



## The President's Message

"Spring has sprung, the grass has rize,I wonder where the flowers is".

Finally spring seems to have arrived. The "death sentence" imposed on Punxsutawney Phil who said spring would come early, has been lifted. The Damascus Lions seem to be warming up as well.



Let's give a big thumbs-up for everyone who helped make March a great month for us. Thumbs-up to Lion Charlie Hertel for leading the Blood Drive. Two thumbs-up for Lion's Sue & Joy for a great Pancake Breakfast! Thumbs-up for those of you who attended the NBC4 Health & Fitness Expo and finally, to Lion's Marcia and Charlie Holpuch for the In-House Auction. Even though I am still stuck with my organ, it was a great success!

Keep being pro-active in talking up the Damascus Lions Club. Tell people who we are and what we do. Let's not be shy about it. Let's rock! Or Roar! We need new members and we need to keep in contact with the ones who are not able to be there with us.

You only have 3 more months with me at the helm. Let's make the most of it.

Thanks, KL John

## Spring Pancake Breakfast & Bake/Craft Table

By Lion Joy Schwab, Co-chair

The Spring Pancake Breakfast and Bake/Craft Table event was held Saturday, March 9, 2013 in the Dining Room at Damascus United Methodist Church from 7-11 a.m. On Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> the set-up helpers made the Dining Room ready. They were Lions Warren Schwab, Tom Jackson, Julie Sain, Joann Woodson, Sue Suddath and Joy Schwab. In the Kitchen helpers were Lions Tom Jackson, Sue Suddath, Warren & 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 Barbara & Tony Barry, Carol Cook, Ann Davis, Barbara Devine, Vicki Dotterer, Donna Feuillet, Chris Fletcher, Mary Frances Gosnell, Charlie & Tammy Hertel, George Hibbard, Charlie & Marcia Holpuch, Tom Jackson, Jerry Mallack, Wayne Marr, Del Mayhew, Ray Molesworth, Jack Peters, Ken Phillips, Gary Rogers, Julie Sain, Joy & Warren Schwab, Roy Stanley, Carol Stone, and Sue Suddath, Midge Tench,

Jennifer Warfield, John Washington, Joann Woodson and Cheryl Wyatt. Damascus High Leos and Baker Middle SGA were Erica Evans, John Paredes, Natalee Sarintra, and Marin Williams. We served 279. Special thanks to those who bought and/or sold tickets.

The Bake/Craft Table received item and/or donations from Lions and Partners in Service were Donna Feuillet, Tess Gladhill, Mary Frances Gosnell, George & Vi Hibbard, Jonnie & Tom Jackson, Helen Mahylis, Jennifer & Ray Molesworth, and Jack & Frann Peters, Ken & Sue Phillips, Julie Sain, and Joy Schwab. Carol's Creations donated flowers to sell. Bake/Craft Table profit was \$268.00.

Total Profit for 2013 Spring Breakfast and Bake/Craft Sale is \$2,150.69. Lions Joy and Sue thank all for whatever you did to help make this be a successful day.

## Health and Fitness Expo

By Lions Chris Fletcher and Jerry Mallack

Five members from our club attended the NBC-4 Health and Fitness Expo on Saturday, March 16: Lions Chris Fletcher, Barbara Devine, Barbara and Tony Barry and Wayne Marr. (See picture on page 5.)

Lion Tony Barry wore our Lions Costume and walked about with the aid of Lion Barbara Barry. Wayne Marr worked on hearing screening, Lion Barbara Devine - vision screening, and Lion Chris Fletcher - registration and greeting visitors.

The Lion walking about the convention floor is always a great hit with the kids young and old!

Several clubs from 22-C worked the morning shift; where attendance was a bit slow in the morning; but picked up as the day went along.

I send forth a hearty "Thanks" to those that took time out of their busy schedule to attend and represent our club in this worthy activity.

LIONS WELL DONE!

## Calendar Correction

The date for the 22C Night was wrong in the schedule in previous editions. It is April 20, not April 26.

## Slate of Officers

Per the by-laws, the slate of officers is presented on page 7.

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June 18 Installation Night: TBA

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**Upcoming Events**

Apr 2 Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church

Apr 9 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.

Apr 16 Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church

Apr 20 22C Night @ Greater Waldorf Jaycees Ctr

May 1-4 White Cane: Various Town Locations

May 7 Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church

May 14 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.

May 13-16 Multiple District Convention @ Salisbury Convention Center

May 21 Youth Night Leo Officer Installation @ Damascus UMC

June 3 Golf Tournament @ Glade Valley Golf Course

June 4 Family Picnic: TBA

June 11 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.

## Birthdays

### Lions:

Apr. 5 - Marcia Holpuch  
Apr. 7 - John Warfield  
Apr. 8 - Cindee Rogers  
Apr. 12 - Alice Denell  
Apr. 18 - Tom Jackson  
Apr. 27 - Barbara Devine  
Apr. 29 - Bill Mahylis

### Partners-in-Service

Apr. 11 - Jennifer Molesworth

### **Anniversaries**

Apr. 12 - Peggy and David Stone  
Apr. 17 - Jerry and Jay Mallack

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## **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

March 12, 2013

Attendees: Tess Gladhill, Carol Stone, John Washington, Vicki Dotterer, Mary Frances Gosnell, Bernie Duplan, Christine Fletcher, Patricia McKenzie, Marcia Holpuch, Joy Schwab, Martin Carr, Ken Phillips

### **Secretaries Report:**

Received several thank you notes

- Gloria F. Pender and Gretchen Derewicz - Enjoyed meeting and learning about our Lions Club activities; especially hearing about Helen Keller's vision
- Ruby Hyatt & Ray Walton, Jr: Thank you for the poinsettias

More dues have come in; several from both this year and last.

Received letter from Kay Boughan about banners in town "Damascus is a community that cares" asking for Lion's to be organization to receive donations & then write check to company once enough funds have come in to pay for the job.

Ron Seibel: Raffle tickets – Charity Raffle \$10/ticket Thirty Chances to win \$4,000 in prizes. Turn in by 22<sup>nd</sup>

Leadership Mar 13 – 16, 2013 (Barbara and Carol to attend). Lions approved to pay \$100 toward registration for each Lion

Convention May 13 – 16 2013 (Mary Frances, Carol, Martin, Marsha). Will Lions pay for some or all? Ray Litton needs by March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Purchased 500 placemats, badges and vest for new member. Additional stamps ordered. Receipts to be turned in

Previous board minutes accepted

### **Treasure's report**

Club: Nothing out of line, Approved

Foundation Report : \$267.00 donation received + mint sales. More money on holiday giving fund. Midge paid for glaucoma: \$216.07. Sue Suddath for 2 Senior parties. \$175 for leader dog program. No student loan payments. \$200 to Damascus Elementary School for last May youth night. CD's are correctly stated; Due in July & September. Approved

March 23, 2013 is Advisory Meeting 11am Fairgrounds (Carol, John, Marsha, and Christine attended); Marsha gave an outstanding speech

### **Pancake Breakfast report.**

Besides Lions, we had help from 2 Leo's and one Lion family member. No scouts assisted this time.

Proceeds included \$268.00 from the bake sale. So far we have netted \$1, 904 as a rough estimate. Should be net least \$2000.

Lion Marcia informed the board that the BSA is asking how we feel about about the BSA policy on gays. Since we sponsor scout troops, she (as past president) received a survey on the issue. The board decided she should respond in accordance with Lions International Policy

The board approved \$100 donations each to the American Cancer Society and Hero Dogs.

Slate of Officers reviewed and presented.

John offered to help Joy with next Pancake breakfast

Tom Van Vliet's wife passed

VP June Edition of Committee Chairs

### **Damascus Days Report**

Tram burned up; owner will not fix. Transportation may be affected.

Flea Market items; yard sale & flyers to vendors. We will do the pancake breakfast again. July 12<sup>th</sup> is parade; flea market is 13<sup>th</sup> of July

Tentative date for Frederick Keys is Tuesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>?

### **Spring White Cane Days: May 1-4, 2014**

By Lion Wayne Marr, chair

Hello, Lions. White Cane days are just one month away. Tonight we begin the shift sign-up. Please put your name down for at least one two-hour shift. As you know, this fundraiser needs the participation of every able-bodied Damascus Lion. Every two shifts bring us enough funds to provide an eye appointment and new glasses for some needy Damascus-area child or adult. As Lion Rusty says in the picture below: "Help the Blind"!

I've made a couple of changes to the usual schedule. I've dropped the weekday evening shifts at Tom and Rays. In their place, I've added a mid-afternoon shift at Safeway.

Also, I've moved the Saturday shifts at Red Rooster to a half-hour later.

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



A look into the “way back” machine (i.e. as far back as this hard drive goes) shows these totals for past auctions:

2008	3,025.50
2009	2,648.00
2010	3,463.00
2011	2,773.00
2012	3,274.00
2013	3,454.00

That's well over \$18,000. A pretty good track record, I think! So plan ahead to join us next year. Save your stuff and bring it to the auction. Results like this are what keeps our dues so reasonable. Thanks to our auction donors, KL John, Lions Holpuchs, Jackson, Mallack, Gosnell, Barrys, Wyatt, Phillips, Rogers, Mayhew, Bellison, Hertel, Carr, Schwabs, Marr, Molesworth, McKenzie, Devine, Hibbard, Stones, Gladhill & Thornett. Thanks, too, to our cash donors, KL John, Lions Gladhill, Fletcher, Burlass & Carr. In spite of all best efforts, KL John still has his organ. Perhaps he can bring it out again next year.

#### Health and Fitness Picture:



#### Going Once, Going Twice... SOLD!!

By Lion Marcia Holpuch, Chair

Our administrative auction was a smashing success again this year. Even though the number of donations and bidders was smaller than recent years, the quality was high and the bids were good. The item with the highest bid was donated by Lion Patricia McKenzie ~ a certificate worth \$450 toward estate planning papers. In need of same, two bidders fought the price up to \$550 at which point Lion Patricia very generously agreed to provide two services to the club. At a combined sale price of \$1,100, her donation became a very significant portion of the evening's proceeds in total. We all may consider going into the jelly business as “Mom Hardy's” jellies sold for a healthy \$16.50 per jar average. Thanks go to our in-house auctioneer, Lion Charlie Holpuch who says that he does better at this auction than any other.

### **A little humor (yeah, I know, precious little)**

A lawyer and a blonde are sitting next to each other on a long flight from LA to NY. The lawyer leans over to her and asks if she would like to play a fun game. The blonde just wants to take a nap, so she politely declines and rolls over to the window to catch a few winks.

The lawyer persists and explains that the game is really easy and a lot of fun. He explains "I ask you a question, and if you don't know the answer, you pay me \$5, and vice-versa." Again, she politely declines and tries to get some sleep.

The lawyer, now somewhat agitated, says, "Okay, if you don't know the answer you pay me \$5, and if I don't know the answer, I will pay you \$500," figuring that since she is a blonde that he will easily win the match. This catches the blonde's attention and, figuring that there will be no end to this torment unless she plays, agrees to the game.

The lawyer asks the first question. "What's the distance from the earth to the moon?" The blonde doesn't say a word, reaches in to her purse, pulls out a five dollar bill and hands it to the lawyer. Now, it's the blonde's turn.

She asks the lawyer: "What goes up a hill with three legs, and comes down with four?" The lawyer looks at her with a puzzled look. He takes out his laptop computer and searches all his references. He taps into the Air phone with his modem and searches the Net and the Library of Congress.

Frustrated, he sends E-mails to all his coworkers and friends he knows. After over an hour, he wakes the blonde and hands her \$500. The blonde politely takes the \$500 and turns away to get back to sleep.

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The lawyer, who is more than a little miffed, wakes the blonde and asks, "Well, so what IS the answer!?" Without a word, the blonde reaches into her purse, hands the lawyer \$5, and goes back to sleep!

Tom, Dick and Harry went to a party. After the party they returned to the hotel. The hotel was 600 stories high.

Unfortunately for them, the elevator was not working. They made a plan for the first 200 stories, Tom will crack jokes.

The second 200 stories Dick will tell a happy story and lastly Harry will tell a sad story. They then started up

the steps. After 2 hours it was Harry's turn. He turned to the other two and said "Ok guys, here's my sad story. I forgot the keys downstairs."

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A Minnesota couple decided to vacation to Florida during the winter. They planned to stay at the very same hotel where they spent their honeymoon 20 years earlier. Because of hectic schedules, it was difficult to coordinate their travel schedules. So, the husband left Minnesota and flew to Florida on Thursday. His wife would fly down the following day.

The husband checked into the hotel. There was a computer in his room, so he decided to send an e-mail to his wife. However, he accidentally left out one letter in her e-mail address, and without realizing his error, he sent the e-mail.

Meanwhile.....somewhere in Houston, a widow had just returned home from her husband's funeral. He was a minister of many years who was called home to glory following a sudden heart attack. The widow decided to check her e-mail, expecting messages from relatives and friends. After reading the first message, she fainted.

The widow's son rushed into the room, found his mother on the floor, and saw the computer screen which read:

To: My Loving Wife

Subject: I've Arrived

I know you're surprised to hear from me. They have computers here now and you are allowed to send e-mails to your loved ones. I've just arrived and have been checked in. I see that everything has been prepared for your arrival tomorrow. Looking forward to seeing you then! Hope your journey is not as uneventful as mine was.

P.S. Sure is hot down here!

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When the graveside service had no more than terminated, there was a tremendous burst of thunder accompanied by a distant lightning bolt and more rumbling thunder.

The little old man looked at the pastor and calmly said, "Well, she's there and it is His problem now."

## SLATE OF OFFICERS

### 2012-2013

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	Tess Gladhill
	Ken Phillips
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Submitted by IPP Vicki Dotterer, PP - M Holpuch, K Phillips, G Rogers, MF Gosnell

12-Mar-13