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## **The President's Message**



Spring is just around the corner and with it comes a month full of club activities including various fundraisers that will help us serve the community throughout the year. Our

spring Pancake breakfast is on March 18th and is returning to Damascus UMC. We thank Wesley Grove for making their dining room available for our previous breakfast. Our in house auction will be held during our second dinner meeting March 21st so take a look for any items you can contribute to the auction. Last but certainly not least is our first comedy night out at the new Give a Hoot Comedy Club on March 24th and 25th. Contact Lion Vahe with questions or to purchase tickets. Most Lions are planning to attend Friday night and it should be a fun time with a very talented comic. It's not all fundraisers as we also have service projects scheduled including a Blood Drive March 3rd and Road Cleanup March 11th so there are plenty of opportunities to get involved this month!

KL Joe Howerton

## 2023-2024 Slate of Officers

Below is the Slate of Damascus Lions Club Officers for the Lions year 2023-2024 (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024), as nominated by your Nominating Committee (Lions Wayne Marr and Charlie Stone), for presentation to the club membership at the Nominating Meeting on March 7, 2023. At that meeting, additional nominations may be made from the floor by any member.

President	Charlie Stone
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice	Carol Stone
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice	Vahe Aghamalian
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice	Julie Sain
Secretary	Barbara Barry
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Lion Tamer	Warren Schwab
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1 Yr Director	Tess Gladhill
	Sue Suddath
	Bob Ippolito
2 Yr Director	Patricia McKenzie
	Tom Jackson
	Wayne Marr
Membership – 1 Yr	Sue Suddath
Membership – 2 Yr	Carol Stone
Membership – 3 Yr	Chris Fletcher
Immed. Past President	Joe Howerton

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Pancake Committee hopes that you, our fellow Lion, have marked your calendar for our Pancake Breakfast for Saturday, March 18. It will be held at the Damascus U.M. Church Dining Room.

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 upcoming dinner meetings.

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!

Help is needed on Friday March 17 for the following:  
9am - noon

- Make Chipped Beef Gravy
- Cut & cook potatoes & cut Onions
- Set up dining room

Help is needed on Saturday March 18 for the following: 5:30 am - noon

- 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

## Give a Hoot Comedy Club

Damascus Lions Club is proud to have become a charity partner of Give a Hoot Comedy Club. This Montgomery County's only full-time comedy club is located at 16143 Shady Grove Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20877 (close to the intersection of Shady Grove Rd and Rt 355, and inside La Mexicana restaurant). As a charity partner, a portion of net profits of their March 24 and 25 weekend shows will be donated to our club. As we wish to make their shows of this weekend a success, we have guaranteed a sale of 40 tickets for Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. Come, bring your family and friends, sit back, relax, and enjoy the comedy of Frank Vignola at 8:00P.M. Parking is free and doors open one hour prior to showtime for you to enjoy drinks and dinner if you wish. Tickets are \$20.00 each and can be purchased directly from Vahe' during our forthcoming meetings or by phone at 301-237-4800.

Lion Vahe Aghamalian

## In House Auction

Our annual In house Action will be on March 21 during our dinner meeting. Funds raised from this event go to support our club account. Please email Lion Barbara with your list of donations ASAP. [Barrybar24@gmail.com](mailto:Barrybar24@gmail.com)

Popular items are: Home made jams/ Jellies, cakes, and fudge. Bottles of wine. Gift cards. Services such as trips to the Airport or use of a truck for a day. Tickets to sporting events sell well. The use of a beach house for a weekend also brings in lots of money. With out this fundraiser, our dues will have to increase significantly.

Thank you

Lion Barbara Barry

## St. Patrick's Day

A day to wear green,  
And celebrate with cheer.  
A day for Irish pride,  
And a pint of beer.  
With clovers and leprechauns,  
And tales of old,  
We honor St. Patrick,  
And his story told.



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So raise a glass and  
cheers,  
To this festive day.  
May the luck of the  
Irish,  
Be with you all the  
way.

## Now for some St. Patrick's Day Jokes

What do you call an Irish Spider?

Paddy Long Legs!

Why did the Leprechaun go outside?

To sit on his paddy-o!

What type of bow can not be tied?

A rainbow!

What is a Leprechaun's favorite music?

Sham-rock n roll!

Why did St. Patrick drive all of the snakes out of Ireland?

It was too far to walk!

## Time to Celebrate

### March Birthdays:

Bobbie Marr	3/1
George Hibbard	3/10
Jack Peters	3/28*

\*Significant Birthday

### Partners in Service

None

### March Anniversaries:

Tom & Jonnie Jackson	3/14 (61 yrs)
Jack & Frann Peters	3/30 (56 yrs)



## Upcoming Events

**March 3** - 10am-3:30pm. Blood Drive @ Grace Fellowship Church

**March 7** - 6:45pm, Dinner meeting, Wesley Grove UMC

**March 11**- 9 am. Road Cleanup – meet at DHS Parking Lot

**March 15** - 6:30pm, Board meeting at Gladhills

**March 18** - 5:30am, Pancake Breakfast at DMUC

**March 21**- 6:45pm, Dinner meeting Wesley Grove UMC, In House Auction

**March 24-25** – Give a Hoot Comedy Club 8 pm  
16143 Shady Grove Rd, Gaithersburg,

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