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#### The President's Message



Happy Halloween
fellow Lions! We look
forward to our
upcoming dinner
meeting as we will
have a guest speaker
and hopefully some
fun costumes! As we

go into November I'm already feeling thankful for this particularly beautiful fall season, spending some quality time with friends, family and fellow Lions.

With our recent White Cane Drive, Golf
Tournament and Camp Merrick cleanup behind
us, let's keep our momentum going by
supporting the upcoming Blood Drive on Friday
11/4 by assisting at the event or getting
remaining slots filled for donations! We also
have the Tradesman M.C. Toy Drive on
Saturday 11/5 2PM-9PM at Vanessa's Corner
Pub and Clarksburg LEO's 5K Walk to benefit
Lions Camp Merrick also this Saturday 11/5 1012 at Clarksburg HS. These local clubs are full
of great people that help make our holiday giving
project possible so return the support if you can.

King Lion Joe

## OCTOBER EVENTS 76TH CHARTER NIGHT- October 4

Our 76th Charter Night was another Lion success! It was attended by our own Lions and some spouses, spouses of former Lions and District 22C Dignitaries: District Governor Maxine Hooker and Cabinet Treasurer Larry Shelton. This is the night where we recognize our own outstanding Lions.

Congratulations to Lion Tammy Hertel for winning Lion of the Years, Lion Vahe Aghamalian for winning Lion of the Year, and Lion Del Mayhew for winning the Emerson Slacum Award. Governor Maxine did an awesome job as keynote speaker and inducting our newest members Colleen Newlin and Joan Paseur. A HUGE thank you goes out to Lion Bob Snapp for making this special event happen! (See page 6 for more pictures)



#### White Cane- October 26 - 28

Damascus Lions: Congratulations! At Safeway East and West during the three days of September 26-28, 2022 (28 shifts), we received \$1,957.83, for a shift average of \$69.92. These are excellent numbers. Absolutely every shift was important to our total. We had twenty-five dedicated Damascus Lions (and Lions friends) performing storefront collections. Then, on Saturday, October 29, at our Clarksburg Shred Fest, we collected an additional \$761! Our grand total was \$2,718.83! Thank you, Storefront Lions; and thank you, Shredfest!

Think the word: "Lion" in front of most names in this article! As always, special thanks go to our White Cane committee members who served as both Managers of the Day and as Money Counters: Del Mayhew and Tom Jackson. Additional Money Counters were George Hibbard and Lion Partner Bonnie Mayhew.

#### **Special Recognitions:**

Four <u>Over-\$100-in-One-Shift Awards</u> go to: Ray Molesworth, Carol Stone, George Hibbard, and Julie Sain.

The <u>Bert Lahr Lion Courage Award</u> goes, once again, to Chris Fletcher, who with great gallantry, bravery, and pluck, collected for three shifts at Safeway and then collected all funds at the Shredfest.

#### **Storefront Lions:**

Here is the list of Damascus Lions (and others) who gave of their valuable time for one or more storefront collection shifts (multiple shifts in parentheses): B. Barry, Julianna DeSilva (friend of Vahe), Fletcher(3!), Gosnell, C. Hertel(2!), T. Hertel, G. Hibbard, V. Hibbard, Howerton, Ippolito, B. Marr, W. Marr, Mayhew, Molesworth, Paseur(2!), Peters, Sain, W. Schwab, Snapp, C. Stone, Ch. Stone, Suddath, Thornett, Washington, and Woodfield. Thank you, one and all storefront Lions!

-Lion Wayne Marr

#### ShredFest- October 29

Our 2nd Annual Clarksburg Shredfest was a success with 83 vehicles served and \$761 raised for White Cane. Lions Ray Molesworth, Bob Snapp, Chris Fletcher and Wayne Marr helped out at this event as well as my partner in service, Angie, my son Ben and nephew Cole.

KL Joe Howerton



## PANCAKE BREAKFAST IS OFF THE GRIDDLE!

I am ready to close the books on the September Pancake Breakfast. Here is a final update.

We served 165 patrons realizing a profit of \$2,558 of which \$475 was from the Bake Table!!!

Thanks to all! — Looking forward to another one in the Spring!!!!

Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### HOLIDAY GIVING PROJECT 2022

The Tradesmen Motorcycle Club is having their Jingle Bell Toy Run on Saturday, 5 to support the Lions Holiday Giving families. Their base for this year will be Vanessa's Restaurant at Taylorsville. I encourage Lions to attend for an hour or so to offer our support and show our appreciation. Wear you T-shirt or Vest.

The Tradesmen generally donate enough toys for each child to have 2 and as well as a family gift plus they make a contribution of cash that was collected at the event. Don't need to drive in on your motorcycle – just drive in however. Let's support them!!! Flyer was sent out for more information.

Your Board has committed to 35 families this year, an increase to what we generally take. We may need to double up on our delivery of families. We are

scheduled to get our family names prior to
Thanksgiving.
Stay tuned and mark your calendars for the food sorting, packing and delivery during the week of December 14 – 17.
More information as we progress along!
Lion Mary Frances Gosnell (See flyer on page 7)

#### Lions Club of Damascus Visitations Report

#### Total Points earned year to date for year is 25 points

Date	Club	Lion	District	Event	Points
10/13	Montgomery Central	Fletcher	22C, Zone 1, Region 1	Zone Meeting	1
10/06	Glenwood	Gosnell	22A	Meeting	3

#### **Previously Reported Visitations**

Date	Club	District	Points
7/25/2022	Monocacy	22C, Region 1	1
7/30/2022	South Carroll Lioness	22W	3
	Lions		
8/13/2022	Rockville	22C, Region 1	1
8/17/2022	Sandy Spring	22C, Region 2	2
8/18/2022	Burtonsville	22C, Region 2	2
8/20/2022	Leisure World	22C, Region 2	2
8/13/2022	Laytonsville	22C, Region 1	1
229/21/2022	Libertytown Unionville	22W	3
9/24/2022	Mount Airy	22W	3
10/01/2022	Myersville	22W	3

#### Camp Merrick Clean up - October 29

The Lion's Camp Merrick (LCM) team is finishing its 2022 Summer Camp and the Damascus Lions Club provided support to provide repairs needed for the next year. (The LCM is a beautiful camping facility on 320 acres of land in Charles County, Maryland overlooking the scenic Potomac River. LCM provides a fun and exciting, week-long residential camping experience for children ages 6-16 who are diagnosed diabetic type 1, and children that are hearing or visually impaired. The camp can also accommodate organizations and businesses seeking to coordinate off-site team-building sessions or retreats.) Lions Carol & Charlie Stone, Barbara & Tony Barry and myself provided services through direction from LCM VP Lion Melissa Funkhouser.

The Damascus Lion team performed a variety of tasks as requested by Melissa, such as removing damaged walls, floors and non-usable items. We moved a piano and some furniture to a dumpster. After eating a delicious lunch of pulled pork sandwiches and hot



dogs, we completed our final request to replace toilet seats in 5 cabins. After that, we were happy to leave. Lion Bob Ippolito.

<-Lion Carol helping to clean the slip-nslide before deflating it and storing it for the winter.



<-Lion Bob having
lunch with "Friend"
Heidi !!</pre>

## Years of Service to Lionism Recognition

Congratulations to the following Lions who have completed another year of service to the Lions Club of Damascus: Lion John Ampjiah-Addison, 8 years; Lion Joe Howerton, 7 years; Lion Eloise Woodfield, 1 Year; Lion Kevin Yates, 3 years; and Lion Mary Frances Gosnell, 30 years. It should be noted that Lion Eloise had continuous service to the club from January 2001 until January 2014. Lion Eloise rejoined the club in September 2021.

I have begun a project to collect and recycle 100% attendance pins that are presented to Lions members signifying completion of another year of service. Please consider recycling your old pins for reuse by the club. I will accept the recycled pins at any dinner meeting.

#### Lion Ray Molesworth





#### 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\*
\*Significant Birthday

#### Partners in Service

Fran Peters (Jack) 11/4 Jonnie Jackson (Tom) 11/21

#### **November Anniversaries:**

Charlie & Carol Stone 11/22 (25 yrs!) Wayne & Bobbie Marr 11/30 (3 yrs)

#### **Upcoming Events**

**November 1** - Dinner meeting, Wesley Grove UMC, 6:45 pm

**November 4** – Blood Drive, Grace Fellowship Church, for more info contact Lion Charlie Hertel <a href="mailto:chtelco@aol.com">chtelco@aol.com</a>, 10am – 3:30 pm (see flyer on page 8)

**November 9**– Board Meeting, Gladhill Brothers, 7 pm

**November 15** - Dinner meeting, Wesley Grove UMC, 6:45 pm/ Spouse's Night

November 19 – Road Clean up 9 am meet at Damascus High School parking lot, for more information contact Lion Tony @ Daniel8barry@gmail.com



#### Lion's Tale

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#### Pictures from Charter Night



## JINGLE BELL BLUES CONCERT & TOY Drive



Presented by the

## TRADESMEN M.C.

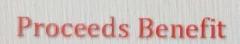


Saturday November 5th



TAYLORSVILLE

2600 West Liberty Road, Westminster, MD





Damascus Lions Club

\$10 OR AN UNWRAPPED GIFT

Live Music by:

Wayne Half-Step Miller DJ

From 2 until 4



Featured from 4 to 9

50 / 50 Raffles ALL DAY

## Carve out a new tradition.

### **Give Blood!**





# Blood Drive Damascus Grace Fellowship SDA Church Co-Sponsor Damascus Lions Club

Fellowship Hall 8425 Damascus Road Damascus, MD 20872

Friday, November 4, 2022 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Register online at www.redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor ID: "DamascusGraceFellowship" or call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule your life-saving donation!!

Eligibility concerns, please call the Red Cross at 1-866-236-3276. If you are blood type O-, O+, A- or B-, please consider making a Power Red donation.

Please remember to bring a photo ID (driver's license or donor card), eat a healthy breakfast/lunch and drink plenty of water before your appointment.

Contact David.Hull@redcross.org or call 240-676-9955 for more details!!



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