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The President's Message



Greetings for the second half of the calendar year, and thank you all for the vote of confidence in having me lead our club this coming year. In June, we celebrated our installation night at Dutch's Daughter. A big shout out to Lion Patsy McKenzie for handling the venue logistics. And a big welcome to new member Rick Shepard who was "installed" at the event. On a sadder note, in June, we said goodbye to fellow Lion Julie Sain, who had been our chaplain and had served in many other roles. July will be an event-filled month with varied opportunities to serve, socialize and have fun. We begin with a dinner meeting on Tuesday July 7 hosted by Lion Joan Paseur (let her know you are coming). On the morning of Friday 10th, we have a blood drive at the American Legion, making sure everything flows smoothly. Celebrate Damascus Days is the same weekend. Proudly wear your Lion's hat and come march (or ride) in the Friday parade. And the next day, come help out in the Lion's tent at the flea market, or just drop in to say 'hello'. Our Board meeting is on the 15th at WGUMC – all are welcome. Road clean-up is on the 25th and we end the month with an informal dinner meeting on the 28th at the Frederick Keys game. Bring the family.

KL Nanda ~Happy 4th of July!

JUNE EVENTS

INSTALLATION NIGHT- June 16

The Damascus Lions Club celebrated their 81th Installation Night on June 16 at Dutch's Daughter in Frederick.

Our evening started with as we remembered our two Lions who passed this year, Lion Bob Newlin and Lion Julie Sain.



KL Charlie recognized many Lions and presented them with a certificate.



A big Thanks to CC PDG Lion Gary Burdette for doing an outstanding job of installing the new officers and inducting our new member, Rick Shepard.



Newly inducted KL Nanda thanking KL Charlie for his 3 years of service as King Lion.



The Damascus Lions Club 2026-27 Officers!
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UPCOMING EVENTS

July 7 Picnic/Dinner Meeting

Our July 7 Picnic/ Dinner Meeting will be held at Lion Joan Paseur's house, 24244 Hipsley Mill Rd Gaithersburg. Food will be provided by Mission BBQ. The cost is \$25 per person. No need to bring anything EXCEPT Chairs !



Damascus Days Parade – July 10

The Damascus Days Parade will be Friday July 10. The theme of the parade is *America's 250th!* Meet us at the Damascus High School parking lot by 6 pm. We will decorate the float in red, white and blue and nibble on a few snacks. **We really want to encourage ALL members to please attend this event.**



Lion Joe will be towing the hay wagon this year. Remember, it has been improved and is easier for all to climb aboard! You also may wish to walk along side of the float. It will be a fun evening. Let's show the community how we roar!

Lions Barbara & Tony Barry

Blood Drives

Our next ARC Blood Drive for 2026-2027 year will be Friday July 10th. This drive will be at the Damascus American Legion Post 171. This will be our first blood drive for 2026-2027 year. We are in need of new donors please ask a relative, friend or neighbors!! Our next blood drives for 2026-2027 are 9/4 and 11/6.

Lion Charlie Hertel

The Montgomery County Fair

The Montgomery County Fair is on August 14th to the 22nd. Damascus is there on Friday August 14th in the late afternoon and on Tuesday August 18th ALL DAY scooping ice cream! We need everyone's help!

Lion Tammy Hertel

Time to Celebrate

July Birthdays:

Rick Kendall	7/4
Bob Snapp	7/18
Bethel Dzobo	7/19*

*Significant Birthday

Partners in Service

Viola Hibbard (George)	7/6
Leslie Ippolito (Bob)	7/25

July Anniversaries:

Ray & Jennifer Molesworth	7/1 (54 yrs)
Rob & Cathy Hyman	7/22 (22 yrs)
Vahe & Barbara Aghamalian	7/28 (42 yrs)
Gary & Barbara Hilton	7/30 (43 yrs)

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Upcoming Events

July 7 – 6:45 pm Dinner meeting Lion Joan Paseur's house 24244 Hipsley Mill Rd Gaithersburg.

July 10 – 10:30 am - Blood Drive Damascus American Legion, Contact Lion Charlie Hertel to help chtelco@aol.com

July 10 - 6 pm -Celebrate Damascus – parade, meet at DHS parking lot, for more information contact Lion Tony Daniel8Barry@gmail.com

July 11- Celebrate Damascus -flea market see Lion Chris Chriswfletcher@verizon.net

July 15 - 7:00 pm, Board meeting Wesley Grove UMC

July 25- 9:00am, Road Cleanup- meet at DHS parking lot for more information contact Lion Tony daniel8barry@gmail.com

July 26 – 8:00 am Dairy Barn Cleanup – Montgomery Cty Fair grounds, for more information contact Lion Tammy Tammy_hertel@mcpsmd.org

July 28 – 5:30 pm Dinner Meeting/Keys Game Frederick Keys. For more information contact Lion Tess egladhill@aol.com



Pictures from Installation Night

