyeglasses. Contact the club if you know someone.

# North Branch Lions Club

10 volunteers worked at their Adult Vision Screening project on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

# **Deer Park Lions**

Several members of their club continue to volunteer at the **Carroll County Food Sunday** every Tuesday, checking people in, stocking shelves, unloading the bread truck, packing grocery bags and serving the groceries to those in need.

Deer Park Lions worked at the **Aging Your Way Expo** booth with Freedom District Lions and Taylorsville-Winfield Lions, handing out Lion materials. Lion Sarah was very active in flagging down the potential Lions from the passing crowd.

The club continues to **collect loose change for LSKS**, Lions Saving Kids' Sight Foundation.

The club continues to loan hospital equipment.

On Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, the club will sponsor their **Toy Train Show** at the AG Center in Westminster from 10am-3pm. Refreshments are available. See the flyer on page 19. The club could use some more help. The club welcomes Lions who are willing to volunteer at their event.

The club will hold a **Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser** on December 15<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 4 pm. See the flyer on page 26

# FSK Lions

The club donated 24 food items in September. They have donated 114 total items so far this fiscal year. They finished up last year with 400 food items donated. Their goal for '24-'25 is 500 food items donated.

Several FSK Lions helped the Libertytown-Unionville Lions Club at their pizza and funnel cake fundraiser at the Great Frederick Fair.

On 9/26 Lion Stimmel assisted Lions Bill and Rachel Wivell of the Emmitsburg Lions Club with **vision screening** 19 children (16 pass, 1 referral, 2 unable to screen) in 2 Head Start classes at the Downtown Early Learning Center at the Frederick YMCA.

FSK Lions played bingo and provided snacks with residents at **Citizens Nursing Home** on Monday evening 9/23. Six Lions participated: Lynn Stimmel, Daysi Villalta, Gary and Ellen Bennett, and John and Darlene Aulls. They distributed \$72 in prize money to 43 participants, a new record for them. They also played bingo on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

The club held their 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Canine on the Creek on 10/26 at the Carroll Creek Linear Park Amphitheater in Frederick. It was a costume contest and parade.



#### Freedom District Lions

The club held their **annual golf tournament** at Oakmont Golf Course in Hampstead on September 27th with a shotgun start at 12PM.

On Sept. 28th, the Sykesville Police Dept. ran a **Jr CSI Camp** for 22 Middle School aged children. The club had previously presented a donation check to SPD for this camp. The kids learned about fingerprints and making impressions of tire tracks and footprints. They had demonstrations from two k-9s and a drone. They also searched two separate crime scenes. The campers showed lots of interest and asked many questions.



Lion Wu Schaefer, Chair of the Freedom District Lions Club's (FDLC) Membership Committee organized a Lions Outreach booth at the **Sykesville Farmers Market** on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>. Children could spin a wheel and win a prize for answering a simple question about the Lions Club while their parents talked with Lions about their services and the

possibility of them joining the volunteer service club. The Lions also walked around the market handing out flyers about the club and an upcoming dance by the club's Diabetes Awareness Committee.



On October 4th, four members of the Freedom District Lions

Club visited **Inspirations Memory** Care in Westminster for a singing and dancing session with the residents.16 residents took part and had a great time singing and moving to the music. Pictured are a couple of residents cutting the rug with a couple of the Lions.



On Oct. 8th, members of the Freedom District Lions Club performed their monthly **park clean-up** at Freedom Park in Sykesville. Most fields had only light amounts of trash.

Saturdays throughout the fall you could find members of FDLC manning the **Snack Shack at Freedom Park** making

amazing breakfast sandwiches, hot coffee, yummy warm pretzels, and of course pizza.



## Freedom District Lions Continued

Members of the Freedom District Lions Club joined

members of the **Friends of Liberty Reservoir** on Oct.13th to pick up trash around the first boat dock on Liberty Reservoir in Eldersburg. The volunteers collected around 100 lbs of litter.



FDLC has collected a total of 624 used eyeglasses and 1 hearing aid for recycling since July 1, 2024!

On Oct. 27th, the club had a Halloween-themed booth at

the **Sykesville Farmers Market** with the members wearing costumes. They met and talked with many members of the community about what they do.



# Frostburg Lions Club

The club continues to provide monthly storage for books and food storage valued at \$1,000 for their **Partnership with Americorps Project.** 

The club held their 80<sup>th</sup> charter night on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

# Glade Valley Lions

In September, the club had a membership table set up during the 79<sup>th</sup> Glade Valley Community Show which they help to sponsor.





As one of the sponsors of the show, the club received the **Cake Auction** proceeds from the *Open Reserve Champion Cake*.

DG Susan Cox made her **DG Official Visit** to the club on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

On October 19<sup>th</sup>, the club had a booth at the Woodsboro Park.

On Nov. 21st – the club will hold a **Friendship Night** for prospective members.

# Frederick Fusion Lions



From 9am-3:30pm, the club conducted over 200 vision screenings for adults and children with the help of families and friends. There were more adults than children for this free event. This was a major event in the community with many other types of testing being conducted that day such as HIV testing, blood pressure and dental testings. The club borrowed cameras from 3 Lions clubs: Williamsport, Lineboro-Manchester and Deer Park. This was not an easy task with about 90% of the attendees who spoke no English and needed the help of an interpreter. About 70% of the people failed the vision screening and may need further testing and glasses. The club distributed about 200 reading glasses to the public for free. This Health Fair has been occurring for over 10 years with its collaboration with the hospital, local food bank and other organizations.

The club continues to collect **used eyeglasses** for recycling.

The club will be working with PDG Och in planning a **Friendship Night** after the new year.

# Hagerstown Lions

In September, the club collected 200 eyeglasses with cases and 421 eyeglasses without cases.

On October 18 & 19, the club held a **Vision Day collection** to be held at Penn Avenue Meats on Pennsylvania Avenue, Hagerstown. They will present their check at the Vision Fest Rally on November 23<sup>rd</sup> at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

On October 20th, the club held a **Cash Bingo** at the Knights of Columbus on Leitersburg Pike in Hagerstown. This is one of their major fundraisers!

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, the club participated in the **97<sup>th</sup> Alsatia Mummers Parade.** They walked for the American Red Cross.

On November 9<sup>th</sup>, the club will host the **second cabinet meeting** at the American Legion. The flyer is on page 9.

The club is holding a **Fruit for Christmas fundraiser**. Deadline to order is November 10<sup>th</sup>. The fruit will be shipped to the Foltz Warehouse in early December. Fruit can be shipped directly to the recipients. See the flyer on page 22

## Grantsville Lions

The club continues to volunteer at the **Northern Football Concession Stand** on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and November 8th.

The club celebrated **Oktoborfest** on Oct. 5th. They had a German dinner and served kettle corn and sold beer and had many different games.

The club participated in the annual **Trunk or Treat** at the park on Oct. 26th. They provided free hot dogs and kettle corn.

The club made monetary donations to the Johns Hopkins Transplant Center and to the WVU Hospice.

The club will replace two faded Lions signs at the town's two entrances.

The club will conduct a **Christmas decoration installation** on Main Street, Dorsey Hotel Road and Springs Road

On December 7<sup>th</sup>, the club will participate in the **Christmas in the Village.** 

## Greater Carroll Lions Club

On October 10<sup>th</sup>, the club hosted "The Excitement of an International Convention with PIP Clem Kusiak and PIP Art Riley from Kiwanis International. See page 2.

The club is working with local community members and local businesses to make Christmas stockings for Westminster VFW veterans this holiday season. If you would like to sponsor a veteran Christmas stocking for a \$25.00 donation, please contact IPDG Jeremy Bair.

The club held their **Annual Gift of Giving Night** on Oct.24<sup>th</sup>, donations to the Westminster VFW, LCIF, LSKS,

Westminster VFD, Mobile Screening Unit & Hearing Preservation & Awareness Committee.



# Hampstead Lions

On October 12<sup>th</sup>, the club held hayrides, membership information and raffles/fundraisers at the **Hampstead** Fall Fest at the Hampstead War Memorial from 10am-3pm.

The club held a NESAP Food
Pantry and MCQE Mobile Pet
Pantry Food Drive on October 19th.

The club held their **annual charter night** on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> with an amazing turnout and guest speakers.

## Hancock Lioness-Lions Continued

The Hancock Lioness Lions Club now has a webstore where you can order delicious treats from Terri Lynn Fundraising. Anyone can get online at

hancocklionesslions.terrilynn.com and check out all the delicious treats Terri Lynn has to offer. It is so easy to order. If you order \$30 or more you get free shipping, and our club will get 20% of all orders! Your order will come directly to your door. There is a wide selection of premium products, nuts, confections, chocolates, dried fruits, gummi bears, gift tins, and more. It is the perfect time to stock up on gifts and snacks for the Holidays.

# Harney Lions

The club participated in the Aim for Sight Event for LVRF in Mayberry on

The club will hold their 50th Charter Night on Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> along with a **cash bingo**. A dinner at 6 pm will precede the cash bingo which starts at 7 pm. Specials, raffles and tip jars will be available. Cost is \$30.00. Contact Lions Michelle Vaughn at 410-259-7738 or Lion Ginny at 443-375-0053. See the flyer on page 24.

The club is in the planning stage for the Harney Xmas Tree Lighting that they typically hold in December at the Lutheran Church in Harney. Attendees will make Xmas bulbs for the tree. More information to follow.

# Hancock Lions

The club participated in the Hancock Halloween Parade with a Lions Club float on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

The club held their Annual Free Book Give-**Away** at the Town Trick or Treat event on October 31st. The club's stand was at the George's Creek Library parking lot. They purchased books online and distributed them for toddlers to 18 yrs of age.

# Hancock Lioness-Lions

The club continues to sell Gardner Candy Bars at a cost of \$2.00.



The club participated in the first VDG Service Challenge.



On October 18th, the club held their famous Spaghetti Dinner at the Lions Pavilion in Widmeyer Park in Hancock. After the dinner, they held another Open Mic event with their local musicians. Proceeds went towards Diabetes Awareness.





On October 30th, the club had a bake sale and hot chocolate stand at the **Hancock Halloween Parade** in front of Willie's Primitive Attic and Flower Shop on Main Street. They had some tasty homemade treats for those in town. Hancock always has a nice parade worth seeing. Come next year!

On Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, the club will hold their **Open Mic** event – free event with light refreshments at the Hancock Community Center at 126 W. Hight Street in Hancock from 5-8 pm. Call Lion Jeanne Ward for more info at 301-491-7999. They promise to entertain you with our music, songs, and humor. You don't have to be musical to attend. It is a relaxing evening with lots of fun.

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# LaVale Lions:

Lion Sunhe Price met with associates at Allegany Hearing and Balance in LaVale. The meeting was very productive and they are enthusiastic about working in partnership to help residents obtain hearing aids within their ability to help.

The club held a **fall clean up** along National Highway on Saturday, Oct. 12th

# Libertytown – Unionville Lions

The club makes a monetary donation to a food pantry in Frederick.

The club held their annual Liberty Open Golf Classic on October 11th at the Glade Valley Golf Club with the Frederick Lions Club and the Linganore High School Alumni Association. The Frederick Lions worked together with Libertytown-Unionville Lions Club as the two clubs merged their tournament together.

On October 15th, DG Susan Cox inducted 4 new members into their club during her Official Visit.

The club volunteered at the FSK Canines on the Creek on October 26th.

The club will be **delivering poinsettias** to widows, widowers, and community members over the age of 80 for Christmas.

# Lineboro-Manchester Lions

The club hosted a **Paint Night** on October 24<sup>th</sup> at Dutch Corner Restaurant in Manchester.

The club held their 80th Charter Night at Friendly Farms on October 16th. They had 64 attendees from 13 clubs. County Commissioner Ken Kiler, State Delegate Lion Christopher Tomlinson and Councilman Vince Pacelli were also in attendance and spoke at the event. County Commissioner Ken Kilner recognized October 16th as Lineboro-Manchester Day. The guest speaker was Past International Director Joseph Gaffigan who presented a certificate from the International President and his banner

to President Roger Stultz.



DG Susan Cox, FVDG Martin Bonura, CT Guy Garey, 22B DG Bijoy Mahanti, PID Dick Liebno, PCC Brian Cox, PDG Sam Foster, PDG Susan Bonura, PDG Barb Brimigion and IPDG Jeremy Bair were also in attendance.

The club sold pit beef on October 20th near Sheetz in Manchester.

They will be serving coffee, donuts and PIT BEEF at Hampstead's CAR SHOW on Nov. 10th

# Mt. Airy Lions

The club will be holding a Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus event on December 14th from 12-4 pm on Main Street in the Flat Iron Bldg. Take your kids or grandkids to meet Santa! See the flyer on page 26.

## LaVale Lions

#### A Chicken Barbeque

was held on October 18th and 19th. They served 6,400 dinners and 1,350 Baked beans. Update on the September BBQ earnings are



\$35,000 with some outstanding early bird ticket returns still coming in.

The LaVale Lions Club is partnering with the LaVale Athletic Association and the LaVale Civic Improvement Association to remove the extensive vegetation impinging on the Lions Field Walking Track.

On Nov.19th, the club will hold their 69th Charter Night at the Cumberland Country Club.

#### **Boys and Girls Committee - Lion Rick Stewart**

reports that he is working with the Union Rescue Mission and Parkside, Cash Valley, and Cresaptown Schools to find needy children to take on the clothing spree at Walmart in November.

The LaVale Lions Club sponsors the **Thanksgiving** dinner giveaway at the LaVale United Methodist Church Food Pantry. This year there are 156 dinners from the Maryland Food Bank to distribute. Plans are being made and they hope to have Monday, November 25th as the date.

Eleven Lions volunteered in four sessions screening kids at the **Head Start Centers**. There were 93 vision screenings and 85 passed. There were six kids with eyeglasses who received a complimentary lens cleaning kit to encourage good eyeglass care. Screenings at the public schools begins in November.

Christmas Tree delivery and sales begin on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

# Mason-Dixon Lions Club

The club purchased Cash Bash tickets to assist in the Mount Savage VFD fundraiser on October 12th.

They are also in the making of placing a commercial grade park bench at the Mount Savage Community Park Playground. This will allow for seating while watching children entertain on the playground equipment.

On December 1st, the club will give out hotdogs and gifts at the Community Christmas Party with tree lighting and Santa to be held at the Mt. Savage VFD Hall.

#### New Market District Lions

On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the club participated in **Boscov's Friends Helping Friends** as a fundraiser and to answer questions about the Lions Club.

The club held a **Firemen and Auxiliary Recognition Dinner** on October 22nd.

They are collecting toilet articles for the local nursing home and they are participating in the 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Service Challenge.

The club will hold their semi-annual **Bobby Rakestraw Cash Bingo and Canned Goods Drive** at the Libertytown Fire Dept Hall on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. See the flyer on page 19. In April 2025, they will be holding their Spring Bingo so keep checking on the date!

December 2, 2024—Holiday Kids Clothing Day at JC Penney.

The club is preparing hygiene kits to distribute as Holiday gifts for residents of the **Citizens Nursing Home**.

## Middletown Lions

The club is holding another Country Breakfast Buffet with the Myersville Lions Club on November 2nd. They also sell Lion brooms at the event. See the flyer on page 19.

The club supports the Middletown Food Bank.

The club will be selling fresh Georgia pecans in November.

The club has sent in the paperwork for a new Leo club.

The club volunteers at the local nursing home with 20-25 residents, playing bingo.

The club will distribute 320 bags of candy for Halloween.

They will have a Memory Tree in town in December.

# Mt. Airy 4 County Lions

In October, the club donated more food and made another monetary donation to **Steadfast**, Standing Firm Against Youth Homelessness, in Frederick.

The club conducted a Membership Drive at **the Mt Airy October Fest** on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

The club participated in the **Alzheimer's Walk** in Frederick on October 13<sup>th</sup>.

On November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the club will distribute **Thanksgiving Baskets.** 

# New Windsor Lions

The club kicked off the season's first literacy program which provided each child with a book, school supplies, and bag. Author James Bryson donated and read his book "The Great Warrior Selahmite".







The club held a successful **Sportsman Bonanza** on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> with drawings for cash, fishing gear & Sportmans' guns with raffles.

The club held a successful Fall Festival with tickets selling right up to drawing time. The Town of New Windsor also donated vendor fees totaling \$780 towards the literacy program.





The club held a **Halloween Party** in October.

They also held a **Firemen and Auxiliary Recognition Dinner** 

The Club will host **Wreaths across America** at a cemetery near Saint Lukes.

The club will host a **blood drive** on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

The club is sponsoring a **Bus Trip to the Sight and Sound Theater** in Lancaster, PA. to see "Daniel" on Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$145.00 for transportation, lunch and show. See the flyer on page 20.

# **Myersville Lions**

Recently, members of the Myersville Lions



club attended the Crossroads Awards and

fundraiser in Ijamsville. Club president Mark Flynn awarded CEO and founder Tony Peterson of the Living Waters Shower Ministry a check from the Myersville Lions Club. The check and supplies are an ongoing effort to support this humanitarian effort in Frederick and a partnership between the two organizations The Living Water Shower Ministry offers basic hygiene and

humanitarian aid to the housing insecure and the homeless of Frederick, Maryland. Putting the humanity back into humanity.



# Oakland -Mt Lake Park Lions

The club collected pillows for the 1st VDG Service Challenge for Heavenly Peace.

On October 12th, the club held their annual Autumn Glory Run for Sight 5K Run & 2M Walk at Broadford Park.

They had food concession stands for sports events starting on Wednesday 10/9 (Soccer DH), Thursday (Soccer), Friday (Football), Saturday 5K Race – Chair Sales for their Parade and a Tournament of Bands. All of this was followed by a JV Football game on Monday (10/14).

The club has been planning renovations of the Little League Baseball and Softball fields.

The club is getting ready to conduct vision screenings for the schools in Garrett County.

# Smithsburg Lions

The club hosted a **Red Cross Blood Drive** on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at the Smithsburg Fire Dept. Next one is Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>.from 1-6pm.

For Halloween Trick or Treat, the club set up a table in Whispering Hills on Oct. 31st. They handed out treat bags.

The club worked at the 3rd in the Burg which was a cider stroll all day on October 19th.

They will assist with the Veterans Ceremony in Smithsburg on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>.

The club will have a food stand at the next **Model Train Show** on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> at Washington County Ag Center.

The club will be collecting toys for the **Toys for Tots Program** in December.

# Roaring Run Lions

The club continued their monthly Feed the Hungry Program at the food pantry at Westminster HS, Sandymount Elementary and Carroll Food Sunday.

On October 19, the club had a concession stand at the Flea Market at the Ag Center from 6:30am to 3pm.

On October 26th, the club held their 5th Annual Halloween Trick of Trunk Event at their Lions Park. The Reese Fire Dept, Law Enforcement, and Health Dept will participate.

On Nov. 6th, the club will send 24 filled shoeboxes for needy children sponsored by Samaritan's Purse to be shipped overseas.

On Nov. 7th, the club will partner with Hugs and Stitches to deliver hats and scarves to the underprivileged population.

On Nov. 9th, the club will serve food at the AG Center in Westminster as a fundraiser

Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> – The club will partner with "On Our Own" to provide donations and volunteers for the Winter Wonderland Holiday Shop.

In November, the club will donate food to the **Gateway** School.

On Nov 26<sup>th</sup>, the club will provide a Thanksgiving meal as well as weeks supply of staples to the **Sandymount Elementary School Thanksgiving Family Drop Off.** 

Thanksgiving gift bags will be filled and delivered to **County Acres Nursing Facility.** 

Dec. 5th – The club will partner with **Hugs and** Stitches to deliver hats and scarves to the underprivileged population.

The club is collecting coats for Shepherd Staff, On Our Own and Safe Haven Shelter.

The club members members will provide and paint/decorate ceramic bowls to donate to the Shepherd Staff Empty **Bowls Fundraiser.** 

On Dec. 14th, the club will be participating in Wreaths Across America.

A December date is being planned for members to visit the Country Acres Nursing Facility, providing holiday gift bags and a music program for the residents.

In December, the club will provide clothing, personal care items and gifts for two families.

# Taneytown Lions

The club continues to perform a number of activities each month at the **Lorien Nursing Home** in Taneytown, including lunch, prize bingo, nickel bingo, reminiscing time and movie night.

The club held their annual Cash Bingo at the Firemen's Activity Bldg on October 26th.

They continue to collect food items. To date, there have been 158 food items collected toward our goal of 444 for the year.

They sponsored a Red Cross Blood Drive on Wednesday, October 16, 2024 in the Activities Building.

The club gave a voucher to an individual for a free eye exam and glasses through the Lions Vision Program with the Carroll County Health Department.

There is also a trip planned for December 7th to go to the **Dutch Apple Dinner Theater** to see "White Christmas". The cost per person is \$135.00 and includes the dinner tickets, bus and driver's gratuity. The deadline for reservations is November 15th. See the flyer on page 24

The club has purchased 100 cases of **Gourmet Nuts** and 40 cases of chocolates ("Delicious Delights") to sell. This has been a popular fundraiser for years. Give them a call to purchase some.

The Lion members of Grace United Church in Taneytown will participate in the **Wreaths Across America** to be held on December 14<sup>th</sup> at their cemetery where there are 95 veteran graves.

The club will be doing **eye screening**s at two Taneytown preschools (Grace United Learning Center and New Beginnings Christian Learning Center) at 9:30 a.m. on December 2, 4 and 5.

# Taylorsville-Winfield Lions

On October 12<sup>th</sup>, the club held a **cash bingo** at the Winfield Fire Dept. They had 134 attendees with Lions from Roaring Run, Taneytown, Westminster, Freedom District, South Carroll, and Deer Park. 3 FDLC Lions volunteered at their event.



The club participated in the monthly **Food Give-Away** with the Westminster Rescue Mission at Eldersburg Commons on Oct 23rd along with the Leos. They served 38 families.

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, the club held a free bike raffle at the **Winfield Fall Fest**. The club gave out free candy, had a free raffle for 4 children's bikes and conducted a Membership Drive.

In November, the club will be donating Thanksgiving gift bags of food to 2 families.





# South Carroll Lioness-Lions Club

On October 4<sup>th</sup>, Lions uploaded pallets of food at the CCC **food locker.** 

On October 10<sup>th</sup>, the club conducted their monthly visit to the residents at **Oakland Manor**, playing games, sang songs and served refreshments.

On October 19<sup>th</sup>, the club held their **annual Garage Sale** at the home of PDG Susan and FVDG Martin Bonura.

The club celebrated their 14<sup>th</sup> Charter Night on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Rincon Italian Grill in Sykesville. The club was officially chartered by Lions Clubs International on October 5, 2011. DG Susan Cox rededicated the charter. Vicki Hodges was inducted as a new member. Lion Dan Landry received both the Arnall Patz Award and the Melvin Jones

Fellowship Award. Their guests included CT Guy Garey PID Dick Liebno and Lion Grace, PDG Andy De Mario Sr.,3 Lineboro-Manchester members and PDG Barb Brimigion.



Pampered Chef Fundraiser Party – Lion Vicki Hodges of the South Carroll Lioness Lions Club is hosting a Pampered Chef fundraiser October 3 through December 7. Orders can be placed online with this link: https://www.pamperedchef.com/party/vickihodges

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#### Terra Rubra Lions

The club held their last **crab feed** for 2024 on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm.

The club collected sponsorship donations for the "Traveling Vietnam Wall" that came to the New Windsor carnival grounds October 9-13, 2025.

On October 28<sup>th</sup>, the club held a **Blood Drive** at the Keysville Lutheran Church.

On Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, the club will hold a **Bull/Oyster/Shrimp Feed** from 1-4 pm. with games of chance, raffles, and 50/50 drawing. \$45.00 advanced and \$50.00 at door. Call 443-918-8566 for tickets. Advance sales recommended.

On Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, the club will hold their **Big 1500 Cash** and **Dinner Club for LYF.** Food served at 1:00 PM; prize drawings at 3:00 PM. Ticket is \$15 for a meal of fried chicken, home-made crab soup, hot dogs & kraut, chips, pickles, and lunch meat, soft drinks, beer, dessert. Entry into drawings for cash prizes. Drawings for cash prizes up to our \$500 Grand Prize; total guaranteed cash payout: \$1500; need not be present to win cash prizes. Small games of chance, raffles, 50/50 drawing. Special Bonus Drawings for attendees; must be present to win bonus drawings. Call 443-918-8566 for tickets.

# Union Bridge Lions

The club held a successful semi-annual **Polish Bingo** on October 4<sup>th</sup> at the New Windsor Fire Hall. They gave out beautiful pieces of colorful Polish pottery. If you play bingo and you missed it, come on May 16, 2025 - you will love it!

The club held a Halloween Party for the kids in the community.

The club will give filled Christmas baskets to the elderly in their community and at the low-income housing.

# Williamsport Lions

The club held their **trash pick-up** along Route 11 on October 12th.

The club conducted a bingo for the residents of Homewood on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

The club held their **annual cash bingo** at the Williamsport Firehall on October 27<sup>th</sup>.



There is no meeting on November 26<sup>th</sup>.

# Thurmont Lions

There was a good turnout for the **9/11 Memorial**Celebration on September 11<sup>th</sup> in Memorial Park honoring the memory of the nearly 3,000 Americans who lost their lives in the viscous attaches 23 years ago. Maryland flags were placed commemorating the 47 Marylanders who perished that day. Lion Carie Stafford did an outstanding and amazing job in organizing the event with the many organizations that participated. The program ended with cannon and musket salute. This memorial remembrance was an example of how a

remembrance was an example of how a community can come together to honor the memory of those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our great nation. They are grateful for the support from all who participated and attended the celebration.

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Emmitsburg Club is

The club held a joint meeting with the Emmitsburg Club is October 10<sup>th</sup> at the Carriage House

The club had a food booth during **Colorfest** on October 12 & 13th, including breakfast sandwiches, home fries, hot dogs, seafood, BBQ, sloppy joes and beverages. They also ran the shuttle at Colorfest where helpers for the food tent parked at JerMae for free and got a ride to the stand.

The club provided free popcorn and hot cocoa at the Town of Thurmont's annual **Halloween Movie Night** at the Community Park on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

The club held their 95<sup>th</sup> Charter Night at Dutch's Daughter on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, the club will hold a **fundraiser at Kountry Kitchen** from 5-8 pm for Wreaths across America.

The club will hold their **Cash Bingo** on November 9<sup>th</sup> at Guardian Hose Company Activities Building with raffles, 50/50 tickets, King Tut and tip jars. Cost is \$20.00. Doors open at 5pm and the game begins at 6:30 pm. See page 22

On November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the club will hold a **bake sale** at the Mountain Gate Restaurant from 9am-2 pm.

The club has started a new project by partnering with the Aveco Insurance Company for birthday kits and bundle donations.

They collected 79 eyeglasses, two sunglasses, 42 glass cases and three hearing aids from their five drop-off stations.

The club is selling 300 **2024** Christmas Ornaments with an image of Bell Hill (their sandwich sale location) in the wintertime. This has been a successful yearly fundraiser. They will make sure that a 2025 sandwich sale magnet goes out with each ornament.

## Westminster Lions

The club assisted at CARROLL COUNTY FOOD SUNDAY on Wednesday, October 9, and October 23.

The club canceled their club meeting to attend the **JOINT CLUB MEETING** hosted by the Greater Carroll Lions Club on Thursday, October 10th.

On Saturday, October 26, the club participated in the annual Trick or Treat "SPOOKY SATURDAY EVENT" on Main Street in Westminster. They set up a table and gave out candy to the kids.

The club collected used eyeglasses, hearing aids and children's bedding for Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

The club will have their annual Veterans Dinner at the VFW in Westminster on November 14th.

The club will host their **Charter Night** at the VFW in Westminster on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

They will not have a meeting on Thursday, November 28, because of the Thanksgiving holiday.



# Walkersville Middle School Leos Club – Sponsored by the Glade Valley Lions Club

Walkersville High School Leos

Sponsored by the Glade Valley Lions Club

# Roaring News from Our Leo Clubs

#### **Walkersville Middle School Leos:**

The Walkersville Middle School Leos Club kicked off the 2024-25 school year with our first meeting on September 10th. Six new Leos joined Lion Jim Corley and WMS club advisor, Mrs. Ritchie to learn more about what it means to be a Leo. They were encouraged to recruit a friend for the next meeting scheduled for October 15th. Students learned about leadership board positions and how to be nominated for club elections to be held on October 15th. Many students have shown new interest in the club and picked up permission slips to attend in October. During their first meeting, students participated in their first school community service project, writing personal notes to staff to be included on a candy gram. Candy grams were delivered the same week in staff mailboxes. WMS staff were impressed with the gesture and how early the service of the club began! Leos will be

holding elections and bagged treats to support the town community's Trunk or Treat event on Halloween at their next meeting in October. Students will also plan the remainder of their service goals and projects for the school year including school, community and Glade Valley Lions service projects. We are looking forward to a year of service and support of and from WHS Leos and Glade Valley Lions.

Submitted by Mrs. Ritchie WMS Club Advisor



#### **Walkersville High School Leos:**

The Walkersville High School Leos have had a fantastic start to the school year, with numerous activities planned and accomplishments to share. Our club participated in helping out with The New Market Grange throughout the week of the Great Frederick Fair, from September 13–22, by assisting in running their food booth. Additionally, the Leos helped with the Glade Valley Community Show from Sept. 24–26, where we assisted in organizing and supporting various events. On September 26, the Leos also volunteered at the Frederick Classical Charter School's STEAM night, helping with cleanup and other activities. The same week, on Saturday, September 28, we volunteered at the soup kitchen in downtown Frederick, where we helped serve food and clean dishes from 5:00–6:30 PM. On Oct. 31, the Leos had a fun event planned with the Walkersville Library.

We hosted a Trunk or Treat for the community and were excited to bring some Halloween fun to local families.

The Walkersville High School Leos are committed to serving our community and look forward to the exciting opportunities the new school year has to offer.

Submitted by Leo Emil M.

South Carroll
High School
Leo Club
Sponsored by
the
TaylorsvilleWinfield
Lions Club

At their October meeting, they had three new members attend giving them a total of 13 Leos. Leo President Todd and Leo Adrian helped with the Lions Bingo in October by collecting canned goods and assisting with the beverages. Leo President Todd played bingo with the seven residents at

Sun Valley AL while Lion Pauline was the caller for the games in October.

Leo President Todd, Leos Amelia and Harley helped with the Food Give-away in October serving 38 families.

The Leos were asked by the Lions to give out Halloween candy to the children at the Fall Harvest Festival. Their service project will be

helping victims from Hurricane Helene. They will be collecting hygiene supplies from October 10 thru November 11 from the student body as well as from the Lions to make hygiene kits. These kits will be given to the

Brethren Center in New Windsor. The Leos will consider Panera as a possible fundraiser.





Liberty High & Century High Leo Clubs

Sponsored by the Freedom District Lions Club The Leos in both clubs are preparing for the holidays. Both clubs will be joining the Freedom District Lions Club in donating food, filling **Thanksgiving baskets** and delivering them to the homes of needy families in the Sykesville area on November 27<sup>th</sup>. On December 7<sup>th</sup>, the Leos will be shopping for **Christmas gifts** at the Wal Mart Store in Eldersburg on December 7<sup>th</sup> at 9am. They will meet at Liberty High School to wrap the presents along with some FDLC Lions. Parents with needy families will come to the school to pick up the bags of Christmas presents. Both Leo Clubs are participating in the **Wreaths Across America** on Saturday, December 14th. The Century Leos will be at Lakeview Cemetery and the Liberty Leos will be at Springfield Cemetery to help lay wreaths on the graves of veterans.

The Century Leo Club supported the Trunk or Treat event with the Roaring Run Lions Club on October 26th. They held a fundraiser at Chick-fil-a on October 29<sup>th</sup>. They will be making gratitude cards for Veterans on November 11th. They will hold an induction of new members on November 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Parents are invited. The guest speaker will be CC Evan Gillett. The Century Leos will also do ornament painting for their Christmas project.

The **Liberty High Leos** participated in their Homecoming parade and window decorating activities in October. The Liberty Leos are supporting the Operation Joy at Inspirations alongside the FDLC Lions. They will create Thanksgiving cards for the Thanksgiving project.

Catoctin HS Leo Club

Sponsored by Thurmont Lions Club

Middletown HS Leo Club

Sponsored by Middletown Lions Club

# Catoctin High School (TLC Leo Advisor PDG Nadja Muchow)

Kate Engelstatter, Media Specialist, has been assigned to the Leo Club as interim Leo Advisor. They provided her with a quick overview of Catoctin High School Leos history up to this point in time. In addition, they verified current Leos. Basically, they are starting from scratch and currently have four Leos.

The **Middletown High School Leo Club** has 38 Leos. They participated in the Heritage Festival and the Halloween Parade.







Linganore Leo Club

Sponsored by Libertytown-Unionville Lions Club

Sabillasville Environmental School

**Sponsored by the Thurmont Lions Club** 

The **Linganore Leo Club** will be chartered in November.

A meeting was first held with the Sabillasville Environmental School and Catoctin High School on Monday, September 23, 2024.

Sabillasville Environmental School has been a green school since 2023 and is currently attended by 207 students. Barbara Doney, Math Intervention/Reading Intervention Specialist reached out to discuss the possibility of having a Leo Club with her as Leo Advisor. They reviewed the following process: establishing a framework, identifying potential Leos, holding and hosting an informational meeting and completing the required paperwork.

On October 8, an Informational meeting was held at 8:45-9:15 am. Tasks: Request to have Leo Club sponsorship discussed at the next Thurmont Lions Club Board Meeting.

## A Special Guest to our Multiple District 22 Convention:

Dr. Manoj Shah from Nairobi, Kenya, who was elected as 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-President of Lions International, will be our guest at the May 2025 Multiple District 22 Convention. He is currently the Chairman of the M.P. Shah Hospital, Chairman of the Automobile Association of Kenya Road Safety Council, Member of the Priory Council of St. John, Trustee of the Kilimanjaro Blind Trust, and Board Member of Special Olympics Kenya. At the National Level he has been appointed by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya and serves as The Chairman of The National Transport and Safety Association in Kenya.



3<sup>rd</sup> VP Shah has received numerous accolades, including the "Elder of the Burning Spear" (EBS) Award by the President of the Republic of Kenya for his role in Nation Building, "Ambassador of Goodwill Award" by Lions International, and the prestigious "Commander to the Venerable of St. John Medal" (CSTJ) from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II for Community Engagement and conferred with an Honorary Doctorate in Humanity. His achievements have been highlighted in his published biography titled "One in A Million."

He is a certified LCIP Trainer for Lions International and has led the District Governors Elect seminar as a group leader multiple times.

Raffle tickets are still for sale. Please support the Multiple District 22 Convention by purchasing the convention raffle tickets. 12 tickets per booklet - Sell at \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Return the ticket stubs, your club or individual Lion's donations, or any unsold tickets, to Convention Chair, PDG Susan Bonura at 1743 Deer Park Road, Finksburg, MD 21048 or bring them to the Multiple Convention. They can even be purchased at the convention. Make checks payable to MD22 Convention Committee. Contact PDG Susan Bonura if you need some more tickets.



#### Save the Date for the 2025 Multiple District 22 Convention:

#### Submitted by PDG Susan Bonura, MD22 Convention Chair

It is not too early to plan to attend the 2025 Multiple District Convention being held in McHenry, Maryland at the Wisp Resort, May 1 – May 4. You may call the central reservations desk at 855-656-4632 and ask for group booking ID 7325.

Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> - The convention begins with a shotgun start golf tournament at Lodestone at 1 p.m.

**Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** -Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the first general business session begins at 1 p.m. Exhibit booths will also be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on May 2. The first session of seminars will take place from 3 to 4 p.m. on May 2 followed by an open discussion with our International guest. The day ends with the Multiple District social and banquet.

**Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** - begins with a PDG breakfast at 7:30 a.m. followed by the Lions Memorial Service at 8:45 a.m. The morning continues with seminars, registration, exhibits and district luncheons. The first district business sessions will be held on Saturday afternoon. The day ends with a chicken BBQ dinner at the Garrett County Fairgrounds Ag Center. Sunday includes registration, the second general business session and district meetings and elections. The convention ends with the Victory lunch. A mini golf tournament is also planned.





What can you do in Garrett County during your free time or maybe before or after the Multiple District 22 Convention in May?

## Trip Advisor recommends the following among others:

- Wisp Resort with kayaking, hiking and golf
- Deep Creek Lake State Park
- Garrett County Museum of Transportation with horse and buggy, fire engine, early cars, snowmobiles, canoes etc.
- Swallow Falls State Park with picturesque trails and the highest-falling waterfall and other waterfalls
- Oakland B&O Railroad Museum
- Spruce Forest Artisan Village with local crafts in restored log buildings, old schoolhouse, gift shop
- Garrett County Historical Museum
- Simon Pearce Factory Outlet and Glassblowing Come take a tour and/or buy products
- Firefly Farms Market

There are many gift shops, restaurants and activities to do there! Check them out online!



# Will Host the Lions Multiple District 22 Convention May 1-4, 2025

# Enjoy Great Savings in 3, 2, 1!

Stay 3 nights at the Lodge at Wisp and get the 3rd night 50% off when you sign up for the 3.2.1
lodging package by November 1, 2024. Must stay 3 nights to receive the 3rd night 50% off. Package is
based on new reservations, availability, and advance reservation. Not valid with other discounts
and offers.

Call central reservations at 855.656.4632 and ask for Group Booking ID# 7325. Registration Form is only good during the 2024 convention. Please return to Wisp Resort booth during 2024 convention to ensure your spot in the lodge.

#### **Room Type Options:**

**Queen Efficiency** (queen bed, queen sofa, kitchenette with microwave, mini fridge, sink) - \$139.00 per night.

Queen Deluxe – 4 ADA rooms available (2 queen beds & mini fridge) - \$139.00 per night.

Queen Suite (queen bed in bedroom, queen murphy bed in living room, mini fridge) - \$149.00 per night.

**King Suite** – king bed in bedroom, living room area, mini fridge - \$159 per night.

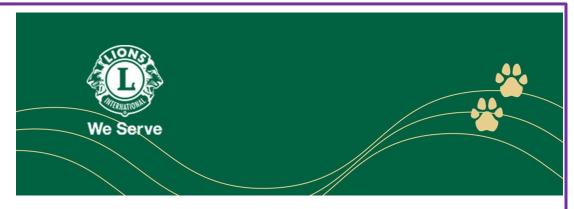
**Double Suite** -2 ADA rooms (2 double beds in bedroom, murphy bed in living room, mini fridge)-\$159.00 per night.

# 3.2.1 Registration Form

Name:
Address Line 1:
Address Line 2:
Cell Number:
Email Address:
Arrival Date:
Departure Date:
Room Type:

\*No credit card/deposit needed until November 1, 2024. Currently a 6% state tax and an 8% local assessment will apply. If you would like to waive the Guest Protection Policy, please let the front desk know upon arrival.





Fabrício Oliveira International President

# **Presidential Club Giving Award for LCIF**



# Recognizing your club's generosity

At LCIF, we value the incredible generosity of our members. As a token of our appreciation, we are thrilled to introduce the Presidential Club Giving Award for LCIF program. This initiative aims to recognize clubs that have demonstrated outstanding commitment and support by contributing to our cause on a per-member average basis throughout the fiscal year.

By participating in this recognition program, your club has the opportunity to join a prestigious circle of dedicated supporters. Your contributions make a significant impact on our mission, enabling us to serve our community and beyond.

The Presidential Club Giving Award for LCIF is awarded to clubs based on their donation per-member average during the fiscal year. The more you contribute per member, the higher the level of recognition your club will achieve. Your club's active member count is determined as of January 1.

Once your club's contribution is documented and verified, shortly after the close of the fiscal year, the prestigious award will be processed and automatically dispatched to you.

The recognition awards are given annually, shortly after the close of the fiscal year. This ensures that your club's dedication and support throughout the year are acknowledged and celebrated appropriately.

There are multiple levels of recognition to honor clubs based on their per-member average contributions. The levels are as follows.

#### All Donors:

Bronze Level - US\$50 per member (within a fiscal year) Silver Level - US\$100 per member (within a fiscal year) Gold Level - US\$250 per member (within a fiscal year) Platinum Level - US\$500 per member (within a fiscal year) Diamond Level - US\$1,000 per member (within a fiscal year) LCI 107th International Convention in Mexico City has been canceled!



The 2025 International Convention has moved to Orlando, Florida, U.S.A., which will be held July 13-17, 2025. They say that it will be an exciting change, and they're working to get everything ready for us. Orlando, Florida welcomes Lions and Leos from around the world for sun, fun, service and the 107<sup>th</sup> International Convention.

For those who already registered for the International Convention in Mexico City, the following statement was issued from LCI:

Due to unforeseen challenges, we will not be hosting the Lions International Convention in Mexico City. Our 2025 international convention is moving to Orlando, Florida, USA, which will be held July 13-17, 2025. Given this change in convention location and dates, registrations have been automatically canceled and credit cards have been refunded in full. Please allow 7-10 business days for the refund to be processed.

# It is now time to register so go online!

The Convention will be held Sunday through Thursday with the Parade of Nations kicking off festivities on Monday, July 14. On Thursday, July 17, the presidential inauguration will bring our time in Orlando to a close.

More Information to follow!



# **Future Dates for the International Convention:**

**July 3-7, 2026:** Hong Kong, a special administrative region of the People's Republic of China

July 2-6, 2027: Washington DC

<u>June 23-27, 2028:</u> Singapore

June 29- July 3, 2029: Minneapolis, Minnesota