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The Voice of District 22-C

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From DG Sonia Wiggins

Greetings Fellow Lions, Lion Families, Lion Friends, and Lion Neighbors,

It is a great day to be a LION.

I hope this letter reaches you in good health and in great spirits. I am trying to recount the moment when I realized this health crisis was a new way of thinking and living. We have been through so much in the last few weeks. Thankfully, I am a LION with the PRIDE and strength of the people around me that have a heart of SERVICE.

I repeat.... it is a great day to be LION.

The District held it first virtual Cabinet meeting (3/21/20) and conducted business with PRIDE. Each club can do the same. I am suggesting each club leader find ways to communicate with club members and to continue the business of SERVICE. Here are a few resources

- Email
- Freeconferencecall.com
- Zoom
- Facebook
- Goggle Hangout
- Skype

Regretfully we have postponed the 75th Annual 22C Social. The Social committee will keep us informed when a time will come for us to come together and CELEBRATE our district and each other. The 98th Annual MD22 Convention has been cancelled. We will keep you informed regarding the business of our District elections, voting, awards, and new District business. The 103rd International Convention has been cancelled in Singapore. Lions Club International is seeking a new place and venue. AS you may have noticed we have *years* of doing what we do as LIONS. WE have a lot of work to do before the end of this LIONS year despite the challenges we now face...

Let me take this time to say, "Thank you" (in advance) to the Club leaders and members, the Zone Chairs, the GAT Team, the Program and Committee Chairs, all the PDG's and District 22C International Advisors. A special THANKS to the current CABINET including our Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Treasurer, Administrative Assistant and IPDG. Finally, special KUDOS to our upcoming District Leaders; First Vice District and Second Vice District Governors.

This letter is meant to share the strength and support from our District leadership and the cooperation and compassion of 22C Clubs members and partners in service.

Support your District and communities by contributing...

- Service in you communities ... check on family, Lion's family, friends and neighbors.
- Give Blood
- Volunteer to help with "school food" distribution

• Send funds to District 22C programs to help in your own space ... and send to LCI (beyond your space) to reach a Global place.

Let's remember as LIONS we are diverse... we are strong, courageous, we seek justice, and share our abilities to support and show compassion as "WE SERVE" and care for others.

Together in Lionism and Health, Lion Sonia Wiggins District Governor 22C Be the Reason to S.M.I.L.E. Serve. Motivate. Inspire. Lead. Empower

District 22C Club Leaders and Membership

Can you SEE what I SEE? A person with LOW VISION (visually impaired) may need some HELP to SEE just how much LIONS CARE! I attended the LOVRNET retreat and heard the testimonies and research happening with our 22C LOVRNET program. Please join me in giving to LOVRNET. SEE how you can support LOVRNET READ the flier AND GIVE!! DG Sonia Flyer highlighted under "Of Note" of this newsletter.



Secretary Reminders

This will be the last month to get your 5-Star requirements into Cabinet Secretary Maxine Hooker for this years award for consideration.



Accokeek-Bryans Road Lions Club

Michael Strong William Strong Sponsor: James Landry Sponsor: James Landry

Olney Lions Club Gloria Perez

Sponsor: H. Silver

Silver Spring Leisure World Lions ClubWayne NettlesSponsor: Theresa Nettles

Waldorf Lions Club Barry Gebler

Sponsor: James Conroy



We remember you. The **Rockville Lions** on the passing of Lion Dora V. See

The **Calvert County Lions Club** on the passing of a dedicated member, **Lion Rev. Kenneth E. Bowen** on March 16, 2020. Because of the current law restricting gatherings to less than 50 people, there will be no funeral now. A memorial service will be held later when restrictions have eased or been lifted.

The College Park Lions and Riderwood Branch Club



It is with a sad heart that we share this information. Longtime College Park Lion, Ronald (Ron) J. Seibel passed away unexpectedly at his home Monday, March 16, 2020. Lion Ron will be remembered as a husband, father, grandfather, family member, mentor, and friend. Lion Ron joined Lions in 1973, 47 years ago, and served in many leadership roles. He served the College Park Lions Club as Club Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chair, on the scholarship committee, and as our eye glass/vision coordinator. To the District, Lion Ron served as the 1989-1990 Secretary/Treasurer, a district webmaster, board member of LCOF, and designed the Five Star Form.

Ron worked over 30 years at the University of Maryland where for 25 years, he directed the Institute of Applied Agriculture. He established the Dr. Ronald J. Seibel endowed scholarship when he retired in 1998 with the Maryland Agricultural Education Foundation, Inc. that supports college students entering agricultural studies.

Please keep his wife Lion Rosann Seibel, Lions Laura and Greg Salers, and Lion Julie Witzgall and the rest of his family in your prayers and thoughts. If you'd like to send Lion Rosann and the family condolences, letters/notes can be sent to *Rosann Seibel* 10441 Edgefield Dr. Adelphi, MD 20783.



Condolences to the Travers Family, Hebron Lions Club, the Lions of District 22-B and Lions Clubs International on the passing March 27, 2020 of **Past International Directors Darley Travers.** PID Darley was District for District 22-B from 1987 to 1988 and served as PID from 1999-2001. Services will be private due to current events. There will be a Memorial service after the madness passes. Please keep his spouse PDG Charlene and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Below additional information from the Executive Administrator's Office, Lions Clubs International A member of the Hebron Lions Club since 1975 the late Past Director Travers was known never to miss a meeting. He held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chairman, district governor and council chairman. In addition, he has served as the multiple district research and long-range planning chairman, the multiple district convention committee chairman and chairman of the Multiple District 22 Lions Vision Research Foundation. He served 14 years as club membership chair, and as a Board Appointee 2004-2005. As an International Director he and his spouse, Past District Governor Charlene traveled to all ends of the world representing and working for the association and attending 26 Lions International conventions. In recognition of his service to the association, the late Past Director Travers received numerous awards including the 100% Club President Award, the 100% District Governor Award, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation, two International President's Leadership Awards, eight International President Awards, 40-Year Monarch Chevron and 45-Year Monarch Chevron, 5-Member Key, three Contributing Membership Bronze, and Contributing Membership Silver Level awards, Honor Roll, and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He was also a multi-level Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. A successful businessman who spent 60 years in the drafting and project management sector, he oversaw projects to build large structures up and down the east coast of the United States. The late Past Director was a life member of the Hebron Volunteer Fire Department (45 years) and spent many years serving as president or treasurer. He served his community in other organizations

including Wicomico County PTA (past president), Wicomico County Liquor License Board (17 years, past chairman), Boumi Shriners (Baltimore), Eastern Shore Shrine Club, and Temple Lodge #170. He is survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Charlene, daughter and son-in-law, son and daughter-in-law, grandchildren, great grandchildren a large extended family and many friends. A private funeral service will be held with a memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Hebron Lions Club, PO Box 514, Hebron, MD 21830 or Hebron Volunteer Fire Department, PO Box 300, Hebron, MD 21830.

Messages of Condolence may be sent to Mrs. Charlene Travers PO Box 613 Hebron, MD 21830 0613Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers.



From The Voice of District 22-C Editor With all that we are going through in our lives with this Covid-19 issue, Clubs have had to cancel meetings, fundraisers and other events.

The District 22-C Social, honoring DG Sonia Wiggins and our accomplishments has been POSTPONED, and our last official District 22-C Advisory and Cabinet physical meeting had to be modified.

Well what is NEXT? Lions Clubs International has provided much guidance for all Districts Governor's to consider so the least amount of disruption is had. At the District 22-C Advisory & fourth Cabinet meeting, that was to happen on March 21, 2020, the Cabinet had some items to vote on and nominations to hear. DG Sonia and her Cabinet initiated something that has never been done before in this Lions Year.

A Teleconference Cabinet meeting was held on March 21, 2020 for Cabinet and Program Committee Chairs and Coordinators. Guidelines from LCI Legal Department was provided, specifically, conducting voting of items. One such item was the approval of the updated District 22-C Policy & Procedures Manual.

An agenda was previously sent to those Cabinet members involved along with a Zip file with all committee reports submitted to the Cabinet Secretary and a number is assigned to each Cabinet member (those eligible to vote by our Constitution & By-Laws).

Information will be sent to Presidents/Secretaries for distribution regarding the results and reports, including nominations for our District Officers, for the Advisory portion of the meeting.

DG Sonia and her Cabinet have done an extraordinary job keeping up with these fast-changing times. Since the Covid-19 came into our lives, her job has become harder with decisions that she has had to make. In fact, the entire Organization and our Multiple District Governors have been busy with making decision on Conventions and the like. Hats off to them all...

As a separate NOTE: the following major Lions Events



have also been

Multiple District 22 Convention Lions Clubs International Convention in Singapore National Memorial Day Parade

From Global Service Team Coordinator Lion Laura Salers

Dear Clubs,

You are encouraged to work on "catching up" before the end of the year and enter past service activities into MyLION. Here are instructions and links to frequently asked questions.

Reminder: if you entered activities before they took place, please be sure to go back into MyLION and report the activity to LCI.

When you enter a past activity- it is reported the same time it's entered.

Contact GST Lion Laura is you have any issues. Ljboat@aol.com 202-297-9635

Thank you! Lion Laura



MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22 98TH ANNUAL CONVENTION



The 98th Annual Convention for Multiple District 22C will be held in Ocean City from May 11-14, 2020.

By Editor Sandi Halterman

Lions - due to the Cancellation of the Multiple District 22 Convention in May, the Convention Committee asked that the below information be sent.

The Princess Royale is processing cancellations.

Please don't call - the Princess is automatically cancelling ALL reservations at this point so let them do their job. The Hotel is completely CLOSED.They only have 3 people working at this point and they are processing the cancellation as fast as possible .

We are going to have the 50/50 raffle with the drawing on May 14th. Please continue to buy our tickets to help with the expenses of the convention we have experienced. If you still have raffle tickets, please send them back with hopefully a check. This will help defer some of the expense that has the Convention Committee has already had to spent.

Send tickets to Convention Treasurer: PCC Harold Boccia 505 Country Walk Court, Bel Air, MD 21015 (401) 569-2478 – home <u>Hboccia50@verizon.net</u>

Editor & former MD22 Convention Chair comment -Let's do our best to support & you may be one of the three big winners. You can do it as a Club or individually.



DISTRICT 22-C District's 75th Annual 22-C Night, April 18, 2020





April 1, 2020 – **Deadline** to PDG Gary Burdette for **"Service makes us S.M.I.L.E"** nominations.

April 14, 2020 - Sandy Spring Blood Drive

April 15, 2020 - Club Secretaries – Report New Officers for 2020-2011 into MyLions no later than April 15, 2020



April 15, 2020 Deadline for <u>receipt</u> of registration packet for MD22 Convention

April 15, 2020 - Club Secretaries – Submit Convention Delegates/Alternates to Cabinet Secretary by April 15, 2020.

April 18, 2020 - District 22-C Night

April 18, 2020 – Bowie Green Expo



April 19, 2020 – Waldorf Lions Bull & Oyster

Roast





April 29, 2020 We Lions Community Outreach Foundation Board & Council Meeting, New Carrollton Municipal Center, New Carrollton, MD (7pm)

April 28. 2020 – ^{•••} Lions Camp Merrick Board/Advisory Meeting, Waldorf Lions Den, Waldorf, MD (7pm) April 30, 2020 Club Secretaries – Last day to submit District 22-C 5-Star Award consideration.





May 2, 2020 – Ridge Lions Club Scrapbooking Fundraiser

May 8, 2020 – Sandy Spring Lions Golf Outing



May 11-14-2019- Multiple District 22 Convention, Ocean City, MD

May 16, 2020 – Lexington Park Lions Club Scholarship Yard Sale Fundraiser



May 21, 2020 – LaPlata Lions 75th Charter Anniversary

May 30, 2020 - Silver Hill Demolition Derby



May 25, 2020 – National Memorial Day

Parade

May 30, 2020 – Officer Training, Leisure World, Silver Spring, Maryland



June 1, 2020 – Calvert County Lions Golf Tournament

June 6, 2020 – Silver Hill Demolition Derby

June 6, 2020 – Officer Training, Huntingtown United Methodist Church, Huntingtown, Maryland

June 12, 2020 – Burtonsville Lions Golf Classic



June 13, 2020 – Leonardtown Lions Crab Festival, St. Mary's County Fairgrounds.

June 26-30, 2020- Lions International Convention, Singapore



July 20, 2020 – Leisure World Golf Tournament July 29, 2020 - Lions Community Outreach Foundation Board & Council Meeting, New Carrollton Municipal Center, New Carrollton, MD (7pm)





Our Club Will be celebrating its'

Seventy-Fifth Charter Night



until August 20th. Details about place, time, menu, etc. will be forthcoming closer to that date.

Additional information will be forthcoming.



September 30, 2020 - Lions Community Outreach Foundation Board & Council Meeting, New Carrollton Municipal Center, New Carrollton, MD (7pm)



Lions Mark and Thelma LeRoux donating a used vision screener from the Lions Community Outreach Foundation to Lion Rex Enfermo of the Metro Tacloban Engineers Lions Club, Philippines



Lions Clubs of District 22-C comes to aid to help individual with vision issues

On March 9, 2020, Past Distict Governor Ted Ladd asked for financial help from our Clubs for an individual in need of immediate eye surgery.

A few hours later, after the notice went out, PDG Ted Sent a message that "We have met the financial goal. Warm thanks to the Lions who have made this possible. Lions. make the difference. Yours in Lionism, Ted"

It's great to be a Lion in District 22-C who springs to the call for service at the drop of the hat.

As background, from PDG Ted: on February 18, a woman residing in Calverton - a community adjacent to Beltsville - called Lions Clubs International asking for help. She lost vision in one eye years ago and developed glaucoma in her remaining eye due to increasing pressure in the eye. She is in critical need of surgery to permanently relieve the pressure if she is to retain sight.

LCI referred the information to the President of the

Beltsville Lions Club, Lion Diane Musachio. Since I serve as welfare chair, I was given the assignment to look into the case. Since then I have been in frequent contact with the patient and have also communicated with an official of the facility where she is scheduled to have the operation, the Dulaney Eye Institute, located in Towson, Maryland.

I am convinced the patient is in need of surgery as soon as it can be arranged. The Eye Institute reviewed her financial need and reduced costs as much as possible. The surgery is tentatively scheduled for April 2nd,

A total of \$2650 was needed at first, \$1400 for use of operating room and \$1250 for the surgeon.

The following Clubs should be Congratulated on their quick response for funds:

Hyattsville Lions Club Mt. Rainier-Brentwood Lions Club Southgate-Clinton Lions Club Takoma Park Lions Club Lion Susan Matthews – personal donation

Mt. Rainier-Brentwood Lions Club donated to the Dulney Eye Institute and provided a relacdement electric wheelchair for an individual in Commar Manor.

Palisades Georgetown Lions Club held its first COVID19 era business meeting this week.

Following the standard agenda, the invocation was the playing of Amazing Grace by Oprah friend, Wintley Phipps: <u>https://g.co/kgs/dh8G1z</u>

The meeting was originally scheduled to be a Zoom video conferencing meeting to encourage togetherness while maintaining #socialdistancing. However, members had technical difficulties so the teleconference switch was planned in case this happened.

The club also is experimenting with Doodle to facilitate scheduling future meetings if the current schedule needs augmenting.

Finally, with members now #stayathome, it is hoped more will join and use MyLion.

Tommye Grant President





Brandywine Lions noted that their very own **Lion Bruce** serving novice monks at the Wat Sumangkalaram temple, in the village of Ban Dan, District of Loeng Nok Tha, Yasothon Province, Thailand.

Fundraisers in District 22-C







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The Leonardtown Lions Club

Saturday, June 13th, 2020







Calvert County Lions Club Applebee's

Fundraiser.

Come support the Lions of Calvert County on the last Wednesday of each month from 4p.m. to 7:30pm, Prince Frederick. MD. You will have a great meal and be supporting the Calvert County Lions support their community.





Suburban Lions Club Vacation Get-Away Ocean City Raffle

The winner receives 7 nights in Ocean City Maryland from August 1st - August 8, 2020 at a 3-bedroom, 2 bath Condo which sleeps 10 on 7th Street. There is no "cash in lieu of" prize.

Tickets are \$10 each and 3 for \$25. Only 1,000 tickets printed. The <u>drawing will be at our club meeting on</u> <u>April 16, 2020.</u> You will not need to be present to win.

Contact PID Joe Gaffigan or any Suburban Lion to take a chance on this raffle.



Golf Tournaments in District 22-C

June 1, 2020 – Calvert County Lions Club Golf Tournament, Chesapeake Hills Golf Course, Lusby, Maryland. Registration by May 15, 2020 Contact a Calvert County Lion or email: calvertlionsclub@gmail.com



June 12, 2020 - The Burtonsville Lions Club 2020 Golf Classic is right around the corner. On Friday, June 12th, we will be hosting our sixth annual golf classic. BLC is looking forward to seeing you again this year and thank you for supporting us in order that we can continue to serve others in need. Thank you, Mike Shavatt

email: <u>mshavatt@verizon.net</u> Mobile: 301-452-3353







It's not to early to Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit



sponsored.

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

*To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466

Peace Poster Contest Deadlines

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 <u>as of November 15</u> are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

• **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

• **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

• **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.

• **December 15:** Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.

• **February 1:** International winners notified on or before this date.



I will let you know what the fee is when it has been determined, and the powers that be can decide if we wish to participate or not and if there are funds available through our PR Grants. This is still the biggest PR event on the East Coast, and the Lions Honoring our veterans always come across very well.

Hope that one and all is staying safe and doing all that is necessary to maintain good health.

Sincerely,

Woody Ed "Woody" Woodard



REMINDER!! Please contact the LCOF Office (301) 599-7605 before bringing glasses to insure someone is there to receive them. Please provide them in boxes, not bags as they are too

cumbersome for our volunteers to handle and store.

Also, when turning in eyeglasses to the District 22-C Recycling Center, please <u>only send complete glasses</u> (no pieces) and **NO eyeglass cases.**

Anyone who would like to volunteer, contact Lion Mary DeHart at LCOF or Lion Susan Matthews.



In our Lions Organization (Multiple District 22, Lions Clubs International)



Rehabilitation Network Foundation, Inc. (LOVRNET) needs your financial support and service!

The LOVRNET trustees are asking each club and Lion of MD 22 to contribute so that we can sustain this service project that addresses the current shortage in and distribution of low vision rehabilitation services.

- If your club has budgeted a donation for LOVRNET and not made a contribution yet, please do so.
- If your club has not budgeted a donation to LOVRNET, please join the 250/25 Plan with a donation of \$250 and encourage your Lions to each contribute \$25.

Checks made payable to MD22 Lions LOVRNET Foundation, Inc. ensure that the full amount of your donation goes toward the project. Checks should be mailed to:

PCC Clare Newcomer - Project Administrator, MD22 Lions LOVRNET 19605 Granada Court, Hagerstown, MD 21742

Donations can also be made via PayPal or GoFundMe at www.lovrnet.org

LOVRNET needs additional volunteers as well. Be a part of the vanguard for serving those with low vision. For more info visit <u>www.lovrnet.org</u>. If you and the Lions in your Club aren't familiar with or are confused about LOVRNET, you can request a speaker by contacting <u>info@lovrnet.org.</u> Where there's a need, There's a Lion.

Lion Clubs of MD District 22 Donates to Fire Victims By D22-C ZC Arthur Hooker

The District 22B Lions recently held their District Social in Cambridge, Maryland and stayed at the Holiday Inn Express in Cambridge. ZC Lion Arthur Hooker of District 22C found out that six Families were displaced by a Fire in their apartment complex on Greenwood Avenue in Cambridge. ZC Lion Arthur Hooker from the Silver Spring Leisure World Lions Club and Lion Carol Schoonover from the Kent Island Lions Club requested donations from the attendees at the Social and the District Governor training session. They also contacted Lion Eugene Williams, President of the Cambridge Lions Club and together with the members of the Cambridge Lions Club, members of Zion United Methodists Church in the area, and Lions of MD District 22 were able to raise a generous donation of \$835 to assist the victims of the Fire on Greenwood Avenue. This was truly a display of "Where There Is A Need, There Is A Lion"



Linspiring note sent to Leader Dog for the Blind. Lion Lois Barb forwarded this heartwarming note. **Send your Clubs annual donation to Lion Lois when possible**. Dear Leader Dog,

I want to begin by thanking you; header Dog Bay Zieglar and all the staff at Leader Dog You gave me a second chance at life. You trusted me to raise a puppy for you and the people that seally need a dog; which will greatly impact or change their lives.

Having a prison Puppy has given me a friend who loved me without judging me for the negative things I have done. This truely changed my rife. I have grown as a person; improving my communication SKIIS, being more patient and giving of myself for the benefit of another, seeking nothing in return.

I now look at how to continue to improve who I am as an individual. The old me would take advantage of others. I have learned to give as much as I use to take.

It is hard to find the words that accurately express my appreciation of you. I know you have helped many others, those who like me need a new life, a better life. Most importantly you do it without judging for the mistakes we have made.

I am humbly thankful for you! Thank you.

Your Voice of District 22-C Editor was recently sent the following suggestion from the First Vice District Governor from District 22-A which relates to reporting on SERVICE ACTIVITIES. He had a good point and I thought I would share with you Lions of District 22-C. Remember this is from District 22-A for informational only. No need to respond.

For District 22-A Lions Secretaries,

Here's a takeaway from Saturday's Lions Youth Foundation meeting -- a simple thing that could make you and your club look better than ever.

When you report an activity on MyLion -- regardless of the category you use -- be sure to put key words in the activity's title.

For instance, up until now when I reported our Linthicum club making a Giant's Food gift card donation to a school, I would have titled the entry, "Donation to Hilltop Elementary." Then I'd describe in the activity that it was a food donation for students and their families. The problem, I found out, is that when people do activity searches, the hits are only on titles, not the narrative. Someone searching for youth- or hunger-related activities would conclude Linthicum did nothing.

Instead, put key words in each activity title. My same entry would now read, "Combat hunger among youth in school." Then put in the description all the details. Check out the key words: hunger, youth and school. Now we'd get a hit for someone searching for youth, the same for hunger and -- on a good day -- for school activities. Yes, our clubs could get credit once, twice, even three times for the same activities. This is not over reporting but giving ourselves credit for things we already do that up until now have gone unreported because of how they appear -- or not -- in searches.

As far as I can see, it's not too late to go back and edit past activities in this Lions year. So, if you're stuck at home with nothing to do or see these days, go to MyLion and give it a shot. If you edit your past activities, you won't see immediate results, but the proof will be when those compiling reports see a surge in 22-A activities that really were there all along.

Let me know if this helps and if you have any suggestions to make our activity reporting really count in our favor.

Thanks. Jim 22-A First Vice District Governor

Upcoming Conventions

MD22 Convention



Ma April 15-18, 2021 April 21-24, 2022 April 20-23, 2023

May 11-14, 2020 Ocean City, MD 21 Gettysburg, PA 22 Gettysburg, PA 23 Ocean City, MD

Lions Clubs International Convention



June 26-30, 2020SingaporeJune 25-29, 2021Montreal, QuebecJuly 1-11, 2022New Delhi, IndiaJuly 7-11, 2023Boston, MAJune 21-25, 2024Melbourne, Australia

Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion,

The Board of Directors has voted to cancel the 2020

Lions International Convention due to concerns about the

coronavirus (COVID-19). This means that the next International Convention will be held in 2021 in Montreal, Canada.

After evaluating a variety of different options including moving the convention to a different venue or postponing the convention to a later date, the Board of Directors voted to cancel the 2020 convention. This decision was made with the health and safety of our Lions, staff and vendors in mind.

Canceling the International Convention for 2020 impacts international officer continuity and candidate elections. After review of the International Constitution and By-Laws, this impact is outlined below:

- Executive officers and international directors will continue in their respective positions until the 2021 convention in Montreal. All candidate elections for these positions shall comply with the provisions of the International Constitution and By-Laws for election at the convention in Montreal.
- An international director from the areas of Africa and Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and the Islands of the South Pacific is permitted only in even-numbered years. As a result, no director from Africa or Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and the Islands of the South Pacific would be eligible for election until the 2022 convention.

• Barring any district election complaints, district governors, first vice district

governors and second vice district governors elected during a convention of their respective districts will be accepted by Lions International. The International Board of Directors intends to authorize commencement of the DG terms beginning July 1, 2020.

We are disappointed that we will not be able to move forward with this international event, but we are optimistic that with each new day there is hope, and as Lions we will continue to find new ways to put our kindness in action while safely serving our communities.

Regards, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, International President



September 17-19, 2020

Louisville, Kentucky www.lionsforum.org

The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is still on schedule to take place September 17-19, 2020 in Louisville, Kentucky. However, the Forum Planning Committee is very much aware of the pandemic COVID-19 virus that is affecting the world.

Many have asked about our cancellation policy. The policy is stated on your registration form. It is reproduced below as it appears on the form:

"CANCELLATION POLICY: If you must cancel your registration and/or room, notification must be in writing to the Forum Registrar. Any cancellations received between July 1, 2020 and August 1, 2020 will be subject to a \$50 per person cancellation fee and forfeiture of the Hotel Deposit. After August 1, 2020 no refunds will be issued. Cancellation notification must be received on or before August 1, 2020. Please send cancellation notice to: USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, PO Box 723, Rapid City, SD 57709. Phone (605) 723-4007; FAX (605) 791-0950; E-Mail: registrar@lionsforum.org"

Should the need arise to cancel the Forum, the Planning Committee will evaluate the above stated cancellation policy to do what is best for our attendees.

I would encourage all who have pre-registered to not panic as you can see there is plenty of time to make a decision. The Planning Committee remains optimistic that we will be able to hold the Forum and we have even discussed extending the Early Bird registration deadline due to the current uncertainty of the situation.

The Forum will continue to update you on a regular basis as conditions change.

See you in Louisville!

The following Lions who attended the Soon to be Governor School (DGE School) on March 6 & 7 in Cambridge, Maryland. 22A - FVDG James Katzaman and SVDG Bijoy Mahanti 22B - FVDG Wayne Benjamin 22C - FVDG Ruth Moses, SVDG Bill Lavely, Arthur Hooker 22D - FVDG Tony Lee, Daniel Elkins, David Mitchell 22W - FVDG Barbara Brimigion, SVDG Charlie Croft, Nadja Muchow, Martin Bonura The following Lions attended the Multiple District 22 Lions Institute, February 28 – March 1, 2020 in Ocean

City, Maryland.				
Foltz	Joe	22A	Darlington	
Katzaman	James	22A	Linthicum	
McGraw	Lillian	22A	Severn River	
Sorlin	Kim	22A	Churchville	
Barker	Gloria	22B	Marydel	
Benjamin	Wayne	22B	Chestertown	
Moore-Lecates	Erika-Gail	22B	Pittsville	
Pagella	Mary Lou	22B	Chestertown	
Ramstedt	Walter	22B	Marydel	
Woodruff- Capper	Debra	22B	Rock Hall	
Harris	Rodrick	22C	Rockville	

McAlmont	Cornelly	22C	Washington Midtown
McAlmont	Courtney	22C	Washington Midtown
Bioni	Jean	22D	Fenwick Island
Elkins	Daniel Marney	22D	Bellefonte
Graham	Jessica	22D	Bellefonte
Harper	Daniel	22D	Milton
St. Clair	Tom	22D	Fenwick Island
St. Clair	Linda	22D	Fenwick Island
Vincent	Cynthia	22D	Dewey Beach
Bennett	Gary	22W	Francis Scott Key
Freeman	Tonya	22W	Chewsville
Gillett	Bonnie	22W	Roaring Run
McCall	Sara	22W	Chewsville
Turnbull-Mellor	Ginger	22W	Roaring Run
Yonce	William Scott	22W	LaVale

We also had one Lion and one Leo from New Jersey in attendance: Lion Poonam Singh (Menlo Park Lions Club) and Leo Ojas Chitnas (New Jersey Visionary Cyber Leo Club).



Lions Float Inc. presents the rendering of the 2021 Tournament of Roses Float for the New Year's Parade in

Pasadena California.





From the Editor of The Voice of District 22-C a well put article found on Facebook. Wanted to share with all our Governors, specifically, DG Sonia Wiggins who has done a great job this year especially with our recent changes. As noted, we will get through this. Hope you and your families are all well.

> To all those Governors who have lost their opportunity to celebrate their Governor's year, please know that your year may in fact, be remembered more than most. Kudos to each of you who had to make that call to cancel; we know it wasn't easy.

> Plans had been made, venues, events and speakers had been scheduled. Agendas, programs and lanyards were getting ready for print. Time and money was being spent to offer an opportunity of coming together with hugs and handshakes.

We Lions do love a celebration. We love to gather together and enjoy the company of like minded individuals. We love to share and drink and complain and laugh and debate. But most of all, we love to help others, and today, we are *still* helping others by *not* gathering together and spreading this vile little virus.

To my mind, this year will be remembered as a new beginning. We have been forced to change to a more technological world from which we may never "recover". Many Lions are actually having more online meetings, online voting protocols are being visited, emails, Messenger, Messages, Hangouts, Twitter, Snapchat and Instagram are going wild even amongst those most resistant, because we have no choice. Is that a bad thing? No. Will personal contact diminish? No. We are still social beings after all. Things will return to normal, but it will be a *new* normal.

We will still love a hug or a handshake when this surreal world quiets; and in truth, we may appreciate it more. After all, to many of us, our fellow Lions are as much "family" as our actual families. Perhaps, dare I hope, our next assembly may be more thoughtful, respectful, and receptive to exploring new concepts and ideas.

This is a year that our Governor's cared enough to cancel our District celebrations. What was to be a time of fun and laughter, became a time of contemplation and virtual greetings.

We will get through this. And we will see this year as a time of change and adjustment, perhaps forced on us by this vile little virus, but we can do this. We can do it because we are Lions. We've been here, in Canada, for 100 years; and we will continue to be here because our Governors made a tough decision to keep all of us safe, and because we have all learned a new way into the future.

With Heartfelt Appreciation to all those 2020 Governors of our MD'A' and beyond.



District 22-C Annual Banquet The Year 1961 Special Guest Helen Keller Governor W.J. "Bill" Smith (1960-1961) Anacostia Lions Club





Sent by Lion Richard Tameris (Silver Hill LC) Subject: Virus info from John Hopkins Hospital -Always Good to Know The following is from Irene Ken physician, whose daughter is an Asst. Prof in infectious diseases at Johns Hopkins University, quite informative.

* The virus is not a living organism, but a protein molecule (DNA) covered by a protective layer of lipid (fat), which, when absorbed by the cells of the ocular, nasal or buccal mucosa, changes their genetic code. (mutation) and convert them into aggressor and multiplier cells.

* Since the virus is not a living organism but a protein molecule, it is not killed, but decays on its own. The disintegration time depends on the temperature, humidity and type of material where it lies.

* The virus is very fragile; the only thing that protects it is a thin outer layer of fat. That is why any soap or detergent is the best remedy, because the foam CUTS the FAT (that is why you have to rub so much: for 20 seconds or more, to make a lot of foam).

By dissolving the fat layer, the protein molecule disperses and breaks down on its own.

* HEAT melts fat; this is why it is so good to use water above 77 degrees Fahrenheit for washing hands, clothes and everything. In addition, hot water makes more foam and that makes it even more useful.

* Alcohol or any mixture with alcohol over 65% DISSOLVES ANY FAT, especially the external lipid layer of the virus.

* Any mix with 1 part bleach and 5 parts water directly dissolves the protein, breaks it down from the inside *J*

* Oxygenated water helps long after soap, alcohol and chlorine, because peroxide dissolves the virus protein, but you have to use it pure and it hurts your skin.

* NO BACTERICIDE OR ANTIBIOTIC SERVES. The virus is not a living organism like bacteria; antibodies cannot kill what is not alive.

* NEVER shake used or unused clothing, sheets or cloth. While it is glued to a porous surface, it is very inert and disintegrates only

-between 3 hours (fabric and porous) -4 hours (copper and wood) -24 hours (cardboard), -42 hours (metal) and -72 hours (plastic).

But if you shake it or use a feather duster, the virus molecules float in the air for up to 3 hours, and can lodge in your nose.

* The virus molecules remain very stable in external cold, or artificial as air conditioners in houses and cars.

* They also need moisture to stay stable, and especially darkness. Therefore, dehumidified, dry, warm and bright environments will degrade it faster.

* UV LIGHT on any object that may contain it breaks down the virus protein. For example, to disinfect and reuse a mask is perfect. Be careful, it also breaks down collagen (which is protein) in the skin

* The virus CANNOT go through healthy skin.

* Vinegar is NOT useful because it does not break down the protective layer of fat.

* NO SPIRITS, NOR VODKA, serve. The strongest vodka is 40% alcohol, and you need 65%.

* LISTERINE IF IT SERVES! It is 65% alcohol.

* The more confined the space, the more concentration of the virus there can be. The more open or naturally ventilated, the less.

* You have to wash your hands before and after touching mucosa, food, locks, knobs, switches, remote control, cell phone, watches, computers, desks, TV, etc. And when using the bathroom.

* You have to Moisturize dry hands from so much washing them, because the molecules can hide in the micro cracks. The thicker the moisturizer, the better

* Also keep your NAILS SHORT so that the virus does not hide there.



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