



The President's Message

Due to schedule pressures, there is no President's Message this month.

Pancake Breakfast & Bake/Craft Table

By Lion Joy Schwab, co-chair

The Fall Pancake Breakfast and Bake/Craft Table event was held Saturday, October 15, 2011 in the Dining Room at Damascus United Methodist Church from 7-11 a.m. On Friday, October 14th the setup helpers made the Dining Room ready. Those, who helped, were Lions Bob Newlin, George Hibbard, Bill Mahylis, Warren Schwab, Tom Jackson, Mary Frances Gosnell, Joy Schwab. Kathy Thornett also helped. In the Kitchen were Lions Sue Suddath, Warren and Joy Schwab and Joann Woodson.

Early Saturday morning the food and drinks were prepared. Bake Sale/Craft Table items were accepted. Helpers during the day were Lions Dennis Babb, Barbara and Tony Barry, Fran Burlas, Vicki Dotterer, Bernie Duplan, Chris Fletcher, Mary Frances Gosnell, Tammy Hertel, George Hibbard, Su-Ling Huang, Tom Jackson, Bill Mahylis, Ray Molesworth, Bob Newlin, Jack Peters, Ken Phillips, Dee and Rusty Reichmeider, Gary Rogers, Julie Sain, Joy and Warren Schwab, Lee Sellers, Bob Snapp, Roy Stanley, Carol and Charlie Stone, and Sue Suddath. Lion Family helpers were Stephanie Huang, Cody and Corbin Sander. Damascus High Leos were Casey Brown, Michael Huang, Macey Murdock, Natalee and Roseryn Sarintra, and Kelsey Turner. We served 225 with a profit of \$1,495.40. Special thanks to those who bought and sold tickets.

The Bake/Craft Table received item and/or donations from Lions and Partners in Service were Lions Barbara Barry, Tess Gladhill, Mary Frances Gosnell, Su Huang, George and Vi Hibbard, Helen Mahylis, Ray Molesworth, and Jack & Frann Peters, Ken & Sue Phillips, Dee Reichmeider, and Joy Schwab. Bake/Craft Table profit was \$271.63.

Total Profit for 2011 Spring Breakfast and Bake/Craft Sale is \$1,767.03. Lions Joy and Sue thank all for whatever you did to help make this be a successful day.

Basket Bingo 2011

By Lion Mary Frances Gosnell, Chair

Basket Bingo benefits the Damascus Lions Scholarship Program. Our bingo on September 30th will again be sufficient enough to support the scholarships that were issued in July. Thanks to all the Lions and businesses who sponsored

a basket as well as those who purchased tickets and took part in the evening's games.

The ticket sales reflected the economy - 92 tickets were sold. We collected 64 pairs of glasses and 3 hearing aids. The Damascus Community Fair Queen, Susan Hilton, was on hand to help the Lions with the bingo winners. The fireman had some tasty food for sale and helped us set up as well as clean up.

There were 15 Lions who helped with the bingo, 10 friends of Lions helped and Partners-in-service, Jennifer Molesworth and Irene Hardy helped with the organization of the bingo game sheets (saving us an expense of about \$125.00) and the mailing of the flyers. Thanks ladies! Also a huge vote of thanks to Lion Tess Gladhill for donating the items to fill the baskets. The baskets were overflowing!

Thanks to all who supported the project in any way. We will realize a profit of \$3,025.00.

Pictures from Charter Night



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Upcoming Events

- Nov 1 Dinner Meeting - Wesley Grove UMC
- Nov 8 Board Meeting – Gladhill Bros
- Nov 15 Dinner Meeting - Spouse Night @ Wesley Grove UMC
- Nov 18-19 Holiday Giving Project @ TBD
- Nov 21 Blood Drive @ DVFD Activities Center
- Dec 1 Senior Birthday Party @ Damascus Senior Center
- Dec 6 Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church
- Dec 13 Holiday Party @ Damascus UM Church
- Dec 14-18 Holiday Giving Project @ Damascus UM Church
- Dec 20 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros [NOTE CHANGE OF DAY]

Birthdays

Lions:

- Nov. 4 Mary Frances Gosnell
- Nov. 6 Tessie Gladhill
- Nov. 11 Jennifer Warfield
- Nov. 12 Mike Thornett

- Nov. 17 Tammy Hertel
- Nov. 21 Matt Tomlinson
- Nov. 22 Carol Cook
- Nov. 29 Peggy Stone

Partners-in-Service

- Nov. 4 Frann Peters
- Nov. 20 Karen Duplan
- Nov. 20 Helen Mahylis
- Nov. 21 Jonnie Jackson
- Nov. 22 Bill Poole
- Nov. 24 Naomi Marr

Anniversaries

- Nov. 22 Carol and Charles Stone
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News about Members

Lion Happy King is now residing at the Golden Living Center, Frederick as an Alzheimer's resident. Happy experienced a fall from which she needed rehab but physical and Speech. Keep Lion Happy in your thoughts and prayers also.

Partner-in-Service Gail Davidson had knee replacement and her recovering has been a bit bumpy. Keep Gail in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

Lion Ken Cook's stepfather, Alex Kanaris, continues to fight pancreatic cancer that has spread to the lymph nodes and kidney area. Please keep him in your prayers.

Roster Correction

Bob Newlin's email address is incorrect in the Roster Book, please correct it to be: bobnewlin@comcast.net

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2011

The meeting was called to order by King Lion Vicki at 7:10pm. Lions in attendance were Gladhill, Carr, Gosnell, Dotterer, Phillips, T & B Barry, M. Holpuch, and Thornett.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed in the October Lions Tale.

Treasurers' Reports: Lion Tony Barry presented the Club and Mike Thornett presented the Foundation Treasury reports. The reports were approved as presented.

King Lion Vicki commended the Charter Night committee for a job well done!

Secretary's Report:

A thank you note from Susie Diddle was read and enclosed was a donation for the use of hospital equipment.

An acknowledgement was received from the Parkinson Foundation for our donation in memory of Dennis Hough.

The Utah State University returned the scholarship money for recipient J. Sales. Sales has elected not to attend college this semester.

A letter was received from Faith Connections acknowledging the donation for the 2011 School Supply Program.

A bill was presented for place mats ordered from Lions International for the Pancake Breakfast. November 5 is the second Advisory Meeting, place to be determined, will need 3 Lions to attend.

There are currently 8 Lions who have not paid their dues for fall 2011. Secretary Mary Frances sent a second email reminding the members to pay their dues and if they wish to resign, we need to have their resignation in writing to report them in Good Standing.

Committee Reports:

Rocky Hill Middle School and the ThorTeam will be participating in the Peace Poster Contest.

Lion Mike Thornett has stepped up as Advisor of the Baker Leo Club.

The Holiday Giving Project will begin soon. The schedule is attached below.

We are looking for a place to do the storage of canned goods for 5 weeks and to pack and deliver the Thanksgiving baskets. Damascus Motors garage is not available this year. Anyone with any ideas contact Lion Mary Frances.

Basket Bingo report projected a profit of \$3000. Ticket sales were at an all time low. Sponsors and donations made the fund raiser a profitable one.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Mary Frances Gosnell
Secretary

Virtual Board Meeting October 11, 2011

Since there was not a quorum present at the Board Meeting, a Virtual Board Meeting met on October 12 and with counter motions on October 23, 2011.

The final vote was to give the Children's Inn at NIH a donation of \$200 and to give the Peace Poster first place winner \$100 with the second and third proportionately down. 13 Board Members voted to approve.

HOLIDAY GIVING PROJECT

The Damascus Lions have been in the Holiday Giving Project since its inception. In fact, it was the Damascus Lions who began the project in the early 1950s. The Lions collected used clothing and toys and gave food to families in the area that Lions were familiar with that needed assistance. It may have been one or two families at that time but it was a well received project. As time passed by, Damascus Help became involved and provided the nearly new clothing and purchased some clothing. The Lions would collect and purchase the food and deliver to the assigned families, sometimes upward to 60 families. Help started keeping a list of area families that were in need. Our Lion Members, Hilda and Ken Diggs, heralded Help in so many different ways. Upon Hilda's illness and around 1995, DELIA, Damascus Ecumenical Layman's Association, along with Help administered the program and at that point, the Lions took 30 families as we then needed to purchase the clothing and the toys ourselves. And about 6 years ago we added Thanksgiving to our project. Thus, the plan we follow today went into effect. Today Faith Connections, Inc. administers this up-county project serving upward to 300 families. The families must apply for this assistance through the county. This is where Faith Connections get the names. With their program, the chance of families getting multiple deliveries of food and gifts is almost nonexistent. The Lions will be serving 30 families for each holiday. Great Program!

Elsewhere in this issue is a Time Line for the project. Assisting with the Holiday Giving Project this year is, Lions Chris Fletcher who does all the contacting of the families and profiling them, Bob Newlin, who coordinates the non-perishable food drives with the schools and Barbara Barry who is my Co-Chairman.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DELIVERY

Thanksgiving, we will deliver food only to our families; we are offering families a choice of meats this year so when the teams pick up the food to deliver, we will need to take a bit more time to make sure we have the correct meat for each family. Usually each family will have two boxes of food - enough for the Thanksgiving dinner, items for lunches, soups and another meal of pasta etc. We will purchase eggs, milk, butter, bread, potatoes, fruit, onions and the meat. You may sign up to be on a Delivery Team at the November 15 meeting. We will need 10 teams.

CHRISTMAS FOOD AND GIFTS –

Please read carefully as we have made some changes this year.

For Christmas, we will do things a bit different this year. The Tradesmen Motorcycle members are sponsoring a Jingle Bell Blues Toy Run and Concert this year and are collecting toys and money from the participants. Should any Lion like to join the Tradesmen in their motorcycle run, contact Mary Frances for more info. (And, no, I am not riding in the run.) The Tradesmen joined with us last year and do-

nated many nice toys for the children along with a monetary donation. The committee wants to inventory the collection from the Jingle Bell Run before we purchase additional toys for our children. We are asking Lions to bring Stocking Stuffers to the December 6th meeting in lieu of purchasing toys. A list of items needed will be handed out at the November 15th dinner meeting. Also we would encourage Lions to bring mittens and stockings for children, teenagers and adults to the Christmas Party on December 13th and we will decorate a tree with them. A Shopping Team will purchase an outfit for each child spending approx. \$30 per child. We will also purchase a family gift. Again we will pack up to three food boxes for delivery along with the gifts for each family. Check the TimeLine printed elsewhere for specific dates.

Unlike a few of the other organizations involved in the Giving Project, the Lions prefer to deliver the food and gifts to their respective families. It has become a part of experiencing the spirit of the Holidays for us. We encourage you to sign up to support this meaningful project. Should you have any questions, please direct them to Lion Barbara Barry or Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

HOLIDAY GIVING PROJECT TIME LINE

Damascus Lions - 30 - 35 families

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
Nov. 1		Sign up sheets for sorting and delivery Teams for Thanksgiving
Nov. 12		Tradesmen MC Jingle Bell Blues Toy Run & Concert
Nov. 15		Give out Stocking Item List for Lions to purchase
Nov. 17	3:00 PM	Pick up food from Rocky Hill Middle School
Nov. 18	2:00 PM	Pick up food from Damascus High School
Nov. 18	1:00 PM	Sort food and pack boxes at Hyatt B & S
Nov. 19	8:00 AM	Delivery Teams pick up food baskets at and deliver them
Nov. 30		Shopping Spree to purchase clothing for children
Dec. 6		Sign Up Sheets for duties and Delivery Teams for Christmas Delivery
Dec. 13		For the Christmas Party, Lions bring Stockings and mittens
Dec. 14	12 Noon	Pick up food from John T. Baker Middle School
Dec. 14	2:00 PM	Pick up food from NRC
Dec. 14	2:00 PM	Move food to Damascus UM Church
Dec. 14	8:00 PM	Sort food at Damascus UM Church
Dec. 15	Noon to 5 pm	Teams Pack food for families and Wrap gifts at Damascus UM Church
Dec. 16	Noon to 5 pm	Teams Pack food for families
Dec. 17	8:00 AM	Delivery teams pick up food and gifts from Damascus UM Church and deliver to families