

LIONS DISTRICT 22-W NEWS

April 2021



DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGEAPRIL 2021 District Newsletter

As we enter the last quarter of our Lion's fiscal year, I stop to think that we are finally seeing some glimpses of a light at the end of the tunnel, **although it is still a distance away**. There are some positive comments from physicians on the news networks, reports of a downhill trend of hospitalizations due to the Covid 19 virus and a reduction of confirmed cases compared to last Decem-



ber and January according to the World Health Organization and the increase of vaccinations in the entire country are giving us some hope that our clubs could resume their favorite service projects and fundraisers once again in the near future.

I am now seeing clubs schedule events in the Summer and Fall with great anticipation. Let's take this time to communicate with our club members and determine how satisfied they have been with your club this past year. A **Member Satisfaction Survey** has been given out or emailed to many clubs this past year. If you need one, you can contact me for a copy or go online to the LCI website. Now is the time to use that information to plan new, exciting projects to motivate your members and to retain your membership. Make it a goal to sit down together during a Zoom meeting or inperson if the group is small and devise a Membership Plan for attracting new members, especially younger ones, to your club in the upcoming year, making up for a loss in membership during the pandemic.

This month marks the time to elect your club officers and to report them in MyLCI. The Club Officer's Report is due to MyLCI by April 30, 2021. Now is the time to make a goal of supporting the district by preparing to attend our last cabinet meeting by Zoom on April 10th and to attend the region-wide meetings and zone meetings which are required to be held after each cabinet meeting. April will certainly be an active month as some clubs have rescheduled their DG Official Visits and Charter Nights for April in hopes of having these events in-person and indoors. After the cancellation of last year's Change of Banner, we are hoping to have an in-person Change of Banner once again on July 24th at the Myersville Fire Department. Hopefully, it will be a time to see one another again and to recognize Lions for their dedication and service and clubs who have worked so hard to achieve some district awards in spite of the challenges of the pandemic. Let's keep our fingers and toes crossed!

DG Barb Brimigion

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FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

April Newsletter Article

Now that we have said goodbye to winter and hello to spring hopefully we can soon say the same to

COVID-19 so that we Lions can resume what Lions do best – serving others. Despite the impact of the pandemic on our clubs, together, we have faced adversity and navigated the challenges of COVID by finding new ways to meet, recruit new members, raise funds and still serve our communities. As I have said previously,

Lions are resilient and quite creative in finding ways to continue their service often times re-engineering their signature projects – both service and fundraising – to provide for the needs of others. As our world has changed and will continue to change we will need to be even more determined and creative to find ways to assist those in need.

One way our clubs have responded to the call to assist the less fortunate has been to take on the Vice

District Governor Service Challenges. SVDG Nadja and I are already receiving confirmations of donated items

for the third and final service challenge which ends at the last Cabinet meeting on April 10. We are seeing a

variety of items besides the requested socks, hand towels and wash clothes being collected and donated to the

agencies that provide for the homeless in our communities. Thanks to those clubs who are finding creative and

fun ways to take on this service project. We will provide a preliminary report at the Cabinet meeting and announce the name of the club collecting the most items in a later district weekly update from Cabinet Secretary

PDG Susan Bonura.

I want to thank those clubs that submitted nominations for the District Honor Roll. The review process is currently underway and the honorees will be announced during the sub-district business meeting at our virtual convention.

My personal schedule has been filling up with all sorts of Zoom meetings. I have "attended" a current Council of Governors meeting as well as a meeting of next year's COG, a LYF trustees meeting, a LVRF trustees meeting, a Leo celebration planning meeting, a North American Membership Initiative meeting, a meeting of my group of incoming DG's and our district virtual LVRF Rally. I also attended the MD22 Leader Dog presentation. The next two months will be dedicated to leadership training including our MD22 DGE/those wanting to become DG's training along with LCI DGE training. Both will be conducted virtually. I am also in the process of finalizing the district cabinet officer and committee chair positions for next year along with fine tuning the district goals and contest rules. I will be sharing this information with you once the district elections conclude at the virtual multiple district convention.

"See" you at the Cabinet meeting.

CHARLES CROFT, Jr.



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NORTH AMERICAN MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE (NAMI) 101

North American Membership Initiative is a focused program designed to address and reverse the decline in Lions membership in Constitutional Areas 1 and 2 (CA1 and CA2). The Lions Clubs International Board of Directors authorized North American Membership Initiative at the October 2018 board meeting. It is important because evidence of similar membership declines is appearing in other parts of the world. A solid plan needed to be established for revitalization and growth before our organization's ability to serve humanity—our core mission—is fundamentally compromised.

The objectives of the North American Membership Initiative are to rejuvenate districts with new clubs, revitalize clubs with new members, and remotivate members with new fellowships and exciting service. In 2019-20, nine North American Membership Initiative pilot districts tested the North American Membership Initiative processes and resources. They also developed their own innovations to achieve membership goals. For 2020-21. All North American districts have been invited to join the evolving program and help develop and test best practices. Further developments of this initiative will be made for regions/ zones and clubs.

■ The goals of the **North American Membership Initiative** are: by June 2021, we expect 200 new clubs ■ and 44,000 new members in CA1, and 20 new clubs and 5,000 new members in CA2. The goals for ■ June 2023 are 315,000 total members in CA1 and 38,000 total members in CA2.

Leaders from each district meet to build a team, develop their own goals and a plan for achieving them.

Part of building a North American Membership Initiative team is identifying a Champion who promotes and manages the initiative, fosters execution, and reports results. The Champion works side-by-side with the district governor team, GAT coordinators, region/zone chairpersons, and other district leaders on plan development, implementation, and accountability.

District Governor Barbara Brimigion committed 22W to the task and has been working with NAMI Cham pion Sandi Moore to develop, implement and review the outcomes of best practices. We are very fortu nate in District 22W to have amazing Lions working together to help District Governor Barbara and NAMI
 Champion Sandi Moore meet their goals in the following areas.

New Clubs Member Satisfaction New Members Leader Support PDG Steve Finger Lion Martin Bonura Region Chair Jeremy Bair Lion Ron Kafchinski ■ Each of the above leaders has four persons from District 22W that work on their committee. Many Zoom
 ■ meetings have been held to obtain updates on the best practices that the committees have developed,
 ■ implemented; and in some situations have had them tested throughout the District.

I am a team member of the Member Satisfaction committee under Lion Martin Bonura. For example, we are encouraging clubs to place a short bio of their members in their club newsletters, as well as, the District newsletter. It will help promote a feeling of family within the club by getting to know each other better.
 One club in our District pulls a member's name out of a basket and has them answer five predetermined questions about themselves. You would be surprised at what you learn about each other. So give the bios a try and see if your club experiences an increased feeling of family!!

Yours in Lionism,

SVDG Nadja Muchow

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SMITHSBURG LION GERALD M. "JERRY" WEAVER, 91, of Smithsburg, MD, passed away Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at his home. Born April 20, 1929 in Ringgold, MD, he was the son of the late Chester L. Weaver and Charlotte A. (Bell) Weaver. He was preceded in death by his wife of 38 years, Mary Lush (Wells) Weaver who passed away July 29, 2009. They were married December 22, 1970.

Jerry was a man who will be missed by many people. He was loved by everyone he came across in his lifetime. He will never be forgotten. "We Love You Pa Pa". He was a veteran serving in the United States Marine Corp during the Korean Conflict and Vietnam Era. He was a member of the Smithsburg Lions Club, South Mountain



Rod and Gun Club of Smithsburg and AMVETS Post 10 of Hagerstown. He was a radio repairman while in the service and a self-employed small engine repair mechanic and upholstery finisher.

Jerry is survived by two great-granddaughters, Ashley Arthur and husband Keith of Smithsburg, MD, and Brandie Luna and husband Christopher of Red Oak, VA, and three great-great-grandchildren, Nakia Arthur of Smithsburg, MD, and Corbin Luna and MacKenzie Luna of Red Oak, VA. Services and burial were private at the convenience of the family. Arrangements were made by J.L. Davis Funeral Home, Smithsburg, MD, and online condolences may be offered at www.ildavisfh.com.



<u>Williamsport Lion Robert M. Johnson</u> - Bob was President in 1985-86 and Lion of the Year 1979-80. He was presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship in 2000 and Sustained Effort Award 1989-90. He has served the District as Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Treasurer, and Deputy Governor (Region Chair).

Robert (Bob) Michael Johnson, 82, passed away February 14, 2021, at Doey's House in Hagerstown, MD. Born October 1, 1938, he was the son of the late Robert L and Marguerite Johnson. He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Iris J. Johnson, and his sister, Susie Hancock.

Bob graduated from Hagerstown High School in 1956 and served in the U.S. Air Force from 1956-1962. After being honorably discharged, Bob went to work at Potomac Edison as a Project Coordinator and from there went on to becoming an Executive VP and Engineer for Fox & Associates. Following his employment at Fox he



went to Davis, Renn & Associates and worked as a Project Manager until retiring. Bob is a lifelong member of St. John's Lutheran Church and was involved in many organizations. He was a member and past president of the Williamsport Lions Club; a member of the Hagerstown Elks Lodge 378; and a member of Tall Cedars of Lebanon Masonic organization.

Bob loved to travel with his family, watch the Orioles and Ravens games with his grandson, and go to car shows. He was a very proud grandfather. He is survived by his daughter Beth, her husband George, and grandson Kyle Haynes.

Funeral services were conducted on Saturday, February 20, 2021, at 11:00 A.M. at Rest Haven Funeral Home, 1601 Pennsylvania Ave., Hagerstown with Rev. Hoda Zavandro officiating. Interment followed in Rest Haven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, a memorial donation may be made to Doey's House/Hospice of Washington County, 747 Northern Ave., Hagerstown MD 21742.

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Flintstone Lion Georgianna (Care) Garvin, 70, of Oldtown, passed away Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021, at Union Hospital, Elkton, due to complications of COVID-19.

Born Oct. 8, 1950, in Baltimore, Mrs. Garvin was the daughter of the late Robert Frederick Care Sr. and Phyllis Grace (Simmons) Care.

A graduate of Parkville Senior High School, Georgianna attended Bethel Assembly of God Church, Oldtown. She was a member of the Flintstone Lions Club and the "Oldtown Musketeers," and was an avid reader.



Georgianna is survived by her brother, Robert Care Jr. and wife, Dianne; and her sister, Jacalyn Ann Patterson and husband, John. She also leaves behind her nieces and nephews, Melissa Thompson and husband, Brian, Heather Care, Robert Care III and wife, Rebecca, and Elizabeth Gonzalez and husband, Anthony; as well as numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

Due to COVID-19, services will be planned at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Ark of Hope Rescue, 13400 Arctic Ridge Lane, S.E., Oldtown, MD 21555.

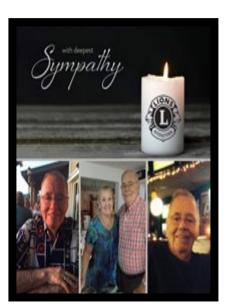
PDG Donald H. Norton of the Burtonsville Lions Club (District 22-C) passed away on February 15, 2021. Prayers are extended to his family, especially his loving wife Lion Patricia.

PDG Don was District Governor of District 22-C from 1992 to 1993. He was a true leader as demonstrated by those who were on his Cabinet and succeeded to District Governor status: Wil-

liam Lynch (Cabinet Treasurer), Jordan Burick (Lieutenant Governor) and Immediate Past District Governor Joseph Gaffigan, PID. They have many stories of their travels with then, DG Don.

PDG Don's Multiple District Council consisted of Kenneth Shipley (22-A), Howard Todd, Jr (22-B), Dominic Scatasti, Sr (22-D) and James Baker (22-W).

He was a true friend to many. For more years than I can remember, he was the C-Night Editor, aka Circulation Manager and printed/ formatted many of our roster books & C-Night social books. He will be missed by many. RIP friend & thanks for dropping into our lives with memories.



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Yellow Springs Lion Mrs. Patricia Ann Main, 81, of Frederick, passed away on Feb. 10, 2021, at Glade Valley Center after a long battle with diabetes and dementia. She was the wife of the late Michael Main. Born on July 18, 1939, in Frederick County, she was the daughter of late Clarence May Sr. and Ruth May.

Pat was a member of the Brook Hill United Methodist Church, and she enjoyed the company of the Wise Owls Group. Mrs. Main was a member of the Yellow Springs Lions Club, and she enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her sisters and grandchildren. She loved assembling puzzles, sudoku, sewing and word searches. Her favorite hobby was collecting owls, especially stuffed ones and any unique ones she could fine, her collection had over 4,000 different owls.



She was a stay-at-home mom until her children entered school. She worked for a few employers including making drapes for the Fabric Shop, sewing for the Hartz Company and making leather goods for J.M. Bucheimer's. Her last job was at Bio Whittaker.

Pat is survived by her three children, Dr. Debra Phebus, Tammy Patton and her husband, of Pennsylvania, and Randy Main, of Canada. She loved spending time with her three grandchildren, Matthew Williams, Jennifer Williams and Shawn Patton. Her great-granddaughter Olivia Williams was her buddy and favorite friend to share ice cream with. She was one of 13 children. She is survived by four brothers, Thurman May and wife Gladys; Charles May; Ray May and wife Barbara; Raymond May and wife Shirley. She is survived by four sisters, Gloria Caudill and husband Dan; Nancy Caudill and her partner Bob Boyer; Grace Blickenstaff; and Rosie Ray. She has many beloved nieces and nephews.

The service was private. Donations in her honor may be made to Brook Hill United Methodist Church, American Diabetes or Alzheimer's Association.

Mr. Raymond Francis "Ray" Gafney, 98, of Frederick, passed away on Monday, March 22, 2021, at the Kline Hospice House. He was the husband of 52 years to Gloria Wachter Morrison Gafney. Born on July 11, 1922, in Patchoge, Long Island, New York, he was a son of the late Thomas F. and Edith Burke Gafney.

Ray proudly served his country during World War II in the United States Army and Air Force. He came from New York to work at Fort Detrick and re-

tired after 25 years in the finance department of Frederick Memorial Hospital. He was a member of St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church (he served as usher until the age of 92) and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was a member of the Francis Scott Key American Legion Post 11 and one of the two left of the Last Man's Club of WW II. Ray was past president and 56-year member of the Francis Scott Key Lions Club.

Ray was a life member of the Frederick Elks Club. He served as the lodge treasurer for 41 years, and he was a past exalted ruler and past district deputy. For 24 years, he was state secretary of Maryland, Delaware and D.C., State Elks Association. Surviving in addition to his wife is a niece, Karen Gafney Smith, of New York; a nephew, Neil Gafney, of Tennessee; and many great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers, William T. and Eugene F. Gafney.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Frederick Health Hospice, 1 Frederick Health Way, Frederick, MD 21702 or to Elks National Foundation, 2750 North Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614.

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Bobby E. "Curly", "Bae" Rakestraw, age 85 of Monrovia, MD passed away at Johns Hopkins Hospital on Sunday, March 21,2021. Born in Slaughters, Kentucky on March 15,1936. He was son of the late Marvin A. and Helen E. (Woods) Rakestraw. He was the loving husband of Donna (Hammers) Rakestraw, his wife of 55 years. Bobby graduated from Slaugters High School in 1954, received a Bachelor of Science from Western Kentucky State College in Bowling Green, ,Kentucky in

1959. He was also an Army Veteran serving from October 1959 to February of 1962. In 1962 he was employed by the USDA -Soil Conservation Service until his retirement as a SCS/NRCS RAMP National Program Manager.

Bobby was a life time member of the **New Market Lions Club for almost 50 years** and was most recently the Secretary for many years, but held every office except for the treasurer in the club He was a Melvin Jones-recipient and has received many awards through the years. One of his favorite activities was organizing the clubs Basket Bingo fundraiser. He was also the chairman of the Frederick County Soil Conservation District, a member of the Frederick County Farm Bureau, and a member of the Providence United Methodist Church in Kemptown, Maryland. Bobby enjoyed restoring tractors and was a member of the Mid Atlantic Alis Chambler Tractor Club as well as the MDIHCC Tractor Club. He loved visiting family and spending time on the farm he grew up on in Kentucky.



In addition to his wife, Donna he is survived by his daughter, Wendy (Rakestraw) Wilson of Frederick, MD and son, David Rakestraw of Pembroke Pines, FL. He especially enjoyed spending time with his beloved grandchildren, Craig Wilson, Jason Wilson, Rachel Wilson and Emily Wilson; siblings, Eugene "Big Boy" Rakestraw (life companion Elizabeth Raymond), Dorothy "Sissy" Hale, Merle Rakestraw, Jerry Rakestraw, and Reva McConnell (Paul); nieces and nephews, Kathy Hale, Barry Hale, Tommy Hale, Robin Woodruff, Rhonda Gordon, Frankie Collins, Denise Baxter, Kimberly Evans, and Jon McConnell and several great nieces and nephews. The family received friends on Monday, March 29,2021 at Stauffer Funeral Homes 1621 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick, Maryland 21702.

Services were held March 30, 2021 at Stauffer Funeral Home at 1:00 pm. Graveside service followed at Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Frederick Maryland. In Lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the New Market Lions Club Foundation, 13001 Purdum Court Mt Airy, MD 21771 or Providence United Methodist Church 3716 Kemptown Church Road Kempton, MD 21770



Westminster Lion William Franklin Haifley, 91, of Westminster, died Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at his daughter's residence. Born August 22, 1929 in Frizzellburg, he was the son of the late Florence (Powell) Haifley and Roland F. Haifley. He was the beloved husband of the late Mary E. Haifley.

Before retiring he worked as a Supervisor for BGE. He was a graduate of Westminster High School and obtained an Associate's Degree. He served in the Army during the Korean War.

He was a member of Church of the Open Door, the Westminster Lions Club where he was a recipient of the Melvin Jones Award, member of the American Legion Carroll Post No. 31, VFW Molleville Farm Post No. 467, Eagles No. 2266 and Carroll County Electrical Contractors Association. He also served as Westminster City Councilman and President.

He is survived by daughters Jenny Williams and husband Daniel of Westminster and Carole Maner and husband Terry of Calabash, NC; grandchildren Sarah and Josiah Maner. Special thanks to his caregiver Judy Caleo.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, March 27, 2021 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Fletcher Funeral & Cremation Services, 254 E. Main St., Westminster. Funeral services will begin at 2:30 p.m. with his son-in-law, Terry Maner officiating. Private interment at Baust Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Carroll Hospice, 292 Stoner Ave., Westminster, MD 21157.

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WELCOME, NEW LIONS, TO DISTRICT 22W JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021 Welcome, New Lions, to District 22W March 21, 2021

Lion Carol Alphin, Chewsville Lions Club – Welcome Back!
Lion Carole Ann Alphin, Chewsville Lions Club – Welcome Back!
Rose Young, Freedom District Lions Club
Jacob Stocker, Frostburg State University Campus Lions Club
Charles Dormo, Middletown Lions Club
Eleanor Dormo, Middletown Lions Club

TOP CLUBS FOR NEW MEMBERS - NET GAIN AS OF March 21, 2021

Freedom District Lions Club (+8)
Frostburg State University Campus Club (+4)
Greater Carroll Lions Club (+3)
Frostburg Lions Club (+2)
Hancock Lioness Lions Club (+2)
Taylorsville-Winfield Lions Club (+2)



Clubs are asked to notify Lion Phyllis of those Lions who have received club awards. Let's join together to recognize our dedicated Lions who have exemplified the spirit of Lionism in our district.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER—MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

LVRF Virtual District 22W Event—Monday, March 29—7 pm

LCIF Tell-a-thon—Sunday April 11, 5-9 pm

District 22W Virtual Leader Dog Rally & 50/50 Drawing—Thursday—April 29

Multiple District 22 Virtual Convention—Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, May 20-22

Lions Clubs International Convention—Friday-Tuesday, June 25-29

District 22W Change of Banner at Myersville Fire Hall—Saturday, July 24

100th Anniversary Celebration of Multiple District 22—August 12 & 13, 2022

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A MESSAGE FROM PID JEROME THOMPSON GAT CONSTITUTIONAL AREA 1 LEADER

and service.—Resources to Assist Club and District Leaders



Resources to Assist Club and District Leaders

Membership Satisfaction There Is Light At the End Of
The Tunnel

As I was traveling with my grandson recently, we drove through a tunnel. While in the tunnel there was minimal lighting. But as we rounded the last curve, we could see the light at the end of the tunnel. I was reminded of the quote, "The Light at the end of the tunnel may be a train."

Whether the light at the end of the tunnel is a train or a new day, we, Lion Leaders, must be prepared to seize the moment. I believe that we are slowly overcoming the COVID-19 pandemic and the light is a new day full of new opportunities. Hence, it's time for us to rally our clubs in an effort to retain our valued members, identify community needs, and expand our capacity to serve.

I recently read, "The sign of a good leader is anticipating problems before they become an emergency". In the next section, please find links to assist us in being proactive, as we find a new normal, after a year of dealing with a pandemic.

Please take a few minutes to assist clubs in turning on the lights. Let's use this month to prepare; April to catch up on our service reporting; and May to focus on adding members to our existing clubs. In June, we will do whatever is necessary to meet our club and district goals in the areas of new clubs, members added to existing clubs, retention

Resources to Assist Club and

District Leaders

Membership Satisfaction
Global Service Team Toolbox
Community Needs Assessment
Membership Growth Event Toolbox
Just Ask

Need help? Your Global Action Team is ready to

assist. Email GAT.CA1@lionsclubs.org.

VIRTUAL LEADER DOG EVENT APRIL 29 at 7:00PM

Submitted by Lion Martin Bonura

Last year and again this year we will not be able to hold our four in-person Leader Dog Banquets in April. Thanks to Leader Dog co-chairs PDG Gerry Beachy and Lion Sue Beachy we will have a <u>virtual Leader Dog rally on Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 7 PM.</u>

We normally hold a 50/50 raffle at each banquet to raise additional funds for Leader Dog and to make the winner very happy. If you would like to you can participate in our virtual 50/50 raffle by sending a check or cash and their name and phone number to:

Leader Dog Zoom Meeting 1743 Deer Park Road Finksburg, Maryland 21048

Send \$5.00 for each time you want your name in the raffle. There is no ticket, but a separate slip of paper will be entered into the basket for each \$5.00. The winner will receive 50% of all funds collected and the other half will be donated to Leader Dog from our district.

Details of this virtual fundraiser can be found in the "<u>Virtual 50/50 Raffle</u>" flyer.

Thank you,

Lion Martin Bonura

Leader Dogs for the Blind is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: District 22-W Leader Dog Rally Time: **Apr 29, 2021** 07:00 PM Eastern Time Join Zoom Meeting - https://leaderdog-org.zoom.us/j/94602830628?
pwd=Q2hUNDUyTVZnbXp0MXhFUDhvTGIEQT09

Dial by your location - +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington

DC)

Meeting ID: 946 0283 0628 Passcode: 100451

LEADER DOG RALLY: There will be a Leader Dog Rally on April 29 for District 22W. This will be held by ZOOM and Lion Barbara Weaver will be attending.



LIONS RAISE FUNDS FOR GLOBAL CAUSES

Submitted by Lion Susan Bonura PDG District 22



For the 20th year, 6 local Lions Clubs - Deer Park, Freedom District, Greater Carroll, Roaring Run, South Carroll and Taylors-ville-Winfield – have joined forces to raise funds for three worthy causes by hosting the Region IV, Zone 3 Golf Tournament in honor of Past International Director Richard Liebno of Westminster. The causes include the American Diabetes Association, District 22W Hearing and Speech Program, and the Lions Vision Research Foundation, Inc. (LVRF).

Past tournament participation has enabled these Carroll County Lions Clubs to donate \$125,000.00 to Lion's vision research programs, the American Diabetes Association and Lions hearing programs. In 2020, \$13,000.00 was donated to these causes.

The American Diabetes Association (ADA) provides research, education and advocacy to people throughout the state of Maryland who are affected with diabetes or at risk for developing the disease. The mission of the ADA is to prevent and cure diabetes and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. Lions work to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed.

Hearing Preservation, Awareness and Action became a major Lions activity in 1971. Deafness is a communication handicap and, statistically, hearing and speech impairments are more common than blindness. The District 22W Hearing Preservation, Awareness and Action program provides low cost hearing aids to those in our local community who meet the criteria for hearing aid assistance through the Starkey Foundation and local audiologists.

Lions work to prevent avoidable blindness and improve the quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired through the Lions Vision Research Foundation, Inc. (LVRF). LVRF supports low vision research and rehabilitation to minimize the disabilities caused by low vision and blindness. The objectives of the LVRF are being met through its partnership with the Lions Vision Research and Rehabilitation Center (LVC), at the Wilmer Eye Institute of The Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions in Baltimore. Find out more about the LVRF at www.lionsvision.org

This year's Captain's Choice Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, May 28, 2021, at the Oakmont Green Golf Course, 2290 Golfview Lane, Hampstead, Maryland. Golfers will enjoy breakfast, green fees and golf cart, gift bags including a special 20th anniversary golf tournament gift, team prizes, refreshments on the course and lunch.

Our 46,000 clubs and 1.4 million members make Lions the world's largest service club organization. Lions Clubs International extends our mission of service every day – in local communities in all corners of the globe. The needs are great and our services broad, including sight, health, hearing, hunger, youth, elderly, childhood cancer, the environment and disaster relief. Our members do whatever is needed to help their local communities. Find out more about Lions at www.lionsclubs.org or join22wlions@gmail.com.

Mark your calendars for the 20th Annual Lions Golf Tournament in Honor of Richard Liebno, which is scheduled for Friday, May 28, 2021 at Oakmont Green Golf Course in Hampstead. Contact tournament chairman Lion Gary Buchman at 410-795- 8174 or via e-mail: gary.buchman@gmail.com.

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For further information, contact Susan Bonura at 443-745-1281. If you need a picture from last year's tournament, please contact me. Thanks!

Susan

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Lion Secretary Leon D. Cardiff Jr

Subject: Club Report 4th Quarter 2020-2021

The OMLP Lions Club will begin vision screening of elementary schools students in early April. Lion Porter Welch will be leading his team of Lions by meeting all required Covid requirements as established by the Garrett Health Department and Garrett County Schools during the screening sessions.

Upcoming on April 10th several Lions club members and a few from other clubs will be cooking 400 chicken halves at the Garrett County Fair Lions Pavilion. These chicken halves are for fundraiser meals on that day.

This is for "Help Hunter Get Outside" with the request of a donation for the meals at the Southern Rescue Squad. The proceeds are to help Hunter and family to raise funds for an Action Trackchair similar to that of Lion Ryan Savage's (Grantsville Lions Club) Trackstander which we were able to raise funds and purchase a few years ago.

We are awaiting coordination with the city of Oakland on our club with paint restoration on buildings which were vandalized with painted graffiti at Broadford Park. Our club is hopeful of returning to in person meeting at Broadford Park outside in May.

MARKETING/COMMUNICATIONS ARTICLE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER

Submitted by Lion Lynn Stimmel

Recent information from Lions Clubs International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi reported on the availability of the Lions Press Center on the international website. As related by Dr. Choi, "Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world. Our 1.4 million members are serving locally and globally to help take on some of the biggest challenges facing humanity.

The Center also includes a Marketing Chairperson guide available for download and information about SMILE (Social Media including Lions Everywhere), an international community of Lions whose only purpose is helping Lions, clubs, districts, and Multiple Districts with social media through online gesources and in person.

Social media can help to (1) show others how you serve, (2) create an LCIF or other charitable fundraiser, and (3) connect with other persons and organizations in your community, including potential members.

FREEDOM DISTRICT LIONS WORK ON BEAUTIFICATION

Submitted by Lion Don Champ

On March 20, 2021, the first day of Spring, 15 Lions and children of a member from the Freedom District Lions Club conducted a highway beautification project along Sykesville Road (Route 32) from the bridge over Liberty Reservoir to Bollinger Road . Fifteen bags of litter were collected. The service club picks up litter along this stretch of road 4 times a year under the direction of their Environmental Services Chairman Jeff Zumbrun.

Members of the Freedom District Lions Club pause for a picture following their trash pickup along Sykesville Road on March 20, 2021. Pictured from the left are: Carol Neff, Russ Coldren, Doc Palmer, Bob Parks, Don Champ, Tony Dercola, Gordon Huggins, Bruce Edwards, Jerry Apicella and Jeff Zumbrun.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY DEER PARK LIONS..... Chartered in 1974...



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PEACE POSTER

Submitted by DG Barbara Brimigion

Each year, Lions clubs around the world proudly sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups. This art contest for kids encourages young people worldwide to express their visions of peace. For 25 years, more than four million children from nearly 100 countries have participated in the contest. Each year's art contest for kids consists of an original theme incorporating peace. Participants use a variety of mediums, including charcoal, crayon, pencil and paint, to express the theme. The works created are unique and express the young artists' life experiences and culture.

The theme of the 2012-13 Peace Poster Contest is "Imagine Peace." Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 on November 15 are eligible to participate. Twenty-four international finalists are selected each year, representing the work of more than 350,000 young participants worldwide. Posters are shared globally via the Internet, the media and exhibits around the world.

Posters advance through several judging levels: local, district, multiple district and international. At the international level, judges from the art, peace, youth, education and media communities select one grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners. International winners will be notified on or before February 1. The grand prize winner will receive \$5,000 and a trip to a special award ceremony with the sponsoring club president and two family members at Lions Day with the United Nations. Each of the merit award winners will receive a cash award of \$500 and a certificate of achievement.

The Sleeping Lady Mtn. Lions wants to sponsor local schools and youth groups, home school and charter school students and will award \$100 to first place winner, and \$50 to 2nd place and \$25 to 3rd place recipient. The state director of the Boys and Girls Club has endorsed this program. The deadline for turning in posters is October 15, 2012. If your school/group is interested in participating please contact us thru our website, sleepingladylions.org or call Mary at 688-9568, for more information. There is a great video put out by Lions International for last year's contest; it can be viewed on Youtube.com as well as Lions International website, entitled "Children Know Peace."



TOGETHER WE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE"

This past year has been very difficult for all of us. Our activities and meetings have been limited due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Things are starting to look up now that vaccines are becoming more available. Soon we will be returning to normal.

As difficult as it has been for all of us, it has been even more difficult for people around the world. Many do not have the basic living needs and medical attention.

As Lions we can help with a donation to "Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service". Please consider making a contribution to LCIF from your stimulus check.

Thank You!

PDG Paul Cannada <u>paulcannada@comcast.net</u> 2012-2013 District 22 W Thurmont Lions Club

DINNER IN THE DARK

On a recent Friday evening, nearly 1,000 viewers in 28 states tuned into our one-hour live **Dinner in the Dark program!** Attendees enjoyed hearing stories from Leader Dog clients Brooke Coleman and Jeff Hawkins, getting a glimpse at bedtime with the puppies in our Canine Development Center and learning why the need for our programs and services is so critical to people who are blind or visually impaired. Together, we raised over \$225,000 for Leader Dogs for the Blind!

If you didn't have the opportunity to view the live event on Friday evening, you can watch it on our YouTube account! Our text-to-give campaign is still LIVE and you can help us make an even bigger difference in the lives of people who are blind or visually impaired by texting 'leader dog' to 56651.

Thank you to everyone who supported and participated in Virtual Dinner in the Dark!

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CALENDAR

FELLOW LVRF FAMILY

Submitted by Lion Bill Strauss

It's time to start thinking about the spring edition of the Lions Vision. This year the cutoff date will be April 15, which should be easily remembered since that is tax day. Hope you can handle having two important due dates on the same day!

We welcome articles concerning the LVRF specifically. This newsletter will be arriving in the homes of all multiple district Lions about two or three weeks before the multiple district convention slated for May 20 – 22. LVRF fundraising events scheduled after the first week of May are encouraged particularly if they would attract Lions outside of your club or beyond.

Successful, informative articles about previous LVRF activity which would be of interest to all Lions of the multiple district are also solicited.

We always hope that we have at least one article reporting on a low vision activity or project of a medical/technical nature from our Wilmer medical family.

This newsletter is a great way to inform all Lions of the multiple district about our endowment efforts; articles about why our endowment efforts are so important with examples would encourage many to join the effort by supporting or spearheading their own club efforts as well as considering doing so personally. All Lions after reading our newsletter should understand about these needs and why it is so important in alleviating low vision everywhere.

I trust everyone has read the article about our own LVRF fundraising chair, John Feldman In the 2020 annual report of Wilmer. The picture of Lion John and family in the midst of a synchronized jump made me think, "I wonder how many times they jumped to get that picture?". While I knew a lot about Lion John, I learned a lot more from the article. It was excellent!

Looking forward to hearing from you, and if you have any questions please contact me by return email or by phone. My contact information is in the LVRF roster book.

HARNEY LIONS

Submitted by Lion Virginia Fair

Memorial Tree Planting- In honor of Herbert Pletcher and Oliver Parish the club is buying trees to be planted in a National Forest or National Park in their memory. So far eighty-five trees have been ordered in their memory. We have donated \$160.00 to purchase trees. We will be taking donations for memorial trees all year.

Glasses collection box is at the Harney VFW.
Please collect used glasses and place in
box. If you have glasses, they can also be
taken to Piney Creek Percherons to be
turned into the district chairperson. (4722
Piney Creek Road)

Community Project- We are collecting new white socks for homeless families. Sizes can range from children to adult, for both men and women. Drop off your donations at Michelle's house (5726 Conover Road in Harney) or at Ginny Fair's house (4722 Piney Creek Road). We are also collecting new wash cloths and hand towels.

Harney Lions is asking for donations to support St. Jude's' Hospital for Children. This is our children's' cancer project. The club donates every year, and we would like to continue this activity. Send donations to Harney Treasurer Ginny Fair at 4722 Piney Creek Road, Taneytown, MD. 21787.

Save the Date

22W Social to be held May 14, 2021 at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant starting at six pm. More data later.

Lions Helping Lions

Thank You to New Windsor Lions Club for their Financial support of the Harney Lions Club. Because of their support Harney will be able to pay their International dues. We can never thank them enough!!!!



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MEMORIAL DAY PARADE LIONS OF DC, DE, MD & VA



Lion Leaders, Lions, Lionesses, LEOs and Guests,

The time is fast approaching when Lions would normally take to the streets of DC to honor Service Members, active, retired and deceased. Of course, that is the National Memorial Day Parade. Except for last year, the Lions of DC, DE, MD & VA have actively participated for the past 13 Years. Last year we participated in a re-broadcast of the 2019 parade with new advertising for Lions.

Although we are still operating under the COVID-19 protocol, the American Veterans Center, who coordinates the parade, is planning to do a scaled down version of the parade which will be videoed with the floats and other vehicles sometime during the early days of May. There will be limited spectators along the shortened route, but we will be allowed to have Lions participating both marching and riding the float/Lions Vehicles. We Lions will have the opportunity to showcase our float and if space is available, we may be able to include our Sight and Hearing Vehicles from Maryland and Northern VA. This will have to be cleared with AVC.

This is the current plan, but everything will depend on the state of the Pandemic and the DC Government. As of now, the plan is to do everything on U.S. Parks & Recreation property which will give us a little more leeway and freedom. Right now we are looking at the Smithsonian Metro Station as the nearest point to our staging area.

As of now, I believe that our shortened route will bring us back to the starting point, so there will be no need to be bussed back. Further details will be shared as they are received.

Yours in Service,

Ed "Woody" Woodard, PDG - woodywoodard@cox.net Cell- 703-314-0889

<u>For the Parade Committee:</u> PID Joe Gaffigan – MD22; PDG Don Beeson – 22C VDG Bill Lavely – 22C; Lion Mike Yuenger – 24C; Lion Bill Strauss – 22W



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HANCOCK LIONESS LIONS ACTIVITIES

Submitted by Lion Susan Miller

The club is still meeting by zoom for the safety of members. More members are joining the meetings,

Candy sales are doing well. We have sold 30 boxes containing 30 candy bars each since November.

Lions packed 40 bags for Micah's backpack and delivered them to the Elementary School.

Some members will visit Clear Spring Lions Club in March when Zion Chair Jeanne will give a presentation on the importance of Membership Satisfaction with a question and answer period following.

Packets and letters will be passed out to local businesses to help raise money to sponsor a leader dog.

The Club continues collecting eye glasses, hearing aids, and canned goods.

The presentation for New Member Orientation on zoom has been requested in a slide presentation for the club members to see.

APRIL

A- All in favor of lending a helping hand
P-Promoting good will to others
R-Reaching out to all people
I-Interested in helping our neighbors
L-Learning new things

EASTER

E- is for EVERY good Lion's service
A is for ALL the things Lions do
S is for the SERVICE they give so willingly
T is the TIME they give to you
E is for the ENJOYMENT they give to others
R is for RENEWING faith in all man kind
PUT THEM ALL TOGETHER THEY SPELL EASTER.
A New beginning for our hearts, souls, and minds.

BE KIND TO ONE ANOTHER AND MAY GOD BLESS!



Editor: Lion Jeanne Ward

NEW SCHOLARSHIP TO BE AWARDED

The District 22W Hearing Preservation, Awareness and Action Committee is awarding a \$1,000 scholarship for the 2021 summer program to an undergraduate or graduate student who is formally admitted into a degree program, majoring in American Sign Language or a student showing an interest in ASL studies by being enrolled in an ASL Course at McDaniel College.

Consideration will also be given to a student who is deaf or hard of hearing and is enrolled in any degree program, (a written doctor's confirmation is required). The student must hold a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 to apply.

The student's home address must be within our district Carroll County, Frederick County, Washington County, Allegany County or Garrett County. The deadline is May 1, 2021. Contact Committee Co-Chair Frank Torockio at 410-549-6144 or email him at ftorockio@comcast.net for an application or information.

IT IS BETTER TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE

PP Joyce Anthony, Secretary Thurmont Lions Club

As you are aware, the District is not doing a Roar Like a Lion community service project this year. However, the Thurmont Lions Club is working with PCS Susan Cox and will be <u>conducting a RLAL Day on June 6th in the Thurmont Community Park from 1-4 pm.</u>

We would like to invite the other Lions clubs of Region III to join us, if they wish. Bring your own project or choose from our list of available projects. You would need to supply the components of your project; we will provide the space. If you are interest, please let President Susan Favorite know at skfavorite@comcast.net.

Available projects are:

- 1) Clean up the park
- 2) Survival Kit for nurses
- 3) Cards for VA Hospital
- 4) Thank you notes for Police; Fire Company; Ambulance Company
- 5) Blankets for the Homeless
- 6) Your Club's Ideas

We are excited to be able to keep RLAL alive during this pandemic year even though it will be an extremely scaled-down version

We hope to hear from your club.

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DISTRICT NEWS— CODE OF ETHICS

Submitted by Lion Larry Gray—Ethics Chairman

Doing What's Right—Melvin Jones was a successful businessman in Chicago in the early 20th Century. In 1917. He gathered together other successful businessmen like himself to form an organization dedicated to using their resources to help those with less. This, of course, was the birth of Lions.

From the start, these Lions were moved by a true desire to assist those in need. At the same time, they also understood that some members of the public might wrongly assume that the new organization was a front, a ploy to generate more wealth for Club members. Those early Lions knew that nothing would bring about a failure of their new endeavor more quickly than suspicion of their motives.

They needed transparency – a clear statement of their purpose that the public could readily grasp. Thus they created the Lions' motto, "We Serve." Then, to ensure that no member would sully the hard-earned reputation of Lions, they also created a standard of conduct by which all members would be expected to abide: the Lions Code of Ethics. The Lions Code of Ethics is not long – a mere 8 points. Taken as a whole, these points can be summarized more simply as: "Work hard, be fair, be generous, be true." Let's take a look at the first few of the Code's points.

- To Show my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality to service.
- To Seek success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of
 my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.
- To Remember that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself. "Wait a minute," I hear many of you say. "Vocation? Profit? I don't own a business, so what do these have to do with me?" Recall that the Lions movement was founded by businessmen, and so it's not surprising that when it came time to draw up their Code of Ethics, they would draw heavily from the standards of business ethics. If we simplify these 3 points, we see that they can be restated as: You'll be judged by your practices and standards. Keep them above reproach.
- Work hard, and always strive to do your best. It's OK to expect fair compensation for a job well done, but never seek "success" through dishonorable practices.
- Improve your standing by improving yourself, not by hindering or hurting others. Hold yourself to the highest standards, and acknowledge those who made you successful. Stated in this way, we can see that these points apply not just to business owners, but to everyone. As Lions, we have an individual and collective obligation to strive to maintain high standards of service, gratefully accept contributions for well-run fund-raising activities, be trustworthy stewards of the funds that we receive, and always keep our supporters in mind as we carry out our mission of service to others. That's OUR business model. How about the other points of the Code of Ethics? Let's take a look at them:
- Whenever a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
 To Hold friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.
- Always to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving
 loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.
- To Aid others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.
- To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy. Lions Clubs International has a well-deserved reputation for dedicated service to others, largely because we have worked hard to demonstrate that we care about people, and we care about doing what's right, with the Lions Clubs International Code of Ethics as our road map. "Work hard, be fair, be generous, be true."

Do you have questions about the Lions Code of Ethics? Does your club have an ethical issue for which you'd like advice or assistance. You can contact the District 22W Ethics Chairman, Lion Larry Gray, to discuss the situation. Contact information is in the District 22W Roster.

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HERO PROJECT

Submitted by: @VDG Don Champ 410-795-4180

On Friday, March 19, 2021, the Freedom District Lions Club completed the 2nd phase of their Hero's Project to thank the nurses and other medical employees at Carroll Hospital Center for their dedication during the deadly COVID-19 pandemic.

Phase 1, the preparation and donation of over 350 "thank you" bags for nurses and other medical staff at the local hospital, was covered in a Carroll County Times front page article on March 2, 2021 written by Magen Woodward.

Phase 2 was completed when members of the Lions Club delivered "Grab and Go" snacks and beverages to Carroll Hospital Center . The refreshments will be placed in 8 locations within the hospital so nurses can grab a quick snack as they go about their rounds.

We all appreciate the dedicated and compassionate care that was provided patients in the hospital during this pandemic. They were caring for people with a highly contagious (and often deadly) virus who could not have visits from family and friends. We have heard countless stories of this group of health care professionals going above and beyond what is expected to provide love and support to frightened patients. The members of the Freedom District Lions Club undertook this project as a way to say "Thank You

Members of the Freedom District Lions Club deliver "Grab & Go" boxes to Carroll Hospital on March 19, 2021 as a "Thank You" to health care workers, especially night and weekend employees for their extraordinary care of patients during the pandemic. Pictured left – right: Freedom District Lions Jerry Apicella, Ann Kramb (costumed), Bruce Edwards, Tony Dercola, Chris Centofani, Steve Hansen and Carroll Hospital Development Staff Elizabeth Bartlett Brown and Jennifer Dennis. Photo by Lion Michele Sciacchitano.





COMMUNITY APPRECIATION DONATIONS

In teaming with Reese Fire Company, the Greater
Carroll Lions Club

dropped off Breakfast Items for Kati Townsley and Ken Hyde to serve snow removal teams and first responders. Pictured above.

COLLECTIONS 2020-2021 LION YEAR

Eyeglasses: 35

Eyeglass Cases: 24

Canned Good Servings: 2,373 (117% of goal)

One of the "Grab & Go" boxes delivered to Carroll Hospital by members of the Freedom District Lions Club on March 19th as a thank you for the health care workers. The signs were prepared by members of the Century High School and Liberty High School Leo clubs.



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HEADLINE NEWS NEW SERVICE PROJECT ANNOUNCED

Submitted by Lion PDG Steve Finger- LaVale Lions

Lion Mike Wallinger has volunteered to assist the South Carroll Lioness Lions Club in their "Sneakers for Abby" project by transporting new/used sneakers from our club to theirs. They are requesting shoe sizes "Adult" and "Youth 3.5 and up." Think running, walking, tennis, or basketball shoes; not sandals, flats, high heels, boots, deck, saddle, or blue suede. (Anybody young/old enough to remember wearing the last two?)

FVDG Lion Charlie Croft - The third and final Vice District Governors', "**Kindness in Action**" service challenge has begun, and we will be collecting and donating **hand towels, wash cloths and new or slightly used socks**. These are to be collected with your acknowledgements submitted by April 10th.

Diabetes Awareness Project- The Diabetes Awareness Project was successful. The healthy snack bags with diabetes healthy eating tips were distributed on Thursday of this week. Approximately 150 bags were given to children at Parkside and Cash Valley Elementary Schools.

LAST MEETING - Tuesday, January 19, 2021 - There were 27 LaVale Lions all on Zoom for the District Governor's Official Visit. Guest Speaker was DG Barbara Brimigion, Freedom District Lions Club, accompanied and introduced by Cabinet Secretary PDG Susan Bonura of the South Carroll Lioness Lions Club. Guests visiting the meeting were Region IV, Zone 1 Chairperson, Lion Rachel Graham and New Windsor Lions Club President, Lion Fred Graham. DG Barbara gave her speech detailing her theme for this year, "Soar to NEW Adventures Through Lionism, and challenged us to follow the International President' Jung-Yul Choi's theme, "United in Kindness and Diversity," by diversifying our Club with more female membership and increasing the number of members under forty. She commended us for many of our projects and services to our community and thanked us for being a vibrant and vital part of the Lions in District 22 -W.



SNEAKERS FOR ABBY

Submitted by PDG Susan Bonura

The Sneakers for Abby project continues to support 5-year-old Eldersburg resident Abby Renehan. Lion Mike Wallinger from the LaVale Lions Club, LaVale, MD, reached out to the members of his club and collected 24 pairs of new and slightly used sneakers. He delivered them on February 20 to the home of Lion Kay Field, a neighbor of Abby's, who is the coordinator of the Sneakers for Abby project for the South Carroll Lioness Lions Club.

The South Carroll Lioness Lions Club has collected 94 bags of shoes containing 532 pairs of reusable sneakers, 380 recyclable sneakers, 247 pairs of non-athletic shoes and 8 pairs of new sneakers. The total earned thus far is \$916.00. These funds are provided directly to Abby's mother, Katie, for Abby's medical needs such as the recent chemotherapy drugs which cost a hefty \$843.00. According to Katie, Abby had an MRI on February 19 which required that Abby fast from 12 - 4:30 p.m. with only Jello up until noon. "Abby was so tough and made it through like a champ, chatting to her anesthesiologist as she went to sleep. Her wonderful oncologist emailed me at 10 p.m. Friday night, just hours after her scan, to let me know all was well. Her scans came back great! There was no growth, no new spots, and the area that appeared on scans after radiation is no longer lighting up on the images. We are so incredibly blessed, and it is honestly all the prayers and an amazing oncology team. She has 6 more months of oral chemo to go and next scan will be in May."

Katie reported, "The sneakers project for Abby continues to amaze me. It is astonishing that about 5 months after it started, sneakers are still rolling in. The money from these sneakers help tremendously with her chemo costs, gas, and other medical items I have to order monthly. We are forever thankful to this wonderful Sykesville and Carroll County community. I know it is reaching other counties as well, as my aunt drives shoes over from Catonsville. Thank you so much!!"

The South Carroll Lioness Lions Club is collecting new/slightly used/used sneakers youth sizes (3.5Y and up) and adult sneakers to raise money for 5-year-old Abby of Eldersburg who is fighting brain cancer. Drop off available at 5910 Dale Drive, Sykesville, MD; 810 Fairfield Ave., Westminster, MD; or 1743 Deer Park Rd., Finksburg, MD. Support Provided by GotSneakers! Wearable, usable athletic sneakers are repurposed and will find new life on the feet of children and adults in need. No boots, leather, thongs, clogs, dress or other types of shoes are accepted. Sneakers that are at the end of their life will be broken down into parts and repurposed to create and resurface playgrounds and sport courts, or into new shoes, insulation, carpet padding, and other uses. For more information call 443-745-1281 or email southcarrolllions@gmail.com

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LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL PRESS CENTER AVAILABLE ON INTERNATRIONAL WEB SITE

Submitted by Lion Lynn Stimmel

Recent information from Lions Clubs International President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi reported on the availability of the Lions Press Center on the international website. As related by Dr. Choi, "Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world. Our 1.4 million members are serving locally and globally to help take on some of the biggest challenges facing humanity.

"We rely on members of the media and our Lions to help share our life-changing stories and inspire our communities to put their kindness in action. Here you will find a variety of resources, including media kits, logos, photos, templates and FAQs to help you with your story."

The Center also includes a Marketing Chairperson guide available for download and information about SMiLE (Social Media including Lions Everywhere), an international community of Lions whose only purpose is helping Lions, clubs, districts, and Multiple Districts with social media through online resources and in person.

Social media can help to (1) show others how you serve, (2) create an LCIF or other charitable fundraiser, and (3) connect with other persons and organizations in your community, including potential members.

Lions Clubs today need an online presence; if you haven't already done so, consider creating a website, Facebook page, Twitter account, etc. ... and keep them up to date!

TANEYTOWN NEWS

Submitted by Lion Barbara Heltebridle

LCIF – LCI is promoting a special LCIF Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon on April 11th. It will be held on YouTube and will be a challenge to every Lion to donate \$20.00 or more to Campaign 100. In honor/memory of Melvin Jones 142nd Birthday all Lions are asked to donate \$14.20 to LCIF as soon as possible. If every Lion would just donate this small amount or even more we will reach our MD goal. Just think how 100% participation would look to Lions elsewhere in the world. pledge

LEADER DOG – Once again the **Leader Dog Banquet** has been cancelled but a virtual **Leader Dog Rally** will be held on **Thursday**, **April 29**th at **7:00 pm**. A **50/50 raffle** is normally held at the banquet to raise additional funds for Leader Dog.

SMITHSBURG STAYING BUSY

Submitted by Lion Barbara Weaver

BLOOD DRIVE: The next blood drive will April 19, from 1:30 – 6:00 p.m. Lion Barbara Weaver reported on her conversation with the Red Cross Representative and his ideas and plans for the future. Lion Frank Schaller made a motion that we let the Red Cross know that we are willing to extend the blood drives in the future by 1 hour into the evening. Lion Terry Stevens seconded the motion. Motion passed. Lion Barbara Weaver will inform the Red Cross

PROGRAM: Past District Governor Susan Timmons gave a presentation on the function and work of the Lions Vision Research Foundation. She explained the changes that are happening and the plans for the future. She then presented President Jeff Weaver with two rockers for the money collected by the Club for LVRF for years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021.

CHARTER NIGHT: Our Charter Night will be May 26. Invitation have been sent out. Awards need to be ordered. Favors are ready. Programs and door prizes are needed. Signup sheet was circulated.

SMITHSBURG DAY: Smithsburg Day will be June 5. Lion Jack Wenthe will check on the location and reserve a spot for us to set up a booth. We will not have a food stand and all of other food trucks will be selling their food all day and night. We would not have the exclusive food sales.

EASTER FLOWER SALE: The Easter Flower Sale will be April 2 and 3. Lion Eric Davis has contacted Mountain Valley and we may use their property. Lion Barbara Weaver reported that the flowers and foil have been ordered. Herbs have been ordered from Ivy Hill Farm. Lion Elisa Sharpe will be going to Musselsman's to select other flowers to add to our order. The pricelist and flower signs are ready. Lions Elisa Sharpe and Barbara Weaver will be inventorying supplies on Friday or Saturday. Lion Elisa will have cashbox ready. Lion Barbara will e-mail the membership a copy of the Easter Flower Sale flyer and will contact radio and TV stations with the information. She will also, contact Lion Eric Davis regarding the wood signs and ask him to contact Mountain Valley and ask them to put on their sign.

CABINET MEETING: The next Cabinet Meeting will be April 10 and in Region IV. This will be conducted by ZOOM. Lion Barbara Weaver will be attending.

CONVENTIONS: The International Convention will be virtual and everyone is able to attend and the cost is \$50.00 per person. We will not send any one to the International Convention. The Multiple District 22 Convention will be held on May 20-22. It will be virtual and the election of district officers will be conducted by e-mail. Lions Brian Dawson and Barbara Weaver volunteered to be the delegates. Lion Barbara will be attending the Convention



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DEAR MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS CHAIRPERSON,

Now more than ever, your club's stories of kindness and compassion will inspire your community and bring hope to a world in need. That's why your role as marketing communications chairperson is so important. Your efforts ensure that your club's life-changing stories are told—on social media and in your local media.

To help you succeed, we're excited to announce the launch of the brand new **Lions Press Center**, the association's online newsroom designed for both clubs and journalists. The press center provides you with the tools you need to promote your club, including customizable press releases, media kits, photos, news and more.

The Lions Press Center provides everything you need to start sharing your good news in your community. Check out the <u>Lions Press Center</u> today!

Lions International Marketing Team



PR Blog

Find out how the new Lions Press Center can help you promote the good works of your club and our mission of service.

Press Releases
A library of past
press releases
about Lions Internaional and LCIF can
be viewed in the
Lions Press Center.



WILLIAMSPORT LIONS MEETING

Submitted by Lion Tom Gozora

At the February 9th Meeting at Red Men, Lion Martin Bonura, District 22-W's Lions Quest Chairman, and President of the South Carroll Lioness Lions Club, spoke to our members at Tuesday's meeting. He is running for the office of 2nd Vice District Governor for the 2021-2022 year. He emphasized his priorities of fellowship, creativity and leadership.

Lion Tail Twister Brent Taylor collected fines from Lions Cathy Morgan and Treasurer Irene Clopper .

Two guests from Middletown Lions visited. Lion Ken Kline briefed members on May 14th Golf Tournament progress to date.

Lion Lois Conrad encouraged newer members to participate in the upcoming Zoom New Member Training Chat. Lion Brent Taylor told members about the upcoming Zion Lutheran Church Pancake Fundraiser to be held on February 16th.

Lion Secretary Larry Miller suggested that next year's Slate of Officers remain the same as this year's, since Covid restrictions and cancellations of activities "have not challenged them with enough work to warrant their retirement from current responsibilities".

(Note: editor taking a bit of license with his words). Members seemed to like the idea, though King Tom would like to consider the matter further. We'll settle the matter at the March 9th meeting.

What kind of spells do leprechauns use?"

"How can you tell if a leprechaun likes your joke?"

Answers to the Hagerstown Lioness president Esther Whitley's riddles: 1) Lucky Charms!

2) He's 'Dublin' over with laughter



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THURMONT LIONS BUSY

Submitted by Lion Susan Favorite

I would like to give a shout out to Lion Joyce Anthony for the LCIF fundraiser that was held this past Saturday at Thurmont Kountry Kitchen. Thank you IPP Joyce - great jobs as usual.

Lastly, thank you to Lion Wes Hamrick for conducting the Essay contest - we did have two entries this year - one in the elementary school and one in the adult category — these both won the zone as well and advanced to the region level. (Of course, they were the only two entries on the zone level). It was a hard year for these types of contests with the virtual schools; so thank you Lion Wes

Scout Night: We thank Scout Troop 270 for joining our virtual Scout meeting on February 10th. We enjoyed hearing all the activities that the Scouts have been able to do, despite the COVID restrictions that we are all working under. They have also been a big help to our club at all the Pit Sandwich sales this past year. We appreciate all their help.

Special congratulations to:

Seth Young for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Seth's Eagle Scout project was to build a storage building for the Thurmont Regional Library to store their donated books for their upcoming book sales.

Matthew Place - for being named the Ross Smith Senior Scouting Award recipient. Both young men spoke to our club at the Scout Night meeting.

Roar Like a Lion While much of the Roar Like a Lion events have been postponed due to the restrictions of the pandemic, the Thurmont Lions Club is moving forward to hold the day of service on June 6th from 1-4 pm at the Thurmont Community Park.

We will be hosting a number of service projects and will be seeking help from Lions within our club. Currently, we are looking at projects to: 1) make "ADOPT ME" bandanas for pets at the Humane Society, led by 2nd VP Lion Marci Veronie and the "Y" Leadership 2) making First-Aid kits for the homeless, led by 3rd VP Lion Julie El-Taher 3) making fun packs for pediatric patients at the Frederick Health Hospital, led by Lion Gayle DiSalvo 4) planting seeds for people to take home - looking for a leader 5) Nursing Home packets, led by 1st VP Lion Dianne McLean

We have also asked the CHS LEO Club members and Scout Troop 270 to join us in a project and have invited other Lions clubs to add in their service projects as well. You will be getting more information as these plans are fleshed out.

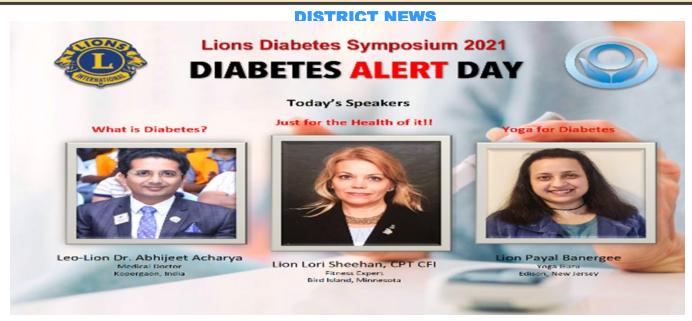
Literacy Readathon Event The Literacy Committee is pairing with Thurmont Elementary School and the Thurmont Primary School to provide prizes for their Readathon service project planned by literacy specialists Ms. Jennifer Reynolds and Ms. Karen Yoder. Participants will be Pre-K through Grade 5. Students will be recording minutes read..... or read to and 3 winners will be selected for each grade level.....21 winner

Easter Food Baskets for Needy Families: Lions Sharon and Lisa are heading up an effort to provide an Easter dinner basket for needy families in the community. We will be asking for help from the club members to provide food items or monetary donations so we can fill the baskets. We are still working out some of the details, but we will be sending out a flyer and a signup sheet very soon. Please consider contributing to this cause to provide a nice dinner for those less fortunate

Programs: Following Scout Night and Youth Night in February, we have some programs coming up this month and in April that I believe will be both informative and entertaining. Hopefully, some of these can be done inperson, but we're prepared to do them virtually. Either way, please join us. On March 10th, our own past President and 3rd VP Lion Julie El-Taher will be speaking to us about our very important new project supporting the research and treatment of pediatric cancer. The proceeds of this fundraising will go to Saint Jude Children's Hospital. Coming up on March 24th is a presentation by Lion Vicki Mahr, a devoted Lion volunteer for NAMI, the National family and women's initiative. For the April 14th meeting, after rescheduling from last fall and weather and State COVID restrictions permitting, we're joining Elizabeth Comer who plans to lead us on a tour of the new trail at Catoctin Furnace. This tour features explanation of how black slaves at the furnace lived and contributed to the operations there. Raised in the Catoctin Furnace community, Elizabeth is the current Secretary and past President of the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society. And, finally, County Executive Jan Gardner will be our speaker on April 28th! She'll likely focus on the complexity of leading and decision-making during the Covid-19 pandemic and some of the new County initiatives. Please come prepared with your questions.

Easter Fun Event on Easter Sunday: This year's Easter Sunday event hosted by the Thurmont Lions Club will take on a different look due to the continued need for social distancing. Instead of our traditional egg hunt for candy-filled eggs. We will be handing out small Easter boxes to the youngest kids and Easter goody bags to the older kids. Each will contain candy and some toys. Fun games will also be set at the Community Park. The Easter Bunny will be available for socially-distanced photographs. Come join in the fun on Easter Sunday, April 4th at the Community Park from 1:00 pm until 3:00. Face masks are required.

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AMERICAN DIABETES ALERT DAY

According to the World Health Organization, about 422 million people worldwide have diabetes. Each year, 1.6 million deaths are directly attributed to diabetes. Both the number of cases and the prevalence of diabetes have been steadily increasing over the past few decades.

Serving in diverse communities all over the world, Lions see and feel the effects of diabetes and are doing something about it together. As we observe American Diabetes Day today, few Lions Clubs and their affiliated Leo Clubs have taken an initiative to create awareness of this dreaded disease with **Lions Diabetes Symposium 2021**.

Program:

Tuesday, March 23rd 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM EDT: Diabetes & Fitness Saturday, April 3rd

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM EDT: Type 1 Diabetes 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM EDT: Type 2 Diabetes

Please visit https://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/converter.html to find out the right time in your time zone.

Please join is live on facebook or youtube with following links

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/njlions2.0/videos/144170147590186

Youtube: https://youtu.be/oQqtlSt4qVw

You can participate in the conversation using the comment boxes on both the platforms. If you are posting about Diabetes Alert Day on social media, please use #DiabetesAlert #LionsDiabetesSymposium #VisionaryLions so that we can connect with you.

We are looking forward to your participation...

Together in Service,

Lion Mahesh Chitnis Project Chair

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FRANCES SCOTT KEY LIONS CLUB AWARDS

The chevrons were presented by Lions Clubs International and signed by Inter national President Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. The following FSK Lions received awards: 40 years: Lion William, E. Grove, 25 Years: Lion Syed G. Anderabi, 15 years: Lions Paul W. and Toni L. Gray.

FSK Lions Club: **60 Years of Service to Frederick, Maryland** as well as: Reading Action Program,, Support for LCIF, and Feeding the Hungry.

These club members also received the following awards for 2019-2020 signed by IPDG Evan Gillett. Club Secretary Award: Lion J. Lynn Stimmel. Newsletter Award: J. Lynn Stimmel.

Lions Darlene and John Aulls, pictured below, recently were recognized and received Monarch chevrons for their years of service to Lions. Lion Darlene was honored for 30 years' service; Lion John was honored for 40 years' service





Right: Lion William Grove and Left Lion Paul Grey



HAGERSTOWN LIONESS CLUB LINES

Editor Lion Joan Bachtell

Old Business:

 A report of the 'Transition' update: Following the members' response to the 5 options presented in letters sent to the membership regarding our future – of the 5 options available, the majority voted for Option 3.

Option 3 states: Change the name of the club and continue in an "auxiliary" relationship with the Hagerstown Lions Club. With the increased responsibility, the Hagerstown Lions Club would be assuming, they would need to approve this arrangement.

A meeting between a small representation (project team) of the Lioness and the Hagerstown Lions was set for March 16, 2021 at 7 pm.

2) **Applause Caterers** – President Esther called but has not reached them to discuss options for meeting there in person and about the storage closet contents.

New Business: Future meetings: April - may be an in-person and zoom meeting. May – looking at having in-person general membership meeting with the option for zoom. More information to be shared after further evaluation of the comfort level and potential locations.

Community Service: April's service project will be Diabetes Awareness. To participate: please send a check payable to "Lions District 22W Foundation". On the memo line indicate – from: 'Hagerstown Lioness Club' and Camp Merrick maintenance. *Mail your donation to: Lion Donna Jackman – 659 Trafalgar Drive – Hagerstown, MD 21742.

President's Notes: 1) The CDC continues to recommend that small groups can gather when fully vaccinated. Although many of you have been vaccinated, some have not and some are not vet eligible. We would like to offer a 'hybrid' meeting opportunity. For those who are vaccinated and comfortable, we would meet in person. For those not vaccinated or not comfortable, participation by zoom or phone would also be available. We simply want you to be comfortable and safe with your personal choices. As mentioned before, our April board meeting will hopefully be hybrid. 2) I talked to Angie from Applause Caterers. She said to call when we are ready to come back, even if it is after next September. Applause Caterers still needs 25 dinners ordered but will consider take out dinners as part of the count. The cost may be a little higher but Angie will be getting back to me with that info. Wi-Fi is available and there is a projector and screen so some members could attend by zoom. We would have to be out by 9:00 pm to allow the room to be completely sanitized and for the caterers to be out by 10:00 pm. They have all the appropriate safeguards for reducing Covid transmission possibilities and would require masks when not eating. If you are interested in Applause Caterers, they are on Facebook and will cater for other events. 3) We had a productive meeting with the Hagerstown Lions about going forward with becoming an auxiliary. They will be taking the information from that meeting to their BOD and we will be meeting again. At our next BOD meeting, we will be looking at what we will have to do to reorganize.

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INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVES REVISED DUES ADJUSTMENT RESOLUTION

Dear Lion Leader,

Lions Clubs International supports clubs and members around the world so we can advance our global mission of service together. Our international support and the work of Lions Clubs International is fueled by the international dues of our incredible members.

In recent years, it has become increasingly clear that the services Lions Clubs International has been able to provide to members with the available budget is no longer in line with what Lions need and expect.

The International Board of Directors voted in October 2019 to approve an international dues adjustment resolution that would be voted on at the 2020 International Convention, but it was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The board recently approved a new dues adjustment model that will be voted on at the 2021 International Convention.

The Board of Directors undertook an extensive review of Lions Clubs International's financials, including the implementation of substantial budget reductions. After much consideration, the board proposed to adjust dues by \$7 over a three-year period.

Under the proposal, international dues would be adjusted according to the following schedule:

- \$3 increase on July 1, 2022
- \$2 increase on July 1, 2023
- \$2 increase on July 1, 2024

Why an international dues adjustment is needed.

We realize the association has been reluctant to adjust dues over the years, and we have not adjusted international dues since 2011. The proposed adjustment will help cover our costs and allow us to suitably serve our members' needs. With that said, the Board of Directors did not take this issue lightly, nor are we minimizing the value of each dollar that our members contribute.

As we consider this dues adjustment, it is essential that we keep in mind that our global efforts and initiatives support more than 1.4 million members in 50,000 clubs around the world. Through the support of staff, we are able to serve globally on the level that we do, keeping members and clubs fully supported with service resources, training events and software, club operational support, international meetings, language services, technology, Foundation support, leadership support, and everything else we have come to expect as Lions.

A dues adjustment will allow Lions Clubs International to provide improved support to Lions and to continue to invest in improving programs and digital products such as our website and MyLion. It will also allow us to invest in new programs such as the Learning Management System (LMS), development of new curriculum such as digital literacy, training videos, global advertising, marketing automation, digital and video storytelling and others tools and initiatives that will enhance our impact, our brand and our membership.

Why your help is needed?

Essentially, we have to decide whether or not we want Lions Clubs International to continue to grow and thrive. Lions is more than a way of life. It's also an investment of money, time, energy and passion. As with any good investment, the more we put in, the more returns we see.

We need you to help our members and leaders understand why this adjustment is needed. We have developed an "international dues PPT" to help you present it to your Lions. See "dues FAQ".

I hope that you will see this adjustment as we do: as an investment in the future of Lions. Through your support, we can ensure that Lions are positioned for success in the future. Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi. International President

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CHEWSVILLE LIONS

- Charter Night May 27, 2021 (4th Thursday in May). We are considering having a hybrid meeting (in-person and zoom) but have decided not to invite other clubs due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Committee is still working on the details
- 2) New member induction hopefully will take place on April 15th or May 6th depending on member schedules. 3) Quilt Raffle – Lion Joe has chosen a colorful autumn guilt to be used for our fundraiser raffle. Lion Joe has many quilts that his talented wife, Brenda, made. Brenda passed away last year. Lions Nate and Abby will provide raffle tickets. 4) Flyers for the 'Onion Sale Fundraiser' will be distributed this coming week. Lions Jim and Joan have donated the printing cost and will distribute among the members to place in businesses. New Business: Leader Dog Project. Lion Donna Jackman made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the program from the club. It was approved and will be sent. *The next meeting will be the BOD meeting on March 18th at 6:30 pm via zoom. 1st V.P. Jim Bachtell will preside since President Tonya will be out of town. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by 1st V.P. Lion Jim Bachtell at 6:30 pm via zoom. There were 20 members present. We were happy to welcome several guests, also. Lion George opened with the invocation. In order to allow our speakers ample time, we invited them to speak first before the business meeting.

PDG Och Ochoa introduced the speakers, Dr Judith Goldstein and Dr Hang Nguyen from the John Hopkins Wilmer Eye Institute. They provided us a wealth of information and answers to our many questions.

The pre-distributed minutes from 3/4/21 were approved and filed in the records. The treasurer's report was given and approved for audit.

Old Business: 1) Onion Fundraiser – Lions Carol Ewan and Jim Bachtell have been distributing the flyers at as many businesses they can and also on the radio. 100 flyers were printed. 2) Quilt Fundraiser – The "Bed of Stars" quilt that was made by Lion Brenda is the final choice and will be auctioned in her memory. 3) The nominations for the slate of officers for 2021-22 was closed. 4) Visitations have been completed for this year and will be sent to the District Chairman for our club. Thanks to all who helped. 5) Tabitha's Table – Lion Donna has some donations from her and some others which Lion Jim will pick up next week and take to the food bank. New Business:

LEO OF THE YEAR CHOSEN FOR CHS LEO CLUB

The CHS LEO Club has an outstanding group of young people who continue to support our community. Each year, we get to recognize one of these individuals with the LEO of the Year award. The award is given to the LEO who has demonstrated the ideals of Lionism through their service to the community, and the LEO focus on Leadership, Experience, Opportunity.

This year, Faculty Advisor Ms. Trish Steele and I are pleased to announce the LEO of the Year award goes to our Club President, *Quinn Law-Knotts*. Quinn is a junior at CHS. She has been in the LEO program since 6th grade. She was selected for this recognition because of her sound leadership of the club and for the service projects she initiated or took part in this year. Quinn started a sweater collection last fall and received 16 hoodies that were given to needy CHS students. She helped coordinate the LEO Club's participation in the Thurmont Food Bank Christmas Gift Program, and she took part in a morning weeding and cleanup session of the Club's garden plot on the Trolley Trail. She has also spent several hours serving alongside Thurmont Lions at our pit sandwich sales.

Throughout this challenging year, Quinn demonstrated excellence in leadership and service to the community. She is fully deserving of this award. Congratulations Quinn! Quinn will receive a certificate designating her as the Club's LEO of the Year. The award also comes with a check from the Lion's Club for \$100. In addition, a LEO of the Year application for Quinn was sent to the District and multi-district levels for consideration of further recognition at these levels. Leo Quinn was recognized by the Thurmont Lions Club during the Youth Night meeting on February 24, 2021.



COMING EVENTS









February 1, 2021

Fellow Lions:

You are cordially invited to attend a Multiple District 22 Leader Dogs for the Blind Zoom presentation Tuesday March 30, 2021 starting at 7:00 PM. Leader Dog's Director of Lions Engagement Lion Beth Slade will be our host and give a twenty-minute overview of Leader Dog in todays' world. The program will then be turned over to guest speaker Jeff Hawkins. Jeff will share his experience transitioning from retiring his Leader Dog Gracie to receiving a replacement Leader Dog.

Enclosed in this mailing is a flyer advertising the program and information regarding a Virtual 50/50 with two additional drawings for Future Leader Dog stuffed Puppies.

Please join us by using the following link:

Topic: MD-22 Leader Dog Presentation

Time: Mar 30, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting: <a href="https://leaderdog-

org.zoom.us/i/94802086773?pwd=MzNTOEFDRngvblZLem9xVm9EM2lSdz09

Meeting ID: 948 0208 6773

Passcode: 838532

Or phone in: (301) 715-8592

Meeting ID: 948 0208 6773

Passcode: 838532

Sincerely. Bob Jones

PDG Robert "Bob" Jones MD22 Leader Dog Coordinator



IMPORTANT VIDALIA SALE INFORMATION

Submitted by Lion Carol Ewan

- The cost is only \$12 for a 10 lb. bag.
- The last date to order is April 25th & expected arrival May 5Th
- Payment: checks made out to Chewsville Lions Club, cash or online payment We are also offering online sales at https://eclubhouse.org/sites/chewsvillemd/index.php . (Nate is graciously working on the website & Logan has set-up PayPal to receive payments)
- Onions can be picked up on Friday, May 7th from 4:00 PM-7:30 PM or Saturday, May 8th from 8:00 AM-2:00 PM at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 51 S. Main St., Smithsburg, MD.

Please return Order Form to either Margarito Ochoa "Och" at 301-748-4578, email: ogc95@comcast.net or Carol Ewan 717-658-

7067, email: cewan@comcast.net

How we will be getting the word out about the sale:

- Fliers will be posting in Washington County, MD & Franklin County, PA
- It will be posted on numerous newspapers as a non-profit event/sale & Sharon provided a radio station we have used in the past too.
- Looking at posting on numerous free website. Please send me any ideas.
- Asking all members to put the flier on all their social media & to email, text and sell to family, friends, neighbors & colleagues. Get the word out to everyone!
- Looking into selling onions at numerous shopping plazas once they arrive too. We will be asking for volunteers. Please let Jim know if you can help as soon as possible.



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MD22 Virtual Presentation

"Overview of Leader Dogs for the Blind"

Lion Beth Slade, Director of Lions Engagement

March 30, 2021 Tuesday ~ 7:00 PM

"Transitioning From One Leader Dog to Another"

Guest Speaker: Jeff Hawkins



Come listen to Jeff Hawkins share his experience transitioning from retiring his Leader Dog Gracie to receiving a replacement Leader Dog.

Topic: MD-22 Leader Dog Presentation

Time: Mar 30, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting: https://bit.ly/3iTzx5a

Meeting ID: 948 0208 6773

Passcode: 838532

Or phone in: (301) 715-8592

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DEER PARK LIONS CLUB





Scout Troop # 735 Helpers

15 th ANNUAL MULCH SALE
SATURDAY, APRIL 10 AND 17, 2021
8AM - 1 PM
HARDWOOD BARK DARK MULCH
2 CUBIC FT BAGS

\$3.75 PER BAG TO BE PICKED UP

AT THE DEER PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 2205 Sykesville Road (RT. 32), Westminster

\$4.00 PER BAG TO BE DELIVERED - MUST
PURCHASE AT LEAST 10 BAGS TO GET DELIVERY
AND BE WITHIN A 10 MILE RADIUS OF DPUMC
Contributions to Deer Park Lions Club foundation Inc. are deductible under section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND ADVANCE ORDERS, CONTACT LION **WALLY** AT 410-952-0479 OR E-MAIL AT USCGRMD@GMAIL.COM



Westminster Lions Club

Join us April 10th from 4pm-8pm at



32 West Main Street, Westminster, Maryland

For dinner and opportunities to win some cash from a 50/50, money boards and raffle for \$100 worth of scratch off tickets!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Thanks to the generosity of Rafael's who will donate 10% of all sales (dine-in or carry out) to the Club

MEETINGS: 2rd & 4th Thursday at 6:30

WHERE: VFW 519 Poole Rd

ASSIST WITH:

Medical Equipment Vision Scholarships

FIND US:

Facebook



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Lions Clubs Progressive Jackpots Raffle 2021





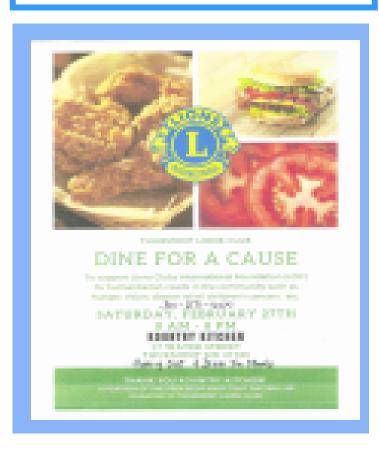
\$10 Donation

1st Prize - 12.5% up to \$1,250 2nd Prize - 10% up to \$1,000 3rd Prize - 10% up to \$1,000 4th Prize - 10% up to \$1,000 5th Prize - 5% up to \$500 6th Prize - 2.5% up to \$250

Drawing June 24, 2021 ----- Winners called at 7:00pm to benefit Lions Parks, Camp Merrick and other Lion Charities

Contact a participating club:

Valley Lions	Greater Carroll Lions	Union Bridge Lions
Harney Lions	Westminster Lions	Roaring Run Lions
Deer Park Lions	Terra Rubra Lions	Lineboro Manchester Lior
Hampstead Lions	Silver Run Union Mills Lions	



THE GREATER CARROLL LIONS CLUB'S



Diabetes Research & Lions Camp Merrick

This unique year, we are asking you to join us to keep their steps up in two ways:

1) a daily individual walk challenge throughout May

2) an optional 5K walk on May 29th in Westminster

Participants are asked to donate a minimum \$20 and pledge to walk every day in May or at the 5K walk. All participants receive a t-shirt to wear during the month long challenge.

Sign up with Lion Jeremy at 410-596-2917 by April 9th for registration and a T-shirt.

THE GREATER CARROLL LIONS CLUB IS RAISING MONEY TO BENEFIT THESE MAIN INITIATIVES:

DIABETES AWARENESS & RESEARCH: Lions Clubs International – the world's largest volunteer organization – announced in 2017 it will mobilize its 47,000 service clubs in 200 countries around a new signature cause - the global diabetes epidemic. The organization, founded 103 years ago, unveiled diabetes as a new focus for its 1.4 million members.

LIONS CAMP MERRICK: Located in southern Maryland, Lions Camp Merrick offers non-stop fun for local children who are Deaf, Blind or are Type 1 Diabetic and are between the ages 6-16. Campers will participate in a "traditional overnight camp" experience supervised by trained and caring counselors. They also offer Family Diabetic Camp and Sibling Diabetic Camp for type 1 diabetic campers and their family members.

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Lions Clubs Progressive Jackpots Raffle 2021



\$10 Donation

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Drawing June 24, 2021 -----Winners called at 7:00pm
to benefit Lions Parks, Camp
Merrick and other Lion Charities

Contact a participating club: With the great success of the 2020 Progressive Jackpots Region Raffle, 12 clubs signed on to keep being Carroll County Strong!for the 2021 Jackpots Raffle. Tickets sold from now until June 15. Way
See Lion Emerson for tickets



Permit #27



Leader Dogs for the Blind is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: District 22-W Leader Dog Rally

Time: **Apr 29, 2021** 07:00 PM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting - https://leaderdog-org.zoom.us/j/94602830628?
pwd=Q2hUNDUyTVZnbXp0MXhFUDhvTglEQT09

Dial by your location - +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

> Meeting ID: 946 0283 0628 Passcode: 100451

Lions Gerry and Sue Beachy, Leader Dog Co-Chairs

16th Annual 5K Walk in Westminster to benefit Diabetes Awareness & Camp Merrick
Sign up with a Greater Carroll Member Today!

There are two ways to participate:

1) Daily individual walk challenge during the month of May

2) A 5K walk on May 29th in downtown Westminster





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2021 Discount Card

With a \$10 donation to the Greater Carroll Lions Club, you can receive a 10% discount every visit during the 2021 calendar year at the following local businesses:

The Stables Paradiso Ristorante Rafael's

Maryland Mallet Ledo Pizza Sweet Frog

Mediterranean Jano's J & P

IHOP Westminster Sergio's Restaurant

Vocelli's Pizza Coffey Music Jiffy Lube

C.Y. Custom Tailors Westminster Car Wash

Players Amusement Life is Pizza Blue Bistro

Classico Pizzeria Tim Thai Restaurant

Giulianova Groceria Ying Thai Cuisine

Firehouse Subs Genova To Go

Blue Point Crab House (\$5 off a dozen crabs)

Contact Lions Brian Roche, Irv Bohr and Jeremy Bair



22W MOBILE SCREENING UNIT
U. S. flags (3'x5') are available for
\$5 each
100% of the proceeds benefit the
MSU

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To order your flag(s), e-mail Lion Bob Johnson (rcyrilj@aol.com) identifying yourself, your club, and how many flags you want.

Do not send any funds until your order has been confirmed.

SOUTH CARROLL LIONESS LIONS

The club and Terri Lynn Cares ongoing Candy and Nut Fundraiser in which the club receives 20% of all sales. The online store is always open at https://CLLC.terrilynncares.com



Greater Carroll Lions Club PO Box 61 Westminster, MD 21157

Drive Thru Crab Pick Ups *3 Events* 1 Dozen = \$40 -1/2 = Bushel = \$105 -1 = Bushel = \$200

Saturday, July 10th
Saturday, August 21st
Saturday, October 9th
at the Westminster VFW
Pick up from 12:00-2:00pm
Preorders Only

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2021 VIDALIA ONION SALE



100% of proceeds to benefit local charitable services

Buy a 10 lb. bag of delicious, sweet Vidalia Onions – Only \$12

PURCHASE BY SUNDAY, APRIL 25TH & EXPECTED ARRIVAL May 5th

The onions can be purchased by check or via PayPal. Checks should be made out to Chewsville Lions Club by 4/25. Onions can be picked up on Friday, May 7th from 4PM-7:30PM or Saturday, May 8th from 8AM-2PM at St. Paul's United Methodist Church,

51 S. Main St., Smithsburg, MD. We are also offering online sales at https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/chewsvillemd/index.php

DON'T MISS THIS CHANCE TO BUY "AMERICA'S SWEETEST ONION" FOR A GREAT CAUSE!



THE THIRD ANNUAL THURMONT EASTER EGG



These painted wooden eggs are manufactured in the USA by the same company that manufactures the eggs for the White House Easter Egg Roll. Each year the egg will feature a different Thurmont icon and will be limited edition, numbered 1 to 250.

This year's egg features the Pavilion in Memorial Park in white ink on a bold blue painted egg.

Price is \$10.00 and \$.60 tax for a total of \$10.60 ea.



An optional service is being offered again this year, to insert an eyelet and provide purple ribbon so the egg can be hung like a Christmas ornament. This service is available for an extra 40 cents.

Contact Doug Favorite at 301-271-0558 to order yours today





When you mention this fundraiser, we will earn 10% on your order!



We appreciate the help of E.W. Beck's with this fundraiser. Enjoy your lunch and order take-out for dinner too!





20th Anniversary
Region IV Zone III
Lions Clubs
Golf Tournament
In honor of
PID Richard Liebno

Support the Tournament Place a \$5.00 Patron Ad in the Program

Send names and donations to Lion Martin Bonura, Tournament Treasurer 1743 Deer Park Road Finksburg, MD 21048

Checks Payable to Region IV Zone III Golf Tournament Submit No Later Than May 18, 2021





FREE HOUSEHOLD SHRED EVENT

And Collection of Cash for Scholarships and Food Donations for the Food Bank SPONSORED BY THE SOUTH CARROLL LIONESS LIONS CLUB

MAY 8, 2021 9 AM - 11 AM

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK (FORMERLY CARROLL COMMUNITY BANK) 1321 LIBERTY ROAD SYKESVILLE, MD 21784





CASH DONATIONS ACCEPTED for Scholarships for Liberty and Century High Schools FOOD DONATIONS ACCEPTED For the South Carroll Food Pantry



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT LION SUSAN BONURA @ 443-745-1281



in Honor of Richard Liebno



TO BENEFIT
THE AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION
THE LIONS VISION RESEARCH FOUNDATION, INC.
LIONS HEARING & SPEECH ACTION



Friday ~ May 28th ~ 2021 ~ Shotgun Start ~ 7:30 a.m. \$90 per golfer

Oakmont Green Golf Course 2290 Golfview Lane, Hampstead, MD 21074

Hosted by 6 Lions Clubs in Region IV Zone III of Carroll County: Deer Park, Freedom District, Greater Carroll, Roaring Run, South Carroll Lioness-Lions and Taylorsville-Winfield

For more information, call: 410.795.8174
Tournament Chair Lion Gary Buchman or e-mail: gary.buchman@gmail.com

Please list golfer information (name, address, phone # and email address) on the back of this form and mail with \$90 per golfer checks payable to <u>Lions Clubs Zone III Fundraiser</u> c/o Tournament Treasurer Lion Martin Bonura 1743 Deer Park Road, Finksburg, MD 21048 Page 33 District 22-W Newsletter

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GoFundMe



Keep *LOVRNET* growing! Share the link with your friends. https://www.gofundme.com/f/Lions-LOVRNET

Contributions may be made directly by sending a check made out to LOVRNET to PCC Clare Newcomer, 19605 Granada Court, Hagerstown, MD 21742.

The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization!

CEDAR RIDGE SOAPS

Promote Cedar Ridge Soaps

(www.cedarridgesoaps.com).

The Lions receive 40% of the pretax/pre-shipping order total, which will benefit LCIF.

Use coupon code FSKLIONS at checkout to help our fund make sure that the fundraiser appears on your list of purchases. Proceeds benefit Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).



amazon smile

You shop. Amazon gives.

Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.

Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice.

Every item available for purchase on www.amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) at the same price. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

If you would like to learn more about registering your organization to receive AmazonSmile donations, go to <u>organazon.com</u>.

For more information about the AmazonSmile program, go to http://smile.amazon.com/about.







Multiple District 22
will host the
2027 Lions International Convention in
Washington D.C.



PIP Clem Kusiak announced that Multiple District 22 has won the bid for the Lions International Convention to be held in 2027. More details will follow over the next few years as the Multiple District makes plans and organizes volunteer.

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COMING EVENTS

ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

*AMISH QUILT RAFFLE from the South Carroll Lioness Lions Club – The club is holding a quilt raffle for an Amish handmade quilt from the Log Cabin Quilt Shop and Fabrics, Bird-in Hand, PA. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. Contact PDG Susan Bonura at pdgsusanbonura@gmail.com

*RADA CUTLERY FUNDRAISER – The Brunswick Lions Club is sponsoring an ongoing-online fundraiser with Rada Cutlery. They receive 40% of the retail total with proceeds to benefit Leader Dog. Make sure to choose Brunswick Lions when ordering. See Upcoming District 22-W Events for this ongoing fundraiser

*CEDAR RIDGE SOAPS – The Francis Scott Key Lions Club is sponsoring an ongoing fundraiser with Cedar Ridge Soaps; they receive 40% of the retail total; proceeds benefit Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF). See Upcoming District 22-W Events for this ongoing fundraiser

*CANDY AND NUT FUNDRAISER – The South Carroll Lioness Lions Club and Terri Lynn Cares ongoing Candy and Nut Fundraiser in which the club receives 20% of all sales. The online store is always open at https://scllc.terrilynncares.com. See Upcoming District 22-W Events for this ongoing fundraiser

* ALL MONEY BINGO -FOR INFORMATION Call Barb Hayes at 410-596-1483. Next year's All Money Bingo is scheduled for Saturday, April 10, 2021.

Greater Carroll Lions Face Masks

Lion Wayne will be selling masks for the Greater Carroll Lions. Please reach out to Lion Wayne Martin at 410-596-2417 to acquire a Lions Mask for a \$10 donation.







Valley Lions Club 23rd Annual Mulch Sale Saturday, April 10, 2021 Saturday, April 17, 2021 9:00am-3:00pm

HELP US HELP OUR COMMUNITY:

Why buy mulch from Valley Lions? All of the profits stay in our community. This enables us to donate thousands of dollars each year to local charities i.e.: college scholarships, eye glasses for those in need, aid to victims of house fires and the Pleasant Valley Fire Company.

Thank you for your help!

Country Boy Aged Premium Hardwood

Shredded Hardwood Mulch

2 cu ft. bag: \$3.35 Picked-up \$3.60 Delivered

Black Mulch

2 cu ft. bag: \$3.60 Picked-up \$3.85 Delivered

No minimum Delivery Quantity

Pick-up at Pleasant Valley Community Fire Company, back parking lot

PLEASE ORDER EARLY SO WE CAN MEET EVERYONE'S NEEDS:

IAME:
HONE#:
NDDRESS:
MAIL:
Shredded 2 cu ft. Bags Black 2 cu ft. Bags Please Circle - Date Wanted: April 10th or April 17th Delivery or Pickup
Checks Payable to: Valley Lions Club

Call: 410-848-3957 or Mail To: Harry Conover, 1445 S. Pleasant Valley Road, Westminster, MD 21158 Page 35 District 22-W Newsletter

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THE SOUTH CARROLL LIONESS LIONS CLUB ANNOUNCES A NEW CANDY AND NUT FUNDRAISER WITH

TERRI LYNN CARES
OUR ON-LINE STORE IS OPEN!
https:LLC.terrilynncares.com

We are taking orders now!
The Club receives 20% of all sales!
The South Carroll Lioness Lions Club
Announces a New Candy and Nut Fundraiser with
Terri Lynn Cares

VISIT THE WEB SITE & PLACE YOUR ORDER!

QUESTIONS? Contact IPDG Susan Bonura

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Help the Francis Scott Key Lions Club raise funds by placing an order with Cedar Ridge Soaps! The FSK Lions Club raises funds for various charitable causes such as eyeglasses for the needy, school supplies for elementary students, a Little League team, Leader Dog, Lions Saving Kids Sight and more. It's easy to help! Just visit www.cedarridgesoaps.com and enter the code FSKLions at checkout. This will earmark your order for the Lions Club. You'll receive your order by mail in a few days and the Lions Club will receive 40% of the retail price of your order. You can also place your order by calling 240-356-0222. Thanks for supporting the FSK Lions Club. You can learn more about them here: www.fsklions.org



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