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#### The President's Message

#### Hello Lions!

October is here! It's my favorite time of the year because the leaves are changing, the weather is cooler and the Damascus Lions celebrate our Charter night on October 7 at the best place in Frederick,



Dutch's Daughter. Did you sign up for a crab cake?? I am looking forward to our speaker, District Governor Kelley Randolph. She is bringing many important people from the District so I am looking forward to an exciting evening.

The Damascus Community Fair was a huge success for the Lions Club. We gave away hundreds of bags of popcorn and came in 4<sup>th</sup> place in the ice cream churning contest! I hope everyone sampled our banana chocolate chip ice cream, Lion Marcia's family's secret recipe! Now we have a blue ribbon and a yellow ribbon.

Break out your Halloween costumes because on October 21 we will dress up for an early Halloween party! Last year Lion Tony and I were Leopards. It's lots of fun so plan on dressing up for the next meeting. I may even hand out some candy.

We have many events coming up including pancake breakfast on October 18, White Cane early November, Thanksgiving Dinner and holiday baskets.

Don't forget to sign up to invite a guest speaker to one of our meetings. I believe we need speakers starting in January. Let King Lion know if you have someone in mind OR you wish to speak. We'd love to hear about your hobbies and interests. We also need Lions to do visitations. All you have to do is visit another Lions club at one of their events and report back to either King Lion or Secretary Marcia.

I know the Damascus Lions provides many services for our community. As the holidays approach us, we need to prepare for our many holiday service projects. We need to think of our community members and those who are less fortunate than we are. We also need to constantly think of our own members- to remind your fellow Lions of upcoming meetings and events. Also keep some of us in your prayers. Remember to <u>Appreciate</u>, <u>Believe</u> in and especially <u>C</u>are for our fellow Lions.

Enjoy this beautiful weather!

KL Barbara

# POST POPPIN' AT THE COMMUNITY FAIR

By Lion Mary Frances Gosnell, Chair

When all is done – the meeting and greeting, the popping and bagging and working thru the heat, threat of storm with winds and a beautiful Sunday, the fair goers know about Free Popcorn and the Damascus Lions. Attendance at the fair seemed a bit sparse on Friday and Saturday while Sunday was good. Twenty Lions assisted with the popcorn project, putting in some 143 hours, using over 1020 ounces of popcorn kernels and seasoning resulting in 1840 bags of popcorn. Our Lions fielded information about the location of our Eye Glass Collection Boxes, how to make an appointment for the blood drive and the exact location, scholarships for students, noted the date of the Pancake Breakfast, did we accept donations of medical equipment and who to contact to borrow medical equipment and asked questions in general. Membership Chairman, Lion Chris Fletcher, talked with several prospects and will follow up on her conversations.

The giveaway was a Jack-O-Lantern Longaberger basket which was won by Tom Kaylor.

Those who participated in the Popcorn Project were Lions Carol Cook, Ann Davis, Chris Fletcher, Sandy Gill, Marcia Holpuch, Tom Jackson, Wayne Marr, Ray Molesworth, Jack Peters, Ken Phillips, Gary Rogers, Dale Ryan, Joy and Warren Schwab, Bob Snapp, Charlie and Carol Stone, Mike Thornett, JoAnn Woodson and Partner-In-Service Fran Peters. Several of you worked multiple times during the weekend. You worked during some very hot days and threatening weather. It was, indeed, my pleasure to work with all of you. Thanks to all. We have again served our community!

#### **Blood Drive**

By Lion Charlie Hertel, Chair

I wanted to report to you a blood drive on Thursday September 18th, 2014 at the DUMC from 1 to 7pm. We collected 31 units of blood with 37 volunteer hours.

This is our first blood drive for the 2014-1015 Lions year.... Thanks to all who help support this drive.

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# **Upcoming Events**

Oct. 7 Charter Night @ Dutch's Daughter – Frederick (Lion Bob Snapp)

Oct 14 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.

Oct 18Pancake Breakfast @ DUMC (Lion Joy Schwab) Oct 21 Dinner Meeting

**Nov 4** Dinner Meeting *ⓐ* Wesley Grove UM Church

Nov 5-8 White Cane Around Town (Lion Wayne Marr)

Nov 11 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.

Nov 18 Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church

Dec 2 Dinner Meeting @ Wesley Grove UM Church

Dec 5 Senior Birthday Party @ Sr Center (Sue Suddath)

Dec 9 Board Meeting @ Gladhill Bros.

Dec 16 Holiday Party – Spouse Night Damascus UM Church

Dec 17 - 20 Holiday Giving Project @Damascus UM Church

#### **Birthdays**

#### Lions:

Oct. 1 Donna Feuillet Oct. 4 Barbara Barry Oct. 8 Ray Molesworth Oct. 26 Chris Fletcher Oct. 30 Charlie Stone

# Partners-in-Service

Oct. 28 - Tom Kish

# Anniversaries

Oct. 3 – Peggy and Ray Sicotte

Oct. 25 – Marcia and Charlie Holpuch

Oct. 30 - Carol and Ken Cook

#### **Club News**

Attention Lions

If you did not prepay your meals, please notify Lion Gary Rogers by the Sunday before a regular meeting if you will be attending the meeting on Tuesday. Lion Gary needs to let the chef know how many people to expect so the proper amount of food is available. If you prepaid for meals, we expect you'll be there. Thank you for your help!!

# Fall White Cane Days: Nov 5-8, 2014

By Lion Wayne Marr, Chair

Hello, Lions. Our Fall White Cane fundraiser begins Wednesday, November 5 and runs through Saturday November 8. That's just four weeks away. In this Lions TaWeybuy Willofund the Signarup sheet as it stands currently.

Those of you who have yet to sign up: There still are several unassigned shifts, as you can see. Please help! 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/Clarksburg-area child or adult. Please review the sign-up sheet in this Lions Tale right now and communicate with me to sign up for a shift. My email is <u>waynemarr@aol.com</u> and my cell is 301-237-3034. Or see me at Charter night. I'll have the signup sheet with me.

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

# Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 9 Sep 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by King Lion (KL) Barbara Barry.

The following Lions were present at the meeting: T. Barry, B. Barry, M. Carr, T. Gladhill, M. Gosnell, M. Holpuch, D. Mayhew, P. McKenzie, R. Molesworth, J. Sain, J. Schwab, W. Schwab, M. Thornett

The minutes of the August meeting were and approved.

**Club Treasurer Report:** Approved. The bank will waive the low balance charge. **Foundation Treasurer Report:** Approved. Of note this month, 2 pairs of glasses were purchased and 2 scholarship checks were reissued.

#### **Treasury Summary:**

|              | Club  | Foundation |
|--------------|-------|------------|
| Income Aug   | 4139  | 1098       |
| Expenses Aug | 606   | 3271       |
| Net Aug      | -3533 | -2173      |

The student loan report was presented. There remain 3 outstanding student loans. One of those will be retired this year with the other 2 continuing and in good standing. The report was approved.

**Secretary Report**: There are still about a dozen members who have not paid dues for this half of the year.

#### **Old Business:**

Note that the club placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the ice cream churning competition this year. We now have a yellow ribbon to go with our blue.

In other Community Fair issues, entries were up this year and Lion Tess was pleased with volunteers who helped with entries and pick ups. Anyone who helped with the fair is encouraged to attend the banquet on October 9. The Lions will present the prizes for most entries by a child and a teen at the banquet. Lion Mary Frances reported that about 1800 bags of popcorn were distributed throughout the weekend – 1,020 ounces. 143 Lion volunteer hours were logged at the popcorn booth. Many questions were answered regarding Lion activities and membership.

## **New Business:**

Lion Mike Thornett reported that there will be a meeting with Faith Connections tomorrow regarding the Holiday Basket program. The county has not yet distributed the master list of eligible families and may not do so on account of confidentiality concerns. (insert frowning face here) He will provide an update of the results of that meeting.

Lion Mike also reported that he continues to work on a fund raiser for youth to benefit Thor Team and the Lions Scholarship program. Thor Team has not received funding this year and is looking for a grant to provide ongoing support. The have an active tutoring program on Monday & Wednesday evenings that has been successful. The casino legislation that would have opened the door for that fund raiser did not pass in the Maryland Assembly, but they did increase the limit that can be won at a Bingo event.

Lion Cindee Rogers has proposed to move our club web site off her server an onto our own space. This will permit multiple people to support making changes to the web site. She will remain our chief web master. This will cost the club \$142 for 3 years of service, payable in advance. The change was approved.

It was reported that Fran Burlas has been released from rehab to her home, made an appearance at the popcorn booth and was looking well. She will be attending Charter Night.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm

Respectfully Submitted, Marcia Holpuch, Secretary

## **Reminder!**

By Lion Joy Schwab, chair

The Lions Club Pancake Breakfast is October 18 at the Damascus United Methodist Church Dining Hall from 7 a.m. - 11 a.m.: Adults - \$9; Children (4-8) - \$4; under 4 free

Lions, we need your help! To volunteer or for more information, contact Lion Joy Schwab (301-253-3294) or Sue Suddath (301-253-3434). The Bake/Craft Table needs donations - cookies, cakes, candies, etc. Bring item(s)/donation(s) to DUMC on Friday, October 17th 1-2 p.m. or Saturday, October 18th 7:00 a.m. or after

Kitchen Helper shifts are Friday, at 11am and Saturday, 5:30am - 9:00 or 9:00 - 11:00am.

Clean up - 11:00 until finished.

#### Shift Time Location Lion(s) Day 11:30am - 1:30pm Tom & Ray's Julie Sain Wednesday 2:00pm - 4:00pm Safeway East Sandy Gill Nov 5 2:00pm - 4:00pm Safeway West Tom Jackson 3:45pm - 5:45pm CVS Ray Molesworth Manager: 4:00pm - 6:00pm Safeway East Ken Phillips Jack Peters 4:00pm - 6:00pm Safeway West Charlie Hertel 5:45pm - 7:45pm CVS Tess Gladhill Safeway East 6:00pm - 8:00pm Tammy Hertel 6:00pm - 8:00pm Safeway West Charlie Hertel 11:30am - 1:30pm Tom & Ray's Thursday 2:00pm - 4:00pm Safeway East Mike Thornett Nov 6 2:00pm - 4:00pm Safeway West 3:45pm - 5:45pm CVS Woody Ward Manager: 4:00pm - 6:00pm Safeway East Julie Sain Tom Jackson 4:00pm - 6:00pm Safeway West Barbara Barry CVS 5:45pm - 7:45pm 6:00pm - 8:00pm Safeway East Warren & Joy Schwab 6:00pm - 8:00pm Safeway West 7:30am - 9:30 am Whipp's Garage Friday 11:30am - 1:30pm Tom & Ray's George Hibbard Nov 7 2:00pm - 4:00pm Safeway East Tom Jackson 2:00pm - 4:00pm Safeway West Manager: 3:45pm - 5:45pm CVS Wood Ward Del Mayhew 4:00pm - 6:00pm Safeway East 4:00pm - 6:00pm Safeway West Mary Frances Gosnell 5:45pm - 7:45pm CVS Safeway East 6:00pm - 8:00pm Tom Ferleman 6:00pm - 8:00pm Safeway West Becky Ferleman 7:00am - 9:00am Red Rooster Charlie & Marcia Holpuch Saturday 8:15am – 10:15am Tom & Ray's George Hibbard Nov 8 8:30am - 10:30am Safeway East Carol Stone 8:30am - 10:30am Safeway West Charlie Stone Manager: 8:45am - 10:45am CVS Wayne Marr 9:00am - 11:00am Red Rooster 10:15am - 12:15pm Tom & Ray's Gary Rogers 10:30am - 12:30pm Safeway East 10:30am - 12:30pm Safeway West 10:45am - 12:45pm CVS

# Fall 2014 Damascus Lions Club White Cane Days!