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The President's Message



The amount of daylight continues to increase daily as we approach the Summer Solstice. All of nature is blossoming with new life and bringing increased activities, especially for Damascus Lions. Our first dinner meeting in April 2025 was April 1st; April Fool's Day or Tom Foolery Day. It was an exciting meeting with excellent inhouse

entertainment. On April 5th we had a record-setting, 19 persons representing the Damascus Lions Club attend the District 22-C Night event in Gaithersburg, MD. FVDG Lois Barb read our club's recommendation letter and announced Lion Bob Snapp as a recipient of the District 22-C Honor Roll Award. Congratulations Lion Bob. The proposed slate of club officers for 2025-2026 was approved during the April 15th dinner meeting; followed by the annual inhouse auction. On April 29th we will have the 2025-2026 budget meeting at Wesley Grove UMC. We end April with the start of White Cane Days on April 30th. May 2025 will be another busy month for us. We have White Cane Days, April 30th through May 3rd at Damascus Safeway. On May 1st-4th, Lion Mary Frances plans to attend the Multiple District 22 Convention at the Wisp Resort in McHenry, MD. There will be a Blood Drive on May 2nd at Damascus UMC. Our Spring Shred Fest event will be on May 3rd at Damascus UMC. The Youth Celebration Night occurs May 20th at Damascus UMC. Thank you, Damascus UMC. The last scheduled event for May 2025 is Road Cleanup on May 24th.

Happy Mother's Day!

KL Charlie

APRIL EVENTS

April 1 Meeting

DG Paul Hawkins and Olney Lion Karen Rollings re Conner Kits for childhood diabetes



A little Tom Foolery!



Tom
Foolery
and our
Backwards
Theme!



Our
Backwards
singers
and
dancers!

Auction Night- April 15

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, and my home-made fudge. We also had Joan's homemade salsa which brought in a bundle!! There were gift cards and services such as rides to the airport that 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! As of now, we made over \$1700! 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

22C Night- April 6

This year's 22C Night was to Honor our District Governor Rodrick Harris. It was at the Holiday Inn in Gaithersburg. Since it was close to home, we were able to have 19 members attend!! The dinner was great! But the best part of the evening was when our own Lion Bob Snapp received the District 22-C Honor Roll!



See pictures on page 3

Lion Barbara Barry

Upcoming Events

White Cane Days: Spring 2025

Hello, White Cane Lions!

All of our 30 White Cane shifts for the 3 days April 30 to May 2 are manned! That's great news, as long as NO ONE FORGETS! Don't forget to arrive at Safeway a few minutes early for your shift and wear a hat and/or vest to identify you as a proud Lion. And to help you remember your shift time(s), the Signup sheet is included in this Lions Tale. Thank you for your Lions spirit and service to our Club.

Lion Wayne Marr (see sign-up sheet on page 5)

UPCOMING MEETING PROGRAMS

May 6 – Battery Recycling by Mike Dixon, Critical Power, Inc.

May 20 - Youth Night

June 3 - Brief Officer Training

22C- Night Pictures



Time to Celebrate

May Birthdays:

Warren Schwab	5/9
Wayne Marr	5/19
John Washington	5/24*
Joe Howerton	5/25
Sue Suddath	5/26
Joann Woodson	5/26

*Significant Birthday

Partners in Service

Barbara Aghamalian (Vahe)	5/21
Marcia Allen (Anthony)	5/23

May Anniversaries:

Tammy & Charlie Hertel	5/2 (38 yrs)
Anthony & Marcia Allen	5/12
Julie Sain & Tom Marley	5/14 (11 yrs)



Upcoming Events

April 30 - May 2- White Cane, Safeway shopping center Damascus. For more information contact Lion Wayne waynemarr@comcast.net

May 2 – 10 am, Blood Drive DMUC, register to donate at redcrossblood.org or contact Lion Charlie Hertel chtelco@aol.com

May 3 – 9- 12 noon Shred Fest – Damascus United Methodist Church Parking Lot – for more information contact Lion Joe Howerton joehowertonsales@gmail.com

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

May 14– 7:00 pm Board meeting at Maryland/Gladhill Tractor

May 20 - 6:00pm, Lions Youth Night – DMUC
*dinner for Lions starts at 6pm, Youth Celebration starts at 7:30, for more information contact Lion Tammy Hertel tammy_hertel@mcpsmd.org

May 24 – 9 am, Road Cleanup meet at DHS Parking lot–for more information contact Lion Tony Barry Daniel8Barry@gmail.com

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Spring 2025 Damascus Lions Club White Cane Days!

Day	Shift Time	Location	Lion(s)
Wednesday Apr 30 Manager: Del Mayhew	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway East	Joan Paseur
	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway West	Carolyn Marshall
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Julie Sain
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	Robert Ippolito
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway East	Mary Frances Gosnell
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway West	Joe Howerton
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway East	Ray Molesworth
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway West	Amdrew Oliverio
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway East	Tammy Hertel
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway West	Charlie Hertel
Thursday May 1 Manager: Tom Jackson	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway East	Nanda Alaputi
	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway West	Susan Smarte
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Chris Fletcher
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	Eloise Woodfield
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway East	Peter Grysavage
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway West	Sue Suddath
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway East	Ray Molesworth
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway West	Vahe Aghamalian
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway East	Carol Stone
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway West	Charles Stone
Friday May 2 Manager: Wayne Marr	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway East	George & Vi Hibbard
	10:00am – 12:00pm	Safeway West	Bobbie Warfield
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway East	Robert Ippolito
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Safeway West	Bob Snapp
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway East	Del Mayhew
	2:00pm – 4:00pm	Safeway West	Peter Grysavage
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway East	John Washington
	4:00pm – 6:00pm	Safeway West	Tessie Gladhill
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway East	Delphine Bambous
	6:00pm – 8:00pm	Safeway West	Jon Inglefield

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