



## February 2021 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 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Send all submissions to Lion Melanie Donophan, Salisbury Heritage .



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*Message from*  
**DISTRICT GOVERNOR**  
**WAYNE BENJAMIN**

Have you been waiting for some good news? I think we can all take a sigh of relief. I know I have since I have gotten my first Covid vaccine and am scheduled for my second February 22nd. I have been volunteering at the Kent County vaccine clinic directing folks into and out of the parking facilities. I can tell you this, they leave with a smile on their face. One individual told me they felt like a weight had been lifted from their shoulders. Another individual said they were glad to see I had found something I was qualified to do! I love a sense of humor during these trying times.

I guess you all have been told the Multiple District Convention has NOT been canceled. It will be virtual. I guess you have been told the International convention has NOT been canceled. It will be virtual. The 22B Social has NOT been canceled. It will be live. The date however has changed. We were fortunate to get a Saturday evening at the Hyatt Resort in Cambridge on the 19th of June. We are limited to 200 guests with Covid restrictions and 240 if they should be lifted. Please consider coming to celebrate another great year of Lionism, different but great! In future newsletters we will give more details, but mark your calendars now for a very special evening. Mark Lyon, International Director of Lions Club International, will be the featured speaker. We have been able to negotiate reduced room rates with all amenities offered at no additional cost. So come spend a weekend at the Hyatt in June, have fun and get inspired.

I am looking forward to visitations starting up in March and going through until the end of June. We are going to cap this year off with enthusiasm. Please do me one favor, take the few minutes to identify those three potential new members. Invite them to your service activities, your fund raisers, your meetings. Most recent numbers show we are down.....Remember we are primarily a service organization helping to make our communities a better place to live. The more hands we have the more service we can perform.

We are ready to go live very soon! I hope you are as excited as me.

~DG Wayne Benjamin~



## Press Release

### Chestertown Lions Club supports One School, One Book Program at Garnett Elementary School

Chestertown Lions Club members present a check for \$2,000 to fund the “One School, One Book Program” at Garnett Elementary School. The program was supported by a 50/50 funding effort of the local Lions Club and the charitable foundation of the Eastern Shore District 22B. We really appreciate the generosity of the Lions Club District 22B to support this very worthwhile project.

Every student (265) at the Garnett Elementary School and the entire staff received a copy of *A Boy Called Bat*, by Elana Arnold. Families are encouraged to read and discuss the book together at home. Activities are provided each day at school to enhance and enrich this shared reading experience. The program will run the entire month of February.

For information about local projects the Lions Club supports reach out to Mary Lou Pagella at [mlpagella@me.com](mailto:mlpagella@me.com).



(Photo left to right) Ms. Heather Davis, a parent running the reading program, Ms. Brenda Rose, Principal of Garnett Elementary School, Lion Mary Lou Pagella, President of the Chestertown Lions Club presenting the check, and Lion Fred Sherriff, Club Service Chair.

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## 22-B Global Service Team

### Service Projects and Fundraising Goals

#### From our NAMI efforts

As reported to our District Governor and his North American Membership Initiative the following are the goals that were developed to assist clubs' efforts toward growth and prosperity.

#### Service Projects:

The goal is for each club to identify and provide 2 NEW service projects per year. For this initiative "NEW" is defined as something totally new or a renewed project that has been neglected for at least 5 years. New and/or renewed projects should stimulate interest among old members and help recruit new members in the process.

New projects can be found in numerous ways, such as:

- Explore LCI website
- Work with MD 22-B GAT Team
- Community Needs Analysis
- Thinking "Outside the Box"

#### Fund Raising Projects:

As in the Service Projects goals above, clubs should identify and execute 2 NEW fund raisers per year. While many in a community can look forward to long standing projects like a food sale or Christmas project, new fund raisers will bring fun and attention to the club as well as attract new members.

New projects can also be found in numerous ways, such as:

- Explore other clubs' projects and successes
- Explore other organizations' projects and successes
- Seek partner organizations
- Seek advice from your 22-B GAT Team
- Think "Outside the Box"

Your Governor and NAMI Team appreciate all that you do knowing that there are many moving parts to support growth in membership. For questions feel free to contact us. We're in the book!





Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

I hope this letter finds all of you warm in your home, healthy, and with plenty of food to eat. Unfortunately, that is not the case for many in this country and around the world. There are many people unemployed due to the virus. I am sure that the gifts under the tree this year were sparse in many households.

Some of us have already had the \$600 stimulus check deposited into our bank account. This is free untaxed money that you will be receiving. We may even receive an additional amount per person in the near future. Please consider making a portion of this check a donation to LCIF. A \$50.00 donation is less than 10% and would do so much to help people in your community and around the world. Mail a check or donate on line whatever amount you feel is appropriate. Any amount can help relieve the suffering of someone in need.

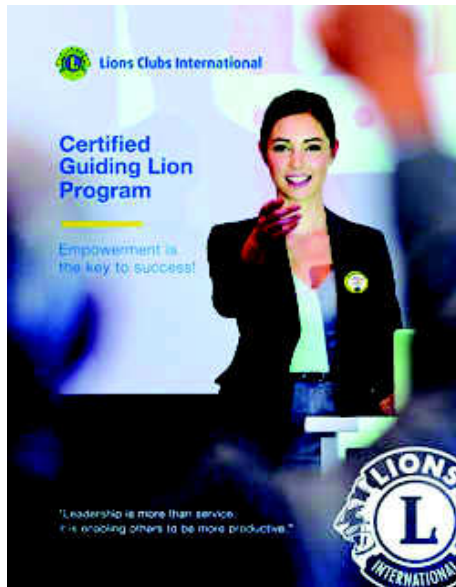
If you have any questions, contact District LCIF Co-Coordinators,  
PDG Wayne Cole or Lion Frankie Bennett.

**Have a Happy New Year and stay safe.**





## 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 in 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 Lion is easy. Simply go to [LionsClubs.org](https://www.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@JohnLawrence.name](mailto:Lions@JohnLawrence.name), 410-725-0150



## *More from the District Governor....*

### JUST ASK

The Chestertown Lions Club for the last several weeks has been helping the Kent County Health Department register residents for the Covid-19 vaccine. More specifically those folks without a computer or not comfortable using one to register. The Lions also help with parking vehicles because after getting the vaccine you must remain in your auto for fifteen minutes. Lions line up the cars, put times on the car when vaccine was given and signal them out when their fifteen minutes is up.

The Lions do this in conjunction with individuals from the Kent County Health Department. Lions are well appreciated by the employees of the health department.

The point to my story is this. On leaving my assignment this past Thursday, I saw Tom, an employee of the KCHD, who I frequently see in the parking lot as well. He made a complimentary statement about Lions, I don't remember exactly what, but I said have you ever considered joining the Lions. I gave him the 'elevator speech' about Lions and sure enough he is very interested.

Tom would probably never have joined if I didn't ask. Very few people will join if we don't ask. If we are proud of what we do, what we accomplish, we should have no qualms about asking. If we ask we might just increase our ranks, perform more service and become stronger more viable clubs.

So please, just ask!

~DG Wayne Benjamin~





## Lions Leadership Corner

I would like to introduce you to Lions University. This "school" is not run by LCI, but rather by interested Lions associated with the USA/Canada Forum. As you can see below, courses are offered at 3 levels, Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate. Several Lions in MD-22 have taken courses from this University, and one Lion in District 22-A recently earned his Doctorate. The courses run from "Effective Meetings" to "Time Management" to techniques for effective adult education. To get to the home page of Lions University, click or go to <https://lionsuniversity.org/>. I encourage each of you to go and check this out. Excellent education whether used for Lionism or other endeavors of your life.



### Lions University

Year-Round Training Provided by the  
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum



- **Bachelor's Program:** This program allows Lions to develop the skills necessary to lead a vital Lions Club. Courses are directed to the skills needed to be great club leader. [Click here to learn more about this program.](#)
- **Master's Program:** This program focuses on giving support to clubs through district leaders. This program is aimed at District Level leaders: District Governors, Vice District Governors, Zone Chairs, District Committee Chairs, Certified Guiding Lions, and other leaders that are ready to foster quality clubs in their District. [Click here to learn more about this program.](#)
- **Doctorate Program:** This program focuses on skills needed to be a training facilitator for adult volunteers. In affect, Lions who have completed the Doctorate Program are prepared to be great trainers of other Lions. [Click here to learn more about this program.](#)





#### OC Lions Donate to the Blood Bank

The Ocean City Lions Club recently donated \$500 to the Blood Bank of Delmarva. Pictured from L - R are Norm Cathell Past District Governor, Bill Christmas OC Lions 2nd Vice President, Marie Forestal Blood Bank Director of Donor Recruitment, Bryan Shepherd Blood Bank Accounts Manager, and Mike Hooper OC Lions President.



#### OC Lions Donate to WYFC

Dr. Jennifer Leggour Executive Director of the Worcester Youth and Family Counseling Services accepts a donation from OC Lions President Mike Hooper.



#### OC Lions February Service Project Collecting Shoes for Recovery

King Lion Mike Hooper and Past District Governor Norm Cathell have collection bins ready at the **OC Lions Club** for the **Worcester Goes Purple Warriors against Addiction ~SHOES FOR RECOVERY CAMPAIGN~**. OC Lions are helping the local nonprofit **Worcester Goes Purple** collect shoes to raise funds. These funds will help individuals get into recovery, reduce the stigma, and educate the public. The shoes are then sent to developing countries.





Past International Director Darley T. Travers of the Hebron Lions Club, Hebron, MD passed away on March 27<sup>th</sup> of this year 2020, but due to the COVID-19 virus restrictions we were only allowed to have 10 people attend his funeral on April 1<sup>st</sup>. It was really hard not to have extended family members, and our Lions family and friends in attendance.

Therefore, we will be holding a Celebration of Life service for PID Darley on Sunday January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The service is scheduled for 3:00pm at Nelson's Memorial Church located at 100 Main Street, Hebron, MD 21830.

Please RSVP to [charlene22b@comcast.net](mailto:charlene22b@comcast.net) or leave a message at 410-430-5993 if you plan to attend as we hope to be able to have a meal after the service (depending on State of Maryland restrictions at that time) and we will need a headcount.

Thanks to everyone who sent cards and prayers to me and my family during this stressful time.



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

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