



# DAMASCUS LION'S TALE



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## The President's Message

Keeping up to date, on August 5 at the Montgomery UM Church, Lions busted the walls with attendance. Guests, Partners in Service, prospective members and Lions all joined together for a delicious dinner "Albert's corn on the cob and tomatoes" with 'Kate's special potato salad". Later we welcomed the speaker for the evening, Wendy Hanley, the manager of Little Bennett Regional Park. Wendy educated everyone on Parks in the Damascus and Clarksburg area, letting us know what there is to offer, how we can use and enjoy our parks. Thank you, Wendy for your very enlightening information.



Some business from the past was a plaque presented to IPP Lion Gary Rogers for his year as King Lion from the Current President, "A job well done"!

Lion Happy King, dressed as Little Red Riding Hood, passed out pretzel STICKS to remind everyone that Lions **STICK** to their motto "**We Serve**"

Lion Charlie Hertel was given an extra pint of BLOOD, {red candy} by the King Lion for his continued hard work with Blood Drives.

I announced that it would be a busy month ahead: Ice Cream dipping at the Montgomery County Fair and working with the LCOF Mobile Health Unit. These activities will count as the meeting missed in August. Both of these projects did very well. THANKS to all the Lions, Leos and IPP Gary Rogers, Lions Charlie Hertel, Dee and Rusty Reichmeider for these successful activities.

On August 2<sup>nd</sup>, the first advisory meeting was held, this was attended by your club President, King Lion Eloise Woodfield, Sec. Lion Thomas "Tuck" Woodfield, Treasurer Lion Mike Thornett, and Membership Chairperson IPP Lion Gary Rogers. After a nice meal, the program was about plans for the coming year. DG Lion Paul Hawkins spoke and his motto for the year is "**BELIEVE IT**"

Just to let you know how I really "fall into my responsibilities". On Monday of the fair, on my way to breakfast, before starting the work week, I took a tumble, head over heels, flying thru the air and landing on the blacktop near the Cheese Booth. I ended up with a busted knee, with scratches on my leg, both elbows bleeding and

a cut on my pinkie finger. I had wet jeans and a dirty, (what was) a white fair shirt, but nothing was broken but my pride and looking a mess. My purse was tossed away with my glasses, cell phone and belongings scattered and covered with grit. A group of fairgoers asked "are you ok", after this unrehearsed performance. I cleaned up, ate breakfast and finished the rest of the fair week, a little embarrassed, stiff and sore. News travels fast. I was the talk of the fair grounds. Thanks to all who expressed concern about my spill, needless to say, I watched where I was walking the rest of the week to make sure I didn't stumble over any more uneven pavement.

All this, with Vacations and Lions wearing other Volunteer hats serving many long hard hours in various places at the Montgomery County Agriculture Fair and the community helped with International President's words, "Doing Good". Yes Lions, you are "Doing Good", keep up the good work and remember, "Together we can make it happen"

President, King Lion Eloise Woodfield

## Ice Cream Dipping

By Lion Charlie Hertel

What a great time it was dipping ice cream this year at the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair on Tuesday August 12, 2008. Everyone did an outstanding job. We all worked very hard. We had only 60 volunteers who worked over 360 hours. This was a smaller work force from the previous year. Thank you so much!!!

Lion Gary Rogers from Damascus ran the ice cream parlor again this year. He did a great job. It was a record year all around, from admissions to a \$10,000 increase in the ice cream parlor revenue. The clubs combined collected over \$60,000 total revenue.

I would to thank my family for all their participation and their support. Without them I would not have been able to do this. Our Damascus Lions Club members that turned out made it a great success. It was especially nice to see some of our members just come and hang out that day. It made it feel real special. It is estimated that our lions club will bring in some where around \$1,900.00 for our single day at the fair. What a great job we all did!!! Thank you for your continued support.

Mark on your calendars Tuesday August 11, 2009, is next year's ice cream dipping. See you there.

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### Upcoming Events

Sept 16 – Dinner meeting at Wesley Grove UMC  
Sept. 22 – Red Cross Blood Drive  
Sept 24-27: White Canes  
Sept 25 – Branch meeting at Cedar Brook Church  
(refreshments)  
Sept 26 – Basket bingo at DVFD Activity Bldg  
  
Oct. 7 – Charter Night at Dutch's Daughter  
Oct. 15 – Board Meeting at Damascus Rec. Center  
Oct. 18 – Pancake Breakfast at Damascus UMC  
Oct. 21 – Dinner meeting at Wesley Grove UMC  
Oct. 23 – Branch Meeting at Cedar Brook Church  
  
Nov. 4 – Dinner meeting/Prospective Member Night at  
Wesley Grove UMC  
Nov. 11 – Board Meeting at Damascus Rec. Center  
Nov. 18 – Dinner meeting/Spouse Night at Wesley Grove  
UMC  
Nov. 24 – Red Cross Blood Drive

### Birthdays

#### Lions:

Sept. 1 – Carol Stone  
Sept. 5 – Rusty Reichmeider  
Sept. 15 – Su Huang  
Sept. 18 – Mike Bowersox

#### Partners-in-Service

Sept. 14 Melissa Washington  
Sept. 15 Kathy Thornett

### Anniversaries

Sept. 5 – Barbara and Daniel Barry  
Sept. 6 - Albert and Kate Warfield  
Sept. 8 - Del and Bonnie Mayhew  
Sept. 20 - John and Melissa Washington  
Sept. 23 - Bill and Helen Mahylis  
Sept. 29 - Wayne and Naomi Marr

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### News about Members

Ken Phillips has a new email address:  
[kap8200@verizon.net](mailto:kap8200@verizon.net)

Dennis and Lea Hough's new address

12377 Georgetown Street NE  
Paris, Ohio 44669  
330 862 2127

Please update you roster books.

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### Damascus Leos Club News

By Leo President Victoria Barry

The Leos club had our first meeting on Tuesday, September 9th. We had a decent amount of members present at the meeting and encouraged all to bring friends to the next meeting in which we will officially sign up all members. We discussed our upcoming fall activities which include the blood drive, basket bingo, soup kitchen, and most importantly, leaf raking. The sign up-sheets for the activities were quite full, and the year looks as though it will be successful and productive. We also hope to help the Baker middle school Leo's club start out and become a larger club. Many of our activities will include members from the middle school as well. ©

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2008

The meeting was opened by King Lion Eloise Woodfield at 7 pm. In attendance were Lions Roy Stanley, Mike Thornett, Tuck Woodfield, KL Eloise Woodfield, Bill Mahylis, Ken Phillips, Mary Frances Gosnell, Marcia Holpuch, and Ray Molesworth.

Minutes of July were approved.

Treasurer's reports were approved as read. LCI and 22-C dues have been paid. There are some members that still owe the Damascus Lions Club dues. Both accounts are in good shape.

**Old business-** KL Eloise gave a preliminary report of Ice Cream dipping at the M. C. Fair was one of best ever and eight Lions clubs will share in approx. \$1500. Many Lions, Leos and volunteers helped. Ice cream dipping provides excellent community relations; KL Eloise presented an outstanding photo display of Damascus Lions serving the community. Several customers reported that the Damascus Lions were the Best Dippers.

Sec. Lion Tuck said the LCOF Mobile Health Unit was manned by Damascus/Clarksburg Lions on Thursday, August 12. About 2:00pm the MC Fair announcer reported a severe storm was in the area and everyone should take cover. After hail, lightening, and hard rain, we reopened about 3:30pm. About 5:00pm another storm threatened the area, it was decided to call it a day. We tested 17 people, between storms.

**New business-** VP Mary Frances Gosnell reported another Student Loan had been applied for. After discussion, a \$2000 loan was approved.

VP Mary Frances informed that Basket Bingo would be \$20 this year with several new games and all the regular games. Date is still Friday Sept. 26, 2008.

It was reported, a great deal of help is needed for the Damascus Community Fair, LCOF MHU (bus), information booth, popcorn, and several Lions are already busy with DCF responsibilities. Hopefully many will sign up at Sept 2 meeting.

Damascus Heritage Museum needs donations. After discussion, \$1000 was approved so Damascus Lions Club would be a Charter Member of the Damascus Heritage Society Museum.

Wilmer Institute needs monetary help for a child from Portugal. After discussion, this was tabled for now.

Lion Ray Molesworth suggested we request a yearly report by October from our Leo Clubs. This was approved by voice vote.

KL Eloise reported International President Al Brandel says "Lions are everyday heroes" and The Int. Pres. May ask "How you doing", answer "Doing Good"

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted by Lion Thomas "Tuck" Woodfield, Secretary

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## LIONS COTTON PIQUE GOLF SHIRTS

Lion Mary Frances has two more Lions Golf Shirts available. They are size Large. \$25.00

## Damascus White Cane Days Are Here!

By Lion Wayne Marr

Wednesday September 24, 2008 through Saturday September 27, 2008

This fundraiser needs the participation of every able-bodied Damascus Lion for at least one two-hour shift. See the sign-up sheet on the next page. Note that we have two shifts unassigned at this time. Please review the sign-up sheet now and tell Ken Phillips tonight how you can help with those two shifts. This sign-up sheet is the only reminder you are going to get this time, since I am away. Thank you, all Damascus Lions, for your help with this great fundraiser over the years.

I am working away home and can't take calls from my home phone on weekdays. Any questions or comments? Call my cell: 301-237-3034.



Day	Shift Time	Location	Lion(s)
<b>Wednesday Sept 24</b> Manager: Ken Phillips	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	Mary Frances Gosnell
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Dave Davidson
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Tom Van Vliet
	5:00pm - 7:00pm	Tom & Ray's	Fran Burlas & Ann Davis
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	Tess Gladhill
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Warren & Joy Schwab
<b>Thursday Sept 25</b> Manager: Bill Mahylis	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	Mary Frances Gosnell
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Ray Molesworth
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Jack Peters
	5:00pm - 7:00pm	Tom & Ray's	Ann Davis
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	John & Bobbie Warfield
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Jerry Wargield
<b>Friday Sept 26</b> Manager: Del Mayhew	5:30am - 7:30am	Red Rooster	Mike Thornett
	7:30am - 9:30am	Red Rooster	Bill Mahylis
	11:15am - 1:15pm	Red Rooster	Gary Rogers
	11:30am - 1:30pm	Tom & Ray's	George Hibbard
	3:45pm - 5:45pm	CVS	Bob Snapp
	4:00pm - 6:00pm	Safeway East	Tom Van Vliet
	5:00pm - 7:00pm	Tom & Ray's	Fran Burlas
	5:45pm - 7:45pm	CVS	Martin Carr
	6:00pm - 8:00pm	Safeway East	Sue Suddath
<b>Saturday Sept 27</b> Manager: Wayne Marr	7:00am - 9:00am	Tom & Ray's	Bernie Duplan
	7:15am - 9:15am	Red Rooster	Lenora Kish
	8:15am - 10:15am	CVS	George Hibbard
	8:30am - 10:30am	Safeway East	Carol & Charlie Stone
	9:00am - 11:00am	Tom & Ray's	Midge Tench
	9:15am - 11:15am	Red Rooster	Marcia & Charlie Holpuch
	10:15am - 12:15pm	CVS	
	10:30am - 12:30pm	Safeway East	Tom Jackson
	11:00am - 1:00pm	Tom & Ray's	
	11:15am - 1:15pm	Red Rooster	Charlie Hertel

## BASKET BINGO

By Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

Mark your calendars for Friday, Sept. 26----- That is when the Damascus Lions will sponsor their annual Basket Bingo to benefit the Basil B. Burdette Student Loan Fund and the R. Vernon Simpson Scholarship Fund.

Flyers are available for anyone to put up in and around town and anywhere you think we might benefit from it. In fact, we need Lions to distribute flyers throughout their neighborhoods and surrounding businesses.

Tickets are available for sale - Sure will be happy to consign a block of tickets for anyone to sell. Tickets are \$20.00 for 20 games and 4 specials and 3 FREE games. I would hope Lions will actively sell tickets as well as sponsors. Local Basket Bingos have not done as well as in recent times

due to the economy. Therefore, the more Lions that get involved in actively selling tickets and getting sponsors will have a definite effect in our outcome.

We are looking for sponsors for baskets. The average price of a basket is \$65.00. Prices of the prize baskets range from \$49.00 to \$313.00 plus the fillers. Ask out in the community for sponsors. This is a good opportunity for a business or individual to make a donation as a sponsor which is tax deductible and will help fund the Scholarship and Student Loan Fund and get some advertising as well. Any Lion can seek sponsors - Need to get the sponsors name and money to Lion Mary Frances by Sept. 18,

Lions and Partners-In-Service are needed Thursday night, Sept. 25 to set up and on Friday, Sept. 26 to work the bingo.

Buy your partner a ticket and you can help on the floor. Lion Mary Frances has tickets, flyers and the answers to your questions!

## DAMASCUS COMMUNITY FAIR

By Lion Mary Frances Gosnell

On Sept 5, 6, and 7 you could see Damascus Lions working mostly anywhere at the Community Fair. This was the 63<sup>rd</sup> Community Fair. The Fair was started and sponsored by the Damascus High School FFA and FHA and was held at the school until 1989 when agricultural courses were no longer offered. Today, the fair continues with the support of DHS Alumni FFA and FHA members and volunteers from the community. It is a family event – something for everyone!

The Damascus Lions had the Membership Booth giving free popcorn to fairgoers as well as the LCOF Health Unit for vision and hearing screening. 30 people were screened in the Health Unit referring 4 people for further professional attention. Three people signed up wanting to know more about Lions while 2 Lions felt they may have gotten a prospective member as well.

There were 11 Lions and 3 family members who extended 1300 bags of popcorn to the fairgoers. We chalked up 100 plus hours in 2 days. We did not open on Saturday due to the storm. In accomplishing all of that, we used 56 pounds of popcorn, 2 gallons of butter and 2 pounds of seasoning.

Thanks to all the Lions and families for helping with the LIONS activities at the Damascus Community Fair!