



LIONS DISTRICT 22-W NEWS



March

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE March 2021 District Newsletter

International **Women's Day** is observed annually on **March 8**, all around the World. It is a day to reflect on and celebrate the accomplishments of women. Although it is a holiday in some countries, it is a normal day in the United States as businesses and schools are open. On a Google Search, I found that there are approximately 166,238,618 or 166.24 million women in the US, slightly more than males at 162.83 million men.



Women had been barred from LCI since its formation by a Chicago business group in 1917. I read that officials said that women were kept out because so few were in business when the organization began. Women were **first** approved for Lions membership in July 1987 when they were granted the right to vote and to hold office. **LCI was reported to be the first service club organization to admit women.** In our Multiple District, there are approximately 2101 female Lions and 3947 males. Our district has the most women in the Multiple District with approximately 634 females while we have 1,099 males. In District 22W, we have 53 clubs out of 55 total Lions Clubs who have at least one female Lion. Our district has 60% females who are either officers or committee chairs/co-chairs while 41% of the officers and committee chairs are females in the Multiple District.

Since 1987, our district has had only 6 female district governors. PDG Carol Smith was our first district governor and PDG Barb McKenney, PCC Clare Newcomer, PDG Susan Timmons, PDG Susan Bonura and I have followed. The first female International President of LCI was Gudrun Bjorn Yngvadottir from Iceland who was elected in 2018. She said, "People are starting to realize that we're an organization of both men and women. Hopefully, more women are ready to join. We aim to have equal membership between men and women because now (2018-2019) there are about 400,000 women and one million men." We are due to have our second female International President, Dr. Pattie Hill, in 2023-2024.

Our current International President Dr. Choi, encourages us to serve through diversity, having a mix of young and mature members, men and women, and people of different races and nationalities. It brings unique experiences and skills to our clubs. He encourages the districts to reach out to those clubs who are not diversified and encourage them to consider making the change.

In the business world, they say that women are usually curious, creative, and they ask questions that lead to comprehension. They usually take the initiative, build relationships in a group, communicate better and are often more innovative. I have spoken with some male Lion officers in our district who say that it is the women in their club who make their service projects and fundraisers organized and successful. There are many female Lions in our district who are the committee chairs in their clubs. ***They get the job done I've been told.***

Clubs that don't encourage women to join them are missing out on the talents and abilities of women. Having both women and men in your clubs means you benefit from the different points of view and approaches that come from different life experiences. Clubs should motivate their male members to ask their spouses to join. Female Lions should be challenged to ask their girlfriends, female colleagues, female relatives and neighbors to join and to increase the number of female Lions in their club. Challenging each other and collaborating with people who think differently can breed creativity, leadership, and promote the innovative ideas that will push our district and organization forward. Lion Vicki Mahr, our District 22W Family and Women's Specialist, is available to give speeches to clubs, even on Zoom.

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FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

March Newsletter Article

I don't know about you, but I am so ready to get rid of the snow and cold and move on to longer daylight hours, more sunshine and warmer temperatures. Spring can't come soon enough for me even though the change in the seasons signifies the beginning of preparations for lawn care, more extensive house cleaning, window washing and so on. Likewise, as we enter into March, I will be finalizing some of my preparations for our next Lions' year. Along with securing the 2021/2022 district leadership team I am finalizing the district contest rules and working with next year's GAT coordinators to refine our district membership, leadership, service and LCIF fundraising goals. I am still looking for a few more energetic and enthusiastic Lions to complete our district cabinet and committee chair slots. If you would like to share your experience, expertise and enthusiasm for Lions please give me a call (304-738-4708) and we will find a job for you!

Don't forget to submit your ***District Honor Roll nominations on or before March 15.*** Our district is blessed with a multitude of great Lions who do so much for our clubs and communities and this is a perfect way to recognize them for what they do. You may send your nominations to me either via mail or email. The honorees will be announced at the sub-district meeting at our virtual convention.

By way of some initial reports, our third and final Vice District Governors' Service Challenge of collecting and donating hand towels, wash clothes and socks is well underway. However, **we have received reports that some of our homeless shelters and agencies do not necessarily need the items that were previously identified so SVDG Nadja and I are leaving it up to the participating clubs to select what they would like to collect and donate.** Simply note what items you have collected and donated along with the number of each on your acknowledgment receipt. Forward these on to either SVDG Nadja before the fourth cabinet meeting scheduled for Saturday, April 10. I would like to acknowledge and thank the members of the Libertytown – Unionville Club who donated socks and other items to Frederick Rescue Mission.

Finally, I would like to commend Global Leadership Team Coordinator, Lion Lois Conrad, for putting together an outstanding new member orientation that was conducted virtually on February 21. We had over 40 participants from throughout our district with the orientation covering such things as early Lions International history, multiple and District 22-W history, local district organization and activities as well as local club information. Presenters included PCS/South Carroll Lioness Lions President Martin Bonura, GLT Coordinator Lois and myself. The presentation should be available on the district website for future use. A copy of the power point demonstration can also be requested from GLT Coordinator Lois.

Have a great month of March. Beware the Ides of March, watch out for those mischievous leprechauns and, hopefully, put away your snow shovels and get out your lawnmowers!

In Lions Service,

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THOUGHT FOR MARCH

Taking Time to Listen

SVDG Nadja Muchow

■ It's easy to assume we know what's best for others and to simply give them that material thing.
■ But, if we seek to serve others well, the best thing we can do is take the time to get to know people and honor them with a listening ear. If we skip this step, we make it a lot more about the good feeling we get from helping than we do about actually serving someone else.

■ **I believe the simple act of listening is a powerful way to serve.**

■ If we show up to paint a house, build a wheelchair ramp, or put up new drywall after a hurricane, but don't take the time to look into the homeowner's eyes or learn her name, what impact have we really made? There is so much power in being intentional with the way we build relationships. In my experience, while the project is important, sometimes sitting down with someone, sharing coffee, and listening to her story does a lot more than a fresh coat of paint.

■ When we listen to others, their needs might surprise us. By simply making the statement, "Let me know how I can help," we're opening ourselves up to a world of needs, not just the ones that are convenient or fit nicely into the time we've allotted to help. This often requires us to drop our own agendas, and it may cause us to serve in ways that stretch us beyond simply where we see ourselves "gifted."

■ But the act of caring might not always require big, dramatic action. Caring for another person might mean going against what's on the planned agenda or going back to the store for a specific shade of paint a homeowner has her heart set on. It might mean grabbing the rubber gloves and cleaning out moldy cupboards, or letting the mess be for now and sharing a cup of coffee. Caring for someone might mean spotting them a dollar for a slice of pizza, or dropping everything and sharing a conversation on the sidewalk in the middle of New York City.

Yours in Lionism,

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MEMORIALS



LION DARLENE GAYNEL FOGLE, "MaMa," Libertytown Unionville Lions member, age 71 of Frederick, went to be with our Heavenly Father on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 with her family by her side. Born February 3, 1949 in Manheim, WV, she was the daughter of the late Lawrence and Mamie Gaynel Loughry and the devoted wife of 42 years of the late Alvin Eugene Fogle. Darlene is survived by her four children: Cynthia Gaynel Trout (Jimmy), Eric Eugene Fogle (Virginia), Ronald Jennings Fogle and Sandra Dee Valentine (Stephen) all of Frederick, MD; seven grandchildren: Shannon Gaynel Trout (Vandell), Franki Lynn Graham (Daniel), Alvin Jennings "AJ" Fogle (Clarissa), Kelsey Raven Valentine (Dylan), Eric Tyler Fogle (Cameron), Travis Conner Fogle, Joshua Thomas Valentine; one great-grandson, Thomas Anthony Fogle, and another on the way. A firecracker at four feet, eleven inches, she was incredibly devoted to her family and had a servant's heart. She loved hosting holidays and picnics at her house for the extended family. Darlene spent 37 years of her life driving a school bus for Frederick County, including driving her own children and grandchildren. Much to the disappointment of her students, Darlene retired in 2015. She adored children and could not have been more ecstatic when her great grandson, Thomas, was born three years ago, and was eagerly anticipating Jackson's arrival.

She was an avid Orioles fan and loved to attend the sporting events and performances of her children and grandchildren. She was known as a shrewd score keeper and generally had the book thrust in her hand immediately upon arrival at any baseball or softball game. Darlene duckpin bowled each week and was very dedicated to her team.

A life-long member of Frederick Church of the Brethren, Darlene was a part of the Friendship Class, Ladies Bible Study, and the Women's Guild. She served as a greeter every Sunday and her family likes to say she "never met a stranger" and truly went out of her way to make every newcomer feel welcome.

Darlene was also an active member of the Libertytown Unionville Lions Club and she enjoyed quilting, playing Rummy, corn-hole, and Parcheesi, having a cup of coffee with friends, 60's music, gardening, and, of course, Elvis.

A funeral service was held Monday, February 15, at the Frederick Church of the Brethren, 201 Fairview Ave., Frederick, MD 21701. Pastor Kevin King officiated. If you are high-risk for COVID-19 but would still like to pay your respects, please contact the family for arrangements.

LION LARRY GREEN, 63, of Hampstead passed away suddenly on Monday, January 25, 2021 at his home in Hampstead, Maryland. Born October 2, 1957 in Baltimore, Maryland he was the son of the late Raymond and Edith Green.

Larry's lifelong passion was automotive repair, towing and recovery, as he was the owner of Green's Garage of Hampstead for over 44 years. Larry was invested in his community and loved his town of Hampstead. He was a devoted member of the Hampstead Lions Club and a past-president numerous times of the Towing Recovery Professionals of Maryland. Larry was integral in the State of Maryland's legislation of the "Move Over" Law to include tow trucks.

Surviving is Larry's beloved wife and business partner, Joyce, of more than 44 years. Together they had two daughters Jamie Kauffman and husband Brad of Hampstead, MD and Lauren Hammersla and husband Dustin of Manchester, MD. Together Larry and Joyce had five granddaughters, Jennifer Austin, Erica Kauffman, Emily Kauffman, Julie Kauffman, Payton Hammersla and one grandson Lucas Hammersla. Larry is also survived by his brother Bruce Green and sister-in-law Barb Green of Hanover, PA.

In light of the pandemic, visitation and graveside services will be private. Interment will be held at St. Marks Lutheran Church Snyderburg. In lieu of flowers, the family would like to accept memorial donations in Larry's memory to either: St. Marks Church - Snyderburg 1616 Cape Horn Road, Hampstead, MD 21074 or Hampstead Lions Club, P.O. Box 763 Hampstead, MD 21074.



LION WYLIE LAUGHLIN "MIKE" RITCHEY JR. - On January 29, 2021 Wylie "Mike" Laughlin Ritchey, Jr. passed away in Hampstead, MD. He was the husband of the late Linda (nee Staley) Ritchey; father of Michael G. Ritchey & wife Lisa and Patrick S. Ritchey and wife Christel; brother to the late Joan Childs and the late Henry Lewis; grandfather of Kate Webster and her husband Allan, Matt Ritchey, Melissa Ritchey, Anna Ritchey, Natalie Ritchey, Shelby Miller and her husband Tim, Chelsey Widener, Elizabeth Widener, Samantha Lopez, Michael Lopez, Andrew Lopez, & Nicholas Lopez; great grandfather of Kamryn Miller. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Mike was a life member and past president of the Owings Mills Volunteer Fire Department and member and past president of the 4th District Democratic Club of Baltimore County. He was also a member and past treasurer of the Hampstead Lions Club. He was an avid fan of his grandchildren's sporting events.

Graveside services were held Friday, February 5, 2021 at 11am at All Saints Cemetery in Reisterstown. A memorial service will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Hampstead Lions Club, P.O. Box 121, Hampstead, MD 21074 or the Owings Mills Volunteer Fire Company, 10401 Owings Mills Blvd, Owings Mills, MD 21117.

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LION HAROLD "CORKY" ZEIGLER received a Melvin Jones Fellowship from the Middletown Lions Club and has been named Lion of the Year. He has been the backbone of the Club since joining in 1957. At 101 years of age he is the quintessential "go-to man". If there is a plumbing or an electrical problem with the Lions ice cream trailer, if we need to know who to contact for this or that, or if we have any problem, Corky is the man! There is no job too large or too small. He is credited by long time members of the Club as saving the club when, years ago, membership had dropped. He guides the Club in all areas and he is always there to help in any capacity putting in many hours for his club and community.

He was a life member of the Amvets (he served in Europe during WWII), the Middletown Volunteer Fire Company, and Christ Reformed Church. But foremost he is known in each of these organizations as a Lion.



Corky has many stories that he loved to share about his 64 years as a Lion. One story in particular was when he worked alone one snowy day in December selling Christmas trees. Two small children appeared bright eyed asking for a tree. The mother said they couldn't afford one. The kids kept looking at the trees and began crying. Corky called the mom back and let the kids choose a tree. Cork said, "This is your tree," taking the money out of his own pocket to pay for it. He then drove the family home because they had no transportation. Seeing how poor the family was he made certain they had food and gifts for the children for Christmas.

An activity of the Lions Club was to give away turkeys at Christmas to needy families. He remembers one Christmas Eve driving down a drifting country lane. At the house the only light was a dim one through the door. They knocked at the door three times and got no answer. Finally the door opened and a little two-year old child said his mother was ill. Entering the house they, Corky and the Lion with him, found that she had been in bed for six weeks. They took food and toys to the family and Corky called Dr. J. Elmer Harp (who himself is a Middletown legend) and took him to see the mother. Corky believed a Lion's duty is to serve his fellow man.

His many years of service to the community and the Lions Club are great examples to us all. We will all miss Corky, his collection of stories, and we will struggle to find the words to thank him for his many contributions through the years.

May- your troubles be less,
May you r blessings be more,
May nothing but happiness
Come through your door.

**LIONS CLUBS
INTERNATIONAL**





START A MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN SOURCE: LCI

Our district is still at a net loss. I thank the clubs that have brought in new members, but we all have to work a little harder to bring in new members and lessen the net loss. The following information was included in an article that was sent by the International President. Please consider these ideas by talking with your club members. DG Barb

The Just Ask! New Member Recruiting Guide. found at www.lionsclubs.org/MembershipChair is a great place to look for ideas to help ensure your membership campaign is successful. Following are some membership recruitment techniques used by clubs worldwide in conjunction with the best practices referenced in the Just Ask! Guide:

The Challenge: Add an element of fun by challenging other Lions or clubs to recruit new members. Each Lion or club simply challenges the other to meet or exceed the number of new inductees. The “loser” is committed to do something for the “winner” of the challenge, such as host a reception or assist with a project. Prizes can be creative or unusual. Announce the challenges throughout the district by ways of newsletters, announcements, visitations and other meetings. Be thoughtful in planning your challenges. Challenges between club members and also other clubs in the district should not overshadow the importance of adding a quality member to a club.

Recruitment Night: Ask each member to invite a potential member to a special club meeting, including a Zoom Meeting. This meeting should feature projects and accomplishments of the club—and let the guests get to know the other members.

Project Volunteers: Invite the public to participate in a special club project such as a pop-up pantry or park maintenance project. The public will learn more about the club, and club members will learn more about the volunteers and can invite potential members to a meeting, including a Zoom meeting.

Member-Get-A-Member Campaign: Each member is encouraged to provide the names of potential members to the club’s membership committee. Possible new members can include colleagues, relatives, neighbors, co-workers, community leaders, corporate leaders, educators, other professionals and friends. If your club is involved with youth activities, you may find parents, youth leaders and other adults interested in community service. The committee can follow up for possible recruitment.

Club Advertising and Promotion Campaign: Some ideas for reaching out to members in the community using advertising and public relations techniques include:

- Setting up a booth at a community event when you are able – can be done at pop-up pantries.
- Publicizing your activities in a local newspaper
- Conducting a direct mail campaign
- Designing a Web site for your club and its activities if you don’t already have one. Keep it up-to-date.
- Hand out club brochures at your fundraisers or on community bulletin boards.



DISTRICT NEWS

WELCOME, NEW LIONS, TO DISTRICT 22W JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021

Welcome, New Lions, to District 22W February 2021



Lion Gregory Wetmore, Deep Creek Lake Lions Club
Lion Robert Buckler, Hampstead Lions Club
Lion Rudy P. Higgins, Hampstead Lions Club
Lion Vincent Brusio, Roaring Run Lions Club

TOP CLUBS FOR NEW MEMBERS – NET GAIN AS OF February 21, 2021

Freedom District Lions Club (+7)
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)



***Keep up the Good Work!
Keep up the Good Work!***

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING RECIPIENTS OF AWARD RECOGNITION IN OUR DISTRICT:

**Soar to New Adventures through Lionism Award – These Lions are first time
officers at the club level or district level:**



Lion Kathy Long, Myersville Lions Club (Club Level-Secretary)

Lion Ann Marie Santorios, Myersville Lions Club (Club Level – Membership
Chair)

Lion Myron Horn, Freedom District Lions Club – Progressive Melvin Jones
Fellow

***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.***

CALENDAR

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 [Lions Press Center](#) today!

Your Lions International Marketing Team

HEARING PRESERVATION, AWARENESS AND ACTION COMMITTEE

Submitted by DG Barbara Brimigion

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.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Submitted by 2nd VDG Charles Croft

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CHANGES

Submitted by Freedom Lions President Myron Horn

When I signed up for my second term as President of the Freedom District Lions Club, I had no idea about the changes I would see. You see, six years ago, during my first term, things were “normal”. We were meeting twice a month with dinner and a program. We were visiting other clubs. I attended the Change of Banner Ceremony, the Melvin Jones Award Banquet, the Sight Conservation Banquet, the District Social, and the Leader Dog Banquet. We had a rousing Multi-District Convention in Dover, DE and a wonderful USA/Canada Forum in Grand Rapids, MI.

We fund-raised with Carnival Fries, Onions, and Citrus Fruit. We had a Veterans Support Dinner with forty veterans and guests, fed the hungry with 10,000 meals, and screened the vision of nearly four-hundred preschoolers. Things were going well for the club. We even brought in sixteen members at one induction ceremony. And now, thanks to COVID, how things have changed. We are doing one virtual meeting a month. We have not had a dinner meeting, banquet, or social of any kind for over a year.

We have not had much of a chance to work with our wonderful LEOs. We lost our carnival fries and onion fundraisers. We haven't been able to screen our children for vision problems.

Some Lions clubs are on the edge of closure because they have not met at all and have lost all of their fundraisers. Even our language has changed. We've added words like COVID, Pandemic, and Zoom to our common vocabulary. Being a technophobe, I never dreamed that I would be running a virtual Board of Directors Meeting. I'm getting so comfortable with Zoom, I expect we will do it that way for the foreseeable future. (It sure beats cramming fourteen people in that small room at Messiah Church.)

Things are not all for the worse. Our club has responded with some fantastic COVID projects. Early in the pandemic, we manufactured 1200 face shields and delivered them to Carroll County Senior Assisted Living Centers.

We then took on the awesome Pop-Up Pantry Project. For twenty-one weeks, we placed groceries, canned goods, milk, bread, and fresh vegetables into the trunks of forty families a week. **Nobody was turned away.** Now, Lion Scott is leading the “Hero Project” to thank those on the frontlines at Carroll County Hospital.

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HAGERSTOWN LIONESS

Submitted by Lioness Joan Bachtell

Community Service: We will have two projects for March at Holly Place. 1) The Committee will be providing a “party box” which will contain cookies, punch and favors to be delivered on the 15th or 16th for use on the 17th. 2) A general collection of needs – paper supplies (toilet paper and paper towels), laundry and/or dishwasher supplies (prefer liquid for laundry), cleaning supplies, Gift Cards to Sams, Save-a-lot, Weis, Walmart and checks in any amount.

Friendship: Lionesses Judy Munday, Tammy Needy, Pat Kelley and Lynn Kesling assembled Valentine Treats for our Lioness shut-ins! They enjoyed decorating a windowed brown box with heart stickers and decorated heart-shaped donuts for the ladies. Each took their share of Valentine deliveries! They were successful and thankfully the Valentines were delivered before the ice-storm began. Tammy Needy enjoyed her 1 hour visit with Lioness Doris Fisher and her husband, Lion Dave. They are doing well in this pandemic and take one day at a time. Linda Kesling and Tammy also visited for 30 minutes in the home of Lioness Kathleen Navin and she is doing well after her hip surgery in 2020. A Valentine donut was delivered to Lioness Marie Byers at Fahrney Keedy and a phone call of thanks was received. Judy Munday delivered her “ray-of-sunshine” and received thanks from Jackie Bowers, Elaine Shank, Pat Gebhart, Sara Jane Hoyle, Alma Bowers, Linda Tantillo and Linda and Tom Perry. Everyone was thrilled with the gift. Many said it was a great idea, loved the donuts and impressed with the time spent to make and deliver.

Their next activity will be sometime in the Spring. Tammy says it is hard to imagine Spring with 5 inches of snow in her yard as she made this report. Her message: Lioness Ladies – “keep smiling and remember – One day at a time!!”

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FREEDOM LIONS PARTICIPATE IN TWINNING

Twinning is back again at FDLC: Lion Surani Peiris had arranged for several FDLC members to hold a zoom meeting with Lion Roshan Latiff, club president of the Battaramulla Inner Circle Lions Club in Sri Lanka, on February 18th to discuss the possibilities of our clubs forming a twinning relationship with each other.

Lion Surani and Lion Roshan were Leos together several years ago. Their club is unique because they sponsor three LEO Clubs in Sri Lanka. One is a high school LEO club like ours and two are Alpha -LEO Clubs (young adults). We hope that this twinning will be beneficial to both clubs.

Our clubs will be exchanging newsletters, starting with the March club newsletter. The Sri Lanka club was chartered in 2006 and its location is near the southern coast of its country near the town of Columbia. While its membership is low at 7, about 15 additional members will be coming to join from the Leo clubs. The 3 Leo clubs have large memberships from which they draw memberships into the Lions club.

Both Leos and Lions have been active in the Covid 19 process by providing PPE to the community in which they serve. The first ever Sri Lankan Lion to be appointed as a Leo Club Program Advisory Panelist came from their Lions Club in 2011. In 2013, the District Governor came from their Lions Club and in 2017 a Multiple Council Chairman of MD 306 was from their Lions Club. They sponsored 4 Lions Clubs.

LCI says that Twinning is a voluntary and mutual agreement between clubs in different countries. Twinning provides an opportunity to learn about another club and its culture. Twinning illustrates the third purpose of the association: to create and foster a spirit of understanding among the people of the world. It fosters international cooperation and usually involves the exchange of club newsletters and other correspondence regarding projects, etc., and sometimes visits by members.

Lion Joe Wiz said that he is trying to re-establish ties with the Lions club in Brighton, England that FDLC had once twinned with. Lions Joe Wisniewski, DG Barb Brimigion, Lion Joe Self & his wife and Lion AD had all travelled to Brighton, England in May 2006 as guests of the Brighton Lions Club. The Brighton Lions opened their homes to us. They did a splendid job as tour guides as they took us on trips to visit London as well as neighboring towns in the south of England. We also met the Lions in their club and district.

Lion Joe has already received 2 emails from them. The Leo Club of Battaramulla Synergy Lion Joe Wiz receives a plaque from the Brighton Lions Club A Spotlight on a FDLC Member: Lion Vince Centofanti Lives in Eldersburg with his wife, Lion Chris. He has been a Lion since 10/21/2020.



HANCOCK LIONESS LIONS NEWS

Submitted by Lion Jeanne Ward

Our president, Susan, with the help of her daughter and grandchildren, helped pack three boxes of items and goodies to deployed soldiers. Our members contributed many nice things that helped to make the soldiers' Christmas a little brighter.

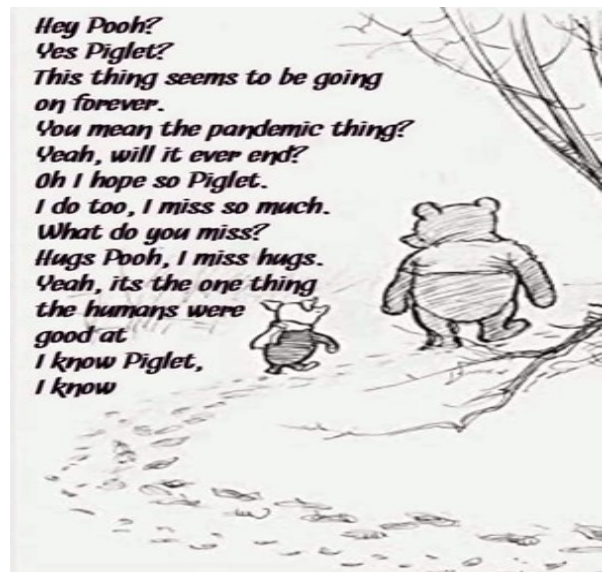
We have raised almost all the money needed to sponsor a leader dog. We will continue to work on this project with the help of local businesses.

The Town of Hancock looked festive with all the parking meters decorated. Our Elf was a welcome sight as it wished everyone a merry Christmas.

The lions Community Christmas dinner held on December 19, was a big success. Lions Faye, Jane, Kasey W., Karen M., Mary, Gerald, Dorothy, Trudy, Carmon, Andrea, and Jeanne helped the Hancock lions. A few family members also helped and we even had a Berkeley Springs member assist. We helped cook, serve, pack, make dessert, and clean up. There was a line of traffic waiting to pick up their free meals. The food was delicious and we ran out of food too early! Next year—MORE TURKEYS! It was a very rewarding experience.

Our Gardner Candy Sales are booming! People are always asking for our candy bars. ***What a sweet community!***

Hopefully we will be meeting during our regular times in January. We already have a guest speaker scheduled:



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We Serve

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PDG Gerry and Lion Sue Beachy
Leader Dog co-chairs

HANCOCK LIONESS LIONS CLUB KEEPS BUSY

Submitted by President Susan Miller

The club sold 30 boxes of candy during the recent candy sale. Each box contained 30 bars of candy.

The Lions also contributed food and supplies in support of the Vice District Governor's Service Challenge to aide the Homeless and Poor and disadvantaged. We will continue to support this cause.

Lions Lisa, Faye, Karen, Wilma, and Sue and Lew packed 40 Micha's backpacks and Lion Faye delivered them to the Elementary School.

Letters have been sent to local businesses to help collect funds to support Leader Dog.

MOTIVATIONAL VIDEOS FREE!

Submitted by Lion Martin Bonura, Candidate for Second
Vice District Governor

Need to motivate your club? How about a video? Check out the Lions Clubs Videos located at https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=lions+clubs+international+videos

Some are short, some longer. Some are made by professionals and some are made by loving Lions.

Please share them with your club!

SMITHSBURG LIONS CLUB

Submitted by Lion Barbara Weaver

Our postponed Valentine Dinner will be March 10. The favors and the door prizes are ready. Lion Barbara Weaver will contact Past District Governor Susan Timmons to make a presentation on Vision Days. A signup sheet will be e-mailed to the membership.

ORIENTATION: There will be a Member Orientation on February 21 by ZOOM. Lions Brian Dawson and Barbara Weaver will be attending. If anyone else would like a refresher on Lions, please let Lion Barbara know and she will send in the registration.

BLOOD DRIVE: The next blood drive will be February 22 starting at 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. A signup sheet will be e-mailed to the membership. Lion Barbara Weaver has posters to be distributed.

EASTER FLOWER SALE: The Easter Flower will be April 2 and 3. Lion Eric Davis has contacted Mountain Valley and we may use their property. Lion Barbara Weaver emailed the order form from Musselman's to the membership. There are several items that have been deleted. Lion Elisa Sharpe will be contacting Musselman's to check to see if they will allow customers to come and select other flowers to add to our order.

CONVENTIONS: The International Convention will be virtual and everyone is able to attend and the cost is \$50.00 per person. Lion Elisa Sharpe suggested that the Club could pay for one or possibly two people attend 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 this year.

MEMBERSHIP: We are down to 18 members and soon the District will be looking at our Club. We need to attract more people, specifically younger people. Lion Barbara Weaver indicated that she would be willing to work with the younger group. Lion Jack Wenhe will invite Mickey and DeAnna Meyers to the meeting on March 10.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: Lion Elisa Sharpe will contact the membership for fundraising ideas and to set up a meeting. Lions Elisa, Brian Dawson and Barbara Weaver have been communicating by phone and e-mail. Some suggestions have been an Amish quilt, afghan and a birthday calendar. Lion Barbara found out at the Zone Meeting that there are two Clubs that produce birthday calendars. She will give Lion Elisa the information.

RAFFLE: The raffle is on hold at the time. This will be re-addressed when the State reopens and we can sell tickets. Lion Elisa Sharpe has done some research and we probably have not been doing the raffle correctly. Lion Elisa will complete the forms for the State of Maryland.

DISTRICT NEWS

A VALENTINE MESSAGE –

Joan Bachtell, Editor
Chewsville Lions Club

LOVE IS IMPORTANT

Love is so important in everything we do.

Love brings out the best in every point of view.

It's easier to be loving than to hold on to a grudge. We get stuck in negativity and our ego will not budge!

Experiences, good and bad, will always come and go, being able to love regardless is how our spirits grow.

Love works in mysterious ways to soften any concern.

Giving love away freely reaps loving rewards in return.

How wonderful and magical we feel when we're in love.

We truly are on top of our world- there's nothing we can't rise above!

Let's turn all negative thinking into positive, loving thought by spreading love, joy and peace as, for thousands of years, we've been taught.

Together We Will Make a Difference"

PDG Paul Cannada

2012-2013 District 22 W

Thurmont Lions Club

District 22 W LCIF Coordinator 3/3

301-271-2924

paulcannada@comcast.net

Many of us will make sacrifices during Lent as we prepare for Good Friday and Easter. Jesus Christ suffered and died to forgive our sins and rose three days later to take His rightful place in Heaven.

There is one sacrifice that we can make that will benefit millions of people around the world that are in need in many different ways.

How about donating \$1 a day to LCIF for the forty days of Lent. Just \$40 is a small sacrifice for each of us that can make a huge difference in the world when we as Lions join together.

FREEDOM LIONS REPORT OF MEDICAL EQUIPMENT:

Submitted by Lion Phil Salmon

During this reporting period, 10 Lions provided services: Jerry Apicella, Tess Carroll, Don Champ, Tony Dercola, Bruce Edwards, Steve Hansen, Jane Jung-Potter, Matt King, Ann Kramb, and Phil Salmon.

There were at least 94 phone calls received and/or made to handle 44 Loaned, 20 Returned, and 7 Donated pieces of medical equipment.

It is estimated that 38 hours were donated by the Lions performing this service. It is estimated that 60 people were aided during this reporting period.

The FDLC Medical Committee has helped approximately 401 people via the loaning of health equipment since the beginning of this Lions business year on July 1, 2020.



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LIONS!



DISTRICT NEWS

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LENDING PROGRAM

Submitted by Lion Ellen Bennett, Frederick Lions

In January, the MELP received donations of 41 items from 3 entities. Most of those came from a company in Montgomery County that assists people with downsizing. In addition to medical equipment, they donated several boxes of medical items--disposable briefs, dressing and wound care supplies as well as 9 boxes of Vol. 61, No. 8, February 2021 3 brand-new accessories for CPAP machines--i.e. masks, tubing, water wells.

I am in the process of contacting the offices of local pulmonologists to see if they know of patients who could use the equipment. These items are incredibly expensive when purchased outright; insurance companies only pay for these items periodically, so I hope I can find a way to donate them. The disposable briefs and other items were donated to the Food Bank. We have loaned 18 pieces of equipment to 11 different people. Additionally, we assisted with picking up and delivering a donated electric scooter to a man in Thurmont. Laura Berman, a social worker at FHH, helped with this transaction. We also received a donation of hearing aids which had been purchased from CostCo per the donor. We were able to donate them to a client who had them refitted at CostCo free of charge. What a nice service!



"FEED THE HUNGRY" - FOOD COLLECTIONS

Lion Gary Bennett

We collected 163 items donated in January 1,307 and collected year to date 264 goal (12 items per member).

In January we took in 163 items, which totals up to 1,307 for the fiscal year. The items were delivered to the Frederick Food Bank throughout January.

A big thanks to Lions Lynn Stimmel and Colleen Krehely who donated items, especially to Lion Colleen who arranged for another \$25 gift certificate from Weis, which was used to purchase food items. We are finding that a great side benefit of the medical equipment lending program is that we also get food items like Ensure and paper products to provide to the Food Bank.

Any Lion who would like to donate food or paper items may contact Lion Gary Bennett who will happy to pick up and deliver them.

FSK LIONS FUNDRAISER TEXAS ROADHOUSE PEANUTS

Lion Gary Bennett

The Texas Roadhouse peanuts fundraiser is winding down. The committee sold three cases (108 bags) and sent checks to Treasurer Lion Toni Gray totaling up to \$249, which was the net profit. Lion Mark Jones paid the upfront costs himself and reimbursed himself through the proceeds.

Two more cases were ordered and Lions Gary Bennett, DeVeda Coley, and Colleen Krehely are currently selling them. Some peanuts were sold on Carroll Creek and will be sold on Super Bowl Sunday at McClintocks. We got a nice kudo from District Governor Barb Brimigion who bought five bags and loved them. Any member who may wish to purchase some bags, please contact Lion Gary. He delivers! **CANINES ON THE CREEK** Due to Frederick City's COVID restrictions, Canines on the Creek has been rescheduled from the first Saturday in March to the first Saturday in July (7/3). At this time City is currently allowing only gatherings of 10 or less on Carroll Creek. By July, if all goes well, that stipulation should be relaxed enough to have a successful event. Our space on 7/3 has been reserved on Carroll Creek. The doggy costume contest will now be patriotic-themed instead of St. Patrick's Day-themed. Lion Gary Bennett is committed to this project and has the backing of the Downtown Frederick Partnership.

Some exhibitors from last year are also willing to help in the promotion and logistics this year. **CEDAR RIDGE SOAPS** Promote our ongoing fundraiser with Cedar Ridge Soaps (www.cedarridgesoaps.com).

We receive 40% of the pretax/pre-shipping order total, which will benefit LCIF. Use coupon code FSKLIONS at checkout to help our fundraiser; make sure that the fundraiser appears on your list of purchases. Proceeds benefit Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF).



DISTRICT NEWS

THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL CODE OF ETHICS:

Submitted by Ethics Chairperson Larry Gray

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 of 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

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- 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 sympathy to those in distress. aid to the weak, and substance to the needy.
- To Be Careful with my criticism and liberal with 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 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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CHEWESVILLE CHATTER

Submitted by Lion Joan Bachtell

The meeting was called to order by President Tonya at 6:35 pm via zoom. There were 14 members present (2 via telephone). We reviewed minutes from the Regular meeting of January 7 th and the Treasurer's report. Also reviewed some of the issues discussed at the January 7th meeting.

New Business: a. 1st V.P Lion Jim Bachtell will need to have the officers chosen for the 2021-22 year by April 30th. b. Lion Och updated the club on the details of changing the road signs with our new address. d. Melvin Jones 142nd birthday - PDG Brian Cox is asking for \$14.20 from each member to be sent to him honoring our founder. e. Membership – We welcomed Lions Carol Alphin and Carol Ann Alphin to our club (former members of the Long Meadow Lions Club).

Visitations: Myersville Lions Club meeting via Zoom

Lion members from another club are interested in transferring to the Chewsville Club. PDG Och will keep us informed.

Old Business: We discussed Charter night options, community yard sale (usually in March), the club's past and future at the Chewsville Community Center, our past involvement with the center's maintenance, fundraisers (specifically the quilt) and information from the District.

Miscellaneous: Lion Joe Finch informed us that he will be moving to Deep Creek Lake, MD in the near future. He has had a difficult time since the death of his wife, Lion Brenda and he **needs to be closer to family.**

Guest Speaker: We were fortunate to have Lion Martin Bonura present via zoom to speak to us about his background in Lionism and his candidacy for 2 nd Vice District Governor.

The quilt fundraiser: Lions Nate and Abby Pfister are assuming this project. b. Lion Och updated the club on the details of changing the road signs with our new address. c. Charter Night – tossing around some dates since March is too soon.

20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ZONE 3 GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Zone 3 golf tournament will take place on Friday, May 28th at Oakmont Green in Hampstead. Shotgun start at 7:30 am.

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FREEDOM DISTRICT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Submitted by Lion Don Champ

Despite the pandemic, the See More Group sponsored by the Freedom District Lions Club has continued to meet via ZOOM in September, October, November and on Monday, December 21st they held a virtual Christmas party.

The See More Group is a group of Blind and low vision people. The party was attended by 8 Blind/low vision members, 3 Lions and 1 non-Lion helper.

During the party, they played Christmas trivia, exchanged holiday greetings and enjoyed listening to a Christmas carol sung by 2 members.

Pictured is "See More Group" member Jackie Baquel enjoying her meal while taking part in the "See More Group" Christmas Party. The picture was taken by Lion Michele Sciacchitano who was with her assisting Baquel with ZOOM



DISTRICT NEWS

THE LIONS HEAD—LIBERTYTOWN UNIONVILLE LIONS

Submitted by Lion Bill Strauss

January 5th Meeting: Christy Dutrow spoke to us about the workings of and her experiences as a 911 operator for Frederick County for many years.

Her presentation included the emotional experiences of working with people seeking help and working with other providers such as fire companies, hospitals and of course the police department in providing solutions to the emergencies.

Afterword, she was thanked by President Robert Hensley and presented a certificate of appreciation.

GOLF: Lion Sue Ensor, chair of the golf committee, announced that the 2021 Liberty Open Golf Classic will be held at the Glade Valley Golf Course on May 14. She cautioned that the cost was increased slightly. The first committee meeting will be held at Lion Sue Ensor's house on Thursday, February 11 at 7 PM. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please let Lion Sue know and plan to attend the meeting.

SUPER BOWL POOL The Super Bowl Block Pool is a new fundraiser envisioned by Lion Eric Anderson. It involves selling blocks in a 10 x 10 grid (100 squares or Blocks) for \$20 each until the grid is full, at which time random numbers are drawn to fill out the grid in advance of the Super Bowl on February 7th. Lion Eric has allocated all 100 blocks to members of the club and others who expressed interest. After prizes are awarded, our profit from the fundraiser will be \$1000. Kudos to Lion Eric for coming up with this so quickly and executed so efficiently.

THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER: I was reading through a book of meditations written by Rev. Cecil H. Skibbe. It is titled "A Thank You Will Do." As we think about what we do as Lions, "We Serve," do we seek gratitude, praise or appreciation? While it is fun to be recognized and awarded for the club's accomplishments, the most precious praise is the simple "thank you's" we receive from those we serve. That is all we need and sometimes that is all the people we serve can give back to us. More importantly it validates what we do!

STUDENT REP FOR TRYING TIME

Submitted by Lion David Kaplan

School Boards this fall will be overworked (and underpaid) wrestling with COVID-19 issues, classroom versus distance learning and local concerns. They will need flexible, compassionate and articulate leadership.

At the August 4 ZOOM meeting Hagerstown Lions were pleased to welcome two members of the Washington County Board who display these qualities, Board Vice President Lion Stan Stouffer (Williamsport Club) and Student Representative Kevin Bokoum, a junior at North Hagerstown High School.

In introducing Kevin. Lion Stan gave a brief background of the Student Rep position. Although established in 1985, no one served in that office until the early 2000s. Currently the Student Rep is elected by the membership of the Association of Student Councils for a one year term.

The Rep attends all public sessions of the Board. Student opinions expressed by the Rep become part of the official minutes of the Board. Kevin understands himself in that position as "an educated student voice to make things happen." As such he hopes to make an impact on the community as a whole, through establishing relationships with as many students from different backgrounds as possible.

Specific goals are to be an advocate for students in distant learning (which includes all students this fall!) and to promote equity in the school system. His personal goals are to attend a four year university and major in public health with the distant thought of becoming an epidemiologist.

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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## DISTRICT NEWS

### WHAT DO LIONS CELEBRATE IN FEBRUARY?

Submitted by Lion Viki Peltier

February is Childhood Cancer Awareness

The World Health Organization launched the Global Initiative for Childhood Cancer with partners to provide leadership and technical assistance to support governments in building and sustaining high-quality childhood cancer programs.

Lions Clubs International (LCI) began working with this initiative to help improve the outcomes for children with cancer. LCI has added Childhood Cancer to their other Global Causes: Vision, Diabetes, Hunger and Environment.

LCI has designated the month of February as Childhood Cancer Awareness month. February 15th is International Childhood Cancer Day. Following are some of the things our club has been doing for this cause.

Our club formed a childhood cancer committee to help with this project. Several years ago, Lion Viki surveyed all the hospitals in Baltimore plus hospitals in other parts of Maryland, nearby Pennsylvania and West Virginia to find who had childhood cancer departments.

This list was given to all the clubs in our district for their use. Our committee decided that we would work with The Childhood Cancer Clinic at Sinai Hospital.

Before the pandemic, we asked the members for hats, gloves and scarves for the children. Now the hospital will not accept these items because of the virus. We purchased gas cards to be given to the parents to help with driving the children to their chemo and radiation treatments.

Every three months, we collect and purchase toys to be given to the children to use while they are receiving their treatments. The children are sometimes at the clinic six to eight hours and they must take what they were playing with home since no other child can play with that item.



### SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Submitted by Lion David B. Kaplan, Editor

Usually a festive celebration with a special luncheon and most recipients and families in attendance, the Massey H. Roe Youth Foundation Scholarship Presentation is one of the most anticipated meetings each year of the Hagerstown Lions Club. Like other anticipated meetings of many organizations, however, the presentation was severely impacted by the pandemic so that for a while this summer it seemed unlikely that we would be able to hold it at all. Thanks to the efforts of Foundation Chair Lion Jerry House and Secretary Lion Paul Leatherman, we were finally able to recognize the recipients at the online ZOOM meeting of August 18. Each recipient this year was granted a \$1,000 scholarship paid directly to the school (\$500 each semester).

Because of conflicting work schedules only one of them, Cameryn Eichelberger, was able to meet with us. Daughter of Lion Chuck Eichelberger. Cameryn is now in her second year at HCC where she is enrolled in the nursing program. She is a graduate of North Hagerstown High School and a second year recipient of the foundation scholarship. She's an avid runner, volunteers at Boys and Girls Club and has helped our Lions Club with Pancake Day. She thanked the Club for the award this year and last.

Other recipients: Sarah DeMuth, graduated this year from Barbara Ingram School for the Arts, going to HCC with a Dental Hygiene major.

Ahlayah Edmonds, graduated this year from South Hagerstown High School, going to the University of Maryland with a Chemical Engineering major.

Alice Poffenberger, graduated this year from North Hagerstown High School, going to St. Francis University with an Exercise Psychology major.

We congratulate all of these young people, pray God's blessings on them and wish them much success as they continue their education!



## DISTRICT NEWS

### ZONE THREE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Submitted by DG Barbara Brimigion

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### FREEDOM DISTRICT EYE GLASS REPORT

Submitted by Lion Patty Buchman

Throughout the year, Freedom District Lions Club has collected used eyeglasses, sunglasses and cases for recycling which were collected at multiple locations in the Eldersburg/Sykesville community.

The boxes include the following totals: Eyeglasses: 87 Eye Cases: 47 Sunglasses 12 FDLC members have collected a total of 669 used eyeglasses for recycling since the beginning of this Lions fiscal year on July 1, 2020.

We also have collected a total of 2 hearing aids so far. Submitted by Lion Patty Buchman



**We Serve**

#### Past District Governor, 2018-2019

Lion Gerry Beachy, 175 Parkview Circle,  
Grantsville, MD 21536— 301-707-7200 cell  
gbeachy@comcast.net

#### LEADER DOG RALLY

We are cancelling the Leader Dog rallies to be held April 26-29, 2021 due to the pandemic. In the past, we had 100% of our clubs donating to Leader Dogs, and we hope that we can get 100% again this year.

There will be a **virtual Leader Dog rally on Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 7 PM**. A link will be sent from Leader Dogs that each club can use to access the ZOOM call. A phone number will also be included for those Lions who don't use Zoom. Please promote this event to each of the club members so we have a great attendance. For those Lions who do not use ZOOM, they can also make a phone call to join the rally. Each club is requested to take a picture of the check presentation, usually from the club treasurer to the president. The check should be sent to CT Forrest Hudspeth made out to District 22-W Foundation with Leader Dogs in the memo section. The picture, along with the name of the club and the identification of the Lions in the picture, should then be sent to Beth Slade where a Powerpoint will be shown after the presentation by Leader Dog. Her email address is: [beth.slade@leaderdog.org](mailto:beth.slade@leaderdog.org).

Another way to support Leader Dogs is the visit their website under ways to give: [leaderdog.org](http://leaderdog.org) and order something from their on-line store. Lions can also make a personal donation at that site.

Do not let the pandemic stop you from donating to Leader Dog. Remember, that thanks to our financial support, blind persons can go to their campus and get white cane training and a Leader Dog at no cost to the person. Please continue to support this great organization.

Lions Gerry and Sue Beachy, Leader Dog co-chairs

Don't let them take the temperature  
on your forehead as you enter the  
supermarket, its a government plot  
to erase your memory. I went for  
a bottle of milk and a loaf of bread  
and came home with a case of beer  
and 12 bottles of wine!

Submitted by Lion Barbara Heltebridle

## DISTRICT NEWS



**District 22-W's  
Virtual  
LVRF Rally  
March 29, 2021  
7:00 PM**

featuring

### Dr. Judith Goldstein, OD

**Director, Lions Vision Research and  
Rehabilitation Center Johns Hopkins  
Wilmer Eye Institute**

Dr. Goldstein will share an update on the Lions Vision Center and Program. Following greetings from DG Brimigion, we will have the "Roll Call of the Clubs."

Clubs are encouraged to mail checks payable to LVRF, Inc. to 22'-W's LVRF Chair, Lion Paul Leatherman, 18812 Preston Rd., Hagerstown, MD 21742 by March 20, 2021, so that the club can be recognized.

**Hope you join us via ZOOM or  
phone.**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88151250145?  
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Meeting ID: 881 5125 0145    Passcode:  
057247

Dial in: +1 301 715 8592

### FREEDOM DISTRICT LIONS HERO PROJECT

Submitted by Lion Chris Centofanti and                      Lion  
Sheila Bowman

The Heroes Project was initiated by Lion Scott Walthour, FDLC 1st VP, and is now underway. This project is to honor the evening, night and weekend staff at Carroll County Hospital for their commitment and dedication during these unprecedented times.

A group of approximately 15 Lions and 2 friends of the FDLC have been meeting regularly in planning this endeavor. It was decided to divide this project into 2 phases; the first phase is the 'Thank You Bags' and the second phase is the 'Grab and Go' snacks.

The 'Thank You Bags' phase was launched on Friday, February 26th. Lions Scott Walthour, Michele Sciacchitano, Bruce Edwards, Carole Neff, Jerry Apicella, Bob Hodgkiss and Lion Ann Krumb packed the thank you bags on Friday for approximately 350 recipients. The volunteers met at the Freedom District Optimist Hall on Friday morning at 9 am which had been graciously offered to us for our use on Friday by the Optimist members. Each bag contained snacks and helpful items such as protein bars, chips, pretzels, lip balm etc., as well as donations from some of our local businesses, including French Twist, Market Tavern, Be Blends, Tri Sport Junction, Sykesville Station and Norwood Ice Cream and Candy Co. The bonus in each bag was the thank you notes of which many were handwritten by the FDLC Leos and some from the Lions, as well. There were approximately 270 notes provided by the Century and Liberty High School's Leo members under the direction of Lion Bob Bastress. Lions Jerry Apicella, Carole Neff and Ann Krumb delivered the 20 boxes to Carroll Hospital for distribution.

### LCI

LCI is promoting a special LCIF Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon on April 11<sup>th</sup>. 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 142<sup>nd</sup> 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. Send your donation to:

**PCC Brian Cox, PO Box 65, Keymar, MD 21757**

## LEO NEWS



### WHS LEO NEWS:

The Walkersville Leo Club broke in the new year by meeting virtually on January 15th, during which the club discussed upcoming events and committees reported on their undertaking.

Leo Mason, the chairman of the Trash Pick Up Committee, organized two events in January. On January 10th, while socially distant, Leos cleaned Baker Park of all waste that had been previously discarded.

Later in the month, on January 30th, the Club picked up trash at Walkersville Community Park. Leos Claire and Abby, members of the Animal Rescue Committee have begun brainstorming and planning a fundraiser. The Committee hopes to organize a 'fun run,' where Leos would walk their dog(s) and collect donations for local rescue organizations.

The Bake Sale Committee has begun reaching out to multiple local businesses about selling Valentine's day themed goods. The Committee may work in conjunction with the Animal Rescue Committee's 'fun run,' where they could sell dog treats or toys.

Following a majority vote, the Club adopted a new, refurbished constitution, which redefined membership.

Lion Jennifer and Leo Claire delivered the \$170 collected while caroling over winter break to the Frederick Community Action Agency.

Any Lions Club member that needs help or assistance shoveling snow this winter should contact Lion Jennifer Smith at (301) 788-0526. The next Leo Club meeting will be held virtually on February 5th . Leo Mason

### 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:**



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- 5th Prize - Up to \$500**
- 6th Prize - Up to \$250**

**Drawing - June 24th**

**Winners will be called at 7:00 pm**

**All Proceeds benefit local Lions Parks,  
Scholarships, and other Lion Charities.**

*Tickets provided by Region Chair Jeremy Bair*

*Permit #27*



## COMING EVENTS



### 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**



### THURMONT LIONS CLUB SPRING EDITION FABULOUS FUDGE FUNRAISER!



The Thurmont Lions Club is selling our homemade fudge in the following Spring flavors: Chocolate, Vanilla, Peanut Butter, Orange Crème, Strawberry & Cream, Chocolate & Cream

Orders will be due by March 20th and pick up will be arranged in shifts to be picked up on March 27th  
at St. John's Lutheran Church (15 North Church Street) in Thurmont.

**Call 301-271-0558 to place your order. If leaving a message please note the quantity & flavor as well as your name & phone number so that we can call you back to arrange pick-up.**

**Cost will be \$15.00 per pound or \$8.00 per half pound.**

Proceeds will benefit the local community.

## COMING EVENTS

### 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<br>Lions     | Union Bridge Lions        |
| Harney Lions       | Westminster Lions            | Roaring Run Lions         |
| Deer Park Lions    | Terra Rubra Lions            | Lineboro Manchester Lions |
| Hampstead<br>Lions | Silver Run Union Mills Lions |                           |

### THE GREATER CARROLL LIONS CLUB'S



#### **16TH ANNUAL WALK IN WESTMINSTER to benefit**

#### **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.



### DINE FOR A CAUSE

To support Lions Clubs International Foundation's priority  
for fundraising efforts in the community such as  
hunger relief, disaster relief, and community development.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH**

**8 AM - 8 PM**

**ROARING RUN**

11111 LITTLE ROCK

FARMINGTON, MD 21048

(410) 596-2917



## COMING EVENTS

### 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:**

|                                                      |                             |                            |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>The Stables</b>                                   | <b>Paradiso Ristorante</b>  | <b>Rafael's</b>            |
| <b>Maryland Mallet</b>                               | <b>Ledo Pizza</b>           | <b>Sweet Frog</b>          |
| <b>Mediterrane</b>                                   |                             | <b>Jano's J &amp; P</b>    |
| <b>IHOP Westminster</b>                              |                             | <b>Sergio's Restaurant</b> |
| <b>Vocelli's Pizza</b>                               | <b>Coffey Music</b>         | <b>Jiffy Lube</b>          |
| <b>C.Y. Custom Tailors</b>                           | <b>Westminster Car Wash</b> |                            |
| <b>Players Amusement</b>                             | <b>Life is .... Pizza</b>   | <b>Blue Bistro</b>         |
| <b>Classico Pizzeria</b>                             | <b>Tim Thai Restaurant</b>  |                            |
| <b>Giulianova Groceria</b>                           | <b>Ying Thai Cuisine</b>    |                            |
| <b>Firehouse Subs</b>                                | <b>Genova To Go</b>         |                            |
| <b>Blue Point Crab House (\$5 off a dozen crabs)</b> |                             |                            |

**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**

**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.**

### Drawing Weekly.

**The prize drawings (6 per week) start  
9/23 through 3/10. The final drawings  
on 3/10 will be the grand prize  
winners.**

**All profits support local and National  
Lions Clubs efforts to make our com-  
munity more prosperous and to help  
the less fortunate have a more self-  
sustaining family.**

**Where there is a need a Lions Club  
can help fill it.**

**For ticket availability contact, Bobby  
Graham 240/405-8912 or Fred Gra-  
ham 443/398-4457,  
or lionsclub167@yahoo.com.**

### SOUTH CARROLL LIONESSE 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](https://CLLC.terrilynncares.com)**

## COMING EVENTS

# 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!**

# amazon smile

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

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Every item available for purchase on [www.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) is also available on AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](https://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 [org.amazon.com](https://org.amazon.com).

For more information about the AmazonSmile program, go to [http://smile.amazon.com/about](https://smile.amazon.com/about).



The New Windsor Lions Club is starting their 25/25 Club Drawing Weekly. The prize drawings (6 per week) start September 23rd thru March 10th. The final drawings on March 10th will be the grand prize winners. Take a chance, have some fun and support your local Lions Club to support your local community and Lions International with service needs local and National.

All the profits from the raffle goes to supporting the local and National Lions Clubs efforts to make our community more prosperous and to help the less fortunate have a more self-sustaining family. Where there is a need a Lions Club can help fill it.

**For ticket availability contact,**  
**Bobby Graham @ 410-848-1781**  
**or Fred Graham @ 443-398-4457**  
**also [lionsclub167@yahoo.com](mailto:lionsclub167@yahoo.com)**



**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.



## 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](mailto: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.



### Wares for Warriors



The Thurmont Lions Club along with the Maryland Patriot Guard are collecting items for the Washington D.C Veterans Community Referral Center (CRRC) to help homeless or formerly homeless veterans and their families along with wounded soldiers at Walter Reed Medical Center.

Needed items are listed below. Cash donations also accepted.

Please note that all items must be NEW

**Personal items (clothing for men & women):**

- New underwear, socks, undershirts, sweat shirts/pants (Size L, XL, 2XL)
- Winter wear-coats-men sizes L, XL, 2xl, 3XL, 4XL & women-sizes L, XL, 2XL, winter hats, gloves, long underwear, thick winter socks, long sleeved shirts/flannels

**Home Goods:**

- Quilts/blankets/sleeping bags (New w/tags)

**Food/drink:**

- Non-perishable canned fruits, vegetables, soups, pasta, pasta sauce, tuna, instant oatmeal, etc. (canned items preferably w/pull tab open rather than one needing a can opener)
- Safeway grocery gift cards

### CEDAR RIDGE SOAPS

**Promote Cedar Ridge Soaps**

([www.cedarridgesoaps.com](http://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).**



## COMING EVENTS!

### 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  
[pdgsusanbonura@gmail.com](mailto:pdgsusanbonura@gmail.com) or call 443-745-1281



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](http://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](http://www.fsklions.org)

### Middletown Lions Club & *gotsneakers?* A Sneaker Recycling Organization

## Sneaker Drive Fundraiser!

BENEFITING MIDDLETOWN'S LOCAL CHARITIES INCLUDING  
MIDDLETOWN VALLEY PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE & FOOD BANK

*Your old, wearable, sneakers will lessen your carbon footprint while helping your Middletown community.*



**2. Starting July 20, Drop off at-**  
11 Crone Lane  
Middletown, Maryland  
or call  
240-422-9415



Only donate athletic footwear.

Please, no boots, heels, sandals, or dress shoes.

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