



## The President's Message

Happy May!

Looks like April showers brought the May flowers. As it is coming alive outside Lions go into "summer" mode. We actually only have one more meeting at "Home" on May 5.



Our next meeting is our annual Youth Night at Damascus United Methodist Church on May 19. It is usually a fun night with entertainment and good food so bring your spouse and come see what our youth are doing around the community.

Our picnic will be June 2 at Gladhill's in Frederick. I'm looking forward to some home cooking and a tour of Buck's tractors, engines and other toys!

Please let Bob Snapp or myself know if you are planning on attending our Installation night on June 16 at the Golden Bull in Gaithersburg.

Next week we also have our White Cane Days. Please help Wayne out by signing up at least one 2 hour shift. The weather should be perfect for standing outside and spreading the word of Lionism plus performing one of our biggest fund raisers.

Some of our members will be attending the District 22 C convention in Ocean City on May 18- 20. Hopefully they will have a good time and come back full of Lion news to share with us. This convention is the first time in many years that there are 2 candidates running for 2VDG. I can't wait to see who wins.

Our next District event will be officer training on May 30 – if you are an incoming officer, mark your calendar!

Our committees look pretty well staffed however I will continue to bring my committee signup sheets to the next few meetings so feel free to put your name down for many committees. I think this year we need to focus on publicity. Maybe we all should be a part of that committee.

Our Golf Tournament is June 1. See Lion Bob Snapp to help out.

As we are heading in to "summer" mode don't forget about Lions. There are plenty of Lion activities to keep us busy. And remember to keep your fellow Lions in your

thoughts and prayers. If you haven't seen a member at a meeting in a while, give them a call. One of the best parts about being a Lion is fellowship. So please Appreciate, Believe in and Care for your Lion family.

Take Care!

KL Barbara

## Annual Golf Tournament

By Lion Bob Snapp, Chair

Spring is in the air and thoughts of the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Damascus Lions Golf Tournament are on the horizon.

This year's outing will be held at Glade Valley Golf Club, Walkersville, Maryland, on Monday June 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a beautiful 18 hole course in the rolling countryside of Frederick County; a 40 minute drive from Damascus.

A "shot-gun" start is scheduled for 9:00am and once again we are looking for players, golf hole sponsors, Lion volunteers, and prize donations.

The player's fee is \$85 (no increase from last year) which includes green fees, cart, two beverages, a buffet luncheon and prizes. Also available will be a putting contest, mulligan tickets, 50/50, and the ever popular "Circle of Fun Golf Hole."

If you don't play golf, kindly ask your friends, neighbors and associates to participate in this year's fun day. Registration forms are now available. For more information, contact Chairman Lion Bob Snapp (301-788-6701) or Co-chairman Lion Mike Thornett (301-461-6188).

## As the Gavel Falls

By Lion Marcia Holpuch

Lion Tammy Hertel can now add "Auctioneeress" to her resume as she did a great job at our in-house auction this year. With 25 Lions in attendance, we raised \$2,455 at the auction, just \$45 shy of our budget. The ever-popular weekend at Lion Mike's condo generated the largest single bid of \$255. With over 80 items on the list, bidding was fast & furious over many items both interesting and yummy. Lion Chris Fletcher solicited several local businesses and offered many gift cards this year. "Mom Hardy's" jellies went for the deeply discounted price of \$25 per jar this year. Thanks to the Lions who made donations this year and those who made purchases. A special thanks to Lion Warren Schwab who also donated his 50/50 winnings into the auction pot.

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## Birthdays

### Lions

May 9 – Warren Schwab  
May 13 – Jerry Mallack  
May 16 – Joseph Hutchinson  
May 19 – Wayne Marr  
May 24 – John Washington  
May 26 – Sue Suddath  
May 26 – Joann Woodson  
May 27 – Nick Holpuch  
May 27 – Ronnie Poland  
May 30 - Vicki Dotterer  
May 30 – Rahul Suthar

### Partners-in-Service

May 23 - Marcia Allen  
May 25 - Mary Belcher

### Anniversaries

May 2 - Charlie and Tammy Hertel  
May 16 - Lenora and Tom Kish  
May 23 - Marcia and Tony Allen

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## News about The Club

Each member is requested to check the roster book and send any corrections for their entry to [wtjackson@alumni.unc.edu](mailto:wtjackson@alumni.unc.edu) or call 301-253-6316.

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## Upcoming Events

- May 5** Dinner Meeting - Wesley Grove UMC  
**May 6-9** White Canes - Around Town (Lion Wayne Marr)  
**May 9** Relay for Life - VFD Activity Center  
**May 12** Board Meeting - Gladhill Bros  
**May 16** Damascus Art Show Damascus Recreation Center (Lion M. Thornett)  
**May 18-21** Multiple District 22 Convention - Dover, DE (Lion Mary Frances Gosnell)  
**May 19** Dinner Meeting – Youth Night - Damascus UM Church  
**June 2** Dinner Meeting (Picnic) Gladhill Brothers in Frederick  
**June 9** Board Meeting- Gladhill Bros  
**Jun 16** Installation Night – Golden Bull (Lion Bob Snapp)

Gladhill Bros.

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
14 Apr 2015**

**Attendees:** B. Barry, T. Barry, M. Carr, T. Gladhill, M. Gosnell, M. Holpuch, T. Jackson, D. Mayhew, P. McKenzie, R. Molesworth, J. Sain, J. Schwab, W. Schwab, M. Thornett

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by King Lion (KL) Barbara Barry.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved.

Club Treasurer Report: Approved.

Foundation Treasurer Report: Approved.

**Treasury Summary:**

	<u>Club</u>	<u>Foundation</u>
Income Feb	753	3,335
Expenses Feb	1290	850
Net Feb	-537	2485

Lion Marcia submitted the proceeds from the auction at \$2,455.

PDG Jim Belcher will be attending MD 22 convention as a delegate of our club in addition to Lions Martin Carr, Mary Frances Gosnell and Marcia Holpuch. We have 7 votes available at the convention, so there is room for 3 additional voting delegates. There is a contested election for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor this year.

Lion Patricia McKenzie will handle the purchase and installation of 2 additional benches and depleting the designated bench fund within the next 2 months.

KL Barbara will handle the signups to assist at the Relay 4 Life on 5/9. Our club will be selling luminaries at the event and decorating of same. Several Lions will be needed to help and work in shifts.

Lion Mike Thornett reported on the progress on the Art & Craft fair to be held on 5/16 at the Damascus Recreation Center. Help will be needed on Thursday (5/14) to mark out the booth space in the gymnasium at the center. Booth set-up will be Friday and an opening ceremony will take place from 6-8pm on Friday featuring the presentation of paintings of the Damascus Community. Lions are encouraged to attend the ceremony and wear vests & hats to show a presence. The fair will be open on Saturday from 9-4 and is free to the public. Donations will be accepted. Students from Damascus High School will play musical selections during the day. Lions Mike and Wayne Marr will be calling on Lions to help. Proceeds

from the fair will be shared with Faith Connections, Damascus Lions Club and Thor Teams.

Lion Joy will need an accurate head count for Youth Night on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

The amount of our donation to the DHS Post Prom party has not yet been determined.

New officer training is scheduled for May 2<sup>nd</sup> (south) and 30<sup>th</sup> (north). Officers will be notified.

Lion Tessie Gladhill has offered the Frederick store and museum for the picnic in June. Cost is not yet determined.

A donation to Hospice Caring in the amount of \$250 was approved. A donation to the the Damascus Heritage Society in the amount of \$250 was approved. Lion Mary Frances will distributed the remaining budgeted donations for the District and LCI.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marcia Holpuch, Secretary

**Give a Child a Book**

By Lion Marcia Holpuch

As a special project at the Multiple District 22 Convention (MD22) this year, we are collecting children's books. This activity will fulfill the International Literacy project. The books will be collected at the convention and each District Governor will take the books back into their district for distribution locally. Books may be new or gently used and will be given to children in need throughout the district. Please give your books to one of our convention delegates: Lions Martin Carr, Mary Frances Gosnell, Marcia Holpuch or PDG Jim Belcher. The convention is May 18-21, so get them into a delegate's hands before the 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Lions Camp Merrick Update**

By Lion Marcia Holpuch

Camping registration is going strong at the camp. The first week of Diabetes camp is already at 70% capacity and weeks 2 & 3 were at 30% as of the advisory meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April. There are 3 rustic cabins that are in need of repairs before they can be used again. Clubs are encouraged to "claim" a cabin and make it ready for camping and hang their name over the door. These cabins need insulation and replacement doors and windows so that the air conditioning can be turned on. These cabins will add 36 more beds to the capacity of the

camp. The season opening work weekend was held on April 10 -12 and the camp is nearly ready for the campers to arrive. Good progress is being made on the installation of the new septic system. All the camper cabins and the kitchen have been hooked up to the system with only a couple more buildings left to be connected. During the weeks when camp is not in session, the camp is being rented out to local groups for seminars, meetings, weddings, etc. to generate additional revenue to keep the camp operational and “in the black.”

## **22-C Night**

By Lion Marcia Holpuch

The Damascus table was full and fun at 22-C night this year. With the International Convention in Hawaii later this summer, DG Kelley chose a themed event of “Hawaiian Luau.” The Honor Band played Hawaiian music. This is the last year we will have Dr. Sparks as the director of the band. On the menu was a buffet featuring a roast pig. It was delicious. In keeping with the theme, the attire for the evening was Hawaiian shirts and festive wear. The keynote speaker was our very own Past International Director Joe Gaffigan who urged us to keep looking for new members and to be sure to integrate them into our activities and to bring them along to be strong Lions. The Humanitarian Award was given to Dr. Gislin Dagnelie, Associate Director of the Lions Vision Research and Rehabilitation Center at the Wilmer Eye Institute. Enjoying the evening this year were the following Lions & partners-in-service: PDG Jim & Mary Belcher, KL Barbara & Tony Barry, George & Viola Hibbard (whose granddaughter played in the Honor Band this year), Jerry Mallack, Martin Carr and Mary Frances Gosnell. Also sharing the table was Michelle Evans, the daughter of Lion George & Viola. Marcia sat with the band parents. At the end of the evening, a large group photo was taken of all assembled in their Hawaiian finest to send to International President Joe Preston for his Hawaiian Shirt Challenge.

## **Memorial Day Parade**

By Lion Marcia Holpuch

You can be on TV!! The National Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> and the Lions of 22-C and 24-A (Northern Virginia) band together and “march” (you really walk) in the parade. If you are a veteran, you can ride on the float. This will be our 7<sup>th</sup> year in the parade and there’s nothing else quite like it. People cheer when you pass because they recognize the LIONS name. You can carry our club banner or collect eyeglasses along the way – people hand them to you as you pass by. The parade is only 1 mile long and steps off at 2pm. You

need to be down on the mall by 1pm due to road closures and general craziness. Dress is the “official” yellow LIONS t-shirt (\$10) and black bottoms (skirt, pants, shorts). Registration is necessary so they know how many to expect. If you are interested, contact Lion Marcia and she will give you the necessary paperwork. If you let her know by the 18<sup>th</sup>, she can get you a t-shirt at the convention. Anyone who would like a LIONS yellow drawstring backpack (\$10), place your order before the 18<sup>th</sup> and one will be brought back for you.

## Spring White Cane Days: May 6-9, 2015

By Lion Wayne Marr

Hello, Lions. White Cane days are nigh; as in TOMORROW THEY BEGIN! You will find the current sign-up sheet in this Lions Tale. For those of you at the May 5 meeting, this sign-up sheet will serve as a reminder of the date, time, and place of your shift.

We still have four vacancies; two on Friday and two on Saturday. So, please sign up with me, if you haven't already. You can do that at the May 5 meeting or email at [waynemarr@aol.com](mailto:waynemarr@aol.com) or call me on 301-237-3034. As you know, this fundraiser needs the participation of every able-bodied Damascus Lion, like the two good-looking able-bodied Lions you see in the picture below. Every two shifts bring us enough funds to provide an eye appointment and new glasses for some needy Damascus-area child or adult.

Thank you, all Damascus Lions, for your help with this important fundraiser over the years.



## Spring 2015 Damascus Lions Club

## White Cane Days!

Day	Shift Time	Location	Lion(s)
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>May 6</b> Manager: Ken Phillips	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	Fran Burlas
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East	Jack Peters
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West	Tom Jackson
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Ray Molesworth
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Mary Frances Gosnell
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	Charlie Hertel
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	Tess Gladhill
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Ken Cook
<b>Thursday</b> <b>May 7</b> Manager: Tom Jackson	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	Fran Burlas
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East	Julie Sain
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West	Mike Thornett – Email him
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Sandy Gill
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Barbara Barry
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	Chris Fletcher
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	Tammy Hertel
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Warren & Joy Schwab
<b>Friday</b> <b>May 8</b> Manager: Del Mayhew	7:30am - 9:30 am	Whipp's Garage	Chris Fletcher & Ronnie Poland
	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	George Hibbard
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East	Jack Poole
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West	
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Sandy Gill
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Ann Davis
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	Bob Snapp
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	John Washington
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West	Jerry Mallack	
<b>Saturday</b> <b>May 9</b> Manager: Wayne Marr	7:00am - 9:00am	Red Rooster	Marcia Holpuch
	8:15am - 10:15am	Tom & Ray's	George Hibbard
	8:30am - 10:30am	Safeway East	
	8:30am - 10:30am	Safeway West	Dale Ryan
	8:45am - 10:45am	CVS	Woody Ward
	9:00am - 11:00am	Red Rooster	Charlie Holpuch
	10:15am - 12:15pm	Tom & Ray's	
	10:30am - 12:30pm	Safeway East	Charlie Stone
	10:30am - 12:30pm	Safeway West	Carol Stone
10:45am - 12:45pm	CVS		