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## The President's Message

*Gratitude can transform common days into thanksgivings, turn routine jobs into joy, and change ordinary opportunities into blessings.*  
William Arthur Ward



Veterans Day and Thanksgiving are at the top of my list. Although, I am not a veteran, I know a lot of good folks in my life who were. My Father and Charlie's Father were both veterans. Charlie's Dad, Eugene T. Stone's favorite line was "What the Heck". Not sure where that came from, but he was a great member of the American Legion. From

which he received many awards and his American Flag. My Father, Robert L. Beck was in a Submarine fleet in the United States Navy. Both Charlie's Dad and mine were 2 great Veterans that I can be proud of. I am sure there are many Veterans in our Club that served as well. I am proud of all our Veterans that have served to keep us safe and free.

As for Thanksgiving, we have a lot to be thankful for. First and foremost, we serve and support the Damascus Lions Club in one of the greatest clubs in America today, Lions Club International. Every one of us serve and support others that need assistance with vision, hearing, diabetes, food, clothing, etc. If there is any club that supports our community in any way possible, it would be our, Damascus Lions Club. Based on our re-scheduled Golf Tournament October 19, 2020 Lions Charlie and Tammy Hertel pulled off another great Fundraiser.  
QL Carol Stone

## OCTOBER EVENTS

### 75th ZOOM CHARTER NIGHT- Oct 6

It truly was a ZOOM of a night!!

Some 42 were in attendance not counting the partners-in-service who were lurking in the shadows!

Our pleasure was cherished by the attendance of Past International President Clem Kusiak from District

22- A, Past International Director Joe Gaffigan from District 22-C, District 22-C Governor Ruth Moses and her cabinet. Lion Clem and Lion Joe were impressed and especially remarked upon recognizing our members!

We hope that you will enjoy the 75th History Booklet as well as the 75th Calendar! Thank you to all of you who purchased the 75th commemorative Lions shirt. It is recommended that we wear them whenever we are out and about on Lions missions and work. Also, there is a banner that can be used at all Lions events commemorating our 75 years. It is housed at Gladhills. We have pens for distribution at your events as well.

Many of our members gave many hours in preparation of the Kick-off of celebrating 75 years of service to our community. Thank you to all for your time, energies and resources! And for attending a milestone Charter Night! Looking forward to a year of celebration! It takes members to energize a Lions Club – It takes a Lions Club to energize its members! WE SERVE!

Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

### RECOGNITIONS AT CHARTER NIGHT

What is a good definition of Recognition?

Acceptance, Appreciation, Congratulations, Gratitude, Pat On The Back, Respect, Understanding, Job Well Done!

Could be one or several or all of the above!

Nevertheless, the person, the action and/or the purpose is worthy of Recognition!

And that is our purpose for a Charter Night!

Our 75<sup>th</sup> Charter Night was no exception.

Congratulations to the recipients.

Years of Service - 50 years, **Lion Bob Snapp**

Emerson Slacum Community Service Award - **Lion Charlie Hertel**

Kusiak Youth Foundation - **Lions Michael Thornett and Lauren Holbrook**

Lion of the Year – **Lion Marcia Holpuch**

Lion of the Years – **Lion John Washington**

Melvin Jones Recipients – **Lions Barbara Barry, Daniel Barry, Tammy Hertel, Sue Suddath**

International Presidents Certificate of Service – **Lion Mary Frances Gosnell**

### QL Carol's Poem for November

Today, was Glade Valley, 7am was my time to arrive.

With a whirlwind of competitor's, the Golf Park came alive.

Check-in with Tammy Hertel first, is your team all here?

\$100 for a round or golf, \$125 for all, let's just be clear.

Next in line is Chris Fletcher, 2 drink tickets and a raffle,

Mulligan's, 5 for \$20 or 1 for \$5, only needed in a snaffle.

50-50 chances are \$5 for an arm's length or \$10 for two

Brown bag of goodies, Pin if you played last year is clue.

Doughnuts and coffee are inside while you wait for all,

Please wear a mask, Charlie Hertel will soon give the call.

All were excited to play and the weather was just right.

Not too cold and no dampness throughout the night.

The tournament was still on when I needed to leave.

It seemed it would be fun and many were quite pleased.

All funding was collected and all teams were in place.

I heard it was a great time for all with lunch and prizes too.

Thanks to all who participated. What a great way to gain.

Special funding for Damascus Lions Club without any pain.



## ROAD CLEANUP- October 24

On Saturday October 24, three members of the Damascus Lions Club and two Boys Scouts, Nick and Becky, participated in the road cleanup of our adopted road, Valley Park road. The following members participated in the event Lions Marcia Holpuch, Barbara Barry and myself, Tony Barry. We collected 4 large bags of trash. Our next clean up will be Dec 12. Lion Daniel A. (Tony) Barry



## Fall 2019 DAMASCUS GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Golf Tournament was rescheduled for October 19. As of October 23, its profit was \$6370. A full report will be in the December Lion Tale.



## LIONS MASQUERADE PARTY

The Masquerade Party was CANCELLED due to low registration.

HOBGOLINS SCARED IT AWAY! BEWARE!

## 2020-2021 Visitations

The District 22C Five Star Award is given to clubs who fulfill all requirements as set forth in the District 22C Roster Book. The club is required to accumulate enough visitation points equal to or greater than 50% of the club's membership. This year our club needs 27 points. Visitations are encouraged to enable Lions to exchange ideas with other clubs, both within and outside District 22-C. A Visitation is defined as attendance at another Club's regular meeting, another Club's Zone meeting, or another Club's Charter Night, fundraiser, or Social event.

District 22C did not make any modifications to the visitation requirement in light of the pandemic. I am reporting any Zoom meeting attended by Damascus Lions as a visitation credit. I am not going to ask any Lion to make an in-person visitation because of COVID-19 which seems to be getting worse. If you decide to make a visitation in person or via Zoom, please let me know. Remember club meetings, socials and fund raisers all count as a visitation. Any additional meeting information received will be forwarded.

I have found the following fruit sales by Lions Clubs. If a Damascus Lion makes a fruit purchase from one of these clubs it will count as a visitation.

Lion Ray Molesworth

### Laytonsville Lions 2020 Fruit Sale

These delicious fruit collections are a wonderful way to bring a little tropical sunshine into your winter. Our delivery day this year is Saturday, December 5, 2020. We deliver to most locations in Montgomery County, MD. If you live outside of our delivery area, you can arrange for a date to pick up your order in Laytonsville. Orders are due by Thursday, November 12. You can contact us at 240-813-8444 or [fruit@laytonsvillions.com](mailto:fruit@laytonsvillions.com) with any questions.



## Freedom District Lions Club (Sykesville) Fruit Sale

Call (410) 549-5466 option #7 or go to [floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1013061](http://floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1013061) The ordering deadline in 11/13/2020. The fruit pick-up dates are Saturday, December 5 and Sunday, December 6th from 9:00 AM - 5:00PM at the Sykesville Freedom District Fire House.

## Upcoming Events

### HOLIDAY GIVING PROJECT 2020

Due to Covid, the Holiday Giving Project will take on a new angle.

Faith Connections, the organizer of the area project, suggests we assist our families however it is suitable for us – emphasizing Gift Cards!

Our Holiday Giving Committee has decided to take 25 families and to send them Gift Cards for food and clothes. The Gift Cards will be mailed Certified Mail with return receipt to ensure the families receive them.

We estimate the project to cost \$5,000. Should you wish to make a contribution to the Holiday Giving Fund, please send it to Lion Bob Snapp, 101 Country Trail, Fairfield, PA 17320, Chairman of the Holiday Giving Fund.

We sure will miss our many years of the giving of food, toys and clothes, making personal contact with the families and the camaraderie that comes with all the 2 month preparation. We look forward to a more normal personal interaction with our families next

year as well as all the spirit of the Lions working together for the good of mankind!

Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

### *Dave Allen's Memorial Service*

Several Lions attended the memorial service for Partner-in-Service Dave Allen on October 25.



### Damascus Help Needs our Help

The following food items are needs to stock the pantry at Damascus Help.

- 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



A few  
photos from  
the Golf  
Tournament



## Time to Celebrate

### November Birthdays:

Mary Frances Gosnell	11/4
Tess Gladhill	11/6
Dale Ryan	11/10
Mike Thornett	11/12
Tammy Hertel	11/17

### Partners in Service

Fran Peters (Jack)	11/4
Jessica Holpuch (Nick)	11/10
Jonnie Jackson (Tom)	11/21

### November Anniversaries:

Charlie & Carol Stone	11/22 (23 yrs)
Wayne & Bobbie Marr	11/30 (1 yr)



## Upcoming Events

**Tues., Nov 3** - 6:45pm, Dinner meeting via Zoom - Remember to VOTE TODAY!

**Wed., Nov 11** - 6:30pm, Board Meeting via Zoom

**Sat., Nov 14-** 10am – 1pm Cans & Coats Drive, DUMC Parking Lot, for more info contact Lion Barbara Barry at [barrybar24@gmail.com](mailto:barrybar24@gmail.com) or Lion Chris Fletcher [chriswFletcher@verizon.net](mailto:chriswFletcher@verizon.net)

**Tues., Nov 17** - 6:45pm, Dinner meeting via Zoom

**Sat., Nov 21** – 9 am – noon, Skate Park Renovations, for more info contact Lion Tony Barry at [daniel8bary@gmail.com](mailto:daniel8bary@gmail.com)

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