

DAMASCUS LION'S TALE

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The President's Message

Installation Night, I would like to share my acceptance speech with all Lions attending and those not able to come take part on June 17th;

"First. I would like to thank King Lion Gary Rogers for his year of FUN! He was great to work with, take a bow Lion Gary... I am proud to be the President of Damascus Lions Club and accept this position and take it very serious. I will represent the Damascus Lions and the Branch Club of Clarksburg the best I can. I intend to keep meetings short, interesting and enjoyable for everyone.



I am interested in helping the communities, our county and all over the world.

We have the largest club membership in the District, making it so all Lions can choose how they want to serve. We have many activities on the list to pick from.

Tonight has been another chapter in my life. I wear many volunteer hats, with Lion Tuck as my secretary, the other officers and directors, and your support, I can say; "together we can make it happen".

That is my motto for the year as your King Lion.

Tonight, I would also say thanks to PDG Lion Bill Lynch for doing the induction and everyone for coming and being part of this special evening. I would like to thank Lion Ann Davis for the flower centerpieces, Lion Bob Snapp for making the arrangements for the evening, and also Lion Linda Panagoulis for letting us use the Damascus Community Recreation Center.

Our next meeting is at the Montgomery United Methodist Church July 1st, 6:45pm. I promise to start off with a BANG. So, come out and Remember, "Lions, together we can make it happen".....

Thank you and have a safe trip home."

I would like to recap some of the highlights of the evening that took place, where Lions were Recognized, Achievements were made, and Goals were reached.

Lion Lee Sellers, 50 years of Lionism and received the 1st Annual Hyatt Award, given by Ruby Hyatt and family in memory of Charter member Herbert Hyatt, presented by Lion Joy Schwab. Melvin Jones recipients were Lions Tom Jackson and Wayne Marr for outstanding service to Lions. CONGRATULATIONS Lions. Partner

in-service, Cindee Rogers was given recognition for a tremendous job of maintaining the Lion's club web site. "Way to go"

Events leading up to installation night were Clarksburg Day on June 7th. The LCOF bus was busy from 10am til 4pm. Lions Rusty and Dee Reichmeider, Dave Davidson, Fran Burlas, Midge Tench, Chris Fletcher, Ronnie Poland, KL Gary Rogers, Leos from the Clarksburg High School and Rocky Hill Middle School, along with Lion Ed Smith from the Laytonsville Lions Club helped serve the community, working with vision and hearing testing. A total of 32 people were screened on Clarksburg Day. THANK YOU. Approximately 250 hours by Lions and partners in service were served to make Clarksburg Day happen. Lions Joann Woodson, Ann Davis, Eloise and Tuck Woodfield, Ronnie Poland, Chris Fletcher, Mike Bowersox, Dale Ryan, Susan Wilcom, Dave and Gail Davison. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

June 7th, also our Lions road clean up crew were busy keeping the streets of Damascus free from litter. THANK YOU, to all Lions that made this possible.

Now, moving ahead to June 9th, another early start for the Lion's Golf Tournament where Lions and Lion supporters met to have FUN and raise funds to help with the motto "We Serve." MANY THANKS, to Lions Bobbie and John Warfield, along with Lion Mike Thornett, and all Lions that helped with this event.

All three Events were attended by everyone braving the smothering heat of temperatures nearing 100 degrees that weekend. You are the Gre..a..t..est!

More news, a town water breakage, prevented us from having the Blood Drive, but Lion Charlie and his supporters rescheduled for June 30th, and as usual it was a very worthwhile event. Thank you for hanging in there..... Remember my motto is;

"Together we can make it happen"

King Lion Eloise Woodfield

See pictures from Installation Night on pages 2 and 4.

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Birthdays

Lions:

July 1 - Dennis Hough
July 6 - Jim Belcher
July 8 - Cathy Haver
July 13 - Joy Schwab
July 14 - Mike Payne
July 18 - Bob Snapp
July 24 - Ken Phillips
July 26 - Albert Warfield
July 30 - Anthony Allen

Partners-in-Service

July 6 - Viola Hibbard
July 8 - Peggy Sicotte

Anniversaries

July 1 - Jennifer and Ray Molesworth
July 6 - Ray and Frances Walton
July 20 - Dee and Rusty Reichmeider
July 22 - Lorena and Bill Cordell

Upcoming Events

July 1 – Dinner meeting at Montgomery Church
July 8 – Board meeting at the Rec Center 7:00PM
July 11 & 12 – Celebrate Damascus
July 15 – Dinner Meeting at Damascus UMC
July 24 – Clarksburg Branch Meeting at Cedar Brook Church (Note: Branch meets every 4th Thurs)
Aug. 5 – Dinner Meeting at Montgomery Church
Aug. 12 –Ice Cream Dipping Montgomery Co. Fair (no second meeting in August)
Aug. 14 – Lions Bus Screening
Aug. 19 – Board meeting at the Rec Center 7:00PM



News about Members

Lion Mark Sain's address is

Lion Mark Sain
Fairland Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
2101 Fairland Road – Room D-11
Silver Spring, MD 20904

Lion Ann Davis sent a thank-you note to the club:

Dear Lions,

Thank you all for the lovely basket of flowers. They lifted my spirits. I'm on the mend and also want to thank you all for the cards and phone calls. I deeply appreciate your kindness.

Lion Ann Davis

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

6/24/2008

King Lion Gary Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Present were Gary Rogers, Eloise Woodfield, Mary Frances Gosnell, Bill Mahylis, Martin Carr, Del Mayhew, Tucky Woodfield, Jerry Warfield, Marcia Holpuch, Ray Molesworth and Ken Phillips.

The minutes from the May Board Meeting were approved as published in the Lions Tale.

Bill Mahylis presented the Club Treasurer report. After some discussion the report was accepted as presented. Income was slightly higher than budget and expenditures are behind budget with a net of \$1470.52 for the year to date.

Bill Mahylis presented the Foundation financial report for Mike Thornett. With most of the financial activity of the foundation complete for the year, income is about \$10,000 over budget. However, most of that amount is from balance of student loans paid in December.

Expenses are shown to be about \$2000 below budget. The report was accepted as presented.

The budget committee presented the club budget for the Lion Year of 2008-2009. The budget was based on projects of expenses to the end of June. After some discussion, Lion Marcia Holpuch made a motion to add a line item "Convention Stipend" of \$1000.00 to offset some expenses for delegates with payment to each delegate not to exceed \$100.00. The motion passed. A committee will define the procedures and conditions for this distribution later. There was also a motion made to pay for the meals for officers that attend required meetings at the District level. An addition of \$300.00 to the budget was proposed. This motion passed. With these changes the budget was agreed to and shows a deficit of \$3255.00, which is similar to previous budgets.

The budget committee then submitted the proposed budget for the Foundation for the Lion Year of 2008-2009. This budget was based on the foundation performance this year with some adjustments for known changes in the student loan line item. Lion Del Mayhew made a motion to increase the donation to LCOF to \$2000.00 to be more in line with other clubs in the district. This motion passed with 1 dissenting vote. The projected income is \$24,700 and the projected expenses are \$31,200 creating a deficit of \$6500, which will draw down the surplus from the past years. With this change, the budget was approved.

Under Old Business, Celebrate Damascus was discussed. It has been proposed that the area off of Mt. Vernon Ave be used as parking for those wanting to visit the flea market and car show at Damascus Motors and there will be a need for volunteers to insure that parking is done in an orderly fashion. Lion Ray is going the contact the scout troops to see if they can help with this.

Under New Business, the board approved 2 student loans, each for \$2000.00. One will go to Kevin Wyne and the other to Alexander Mahylis.

Lion Mary Frances presented information on a 52 year old Damascus resident, who is legally blind and is looking for help in purchasing a large screen computer monitor so he can continue using his computer. It was decided that some additional information is needed before the board can consider this. Mary Frances will forward the information she has to the board members, do a follow up and possibly invite him to attend a board meeting to present his request.

In closing of the meeting, Lion Marcia, speaking for the entire board, thanked King Lion Gary for his leadership and hard work this year. His theme was to "have fun" and he delivered on that with entertaining meetings and special attractions. Thanks KLG.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40.

Submitted by Ken Phillips, Secretary

Fifth Annual Lions Golf Tournament

By Lion John Warfield, Co-chairman

The Annual golf tournament was held on Monday June 9 at Beaver Creek Country Club. Many club members helped make this event a success. A profit of more than \$7200 was realized. There were 126 golfers; of these, ten were members of the Damascus Lions Club.

We had helpers to make the event run smoothly. Helpers included Lions Rusty and Dee, Lions Tuck and Eloise, Lions Rodney and Margaret, Lions Warren and Joy, Lion Bob Snapp and Lion Mike Thornett. Also helping was for Damascus Lion George Bolling and Mary.

A total of 43 holes were sponsored at a cost of \$50 each. There were some 16 Lions who purchased a hole. This kind of support makes this event quite a success. We do not want to forget the Lions who donated door prizes. This makes for a memorable occasion and hopefully we will have another successful fund raiser next year.



**Lions Activities
June, 2008**



**Lion Joann Woodson receives the Montgomery County
Path of Achievement Award 2008
presented by MC Executive Ike Leggett**



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