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The President's Message



March 13th, Damascus Lions Club was well represented at Lion Jim Belcher's funeral. Lion Mary Frances gave a summary of the many offices he had held; all that were possible. His wife, Mary sent a Thank You for

flowers, which we had sent. She is enjoying them.

Thank You to all the Lions, who helped with the Pancake Breakfast, March 18th. It wasn't a record attenders, but it was good. Five Leos from Damascus High School came to help, too. We worked together to make it happen.

March 24th, Lions Warren and Joy went to a Hospice Care, Inc. Meeting. There was a video presentation of One on One Caregiving. Catherine Stahl offered to be a guest speaker to attend our meeting sometime soon.

In House Auction was held March 21st. There were many items, Silent Auction, as well as Auctioned off items were sold.

Lots happening!
King Lion Joy !

MARCH EVENTS

Spring Pancake Breakfast- March 18

'Tis the time of the year for new birth, warming temps and, of course, the Lions Spring Pancake Breakfast. Only this year, the Lions Pancake Breakfast seemed to be like the weather – unpredictable! What is generally our most profitable and well attended breakfast did not occur! The profit from ticket sales is \$ 1,221.47 of which \$200 plus were donations. The Bake Table profit is \$372.75 with \$140 in donations.

There were 20 Lions who gave time for the project, some worked 4 – 5 days to prepare while others worked diligently the day of the breakfast investing an estimate of 164 hours. The DHS Leo club had 4 members who knew how to bus tables and keep the folks happy as well as their Advisor helped us in the dining room. The best we can calculate is that 180 tickets were turned in for those who enjoyed the meal and the sales reflect that; approximately one hundred short of previous years!

Our KUDOS to Joy and Warren Schwab for coordinating the breakfast, getting the groceries, storing and making all the supplies available, pre-preparing some foods and giving of their time and energies to make it a successful fund raiser.

My thought - did you sell any tickets for the breakfast to your family and friends? Did you purchase a ticket for your breakfast? Did you tell your neighbors and the community about the breakfast and about the Lions? Can we continue to put in the energies and time for this kind of profit? There is more to the breakfast than “flipping pancakes”! Getting paid ticket pancake devourers for a start!

Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

Kites Over Clarksburg- Mar 25

It was a beautiful day for the Kites over Clarksburg Festival that took place on Saturday, March 25 and the skies over Ovid Hazen Wells Parks was filled with an array of colors and shapes of all kinds of kites. I ran into old friends Tuck and Eloise Woodfield, who have just returned from their stay in Florida. Eloise sat at the Lions table for a few minutes when I had to step away from the table. Joanne

Woodson also joined me for about an hour in the afternoon to talk to visitors and hand out our Lions Club brochures and flyers on our upcoming Shred Fest. I talked to a group of young ladies who attend Hallie Wells Middle School about The possibility of a Leos Club at the school. Participants of the Festival were asked to bring can food to be donated to Germantown/ Damascus Help or used glasses to be donated to the Damascus Lions Club. We collected 16 pair of glasses.



Lion Chris Fletcher

Preschool Vision Screening- March 27

Lions Chris Fletcher and Wayne Marr assisted Lion Ken Phillips at Damascus United Methodist Church with Preschool Vision Screening. During the screening, 14 children had their vision checked and all passed the test. The results were provided to the school director to be sent to the parents. Three additional screening sessions are being planned for April before returning the screening instrument to LCOF. Thanks to Chris and Wayne for their help.

Lion Ken Phillips

Upcoming Events:

Spring White Cane Days- April 26-29

Hello, Lions. Our Fall White Cane fundraiser begins Wednesday, April 26 and runs four days through Saturday, April 29. It's a week earlier than previous years due to a change in Safeway's internal fundraiser schedule. For those of you attending our Club's April 4th meeting, you will see the signup sheet as it is passed around the tables. A copy of the signup sheet is also included in this Lions Tale for those of you not at the meeting. (See schedule below). Please put your name down for at least one two-hour shift. Also, anyone may call or text me (301-237-3034) or email me (waynemarr@aol.com)

at any time to sign up for a 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. This past March, we helped four such individuals!

We have eliminated our two Saturday shifts at Red Rooster in favor of two additional Friday shifts at Safeway. Also, we've move our one Clarksburg Liberty shift a week earlier to accommodate Lion schedules.

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

Lion Wayne Marr

2017- 2018 Damascus Lions Club Slate of Officers

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1 year Director	Marcia Holpuch
2 year Director	Julie Sain
3 year Director	Ann Davis
Immediate Past President	Joy Schwab

Day	Shift Time	Location
Mon Apr 17	7:30am – 9:30am	Clarksburg Liberty
Wednesday April 26	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West
Thursday April 27	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West
Friday April 28	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West
Saturday April 29	8:15am – 10:15am	Tom & Ray's / Smokehill BBQ)
	8:30am - 10:30am	Safeway East
	8:30am - 10:30am	Safeway West
	8:45am - 10:45am	CVS
	10:30am - 12:30pm	Safeway East
	10:30am - 12:30pm	Safeway West
	10:45am - 12:45pm	CVS
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Multiple 22 Lions Convention

The Multiple 22 Lions Convention will be held in Gettysburg from May 15 – 18. Our club can have 6 to vote at the convention. You can go for one day, several days or the entire time. You need to register no matter how long you attend. There will be a golf tourney, seminars, meetings, social time, banquets, district meetings and a great time to meet old and new friends.

We send all our registrations in together as seating for the Multiple Banquet is by registration. Registration is due April 15. Lion Mary Frances has more information on the convention as well as registration forms.

Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

Visitation Program

The Club has reached our goal of qualifying for the visitation portion of the District Governor's Five Star Award. We have also qualified to receive the Governor's Special Recognition award for visitations because our visitation credits exceed 50% of the Club membership at the beginning of this Lions year. Thank you to every Lion who participated in the visitation program this year.

Lion Ray Molesworth

Time to Celebrate

April Birthdays:

Marcia Holpuch	4/7
Cindee Wolford	4/8
Tom Jackson	4/18
John Ampiah-Addison	4/24

Partners in Service

Jennifer Molesworth	4/11
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April Anniversaries:

None

Upcoming Events

April 4- Dinner Meeting/ Wesley Grove UM Church

April 11- Board Meeting / Gladhill Bros

April 15 – Valley Park Road Cleanup 9 am for more information contact Lion Tony Barry @Daniel8Barry@gmail.com

April 18- Dinner Meeting/ Wesley Grove UM Church

April 22 – Shred Fest for more information contact Lion Julie Sain @Juliesain@aol.com

April 22 – 22C Night- for more information contact Lion Marcia Holpuch @ mk.holpuch@gmail.com



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Feb/Mar Board Minutes

Board Meeting Minutes – 3/21/17

The meeting was called to order by King Lion Joy Schwab at 5:30. This meeting was called to address several issues that would have been covered at the March meeting that was canceled due to weather. Attending were KL Joy Schwab, Lions Warren Schwab, Tom Jackson, Del Mayhew, Mary Frances Gosnell, Ken Phillips, Martin Carr, Julie Sain, Charlie Hertel, George Hibbard and Barbara Barry.

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer reports was postponed until the next regular board meeting.

Secretary Report

The club portion of the proceeds from the Damascus Art Festival were received and amounted to \$1400.00. Because of declining exhibitors, the festival will not be held next year.

Thank you notes were received from the following:

- Camp Merrick for our donation of \$1400.00
- Lion Mary Belcher for our support at Jim's services

Lion Tom reported that there still 4 members whose dues are in arrears. Additional information will be brought to the next board meeting for action.

Committee Reports

The 22-C Night Committee reported a request for a \$25.00 gift for the District Governor. It was moved, seconded and approved.

The club ad page for the Community Fair Booklet was approved and it was pointed out that the rules for our participation awards have been changed to spread the awards to more students.

Old Business

There were several requests for donations that are included in the Community Support Budget Item. The following items were proposed, seconded and approved:

- Special Olympics - \$250.00
- Hospice Caring - \$200.00
- Damascus Heritage Society - \$250.00

Kenny Sue Robertson at Damascus United Methodist Church has served as our kitchen manager for several pancake breakfasts. To show our appreciation, a gift card of \$70.00 for the Monocacy Crossing Restaurant was approved by the board.

New Business

The club participation in the LCI Centennial Celebration was discussed. There is a new banner being purchased to commemorate the centennial. For a community project, Lion Tom Didone was contacted and he suggested that we do some painting at the skate park. That effort is going to be investigated. Another effort will be to get the LEO club at Clarksburg High School charter this year. It was moved, seconded and approved to authorize \$2000.00 for support of the Centennial Calibration. Another item discussed was the purchase of centennial badges for the club members. This will be brought up at the next dinner meeting. The badges are \$12.00 for pin badges and \$14.00 for magnet badges.

A call to adjourn was made and approved.

Respectfully Submitted, Tom Jackson