

DAMASCUS LION'S TALE



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The President's Message

Fellow lions,

As we celebrate our 67th Charter Night we need to keep in our thoughts those lions who cannot attend: Lion Sue Suddath, Lion Roy Stanley and Lion Lee Sellers. Also, Lion



Carol Stone recently lost her father. Please keep these Lions in your thought and prayers.

A big thank you goes to Lion Mary Frances and her crew for helping with the Damascus Fair. The popcorn is always a big hit. Thanks also to first VP Lion Barbara Barry for filling in for me at the last dinner meeting.

Our fall Pancake Breakfast is fast approaching. Please see Lion Joy Schwab to volunteer.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable evening tonight. We have a lot to celebrate.

KL John

Publicity chair position open

By Lion Alice Denell, VP

We do not yet have a publicity committee chair person. The purpose of the committee is to publicize Lions activities. This is a vitally important position for the club. If anyone can possibly take this over, please see Lion Alice.

Fall White Cane Days Are Coming Soon: November 7-10

By Lion Wayne Marr, Chair

Thank you, all Damascus Lions who have signed up for shifts during our Fall White Cane fundraiser. The current schedule is included in this Lions Tale. This will serve to remind those who already have signed up; and it shows the unassigned shifts for those who wish to add their names. Did I miss getting you scheduled? If so, please see me at this meeting, send me an email (waynemarr@aol.com), or give me a call (301-237-3034. Thanks again

See schedule on page 4.

Next Blood Drive

By Lion Charlie Hertel, Chair

Our blood drive is now scheduled for Friday November 9th 2012. It will be held at Mountain View Community Church from 2 - 7pm. The church is located at 8330 Fingerboard Rd. Frederick, Maryland 21704.

FINISHED POPPIN' AT THE FAIR

By Mary Frances Gosnell, Chair

Working like Lions preparing their den for company, the Friday morning sign-ups had 400 bags of popcorn ready for the schools by ten o'clock; Several were stamping the Lions logo on the bags, 1500 0f them, as we only had 500 ready to be filled; When someone informed us that the schools could not take the popcorn due to a policy of not being able to consumed foods from an outside source. There were a couple of teachers who knew their children and took a huge shopping bag of popcorn back to class and then the Day Care children and adults came through. We had enough popcorn popped to last us through the afternoon. No Lions were scheduled to work from noon till 4 on Friday, so the popper started up for the evening shift. It went nonstop and we gave out approximately 600 bags. It was a hot and humid day!

Saturday, another hot and humid day, was busy from 9 am to 8 pm. Lions staffed the booth in good timing giving out 900 bags to eager fair goers. Mid Morning the Health Inspector arrived only to find the hand washing station not in place next to our booth. The Fair Board Members remedied that so that we could continue. And then around 4 o'clock or so, we had a tornado warning and everyone was called inside. We battened everything down and waited inside for the call to return to our booth. During this time we learned that Lion Sue Suddath made an unexpected trip to the emergency room. She was scheduled to work at 4 in the booth. She was resting comfortably and has since returned home. Saturday evening was a busy one!

We had two people bring used eye glasses, one ask about the blood drive dates and whether she was going to be called, another needed a wheelchair and they were sent to see Lion Tess and another wanted to know where the eye glass collection boxes were around town – had some glasses to donate. Membership Chairman, Lion Chris was actively seeking prospective members. (See page 2)

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Upcoming Events

Oct 9 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.

Oct 16Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church

Oct 20 Pancake Breakfast @ Damascus UM Church

Nov 6 Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church

Nov 7-10 White Cane @ Various locations Nov 13 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros

Nov 16-17 Holiday Giving Project; location TBD Nov 20 Spouse Night @ Wesley Grove UM Church

Birthdays

Lions:

Oct. 1 Donna Beuillet

Oct. 4 Barbara Barry

Oct. 8 Ray Molesworth

Oct. 11 Midge Tench

Oct. 26 Christine Fletcher

Oct. 26 Lee Sellers

Oct. 30 Charlie Stone

Partners-in-Service

Oct. 28 - Tom Kish

Anniversaries

Oct. 2 - Thelma and Lee Sellers

Oct. 3 – Peggy and Ray Sicotte

Oct. 12 - Tori and Matt Tomlinson

Oct. 25 – Marcia and Charlie Holpuch

Oct. 30 - Carol and Ken Cook

News about Members

Please change Ken Cook's email address in your roster book: Kenneth.martin.cook@gmail.com

Fair continued.

Actually Lion Chris talked to five people who may be interested in learning more about Lionism. She has one application out and waiting to hear from another prospect. Sunday, a perfect weather day, found the staffing a bit slim. We popped 600 bags between 10 and 2:30 – multitasking Lions, we were! No time to growl! Had a great crowd of fairgoers and somehow we kept up with the demand.

Thanks to Lion Wayne Marr for transporting the popcorn machine and maintaining it. Thanks to Lions Joy and Warren Schwab, Bob Snapp, Wayne Marr, Sue Suddath, Tom Jackson, Christ Fletcher, Charles and Carol Stone, Alice Denell, Ray Molesworth, Ken Phillips, Jerry Mallack, Bill Mahylis, Midge Tench, Dee and Rusty Reichmeider, Ivan Waldorf, John Washington, Leo President Jonathan Bjordan and Prospective Member Alice Denell's mother for working the booth. These Lions produced approximately 2000 bags of popcorn working over 120 hours for three days at the Damascus Community Fair, the best Fair around! Thanks to all! See picture on page 3.

Zone Chairman Visit

Our Zone Chairman, Sam Hashemi, visited our board meeting this month. In his introduction, he gave us two quotes that influenced his decision to become a Lion. The first, by John F. Kennedy, was "I am certain that after the dust of centuries has passed over our cities, we, too, will be remembered not for our victories or defeats in battle or in politics, but for our contribution to the human spirit."

The second is from Sa'di, the famous Persian poet of 800 years ago, in his poem Oneness of Mankind:

All men are members of the same body, Created from one essence.

If fate brings suffering to one member,

The others cannot stay at rest.

You who remain indifferent to the burden of pain of others,

Do not deserve to be called human.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2012.

Attendees: John Washington, Carol Stone, Marsha Holpuch, Barbara Barry, Tony Barry, Ken Phillips, Tom Jackson, Alice Denell, Mary Francis Gosnell, Tess Gladhill, Joy Schwab, Patricia McKenzie, and Region 1 Zone 1 Chair Sam Hashemi.

Visitations:

Mary Frances Gosnell reported that she completed a Lion's visitation to the South Carol Lioness Club on 8-25-2012.

She also reported that Rusty and Dee completed a visitation to the Hagerstown Lioness Club during August.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Correction to previous meeting minutes: Ken Phillips was present and Del Mayhew was not.

Treasurer's Report:

Review of Budget and Checking Account reconciliation report for month of August 2012. \$6,414.43 International and District Dues have been paid. Approved.

Foundation Report:

Reviewed Statement of Financial position as of August 31, 2012. Celebrate Damascus \$315 Deposits and other credits \$2,186.21 Discussion around balance \$26,335.58 smaller than usual. Approved.

Given upcoming Holiday basket giving, question raised where does the money come in from. Roy Stanley and Bob Snapp pass around Jar at meetings and to community businesses closer to the time.

Voted to sponsor 30 families for both Holidays.

Martin Carr volunteered to collect cell phones.

Mary Frances was interviewed at the Community Fair by the Gazette. Article will need to be placed in the Activity Report.

Secretaries Report:

Zone meeting tomorrow at Potomac Community Center 7pm. Marsha Holpuch agreed to attend. King Lion John introduced Sam Hashemi, Region 1 Zone 1 Chair from Potomac Lion's Club

Sam Hashemi came to America from Iran 30 years ago and read a few poems that motivated him to becoming a Lion.

Old Business:

Community Fair - Other than the Humidity on Friday and the Heavy Rain and Tornado warning on Saturday, 2,000 bags of popcorn were given out. Health Inspector came Saturday and asked to have Hand Washing Station moved closer by. When school buses came on Friday, we were told no food from outside sources to kids. All in all, it was a good event and 5-7 people inquired about membership. Additionally, there was an inquiry about a wheelchair, and an inquiry about the next Blood Drive.

Cake Auction is a big fundraiser for the Community Fair as is the Silent Auction. Sam expressed that Potomac does Silent Auctions as well to raise funds.

We are in need of a publicity Chair.

New business:

Tony received confirmation regarding billing for 3 Leo's Clubs, Damascus, Baker and Rocky Hill.

President of Leo Club Johnathan Bjordan was crowned King of the Fair, he provided considerable help with Ice Cream Dipping and is a good community service kid.

Sue Suddath is ill at home but doing better.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Stone, Secretary



Lions at the Fair.

Fall 2012 Damascus Lions Club White Cane Days!

Day	Shift Time	Location	Lion(s)
Wednesday, Nov 7	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	Julie Sain
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Ray Molesworth
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Barbara Barry
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	Mary Frances Gosnell
Manager: Ken Phillips	5:00pm - 7:00pm	Tom & Ray's	Tom Jackson
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	Tess Gladhill
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Jack Peters
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West	
Thursday, Nov 8	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	Alice Denell
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	
	5:00pm - 7:00pm	Tom & Ray's	
Manager:	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Jack Peters
Bill Mahylis	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West	
Friday, Nov 9	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	George Hibbard
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Tom Jackson
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	John Washington
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	Charlie Hertel
	5:00pm - 7:00pm	Tom & Ray's	
Manager:	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	Bob Snapp
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Warren & Joy Schwab
Del Mayhew	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West	
Saturday,	6:45am – 8:45am	Red Rooster	Bernie Duplan
	7:00am - 9:00am	Tom & Ray's	George Hibbard
	8:15am - 10:15am	CVS	Sue Suddath
Nov 10	8:30am - 10:30am	Safeway East	Charlie Stone
	8:30am - 10:30am	Safeway West	Carol Stone
Manager:	8:45am – 10:45am	Red Rooster	
	9:00am - 11:00am	Tom & Ray's	Gary Rogers
Wayne Marr	10:15am - 12:15pm	CVS	
	10:30am - 12:30pm	Safeway East	Ronnie Poland
	10:30am - 12:30pm	Safeway West	Chris Fletcher
	11:00am - 1:00pm	Tom & Ray's	