

LIONS DISTRICT 22-W NEWS



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Congratulations to Lion Nadja Muchow, President of the Thurmont Lions Club, who successfully completed the Faculty Development Institute (FDI) for Lions in Atlanta, Georgia in January. The Faculty Development Institute was launched in 2006. Participants sharpen their training skills and increase their overall effective-



ness as instructors. Graduates of the FDI are expected to make efforts to use their enhanced skills by serving as instructors for local Lions training programs, seminars and workshops. The FDI curriculum focuses not only on presentation skills but encompasses many of the skills and concepts that impact the quality of training delivery and ultimately the effectiveness of LCI's leadership development programs. PDG Steve Finger is also a 2015 graduate of the FDI.

The celebration of our Lions centennial anniversary continues through June 30, 2018. Clubs are still able to earn centennial awards and report centennial service projects on MyLCI. The Centennial Celebration Membership Awards gives Lions Clubs special recognition for growing their clubs and helping to grow Lionism in their area. There are two levels of recognition a club can earn.: *Premier Centennial Lions Club* and *World Class Centennial Lions Club*.

Premier Centennial Lions Clubs can earn this designation by inducting at least three new members during any of the fiscal years of the Centennial Celebration (2015-2018). New members must remain for two years and a day. Another way clubs can earn this recognition is by sponsoring a new Lions club during any of the fiscal years of the Centennial Celebration. New clubs must remain active for two years and a day.

Premier Centennial Lions Clubs will be recognized with a limited-edition banner patch, club name on the LCI Centennial website, recognition on the LCI club locator with a virtual banner icon and be recognized at International conventions, area forums and district conventions.

World Class Centennial Lions Club is the highest level of recognition a club can earn as part of the Centennial Celebration Membership Awards. Clubs can earn this honor by showing consistent growth in membership and extension efforts.

Service from the heart for 100 years.



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World Class Centennial Lions Clubs can earn this designation by inducting at least three new members in each of the three fiscal years of the Centennial Celebration AND sponsoring a new Club during at least one of the fiscal years of the Centennial Celebration. New members must remain active throughout Centennial Celebration AND new clubs must remain active and in good standing for at least a year and a day.

World Class Centennial Lions Clubs will be recognized with a special limited-edition banner patch and plaque awarded by the district governor, a special certificate for each active member of the club, club name on the LCI Centennial website, recognition on the LCI club locator with a virtual banner icon as well as special recognition at International conventions, area forums, and district conventions.

If you have more questions about the Centennial Celebration membership awards, go to: http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/lions/awards/centennial-membership-awards/questions.php.

Thanks to Lions Bob Johnson and Andy DeMario Jr. for working together on the March 24th District 22W joint LVRF and Sight Conservation (White Cane) breakfast at the Myersville Fire Hall. Twenty-eight Lions Clubs were represented with \$28,242.91 donated to LVRF and \$7,725.00 donated to KeraLink Mid-Atlantic this year. Thanks to all Lions and clubs for your generosity!

Lord Robert Baden-Powell, Founder of Boy Scouting, said, "We only have a short time to live, so it is essential to do things that are worthwhile and to do them now." Build your club, strengthen your leadership, invite new members and remember to Go Lions! Go Lions! Go Lions! Serve! Serve!

(NOTE: Thanks to President Joe Wolf of the Hagerstown Lions Club for providing the quote from Lord Baden-Powell.)

Go Lions! Go Lions! Go Lions! Serve! Serve! Serve! Susan Bonura





SHOW YOUR LIONS PRIDE: INVITE NEW MEMBERS TO YOUR CLUB

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1ST VDG'S MESSAGE

Officially spring is here, but on the first day of spring we got almost 10" of snow here in Grantsville, a reminder that winter is lingering. Today, we are seeing more green grass as the snow is slowly disappearing. Lion Sue and I went to the Vision Days Brunch and there was snow even in the east.

What do you know about **LEADERSHIP**? Many Lions have stepped up to take leadership positions in Lions for 2018-2019, but many have also refused. Surely, in our 59 Lions Club we can find leaders to take over for us "older, seasoned" Lions. Now is the time to ask younger, newer Lions in our clubs to prepare for the future. I've heard from Lions around the district that it's difficult to find members willing to hold office. We need to encourage our new Lions to take an office, especially 3rd, 2nd or 1st Vice President. That way they can become leaders of the future.

MEMBERSHIP is declining in the U.S. while it is increasing in other countries around the world. Lions started over 100 years ago in Chicago and spread around the world from there. Clubs formed quickly in America and slowly in other countries. But now, other countries are forming new clubs rapidly while many of our clubs are turning in their charters saying they can't recruit younger members. It is difficult to recruit members willing to **SERVE** like we did when we were younger. We need to adapt to what younger members expect: social media including Facebook, YouTube, etc. Young members are reluctant to spend an hour of their time in a boring Lions meeting. They can still be viable Lions members, connecting through social media. Service and fund-raising projects attract younger members who can see firsthand how Lions help those less fortunate. It's a good feeling helping others.

SERVICE is the best way to recruit new members. Ask potential new members to help with your service or fund-raising project. I've been giving my "elevator speech" to those seated next to me on a plane, and sometimes even in the elevator. It's very surprising how many people have never heard of the Lions. Develop your elevator speech and get the word out about the good things that we do as Lions. **Stop keeping Lions as the Best Kept Secret**.

Don't forget our upcoming membership summit on Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the **Elks Annapolis Lodge #622** at 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD 21037. The second summit will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the **Myersville Fire Department Hall** at 301 Main Street, Myersville, MD 21773. RSVP to md22membership@gmail.com with the names of those who will attend and which summit they have chosen. Try to have at least 2 members from your club attend.

I am available by calling 301-707-7200 (cell) or by e-mail at gbeachy@comcast.net





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2ND VDG'S MESSAGE

Tell me if you have heard this one before: **Retention is key to Building Membership**. As I read my VFW magazine, I came across this article about membership. Two lines jumped out at me: "The biggest culprit is deceased members" combined with "lack of renewals by annual members" which is the VFW dues. In 2015, the VFW surveyed the lapsed membership and found the No. 1 reason given for letting dues lapse was that the members felt "**ignored or unwelcome**".

A quick search of the internet shows that all service-based organizations are facing the same issues: how to keep members engaged and how to attract Gen X'ers and Millennials to replace the deceased members. One leader of the Elks is quoted as saying "It's a continuous concern — not only recruitment but participation in activities. A lot of people join but don't really volunteer time or really participate in what's going on. They are members in name only, passive."

So, how do we reverse this trend within our organization. Lions Clubs International provides several tools to help us: A Blueprint for a stronger club, the membership satisfaction guide, various online training and membership webinars. Locally we hold friendship night, set up informational tables at our events, and invite prospective members to service projects. As individuals many of us post pictures and details on our social media pages and use the **#WeServe**.

I believe that we need to focus on the social aspect of Lions and we need to develop a plan to involve more Gen X'ers and Millennials. One wild idea is that clubs should have one virtual meeting in the next year. What do you think? What ideas do you have?

Please come to one of the membership summits hosted by the Multiple District in April. Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Elks Annapolis Lodge #622 at 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD 21037. The second will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Myersville Fire Department Hall at 301 Main Street, Myersville, MD 21773. <u>Your ideas and inputs are needed to help change the negative trend of membership.</u>





2nd VD Governor

Home Club: Roaring Run Lions Email: evan_gillett@yahoo.com Cell Phone: 240-463-6234



MEMBERSHIP SUMMIT—ALL LIONS ARE WELCOME!

Global Membership Team Coordinator PDG Dee Hawkins and MD22 Global Leadership Team Coordinator Lion Martin Bonura are hosting a **Membership Summit** to be held on two different dates and at two different locations.

The first Summit will be held on **Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m**. at the Elks Annapolis Lodge #622 at 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD 21037.

The second will be held on Saturday, **April 28, 2018 from 9:00** am **to 5:00** pm at the Myersville Fire Department Hall at 301 Main Street, Myersville, MD 21773.

Coffee and donuts, as well as lunch will be provided

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April 1: **EASTER**

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April 3: **ROARING RUN LIONS CLUB**—Gillette Texas Hold"em Poker Fund Fun Nigh/

April 3: POTOMAC VALLEY LIONS 35th CHARTER...SEE "COMING EVENTS."

April 6: ORDERS DUE FOR WESTMINSTER MULCH SALE with pick up on 4/13-14 at Red Hill Lawn Service, 1211 Old Manchester Rd, Westminster; call: Russ 410-848-9250; Tom 410-848-1759; Bob 410-876-9887. Cost delivered: 1-2 yds \$29/yd; 3 or more yds. \$28/yd.; pick up \$25/yd.

April 7: **MIDDLETOWN LIONS CLUB** to hold breakfast...see "**COMING EVENTS**."

April 7: MYERSVILLE LIONS BREAKFAST All-You -Can Eat Country Breakfast: cost: Adults \$8; Seniors \$7.00; Children 6-12: \$4.00 & children under 6 free. Buffet includes: pancakes, bacon, sausage, sausage gravy, fried potatoes, O'Brien potatoes, French toast, blueberry pancakes, fruit, eggs, OJ, coffee, tea, breakfast sweets, hominy, pudding.

April 7: **THÜRMONT LIONS** to hold Cash Bingo. **SEE "COMING EVENTS**

April 7: 4th CABINET MEETING - SEE COMING EVENTS

April 8:**THURMONT LIONS CLUB** will sponsor a blood drive from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Thurmont Senior Center. American Red Cross personnel will be present to take the blood. There is a critical need for all blood types, but the need for AB negative (1%), B negative (2%) and AB positive (3%) are **VERY CRITICAL**

April 9 **SMITHSBURG RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** at the Smithsburg Fire Department from 1pm to 6 pm.

April 9: **REGION 3-WIDE MEETING** to be hosted by the Middletown Lions Club at the AmVets Valley Memorial Post #9. Cost is \$13.00 for a barbequed chicken dinner with mac & cheese, mixed veggies, coleslaw, cornbread & dessert. **Reserve by April 7, 2018**

April 10: **REGION 4, ZONE 1** will be holding their 4th Zone Meeting at the Taneytown Lions Club at the Taneytown Activities Building starting at 6:30 pm. The meal for the meeting will feature Baked Ham and Sweet Potatoes. Let's make this final Zone Meeting for 2017-2018 the best attended yet. **Reserve by April 3rd.**

April 12: **LONGMEADOW LIONS** Ham and Turkey Sandwich Sale will take place at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church at 1:00 P.M. *Please call in your orders by April 2nd to* President Jim (301-797-2834).

April13: **ROARING RUN POKER TOURNAMENT,** a fundraiser in support of Lion Evan Gillette's candidacy for FVDG starting at 6 pm at the Carroll County Ag Center in the Burns Memorial Hall. Cash prizes and food for sale. \$40.00 in advance.

April 14: **HAGERSTOWN LIONS CLUB** will celebrate their 95th anniversary celebration...**SEE "COMING EVENTS."**

April 14: FIRST MEMBERSHIP SUMMIT will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Elks Annapolis Lodge #622 at 2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD 21037. Coffee and donuts, as well as lunch will be provided RSVP to md22membership@gmail.com with the names of those who will attend and which Summit they have chosen. April 14 & 21: DEER PARK LIONS hold hardwood mulch sale. SEE COMING EVENTS.

April 16: **NEW MARKET LIONS CLUB** Friendship/ Membership Night. Past District Governor Lion Robert "Bob" Mitchell will be our speaker. Spouses and guests are invited. Social begins at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m.

April 16: TERRA RUBRA CHARTER CELEBRATION; SEE *COMING EVENTS.*

April 18: ROARING RUN CHARTER NIGHT CELE-BRATION SEE "COMING EVENTS."

April 19: **GLENWOOD LIONS CLUB OF DISTRICT 22A** will hold a **Steak Dinner and Fellowship Meeting** on **April 19th** at the Gary J. Arthur Community Center in Cooksville. **Reserve by April 14th.**

April 21: DISTRICT 22C SOCIAL...SEE "COMING EVENTS."

April 21: **DISTRICT-WIDE NEW MEMBER ORIEN-TATION** will be held from 8 am to 12 pm at the Chews-ville Community Center (11735 Whitehall Rd; Chewsville, Md 21721.) To Club Presidents: Here is a chance for you to help your new Lion as well as other members to learn about what is it to be a Lion. It is free and it is close by. Please come and join us. Contact PDG Margarito "Och" Ochoa at 301-748-4578 or ogc95@comcast.net for more information and to register.

April 23: LEADER DOG BANQUET GRANTSVILLE SEE COMING EVENTS

April 25: VETERANS WANTED: - The FREEDOM DISTRICT LIONS will sponsor a Mission BBQ—SEE COMING EVENTS!

April 25: **LEADER DOG BANQUET REGION III. SEE COMING EVENTS**

April 26: **REGION IV LEADER DOG BANQUET** will be held at the New Windsor

Fire Dept Hall (Windsor Station), 101 High Street,

New Windsor MD 21776..Reservattions due by **April** 15th.**SEE "COMING EVENTS"**

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CALENDAR

APRIL CONTINUED:

April 28: **SECOND MEMBERSHIP SUMMIT will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00** pm. at the Myersville Fire Department Hall at 301 Main Street, Myersville, MD 21773. Coffee and donuts, as well as lunch will be provided RSVP to md22membership@gmail.com with the names of those who will attend and which Summit they have chosen.

April 28: **NEW MARKET LIONS CLUB** will hold a <u>Cash Bingo</u> at the Libertytown Fire Hall. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and games begin at 6:30 p.m. For tickets call: Diana @301-865-6830 or Donna @ 301-865-3134.

April 29: **REGION I STRIDES** Diabetes Awareness Walk and Health Fair will be held from 3:00 pm-5:00pm at Frostburg State University CORDTS PE Center hosted by the FSU Campus Club



May 5:**South Carroll Lioness Lions Club SHRED event 9-11am at** Carroll Community Bank in Eldersburg

May 4-6: **LAVALE LIONS** hold **Friday-Sunday – Spring Chicken BBQ**

May 6: TAYLORSVILLE-WINFIELD DANCE: see "COMING EVENTS."

May 7-10, – **MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22 96TH ANNU- AL CONVENTION WILL** be held in Ocean City, Maryland. Contact: Lions Marion Carmack (301-662-4689) and Bobby Rakestraw (301-865-3134).

May 19: THE MYERSVILLE LIONS WILL HOLD A SPECIAL FUNDRAISER FOR ALS—in honor of our member, John Godinet.

May 21, **NEW MARKET LIONS CLUB** Charter Night. More information will be forthcoming.

May 23: **SMITHSBURG LIONS CLUB** will hold their Charter Celebration.

May 25:**VETERANS WANTED**:

May 25:**GOLF TOURNAMENT**: The 17TH Annual Lions Golf Tournament in Honor of Richard Liebno will be held on Friday 25 May at 7:30 a.m. at Oakmont Green Golf Course. Zone III is looking for both sponsors and golfers for this event. Contact Lion Myron Horn 410-549-0558 or pmpjhorn@verizon.net if interested. For more information **SEE COMING EVENTS**.

May 26: YARD SALE 8-2pm.. South Carroll Lioness Lions Club

May30: MEMORIAL DAY

April marks the annual observance of Leo Club Awareness Month. Together, Lions and Leos raise awareness of Leo clubs and share information about this important youth development program.

Submitted by: Lion Pauline Rosier District Leo Chairperson



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IN LIKE A
LION!
Submitted by
President
Vonnie Crum Glade Valley
Lions

You've probably

heard the saying that if March comes in like a Lion it goes out like a Lamb. I don't know about the Lamb part but the *Glade Valley Lions* who visited the FCPS Planetarium found out that March does come in *with* a Lion.

The constellation *Leo the Lion* starts to become visible in the Northern Hemisphere around March 1st (the time of the spring equinox is March 20th or 21st). Although the connecting stars in the constellation don't look much like a Lion if you can locate the upside down Big Dipper high in the North sky above the North Star, and imagine a line pointing down beneath the bottom of the Dipper bowl to Regulus (the brightest star in the constellation) and then locate the "sickle" which is like a backwards question mark part of the Lion you probably will be able to find it.

I don't know if I can locate Leo but I'm looking forward to trying and even more so looking forward to Spring, daylight savings time, sunshine and warm weather. We can now say that seeing a LION is like seeing Spring at the end of a long Winter!

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DISTRICT NEWS

PDG·Stephen·Finger, ·22-W·GLT·Coordinator¶

2018-2019-Club-Officer-Training-Scheduled¶

Two·training·sessions·are·scheduled·for·Club·Officers:·Region·and·Zone·Chair;·Presidents/Vice· Presidents;·Club·Secretaries;·Club·Treasurers;·Membership·Team;·Club·Service·Chairperson.¶

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Saturday, June-2, -2018, -8:30-am-at-Carroll-Community-College, -1601-Washington-RD, -

Westminster-MD-21157¶

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<u>Saturday, June-9, ·2018, ·8:30·am</u>·at·Allegany·College·of·Maryland, ·Center·for·Continuing· Education, ·12401·Willowbrook·RD·SE, ·Cumberland·MD·21502¶

Incoming-and-returning-officers-are-asked-to-complete-the-on-line-web-based-training-prior-to-the-training-session.··This-will-allow-for-more-in-depth-training,-problem-solving,-and-interaction-in-the-classroom.··You-will-be-prompted-to-log-on-to-your-Lions-Learning-Center-Account-or-to-create-an-account.·All-you-need-is-your-Lions-Member-Number.·It-is-simple-to-do.·I-just-went-online-and-completed-the-president's-Training-in-25-minutes.·Please-report-your-completion-to-me-at-sfinger@atlanticbb.net¶

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http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/resources/leadership-resource-center/lions-learning-center/index.php¶

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Dear Club Leader,

USA is the only country to have proudly served in Lionism for 100 years. I was very humbled to become the International President in your country – the birthplace of Lionism and many other revolutions that have taken the world forward.

USA has over 315 thousand members. However, this year is a special year for membership as the world unites to reach the 1.5 million membership mark. This target is very close to my heart not just because of its numerological significance. More members means more service and this mark is also a symbolic victory that will resonate in the spirit of each Lion.

This year, USA has lost over 8 thousand members. My humble request to the 11,459 Clubs of America is to try to add 1 net new member in the last 4 months of the year. Let us aim to reverse the loss and at least reach zero net membership growth this year if not a slightly positive number.

USA has always been the country to show the world that anything is possible. Let us do the same this year. I look forward to a small contribution from the United States that will take the world across the elusive 1.5 million mark.

All the best.
Thanks & regards,
Lion Dr. Naresh Aggarwal
International President, Lions Clubs
International

LCIF NEWS

Submitted by PDG Kent Eitemiller
2015-2016 - District 22W LCIF CHAIR
Taylorsville-Winfield Lions Club
District 22W LCIF Coordinator
keitemiller@yahoo.com

As of March 23, 2018, District 22-W has donated \$75,802.92 to LCIF. The LCIF Budget for District 22-W for this Lions Year is \$52,892.28. As of this date, 46 out of 59 clubs have either a club donation or a Lion who has made a personal donation. This equates to 77.97% of the Clubs in the district.

I just received my latest *LION Magazine*. It has pages and pages of information about LCIF. Please take a few minutes and read about the good things LCIF is doing around the world.

We are entering the last quarter of this LIONS Year. The contest for the LCIF \$50.00 Contributing Member is still attainable. I encourage all LIONS to make their donation now to help your club achieve this goal. The rules for this contest are on page 121 of the roster book.

Once again, Thank you for supporting "your Charity", **LCIF.** Donations may be mailed to me and I will do the "paperwork" for you or you can mail your donations directly to LCIF. If you have any questions regarding LCIF, please contact me by email, <u>keitemiller@yahoo.com</u> or cell phone at 443-789-1742.

The International President's Motto:
THE POWER OF WE,
SERVICE, AND ACTION

Dear Lions.

As many of you know, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is turning 50 years old this year. We are celebrating in many exciting ways, including birthday parties all over the world, and a series of fun and educational contests that you can enter at CIF50.org. We hope you'll take part in the celebration.

Growth allows LCIF to make exciting changes, another thing to celebrate. LCIF continually moves forward to assist Lions in making a bigger impact on the world.

With that said, there are some new grant opportunities I hope you will be excited about. These new additions will allow Lions and Leos to expand their service work. Keep reading for details on the new grants, and visit LCIF.org for more information.

As you hear more about LCIF's 50th anniversary, let's reflect upon LCIF's mission: "To support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants."

LCIF depends on the hearts of Lions. Keep up the great work! Let's show the world what Lions and LCIF can do together.

Sincerely,

Chancellor Bob Corlew—Chairman, Lions Clubs International Foundation

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LCIF NEWS

MEMBERSHIP CORNER Submitted by GMT Martin Bonura

Where there is a need, there is a Lion. It is why we want more hands in service; why do we want more members. What do you like about being a Lion? Is it a dinner meeting or is it a service project or a fundraising project you like?

Make a list of reasons you like being a Lion

Fellowship

Altruism

Good feelings

Love of humanity

Make a list of reasons you like your Lions Club

Special service projects

Eye screening

Hearing screenings

Feed the hungry projects

Park cleanup

Christmas tree sales

Ham sandwich sales

Chicken BBQ

Make a list of those who should be Lions

Spouse

Children

Minister

Neighbor

Business Owner

Develop a plan to invite them to become Lions

Help with a service project

Help with a fundraiser

Friendship night

Personal invitation

Wine and cheese

Dinner

Meeting

Implement your plan

Just do it



Come to the membership summit on April 28th at the Myersville Fire Department from 9:00am to 5:00pm to learn more.



DISTRICT AND CLUB COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS COMING SOON

Soon, when clubs and districts donate to LCIF, they can apply for a grant that will give back 15% of that funding for a local project.

The District and Club Community Impact Grant requires a US\$5,000 minimum donation for clubs and a US\$10,000 minimum donation for districts. Eligible clubs and districts must apply for the grant and upon approval, they can fund a project that helps boost their community!



LCIF'S US\$30 MILLION COMMITMENT TO GAVI IS COMPLETE

At the Lions Clubs International 96th annual convention in Hamburg, Germany, LCIF made a commitment to Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, to raise US\$30 million to help protect tens of millions of children in the world's poorest countries against measles.

If we could accomplish this ambitious goal, these funds would be matched by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the UK Department for International Development. LCIF is pleased to announce that thanks to the generosity and service of Lions, this goal has been reached, bringing the total amount raised to US\$60 million. Please visit LCIF's blog to learn about the projected impact of this financial support. Thank you, Lions.

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LVRF -SUPPORTING A HOME TOWN ORGANIZATION Submitted by: Lion Bob Johnson, District 22W LVRF Chair

The combined LVRF / Sight Conservation (White Cane) breakfast was held on Saturday, March 24th. A total of \$10,847.99 was donated to support LVRF at this event bringing our total for the year to date to \$28,242.91. I want to thank all of the clubs and individuals who have supported LVRF this past year, and in previous years. Our district's financial support of LVRF varies from year to year but overall it has average out at around \$34,000 per year so we are down some this year but we still have three months to go before the end of the year. Hopefully we will see some additional donations during that time.

I believe that there are a total of 59 Lions clubs and one Lioness club in district 22-W. To date 48 of these clubs have made donations to LVRF during the 2017 – 2018 Lions year. While this represents a good percentage of our clubs I remind you that in the past we have seen 100% of the clubs in District 22-W make donations to other worthwhile Lions causes. Remember that LVRF is the only organization supported by District 22-W that was founded by the Lions of MD22 and is almost totally supported by us.

We can rightfully be proud of the Lions Vision Research Foundation and the work we have done in conjunction with the Wilmer Eye Institute. In conjunction with the Wilmer we practically invented the concept of low vision rehabilitation. The Lions Low Vision Center at the Wilmer has served as a model for numerous other low vision centers that have been opened around the United States (and one about to open In Thailand). A number of the other low vision centers that have been opened, including the one in Thailand, are directed by doctors who served low vision fellowships at the Lions Low Vision Center. This fellowship program is exclusively funded by the Lions of MD22 through the LVRF.

Think about it – through the efforts of Lions like you, LVRF and the Wilmer have created an almost entirely new branch of vision treatment. At the breakfast on the 24th, Doctor Judy Goldstein mentioned that there are only two medical schools in the United States training low vision specialists and that between them they turn out a total of two specialists a year. I would love to see us increase our funding of LVRF to the point where we could fund two fellowships a year instead of one. That would represent a 50% national increase in low vision specialists being trained each year.

Remember – the Lions Low Vision Research Foundation is exclusively an MD22 program. We do not receive donations from any other Lions district within the United States or internationally so we depend on you to make it work. If you club has not yet donated to LVRF during the current year, or would like to make a supplemental donation, please do so before the end of the Lions year. Information on how to make a donation can be found in the district roster book on page125 or you can just send them to me and I will process them for you to insure that you receive proper credit.

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MARYLAND STATE LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED. Submitted by 22A FVDG Angela Bruce

Ashley Briggs, the outreach librarian for the Library would like to partner with the Lions Clubs of Maryland to raise awareness about the library's services.

The library serves those who are print-impaired. Did you know that as of 2015, there were an estimated 100,000 people in Maryland that suffer from low to no vision and even more may have qualifying print-disabilities that prevent them from enjoying traditional reading?

The Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped can help these individuals maintain their love of reading by providing accessible reading materials to them at no cost.

The Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped serves the entire state of Maryland.

Ms. Biggs would like to connect with all Lions Club in District 22. The goals of the library and that of Lions as leaders in eye-glass donation campaigns, as well as eye care and eye health awareness; appear to be aligned. Here is a link to the library brochure: https://www.marylandlibraries.org/ Documents/2017%20LBPH%20General% 20Information.pdf. You can also find more information at: www.lbph.maryland.gov; they have a Facebook page at (mdlbph) and Twitter (md_lbph).

If your Club would like additional information, please contact Ashley M. Biggs, Outreach Librarian Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Maryland State Library 415 Park Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21201-3603 410-230-2430 (office); 410-333-2095 (fax) asley.biggs1@maryland.gov http://www.lbph.maryland.gov. If you would like the entire 22A newsletter, please contact Cabinet Secretary Barb Brimigion.

I remind you that we have an LVRF presentation available for a club meeting program. If you are interested let me know and I will arrange for myself, or one of the District 220W LVRF Trustees, to present it for your club.

If you or any anyone you know needs vision services from the Wilmer I remind you that you can get same-day or next day appointments (based on your needs and / or schedule) by calling 410-955-5080 or 888-945-6374.

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WCPS FOOD AND NUTRITION— Submitted by Lion Robert Theis

On Tuesday, March 13th, **Mike Embly**, Supervisor, **Food and Nutrition Services** at WCPS was the program speaker for the Hagerstown Lions Club. At the beginning of summer 2012, the WCPS realized that children need food and nutrition during the summer months due to school being closed. It was discovered that the best way to accomplish this was by mobile meals. The first step was to identify four potential sites as hosts with a relationship and WCPS. No money was available to obtain a "Meal Machine," as it was called. With an old box truck on hand, they served two sites with certain requests.

With two Food Service staff members experienced and certified by Servsafe. Cell phones were used to communicate with the base kitchen. Then, with a small amount of money a mobile truck was obtained and served double the amount of meals totaling 7000. Lack of suitable areas to serve meant children stood to eat their meals. The program was for kids 18 and under. Planning ahead and reaching out definitely proved a great idea. In 2014 a new and improved "Meal Machine" was obtained with a grant from the National League of Cities thanks to the Wal-Mart Foundation. Now WCPS had hot and cold holding equipment.

Posters and flyers proved worthy. Also partnering with YMCA, Boys and Girls Club, Girl Scouts, Girls Inc., The Salvation Army, **Hagerstown Lions Club**, Hagerstown Community College. and Frostburg State University marketing with door hangers and yard signs helped greatly. WCPS is now operating 8 Mobile "Meal Machine" sites serving 430 lunches per day. The total increase in meals served went from 55,898 in 2014 to approximately 100,000 in 2017, which included breakfast and lunch. WCPS clearly understands that children need healthy food all year long, especially in the summer..

LAVALE HEARS SPORTS WRITER Submitted by PDG Steve Finger

Our guest speaker for the February meeting, was local journalist and sports writer, Stephen Luse. Mr. Luse enjoyed a long career as a sports writer, and editor for the Cumberland Times News.

He was editor of the Sports Magazine, retired twice, and still contributes featured articles to this day. He had many stories of sports figures he has interviewed including Sonny Jorgensen and Darrell Green. He recalled the World Kayaking Championships led along the Savage River, met Lefty Grove, and revealed Lion Bob Harbaugh's sports nickname.

Lion President Mike Wallinger with journalist and sports writer Stephen Luse.





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A BLESSING IN DISGUISE <u>or</u> CONFESSION OF A LOVRNET INTERVIEWER!

Submitted by Lion Dick Autz Middletown Lions Club

I joined the Lions in early 2014, and almost immediately saw an article in the Lions Vision Newsletter about LOVRNET by Ted Ladd. What really got my attention was that I could help a vision patient from home as an Interviewer using my computer and telephone. I began to think that now was the time for me to start "paying it forward".

When I began talking to patients, I worked hard to keep the interview as short as possible. Sometimes it just ran into two hours or more. Too, I complained a lot about the questions, the method, and the software. Dr. Massof, and others of the LOVRNET staff were very patient with me and gratifyingly took notice of my thoughts.

Interviewing is an education within itself. You 'll want to bring a boatload of patience and a big bucket of empathy to your calls. Many of the patients I talk to are lonely and sad. Some are angry, and some even frightened or depressed. Some patients are very suspicious of a telephone interview, which may seem an awful lot like telemarketing.

Now, after 75 interviews, I have only had one enraged patient that thought I was a stalker, a fake, trying to take advantage. I always make sure the patient has my name and number and is free to call me. I also remind patients that they can always correct an interview error when they see the Doctor. Nearly all the patients are keen to talk about their problems. They want and need somebody to notice them, hear their story, and share their plight.

Most have a hard time answering a **yes** or **no** question without explaining or qualifying their answer. I'm getting better at choosing the right radio button to select anyway. I've have four patients call me back unexpectedly just to tell me how they are doing, which makes the follow-up go very well. I've listened to lots of praise of the rehabilitation Doctors from the patients. I'm humbled to represent them in a small way.

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ARE YOU A VICTIM OF THE REVERSE MORTGAGE CON?

(Information taken from the Baltimore Sun (TNS) – article by Art Ernst.)

Reverse mortgages allow people 62 years of age and older to receive cash advances by putting up their homes for collateral. Closing costs, fees, and interest are added to the loan balance. *The financial outcome is devastating.*

It does not matter if the loan is for a short or long term. If you should wish to pay off the reverse mortgage the first year, the actual cost could exceed 200 %. If you pay in two years, the cost is 50%. For the long-term mortgage loan, your home will be sold at a huge discount.

But, ads state that the reverse mortgage allows you to use the equity in your home. The truth is **you will lose** the equity. The cash flow you accept, 20%-50% of your home's value, **is all you will ever get by the time the bank owns your home.**

H.U.D. publishes information on the maximum percentage of the value of your home that you can be approved for. Closing costs, mortgage insurance, fees, and bank: set asides: lower the cash you receive. At 5% interest a 62-year-old will receive less than half of their home's value. At 6% a borrower would get less than 40%; at 7% less than 30% of the home's value. In the meantime, the bank will receive 100% of the home's value.

The bank can take your home should you not maintain the home or if you do not insure the property. If you move to a nursing home for a year or more the bank can take your home. If you should die before the loan is paid off, your heirs will be the victims.

What can you do if you need cash? Sell your home outright and receive 100% of the value. Or get a term loan to cover your needs; or set up an equity line of credit.

Advertisements for reverse mortgages seem like a great deal but you can see they are not. **Do not become a victim or let anyone you know become a victim.**



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"MEL'S DINER" 68TH ANNUAL SHOW (Information taken from Herald Mail News 3/11/2018)

The Clear Spring Lions annual variety show was held on March 16 –18 at Clear Spring High School to packed audiences.

Burma Miles, a Lion for 25 years, was director. Gail Snyder, a cast member, looks forward to finding out what the show is going to be each year. She joined the cast 30 years ago.

The cast rehearsed starting the first Sunday in January. The members come from: Hagerstown, Mercersburg, and West Virginia. Some of the cast members have been part of the yearly show for many years and find they have become like family. They say that working on the show is more like fun than work.

Funds raised go to such community projects as: Clear Spring area Food Bank, scholarships, student eye glasses, hearing tests, school projects, Little League, youth sports, senior needs, and area shelters..

Pictured below are: Gloria Metcalfe as Flo, George Stone as Mel and Gail Snyder as Susie in the skit.



PRESCHOOL VISION SCREENING _ FREEDOM DISTRICT LIONS Submitted by 1VDG Geary Beachy

On February 6th, the FDLC preschool vision committee screened a total of 20 children at the "All About Kids" facility with 16 passing, 2 being referred for further examination by an eye care Professional, and 2 unable to complete the screening.

On March 6th, the committee was at the Goddard School" in Eldersburg where 43 children were screened with 42 passing and one being unable to be screened.

On March 21st we will be conducting vision screening of the children in the "Child Development Program" at Century High School and on April 9th and April 10th we will be screening children at the Messiah Lutheran Preschool.

Upon completion of all screenings both completed and scheduled, we will have visited 8 sites and anticipate screening almost 300 children for the business year.

EYEGLASS RECYCLING Submitted by 1VDG Geary Beachy

In February, Freedom District Lions Club collected 164 "previously owned" eyeglasses, 12 sunglasses and 90 eye cases. Collection boxes were located around Sykesville /Eldersburg.

Our club has collected a total of 1,736 used eyeglasses since the beginning of the Lions YEAR, July 1, 2017.



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District 22-W, Region II, Multi-Zone Meeting Held in Williamsport

On Tuesday, February 27 Zone Chairs and Club Lions met at the Redmen Tribe 84 Lodge to share a meal and ideas from the many clubs represented. District 22-W Governor Susan Bonura (left), IPDG Brian Cox (right photo speaking), Region 2 Chair Lois Conrad,

Cabinet Secretary Barbara Brimigion, Zone Chairs Kasey Minnick, Dave Kaplan, and Stan Stouffer headed up the event.





GLADE VALLEY LIONS NEWS

Submitted by Lion Crum, **GVLC President**

DG Susan Bonura presented our club with the 4 gem Centennial Service Challenge Banner Patch for 2016-2017, and a Level 1 and Level 3 Legacy Project Banner Patch during her recent visit. She was also honored to recognize our distinguished Lions members with chevrons for 15 to 60 years of service, especially Lions Bruce Sheppard and Clyde Crum who were present to receive them. Congratulations also to Lion John Crum who received the Membership Key from LCI and Lion Dick Lyman who received the LCI Gold Centennial Award during her visit.

Here are some more good things coming up in the Glade Valley Lions Club:

On March 1st we will have the Boy Scouts at our meeting. This is always a fun evening when the Boy Scouts tell us about the projects and share their adventures. On March 17th we will have the Peace Post Contest Winners and their parents at our meeting. This year we had 10 contestants! Thanks to Jim Corley who did an excellent job of recruiting contestants and along with Dick Layman read all of the essays and picked the winners,

ROSTER CHANGES;

On page 72, West Hagerstown President Mary has new email address: MChaney@scsouthmountain.com

On page 78, delete Lion Leah Zufall as a club advisor for the Catoctin High School Leo Club

On page 79, Lion Emily Graham is a club advisor for the FSK High School Leo Club. Phone: 443-331-3933 Email: grahamcentralstation@yahoo.com

On page 79, delete Lions Laura & Tom Gillen as club advisors for the Liberty High Leo Club. Freedom District Lion Bob Bastress is the club advisor. Phone: 410-795-9198. rbastress@verizon.net. He is assisted by Lion Jack Harman. Lion Jack's Phone: 410-795-0473 Email: harmanmg@yahoo.com

On page 80, delete Lion Wil Graham as club advisor for the New Market Middle School Leo Club. He is replaced by Lion Lynwood Browning 301-831-5355 Email: (phone: earlebrowning@gmail.com), Lion Marge Shiflett (Phone: 301 -865-7080 Email: mshiflett@comcast.net), and Lion Suzan McGowan (Phone: 301-514-0465 Email: sdmcgow22W@aol.com).

On pages 84 and 94, Chaplain PDG Bob Miller has a new email address: anitasue-1127@gmail.com.

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FDLC CHILDHOOD CANCER PROJECT by Lion Viki Peltier

Last summer, Lions Clubs International (LCI) chose a service goal to support childhood cancer. As part of this service project, the Freedom District Lions Club is helping the Sinai Hospital Pediatric Oncology Department's Outpatient Clinic.

The Child Life Specialist at Sinai said that organizations remember the children in hospitals with gifts at Christmas, but during the rest of the year **they do not** receive many donations. The pediatric oncology Department's Outpatient Clinic at Sinai services approximately 80 to 100 children, ages infant through teenagers, during a week.

Each week when a child comes to the unit, they see the doctor and get "hooked up" to chemotherapy. After seeing the doctor, they then can go to the "prize box" and receive a toy to play with while they are there for treatment (sometimes 6-8 hours). Afterward they are permitted to take the toy home.



The children come from all walks of life. Some of the children's parents cannot afford to buy their children toys or books. The toy they select at the pediatric Department's Outpatient Clinic gives them something to look forward to. If the Child Life Specialist knows that the child does not have any books at home, she will also give them a donated book to take home with their toy .I would like to have Freedom District Lions Club continue to donate to this worthy cause about three times a year.

Last October we began supporting this effort. with the first of the club's donations delivered to the children at Sinai in **November. March** will be our second delivery of toys to Sinai's pediatric oncology Department's Outpatient Clinic. Hopefully we will make a delivery in **June** if we have enough donations.

Sinai Hospital has very strict rules concerning the donation of toys and books to their Pediatric Oncology Department's Out patient Clinic. All toys must be new toys **not used** toys from other children. **Stuffed animals** must have the **tags** still attached. Books must be **brand new** not purchased from yard sales, libraries, or other locations.

The Child Life Specialist said that the children love Barbie dolls, Shopkins, Hot Wheel cars, small trucks, small Lego kits, action figures, books, coloring books and crayons, nail polish and stuffed animals. The teenagers enjoy earbuds and nail polish, but especially like games.



If you are interested in helping the children suffering with cancer at Sinai Hospital, please bring your donated items (remember they must be brand new toys or books) to one of our future FDLC business meetings (starting with March 14th) for our next delivery in June. If you have any questions please see me at a club meeting, e-mail me at **bigviki@verizon.net** or call 410-795-5334.

Thanking you in advance for your support of this worthy cause.

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CHARACTER COUNTS Submitted by Lion Jack Byers—Hagerstown Lions

Everywhere all the time! So reads the explanator brochure of a coalition with that alliterative title. **John Davidson** (pictured), spokesperson for the Washington County chapter, was presenter at the March 5 meeting and introduced us to its mission and activities.



The organization was founded in 1987 as the Josephson Institute of Ethics and renamed Character Counts in 1992. Based upon six pillars of character – trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship – CC facilitates the teaching of those pillars, enabling citizens of Washington County to become persons of good character at home, school, work, and in all areas of the community that will result in an improved quality of life. Although many of us have seen these pillars displayed on banners and posters in public schools, Mr. Davidson emphasized that CC is not for schools only. In fact, the six pillars have been adopted by the City Council to make Hagerstown a Character Counts City.

In addition to emphasizing the teaching of the pillars, CC honors students in each elementary school who exemplify good character and also sponsors an essay contest. Currently it is hosting a series of "Conversations that Matter"; this month's conversation is between students and parents. Character Counts meets the first Wednesday of each month, 7:30 AM, at Head Start. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, log onto the website: www.charactercountswc.com.

TANEYTOWN LIONS HEAR SPEAKER Submitted by: Lion Barbara Heltibridle

Kelly Wantz, daughter-in-law of Lion Leonard, was the speaker at our last meeting. Kelly is an Occupational Therapist and a student in the area of low vision. She is currently in a graduate program with the University of Alabama. Her project is entitled Right 2 See. The mission of Right 2 See is to assist those who have low vision and the objective is to act as a liaison to help people with low vision gain equipment or possibly utilize a loaner program.

Many cases, of low vision cannot be corrected by glasses, contacts, medication or surgery. Cataracts, Macular Degeneration, Diabetic Retinopathy and Glaucoma are the main agerelated conditions in people over the age of 65.

The use of magnifiers and home modifications are a few ways to help with low vision. Kelly's philosophy is that everyone deserves the right to see.



Pictured left to right: Kelly Wantz, President Linda, Jay Wantz (Kelly's husband)

PDG Bob presented to President Linda the Silver Centennial Service Award at the meeting.

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HAMSTEAD LIONS CLUB Submitted by: President Dennis Sew

The Hampstead Lions Club participated in the Hampstead/ Manchester Business Expo at Manchester Valley High School on March 1th. They had a booth to show the community what "Lionism" truly means and how we serve our community..

Pictured left to right: Lion John Calhoun, Lion President Dennis Sew, Lion Greg Wiegel



LCIF UPDATES Submitted by FSK Lion Lynn Stimmel Keep celebrating LCIF's 50th— Enter the Together We Can Contest: Lions Quest Edition

In 1975, a teenager named Rick Little set out on a quest to help other young people develop the skills and strength of character needed to succeed as adults. His unique mission was so successful, the program he created eventually grew into one of the most widely-used life skills programs in the world.

LCIF began supporting the program now known as Lions Quest in 1984, and took over the program in 2002. Since then—together with individual donors, dedicated educators, caring parents, and engaged students—LCIF has awarded more than \$2 million to expand or establish Lions Quest programs across the United States and around the world.

HAGERSTOWN LIONS-LIONESSES DISTRIBUTE BOOKS TO CHILDREN AT EMMA K. DOUB SCHOOL Information from the Herald Mail Newspaper

The Hagerstown Lions Club is committed to ensure elementary school students in Washington County have access to free books. In March the Hagerstown Lions and Lioness Clubs joined together at Goodwill to label, examine and sort approximately 1800 books for distribution to the students at Emma K. Doub School.

To the right is a sample of the books that were examined for age-appropriate subject matter, torn or missing pages, unwanted markings, and other imperfections.

Below are some of the volunteers: from left are: Merle Savile, Bill Nairn, James Clem, Noveda Clem, Anthony Holmes, Cheyenne Fink, and Dave Kaplan.





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Pictured above: Left to right: President Nancy Itnyre, Kayla Crigger, Peace Poster Chair, Marie Oyster BOONSBORO LIONS CLUB HON-ORS PEACE POSTER WINNERS Submitted by: Lion Marie Oyster, Peace Poster Chair

The Boonsboro Lions Club had special guests at a recent meeting. They invited their Peace Poster winners to share a meal and then talked about the Peace Poster contest for 2017/2018.

The Club's 1st prize winner, Kayla Crigger, had the distinction to win 1st Place for District 22W. Her Poster then went on the International Competition.

Kayla attended our meeting on Wednesday, March 14th with her mother and friend. She was awarded \$50 for 1st place from our club, and \$100 from the District

Eiza Yousif was our 2nd place winner. Eiza was awarded a cash prize of \$30, and attended the meeting with her mother, father, siblings and uncle. The Art Teacher, Amy Beard, also attended our award presentation.



Pictured above: Left to right: President Nancy Itnyre, Peace Poster Chair, Marie Oyster, & Eliza Yousif

SOUTH CARROLL LIONESS-LIONS CLUB Submitted by Editors DG Susan Bonura & GMT Lion Martin Bonura

E.S.C.A.P.E. Lunches – Lunches for "His Table" free bag lunch program will be packed on April 18th at the home of Ursula Shackelford, 6006 Fairfield Lane, Eldersburg, at 7:30 a.m. Call Ursula at 410-795-1696 with any questions. This committee packs 72 lunches for the hungry three times a year – January, April and August.

The Feed the Hungry Project continues because people in our community continue to be in need. Please remember to help by bringing 12 canned goods or other food items to any meeting. The items will go to the food pantry at Wesley Freedom Church.

Yard Sale – The date for the club yard sale has been changed to Saturday, May 26 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Set-up will be on Friday, May 25 at 2 p.m.

Flag Day & Liberty Day presentations at Freedom Elementary for 4th & 5th grades will be held in April. Our club's next **Environmental Project** will be a Shred Event on Saturday, May 5 from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the Carroll Community Bank in Eldersburg.

Safeway Raffle – Our annual raffle for a \$500 Safeway gift card has begun. Chances are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. See Mary Hartmann for your tickets and to sign-up for sales at the Safeway store on all Fridays and Saturdays during the month of April

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LEOS

LEO SERVICE GRANTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Lions and Leos have been awaiting the launch of the new Leo Service Grants. LCIF is excited to announce that as of January 19th, 2018, these grants are available for application! Leos will be able to create a bigger impact in humanitarian initiatives within their communities, while being exposed to valuable leadership and life skills

WALKERSVILLE LEOS MAKE BRACELETS Submitted by: Lion Pauline Rosier District Leo Chairperson

Walkersville MS Leos made bracelets and sold them at the Libertytown-Unionville Lions Club Pancake Breakfast. All proceeds from the breakfast and the bracelet sales went to help defray cancer treatment costs for a family with a daughter who travels to Mexico for these treatments.



They are in full swing making presentations about their upcoming 2nd annual Dinner In the Dark. They are selling tickets, accepting items for the silent auction, and receiving sponsorship donations. Email Lion Jennifer Smith at icswhycomply@gmail.com if you would like the Leos to come to a meeting and talk about this great event.

This just in: Sacha, the Leader Dog Puppy that Walkersville Leo President Claire and family raised, has passed ALL the tests and has been matched with a client!!

FEED THE HUNGRY PROGRAM Submitted by Lion Viki Peltier

RISE AGAINST HUNGER SERVICE PROJECT

Freedom District Lions Club will once again sponsor the meal packing event for Rise Against Hunger. The event was formerly known as Stop Hunger Now in which 10,000 meals are prepared and packaged within two hours.

This joint project with members of the **Century High Leo Club and Liberty High Leo Club** will be held on Saturday, May 12th at Messiah's Celebration Hall (9:00am-Noon).

FDLC members interested in participating should contact Lion Bob Bastress at stress@verizon.net.

LEOS TO HOLD STRIDES WALK

FSK LEO CLUB – The FSK Leo Club is holding a Strides Walk on April 28th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

BOONSBORO LEO CLUB Allison Wadding Leo Club Advisor

The Leos from the Boonsboro Club have just wrapped up a drive for the local Humane Society. We will have our second annual "Stash the Trash" campus cleanup event on April 21st The picture below shows some of the Leos along with some of the donations from the humane society drive.



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BJS WHOLESALE CLUB MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL OPPORTUNITY Submitted by: DG Susan Bonura

The South Carroll Lioness Lions Club is participating in a **BJs Wholesale Club Membership Renewal** program. The benefits for renewing are:

- 1. Renewing members get \$15 off the \$55 membership fee or \$30 off the \$110 *Rewards membership fee, 13 months 1 month FREE and a free household card!
- 2. New members get \$30 off the \$55 membership fee or \$60 off the \$110 *Rewards membership fee, for 12 months and a free household card.
- 3. This is not an ongoing offer. Current renewing members can renew ahead of time, and BJ's will add the 13 months onto the end of their current months. It will not overlap.
- 4. For the 3rd and 4th household member, add a \$25 fee for each. Write their names under the second person's name on the application.
- 5. Renewing members cannot upgrade to the *Rewards membership unless their membership has expired or will expire during the month renewing.
- 6. For your expiration date, call 1-800-257-2582, or check a store receipt. ** Write your expiration date on your membership card for future reference!
- 7. NEW MEMBERS CAN RENEW/SIGNUP WITH-IN 30 DAYS OF THEIR START DATE.
- 8. **PLEASE NOTE:** This is a special marketing program, and it is NOT available at the store level or online. Offer is subject to change.

Membership Applications

- 1. We cannot process your application at the discounted rate if you have an "easy renewal" set up on your account. Call CSR at 1-800-257-2582 to check and to remove it if necessary.
- 2. Make checks payable to the whole name: **BJ's Wholesale Club**. There are other businesses named BJ's. Cash is not accepted. **Please do not send both a check and credit card information** just one or the other.
- 3. Verify the NUMBER OF PEOPLE on your account so that you send the correct fee amount.
- 4. DO NOT LIST YOUR WORK EMAIL ADDRESS. Please list your personal email address to receive your email confirmation.
- 5. The application must be postmarked by the deadline date, and must be MAILED to: Susan Bonura, 1743 Deer Park Road, Finksburg, MD 21048. 6. Call 443-745-1281 or email lionsbonura@comcast.net with any questions

96TH MULTIPLE 22 CONVENTION May 7th -10th.

Our theme this year will be "Follow Your Dream" and "The Fun Continues". Our 96th Multiple District Convention will open with the Golf Tournament. It will be held at the Bay Club West Golf Course on Monday May 7, 2018. You or your club can be part of the Golf Tournament to be held on opening day. Sponsor a 11" X 17" sign to be posted on the green. Cost is only a \$25.00 donation. Ladies are encouraged to participate this year

The Convention will end with the Victory Luncheon on Thursday May 10, 2018.

Hotel reservations can be made online with The Princess Royale Hotel. Discounted hotel rates are only available at the Princess Royal Hotel. **Deadline to register is May 1, 2018**. Please register even if no tickets are order.

ALL PEOPLE WHO COME TO THE PRINCESS ROY-ALE HOTEL, EVEN IF IT IS TO ONLY GO TO THE HOSPITALITY ROOM, MUST COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM!



THE RAT PACK SHOW COMES TO TOWN

The Lineboro/Manchester Lions Club is sponsoring The Rat Pack, a group who impersonate Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Sammy Davis, Jr, on June 16th, 7:00 pm, at Manchester Valley High School.

Tickets are \$25.00 each and Lion Leonard is getting 50 tickets for our club. For every ticket sold \$5.00 goes back to our club. Lion Leonard plans on having the tickets available for our next meeting. Please consider buying tickets as it will be a great even-



ing of music and comedy and also a good way for the **Taneytown Lions** to make money at the same time. Page 21 District 22-W Newsletter

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TAYLORSVILLE WINFIELD LIONS CLUB PRESENTS

DANCE WITH A LIVE BAND

Raffles *Door Prizes

Set ups provided...BYOB/BYOBEER

DATE: Saturday, May 5, 2018

Where: Winfield Fire Hall

1320 W Old Liberty Rd., Sykesville, MD

21784

COST: \$40 per couple & \$20 per single

ALL MONIES GO TO

Diabetes Awareness & Camp Merrick
Diabetic Children's Camperships

Music provided by: Ashtin Golt Showtime

Band

Classic songs from the 50's, 60's, 70's while specializing in Classic Rock, Country, and Dance Music

MIDDLETOWN LIONS CLUB

BREAKFAST

DATE: April 7th 7:30-11:00am

LOCATION: Middletown Fire Company Activity Building.

MENU: Pancakes, French toast, fruit salad, sausage, eggs, sausage & chip beef gravy, biscuits, juice, milk, coffee.

COST: Adults: \$8:00; Senior Citizens: \$7.00; Children 6-11 years: \$4.00; 5 & under Free

Donation jar for benefit of a Middletown
Pediatric Cancer Patient:

The patient is a 9th grade student in Middletown High School suffering from pediatric cancer. The Lions invite you to help support this family.

ROARING RUN CHARTER CELEBRATION

DATE: April 18th

TIME: Social hour: 6:15pm

Dinner: 7:00pm—Program follows

Location: Piney Branch Golf Club, 5301 Trenton Mill Rd., Upperco MD 21166

Cost: \$30 per person

RSVP: DUE APRIL 8th—Contact: Lion President Vicki at vmmahr@comcast.net—410-292-5738 or mail to Lion Vicki Mahr, 2010 Snapdragon Dr., Finksburg, MD 21048

Please join us as we celebrate serving the Finksburg "Woolery" Community for the past 59 years and as we embark on our 60th year and beyond.

GO ALL IN AT THE ROARING RUN LIONS CLUB TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER TOURNAMENT

A fundraiser in support of **Lion Evan Gillett's** candidacy for

First Vice District Governor **Friday, April 13th**

Doors Open at 6:00 PM / game Starts at 6:30 PM
At the Carroll County Agriculture Center
In the Burns Memorial Hall
Buy In is \$40 in advance / \$50 at the Door

\$\$\$ Cash Prizes \$\$\$1st Place - **25%**, 2nd Place **15%**and 3rd Place **10%**

FOOD FOR SALE
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Nachos, and Baked Goodies

BYOB
Purchase Tickets from Lion Evan Gillett (240-463-6234),

Lion Steve Auerback (410-876-3378) or any other Roaring Run Lion Page 22 District 22-W Newsletter

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Hold the date: April 14th. The **Hagerstown** Lions Club will celebrate Charter Night for their 95th Anniversary of service to others and reaffirm their Charter.

The event will be held at the **Academy Theater** in downtown Hagerstown; social hour will begin at 5:30 with dinner at 6:30. **District Governor Susan Bonura** and other District 22-W officers will be with us.

Haven Church Music Director, **Stephen Pastena**, will supply entertainment. The cost is \$25.each.

HAMSTED LIONS PRESENT THE 6th LION "DICK" MURRAY MEMORIAL GOLF CLASSIC

JUNE 15th, "Swing for Sight" @ Oakmont Green Golf Course—2290 Golf View Lane, Hampstead

1:00pm Shotgun start (12:15pm check in)-ENTRY FEE: \$90 Foursome \$340

*Best Ball, Captain's Choice *Great Cart Prizes *Rib Eye Steak Dinner *Closet to Pin & longest Drive Awards *Lions Beverage Cart *All Green fees & cart *Awards for First thru fourth places

Please support the Lions Club and all PROJECTS. For more information call: Dennis Sew (443)463-4231 email agentsw69@aol.com or Ken Wright (443)984-8342 email kbwright@comcast.net.

4th CABINET MEETING

The Fourth District 22-W Cabinet Meeting of 2017-2018 will be hosted by Region 4 Chair, Richard Crunkilton, and will be held on Saturday, April 7, 2018 at 10:00am. It will be held at the Terra Rubra Lions Bldg at 6300 Middleburg Rd; Keymar, MD 21757. The cost of the breakfast is \$15.

Menu: Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes,
Bacon, Sausage,
Hashbrown Potatoes, Biscuits and Gravy,
fruit cocktail, pastry, juice, coffee, tea,
hot chocolate

Reservations and payment required by **April 2**nd, 2018. Please mail check payable to District 22-W and send to Region IV Chair Richard Crunkilton (443-827-8531), 577 Marshall Dr., Westminster, MD 21157.

The Honorary Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the <u>Keymar Evangelical Wesleyan</u> <u>Church</u>, 1011 Francis Scott Key Highway, Keymar MD 21757

WOMENS' WORKSHOP Submitted by Lion Nadja Muchow

JUNE 16th: The District 22 W Lions Clubs International Regional Women's Workshop will be held on June 16th from 8 am to 5 pm at the Myersville Fire Department.

Complimentary morning refreshments and lunch will be provided. This is a free event to all participants.

Contact Lion Nadja Muchow at nmuchow@summithealth.org.or cell: 410-299-4074.

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USA/CANADA FORUM ON SEPTEMBER 20-22, 2018 IN COLUMBUS, OHIO:

As legendary coach Vince Lombardi, John Pinero (motivational speaker and actor) will inspire you as Lombardi inspired his players... you will leave the Opening Tailgate Party with a renewed zeal for leading & inspiring your own team.

The Opening Tailgate Party on Thursday evening will be a night to remember! Make sure to show your team pride by wearing your favorite team's colors/gear... jerseys, t-shirts, hats, mascot costumes, etc. More information on the forum can be found at: http://



lionsforum.org. Contact Lion Richard Hosfeld if you are interested in taking a bus to the Columbus Forum.

GLENWOOD LIONS CLUB

5-CLUB STEAK DINNER & FELLOWSHIP MEETING

DATE: Thursday, April 19th

TIME: 6:30 pm

ADDRESS: Gary J. Arthur Community Center, 2400 Route 97, Cooksville, MD

MENU: Grilled Steak, Baked Potato Bar, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Dinner Rolls & Cake & Ice Cream

COST: \$25.00 per person

Open Bar with cash donation—beer, wine, liquor

Reservations DUE: April 14th'
Call: Lion Charla at 410-442-2048
Or email jlongclong@msn.com

DISTRICT 22-C SOCIAL "A NEW CENTURY OF SERVICE" Submitted by PDG Dee Hawkins, Social Chair

You are cordially invited to attend the District's 73rd Annual 22C Night on **April 21, 2018,** at the Comfort Inn Conference Center, 4500 Crain Highway, Bowie, MD 20716. The evening will honor District Governor Carl Vettel and First Lady Janice. A Social Hour will be held from 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. Our District 22C Youth Honor Band will perform beginning at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m.

Dinner will consist of Salad, Sliced Top Round Beef on a shared plate with Salmon in a Lemon Cream Sauce, Vegetable, Starch, Rolls & Butter and Dessert. Vegetarian and Vegan meals are available upon advance request.

Following dinner, the Humanitarian Award will be presented to Heroes, Inc. Our International Guest and Speaker for the evening is PID Robert Littlefield. District 22C Honor Roll recipients and Club "Unsung Heroes" will be recognized, and the District Distinguished Service Award will be presented.

The cost of 22C Night is \$50.00 per person. Please share this information and the attached reservation form with other Lions in your Clubs and Districts. Tables seat 10 and you are encouraged to make your reservations early. Reservation forms along with checks, made out to "District 22C Social" should be mailed prior to April 7, 2018 to our Ticket Chair, PCS Mary DeHart at 702 Kingfisher Road, Deale, MD 20751. Tickets will be available at the door and will not be mailed.

Hotel accommodations for those wishing to stay overnight are available at the Comfort Inn. The Hotel is offering a special room rate of \$100.80, plus applicable taxes, to our Lions and Guests. Room Reservations must be received by April 4, 2018 in order to receive this rate. Reservations can be made by calling 301-464-0089, using the code Lions 22 C to identify the group.

We are looking forward to seeing you on April 21, 2018 for an evening of celebrating Lions in District 22C.

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COMING EVENTS LVRF AIM FOR SIGHT EVENTS

LVRF is sponsoring **TWO** "Aim for Sight" sporting clay shoot events. ..September 28th at Mayberry –2555 Mayberry Road, Westminster, and Schrader on October 13th at 16090 Oakland Road, Henderson. Attend either or both of them and take your **shot** at making a difference for people with low vison.

Come out and test your shooting skills and sense of humor during this *fun* charity event. All proceeds will be used to support the **Lions Vision Research Foundation**.

The cost is only \$65 per shooter or \$240 per team at the May-berry Sporting Clays venue where you provide gun and shells. The cost is \$75 per shooter or \$280 per team at the Schrader's Outdoors venue where shells and gun are provided if needed.

Registration includes lunch between 11:30-1:30. Prizes will be awarded to the top teams and individual shooters and everyone has a chance to win. Yes, everyone comes away a winner! You don't have to have a foursome to participate. If you cannot get a team, you will be teamed up with other friendly shooters.

Registration starts at 9:00 am at the Mayberry Sporting Clays venue and at 8:30 am at the Schrader's Outdoors venue.

To register to shoot, use Table 2 and send a check made payable to "LVRF Aim For Sight" to Lion Dal Mann, 22944 Lyn Oaks Drive, Preston, MD 21655 for the Schrader's Out-doors venue and to Lion Richard Liebno, 115 Rockland Road, Westminster, MD 21158 for the Mayberry Sporting Clays venue.

Table 1 Table 2

Sponsor	r Level	Donation
Platinum Spon	sor	\$1,000
Gold Sponsor		\$500
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Program 1	Book Ad:	
Full Page	7½" x 9	\$100
Half Page	7½" x 4½"	\$60
Quarter Page	3¾" x 4½"	\$40

Shooters Name	Phone	Team Name	Amount	Venue*
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^{*} Note: Enter MS for Mayberry Sporting Clays, SO for Schrader's Outdoors

If you're not a shooter, you can still support these events. Just sign up to become a **Sponsor** or put an ad in the **Program Book.** Entry level starts at just \$40.

Sponsor levels and Program Book ad prices are listed in Table 1.

Checks for Sponsors and Ads in the Program Book should be made payable to "LVRF Aim For Sight" and sent to Lion Dal Mann. (See address in column 1).

Another way you or your club can show support is to **donate prizes** for presentation to the participants. Examples of prizes would be gift certificates, shot gun shells, mugs, hunting knives, etc. If you have any questions or would like a full page registration form sent to you for either event, then **please contact**:

For the September 29 event @ Mayberry Sporting Clays:

Lion Richard Liebno @ 410-848-4929 or richard.lion@comcast.net Lion Gary Burdette, @ 301-916-3098 or glburd54@comcast.net

For the October 13 event @ Schrader's Outdoors:

Lion Dal Mann @ 410-673-9085 or dmann@bluecrab.org

Lion John Lawrence @ 410-725-0150 or Lions@johnlawrence.name

Lion Clyde Bragg @ 302-284-8052 or cib1147@aol.com

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DEER PARK MULCH SALE

12 th ANNUAL MULCH SALE SATURDAY, APRIL 14, <u>AND</u> 21, 2018 8AM - 1 PM HARDWOOD BARK

DWOOD BARK
DARK MULCH
three cubic FT
BAGS

MULCH

\$4.75 PER BAG TO BE PICKED UP

AT THE DEER PARK UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
2205 Sykesville Road
(RT. 32), Westminster

\$5.25 PER BAG TO BE DELIVERED - MUST

PURCHASE AT LEAST 10 BAGS TO GET DELIVERY AND BE WITHIN A 10 MILE RADIUS OF

DPUMC
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND ADVANCE
ORDERS, CONTACT LION WALLY AT
410-952-0479 OR E-MAIL AT
USCGRMD@GMAIL.COM

THURMONT LIONS CLUB CASH BINGO

Also featuring:

King Tutt, Tip Jar, Specials, Door Prizes, Raffles & 50/50

Saturday, April 7, 2018

Doors Open at 5pm · Bingo starts at 6:45pm

The Bingo will be held at the Guardian Hose Company - Activities Building.

Tickets are required. Cost: \$20.00 in advance; \$25.00 at the door

There are 20 regular games & 3 specials included in the price. One winner per game

Food will be available for purchase.

Bring in a Non-perishable food item or eyeglasses for a special drawing!!!

To reserve ticket (s) please contact: Jan Ely at: 301-271 -4988



USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

Submitted by: Lion Richard Hosfeld Coordinator USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum September 20-22 2018 Columbus, Ohio

This year's Forum has been enhanced to start at 8 AM Thursday Sept 20^{th.} Lions should plan to arrive Wednesday Sept 19 to take full advantage of all Seminars starting at 2 PM Thursday. A motor coach is being planned and organized by Sue Ensor Cell 410-967-0770 or sueensor@comcast.net

Early bird registration ends May 31st with many close Hotel rooms still available. Register as follows registrar@lionsforum.org. Lions are asked to bring a children's book for the Community Service project at the Forum.

Cell phone users go to your APP. Store and download all details for this Forum. Speakers, Seminar locations, Applications, Hotels etc.

NOMINATIONS AND ANNUAL ELECTION

The deadline for reporting club officers in MYLCI is April 30, 2018. Each club must first hold an annual election. A nomination meeting shall be held in March or as determined by the board. Notice of the meeting shall be published 14 days in advance.



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To: "Lion Leaders and Committee Members; ¶

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Through the untiring efforts of PID Joe Gaffigan, a grant from Lion Dane LaJoye (LCI-PR), a very generous donation from District 24-A and the sales of T-Shirts, we <u>are able to</u> participate in this year's National Memorial Day Parade.

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The Lions of DC, DE, MD & VA have shown their pride as we march in honor of our brave military. Our Lions each year have proudly honored all of our Military Members, those who gave their lives, our Veterans and those still serving. Lions have considered it a great honor and privilege to march in their honor. We also showcase our Lion Veterans.

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We have a float that proudly showcases our current theme and LOGOS for all to see and consider it a point of pride that we will be hosting our 4th Miss America on this float.

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We invite all our Lion Leaders (especially our Past International Presidents) and other VIP Guests to Join us on the float. We have signage and announcements from the reviewing stand to highlight our VIPs on the float, and usually have a few extra minutes at the reviewing stand.

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We believe this to be the single biggest Lions PR event on the East <u>Coast, and</u> would like to see Lions from all the eastern portion of the state participate. This can only be done with help from LCI and our <u>top level</u> leaders. It will require annual financial commitment as well as wide range dissemination. "Lions Honoring our Military" how much better PR can you get? I

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Please check out our "lions pride at the national memorial day parade" Facebook Page. "
https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=lions%20pride%20at%20the%20national%20memorial%20day%20parade

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Thanks to <u>one and all</u> for your participation. "We will keep you in the loop as we prepare for this year's march down Constitution Avenue."

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Sincerely,¶

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 $Parade ``Core" \cdot Committee : ``PID \cdot Joe \cdot Gaffigan, \cdot PDG \cdot Don \cdot Beeson, \cdot Lion \cdot Rich \cdot Tameris, \cdot Lion \cdot Bill \cdot Strauss, \cdot Lion \cdot Mike \cdot Yuenger, \cdot \& \cdot PDG \cdot Woody \cdot Woodard \P$

COMING EVENTS

17th Annual Lions Golf Tournament In Honor of Richard Liebno

Date: Friday, May 25, 2018

Time: 6:30 a.m. Registration and
Continental Breakfast
7:30 a.m. SHOTGUN START

Place: Oakmont Green Golf Course 2290 Golfview Ln, Hampstead, MD 21074

Price: \$85 each golfer \$340 per foursome Format: Captain's Choice

> HURRY! LIMITED TO 144 PLAYERS SO REGISTER TODAY!

GOLF PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Continental Breakfast
- Green fees & cart (18 holes)
- Gift bag for every golfer
- 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place team prizes
- Beer & Soda provided on the course
- Lunch served and prizes awarded in the clubhouse following the tournament

MORE PRIZES

Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, and Hole-in-One prizes along with a chance to win a

2018 Chevy from Jeff Barnes Chevrolet, 6110 Sykesville Rd, Eldersburg, MD 21784

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Your participation in past tournaments has enabled us to donate over \$92,000 to Lions Vision programs and the American Diabetes Association® and now Lions Hearing & Speech Action.

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED ENTRY FORM (with check made payable to) LIONS CLUBS ZONE III FUND RAISER c/o Tournament Chair Lion Myron Horn

6608 Phaedra Ct. Sykesville, MD 21784

For more information,
Call Lions Golf Tournament Chairman Myron Horn
410-549-0558 or e-mail: pmpjhorn@verizon.net

A portion of your contribution may be considered a donation to the American Diabetes Association®, the Lions Vision Research Foundation, Inc., and the Lions Hearing & Speech Action.

Please consult your tax advisor for specific tax advice.

SPONSORSHIP

A tournament sponsorship is a great way to support your community and local Lions Clubs' efforts to prevent diabetes, low vision, and hearing loss.

PLEASE INDICATE LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP

All Sponsorships & Donations include a listing in our Event Program.

__\$ 1,000 LION PRIDE SPONSORSHIP

(Includes company name prominently displayed on banner, Sponsorship plaque, signage at one tee and one foursome of players)

- _\$ 500 CORPORATE LION SPONSORSHIP (Includes company name prominently displayed on banner, signage at one tee, and two players)
- _ \$ 300 EXECUTIVE LION SPONSORSHIP (Includes company name prominently displayed on banner and signage at one tee)
- __ \$ 200 BEVERAGE CART SPONSOR (Includes sign at Beverage cart)
- _ \$ 100 TEE LION SPONSORSHIP (Includes signage at one tee or other prominent location)
- \$ 50 PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP

DONATION OF DOOR PRIZE(S)



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Sponsor Phone:
Sponsor Email:
List your website here to have a link to your business included in our program

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LIONS BUS TRIP TO LEADER DOG Submitted by: SVDG Evan Gillett



If you are interested Please contact SVDG Evan Gillett by email at evan_gillett@yahoo.com

A sign up list, first come first serve, has been started. There will be a \$100 deposit per person due in February and a final payment in October. A more formal sign up form will be sent after all details are finalized

LEAVING ON OCTOBER 24TH RETURNING ON OCTOBER 26TH, 2018 Multiple Pick Up

locations in the District

Hotel – Quality Inn – Troy Michigan (recommended by Leader Dogs)

Hotel – Double Tree (by Hilton) in Westlake, OH

Estimated Price – Couple \$450 – Single \$310

Price Includes: Bus & Bus Snacks

Hotel 2 nights

Hot Breakfast each morning

LEADER DOG DINNER FOR REGION I Submitted by FVDG Gerry Beachy

DATE & TIME: April 23rd

Hors d'oeuvres 6 PM Dinner 6:30 PM

Hosted by Grantsville Lions Club

At Mt. Zion Methodist Church, 16864 National Pike, Frostburg, MD 21532

Located between Grantsville and Frostburg SPEAKER

Featuring Lion BJ Blahnik and Leader Dog Goober

COST

\$16 per person.

Checks to Grantsville Lions Club.

Reservations are due by April 15, 2018

to: achy P.O. Box 450

Lion Gerry Beachy, P.O. Box 450, Grantsville, MD 21536 (Phone 301-707-7200) Each club or individual is requested to bring an item for the Auction

Bring your club donation for presentation...Make out check to *District 22W* (Leader Dog Foundation)



LEADER DOG DINNER FOR REGION III Submitted by Region III Chair John Aulis

DATE & TIME: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25th, at 6:30pm

Hosted by Francis Scott Key Lions Club
At Myersville Fire Department, Myersville, MD
Featuring Lion BJ Blahnik and
Leader Dog Goober
MENU

Fried Chicken, Pork Tenderloin, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans,

Tossed Salad, Rolls, Drinks and Dessert

Cost is \$20 per person.

Reservations are due by April 16, 2018 send to

Lion John Aulls, 1406 N. Market St., Frederick, MD 21701 (301-662-2360)PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO FSK LIONS Each club or individual is requested to bring an item for the Silent Auction

REGION IV Leader Dog Banquet... DATE: April 26 COST: \$19

The Banquet will be at the New Windsor Fire Dept Hall (Windsor Station), 101 High Street, New Windsor MD 21776. The social will begin at 6:30pm with dinner to follow at

7:00pm..**Reservations are due . by** *April* **15th**

Make checks payable to the Deer Park Lions Club. Contact Taneytown Lion Linda Sherfey if you have an auction item to donate

MENU: buffet dinner consists of roast beef, stuffed chicken breast, parsley potatoes, tossed salad, succotash, rolls, butter, iced tea, coffee, hot tea and cake

The speaker is **BJ Blahnik** who was diagnosed with **Retinitis Pigmentosa** around the age of **10.** Come listen to BJ's life journey into Lionism and Leader Dog. You will find it very inspiring

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REMINDER 2018 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN LAS VEGAS

The 2018 International Convention will be held in Las Vegas, NV **June 29 – July 3, 2018.** The convention hotels are the MGM Grand (HQ & DG-E: also our delegation hotel), Signature MGM, Luxor, Monte Carlo, and NY. All convention events, except the parade, will take place in the MGM Grand.

Room rates at the MGM Grand (our delegation hotel) will be \$120 weekdays and \$205 weekends (Friday & Saturday), plus a \$15 per day resort fee (discounted from \$35) and taxes. Parking at the hotel will be \$12 per day.



VETERANS WANTED

The Freedom District Lions Club is looking for veterans who love to eat! We will be sponsoring a Mission BBQ catered event on **25 APR IL 2018**. We will offer

a free meal and a veterans program for all veterans plus one guest who come to our meeting at the Messiah Lutheran Church. Tickets will go fast so you must contact Lion Myron Horn 410-549-0558 or pmpjhorn@verizon.net early if you wish to attend. We are also planning to collect items for an overseas deployer that night.

GET YOUR ONIONS HERE!

It is April so that means Freedom District Lions Club has started its annual Vidalia onions fundraiser.



Last year over 7,000 pounds of onions were sold. Members are currently in the process of calling our previous customers and taking orders from family & friends.

The cost is only \$10 for a 10lb bag and \$6 for a 5lb bag These incredible onions will be delivered in early May.

If you have any questions regarding onion orders, please contact Lion Ron Mihalko at 410-795-1766.

WILLIAMSPORT LIONS CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT Beaver Creek Country Club FRIDAY, April 27, 2018

Registration starts at 7:15 a.m. with start time at; 8:30 a.m.

The cost is \$75.00 per player or \$300 per team and is a best-ball format.

Tournament Entry Fee Includes:

Greens Fees, Cart, Practice Range, Individual Beverage Coolers on carts, prizes (2-flights), longest drive, closest to the pin and other fun events including

\$4,000 or more in Door Prize Giveaways & Goodie Bag Items guaranteed in 2018;

Note: At the 2017 event \$8,100 worth of giveaways were distributed to all participants.

Menu: A buffet meal will include several hot entrées and numerous other selections. Charcoal grilled hot dogs will be served at the turn.



100% PROCEEDS FROM THIS TOURNAMENT GO TO SUPPORT

Youth Projects and Scholarships / Hospital Equipment Loaner Program Provide Eye Exams & Glasses / Homewood Bingo / Williamsport Food Bank



Save these dates for the two 2018-2019 club officer training sessions:

Saturday, June 2, 2018, 8:30 am - Carroll County College.

Saturday, **June 9**, **2018**, 8:30 am – Allegany College of Maryland.

The Club Secretary and Club Treasurer classrooms will each be functional computer lab classrooms. We will be adding a class on Club Service Chairperson and a section on Global Action Team to the Club Officer (President/Vice President/ Director) and Region and Zone Chair classes. Page 30 District 22-W Newsletter

MULTIPLE 22 CONVENTION GOLF TOURNAMENT HELP NEEDED Submitted by PDG Mary Lee Phillips

We need your help in sponsorship of the annual golf tournament. Each sponsorship at the tournament on May 7th is \$50.

A 11" x 17" sign will be posted on the green with your club's name, Lions Logo and your district. Please include this information when you send your payment. Deadlines for commitments for sponsorship and advertising, accompanied by payment must arrive by April 15th.

Send your check to PDG Mary Lee Phillips at 30206 Zachary Taylor Court; Millsboro, DE 19966

POTOMAC VALLEY LIONS CLUB 35TH CHARTER NIGHT

Tuesday **APRIL 3, 2018** at the Fellowship Hall, Rawlings United Methodist Church, 18910 McMullen Highway SW.

The Social hour starts at 6:00pm and Dinner at 6:30pm. A Program will follow. The Rawlings Christian Women's Society is providing the dinner and ambiance.

The Menu includes: assorted appetizers, chicken Marsala, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, green salad, dinner roll, coffee, iced tea, and water. With desert: cake.

The cost is \$15 per person. Please mail your check made out to: PVLC, and send to PDG Rodney Welch, 11317 Wentling Drive, Cumberland MD 21502. DEADLINE FOR RESERVATION IS: March 18th.

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MULTIPLE 22 CONVENTION Submitted by CS Barbara Brimigion

The registration and ticket order form has been sent to each club.. **Deadline to register is May 1, 2018**.

Please register even if you don't place a ticket order at the present time..

Our theme this year will be " Follow Your Dream" and "The Fun Continues". Our 96th Multiple District Convention will open with the Golf Tournament. It will be held at the Bay Club {West} Golf Course on Monday May 7, 2018. You or your club can be part of our Golf Tournament to be held on opening day. Sponsor a 11" X 17" sign to be posted on the green. Cost is only a \$25.00 donation. Ladies are encouraged to participate this year

The convention will end with the Victory Luncheon on Thursday May 10, 2018.

Hotel reservations can be made on line with The Princess Royale Hotel. Discounted hotel rates are only available at the Princess Royal Hotel. This is your Convention. Plan now to attend.



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