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The President's Message



I want to start by thanking IPP John for his service to the club this past year and congratulations to all for the great achievements that were made this year, especially for attaining the District 22-C 5-star award. And I also want to thank all the Lions who have accepted to serve on the Board of Directors for the upcoming year.

It will take everyone in our club to make our service to the community successful. I look forward to working with all of you.

I hope that I can continue to build the Club's presence in the community. This year I would like to implement ways to help Damascus Help. When you attend a dinner meeting, I would like for each of you to bring an item for the DH pantry. (There is a Food Donations List included elsewhere in this Lions Tale issue.) I know that DH is looking for additional volunteers, especially transportation drivers to get people to and from appointments, and people who have access to a truck who can help to move furniture.

There is always a need in the community. Along with what we are already doing, I would like to find new ways that we as "The Damascus Lions Club" can serve this community. If you have ideas on how we can achieve this goal, let me know, because - Together "We Serve" Better.

Our busy summer schedule is upon us. Celebrate Damascus is July 13 and 14. Lion Tess will need help on Thursday, July 12 with marking off spaces for the Flea Market. The Parade is on July 13. Lion Roy has graciously agreed the use of his wagon for our float in the Parade. The theme this year is *All We Need Is Love*. The Pancake Breakfast and the Flea Market are on July 14. Lion Mary Frances and Lion Chris need volunteers for both of these activities. We have booked Tuesday, July 31 for Damascus Lions Night Out at the Keys game. Ask family and friends to join in on a fun night out. See Lion Tess for tickets. August is a busy month for Lions Charlie and Tammy. We have the Ice Cream Dipping at the Montgomery County Ag Fair. Our day for dipping will be

Tuesday, August 14. We will also need volunteers to clean-up the Dairy Barn. Clean-up day is on Saturday, August 4. Don't forget about the Blood Drive on Thursday, August 23. And then in September, we have the Damascus Community Fair. The fair will be September 7 through 9. Lion Mary Frances will need volunteers to help give out our famous Free Popcorn. We are in need of a hand-cranked ice cream maker, if we want to participate in the ice cream making contest. Our previous ice cream maker moved to Delaware along with the Phillips'.

As you can see, we have a busy time ahead of us. So let's get the new Lions year started with a loud roar. And remember - Together "We Serve" Better.
King Lion Chris

JUNE EVENTS

INSTALLATION NIGHT- JUNE 19

The Damascus Lions Club enjoyed another Installation Night at Montgomery Country Club in Laytonsville. We want to thank DG Carl Vettel for installing our 2018-2019 officers. Congratulations to the following Lions for receiving a special award:

KUZIAC LIONS YOUTH FOUNDATION FELLOWS

Barbara Barry
Marcia Holpuch
Charlie Holpuch
Mary Frances Gosnell



HYATT TROPHY AWARD

Tess Gladhill



LOVRNET CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION and PIN
Wayne Marr

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION CERTIFICATE OF FOR MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHP PARTICIPATION

Charlie and Carol Stone



The Damascus Lions were also recognized for.../ awarded the following:

MARYLAND SPECIAL OLYMPICS CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION and PIN
Recognizing our donation

5 STAR, GOVERNORS SPECIAL RECOGNITION and GOVERNORS EXCEPTIONAL CLUB AWARDS

THE CENTINIAL SERVICE AWARD and KUZIAC YOUTH FOUNDATION in the form of Banner Patches

Congratulations to all of the Damascus Lions!

Upcoming Events:

PANCAKE BREAKFAST- JULY 14

The Pancake Breakfast Committee is planning for a breakfast on July 14 - Celebrate Damascus Days. You, the Lions and Partners-In-Service did a great job in promoting the breakfast in April. Can you repeat that effort again? We need to put signs in lawns the Sunday before, we have available flyers to post at churches and businesses and we have tickets ready for you to pre-sell. Our goal is to sell 250 tickets!

A Sign-up Sheet will be available for you, your Partner-In-Service, your family and friends to tell us where all would like to help with the Pancake Breakfast. We need help on Friday to prepare food and to set up the dining room, we need help from 5:30 am to 11:30 pm on Saturday in the kitchen, dining room, bake table and sales area. Keeping in mind that the Lions Flea Market will be at the same time on Saturday and it is vacation time for some, it becomes imperative to mark your calendars now for Lions time to do the cooking, pouring beverages, cleaning tables, washing dishes, cleaning up etc. You can always email Mary Frances and tell the times and jobs you would like to do.

So, we ask all to give some time to Lions Work on July 13 and July 14. Thanks! Any questions or thoughts, please contact Lion Mary Frances - mgosnelldamascuslions@gmail.com

Flea Market- July 14

THE FLEA MARKET HELP!!!!!! Looking for HELP!!!!!! at the Damascus Days Lions Club Flea Market on Saturday July 14, 2018. If you can volunteer any amount of time to HELP!!!!!! set up 6 AM to 9 AM. If that doesn't work HELP!!!!!! is needed 9 AM -4 PM to man the Lions Club booth or HELP!!!!!! to tear down & clean up after 4 PM. If you have items to donate to the

booth or if you are cleaning the house, closets, basement or garage and want to rent a space or two at the flea market for a little extra jingle in your own pocket the forms are available online at our website or see Tess or King Lion Chris.

Keys Game – July 31

Take me out to the ballgame-Let's go watch the Nats & Orioles play ball- Well sort of. Its the Potomac Nationals & the Frederick Keys, their minor league teams. The date is Tuesday July 31, 2018 at 7pm. Invite family, friends or anyone that you can think that would enjoy spending time with us Lions. We will sit as a group as we have in the past. Tickets are \$12 per person & Tess will have the tickets. It is a Guaranteed Win Tuesday- If KEYS would happen to lose that night, then you can redeem your ticket for a future Monday - Thursday night game at the Box Office at Harry Grove Stadium, so you may even get to see two games for the price of one ticket, but we have been good luck for the Keys in the past and have seen some winning performances



Time to Celebrate

July Birthdays:

Rick Kendall	7/4
Joy Schwab	7/13
Bob Snapp	7/18

Partners in Service

Viola Hibbard (George)	7/6
Peggy Sicotte (Ray)	7/8

July Anniversaries:

Ray & Jennifer Molesworth	7/1 (46 yrs)
Vahe & Barbara Aghamalian	7/28 (34 yrs)

Upcoming Events

July 3 – Picnic at Lion Barbara & Tony's House,
13 Faith Court, Damascus

July 10 - Board Meeting / Gladhill Bros

July 13 – 14- Celebrate Damascus Days

July 13 – Damascus Days Parade for more
information contact Lion Tess Gladhill
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July 14 – Pancake Breakfast for more information
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July 31- Lions Night Out at the Keys game for more
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June Board Minutes

Attendees: Del Mayhew, Barbara Barry, Tess Gladhill, John Washington, Mary Frances Gosnell, Chris Fletcher, Jenny Redifer-Allen, Julie Sain, Joe Howerton, Joy Schwab, Warren Schwab, Martin Carr, Marcia Holpuch,

Meeting called to order at 7PM

Minutes Approved with revision to add that the club purchased flowers for the American Legion Memorial Day Service.

Treasurer's Report

Lions Del Mayhew and Mary Frances Gosnell presented and reviewed the club and foundation P&L and bank statements. Board approved as presented.

Secretary's Report

Letters read to the club from Thor Teams for a \$50.00 donation, Woodfield Elementary for a book donation and scholarship recipient Andrew Sherwood thanking us for selecting him for scholarship.

Committee Reports

A brief overview was provided by the Secretary. Details of committee reports from Wayne Marr were not available during the meeting but are included in minutes.

Committee: Sight Conservation 05/18

Five cases completed (invoices received) during May, 2018. Three were from one family; a mother and two children. One Germantown case to the Laytonsville Club. There are five other current cases in process; invoices have not been received. These in-process cases could amount to June expenditures of \$500; give or take.

17/18 Budget – (\$2,500) 17/18 Expended Fiscal Year to Date: (\$1,353) (12 cases)

(details of each case available on request)

Committee: White Cane 05/18

Last month's report stated that we collected \$1,869.93 during our Spring White Cane fundraiser (April 25-28). To this amount, certain additions came to light in May: a counting error in our favor = \$10.68; a discovery that an entire shift had not been counted = \$87.00; and the addition of \$725.50 collected in the name of White Cane at the Shredfest held on May 5. So, our new total for the Spring 2018 White Cane fundraiser is \$2,693.11.

17/18 Budget – +\$4,00 17/18 Collected Fiscal Year to Date: +\$4,627.23 (October 2017 Collection of \$1,934.12; plus April 2018 Collection)

Committee: LOVRNET 05/18

I thought you should know that I am now a volunteer for LOVRNET. I don't know if other members of the club and also performing LOVRNET duties. My job is to perform phone interviews with patients prior to their Low Vision appointments with the Wilmer Eye Institute at Johns Hopkins. The objective of the interviews is to give the doctors some advance clues as to the need for ordering low vision occupational therapy for the patients. All questions are dictated by a computer system and I record simple answers into the computer system. It is a very ugly software system. I receive interview assignments by email from a LOVRNET person: Lion Clare Newcomer. I've received two assignments over the past 30 days or so.

Pancake Breakfast

We will have sign up sheets for signing up at the next meeting for the July 14th pancake breakfast. Electrical solutions is providing a coupon on the tickets. In discussion with the kitchen manager the club does not owe any rent but they do need some utensils and buckets. Mary Frances suggested the club buy them. The board approved spending \$250 to assist the church with these supplies.

Barbara and Tony is having a picnic July 3rd, this will be the club meeting.

Tuesday July 31st meeting is Key's game. Tickets \$12

Parade Friday July 13th "All We Need Is Love" is the theme. Volunteers needed for Flea Market and Pancake Breakfast.

Board determined that donations to Lions Club received in honor of Fran Burlas would be donated to LCI.

Membership Committee

Overview of meeting at Leisure world by Julie Sain. Julie reviewed efforts by Kevin Curran of Laytonsville and other groups that have been successful. Club should look into a cub club at Damascus Elementary.

August Calendar

Aug 7th – Montgomery United Methodist

8/14 – Ice Cream Dipping

8/21 Board Meeting

Budget Approvals

Open discussion of the club budget led by Del Mayhew. Budget was approved as presented.

Mary Frances Gosnell reviewed the foundation budget. Reviewed change from prior year with the board. Board approved as presented.

Mary Frances Gosnell mentioned that there are three organizations that have been supported by the club previously. Friends of the Library \$250 Damascus Heritage Society \$250 and Hospice House \$200. Board approved continuing to support these organizations.

New Business

It has been mentioned that the club should do more service. Some suggestions include medicine take back day or to sponsor locked medication boxes.

"Medical message in a bottle" printed plastic containers that sit inside refrigerator door. Noted that fire department does this so maybe club can support vs. starting our own program.

Other suggestions include a Lions scholarship to Galludet.

Red Cross has a program to provide smoke detectors at no cost.

The board discussed whether the club will consider helping someone that is diabetic and sometimes homeless. It was decided that due to unknown ongoing need and cost the club would not pursue providing this assistance.

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Meeting adjourned 8:00PM



Food Donations List



If you or your organization would like to donate items for the Damascus HELP Food Pantry, please consider donating items from the following list. These are the basic non-perishable items that Damascus HELP provides to clients that request food. Please check the expiration dates of the food. We cannot give our clients items that have expired. Gift certificates to Weis or Safeway grocery stores are also appreciated. Please call 301-253-4100 (Damascus HELP Hotline) to coordinate getting the items to the food pantry. Thank you so much for helping those in need in our local community!

- 2 lb bags of flour
- 2 lb bags/boxes of sugar
- Spaghetti sauce
- Pasta or rice
- Canned tomatoes
- Baked/canned beans
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruits
- Canned meats (tuna, chicken, etc.)
- Cereals (cold or hot)
- Instant coffee (less than 3oz)
- Tea bags
- Peanut butter (medium jars)
- Jelly (small jars)
- Baby food
- Powdered milk (prefer 1 qt packets)
- Soups
- Instant or canned potatoes
- Mac & cheese boxes
- Laundry detergent