



The President's Message

Greetings
Damascus Lions!

We went from the wettest May straight into summer. Even though the Damascus Lions move into "summer mode"



(sporadic meetings not at our regular location) don't forget we have plenty of activities to do. We "putt" right into June with our annual Golf Tournament at Glade Valley Golf Club in Walkersville. This continues to be one of our biggest fund raisers. Please show up and support Lions Bob Snapp, Charlie Hertel and Mike Thornett with this event. Our Picnic will be Tuesday June 7 at the pavilion at Damascus United Methodist Church. Bring a dish, or two, to share. Then we have our annual Installation Night on June 21 at the Montgomery Country Club in Laytonsville. Feel free to bring a guest and please get your dinner reservations into Lion Bob Snapp soon.

July is also a busy month as we prepare for Damascus Days on July 8 & 9, 2 days of events throughout Damascus. Many Lions and other community organizations parade through town on Friday July 8. Publicity is the main goal of Damascus Days and we really need to spread some Lion Pride! Saturday July 9 we have two events at the same time, our Pancake Breakfast and our Flea Market. So there is plenty to do during Damascus Days. In July the Damascus Lions usually have our social event at a Key's Game – stay tuned for details.

In August our Ice Cream dipping event replaces one meeting. We really need to have many Lions present at this event. Even if you feel you can not scoop ice cream, we can use your help in many other ways. This is another event where it is important to make our presence in the community known. Summer is a great time to focus on recruiting new members to our club.

Please think of our fellow Lions even when we are not at a Lion event. Remember, we are like your second family. I'm sure some of them would appreciate a call or an invite to a meeting or event. As always remember to Appreciate, Believe in and Care for your fellow Lions.

Happy Summer!
KL Barbara

Spring 2016 Damascus White Cane Days

By Lion Wayne Marr, Chair

Damascus Lions: Congratulations! We raised \$2,454.06 last month during our Spring White Cane fundraiser, including \$444.20 collected at the Shred Fest of Saturday, May 7. Not including the Shred Fest receipts, we collected \$2,009.86. Twenty-nine dedicated Damascus Lions performed storefront collections over thirty-one two-hour shifts. That's the same number of Lions as last Fall, but seven fewer shifts, so this time we had fewer Lions who performed multiple shifts. We averaged \$64.83 per shift, which is well above average. **Every one of our participating Damascus Lions is to be commended for their contribution.** Please visualize the word "Lion" in front of every name in this article. Otherwise, in order to pay the fines I would have to cancel a visit from my house-cleaning ladies (and they need the work!).

As always, special thanks go to our White Cane committee members who served as Managers of the Day and/or Money Counters: Ken Phillips, Del Mayhew, Tom Jackson, George Hibbard, and Vi Hibbard (Lion Spouse!).

Special Recognitions:

- Five Over-\$100-in-One-Shift Club recognitions go to:

- **Julie Sain**, who collected \$139.08 at Safeway on Wednesday afternoon;
- **Barbara Barry**, who collected \$147.12 at Safeway on Thursday afternoon;
- **Carol Stone**, who collected \$104.19 at Safeway on Thursday evening;
- **Tom Jackson**, who collected \$100.67 at Safeway on Friday afternoon; and
- **Jack Peters**, who collected \$109.26 at Safeway on Friday afternoon.

- The Bert Lahr Special Award for Most Courageous Lion goes to **Chris Fletcher**. Chris worked a total of three shifts to earn our fundraiser well over \$200!

Special Notes:

- A nice lady at Safeway on Friday evening asked John Washington if he was too cold. Then a moment later, she brought out to him a hot chocolate from Starbucks!
- Despite having lost the use of one arm to a rotator cuff procedure the afternoon before, (Continued on page 2.)

Lion's Tale

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Upcoming Events

- June 6 - Golf Tournament @ Glade Valley GC
- June 7 - Dinner Meeting - Family Picnic @ DUMC
- June 14 - Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.
- June 21 - Dinner Meeting - Installation Night @
Montgomery Country Club, Laytonsville
- July 5 – Dinner Meeting @ DUMC
- July 7 – Senior Center Party
- July 8 – Celebrate Damascus Parade
- July 9 – Celebrate Damascus Flea Market and Pancake
Breakfast
- July 12 - Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.
- July 21 (Thursday) – Keys baseball in lieu of regular
dinner meeting

Birthdays

Lions:

- June 2 - Ann Davis
- June 7 – Becky Ferleman
- June 7 - Lenora Kish
- June 16 – Charlie Hertel
- June 17 – Jenn Hyde
- June 25 – Gary Bellison

Partners-in-Service

- June 3 – Jay Mallack
- June 19 - Bonnie Mayhew
- June 21 – Fran Ward

Anniversaries

- June 6 - Sue and Ken Phillips
- June 14 – Sandy and David Gill
- June 14 - Sue and Jack Poole

White Canes (continued)

- Lion George Hibbard worked his Saturday shift at Tom & Ray's and then counted coins (with one hand!) later that afternoon.
- OK, whoever was responsible for scheduling the Shred Fest on the same day as our Saturday White Cane is to be commended! Can we do that again in all future years?
- Our experiment with Thursday and Friday lunchtime soliciting at the Hornet's Nest was a failure. Despite a very busy restaurant, contributions were poor both days.
- Big Surprise – our one shift in front of the new Tom & Ray's venue on Main St. was a success, providing over \$88. This despite the fact that the restaurant sits very few patrons.

Total Participants:

Here is the total list of Damascus Lions who gave of their time for one or more storefront collection shifts (multiple shifts in parentheses): B. Barry, Carr, Davis, Fletcher(3!), Gill, Gladhill, Gosnell, C. Hertel(2!), T. Hertel, Hibbard, M. Holpuch(2!), Howerton, Jackson, Marr, Mayhew, Molesworth, Newlin, Peters, Phillips, Sain, J. Schwab, W. Schwab, Snapp, Suddath, Ca. Stone, Ch. Stone(2!), Thornett, Warfield, Washington.

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
12 April 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by King Lion (KL) Barbara Barry.

Attendees: B. Barry, T. Barry, M. Carr, T. Gladhill, G. Hibbard, T. Jackson, M. Holpuch, D. Mayhew, P. McKenzie, R. Molesworth, J. Schwab, W. Schwab

The minutes of the April meeting were approved.

Club Treasurer Report: Approved.

Foundation Treasurer Report: Approved.

Treasury Summary:

	Club	Foundation
Income	2983	517
Expenses	1716	5197
Net	1267	-4680

It was noted that \$750 in program support has not been spent this year. KL Barbara will bring the list of speakers for the past year to the next board meeting for review and donation consideration.

Approval of the proposed club budget was deferred pending confirmation of meal costs for the new year.

Various thank you notes were shared.

A new membership application has been submitted from Lion Charlie Stone. Lion Marcia will communicate back to invite prospective member to participate in an activity and attend a meeting.

The club has been asked for volunteers to serve at the Italian festival on June 11th in Frederick.

The community shred held in partnership with Damascus Community Bank was well attended. We did not fill the truck but anticipate participation will grow as we intend to continue to host this event in the future. \$444.20 in donations was received at the shred.

Total White Cane donations came to \$2,472.96 including the donations from the shred. 29 Lions spent 62 hours in this effort and reflects strong community support of our programs.

Installation night will be held at Montgomery County Club in Laytonsville. Forms were handed out at Youth Night or mailed.

The first June meeting will be a picnic. Location options were discussed. When a final location is determined it will be sent to members.

The golf tournament on Monday, June 6th is doing well. More volunteers and sponsorships are welcome.

District training for new officers is Saturday, June 4th at Leisure World. The other training date has not been rescheduled yet, but will be sent when received.

Celebrate Damascus will be held on July 8-9 this year.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Marcia Holpuch, Secretary

May Blood Drive

By Lion Charlie Hertel

We had a blood drive at DUMC on Thursday May 19th 2016. We collected 41 units of blood with the American Red Cross. I would like to thank partner in service Cathy Heinbaugh for all of her time and effort for this blood drive along with all her distinguished support staff.

Thank you to any of our Lions who went up and gave blood.

Golf Tournament

By Lion Charlie Hertel

The Damascus Lions Club is excited to announce our 13th Annual Golf Tournament to be held on Monday, June 6, 2016 at Glade Valley Golf Club to benefit the Damascus Lions Club community. 100% of the proceeds from the golf tournament will go toward the community. We provide medical equipment to local residents, run blood drives, give scholarships to local students and organizations, collect eye glasses, provide support to the community with food and other services as needed. The Damascus Lions Club is actively seeking sponsorship and players for the golf tournament.

Please join us for a memorable day of golf and fun at the Glade Valley Golf Club to help support the Lions Club. Please help make our Annual Golf Tournament a big success. Please ask how you can help support this great fundraiser and make it a continued success. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lion Bob Snapp 301-788-6701 or Lion Charlie Hertel 301-353-0424/301-370-6411.

Please visit our website at DamascusLions.org for a sponsorship or players application.

Thank you for your continued support of the Damascus Lions Club.

Ice Cream Dipping

By Lion Charlie Hertel

Damascus Lions, Leos, Friends and Family Come out and support your Damascus Lions Club on Tuesday August 16, 2016 dipping ice cream at the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair. This is the most fun fund raiser. Remember that this is in place of our Damascus Lions Club Dinner Meeting, everyone is welcome.

Come have a cone on me or if you want a large see the other Lion Charlie. 3 shifts are needed

morning, afternoon and evening or stay all day. We are looking for high school students, young adults ages 16 and up, or anyone who does not have a limp wrist to work at the fair.

The Damascus Lions are responsible for clean up of the Dairy Barn before the start of the fair. We are responsible for one Saturday. Our work day is July 30th at 8 am to 12:00 pm with a free lunch at 12:30 pm.

We will need help on Thursday August 11th at 6:30 pm to unload the ice cream from the truck and stock the freezers the night before opening day.

We also will need some support for the opening day of the Montgomery County Fair in the Ice Cream Dairy Barn. The Parlor opens at 1:00 pm on Friday August 12th and the Damascus Lions are needed to help staff the opening day as well.

Please let me know if you can help for a few hours.....

Call Lion Tammy Hertel (301) 370-6414 to schedule and or receive a pass to get into the fair. Remember it is senior day at the fair. Admission is free to seniors that day as long as you are in before 4:00 pm. We will give out passes at the Lions Club Dinner on Tuesday August 2nd at Montgomery UM Church.

Also students earn SSL hours for volunteering.