



**From: Parade Committee**

**To: Lions LEOs and Guest,**

**On Monday, May 30, 2022, the Lions once again were very visible in their participation in the National Memorial Day Parade. They proudly marched to honor our Military (Active Duty and Veterans, including those that gave all). Lions also proudly displayed banners denoting the Club and Communities that they serve. Our Veteran Lions proudly displayed their Red, White and Blue Sashes. Our float once again highlighted this years Presidential Theme “Service from the Heart” and also highlighted the slogan “Where there is a need, there is a Lion”.**

**Although our attendance was not quite up to our pre-pandemic numbers, we still had 61 participants which included members of the Bellefonte LEO Club. These young men and women did a great job of instilling some pep and energy in our formation. DGE Daniel Elkins and the Bellefonte Lions are to be commended.**

**We were fortunate to have Mrs. Washington DC Philippine World (Melanie Dua) grace our float. She is also an active member of the Alexandria Asian American Lions Club. Our thanks to her for participating.**

**Past International President Clem Kusiak once again graced us with his presence as he has every year, and we sincerely thank him for his support and encouragement. We also had Lion leadership represented by PIDs, DGs, DGEs, VDGs plus District and Club Leaders all proudly representing the Lions of DC, DE, MD & VA. Thank you. To those who, because of illness or prior commitments, were unable to attend, we thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you in the future.**

**We would like to say a special thanks to all of the Lions, Lions Clubs and Districts that dug deep and supported this venture to make sure that we as Lions continue to honor our Military on this very special day. We also thank those Lions who didn't march but did so much to ensure our success. Lion Mark LeRoux drove the LCOF trailer that we used as a registration point/billboard. PDG Sandi Halterman gave up her day to help with registration, T-Shirt sales and whatever else we needed. Our Mason Neck Lions Club catered the after-parade celebration and those that made it to the celebration were treated to excellent food and refreshments.**

**Photos will be made available when received and edited.**

**Sincerely,**

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**Ed “Woody” Woodard, PDG  
Parade Committee Co-Chair**

**PID Joe Gaffigan; PDG Don Beeson; DG Bill Lavelly; Lion Mike Yuenger; Lion Bill Strauss;  
DG Bijoy Mahanti; Daniel Elkins**