

September 2020 District 22B Newsletter

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Newsletter Reminder

Melanie Donophan, Salisbury Heritage Secretary

Friendly reminder, the deadline for all news articles, pictures and flyers is the 10th of each month. Send all submissions to Lion Melanie Donophan, Salisbury Heritage .

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NEW MEMBERS

OCEAN CITY LIONESS

New Member / Sponsors
Joane Wolpin – Michele Brauning
Denise Becker – Bev Topfer
Angie Lathroum – Patti Murrel
Mary Knight – Mary Ann Manganello





Message from DISTRICT GOVERNOR WAYNE BENJAMIN

Message from District Governor:

I must admit this pandemic makes everything a bit unsettling. Let me state my opinion on visitations. If visitations can be done safely with social distancing and everyone wearing a mask, I am willing to make the visitation anytime, anywhere. I/We want to be responsible to all parties involved. I can certainly do Zoom meetings if that is the club's preference. I have my own Zoom account now so it would not be a problem. I look forward to a live visit and am sure you do as well. I am leaving it up to each club to state their preference through Cabinet Secretary Kathy Crockett.

This month I have written two articles for our newsletter. Last month the article was titled 'Four Reasons Why Lions Dropout'. This month, we change the focus a bit, on why people join Lions. A second brief article deals with a concern I recently heard about vaccines.



Welcome to another newsletter. Last month I wrote about the top four reasons why Lions resign their membership. Today I would like to talk about the top four reasons why our community members join Lions.

- 1. We can all agree Lions is the premier service organization in the world. When asked about our organization, the first thing we often say is "service". Service is the number one reason why folks should join our club. This is the reason our club service chairs are so important. This is the reason why our service projects must be relevant to our community and meaningful to our membership. This is the reason why, if we hope our clubs to grow, we need enough service projects that every member may participate. Too few projects, only the same members do the work and we all lose. So please, review your service projects. Consider updating what you are doing. Consider adding a new project or fundraiser this year so all of our members have a better chance of being involved. However, there are other reasons why we attract members of our community.
- 2. Fellowship is not to be regulated to the back burner. Most of our members, especially our older members, enjoy the fellowship of getting together once or twice a month for refreshments, discussion and plain old fun. This is the reason our meetings must be meaningful, both the before meeting activity, the meeting itself and the fellowship we experience. A good outside speaker can be a draw to improve your attendance. Where you hold your meetings is important. ALL members need to get to know one another. We need to intermingle. We need to call one another when we cannot meet. Humans are a social being. Most of us do not like isolation. Let's be sure no Lion feels isolated.
- 3. Networking is a third reason for joining a service club. Networking may not be important to a seventy-five year olds who have retired, but he/she is still interested in staying informed on those who are not retired. For the younger members, there are innumerable examples of where being involved in Lions, or any service organization or religious affiliation, led to career advancement or change. Again, involvement opens new possibilities.
- 4. Believe it or not some people do enjoy being a community leader. A leader in a Lions club can fulfill that need. Leadership skills learned in Lions, whether it be one of the leadership schools or from just taking on further responsibilities in your local club are all positive experiences. Our GLT this year, IPDG John Lawrence has big plans for the leadership school this year to be held at Washington College. How great is that?

In conclusion: LCI provides so much material on all these topics. Articles that are light reading, educational and enjoyable. Go to LCI website and look at one of the many articles, short films. It is all there to help us make our clubs stronger, our membership more satisfied and the quality of the product we offer more valued.



Vaccines

By: DG Wayne Benjamin

I recently heard someone say they would not get the Covid-19 vaccine because it might effect the medications they were taking. There may be reasons not to take the vaccine, but this will not be one of them.

Let me explain. According to Merriam-Webster a vaccine is "a preparation of killed microorganisms, live attenuated organism, or living fully virulent organisms that is administered to produce or artificially increase immunity to a particular disease."

A vaccine can be one of three things noted above. There are different vaccines that fall into these different categories. Where the Covid-19 vaccine is going to fall, I do not know, but I will at this time presume the first or second.

When we discuss drug interferences we are referring to one medication interfering with the absorption, metabolism (liver) or excretion (kidney) of another. Vaccines do not affect the absorption of anything, the metabolism of anything nor the excretion of anything. When we have had trouble with vaccines it has been when we had individuals who were allergic to a component part (egg allergy), reaction to foreign substance (vaccine) by developing pain at injection site, fever, malaise, headache or in rare instances the Guillain-Barre Syndrome.

We will all be watching the published scientific reports of who, if anyone, should not get the vaccine to combat this terrible pandemic. Unless you have a medical reason, I would advise everyone to get the flu shot this month and the Covid-19 vaccine as soon as it is deemed safe and effective.





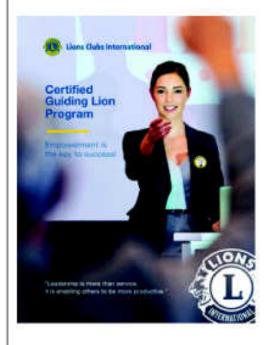
Notice: All 2020-2021 Lions Club Boards

Please consider including in your budget for the upcoming Lions year a donation toward LCIF. The donations will be used for various disasters or empowering service projects. So please help your club and the District get recognition by putting this item in your budget for this Lions year. If you have any questions or need any more information, please contact either IPDG Wayne or Lion Frankie.

Thanks for your support, IPDG Wayne Cole and Lion Frankie LCIF District Coordinators



LIONS LEADERSHIP CORNER





Do you love being a Lion? Would you like to help other Lions succeed in becoming great Lions? Do you enjoy serving others? Do you have good communication skills? If so, ask your Doctor District Governor Wayne if the Certified Guiding Lion Program is right for you.

What is the Certified Guiding Lion Program? Here are the words of Lions Clubs International: The Guiding Lion Program is designed to assist clubs that are newly chartered, established or determined as priority designation. Guiding Lions are assigned for a two-year term by the district governor in consultation with the sponsoring or established club president.

One of the goals of our district Governor is to establish new Lions clubs. Each new club is assigned 2 Guiding Lions to be a resource for them during their first two years. Guiding Lions are also assigned to help clubs who could use a boost is creating service and fundraising projects or in recruiting new members. With a good cadre of Guiding Lions, District 22-B can become even better.

Becoming a Guiding Lions is easy. Simply go to LionsClubs.org and search on Guiding Lion, and then click on Guiding Lion Program or click on https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/guiding-lion-program. The program has several modules which will train you in how to help our fellow Lions. If you have questions, please give me a call, email, or text.

Global Leadership Team Leader John Lawrence, Lions@JohnLawrene.name, 410-725-0150



Denton, Greensboro 5 Ridgley Lions



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Chestertown Lions





Chestertown Lions Club

Second In-Person Board of Directors meeting

Prepared by Marketing & Communications Chair: Dave Dunham

The Chestertown Lions Club held its second in-person Board of Directors Meeting on August 19, 2020, at the Chester River Yacht and Country Club (CRYCC). Nine members attended and wore their masks and practiced social distancing in accordance with CRYCC rules.

After much discussion, (Photo 1), the board decided to hold its first dinner meeting in-person on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at CRYCC. Because of social distancing requirements, we will not have a social hour, so come a little early, get a drink from the bar, and bring it to the meeting. The meeting will start at 6:30 pm. During the meeting, many awards held over from last year will be handed out and the new 2020 officers will be installed and then new Club members initiated. For members who cannot attend the meeting inperson due to the COVID-19, the meeting will be made available through the internet's "Zoom."

This will be an exciting night for us as District Governor Wayne Benjamin, our very own member and now the District Governor for District 22B, will make his official visit. This official visit to our club will in fact be his first visit to any Club as District Governor.

Since the Administrative Budget was approved at the first board meeting, this meeting was devoted to fund raising and service events. Our One-Book One-School Program service event was placed on hold for now until it can be determined if Garnett Elementary School will open its classrooms in the Spring. Our popular Fall Chicken BBQ, always a big hit in Chestertown, is being planned for October 3rd. Event Chair Ken Roderick is looking for volunteers to participate in the event. Use of masks and social distancing during food preparation and sales will be emphasized. Then, the preparation of one of our major annual fund raisers the Shotgun Raffle is moving along smoothly. Prizes include: 1st Prize: New Browning A-5 Shotgun or \$1500. 2nd Prize: \$300 Merchandise from Molly's. Drawing will be held on January 13, 2021. Ticket sales will start September 1st and will be sold at numerous locations throughout Chestertown and on the internet. See Photo 2 for more details.





"(from left to right): 1st VP Henry Hart, Lion Jeff Ferguson, and Secretary Rick Wells listen as KL Mary Lou Pagella leads a discussion."





Increase Visibility of Lions - Participate in Vision Days

LIONS SUPPORT COMMUNITY NEEDS





Many fund raising events have been canceled or postponed due to Covid-19. As we look for ways to replace lost income why not begin planning to have your Club participate in Vision Days post the pandemic.

Lions Vision Days is a positive, proven program used by Lions Clubs to support their favorite projects. This is a great way to raise money to support your contribution to the Multiple District 22 Lions Vision Research Foundation.

Without exception, Lions Clubs that follow through with the Lions Vision Days program will report solid benefits. Lions Vision Days will help increase membership, build attendance, expand community awareness, widen your clubs' sphere of influence, and add interest and enthusiasm in your club.

There is very little investment; there is nothing to sell. You give away handouts in exchange for contributions. The second Friday and Saturday in October are designated as official Lions Vision Days. The second Friday and Saturday in April are Alternate Dates. However, if these dates present a conflict, any alternative date is acceptable.

For complete information go online and look up Lions Vision Days "How to Guide". Should you have any questions please feel free to call me at 410-810-4154.

Richard L. Coffman Committee Chair - Vision Days





To view this Planning Guide click below

https://weserve.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/mp102.pdf

Role of New Voices Nominees

- Districts should provide New Voices nominees a platform to voice their views in club, zone, region and district meetings, so they may spotlight their achievement and share their success
- New Voices nominees should work to identify projects that women, young adults, and diverse populations can connect to. They should also lead these projects in their districts.
- New Voices nominees should encourage and mentor others to take up leadership roles in the clubs and districts.
- New Voices nominees should work in clubs and districts to promote stronger membership that is inclusive.
- New Voices nominees should work to see that clubs and districts demonstrate to their community that LCI is open to both women and men, young and old of all backgrounds



Order a Peace Poster Contest Kit

To sponsor the Peace Poster Contest, Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1. The kit is available in 12 of our official languages. A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

The 2020-2021 Contest

Peace Through Service

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

Order Your Kit

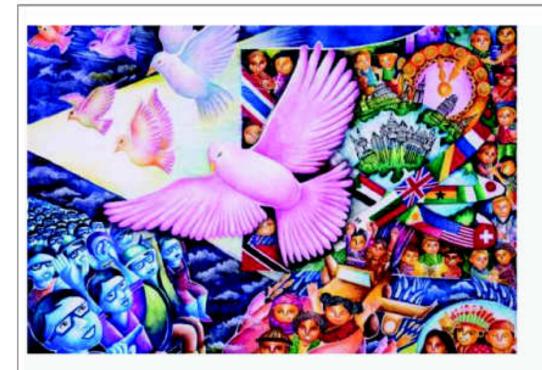
*To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).

Peace Through Service

The 2020-2021 Contest

Lions have provided an important reminder to the world that, through service, we can give and receive so much—joy, kindness, hope and PEACE. This year, young people have the opportunity to express their visions of peace through the lens of service.





Peace Poster Contest Deadlines

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

- January 15: Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- 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 1: Postmark deadline for a district governor not belonging to a multiple district to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.
- December 1: Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.
- 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.



Denton Lions Club Curbside Chicken Dinners

Saturday, October 17 from 10:00am-2:00pm

Pick up at the Denton Little League Park 224 Maryland Avenue



Dinners are \$9.00 each and include:

1/2 Deep Fried Chicken Cole Slaw Potato Salad Roll Soda or Water

Dinners are pre-sale only!

All orders must be received by Friday, October 2

To order: call Lion Dink Scurto at 443-239-0341 or email <u>dentonlions@gmail.com</u>



The Ocean City Lions Club Service Planning Session Kick Off



2nd Vice President Bill Christmas, King Lion Mike Hooper, 1st Vice President Scott Stark, and Service Chairperson Autumn Fenton (pictured L to R) recently met to plan service activities for the Ocean City area for the upcoming year. They are beginning this effort by reaching out to community leaders and organizations to assess current needs - especially those created by the pandemic.







Chestertown Lions Club

The Chestertown Lions Club held their first "in-person" Board of Director's meeting on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at the Chester River Yacht & Country Club (CRYCC). It was great to get together again. This was the Club's first "in-person" meeting since the last March's business dinner meeting. Board members are so devoted and excited to have a meeting, we went ahead and held the meeting in the dark (see Photo 1) since a massive thunder storm had just rolled though knocking out the area's power.

KL Mary Lou Pagella formerly called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with eleven members present. Previously, we had been holding monthly Board meetings by Zoom, but it was wonderful to get together again and "kickoff" another hopefully successful year of Lionism.

Even though we held the meeting without lights, members still practiced social distancing, wore masks, and used cell phones with flashing light apps to take notes. The first Board meeting each year is the time Board members get the opportunity to develop the annual budget. While this normally can be a taxing exercise, it became much more difficult this year by the presence of COVID-19.

The Administrative budget was discussed, but members decided there are so many unknowns at this time that an exact income level will need much more study. Annual income events – Chicken BBQ (Fall), cycling events (Spring), and shotgun raffle (Fall/Winter) were then discussed (see Photo 2). The successful Chicken BBQ will be placed on hold for now to study social distancing requirements further. Board members voted to kick-off our very successful shotgun raffle by starting ticket sales in September at selected locations around Chestertown. The winning ticket drawing will take place on January 13, 2021. Trusting the pandemic will become less of an issue by Spring, we are still planning to conduct the two rides.

We are planning to hold our first business dinner meeting of the year "in-person" at CRYCC on Wednesday, September 9, 2020. For members still feeling uncomfortable about coming out, the meeting will also be presented on Zoom.





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Preston Lions Update

- The establishment of the Board of Directors FY 20-21.
- The Board of Directors have met three times over the summer months. (June, July, and August)
- All Club Officers have completed required training. (MyLion Online training and Zoom meetings)
- President, Membership Chairperson, and Service Chairperson training Zoom meeting with new DG Wayne Benjamin, Thomas Moreland, and Ben Cassell about the NAMI (North American Membership Initiative) for this fiscal year in the District 22-B.
- 5. The Board of Directors met with the Preston Town Council and Representative from the Caroline County Parks and Recreation on proposal to build new basketball courts on Lions club property as Open space. After several gathering with the town, the Preston Lions Board of Directors decision was to not allow at this time and reconvene on this matter in the future.
- The Board of Directors agreed that the Club building will not be used for rental to the community during the months of July, August and September.
- The Board of Directors agreed that the our regular schedule Club meeting can and will be held in the building, and all Lions will maintain 6ft distance at all times if that can't be maintain then face masks will be required.
- As you may all know now our annual Beef & Shrimp dinner with the auction has been postponed we were hoping to reschedule in October but that is currently on hold because of COVID-19.
- 9. Lastly, I want to thank the Board of Directors and especially our Club Secretary for taking the exhaustive time to review our Club end of year report by the Secretary for award consideration. It paid off this year my goal of having the Preston Lions Club achieve the 5 Star Award has been obtained by us. Thanks to you All!



Cecilton Lions Club

The Cecilton Lions Club and charities helped their partners, the Cecilton Elementary school, welcome their students back in an unusual way this year. The school staff had all the children's necessary books, workbooks, supplies ready for them according to their grade. They were located in the front parking lot of the school. The parents were advised to come into the parking lot and find their grade. They would drive up and meet their new teachers and receive their necessary material. The Cecilton Lions were located at the entrance where we directed traffic to their correct location. We gave each student a freeze pop and wished them well for the first semester, the lions also gave the teachers subs, pizza and drinks. Everyone seemed to accept this unusual new start graciously.



























A New Adventure in Learning Join Us!



You can experience the Forum this year in a new way! Join us for the USA/Canada Lions Virtual Leadership Experience. Although we aren't able to facilitate the 80 wonderful seminars that were planned for Louisville, the Forum Planning Committee is excited to present 19 sessions you can attend virtually. It's easy and affordable.

If you have never attended a USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, our Virtual Leadership Experience will give an opportunity to understand what we do for your leadership growth in a scaled down version. Our mission is to develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International. We have created a virtual experience filled with seminars that enhance your leadership skills and knowledge. The Virtual Leadership Experience is for every Lion.

Choose from 19 sessions that will educate you on programs and services like a Childhood Cancer Symposium, Faces of Diabetes Innovation, how to approach the younger generation about Lions, projects for women and families, learning more with NAMI and so much more.

Complete Event Registration Fee 3 Days - 2 Hour Sessions

General Sessions Keynotes



Katherine Greenland Katherine is a cultural innovator and inclusion strategist with over 20 years of experience as a public speaker, team builder and advisor.



Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, President LCI Dr. Choi will speak on the services and programs of LCI and give us insight on being United with Kindness and Diversity.



Striker Corbin
As a motivational speaker,
certified hypnotist, and success
coach, Striker Corbin focuses
on personal development.

Learn More - Register Now!

https://members.lionsforum.org/event-3925061



Check out the websites below for important messages from LCIF and PID Jerome Thompson

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