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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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The graphic features a red background with a repeating pattern of the LEO logo. In the center is a large, stylized mountain range with a green base. To the right of the mountains is a cartoon lion wearing a red Canadian Mountie uniform and a black hat, saluting. The text "4TH" is above the mountains, "USA/CANADA LEO LEADERSHIP FORUM" is on the green base, "2021" is on a white banner, and "CALGARY" is on a green banner. Below the mountain graphic, the dates "JULY 21-25, 2021" and the location "CALGARY, CANADA" are displayed in white text on a black background. In the top right corner is a circular logo for the USA/CANADA LEO LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION featuring a red maple leaf and a blue star. At the bottom left is a blue button that says "REGISTER NOW" in white. To the right of the button is the text "Visit www.leosforum.org for registration form."

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Message from DISTRICT GOVERNOR WAYNE BENJAMIN

As I write the March Newsletter spring is just two weeks away.

That's good news! Are you all getting your Covid vaccinations? I see where most of the counties on the Eastern Shore now have over 20% of population immunized. With three different vaccines available, we should see those numbers start to rise rapidly. That's more good news.

The other day I called the President of one of our district clubs to learn why they had lost so many members this year. He told me they had a significant number of members who were not paying their dues in spite of multiple attempts to reach out to them, they were not attending meetings and not active in either the service projects nor fund raisers. At first thought, can't blame the club. Why should they be paying for 'dead wood'?

Then I got to thinking. Let's be the devil's advocate for a minute. These folks all joined the Lions at one time with certain expectations. They wanted to be active in a service club. They thought Lions would be meaningful. Did the sponsor explain to them what Lions was all about? Did they have a meaningful induction and orientation session?

Somewhere these Lions felt they were not getting any return on their investment. Do we as leaders look at our clubs and appreciate the importance of getting everyone involved? Get everyone, not the same ten or fifteen, to run the fundraisers and service activities. Do we use the excuse they are the only ones who do anything? It is our job to get everyone involved. If they are not involved, find out why. Club assessment should be done at least every other year by EVERY member. Before our members become disillusioned, we have a responsibility to find out what they were hoping to get from their membership. Are they satisfied? If we don't ask we won't know. Then one day, we find ourselves dropping a third of our club because of nonpayment of dues! We, as Lions, need to form a buddy system to learn what our fellow members are thinking and doing. We, as leaders, have to be watching for members that have quit coming to meetings, quit being involved. Currently, Covid has been a great excuse and certainly for many it has put a strain on our finances. But this problem with retention started long before Covid.

Finally, when your members do leave, do you do an exit interview? This is a great opportunity to find out how we are doing as a club. Occasionally, with the interest shown in our exit interview, the member may realize maybe he/she should not be dropping out but rather giving us another chance

~DG Wayne Benjamin~



Chestertown Lions Club February-March

COVID Activities

About one-third of Chestertown Lions Club members have been active supporting Kent County Health Department's COVID vaccination effort over the past two months. In addition to helping direct traffic and coordinate vaccination wait times at site parking lots, Health Department officials asked members to reach out and contact local seniors to ensure they were aware of the vaccination process. After a short training program, members began helping with on-site registration procedures as well. Over one hundred seniors were identified by the Health Department who needed to be contacted with seventy-five seniors successfully reached. Vaccination appointments were successfully arranged for twenty-five seniors who either did not have a computer or needed assistance with registration. This registration process continues.



Photo 1. (left to right) Lions Bob Krohm and Rick Coffman prepare to begin traffic control at a Kent County Health Department's vaccine site at Rock Hall's Fire Station.



Chestertown Lions club February-March Activities



Photo 2. (left to right) Lions Bob Krohm and Matt Kempel attend a Kent County Health Department's COVID-19 vaccine shot patient flow training program.



Photo 3. (left to right) Lions Bob Knapp and Herb Wilkinson support patient waiting times at COVID-19 vaccination center





Photo 4. (left to right) Lions Bob Knapp and Herb Wilkinson direct local resident to a parking spot at vaccination site.



Photo 5. Lion Neil Blackmore proceeding to COVID vaccination site to receive his shot.



We will be honoring **District Governor Wayne Benjamin and First Lady Lynn** on Saturday, June 19, 2021 at the **Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay**, 100 Heron Blvd, Cambridge, MD 21666. The social hour, with cash bar, will be at 5:30 with program and dinner to follow at 6:30.

The special guests for the evening will be International Director Mark Lyon from Brookfield, Connecticut and his wife Carolyn.

Menu

Hors d'oeuvres

Dinner Rolls, Garden Salad

Choice of Pan Seared Salmon with Citrus Dill Cream, Molasses Brined Pork Chop with Whiskey Pan Sauce, Old Bay Chicken Breast with Jus Lie

Roasted Yukon and Red Bliss Potatoes, Young Carrots and Grilled Asparagus,
Desert, Coffee and Tea

The cost of the meal will be \$50.00 per person. Please note any dietary restrictions on the attached order form. Reservations, with checks made out to **District 22-B Social**, should be mailed to **CT Ken Roderick, 126 Church Hill Farm Ln, Sudlersville, MD 21668** by **June 5, 2021**.

Seating will be arranged with preferential consideration in the order received. Acknowledgment and directions will be sent by email. Tickets will be available at the door.

Accommodations for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights will be available at the **Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay**, 100 Heron Blvd, Cambridge, MD 21666 for \$218.00 per night plus taxes (a significant reduction from usual room cost for the month of June). For reservations go to <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/CHESA/G-LINB>. The deadline for room reservations at this reduced rate is May 4th.

For further information contact Social Chair Lion Matthew Kempel, 410-490-6186, mkempel@live.com or Ticket Chair, CT Kenneth Roderick, 410-924-2810,

roderick73@gmail.com.

Business Casual Attire, Black Tie optional





DISTRICT 22-B SOCIAL RESERVATION FORM

Club _____

Names of Attendees with meal choice

_____ Salmon ___ Pork ___ Chicken ___

_____ Salmon ___ Pork ___ Chicken ___

_____ Salmon ___ Pork ___ Chicken ___

_____ Salmon ___ Pork ___ Chicken ___

_____ Salmon ___ Pork ___ Chicken ___

Number of Tickets _____ @ \$50.00 each = \$ _____

Seating Preference _____

Dietary Concerns _____

Your Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Make checks payable to: District 22-B Social

Mail to: CT Ken Roderick, 126 Church Hill Farm Ln, Sudlersville, MD 21668



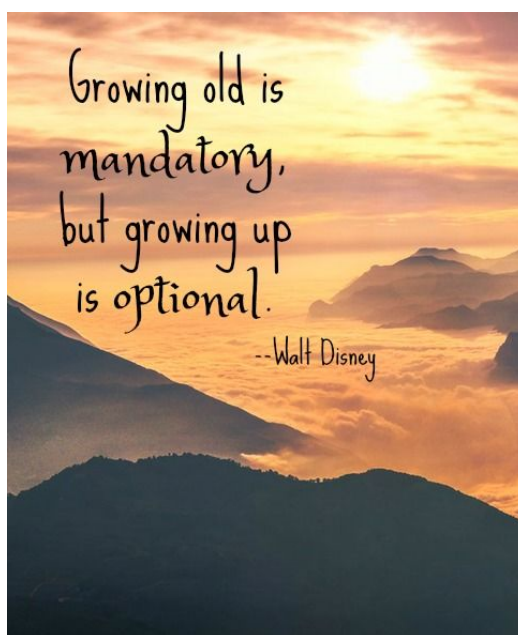
More from the District Governor....

22B SOCIAL

The 22B Social, your social, this year is being held at the Hyatt in Cambridge on June 19th. Hopefully most of you will have received your vaccinations by then. The social committee is planning on a wonderful gala with a first class social hour, dinner and an inspiring presentation by LCI International Director Mark Lyon from Bookfield, Connecticut. Rooms have been reserved for the evening at the hotel for both Friday and Saturday nights. This is your chance to get out after a year of near isolation, see fellow Lions and celebrate our organization and all the meaningful activities we accomplish as the premier service club in the world. Formal announcements will be forthcoming in the near future. Please plan on attending. I would be honored to see you all there.

For those of you who are planning on attending and cannot wait for the flyer <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/CHESA/G-LINB> will get you a room at a markedly reduced rate.

~DG Wayne Benjamin~



More from the Chestertown Lions....



Photo 6. Lion Rock Crum directs seniors at COVID vaccination site.



Photo 7. Lion Jane Welsh registers visitors at vaccination center.



Phot 8. Lion Herb Wilkinson records vaccination waiting time.



Photo 9. (left to right) Lions Bob Krohm, Rick Coffman, and Gerry McDonald head to parking lot to begin traffic control.





Community Yard Sale Benefit Cambridge Lions Club



- Saturday April 17th 7:00AM – 12:00PM
- Immanuel United Church of Christ
 - 5401 Whitehall Rd, Cambridge, MD 21613
- Spaces available \$20 each
- Contact King lion Gene Williams to reserve your space 410-330-4474.
- Follow us on Facebook for additional details.



Cambridge Lions Club Yard Sale





Chesapeake City, Maryland 21915
2020-2021



March 1, 2021 - Speech and Hearing News

Recently, I came across an article by Joy Victory, managing editor, Healthy Hearing that I wish to share with the Lions of District 22-B.

Healthy Hearing: Face masks and other personal protective equipment (PPE) help protect us from the coronavirus, but they add communication challenges for everyone, especially people with hearing impairments. That's because:

- Face masks lower the volume of a person's speech and slightly garble it.
- Face shield, social distancing and plastic barriers further muffle or reduce sound.
- Face mask ear loops may tug on your hearing aids and cause problems.
- You can't rely on lip reading clues and other facial movements that help you understand speech and emotion.

Tips for how to communicate when wearing a mask

- Reduce the room's noise and get the person's attention.
- Ask if the person can hear you.
- Speak slowly and clearly. Do not Shout.
- Make sure hearing aid users are using them. You would be surprised how some folks forget to wear them just like when you forget to put your mask on when you get out of the car to go into a store.
- Take turns while speaking. Do not talk while walking or looking away.
- Do not talk while walking or looking away.
- if obtainable, clear or transparent masks can help with lip reading and emotions.

Submitted by – PDG Bob Kidner
Chesapeake City Lions Club

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Past International Director Darley T. Travers of the Hebron Lions Club, Hebron, MD passed away on March 27th 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 1st. 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 24th, 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 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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