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The President's Message



Spring has sprung! It's a time of renewal and our club is no exception. We are excited and thankful to have added some new members recently and they are

eager to get involved. Thank you to our membership committee chair Lion Chris Fletcher for her ongoing outreach efforts. We can all help keep up the momentum by thinking about anyone in your circle that might be interested in serving and sharing what we do in the community. In addition to growth we are always looking for new service opportunities so please don't hesitate to share your ideas with club officers.

A reminder that the deadline for applications for scholarships is April 14th so if you have friends or family that might be interested in applying the application is available online or you can reach out to Lion Mary Frances.

Keep an eye on the club calendar, we have white cane, road cleanup, youth recognition night and the spring Shredfest all coming up later this spring. As always thank you all for your service and comradery. KL Joe

MARCH EVENTS

Blood Drive- March 3

We hosted a blood drive on Friday March 3 and collected 34 units of blood.

Our next blood drive is scheduled for Friday May 5th, 2023. It will be at the Damascus Grace Fellowship Seventh-Day Adventist Church. This will be our last drive for the 2022-2023 Blood Collections.

We also have a drive scheduled for Friday July 7th, 2023 at the Damascus American Legion. This will be a very interesting day with the parade later that evening. The American Legion wants to be included in the local blood drives!!

Lion Charlie Hertel

Road Cleanup- March 11

The Damascus Lions Club performed another successful road clean up of our adopted road, Valley Park Drive. I want to thank the following members for their help. Lion Wayne Marr, Bob Ippolito, Carol Stone and Ray Molesworth.



Lion Tony Barry

Pancake Breakfast- March 21

Like I reported at the March 21 dinner meeting, "Lions, you astound me in your energies put forth in making the Spring Pancake Breakfast a success – A success in more ways than one!"

5:30 AM Saturday, Lions arrived ready to starting cooking and prep the dining room for our loyal diners to enjoy our signature pancakes, sausage, eggs, chipped beef gravy and more! Our feisty Lions started cutting and cooking sausage, beating and scrambling eggs, mixing and flipping pancakes, stirring the potatoes and onions, the chipped beef gravy and apples, while on the other side of the wall, tables were being set, coffee was perking as orange juice was

being "squeezed"! And the Bake Table was overflowing! Roar Lions, 25 of you, 6 partners-in-service, a prospective member and three Leos were feeding 217 accounted for diners.

The Bake Table was full to overflowing and by 11 am was empty! Not a single item had a price on it - contribute/donate whatever and take whatever to the tune of \$575.25. ROAR Lions! That's a record for us, I do believe!

After some number crunching, the breakfast realized a profit of \$3,685.94. And counting! Another records in my books!

Thank you, Lions, you are the Kings of the Den! The Best roaring breakfast workers ever!

Mark your calendar for our next breakfast, Saturday, July 8! (See picture on page 9)

Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

Auction Night- March 21

Our in house auction raises money to help support our club account, therefore keeping our dues down to a minimum. We had plenty of "goodies" for this year's event including Mary Frances' famous jams & jellies. We also had Joan's farm fresh eggs. Who would have thought 7 dozen eggs could raise \$84 for the club? There were gift cards, services such as rides to the airport and will planning, that all brought in huge money! We were also fortunate to have visitors from New Market who were interested in seeing just how we do our auction. They weren't just observers, they were buyers, too! One person from the kitchen even bought Mike's Bethany townhouse. As of now, we made over \$2000! Thank you to ever member who donated and/or purchased our items. Not only is this a fund raiser, it is also a "fun" raiser as the night usually provides us with a few good laughs!

Lion Barbara Barry

Give a Hoot Comedy Club -March 24

A huge THANKS goes out to Lion Vahe for planning and executing our first ever Social/Fundraiser event at a Comedy Club. On Friday March 24, the Give a Hoot Comedy Club was well attended by Damascus Lions, friends and family. The food was great, the comedy was great, and it was an excellent night.

The actual proceeds will be in next month's lion tale.
Let's hope this will become an annual event!
Lion Barbara Barry



See additional pictures on page 9

Years of Community Service Recognition -April 2023

These Damascus Lions have reached a milestone year for their service to the Damascus Community and deserve special recognition by the club after completing another five years of service:

Lion	Date Joined	Years of Service
Bob Newlin	February 1983	40
Mike Thornett	March 1998	25
Tony Allen	April 1998	25
Barbara Barry	March 2003	20
Patsy McKenzie	March 2008	15
Bob Williams	April 2008	15
Jennifer Cano	April 2008	15
Vahe Aghamalian	April 2018	5

The longest serving member is Lion Bob Snapp who joined the Damascus Lions Club in March 1970 and has served continuously for the last 53 years. The following Lions are to be commended for their community service upon their anniversary date:

Lion	Date Joined	Years of Service
Tom Jackson	April 1987	36
John Washington	January 1999	24
Dale Ryan	April 2000	23
Charlie Holpuch	April 2022	21

Tessie Gladhill	April 2002	21
Ben Lewis	April 2005	18
Chris Fletcher	February 2006	17
George Hibbard	April 2006	17
Roy Stanley	January 2007	16
Rick Kendall	March 2009	14
Robert Hyman	January 2022	1

Upcoming Events

White Cane Days: Spring 2023

Our Spring White Cane fundraiser begins Wednesday, May 3, 2023. It runs just three days and ends on the evening of Friday, May 5. Our schedule calls for 30 2-hour shifts at Damascus Safeway and, so far, Lions have signed up for 28 of those 30 shifts! For those who have signed up, please refer to the signup sheet as your reminder. Those Lions who have not yet signed up, please look over the sign-up sheet below, and sign up! Do this by contacting me at 301-237-3034 or waynemarr@aol.com.

Every two shifts bring us enough funds to provide an eye appointment and new glasses for some needy Damascus-area child or adult. Every month, our Club is helping someone in this way. Thank you, all Damascus Lions, for your help with this important fundraiser over the years.

Lion Wayne Marr

(See sign up sheet on page 8)

Camp Merrick Spring Clean Up

Come out the weekend of April 14-16 or June 9-10, from 9am – 5pm for Lions Camp Merrick Spring Clean up! Come one day or many days, anything would be helpful!

Lion Bob Ippolito

Time to Celebrate

April Birthdays:

Tom Jackson	4/18
John Ampiah-Addison	4/24

Partners in Service

Jennifer Molesworth (Ray)	4/11
Kathy Stanley (Roy)	4/22
Cathy Hyman (Rob)	4/30

April Anniversaries:

Bob & Joanne Breiner	4/25 (36 yrs)
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Upcoming Events

April 4 – 6:45pm, Dinner meeting at Wesley Grove UMC

April 12 – 7:00 pm Board meeting at Gladhill's

April 18 – 6:45pm, Dinner meeting at Wesley Grove UMC

White Cane- May 3 -5 Safeway Damascus, for more information contact Lion Wayne
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Spring 2023 Damascus Lions Club White Cane Days!

Day	Shift Time	Location	Lion(s)
Wednesday May 3 Manager: Del Mayhew	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway East	Joan Paseur
	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway West	George Hibbard
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Ray Molesworth
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	Joe Howerton
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway East	Bob Ippolito
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway West	Chris Fletcher
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway East	Ken Mackay
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway West	Charlie Hertel
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway East	Tammy Hertel
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway West	Charlie Hertel
Thursday May 4 Manager: Tom Jackson	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway East	Joan Paseur
	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway West	Mary Frances Gosnell
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Julie Sain
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	Mike Thornett
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway East	Chris Fletcher
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway West	Bob Ippolito
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway East	Barbara Barry
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway West	Eloise Woodfield
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway East	Charlie Stone
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway West	Carol Stone
Friday May 5 Manager: Wayne Marr	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway East	
	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway West	Bobbie Marr
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Warren & Joy Schwab
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	Sue Suddath
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway East	Bob Newlin
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway West	Bob Snapp
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway East	Ray Molesworth
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway West	John Washington
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway East	Tessie Gladhill
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway West	

Thank you! Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!

Pancake Breakfast



Give A Hoot Comedy Club

