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## **The President's Message**



I hope everyone had a wonderful Labor Day, the symbolic and bittersweet end of summer. Time now to enjoy cool, crisp mornings, deep blue skies and our great fall

festivals. This is also the perfect time to reconnect with each other and to rededicate ourselves to service. Our first September dinner meeting will be our annual club photo so we're hoping for a great turnout! It is also requested that you bring your cell phone but don't worry our tail twister will have to make an exception this time.

There are lots of volunteer opportunities coming up this month and throughout October so please take a moment to review our activities schedule included in this Lion's Tale and also available by clicking on a link in the signature line of any Damascus Lions Club email. I know it sometimes seems like a lot of emails to keep track of but please read communications from our Secretary. Broad participation is key to the long term viability of our club and for the community events we support. I look forward to seeing everyone soon!

KL Joe

## AUGUST EVENTS

### Ice Cream Dipping- August 16

What a beautiful week for the Ice cream barn at the Montgomery County fair. We didn't even have rain on Tuesday, Senior Day! One night we even wore sweatshirts. We had so much great help to get the Dairy Barn ready from the Lions, Leos, Damascus 4H and volunteers. Thank You!! Friday, Saturday and Sunday Lion Chris Fletcher and Gerda, from Laytonsville, helped open the fair and worked the whole weekend while Charlie and I were out of town. Thank you so much. Chris continued to work the whole week and helped me out tremendously. We could not have done it without her. She is a rock. On Tuesday, Charlie Hertel was in charge and did a fabulous job. We also had Vahe Aghamalian, Mary Frances Gosnell, Ray Molesworth, Joe Howerton, Bob Ippolito, Del Mayhew, Bob Snapp, Tess Gladhill, Kevin Yates, Wayne Marr, Charlie Hertel, Tammy Hertel, Chris Fletcher. We also had Vice DG Rodrick Harris come by to help in the evening. We want to thank the following friends and family members of lions: Victoria Aghamalian, Juliana Silva, Charlie's Mom and Dad, and Debbie and Patty Gail and an onslaught of SSL volunteers. We had about 40 student volunteers, some stayed with us all week. What a great experience for those students!

We could not have done the entire week without all the Lions from other clubs. I want to thank, Tim from Rockville, Mark from Butonsville and Jim from Sandy Spring. The Leo's clubs, volunteers and partners in service did excellent work. Everyone did an outstanding job. We all worked very hard.

If I didn't mentioned your name we still appreciated all your help. I don't have our totals yet of what we made all week, but I will get those to you as soon as I have them.



Thank you to all who participated and making this an absolutely fun day. Like Tim said "We are meant to help each other and we serve."  
Lion Tammy Hertel

(See Fair pictures on page 8)



### DAMASCUS COMMUNITY FAIR

Damascus Lions Popcorn Time is upon us! We need your help for a few hours! Think about giving us a few hours of your weekend - As a bonus, you get FREE, FRESHLY POPPED POPCORN!!!!

Will have sign up sheets on your tables at the Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> Dinner meeting!

Can you believe that you can go to a FAIR with exhibits, educational info, entertainment and more with no Gate Fee and Parking Fee? That's our Damascus Community Fair! Come out and help us with our popcorn and visit the fair as well!

(See sign up sheet page 6)

### Multiple District 22 100th Anniversary Celebration

Lion Bobbie and I attended the Multiple District 22 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, August 13, 2022 (there were some activities on Friday, but we passed on those). We arrived at the Celebration Hotel, Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley, around noon so that we could join about 40 other MD-22 Lions for a bus trip to, and a tour of the Wilmer Eye Institute Lions Low Vision Center in downtown Baltimore. The staff of the Low Vision Center would normally be off of work on a Saturday, but they turned out in full force to show us how the facility conducts low vision research and rehabilitation through its partnership with the MD-22 Lions and the Lions Vision Research Foundation (LVRF). Our group was separated into about five sub-groups and then we took turns visiting different parts of Wilmer Low Vision (all supported by MD-22 Lions), including: the optometrist, the current Fellow (totally sponsored by LVRF), the research team, and the low vision occupational therapist.

Following our return to the hotel, we went to dinner and sat with several fine MD-22 Lions and their spouses. While there, I spoke with 22-C District



Governor Maxine Hooker and confirmed her attendance at our upcoming Damascus Lions Charter Night. Following dinner, we all enjoyed the music of the famous Hubcaps; joining many Lions on the dance floor. It was a lot of fun. Bobbie and I stayed the night and headed home Sunday morning. We were glad we attended the celebration and, as always, felt pride in being a Lion.

Lion Wayne Marr (See pictures on page 7)

## Upcoming Events

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Pancake Committee hopes that you, our fellow Lion, have marked your calendar for our Pancake Breakfast for Saturday, Sept. 24. It will be held at the Wesley Grove U.M. Church Educational Hall (where we have our dinner meetings).

We will need your commitment to assist with the food prep work and setting up the dining room on Friday. As well as on Saturday, bright and early, when we start cooking and have the food ready to serve by 7 am.

Tickets are available for presale. They will be available at the Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. The price is \$15 for Adults and \$7 for children 4 to 10 years old and under 4 free!

We need Lions to place ads in their church bulletins, in businesses around town, as well as social media! We need to get the word out! Those Lions who have lawn signs, we need to change the location on them. We will be in contact with each of you in regard to the change. Let Lion Mary Frances know when and where you would like to work!

Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

(See sign up sheet on page 7)

## ROAD CLEANUP – Sept 2

The Lions went above and beyond their usual “road cleanup” service project. Road cleanup chairman, Lion Tony, spearheaded the task of organizing 6 lions, and 1 Lion family member, to tackle the weeds, debris and trash on Main Street Damascus between Route 124 and the Druid parking lot. It is a short stretch of road but the overgrowth was almost unmanageable. Two hours later the sidewalk, street and landscape looked impeccable! The following day we spread some mulch around the trees to enhance the beauty of the area and to keep the weeds down. Lion Tony and I want to thank the following Lions; Bob I, Wayne, Ray, Charlie Hertel, and his son, Lee. We are thankful for another hardworking Hertel!

Lion Barbara Barry

*Before*



*After*



## Time to Celebrate

### September Birthdays:

Carol Stone	9/1
Dee Nelson	9/8
Suresh Malhotra	9/10
Roy Stanley	9/19
Anthony Allen	9/30

### Partners in Service

Colleen Newlin (Bob)	9/10
Melissa Washington (John)	9/14
Kathy Thornett	9/17

### September Anniversaries:

Tony & Barbara Barry	9/5 (35 yrs!)
Del & Bonnie Mayhew	9/8 (60 yrs!)
Joe & Angie Howerton	9/13 (16 yrs)
John & Melissa Washington	9/20 (42 yrs)
John & Katie Holpuch	9/28 (9 yrs)

## Upcoming Events

**September 6** – Dinner meeting & Club Photo, Wesley Grove UMC, 6:45 pm

**September 8-9** – Blood Drive, Grace Fellowship Church, 10 am – 3:30 pm, for more info contact Lion Charlie Hertel at [chtelco@aol.com](mailto:chtelco@aol.com),

**September 9-11**- Damascus Community Fair, DVFD Building, Ice cream churning Sept 9, 6 pm and Pop corn popping Sept 9 – 11.

**September 14 (Wednesday)** - Board Meeting- Gladhill Brothers, 7 pm

**September 20** – Dinner meeting, Wesley Grove UMC, prospective member night, 6:45 pm

**September 24** – Pancake Breakfast, Wesley Grove UMC, 6:00 am- for more info contact Lion Mary Frances at [mgosnelldamascuslions@gmail.com](mailto:mgosnelldamascuslions@gmail.com)

**October 4**– Charter Night- Dutche's Daughter, Frederick

**October 10**- Golf Tournament -Glade Valley Golf Club, Shotgun Start, 9:00 am -for more info contact Lion Charlie Hertel at [chtelco@aol.com](mailto:chtelco@aol.com),

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## SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR FAITH CONNECTIONS

P.O. Box 267

Faith Connections, the Ecumenical Council for our Damascus/Clarksburg area, is conducting a School Supply Drive.

Our Holiday Giving team had recently purchased school supplies to be given to our students. Our team decided now was the time to give the school

<http://donated30notebooks,30boxesofcrayonsand30packsofpencils>. In addition to Faith Connections to purchase needed supplies.



## **Damascus Lions Club ~ Board of Directors Meeting ~ 10 Aug 2022 ~ Gladhill Bros. Tractor**

King Lion Joe called meeting to order 7:00 pm

Those in attendance were: Vahe Aghamalian, Barbara Barry, Chris Fletcher, Tess Gladhill, Mary Frances Gosnell, KL Joe Howerton, Bob Ippolito Tom Jackson, Wayne Marr, Del Mayhew, Patsy McKenzie, Ray Molesworth, Warren Schwab, Carol Stone, Charlie Stone, Sue Suddath

The July minutes as printed in August's Lions Tale were approved

Treasurer's Reports for the Month of July

	Club	Foundation
Income	2116.50	375
Expense	616.27	6249.42
Net	1500.23	5874.42

Secretary Report:

Thank you note from 4H, scholarship recipient.

Ray Scicotte sent in resignation- motion approved to accept his resignation in good standing.

2 visitors who attended our last meeting are interested in joining- they may show up to dip ice cream (they may need to transfer their membership from their past club in Turkey)

Charlie Holpuch will follow up on the honor band.

### **Committee Reports:**

Membership: 51 currently – Dee and Ken latest newest members / possibly 2 new members

We have been requested to sponsor a second scout group (Boy Scout 738). Annual dues of \$60, King Lion Joe is our Boy Scout club representative

Bob Ippolito – Camp Merrick is having their Fall Cleanup October 28 – 30. We could possibly get a car load to go down.

Mike Thornett contacted KL informing Lions that Baker MS Principal reached out to Mike asking him if he would like to continue on the Community Leaders Advisory Group. Motion approved.

At advisory meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> V Governor Chris & wife will take over for Honor Band.

Lion Chris - Mobile Health unit- will be scheduled in the fall to go to the Senior center.

### **New Business:**

Ice Cream: Lion Chris- needs help Friday starting at 2:00 pm. Tuesday we have about 6 – 8 members coming.

Tom is making a Member Record form so we can record membership information.

Wayne – Charter night 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in October. Speaker is Maxine, new Governor. Wayne will send her a formal invite.

Mary Frances – has presale tickets for pancake breakfast.

Faith Connections is asking for school supplies – Mary Frances suggests we take \$250 from Holiday Giving fund for school supplies – motion passed.

Wayne – our program speaker at the September 6 meeting is a photographer from Frederick Community College, members need to bring their cell phones that night.

We are hopefully getting a climate controlled storage unit, soon.

Damascus Community Fair- Popcorn needs to get to fair Thursday Sept 8.

Lion Sue – Senior Birthday party, Aug 4 – went well!

Meeting Adjourned: 8:11

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Lion Barbara Barry

# DAMASCUS COMMUNITY FAIR      POPCORN SIGNUP SHEET

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2022

8 AM – 11 AM   4 Lions

1 PM – 6:30 PM - 4 Lions

6:30 PM – 8 PM   4 Lions

Time subject to change due to school tour decision!		

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2022

11 AM – 2 PM – 3 Lions

2 PM – 5 PM – 4 Lions

5 PM – 8 PM   4 Lions


## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

11 AM – 1 PM – 4 Lions

1 PM – 3 PM - 4 Lions


Ideally, need 4 people per shift

## Sign- up to take Entries Thursday, Sept. 8

4 pm – 6 pm

6 pm – 8 pm




# SIGN-UP FOR PANCAKE BREAKFAST

24-Sep-22

**Friday, Sept 23**

(Peferrably 4 + people)

(Preferably 4 + people)

**SATURDAY, Sept 24**

**10 am to 1 pm**

Make Chipped Beef Gravy  
Cut & cook potatoes &  
Onions

Set up dining room

Food Served from 7 am to 11 am

Cook sausage  
Potatoes  
Chipped beef gravy  
Scramble eggs  
Pancakes  
Apples  
Biscuits  
Steam Table  
Coffee  
Orange Juice  
Dishwasher  
Dining Room Host/Hostess  
Dining Room Beverage  
Bake Table  
Sell tickets  
Take tickets  
Clean-Up  
Hand out plates  
Dining Room staff  
Kitchen Manager  
Direct Traffic -Parking

**5:30 am - 11:30 am**

**OR TIME PORTIONS THEREOF**

## Pictures from Wilmer





Pictures from Ice Cream Dipping

