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The President's Message



It is always a great feeling to be a Lion. Lately, it seems as though it feels especially great to be a DAMASCUS LION, given the preparations and excitement surrounding our October 2nd Charter Night celebration. We are celebrating 75 wonderful years of service to the Damascus and surrounding community. Because the Club

started immediately at its birth with its first Charter Night in 1946, on our 75th birthday we are celebrating our 76th Charter Night.

Your Club had the vision over a year ago to create a 75th Committee and to appoint Lion Mary Frances Gosnell as its chairperson. Mary Frances asked for and received a budget for the committee, every penny of which was contributed by Lions themselves; no public funds were used. During the past year, the 75th Committee supported various activities of the Club. Now, on October 2nd, we arrive at THE BIG EVENT: our Charter Night dinner and celebration. While all committee members contributed, Lion Mary Frances has invested a huge chunk of her past year into this singular event. How extraordinary she is and how lucky we are to have her in our club leadership!

Our 76th Charter Night will be a most memorable celebration and a credit to all members of our Club, past and present. We expect well over 90 attendees! A Past International President and two Past International Directors will be participating! And who will be our emcee for this event? You got it – Lion Mary Frances Gosnell.

Every Lion in our Club makes an important contribution to its success in supporting our community. Just look at the committee assignments in our Membership Roster book. We

are all about service; we get that. It's great to be a part of this club. Happy 75th Birthday, Damascus Lions Club!

-KL Wayne Marr

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

DAMASCUS LIONS ARE BACK!

Tuesday, September 7 the Damascus Lions Club had our first meeting at Wesley Grove United Methodist Church in over 18 months! It was great to be back, great to be together and definitely great to be fed by the wonderful church volunteers.



POPCORN AT THE DAMASCUS COMMUNITY FAIR

"Twas a beautiful weekend to be working outside and serving the community thru the Damascus Community Fair. The Fair is celebrating 75 years of tying together our community thru agriculture, homemaking, farm animals and friendly competition. The Damascus Lions was an integral part of that in sharing free popcorn with all the fair goers. The Fair Board overcome a great feat with Covid in making the fair a great one! The Lions served 1350 bags of popcorn during the three day event with 10 Lions assisting. We talked to the fair goers about where our eye glass collection boxes are located, how to borrow as well as donate hospital equipment and what do we do as Lions. Membership Chair Lion Chris did a great job talking to fair goers about Lionism and how they could be a part of our organization.

Although several Lions put in long hours all three days, there is one "Lion" that was the pride of the pack! "Lion" Frann Peters worked three solid days having people wash their hands, giving out popcorn and talking to the fair goers. She was a true "Lion"! Amazing! Thank you Frann! We need more Lions to participate in this event to make it happen another year. Give the Board some feedback as to your opinion of this event. Do we want to continue serving the fair goers freshly popped popcorn? And if so, can we depend on you to help with the event? Lion Mary Frances Gosnell



Pictured: The Fair Queen Abigal Worth and Princess Rosie Kuszewski. Frann Peters and Mary Frances also pictured.

STORAGE

Our Club's many materials are currently stored in various Lions' homes and at Gladhill Tractor. If it's within our means, a consolidation of these materials in one controlled-climate environment would be very helpful. Before the board is asked to consider commercial storage options, you are hereby being asked to provide any suggestions you may have for mitigating our storage problem at a lower cost than a full-price commercial option. Please send them to me by phone or email before October 13. Thanks!

October Pancake Breakfast

Lions Pancake Breakfast scheduled for Saturday, October 23, has been cancelled! Look forward to having a Spring one.

Fall 2021 Damascus Lions Club White Cane Days!

Day	Shift Time	Location	Lion(s)
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Vahe Aghamalian
Wednesday Oct 27	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	Chris Fletcher
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East	Mary Frances Gosnell
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West	Joe Howerton
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Bob Ippolito
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Jack Peters
Manager:	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	
Del Mayhew	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	Tessie Gladhill
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Marcia Holpuch
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West	
Thursday Oct 28	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Chris Fletcher
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East	
Manager: Tom Jackson	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West	
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Don Stallworth
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Barbara Barry
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway West	
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Charlie Stone
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West	Carol Stone
Friday Oct 29	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	
	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway East	Bob Newlin
Manager: Wayne Marr	2:00pm - 4:00pm	Safeway West	Bob Snapp
	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	Tammy Hertel
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway West	Charlie Hertel

Time to Celebrate

October Birthdays:

Barbara Barry 10/4*
Ray Molesworth 10/8*
Lauren Holbrook 10/25*
Chris Fletcher 10/26*
Charlie Stone 10/30

Significant Birthday!

Partners in Service

Angie Howerton (Joe) 10/5

October Anniversaries:

Tom & Gail Powell 10/10 (34 yrs) Charlie & Marcia Holpuch 10/25 (41 yrs)

Upcoming Events

October 2 (Saturday) – Charter Night DVFD Activities Building, 6:00pm

October 9 – Road Clean up- for more information contact Lion Tony Barry daniel8barry@gmail.com, 9am

October 11- Lions Golf Tournament, Shotgun Start – 9:00 a.m. Glade Valley Golf Club, 10502 Glade Road, Walkersville MD 21793 for more information contact Lion Charlie Hertel @ chtelco@aol.com

October 13 - Board Meeting, Gladhill Brothers, 7 pm

October 19 – Dinner meeting, Wesley Grove UMC, 6:45 pm

October 23 — Pancake breakfast, Damascus UM Church, 6 am Cancelled



Lion's Tale

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