

LIONISM
ON
MARYLAND'S EASTERN SHORE
DISTRICT 22-B



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District Governor 1963-64

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PREFACE

In attempting a history of Lionism for District Twenty-Two B three divisions present themselves for bringing together the fragmentary pieces of the yesterdays. First, comes a narrative of the District before it became separated from the early beginnings and tracing it to the present. This narrative alone would be very void and would not tell much of a story. To this must be added the Lions Clubs which became Twenty-two B. Therefore, a second portion of this effort must include the basic history of the various Lions Clubs. When this is added, the history takes a better form and begins to breathe, but there is remaining the most important and salient features which brought the District into being and which breathed life into it over the years. The history is a story of how things went and the force behind the movement. It is a study of men who led the District over the years. Since their deeds were altruistic it is impossible to find them in any record or records. The story of these men, their hopes, dreams, invested talents, their dedication to the ideals of Lionism must suffice to partly tell this story. It will never be completely told. Not intentionally, of course, the writer will omit important names and deeds. He hopes someone, in the future will add to this humble beginning. The thought is that in the years ahead a complete history, year by year, will be authentically added.

Part I

Officially, Lions International was founded the seventh day of June, 1917. However Lionism had been in the making for about three years. In 1914 Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions International began correspondence which brought together in Chicago, Illinois, a group of delegates from independent Luncheon Clubs. An organization was formed and charters were granted. A meeting was called for October 8, 9, 10, 1917 to be held in Dallas, Texas. At this meeting, the organization and action of the Chicago meeting, including the name Lions, was ratified. This was the first annual meeting or as some refer to it, the first Lions Convention.

From this, small gathering in Chicago Lionism began a growth, most remarkable and outstanding. It was like casting bread on the waters of Lake Michigan which washed down the St. Lawrence River to the Atlantic Ocean and thence to the coasts of the nations of the world in what history calls a very short span of time.

The Pacific Coast made the first showing in the organization of Lions Clubs. In less than four years Lions Clubs were established in New Jersey and in the fall of 1921 the sixteenth District was organized. This District included the states of New York, the Eastern half of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and the District of Columbia, with New Jersey as its head.

Maryland came into the picture actively on October 26, 1921. The first club was chartered in Baltimore, this date, with Dr. Robert Packe Bay as the first Lions Club president in Maryland. Lionism was early recognized as possessing worth and merits needed in the reconstruction days following World War One. It grew rapidly and spread over a widely increasing territory. Within a matter of weeks District Sixteen with New Jersey as its head was ripe for division. Therefore on January 1, 1922 New York state became the Twentieth District. Arizona and New Mexico were detached from Texas and became the Twenty-First District. On this same date Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia were taken from New Jersey and became District Twenty-Two.

District Twenty-Two held its tenth Annual Convention in Salisbury, in 1932. This was voted at the Ninth Convention held in Wilmington, Delaware in 1931. Here, for the first time appears a part of what is now 22B, in the records of Lionism. One hundred delegates were present. Worthy of note, an address was given by Past International President of Lionism Ben A. Riffin. Wives of the delegates were present. Lions came as guests and brought their wives. It was the most successful District Convention held to date both socially and business wise. At this time economic probably

beset Lionism around the world. Club activities were being vastly curtailed. To quote from a memorandum of Lions International; "the Lions Clubs of District 22 met their problems with a strong and united front, and a resume of their year's activities is a remarkable record of the effectiveness of their programs in their communities." Salisbury, Maryland Club, was chartered May 21, 1923 and in nine years had grown to a position of influence so that it hosted the District Convention in this early inspiring gathering of Lions.

Salisbury appears again in the records, as hosting the District Convention June 24, 25, 26, 1937. In the five years elapsing since the previous Salisbury Convention the number of delegates increased more than double to 224. At this Convention endorsement was given to "HR 7238 and SI 398" permitting the blind to operate stands in Federal Buildings and to work for passage of the same. Also a stand was taken against any further growth and encroachment on United States by un-American Societies. Money was appropriated in the sum of \$71.40 being a per capita of 66 cents to distribute the Juvenile Braille Magazine to a specified list. For the first time note is made that a Governor's Banquet and Ball was held at this District Convention. The District boasted 1122 members with 164 being Key Members and 5 being Master Key Members.

In 1938 a years increase in membership of the District was reported of 459 bringing the total to 1619 members. Here appears a name from what is now 22B; that of H. L. Loreman, Jr., as Deputy District Governor of Region 3. Prizes were awarded different Clubs for their activities, evidently for the first time in the District and another first was the holding of a "Key Breakfast". Two names appear as Zone Chairman from what is now 22B. They are Guy E. Harmon, Queenstown; and Griffith Callahan, Pocomoke City. The name of H. L. Loreman, Jr., of Salisbury appears again. He was chosen District Governor for the year 1939-40. He made 66 visits, established 13 new Clubs and 387 new members were brought in. Four names appear as Zone Chairman; Dr. R. C. Dodson, Rising Sun; G. Linden Duffey, Greensboro; Minot Bennett, Chestertown; B. V. McLane, Crisfield from what is now 22B. The Salisbury Club won a contest prize.

District 22B appears first in 1940. It consisted of what is known as the Eastern Shore of Maryland (nine counties) and the State of Delaware. Minot Bennett, Chestertown; Raymond A. Magee, Berlin and O. W. Corkran, Hurlock appear as Zone Chairman. In 1941-42 some names appear from what was the Maryland portion of 22B. Walter Schiffer, Queenstown and Joseph Schiller, Salisbury, appear as Deputy District Governors and also as Zone Chairman the names of George Bryan, Federalsburg; Showard Culver, Hebron, and Clarence Dickinson, Salisbury.

For five years the Eastern Shore of Maryland and the State of Delaware made steady, though not rapid growth, in the development of Lionism, was being developed. From 1942 to 1947 was not merely marking time. Foundations were being established for the great year of Lionism known as Lionism in 1947.

During these five years some names, very familiar at this writing are noted. The history of Lionism is the history of men of vision and leadership and the accomplishment of altruistic deeds. The right hand has seldom known what the left hand did and the deeds of 22B can be only partly covered later. Mention of the leadership is made here. In 1942-43 Orville W. Corkran, Hurlock and Avery W. Owens, Sharptown, appear as Deputy District Governor? and as Zone Chairman the names of M. H. Lane, Preston and Griffith Callahan, Pocomoke City, are recorded. In 1943-44 Arthur W. Brumbaugh, Greensboro and Milton K. Larmore, Salisbury, are noted as Deputy District Governors while serving as Zone Chairmen were Guy E Harmon, Queenstown; Dr. Harold B. Plummer, Preston; H. Wendell Henry, Salisbury (from the Hebron Club) and Clifford M. Dryden, Pocomoke City. The year 1945-46 began the great growth in 22B. Dr. Lee A. Rademaker had a great year as District Governor from Salisbury Club and was unanimously endorsed for International Director. There was a gain of eight clubs, 543 members, 52 Key Members and 4 Master Key Members. Horace M. Morgan of Queenstown appears as a Deputy District Governor and the names of John F. Bodine, Rising Sun; W. Woodrow Moore, Cambridge and George S. Matthews, Pocomoke City are shown as Zone Chairmen.

Then came the banner year of Lionism in all of District 22B. It was really an overflow from the successful previous year. John W. Lord, Perryville was a Deputy District Governor. Zone Chairmen were J. Walter Truitt, Federalsburg and James S. Kreeger, Easton. This year John M. Price was District Governor of 22C. He later transferred to 22B as a member of the Kent Island Club where he conducted a Real Estate business. He died in 1966. He was a helpful and welcome addition to 22B.

District 22B separated from Delaware, the State of Delaware becoming 22D. The nine Counties of the Eastern Shore of Maryland became 22B at the District Convention held in Washington, D.C, May 28, through May 31, 1947. J. Walter Truitt, Federalsburg, was the first Governor to serve 22B after Delaware became 22D. Prior to this as Governors of 22B, were Clarence W. Whealton, Salisbury; Dr. Seth H. Hurdle, Salisbury; H. Wendell Henry, Salisbury; and Dr. L. A. Rademaker, Salisbury. A further reference will be made to these Governors in a resume of District Governors.

Here begins the History of 22B as we know it twenty years later, the time of this writing (1970). District Governor J. Walter Truitt made 31 visits to the Clubs of the nine counties of Maryland with a gain of five clubs, 201 members and 17 new Key Members. The District had three Regions with the following District Deputy Governors; Region I, John Bodine, Conowingo; Region II, Horace M. Morgan, Queen Anne; and Dutton, Chesapeake City; Jack E. Keiffer, Chestertown, O.B. "Dick" Blades, Preston; William O. Corkran, Hurlock; W. Melvin Turner, Salisbury; and Essel T. Farlow, Pittsville; all in Maryland, of course. The nine Counties of Maryland comprising 22B (Worcester, Somerset, Wicomico, Dorchester, Talbot, Caroline, Queen Anne, Kent and Cecil) had a 5 Club increase bringing the total to 36; an increase in membership bringing the total to 1588 and 17 Key Awards bringing the total to 172.

With District Governor Raymond A. Magee as leader District 22B became a part of the Multiple District 22 (Five Districts: A, B, C, D and W) at the Convention held in Atlantic City, N. J., June 15 through 18, 1949. The Convention boasted good fellowship, entertainment, Card and Bingo games, and International President Dr. Ramiro Collazo was the honored guest and speaker. A Key Breakfast was held and took up the trend, before established, to honor Key Members. It has remained a part of every Multiple District Convention. The Reverend Howard Link of the Preston Club (District B) presided at what was the first Necrology Service held in the Multiple District. This has also continued through the years following, as a sacred note, a tribute to the departed Lions and an impressive part of each Annual Convention.

Deputy District Governors were: Jack E. Keiffer, Chestertown for Region I; O. B. Blades, Preston for Region II and Essel T. Farlow, Pittsville for Region III. Zone Chairmen are listed as R. W. Wisler, Port Deposit; Patrick Duggain, Sudlersville; Joseph W. A. Evans, Grasonville; Ernest Smith, Federalsburg; Avery W. Owens, Laurel, Del., and Hartley Stevens, Snow Hill. The name of E. Peter Richardson of Berlin is recorded as being Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer. This is the first notation of a Cabinet office by this name in District 22B. There was no increase in number of Clubs, an increase of nine new members, fifty-three visits by the District Governor, and fifty-nine new Keys awarded.

The 1950 Convention was held in Baltimore May 24 to 27th. Entertainment was varied, with dances, boat rides and visits to factories a part of the gathering. District Governor O. B. Blades of the Preston Club had as assistants: J. Howard Link, Preston, as Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer. Deputy District Governors were Region I, Patrick Duggan, Sudlersville; Region II, Joseph W. A. Evans, Grasonville; Region III, Peter Richardson, Berlin. Zone Chairmen were Franklin T. Williams, Jr., Elkton; Charles L. Ford, Centreville

Lee G. Bell, Chester; Charles S. Bilbrough, Greensboro; Dr. Lee L. Lawry, Fruitland and John B. Houck, Pittsville. Six new members were taken into the ranks, Twenty-six Keys awarded and 62 visits were made by Governor O. B. Blades.

May 23 through 26, 1951 was the date and the site of the 1951 Multiple District Convention was the Mayflower Hotel in the nation's capital. A new name was given the breakfast for Key Lions. It was "Hi Leo Lions Breakfast". Individual District Luncheons were held, probably for the first time. Rev. Graham G. Lacey, Washington, D.C., conducted the always impressive Necrology Service. Third Vice President of Lions International, S. A. Dodge, Detroit, Michigan, was the official visitor and speaker. A "Model Luncheon" and "Ladies Luncheon," with a Style Show appear on the, program for the first time. Also appearing for the first time was the "Final Luncheon" at which the new District Governors for the coming year were introduced with their wives. This has become a part of the convention and continued as the "Final Luncheon" until the 1967 Convention in Atlantic City, N.J., when it was changed to "District Governor's Elect Luncheon". Governor of District 22B, John B. Houck appointed Essel T. Farlow, Pittsville as Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer. Governor Houck made a total of 77 visits. He selected as Deputy District. Governors: Region I, Franklin T. Williams, Jr., Elkton; Region II, Lee G. Bell, Chester; Region III, Daniel W. Shaw, Pocomoke City; and as Zone Chairmen: Joseph B. Duggan, Rising Sun; Charles S. Bilbrough, Greensboro; Linden W. Brittingham, Queenstown; William Puncke, Federalsburg; Hobert M. Webster, Hebron; W. Clyde Ford, Jr., Westover and Robert W. Phillips, Berlin. Thirteen Keys, one Senior Master Key and one Grand Master Key were awarded. This is the first time a Grand Master Key award appears in the history of 22B.

Lee G. Bell served as District Governor for the year ending with the Multiple District Convention held in Atlantic City, N.J., May 21 through 24, 1952. Lion Lee made 56 official visits as Governor. At the end of the year District 22B totaled 38 Clubs with 1664 members, one Club (Salisbury) having 83 members. Twenty-seven Keys, one of them a Master Key, were awarded bringing the District Key membership to a total of 296 Key Members, Nine Master Key members, two Senior Key Members and one Grand Master Key Member. In every column of records kept by the International Office an increase is shown. As Deputy District Governors, Region I was served by Joseph B. Duggan, Rising Sun; Region II, by William Puncke, Federalsburg; Region III, by W. Clyde Ford Jr., Westover. Zone Chairmen were John M. Smith, Northeast; Charles H. Anthony, Millington; Linden W. Brittingham, Queenstown; Norman Irwin, Denton; Merril G. Calloway, Salisbury;

Russell Hitch, Fruitland and Gerald B. Truitt, Ocean City.

The 1953 Convention was again held in Atlantic City, N.J., June 3rd through June 6th. John M. Smith of the Northeast Club was the District Governor. The District reached a total of 45 Clubs with a membership of 2,025. This was a remarkable gain of seven Clubs and the membership crossed above the 2000 mark for the first time. Deputy District Governors were: William Puncke, R. Russell Hitch and Charles H. Anthony. Zone Chairmen were Clifton W. Morgan, Royden N. Powell, Dr. A. S. David, Oliver Harding, Gordy Beach, John Yaggi and Harry R. Ringler.

The-1954 Convention met again in Atlantic City, N.J., May 26 through 29. Chalfonte-Haddon Hall Hotel is listed as headquarters. For the first time a "Pre-Convention Entertainment" appears. Ninety-one visits were made by Governor William Puncke and the records show one new club and 108 new members added. Deputy District Governors were Royden Powell, George Dutton, and Harry Oliphant for Regions I, II, and III respectively. Serving as Zone Chairmen were Richard Brunner, Willis Wells, Lawton G. Brown, Oliver Harding, Walter H. Cordrey, Clyde W. Ford and Richard Rayne. George W. Dutton, Denton, served District 22B for the year 1954-55. James L. Wright Jr. was his appointed Secretary-Treasurer. The Multiple District again held the Convention in Atlantic City for three days. From this date forward through 1970 the Multiple District Convention convened in Atlantic City. Several reasons explain this holding of the Convention outside the boundary of the Multiple District 22. Paramount reasons account for this site being chosen. Lions began bringing their wives in increasing numbers. Entertainment became more and more a part of the annual gathering. Separate rooms were needed for events scheduled at the same hour. Display rooms for Club activities and room to display means of Clubs raising money were in demand. By holding the Convention in Atlantic City before the summer season rush at this seaside resort, adequate space could be had and practically the entire hotel was turned over to Lions in attendance. Furthermore Atlantic City offered many attractions beyond the Convention. This helped in making Atlantic City and Haddon Hall Hotel the convention site.

This year District 22B reached the height in number of clubs and membership. Membership was 2113 and the number of Clubs 46. Until the present (1970) the District has not passed forty-six in the number of Club's nor has it attained a membership over 2113. At three times the membership has exceeded 2000 and has dipped to a few under 1900 members. This is not a sign of retreat or possible failure to be active. Several clubs were formed the life of which was very brief. Nothing was gained for

the community, the District or Lions International. A noble effort was put forth and there it ended. The Eastern Shore of Maryland was not growing rapidly in population. It never has been an industrial center. Farms have been increasing in acreage due to better powered machinery. The crossroads town has remained about the same or began slipping, into a Ghost Town. The Super Markets and the automobile, with better highways, concentrated all activities. This has been reflected in the number of Clubs and membership of Lionism.

Clubs have found it increasingly difficult to find meeting places where meals could be served. This was met by some Clubs erecting their own "Dens". Other Clubs merely dived into extinction. At this writing four Clubs are limiting their membership because no accommodations are large enough to permit the growth o'f the Club in membership. This changing situation may be met in, at present (1970), an unforeseen happening.

As Deputy District Governors H. Richard Brunner, Lawton G. Brown, Richard W. Rayne and John C. Yaggi served Regions I through IV respectively. Zone Chairmen were William C. Graham, Leslie T. Mayne, James H. Thomas, Douglas Hanks, U. Lee Harman, Charles A. Parker, George T. Davis, John C. Anderson and Robert L. Cropper.

Harry Oliphant gave the District the experience of a prosperous business man and a devoted Lion to' the year 1955-56. This was a year in which two things had to occur. Clubs and members were on the decrease. Either local clubs must be strengthened or they must begin decay. The spirit of Lionism was too pronounced to admit of defeat and under good leadership a strengthening of the clubs began. That this happened is a credit to Lionism and the loyal Lions, of the Eastern Shore. Here began a development of adding usefulness to the community through Lionism which has not subsided. Finally, District Governors latched onto this idea and have strived to have better clubs rather than more clubs if the newer clubs could not be strong.

Lewis B. Franci held the post of Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer. As Deputy District Governors the following names are recorded for the four respective Regions: H. Richard Brunner, Charles S. Bilbrough, Richard W. Rayne and Wilbur Johnson. As Zone Chairmen the following were appointed J. C. Emery, Jr., Robert F. Irwin, Carter M. Hickman, Martin L. Sutton, Christopher C. Betts, C. L. Dickinson, Warren W. Short, Harold MacAllen, and Gilbert Barrett.

H. Richard Brunner of the Northeast Club became the next District Governor serving 1956-57. The District held its membership at a high level, the activities were many, substantial strength was increased and Lionism kept its luster on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Deputy District Governors were: Robert F Irwin, Harold Thomas, Dr. A. S. David, and Gilbert Barrett.

Serving as Zone Chairmen were: James W. Black, Charles dark, James O. Pippin, William L. Dudley, William K. Barrett, Hobert M. Webster, Lloyd L. Simpkins, Preston Adkins, Lee Henderson, Charles W. dark, William O. Hunter and Earl W. Roberts.

Charles S. Bilbrough, District Governor 1957-58, added to the District the name of the most productive Lion District B has had. He earned all the "keys" given by International, brought in new members, traveled far and wide adding to Lionism. To elect him as District Governor was to reward a Lion who had earned his place in the sun. Much of his good work was done in the years he was not District Governor. He gave of himself freely and was the Chairman of the Committee in 1963 who sent the only youth abroad the District ever sponsored, to this date (1970).

Serving as Deputy District Governors for the four Regions respectively were: Robert F. Irwin, William L. Dudley, Walter H. Cordrey and Lloyd L. Simpkins (Maryland's Secretary of State for two terms ending December 1966). Further adding to his organization Governor Bilbrough had Zone Chairmen: Lee Henderson, Charles W. dark, William O. Hunter, Jr., Earl W. Roberts, William K. Bartlett, John L. Landon, Jr., Earl W. Webster and John Smullin III.

The year 1958-59 began and ended with Lionism serving that section of Maryland East of the Chesapeake Bay with a leader, long recognized, as a consecrated Lion. Dr. A. S. David assumed his duties in the same modest manner he has lived his life. He was exactly the type of leader Lionism needed in District "B" at this time. The new Club at Galena was called into being and has functioned as a leading dub, in the District, ever since. They revere the name of Dr. A. S. David and honor him annually as the father of their Club. New activities were found for the various Clubs, the responses were excellent and the efficiency of the year will be a tribute forever, to efforts of this Lion's leadership.

Serving under Dr. David as Deputy District Governors of the four Regions were: Donald M. Gee, Earl W. Roberts, Walter H. Cordrey and Howard Hudson. The Zone Chairmen were: Darby J. Johnson, C. Burton Vansant, John W. Gibson, A. L. Slaughter, Ernest M. Thompson, L. Franklin Fields, Boyd Brittingham and T. H. Ramsey, Jr.

James T. Pippin of Millington Club followed Dr. A. S. David of the Easton Club as District Governor for the year 1959-60. Governor Pippin, well liked, industrious, a good organizer and with executive ability, learned in a business he owned and managed: brought these qualities to District 22B. History must record that 22B had some dissention within the District caused by hard fought election differences at previous Multiple District Conventions. It was calculated that the wounds would heal with time but

not enough time had elapsed. The only answer was to ignore the hard feelings, preach Lionism and keep the Clubs active. This, Governor Pippin did. The years since have gone smoothly.

Serving as Deputy District Governors were: Darby J. Johnson; John W. Gibson; Hobert Webster and Norman J. Whittington. As Zone Chairmen Governor Pippin selected: Breece Nelson; Robert G. O'Dell; Joseph F. Quimby, Jr.; Roy Adams; Roger Beckwith, Bonard Murray, Harold MacAllen, and Albert Berger. Lion J. Carvill Robinson served as Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer.

Next to serve the District as Governor was Hobert Webster of the Hebron Club. Serving under Governor Pippin of the Millington Club gave him an insight into the essential programs for the District. His secular activities were promotional and this training he brought to the District. The year 1960-61 was exactly that. The years of Lionism have a way of reflecting the qualities of its leadership. This has been true in District 22B. Fortunate this, because Lionism is made up of men and what men do working together. This has been the best gift of leadership furnished the District. The District, under the response of its leaders, has been the finest civic organization on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

Wilson T. Webster served as Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer. As Deputy District Governors the following were appointed: Charles Clark; Joseph Quimby; Bonard Murray and Preston M. Adkins. As zone Chairmen serving were: Lawrence Ryan; Charles Strickler; Thomas C Johnson; Dale Elrick; Allan Whatley; Franklin Adkins; Horace Webster and John L. Harrison.

Governor Ear] W. Roberts took over the reins for the District serving 1961-62. He brought to the District the assets of an education and a polished musician. His efforts were along this line. His speeches were educational. He knew Lionism and proclaimed it. The Preston Club and the District were well represented by him. Lion Charles "Chick" Newton served him well as Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer and instituted the District Bulletin. This was later suspended so that the money could be used elsewhere and a District Governor's letter has supplanted it. The idea was excellent and will be revived. For Deputy District Governors, Governor Roberts selected: Laurence Ryan, William Hunter, Jr., Allan Whatley, and Charles Strickler. Zone Chairmen were: F. Leon DeMond, Richard Schanher, Omar Dniin, Edward Derrickson, Howard M. Railey, Frank Barker, J.B. Green and Myron Smith.

Dr. Seth H. Hurdle became District Governor for the second time, for the year 1962-63. The District had made tremendous, strides forward since 1936 when he first served. Lionism had reached around the world and Multiple District 22 had divided into five Districts. During this year the

Sudlersville Club became a new part of the District. Emphasis was placed, however, in the usefulness of Clubs to their respective communities. The "Eye Bank" had its beginning under this Governorship. Being a Doctor of Medicine this was a natural. It was begun as a District activity. As Deputy District Governors the doctor chose: Leon DeMond, Edward Derrickson, Charles Newton and Dr. Myron Smith. Two Deputy District Governors at large were a part of his Cabinet. They were Frank Barker of the Fruitland Club and Warren F. Brooks of the Deal Island-Chance Club. John Carrico of the same Club as Dr. Hurdle (Salisbury) served as Secretary-Treasurer. Functioning as Zone Chairmen were: Carl K. Williams, Paul W. Wicks, Frank Draper, James H. Lynch, Paul Baker, Lewis "Casey" Parsons, Thomas Foxwell and Clinton Chandler.

In 1963-64 the author, Warren F. Brooks, became District Governor. There was no candidate on the horizon. Dr. Hurdle had served a second term because no candidate appeared. Governor Warren F. Brooks had retired to Deal Island from Suburban Philadelphia where he had been a quiet inactive and moderately interested Lion. He was drafted for the position, visited the Clubs on the Eastern Shore, asked them to find a candidate and expressed a willingness to serve. His own Club supported him because no District Governor had ever been elected South of Salisbury. He threw himself into the job with all his might. This was a part of his nature. He was an able man on the platform, an inspiring speaker over the years and he gave this to the office. He seized upon the "Eye Bank" as a top-flight project and prevailed upon The Rev. Allan Whatley D.D. a clergyman of exceptional ability to head this project. Hundreds of eyes were donated to the Eye Bank and seven people who were blind at the beginning of the year were given sight. Dr. Whatley went on to become a Director of the Maryland Eye Bank and four years later 210 persons in Maryland have been brought from the hovels of darkness to the temples of sight. Governor Brooks emphasized Social activities and the largest Social events on the Eastern Shore became Lions events. This has been increasing. A youth was sent abroad this year. His inspirational speeches inspired the Lions, and this had its effects. He worked on educational activities and on emphasizing the fine arts. It may sound less than modest for the author to state it was a good year for Lionism. At least he must be somewhat boastful in stating it was a happy year for himself and wife. Eastern Shore Lions were marvelous persons, anxious to serve, enjoyed doing for others and friendships were created which no force, short of death, can ever sever. If he did nothing as Governor, let it be said the Governorship did much for him.

As Deputy District Governors he selected: Carl K. Williams, James H. Lynch, Thorstein Storus, and Edward J. Price. As Zone Chairmen were: Edward G. O'Dwyer, Wilson B. Dill, J. B. Carter, Lawrence Christopher, Paul D. Baker, S. Wallace Henry, Lionel B. Howland and Anthony J. Villani.

Serving as Secretary-Treasurer was Ellsworth Hoffman of the Deal Island-Chance Club who was Secretary of his Club when Governor Brooks was president.

Darby J. Johnson of the Chesapeake City Club with Robert T. Foard as Secretary-Treasurer took the helm for the year 1964-65. The District was more a unit than it had previously been. Governor Johnson worked to make it more so. He had what it takes to make a leader and gave it unreservedly to the District. His year was a great year. Governor Johnson had begun as leader of "Roaring Lions" classes under Governor Hurdle. Under Governor Brooks the idea received nourishment. Governor Johnson brought it far to the front. It has been a training medium and leadership producing organization ever since. He selected his co-workers carefully. Serving as Deputy District Governors were: Edward G. O'Dwyer, J. B. Carter, Paul D. Baker and Anthony Villani. As Zone Chairmen he selected: Michael Hrabec, Robert S. Wallace, Harry J. Tucker, Amos H. Wyatt, Howard M. Bailey, Robert L. Jones, Leroy G. Webster and Robert S. Hall.

Bonard Murray of the Willards Club served as District Governor for 1965-66 with Maurice Bradford as Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer. Bonard stressed growth of Lionism in every department, kept the organizations functioning at top efficiency, was a popular Governor and ended in an environment of glory. He had more prizes to award different clubs for their part in Lion activity than the District had known to date. It was another good year for the District. Wilson B. Dill, Harry J. Tucker, Robert L. Jones and Anthony J. Villani served as Deputy District Governors and as Zone Chairmen were: John Jackson, Dudley Simpler, James B. Clements, Roy Adams, Chester C. Nelson, Veletus Hudson, Leroy G. Webster and T. Howard Collins.

Edward G. O'Dwyer of the Elkton Club with Wilson B. Dill of the Galena Club as Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer, led as District Governor for 1966-67. Governor O'Dwyer, a human dynamo of energy and enthusiasm imparted this to the District. He kept his finger- on every activity but especially got behind the "Essay World Wide" contest on "Peace Is Obtainable". Lionism was in its Fiftieth or golden year and it was a year plated with gold in District 22B. Peace in Lionism's golden year was the theme throughout the District. Single clubs, Zones and Regions held Anniversary gatherings. Enthusiasm was high and has so remained. Deputy District Governors served as follows: John Jackson, Roy Adams, Chester C. Nelson and Ellsworth Hoffman. As Zone Chairmen serving were: Robert Camenin, I. Frank Huey, Tom C. Johnson, James A. Luff, Charles F. Hurley, Sr., J. Maurice Bradford, William B. Dougherty and John Sarca.

With the Convention, now being habitually held in Atlantic City came an end to the first fifty years of Lionism. District 22B was much in evidence in the spring of 1967. Thanks to the efforts of leading men as District Governors, men of vision, dedication, loyalty and a willingness to make personal sacrifices the District had grown to be a vital part of Multiple District Twenty-two. Multiple District Twenty-Two had become one of the outstanding Districts of Lions International. More men than the District Governors must be credited. District 22B is filled with these men. Some of them who invested their time and talents will be noted under a Chapter dealing with outstanding Lions. Most of these men will be overlooked because they held no office or labored in Lionism in what is mistakenly called a lesser office. To them must go credit, measured only by terms approaching infinity. This was pronouncedly evident at the Golden Convention.

Perhaps because Past District Governor Warren F. Brooks, author of this alleged history had served as Treasurer of the Convention 1965, as Vice Chairman 1966 and as Chairman 1967, District B was much in evidence. For the first time all banquets and Social events were "sell-outs". The few men gathered around a table of Lion members years ago had grown to a Convention where every activity was a "sell-out". Lion families had developed friendships over a period of years which were a vital part of the Convention and of District Lionism. A mighty big, but not unwieldy, organization had been developed. To quote from the Manager of Haddon Hall-Chalfonte Hotels where the Convention was held; "It was the largest, smoothest operating Convention the hotel had ever hosted. " This was a credit to each individual Lion, each Lions Club and each District's cooperation. Lionism had come a great way. District 22B had "shared and was a vital part of this development. Here ended Fifty years of Lionism in the world and Forty-five years of Lionism in Twenty-two B. It should be noted here that Salisbury Club had been functioning for more than Forty-six years.

Drawing the golden curtain of fifty years a new stage is set for District 22B. Serving as District Governor 1967-68 was Harry J. Tucker of the Church Hill Club. With him as Secretary-Treasurer was Charles Schelts of the same Club. The writer agreed to serve as Historian in the Cabinet because the records are scarce and to chronicle the deeds is almost impossible but is undertaken while some of the early members are still alive. The International office no longer keeps minute records as in the beginning days of Lionism. This is proper. The task must fall to the Districts. Serving with Governor Tucker as Deputy District Governors are: I. Frank Huey, Tom C. Johnson, Charles F. Hurley, Sr. and Norris Dashiell. As Zone Chairmen the Governor selected: Carey Leonard, James A. McCauley,

Herbert O. Kaufman, Gilbert Turner, Joseph B. Anderson, Ralph Cordrey, Leroy G. Webster and O. Sheldon Chandler, Sr.

Governor Tucker proved to be the devoted Lion all believed him to be and his year was crowned with a feeling of goodwill, brotherhood and basic Lionism to match slight increases in all departments. Lionism in 22B has almost reached the saturation point and development is to be measured in worthwhile achievements other than numerical in clubs and membership.

The Lions year 1968-69 fell into the hands of Robert C. Cameron as leader and District Governor, with Paul E. Scanlan as Secretary-Treasurer. This pair made visits to clubs far beyond the call of duty. Both being very popular and liked among the membership gave the District a glow. Again gains were small as to membership and number of Clubs but the usefulness of Lionism on Maryland's Eastern Shore reached new highs in the directions Lionism must grow and succeed. As District Governors one was appointed "at large". He was Charles F. Hurley of the Hurlock Club. Others for the four regions: James A. McCauley, Chestertown; Ralph Cordrey, Sharptown, Albert Turner, Preston; and Ellsworth Hoffman, Chance. The Zone Chairmen were: Maynard Ritter, Chesapeake City; Charles E. Boulter, Rock Hall; Franklin Burris, Queenstown; Walter G. Kerslake, Denton; Walter F. Yore, Cambridge; Alien Faidley, Salisbury; Kenneth D. Nichols, Princess Anne; Edwin D. McGee, Pocomoke City.

Charles F. Hurley, unanimously elected District Governor and from the Hurlock Club, piloted the District for the year 1969-70. He brought to 22B the experience as an outstanding leader, organizer and administrator in the field of education. He served his own Lions Club in every capacity and served the District as a member of the Cabinet three successive years, giving full emphasis to details. The District moved forward and interest was high during his term of office. On the Council of Governors for the Multiple District he gave of his time and talents without reservation. He attended the International Convention in Tokyo, Japan. His term is not fully completed as this book goes to press and the Multiple District Minutes for the 1970 Multiple District will need be referred to for the true picture of his worth.

Three of Lion Charles' major goals were: (1) Eye Conservation, (2) assisting yours truly in the completion of this publication, (3) promoting Lions International by placing emphasis on Humanism and International President Dick Bryan's motto, "Unite Mankind Thru Lionism." The spirit of Lionism throughout the District is more evident than before: the material for the publication is now going to the press; more than \$7,000.00 has been contributed to the Medical Eye Bank of Maryland (the largest sum ever from District 22-B;

more than two thousand "Gift of Sight" pledges have been signed and turned in; and more than three thousand old pairs of glasses have been collected. Governor Hurley appointed William O. Corkran, Cabinet Secretary, and Oliver Harding as Cabinet Treasurer from the Hurlock Club and as Deputy District Governors: Region I, Maynard Ritter, Chesapeake City; Region II, Franklin Burris, Queenstown; Region III, J. Maurice Bradford, Willards; and Region IV, Myron W. Smith, Pocomoke. To the office of Zone Chairmen the following were appointed: Region I, Zone I, Clyde K. Simmers; Zone II, Charles E. Marker; Region II, Zone I, Randolph V. Collier; Zone II, Richard H. Cooper, Jr.; Region III, Zone I, Thomas W. Coughlin; Zone II, W. Ronald Webster; Region IV, Zone I, Norris Dashiell: Zone II, Marion W. Delano.

As a part of Multiple District 22 it must be noted that 22B was a part of each District Convention in representation by delegates and in service on the various committees. From the early beginnings of the Multiple District, as noted above, the Eastern Shore of Maryland furnished meeting places, entertained our founder, Melvin Jones, furnished International Directors and other leadership. At no time in the history of Lionism was any radical idea fostered in 22B. At all times "loyalty" was seriously, a part of every Lion's creed and actions. At District Conventions this District furnished leadership on committees, covered under the activities of individuals, and many of the progressive steps taken by Lions International had their birth in 22B.

Elections of District Governors were smoothly held at the Multiple District Conventions, usually the Governor being elected unanimously. Candidates were brought forward and generally awaited their turn to be elected. In several cases, history must record, bitter campaigns were waged. That the elections were very close speaks well of the defeated and the victorious candidates. Wounds healed, however, in due time and devoted District Lions bowed to the democratic way of choosing leadership. It should be mentioned that, at no time, has any man or clique of men endeavored to exert control over the District. Lion loyalty has always been paramount.

Not otherwise, this District had always been represented by delegates and members, not delegates, at all International Conventions. A record of these Lions is not available. The writer prefers not to trust to memory. At every International Convention, beginning with Nice, France, the writer has noted many 22B Lions present. Far from home in Tokyo, Japan, at the 1969 Convention the following attended: Warren F. Brooks, Deal Island-Chance Club: Robert H. and Phyllis Cameron of the Rising Sun Club;

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Ritter of the Chesapeake City Club; Dr. Seth Hurdle of the Salisbury Club, Mr. and Mrs. James A. McCauley of the Chestertown Club, Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Hurley of the Hurlock Club, Rev. Allan Whatley of the Cambridge Club, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson F. Malley, Kent Island Club. The first mentioned was Committee Chairman for the Multiple District and presided at the Multiple District Breakfast.

Part of the pains of growing was the beginning of four Clubs and their failure to survive. One of the largest communities on the Eastern Shore, Crisfield, in Somerset County, boasted, one time, of a fine Club but Lionism was represented only from Oct. 8, 1953 to April 28, 1955. It is hoped this fine Seafood and Harbor town will, soon again, boast of an active Lions Club. The reason given for failure was that a dining place could not be found.

Hillsboro-Queen Anne began April 1, 1955 and was active until July 12, 1967. It was an active Club, served the community well and socially was outstanding. Inactivity began when failure to find leadership for the presidency of the Club developed. It is believed reactivation will soon take place.

Tylertown on Smith Island became an obsolete Club only in name. It merged most of its members with the Smith Island Club. Smith Island is located in the Chesapeake Bay, moves as a unit, the inhabitants are most friendly and the Smith Island Club serves the Island and the cause of Lionism very well.

Vienna nurtured a Club October 23, 1947 and it disbanded February 28, 1952. This town housed an electric power plant which industry diminished its output causing many to be moved from the community. Plans, it is rumored, are under way to greatly increase the electric output of this plant. Lionism may flourish again.

St. Michaels-Tilghman Club flourished briefly. These towns in Talbot County need Lionism in each community. Both are important population centers. Hopes are that the Lions banner will again unfurl here.

Many attempts have been made to begin new Clubs. Changes in population and Real Estate developments are not a part of Maryland's Eastern Shore to any great extent. Nonetheless population is steadily increasing and an occasional industry takes root East of the Chesapeake Bay. Lionism will continue to grow. Lionism has been a blessing to the Eastern Shore of Maryland. District 22B has an enviable record should the writer wish to boast. The deeds speak better than words. Almost every community has several enterprises speaking of the worth of Lionism.

Beginnings of The Roaring Lions as a Training School were a part of District 22B.

During the year 1958 at a District 22C meeting of the Public Relations Committee Chairmen, then International Counsellor, William J. Mileham outlined a course of instruction

that would provide assistance and training in public speaking and leadership to members of Lions Clubs, so that they would be better equipped to promote and "sell" LIONISM.

Using the textbook, *SPEAKERS ARE LEADERS*, by Nathaniel Edward Reeid, 14 members (Lions) of the first class took the course and graduated as ROARING LIONS. The date April 12, 1958.

Since the beginning, the value of such training having been recognized, the opportunity has been grasped by many Lions in Districts 22C 22A and 22W.

During the year 1962-63, then District Governor, Dr. Seth H. Hurdle of District 22B selected as Chairman of ROARING LIONS, Darby J. Johnson, President of the Chesapeake City Lions Club and an active member of the District Cabinet in 22B for several years, to carry the message to our District.

Lion Darby, with the able assistance of PDG Arthur M, Moats, District 22W, Lion Norman MacLean, District 22C and PDG AI Wise, District 22A, organized the first ROARING LIONS CLASS in District 22B (14 Lions members). The first class graduated in December 1962.

Class No. 1, 2 and 3 graduated during PDG Seth H. Hurdle administration. Class No. 4 and 5 graduated during PDG Warren F. Brooks administration. Class No. 6 graduated during PDG Darby Johnson administration. Class No. 7 and 8 graduated during PDG Edward G. O'Dwyer administration. Approximately 85 Lions in District 22B have benefited from this public speaking course.

The following Lions have contributed immeasurably to the ROARING LIONS Program in 22B:

- * Lion E. Leon DeMond - Northeast Club
- Lion Larry Livingston - Cecilton Club
- Lion John Wright - Fruitland Club
- Lion Edward G. O'Dwyer - Elkton Club
- Lion James Haggerty - Cecilton Club
- Lion J. Edwin Pippin - Millington Club
- ** Lion Ted Storus - Salisbury Club
- * Deceased
- ** Former member

Excerpt from A MESSAGE TO GARCIA by Elbert Hubbard relative to our ROARING LIONS.

Civilization is just one long anxious search for such a man. Anything such a man asks will be granted; his kind is so rare that no employer can afford to let him go. He is wanted in every city, town and village: in every office, shop, store and factory. The world cries out for such; he is needed badly-the man who can carry a message to Garcia!

Part II

ALLEN

Sponsored by the Fruitland Lions Club, the Alien Lions Club was organized and sponsored September 21, 1959. The beginnings were the feeling for an organization, civic-minded, in an unorganized community. Several citizens of Alien were members of the Fruitland Lions Club. They did not want to leave the Fruitland Club but did desire to have a Lions Club in Allen. Fruitland rose to the occasion and became the sponsor.

Past International Director James C. Hill of Vienna, Virginia, appeared on the scene, seemingly mysteriously, and remained in Allen until the Club was sponsored and chartered.

November 20, 1959, was the Presentation Banquet with Past International Director Jack Loreman acting as Toastmaster. The speaker was Past International Director James C. Hill whose untiring efforts did most to bring the Club into existence. The presentation was made by District Governor James Pippin and accepted by the first President of the Club Lion Douglas Nichols. Lion C. L. Parsons was Committee Chairman for Charter Night. Herewith are names long to be remembered in Lionism.

Charter Members

Twenty-seven Charter Members furnished the backbone of the new organization, which over the years, has been a blessing to Allen, District 22-B and Lionism in General. Charter Members were: Bobby B. Abbott, J. Harold Bounds, Jr., Willis C. Carey, Richard R. Bounds, Edgar J. Clawson, (Rev.), Gilbert C. Disharoon, Herbert P. Elsey, James L. Fields, Merton F. Filkins, Blan Harcum, W. Thomas Hinman, Louis Malkus, Thornton P. Hitch, Jacob E. Malone, Russell C. Malone, William F. Malone, Rawlings Nelson, Douglas D. Nichols. Clarence L. Parsons, Luther E. Payne, Jesse M. Pollitt, Sr., Jesse M. Pollitt, Jr., Richard M. Pollitt, J. H. Shivers, J. Wilson Shivers, John W. West.

Under the leadership of King Lion Douglas Nichols the Club began activities at once. First came a step toward community beautification with the removal of brush and other growth from the rear borderline of the local cemetery. Members began visitations to other Clubs and Shooting Matches were instituted as a fund-raising project. Needy families were given food baskets and the elderly were treated with gifts at Christmastide.

Lion Jack Bryan, Past President of the Salisbury Club; presented the baby Lion Club with a steer and supervised cooking it in a pit. Thus began an annual Pit Cooked Beef Dinner as a fundraising project. The Club was led and inspired by its first President and Charter Member to get off to a good start. The initial year, critical always, was now important history.

Achievements have been many. Annually, a Ladies Night is held, Boys and Girls Nights are held, a community hall is sponsored and maintained by the Lions Club, donations are made to nearby projects which indirectly affect Allen. The District Social has representation from the Club each year and Delegates are always in attendance at the District Convention in Atlantic City. The Club has been tagged by a Past District Governor as one of the smaller but one of the most active and useful Lions Clubs in the District. Each year the Secretary has received a 100% award. In other capacities the Club has earned and received numerous citations and awards.

Past Presidents

Presidents of the Club have been: 1959-60, Douglas Nichols; 1960-61, C. Louis Parsons; 1961-62, Richard M. Pollitt; 1962-63, Willis C. Carey; 1963-64, Gilbert Disharoon; 1964-65, J. Harold Bounds; 1965-66, William Cooper; 1966-67, Jesse Pollitt; 1967-68, Luther Payne; 1968-69, Rawlings Nelson; 1969-70, Levin Cooper.

BERLIN

Born November 20, 1931, the Berlin Lions Club began combined with Ocean City Lions Club. The two clubs separated six years later. Berlin Lions can easily boast of one of the finest Club Owned Dens in Lionism, attractively located in a sheltered, yet public spot, well equipped for all club activities other than large gatherings of several hundred, efficiently appointed and furnished.

This club gave the District a Governor in 1948-49 in Lion Raymond A. Magee. In addition Zone Chairmen and Deputy District Governors have held office in the District.

Like all Lionism the activities are for the community and aid to the needy with Sight Conservation playing the leading role. The Social Life of this club is outstanding.

Charter members are listed in the following names: O. Sheldon Chandler, Sr., William L. Farlow, Joseph Graham. Henry L. Harrison, Anthony H. Purnell, Reginald R. Keifer, Earl E. Conley, G. Hale Harrison, John L. Harrison, Raymond A. Magee, Calvin P. Pruitt, Guy R. Ayers, Sr. Phillip C. Dennis, Dr. Charles A. Holland, Mitchell Parker, Frank W. Truitt

John W. Burbage, Ralph R. Dennis, William W. McCabe and Theodore M. Purnell.

Lion G. Hale Harrison served initially as president. Active in sponsoring the Club were Lions from other clubs in the District. They include: R. Brooke Troy, Joseph Y. Gunby, C. J. Bryan, Vaughn M. Richardson, G. Roland Taylor, Carl Monsees; H. L. Loreman, Jr., W. Melvin Turner, Ralph R. Purnell, Fred Battle and Clarence L. Dickinson.

Twenty-six members have received Chevrons for outstanding records in attendance. The club has grown from a humble beginning to over sixty members and its influence has grown with the club. Presidents serving in the positions of King leadership are:

G. Hale Harrison, 1931-33; Frank W. Truitt, 1933-34; Raymond A. Magee, 1934-35; Dr. Roy A. Buhrman, 1935-36; O. Sheldon Chandler, Sr., 1936-37; Horace E. Quillin, 1937-38; Phillip C. Dennis, 1938-39; Raymond A. Magee, 1939-40; Eiton W. Parsons, 1940-41; Archie H. Hardesty, 1941-42; G. Lester Esham, 1942-43; I. Braden Scott, 1943-44; Roland W. Beauchamp, 1944-45; Guy R. Ayers, Jr., 1945-46; Raymond S. Quillin, 1946-47; E. Peter Richardson, 1947-48; Robert H. Davis, 1949-50; Frederick W. Breuckmann, 1950-51; David H. Pearl, 1951-52; E. Bowen Quillin, 1952-53; Melvin P. Davis, 1953-54; John L. Harrison, 1954-55; Richard W. Eschenburg, 1955-56; Ernest G. Holland, 1956-57; M. E. Lang, 1967-68; William A. Dryden, 1968-69; Edgar C. Quillin, 1969-70.

BETTERTON-STILL POND

Chartered in 1952, this Club has well represented Lionism in a wide area and has given much in Civic Leadership to the surrounding communities. The Club has no singular activity to raise money or to occupy its chief reason for existence. It supports the Little League Ball Team and the Cub Scouts.

Gifts have been made to the community it serves in school playground equipment, eye glasses, support of The Eye Bank, motion picture projector for community use and four wheel chairs are loaned to citizens who need them.

Beginning in 1952 presidents of the Club are as follows: John M. Jacqueth the first president: George Brice, Richard Soltys, Charles W. Clark, Richard Fellows, Robert Elliott, John H. Story, M. Julian Hill, James M. Corrigan, William F. George, W. Lawson Cording, Harry F. Hickman, James W. Goodman, William Sutton, Donald Dickie, H. LeRoy Owens, Stanley E. Wilson and ending with Earl H. Pinder in 1969-70.

Charter members of the Club who made the early sacrifices to begin the venture and lay the foundations for the usefulness of the organization were:

George E. Brice, W. Lawson Cording, Richard B. Fellows, William H. Johnson, Herbert X. Lewis, Donald L. Owens, Richard J. Soltys, E. M. Bonwill, Jr., James M. Corrigan, Daniel G. Higgins, Jr., Robert S. White, George Myers, James L. Owens, John H. Story, Frederick Campbell, Robert H. Elliott, John M. Jacqueth, E. Kennard Jones, V. James Ory, Jr., Charles L. Pippin, Earl M. Thompson.

Socially, the club has been outstanding. Visitations to other clubs, participation in Zone and Regional social activities and many local social events have characterized the club from the very beginning

The club has always been District minded, has supported the District Convention and has been active in supporting Lions International. It has never sought personal recognition for any of its members. Under pressure, Charles W. Clark served two terms as Zone Chairman 1956-58 and 1960-61 served as Deputy District Governor.

Past Presidents

1952-1953. John M. Jacqueth, Charter President: 1953-1954, George Brice: 1954-1955, Richard Soltys: 1955-1956, Charles W. Clark, Zone Chairman 1956-1957, Zone Chairman 1957-1958 and Deputy District Governor, 1960-1961: 1956-1957, *Richard Fellows: 1957-1958, Robert Elliott: 1958-1959, John H. Story: 1959-1960, H. Julian Hill: 1960-61, *James M. Corrigan: 1961-1962, William F. George: 1962-1963, W. Lawson Cording: 1963-1964, Harry F. Hickman: 1964-1965, James W. Goodman; 1965-1966, William Sutton: 1966-1967, Donald Dickie: 1967-1968. H. Leroy Owen; 1969-1970, Earl H. Pinder.

Charter Members

George E. Brice. E. M. Bonwill, Jr., Frederick Campbell, W. Lawson Cording, *James M. Corrigan, Robert H. Elliott, *Richard B. Fellows, Daniel G. Higgins, Jr., John M. Jacqueth, William H. Johnson, Robert S. White, E. Kennard Jones, Herbert N. Lewis, *George Myers, V. James Ory, Jr., Donald L. Owens, James L. Owens, *Charles L. Pippin, Richard J. Soltys, John H. Story, Earl C. Thompson.

*-Deceased

CAMBRIDGE

The Cambridge Lions Club was first formed in 1940. The Presidents for the years 1940-1968 are listed below. The club was deactivated from 1948 to 1952. The club was reactivated on October 15, 1952 with the Trappe and Hurlock Clubs as sponsors. At the present there are 3 charter members in the club.

The Cambridge Lions Club can not single out its one outstanding activity. A few of the outstanding activities that this club has done and is actively engaged in are as follows:

1. The formation of a Doctor Procurement Committee in cooperation with the Cambridge, Maryland Hospital.
2. A light bulb sale with profit going to the building fund of the Salvation Army.
3. A Merchandise Mart with receipts going to the Cambridge, Maryland Hospital.
4. A Chicken Bar-B-Que at the Second Annual Bay Country Festival.

Among our membership have been 2 past Zone Chairmen, 2 past Deputy District Governors and another member of the Governor's Cabinet.

Past Presidents

1940 - William Leonard, 1941-Russell Tyler, 1942-Wallace Smith, 1943-Woodrow Moore, 1944-Sidney Work, 1945-Rutledge Turner, 1946-Calvin Brinsfield, 1947-Pete Parks, 1948-Scotty Baird.

1952-Grover Johnson, 1953-Claude Geoghegan, 1954-Dr. Albert Bunker, 1955-Vernon Turner, 1956-Robert Burton, 1957-Walter Jewell, 1958-William Hayes, 1959-Thomas Coughlin.

1960-Paul Baker, Zone Chairman for the years 1963 and 1964, Deputy District Governor - 1965. 1961-Edward Vickers, 1962-William Montell, 1963-Brinsfield Cook, 1964-Chester Nelson, Zone Chairman in 1965 and Deputy District Governor in 1966. 1965-Richard Morris, 1966-Walter Yoor, 1967-William Wingate, President of the Cambridge Lions Club for this year. He joined the Cambridge Lions Club in 1961. Since becoming a member of this club he has held positions as Director for 3 years, 3rd, 2nd, 1st vice president, Bar-B-Que Chairman for 2 years, 1968-69 - C. C. Robbins; 1969-70 Robert L. Dodd.

Rev. Allan Whatley has been a member of the Governor's Cabinet for many years.

The club has one Master Key member-Lion Paul Baker.

CECILTON

Chartered April second, 1952, this ever active Club has been a credit to Lions International. The Charter Members, the list of Presidents who led this Club and a devoted membership have been outstanding.

Socially, this organization has been the hub of many community activities and has joined with other Clubs of Region I in what is, perhaps, the outstanding list of social activities found anywhere in Lionism. This has given Lionism a coveted standing in the Northern tier of Eastern Shore Counties.

This, however, is somewhat incidental, as important as it has been. The real worth is the place this club takes in the town of Cecilton and the surrounding territory. To list the achievements would be boring, if indeed such accomplishments could be found in the records. Modestly, let it be stated,

Few community enterprises can be named wherein the Lions Club has not been directly responsible.

Beyond the local interests this Club has been District conscious. It has supported all District endeavors unstintingly such as "The Eye Bank". The District Conventions in Atlantic City, each year, have had members from this Club in attendance outnumbering the permitted delegates. They have shown an interest in District as well as International Lionism to a great degree.

The Cecilton Lions Club (District 22-B, Maryland), since its founding fifteen years ago, has taken seriously the dedication of Lionism to aiding those who are handicapped by impaired vision, whether correctable by eyeglasses, "legally blind", or totally blind. No one in the club's area who is in need of glasses or a cane has to do more than make his need known to Lioness Lucy Beckwith (who is also District Nurse) and the need is met by Lions' generosity. A majority of the club have willed their eyes to the Maryland Eye Bank.

CENTREVILLE

Beginning in May 1947, this Club celebrated twenty years of healthy activity in May 1967. In the twenty years the Club raised the sum of \$25,405.75 for use in activities helpful to many. The plans used to raise this huge sum were baseball games, raffles, charity balls, minstrel shows and community sales of various items.

Charities included in their generous giving include: Salvation Army, Cancer Fund, March of Dimes, Red Cross, T.B. Association, Easter Seals, Home for the Aged, School for the Blind, Leader Dogs, Heart Fund, Mental Health Association, Care and Crusade for Freedom.

Locally gifts reached, Boys State, County Band, County Library, 4-H Club, Local Fire Company, American Legion, Junior Women's Club, Conquest Beach Association, Little League Baseball, Pony League, also in Baseball, the Rifle Club, Chamber of Commerce and the local Christmas Programs staged by the Business Men.

In addition eye glasses, the Eye Bank, clothing for unfortunate folks and transportation to hospitals has been furnished. To help Boy and Girl Scouts, March of Dimes, Hospitals and Health Center the club has raised \$9,518.40 through community solicitation.

Social activities and health activities and help for the needy and youth seem to be paramount in the review of the history of this active club.

One Hundred and sixteen men have been included in the ranks of this club. Forty-eight are still on the roster. Ten of the Charter Members are in the club as of the twentieth anniversary. Half of these have perfect attendance records.

Over half of the present membership have received five year pins, fourteen have earned keys and one has earned the Membership Advancement Key. At District Conventions the club has earned nineteen awards.

Charter Members

Charter Members are listed as Charles E. Anthony, Sr., William D. Anthony, Oliver Berry, William H. Blades, Weldon Brown, Thomas Clark, Joseph Connolly, A. J. Epstein, William Freestate, Edward Green, William B. Hastings, Jonathan M. Hodgson, William O. Hunter, Jr., E. H. Jewell, C. Smith Landskroener, Collison Lane, Gerald Murray, J. C. Pippin, Jr., Royden N. Powell, Jr., George T. Pratt, William Price, Joseph Quimby, James Reynolds, J. Thomas Rhodes, William E. Roe III, Richard Roberts, Robert H. Thompson, William E. Thompson, J. West Thompson, Jr., James White, Kenneth Wood, Clayton Wright and Dorsey Wright.

Presidents

Serving as presidents beginning 1947 are the following: George T. Pratt, Royden N. Powell, J. Thomas Rhodes, William M. Freestate, J. O. Pippin, Joseph F. Quimby, Sr., William D. Anthony, Charles E. Anthony, Sr., William E. Roe III, Robert H. Thompson, William B. Hastings, Smith Landskroener, William O. Hunter, Jr., Herbert O. Kaufman, Frank M. Draper III, Linwood C. Yates, William T. Harris, Jr., James H. Barton, Jr., Charles E. Anthony, Jr., Sydney G. Ashley, and Jack W. Draper, III, Claude B. Anthony.

Worthy of note is, without doubt, the most complete history of any club in District 22B compiled by Herbert O. Kaufman who has served his club and District in many offices. This history is complete with pictures, newspaper clippings, programs and names of members connected with historic data. Also, gathered by Lion Kaufman is data on Lions stamps, a complete world-wide collection.

CHESAPEAKE CITY

The club, a relatively small club of around 30, is in a relatively small town of around 1,100. The town is divided by the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal and we like to think it is united by our Lions Club. We are situated near the western end of the canal which was originally constructed as a lock canal during the years of 1824 to 1829. By water we are 50 miles from Baltimore and 50 miles from Philadelphia.

We held our organization meeting on November 21, 1946. Our Charter Night was held in the Chesapeake City School on January 23, 1947. Our first president, George W. Dutton, accepted the Charter from J. Walter Truitt, then District Governor of 22-B. We were sponsored by the

Perryville Club and John Lord, Deputy District Governor, and T. R. McChinney, President, from the Perryville Club took part in our Charter Night Program. Larry B. Slater was the Special International Representative. The Charter Members of our club were the following: James A. Bayard, Fred Beiswanger*, Carl G. Bleidhorn, Lewis A. Collins, Sr., Edwin W. Cooling*, Gilbert C. Cooling*, Walter F. Cooling, Archer M. Crawford, Edward R. Crawford*, Dr. Henry V. Davis, Edward H. Duffy, Maurice A. Dunkle, George W. Dutton, Robert K. Fears, Jr., Michael Hrabec, Harry Kirk*, Arthur Littlewood, Jr.*, J. Latimer Lynch, Harry Don Mewhiter*, William L. J. Mitchell*, Clifton W. Morgan*, William R. Purner, H. Jackson Reed, Maynard A. Ritter, H. Marion Rosin*, John F. Schaefer, Earl Sykes*, Charles P. Tatman, John H. Walter, Herbert Wilfong*.

Out of the 30 original Charter Members, 12 are deceased*, 13 have left the club for various reasons and the following 5 members are still very active members: Dr. Henry Vincent Davis, Robert K. Fears, Sr. Michael Hrabec, Latimer J. Lynch, and Maynard A. (Barney) Ritter.

The above 5 Charter Members are all Past Presidents. Since the President is the "King Lion" during his term of office, all of our past Presidents are listed below: George W. Dutton, 46-47; Maurice A. Dunkle 47-48; Clifton W. Morgan*, 48-49; Edward R. Crawford*, 49-50; Dr. Henry V. Davis, 50-51; Robert K. Fears, Jr., 51-52; Darby J. Johnson, 52-53; J. Latimer Lynch, 53-54; Walter F. Cooling, 54-55; Robert T. Foard, 55-56; Maynard A. Ritter, 57-58; Henry Borger*, 58-59; Michael Hrabec, 59-60; John T. Walls, 60-61; Maynard A. Ritter, 61-62; Darby J. Johnson, 62-63; Robert T. Foard, 63-64; John A. Ritter, 64-65; George T. Stubbs, Jr., 65-66; Ralph E. Wachter, 66-67; Harrison H. Heath, 67-68; Douglas L. McCommons, 68-69; B. Eugene Lum, 69-70.

Out of our 22 Presidents listed above, only three are deceased* and three have left our club for other reasons.

To continue our history, we have in the past 22 years contributed to the following: Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Bohemia Manor Scholarships, Christmas Baskets, Boy's and Girl's State, Maryland Eye Bank, Eye Glasses, Little League Baseball, Basketball, Touch Football, Lunches for school children, clothing, Charitable Organizations.

We are also very proud that from our Club came the District Governor for 22B in years of 1964-1965 Darby J. Johnson. We have also had two members, Lions Mike Hrabec and Barney Ritter serve as Zone Chairmen.

On May 14, 1952, a new club was chartered in Cecilton, Maryland, with 56 Charter Members. The club was organized by District-Governor elect, John M. Smith, assisted by Joseph Dugan, Robert K. Fears, George Dutton and Lee G. Bell.

We are proud to have been the sponsors of club number 38 with a total membership in the 38 clubs of 1,686.

Our club is well represented at the District Conventions and we have one member who has attended six and one member who has attended two International Conventions.

On January 23, 1969, we had been chartered for 22 years. We hope to see many more January 23rd's.

CHESTERTOWN

The spark of Lionism was ignited in Chestertown by the late E. J. Allen, then manager of the Pure Oil Company. Late in 1939 Mr. Allen and a friend, Mr. Minot Bennett, who had been a member of the Seaford, Delaware, Lions Club, got together to discuss the possibility of a Lions Club in Chestertown. They decided to contact the Seaford Lions and Lions International for help in getting the club started.

In January 1940, Mr. Alien, Mr. Kirk Gillette, a representative from Lions International, who was sent here to organize the new club and about eight businessmen met above the old Candy Kitchen. These eight men, with the help of Mr. Gillette and Mr. Alien, were able to interest about thirty more men in forming our Lions Club. It was decided that the initiation fee should be \$10.00 and for a person to be considered a Charter Member he would have to pay his fee before February 27, 1940.

Our Charter Night dinner was held in the Chestertown Fire Hall on April 5, 1940. The District Governor, Jack Loreman of the Salisbury Lions Club, presented us with our Charter at this meeting. Present also were members and officers of the Seaford, Delaware, Lions Club who were our official sponsors. The following men were Charter Members: Kent S. Price, Earl S. Hollonger, Jack E. Kieffer, Richard W. Hall, Charles W. Wheatley, Jr., James B. Kirby, William S. Collins, O. J. Stime, E. J. Allen, John E. Townshend, Townshend Anthony, C. Lee Gill, Preston P. Heck, Earle Cooper and Barber R. Bartley. Kent S. Price was elected as our first King Lion. Three of this original group are still active as members of our club: Kent S. Price, Jack E. Kieffer and Earle Cooper.

It was decided to meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at the Bell Haven Tea Room for dinner at 6:29. This is now the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. S. Gulbrandsen. The club continued to meet at the Bell Haven until 1947, when due to the desire of the number wanting to join the club, and the limited space of the Tea Room, it was decided to find a larger room. In the years following 1947, the club met at the Chester River Yacht and Country Club. The membership by this time had increased to about seventy-five. However, due to a change in plans by the Country Club it was necessary to find a new meeting place.

Arrangements were made with the Ladies Auxiliary of the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company to serve us and we moved into the Fire Hall where we have remained for the past nineteen years.

During the past twenty-eight years the Chestertown Lions Club has raised in excess of \$50,000.00, all of which has been used for various needed projects as well help to individuals in our community.

Sample of projects over past 10 years: Sponsor largest and most active Cub Pack in Kent County, support both Boy and Girl Scout activities, sponsor Annual Halloween Parade, sponsor Little League Baseball Team, support Kent County Church League Basketball by underwriting cost of 2 referees, sponsor girl to Girls' State, sponsor boy to Boys' State, donate Christmas Baskets to needy, purchased equipment for room at Kent-Queen Anne's Hospital, purchased equipment for eye surgery operating room and lab at K.-Q.A. Hospital, provide eyeglasses for all and any needy persons, provide transportation for needy persons to and from eye examination center and/or hospital, support Eye Bank with both cash and eye donations, sponsored visit of English school students to Chestertown for 5 days.

Club has also sponsored and/or supported many miscellaneous projects such as Blood Bank, Magnolia Hall, United Fund, etc.

The club issues a regular monthly bulletin to its membership, has received several District awards for its activities, including attendance, bulletin, 2 District Governors awards and an award for its poster depicting its fund raising methods.

Past Presidents

1940-41 Kent S. Price, 1941-42 Jack Kieffer, 1942-43 C. Burton Vansant, 1943-44 John Townshend (D), 1944-45 Skirven Startt (D), 1945-46 J. Willis Wells, 1946-47 Earle Cooper, 1947-48 John Klein (D), 1948-49 John Barnes (D) 1949-50 Preston Heck.

1950-51 William S. Collins (D), 1951-52 William B. Fsilton III, 1952-53 Ernest Leverage, 1953-54 Eiroy Boyer, 1954-55 Charles B. Clark, 1955-56 T. Allan Stradley, 1956-57 John C. Eliason, 1957-58 George Scheeler, 1958-59 Richard Schaubert, 1959-60 Ellery Ward.

1960-61 Henry Gsell, 1961-62-Lane Holliday, 1962-63 Brian Kane Jr., 1963-64 Paul Bowman, 1964-65 Alex Steiner, 1965-66 Carey Lacey (D), 1966-67@James McCauley, 1967-68 Alan Carroll, 1968-69 Alien L. Grimes, 1969-70 Edward L. Athey.

(D) Deceased

Of our Past Presidents, 6 are deceased, 3 are no longer members of the club, 2 have moved (1 of those 2 is now an active member of the Rock Hall Lions Club) and the remaining 18 are active members of the club.

During the past 8 years at least one member of our club has attended the Lions International Conventions. Last year, 4 members attended the convention in Japan.

For their 25th Anniversary they had Past International President Jorge Bird, then 3rd International V-P as the guest speaker.

CHURCH HILL

This active Club, sponsored by the Centreville Lions Club, came into being in 1952 with thirty-one members. January 27th, 1953 was the Charter Night, observed each year with ceremonies appropriate and fitting.

The Club honors Carter Hickman as its first president and Governor Harry Tucker who held this high office 1967-68 and Lion Charles Schelts who served a year as Cabinet Secretary and Treasurer.

Since the Charter Night the first president of the Club has been elected to Maryland House of Delegates and Lion John Webb, a charter member, has become Superintendent of Schools in Queen Anne's County. Eight of the original Charter Members are active and on the roster. Three of the Charter Members have passed away: - Lion E. Clyde Walls, Lion S. Earl Chance and Lion Franklin Everett.

In 1953 this Club established a "Toy Program" designed to provide toys for needy children and the plan is still in action, being assisted by the Church Hill Fire Company. The following year, with Lion Sandy MacGlashan leading, the Lions manned a station to spot aircraft.

Since 1953 the Club members serve a Supper each year as a money raising project. Since 1956 a Horse Show has been an annual event and each year support is given Boys and Girls State, Boy Scouts, Eye Glasses, Eye Bank, Little League Baseball, support of the local Fire Department, and the Church Hill P.T.A. An annual event, looked forward to by the kids of the neighborhood is the transporting of the kids to see pro-baseball in Baltimore.

Presidents of the Club are Carter Hickman, 1952-1953; John Webb, 1953-1954; Willard Hickman, 1954-1955; Emile Moore, 1955-1956; Madison Bordley, 1956-1957; Roger Smith, 1957-1958; Harry Tucker, 1958-1959; Lewis Lane, 1959-1960; A. A. MacGlashan III, 1960-1961; John Tucker, 1961-1962; William Larrimore, 1962-1963; Edgar Nowotne, 1963-1964; James Wallace, 1964-1965; A. A. MacGlashan HI, 1965-1966; Addison Callahan, 1966-1967; Edwin Gannon, 1967-1968; Charles Schelts, 1968-1969; Edgar Hurlock, 1969-1970.

DEAL ISLAND-CHANCE

With a Charter dated Nov. 12, 1952 the delivery of the Charter and the inception of this Club dates December 5, 1952. The presentation was made by District Governor Lion John M. Smith. The presentation of a "Gong" and "Gavel", still in use was made by Lion Lloyd Chamberlain, president of the Princess Anne Lions Club. Acceptance of both presentations was made by Lion Clyde A. Bayless, the first president of the Deal Island-Chance Lions Club. To the Princess Anne Lions Club goes the credit of sponsoring this Club. The interest of both clubs in each other has never waned throughout the years. International Director Massey H Roe was the speaker. International Counselor Lee G. Bell was toastmaster.

In the first fifteen years of this club's existence so many needy projects have been completed that to catalogue them would be an impossible task. Numerous "Glasses" and Eye examinations have been a yearly achievement. The organization of the local Fire Company, securing a Medical Doctor for the community, revival of the "Skipjack Races" discontinued during the First World War, a Scholarship fund established and needy cases of community life and personal lives of the community have been given without a record being kept. Street lights for Wenona, Chance and Deal Island are guaranteed by the Lions Club.

There are no officials of the communities served by this Club. It is the only Civic organization and has measured up efficiently and consistently throughout the years since its inception.

It furnished the District, 22B, with three Deputy District Governors Lions Horace Webster, Ellsworth Hoffman and Warren F. Brooks. Lion LeRoy Webster has served twice as Zone Chairman: Lion Earl Webster one year. Lion Ellsworth Hoffman became Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer and Deputy District Governor and Lion Warren F. Brooks became a District Governor. Lion Brooks served three years as a member of the District Convention Committee being Chairman of the 1967 Convention He was Multiple District International Convention Chairman in 1969 in Tokyo.

The initial officers of this Club were Lions: Clyde A Bayless president; L. Albert Anderson, Robert Lee Shores, and Homer Ringgold were first, second and third vice presidents respectively. Lion William Rolan Parks served as Secretary, Lion Robert L. Webster as Treasurer LeRoy Webster as Lion Tamer and Elbert Gladden, Sr., as Tail Twister The first Directors were Lions J. Hobson Burton, Eldon S. Willing, Sr., Thomas H. Price and Eldon S. Willing, Jr.

Charter Members

Charter members were: George Dewy Anderson, L. Albert Anderson, Clyde A. Bayless, Melvin L. Beauchamp, J. Hobson Burton, James S. Corbett, John William Corbett, Elbert Gladden, Sr., Carlton Harrison, Stanford Harrison, William G. Hudgins, Carl P. Hoffman, Thomas H. Price, William Rolan Parks, Homer Ringgold, Henry L. Shores, Robert Lee Shores, Thomas G. Twigg, Charles B. Webster, Ellwood Webster, John W. Webster, Osborne Webster, Robert L. Webster, Roy E. Webster, W. Edelen Webster, Eldon S. Willing, Sr., and Eldon S. Willing, Jr.

Others who joined between the signing of the Charter and the delivery of the Charter were: Jay Listen Bloodsworth, Ralph R. Brown, Eldredge France, Frederick H. Geldemeyer, Eugene Hagerthey, Walter C. James, Vernon A. Jones, Lester R. Martindell, Charles Wesley Price, Millard Price, Phillip R. Price, Thomas B. Price, William H. Shores, J. Herbie Twigg, Sr., Alien Webster, Richard C. Webster, Roy G. Webster, Valliant Webster, Martin Wheatley and Willie Webster.

Activities of the Deal Island-Chance Club are numerous. The greatest is the holding of "Skipjack Races" on the Chesapeake each Labor Day. This race is the oldest boat race of the Chesapeake dating back well over one hundred years. Moreover the Skipjack is the last sailboat used commercially. It is the only power boat used, legally, for dredging oysters. The race attracts hundreds, is followed by a Dinner, awarding of prizes and a printed program nets the Club around two thousand dollars each year.

This Club organized the Volunteer Fire Company and helps maintain it. Services of a Physician were secured by the Lions. Girls and Boys State are both supported. Athletic activities receive aid. A scholarship fund is established to assist local students attend an accredited college. Each Yuletide, baskets are given the older residents and any poor are not overlooked. Glasses are furnished those whose sight can be improved. Most of the club members have bequeathed their eyes to the Eye Bank and funds are annually contributed to this cause. To rid the Island of mosquitoes a plan is being pushed to entice the Purple Martin, who eats 2000 mosquitoes per day, to find lodging in one of the hundred or more Martin Houses being placed on Deal Island and in Chance.

The Fifteenth Anniversary was held December 1, 1967. Lions Clubs in Somerset County and members from other nearby Clubs had members in attendance. Zone Chairman, Leroy Webster corralled Princess Anne, Marion and Smith Island Clubs in a County and Zone record attendance.

Presidents of the Deal Island-Chance Club deserve mention. They are: 1952, Clyde A. Bayless; 1953, Wilbur Johnson; 1954, Robert L. Webster; 1955, Edelen Webster; 1956, Horace Webster; 1957, Boyd Brittingham; 1958, L. Albert Anderson; 1959, Sanford Jones; 1960, Elwood Webster; 1961, Warren F. Brooks; 1962, James Webster; 1963, Edward T. Tarleton; 1964, Leroy Webster; 1965, Henry H. Stabler; 1966, Eldon Willing, Sr.; 1967, Ellsworth Hoffman; 1968, Walter James; 1969, Eldon Willing, Jr.

DENTON

Chartered, September 26, 1946; the Denton Lions Club has been a strong force in the community. Has had a great influence on the Lions activities of Maryland's Eastern Shore and the influence of the Club has been felt at Lions conventions. Twenty-two members began Lionism in Denton and the foundations established in 1946 have supported a growing club in usefulness and membership ever since.

Charter Members

The Charter members were: Herbert Bamberger, William Bilbrough, Ryland Crow, Emmett Hignutt, John Towse, James Trice, Ralph Horsey, Wilson Irwin, Robert Irwin, Thomas Long, Harold Malott, Wm. Dukes Meeks, Arthur Melvin, Edward Morris, W. H. Neal, Sr., W. T. Nichols, Lacey Orme, Carl Range, Layman Redden, Joseph Ross, Roy Slaughter, R. S. Swann, Ulric Towers, Everett Townsend, Hyland VanSant, W. A. Stewart Wright.

Past Presidents

1945-47, Layman J. Redden; 1947-48, Hyland VanSant; 1948-49, Everett Townsend; 1949-50, Norman Irwin; 1950-51, Winfield Nichols; 1951-52, Harold Towers; 1952-53, Roy Adams; 1953-54, Walter Kerslake; 1954-55, William Wunderlich; 1955-56, O. O. Stivers; 1956-57, Cesar Coalla, Jr.; 1957-58, Walter Turner; 1958-59, James Hill; 1959-60, Patterson Kaufman; 1960-61, Tayloe Lewis; 1961-62, Wilbur S. Hoopengardner; 1962-63, George Gloyd; 1963-64, DeFrees Brien; 1964-65, Thomas Eveland; 1965-66, Norton Leverage; 1966-67, Byers King; 1967-68, Morgan E. Williams; 1968-69, Morgan E. Williams; 1969-70, Charles R. Dent.

EASTON

The Easton Lions Club was organized on Feb. 1, 1940 and was presented its Charter by District Governor Harold L. Loreman, Jr., on March 18, 1940 at the Easton Armory. It was sponsored by the Salisbury Lions Club. The speaker of the evening was U.S. Senator Millard E. Tydings. This was a Ladies Night with a dance following dinner.

Charter Members

The following were the Charter Members: Harry E. Clark, President; James F. Stewart, First Vice-president; Francis H. Wrightson, Second Vice-President; Dr. J. T. Baker, Third Vice-President; William Shanahan, Secretary-Treasurer; Howard B. Hill, Lion Tamer; Walter S. McCord, Tail Twister; William S. Willis, Director; Dr. P. Evans Cox, Director; Phillip G. Shehan, Director; Wm. I. Norris, Jr., Director; Calvin Lomax, Director; Edward T. Miller, Joseph C. Baugher, and John C. Beale.

The following Clubs were represented at the Charter Night: Cambridge, Chestertown, Denton, Preston, Queenstown, and Salisbury.

The Club met twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 5:56 P.M. at the Town House.

In 1940 Lions International had a membership of 127,000 located in 8 countries.

The Club struggled through the war years with the membership down to 13 members. In 1946, with the war over, the Club put on its first major money raising activity. They sold chances on an electric refrigerator, an item in short supply at that time, and raised \$1,000.00. This was given to the Children's Home in Easton. That same year the Easton Lions Club sponsored the Bay Hundred Lions Club. These events focused the attention of the public on the Easton Lions Club and it grew in membership and status within the community.

In the years to follow the Club members, on two occasions, painted all of the interior of the Children's Home.

The Club has been active in the field of Sight Conservation and the Blind by the giving of Braille Watches, Braille Typewriters, Contact Lenses, Eye Glasses, Eye Operations and supporting a Workshop for the Blind in Easton and in the last several years giving financial support to the Maryland Eye Bank and the securing of Eye Donors.

The Easton Lions Club gives a yearly scholarship to the Nursing School at the Memorial Hospital in Easton and a scholarship to Chesapeake College. It presents the Howard B. Hill Award, a gold watch, in memory of its charter member who was killed on D-Day in World War II, to the graduating student at the Easton Senior High School possessing outstanding qualities of leadership and citizenship.

In recent years the members, on two occasions, painted the interior of Bethany House, a home for delinquent boys. The Club sponsors a Boy Scout Troop and supports Little League Baseball and Football. Each year it distributes Food Baskets to the needy at Christmas.

The Club sponsored and ran for awhile a Rehabilitation Center for the physically handicapped.

The Club on numerous occasions has supplied equipment to the Retarded Children's Class at the local school and has participated in membership drives for the Blood Bank.

The Easton Club has used many and varied money raising activities to support its projects. The activities that stand out were the Horse Shows, an Air Show at the Easton Airport, the sale of Fruit Cakes and Chicken Barbecues. The most successful and major money raising activity since 1950 has been the Eastern Shore Arts Festival where paintings, sculpture and handicrafts of amateurs and professionals in the area are displayed.

The Club received the International Attendance Award in 1957-58 and celebrated its 25th Charter Anniversary in 1965 with International Director Robert J. Uplinger as the guest speaker.

The following Easton Lions have served as Presidents of the Club: 1940, Harry E. Clark; 1941, Dr. P. Evans Cox; 1942, John C. Beale; 1943, Joseph C. Baugher; 1944, H. A. Hoyt; 1945, Myri B. Smith; 1946, A. S. David; 1947, Louis F. Shortall; 1948, James S. Kreeger; 1949, Wm. E. Shanahan; 1950, James F. Stewart; 1951, W. Frampton Carroll; 1952, Dr. Roland V. Houck; 1953, Francis H. Wrightson; 1954, Dr. J. T. Ambler; 1955, Ernest M. Thompson; 1956, John T. Baynard; 1957, Dr. Vincent O. Eareckson; 1958, Joseph B. Anderson; 1959, W. Aubrey Walker; 1960, William H. Corkran; 1961, James C. Latham; 1962, George P. Murphy; 1963, Marion Lloyd; 1964, James T. Kirby; 1965, John T. Harrison; 1966, Lloyd L. Beatty; 1967, Dr. Garey L. Kostens; 1968, Alien K. Jennings; 1969, Jackson C. Sewell.

The following Easton Lions have served the District: Zone Chairmen: James S. Kreeger, 1947-48; A. S. David, 1952-53; Ernest M. Thompson, 1958-59; Joseph B. Anderson, 1967-63; Deputy District Governor, A. S. David, 1956-57; Deputy District Governor-at-Large, A. S. David, 1957-58; District Governor, A. S. David, 1958-59.

ELKTON

The charter date for the Elkton Lions Club was December 22, 1947.

The Club has had two District Governors from its ranks: Lion H. Richard Brunner and Lion Edward O'Dwyer.

Some projects have been: Maryland Eye Bank (approximately 60 of the Club have signed to contribute their eyes), a flag pole erected at Town Hall, a sizeable donation in money, effort and time to The Rehabilitation Center, Hollingsworth Manor, Elkton, eye glasses have been contributed yearly, Christmas baskets are given yearly, the Club sponsors the Boy Scouts, explorers, Little League and various other organizations

eye testing equipment has been donated to the Cecil County Schools, books have been given to school libraries and the Cecil County Library, the Club has contributed liberally to the "Seeing Eye Dog Fund", equipment has been donated to the local fire department, the Club has available beds, wheel chairs and other items for the sick.

Several money making projects appear annually: Sale of Halloween Candy, Auction Sales, Ten Percent Club, Turkey Shoots, Light Bulb Sale, Sale of American Flags, Sale of First Aid Kits, Easter Flower Sale, Dance Recital.

Presidents have been: 1947-48, *Bronson Evans; 1948-49, *Frank Williams; 1949-50, *John Woolman; 1950-51, Clinton Jacquette; 1951-52, *Frank Boettcher; 1952-53, *Thomas Magiros; 1953-54, Clarence Webb; 1954-55, *Morris Rannels; 1955-56, Donald Gee; 1956-57, Walter DuBose; 1957-58, Harry Greenfield; 1958-59, Clifton Buckworth; 1959-60, *Ruben Clay; 1960-61, Fred Arentzen; 1961-62, Walter Scott; 1962-63, Edward O'Dwyer; 1963-64, *Chris Betts; 1964-65, George Purnell; 1965-66, Allison Parrack; 1966-67, Joe Griffith; 1967-68, Stan Brown; 1968-69, Clinton Jacquette; 1969-70, Ames B. Sharps.

* Deceased

FEDERALSBURG

1940-41

The Federalsburg Lions Club organized on May 17, 1940 with 16 members Wm. Russell Payne was named the first president with James F Coleman serving as secretary-treasurer. The club was sponsored by the Seaford, Delaware, Lions Club as the parent club. Dr. Lee Rademaker, District Governor and Harold L. Loreman, Deputy District Governor of District 22B attended the charter night affair and welcomed the new club into the fold.

1941-42

H Duval Sherwood, President; James F. Coleman, Secy-Treas.

Activities: The first anniversary Ladies Charter Night party was held at the Riverview Inn and presided over by the incoming president.

The first District Convention was held in May 1942 at the Henlopen Hotel in Rehoboth Beach, Del. Past President Russell Payne, Vice-Presidents Gerald A. Biggs and Harvey Williamson attended from the Federalsburg Club.

1942-43

J. Walter Truitt, President; James F. Coleman, Secy-Treas.

Activities: The second anniversary Ladies Charter Night party was held in Layton's Restaurant, now occupied by Foreman's Store.

1943-44

James W. Shaw, President; James Flood, Secy-Treas.

Activities: The club membership increased to 39 members.

1944-45

Henry C. Poole, President; Edward Lewis, Secy-Treas.

Activities: Membership increased to 50 members; held first doggie roast at Harold Clark's Farm; club voted 50-member limit; District Convention held in Washington, D.C., at Mayflower Hotel; bought playground equipment at \$150.00; had scrap paper drive; sent Christmas boxes to members in service; held Bingo fund-raising parties; printed first birthday calendar; held ladies, night New Year's Eve party in Hotel Sussex, purchased glasses.

1945-46

Francis Holsinger, President; Lester Wright, Secy-Treas.

Activities: Club voted to buy Federalsburg's first Ambulance; held the first Minstrel Show to begin ambulance fund drive; raised \$5,000.00 from minstrel and door-to-door solicitation; ambulance paid for and turned over to Federalsburg Fire Co. who have maintained an excellent ambulance service since 1946; typed members for blood bank; held ladies Charter Night on June 28 in Women's Club House; held joint meeting with Preston Lions; helped at Fireman's Carnival; attended Doggie Roast at Bill Tilly's Farm; toured Nylon Plant; sponsored reorganization of Scout Troop #137; printed second Birthday Calendar; held New Year's Eve party at Hotel Sussex.

1946-47

Elmer Meredith, President; Ralph Eirick, Secretary; Charles Becker, Treasurer.

Activities: Meetings were held at the Women's Club House, Don's Restaurant and Bill's Restaurant; held Ladies Night at Women's Club House; sponsored Cub Scouts; Blue Cross is sponsored by club; club votes club membership of 75; delegates attend district convention at Atlantic City and international convention at Philadelphia; contributed \$100.00 to March of Dimes; bought flag for Scout Troop #137; gave \$75.00 to USO; cleaned up lake bottom and sanded beach and shoreline at cost of \$200.00; bought uniforms for ambulance drivers; held Charter Night at High School cafeteria.

1947-48

Ernest Smith, President; Irvin Engrem, Secy-Treas.

Activities: Held third minstrel show with funds earmarked for a community building in Chambers Park; held benefit baseball game; worked at Fireman's Carnival; attended Doggie Roast; sent delegate Walt Truitt to International Convention;

helped Rotary Club on the Nanticoke Hospital Project; bought uniforms for basketball teams costing \$230.00; furnished raincoats for school safety patrol; sponsored town Christmas tree; netted \$1,886.75 from minstrel show; gave \$100.00 to White Christmas; held New Year's Eve party at Hotel Sussex; erected Lions Club signs; sponsored Boy Scout Drive; contributed \$25.00 to Cancer Drive; \$25.00 to Boy Scout Drive; \$100.00 for boy's baseball uniforms; \$10.00 to Home for Aged in Easton; membership reached all-time high of 94 members in January 1948.

1948-49

John F. Tilghman, Pres.; Kenneth Schmick, Sec.; Francis Turpin, Treas.

Held doggie roast at Harold Clark's Farm; Booster Baseball Night netted \$153.52; gave \$50.00 to White Christmas; Musical Review netted \$1,112.00; began meeting regularly at Christ Church Social Hall; Community Building Fund reaches \$3,025.00; held a Valentine Dance at Denton Armory; gave \$25.00 to Boy Scout Drive; \$25.00 for Hearing Aid; bought six pairs of glasses; toured Eastern Shore Public Service power plant at Vienna.

1949-50

Wm. Puncke, Jr., President; Edward S. Williams, Secretary; Wright Meredith, Treasurer.

Activities: Club held 9th annual Charter Night Party; gave \$25.00 to local town band; helped local firemen at their carnival; helped buy stove for Scouts Log Cabin; raised \$609.87 for Boy Scout Drive; sponsored Christmas program and Christmas tree on Main Street; held New Year's Eve party; contributed \$50.00 to Federalsburg's White Christmas; attended District Governor's Night at Denton Armory; furnished glasses.

1950-51

Paul Trice, President; John (Jack) Hallowell, Secretary; Harvey Williamson, Treasurer.

Activities: Held Doggie Roast at Harold Clark's Farm; worked at carnival; began construction of community building in park; printed Birthday Calendar; sponsored Boy Scout Drive and raised \$764.40; gave \$50.00 to White Christmas; held joint meeting with other zone clubs at Denton Armory; produced a minstrel show; entertained the ladies at Club Nanticoke in Seaford; sponsored midget baseball team.

1951-52

Francis Turpin, President; Paul White, Secretary.

Activities: No records available for 1951-52.

1952-53

Alien L. Smith, President; J. Nat Wheatley, Treasurer; Lee James Secretary.

Activities: No records available for 1952-53; Membership totaled 48 active members with 5 members-at-large.

1953-54

Robert Turner, President; John F. Tilghman, Secretary; Henry C. Poole, Treasurer.

Activities: No records available for 1953-54.

1954-55

Robert Bishop, President; Jack Taylor and W. T. Webster, Secretaries; Elmer Meredith, Treasurer.

Activities: Meetings held in Christ Church social hall; held benefit pancake supper; printed Birthday Calendar; Community Building dedicated March 14, 1954; \$25.00 donated to Little League; held crab feast at Harold Clark's Farm; bought raincoats for school patrol; sponsored Christmas tree; held charity show; had Ladies Night at Club Nanticoke; membership 48; gave \$500.00 toward improvements to community building (gas heating units); \$25.00 to National Council to Combat Blindness-raised \$900.00 for the Boy Scout Drive.

1955-56

Paul White. President; Dan Higgins, Secretary; Irvin Engrem Treasurer.

Activities: J. Walter Truitt, Past District Governor and Past President, died May 14, 1955; held crab feast at Clark's Farm; helped firemen with carnival; held chicken bar-b-que in park; held a Ladies Night Shrimp feast at VFW; held benefit pancake supper; gave \$1000 "for flood relief; donated blood; furnished 3 pairs of glasses; sold light bulbs; printed Birthday Calendar; decorated Christmas tree; gave \$2500 to White Christmas; \$10.00 donated to Maryland School for the Blind; held District Governor Night; held Ladies Night at Club Nanticoke in Seaford donated \$50.00 to Little League.

1956-57

Lawrence Christopher, President; Wm. Puncke, Jr, Secretary; Irvin Engrem, Treasurer.

Activities: Membership drops to 31; held Crab Feast; sold fruit cake; donated to white Christmas; Boy Scout Drive, netted \$839.05; held a street raffle and netted \$140.86; sold light bulbs; bought raincoats for schools; gave blood; erected 4 road signs; bought new slide and swing for Chambers Park costing \$350.00; printed Birthday Calendar and netted \$402.04.

1957-58

Kenneth Schmick, President.

Activities: Held crab feast in Chambers Park; helped firemen man carnival; ran 50/50 raffle to raise money; printed Birthday Calendar and netted \$315.11; fruit cake sales net \$94.00; gave blood; gave \$25.00 for visual equipment.

1958-59

Lee James, President; Wm. Puncke, Jr., Secretary.

1959-60

Dale Eirick, President.

1960-61

Richard Cooper, President.

1961-62

Donald Morgan, President.

No activity records kept for above four years.

1962-63

Randolph Quillen, President.

Activities: Club gave \$100.00 to American Field Service 8 Oct. '62.

1963-64

Wilmer Nagle, President.

Activities: Club helped trim streets for Christmas; gave to White Christmas; raised \$309.02 on TV raffle; held Ladies Night Party.

1964-65

Elbert Williamson, President; Lawrence Christopher, Secretary; Francis Turpin, Treasurer.

Activities: Club helped pack Christmas boxes; TV raffle profit was \$240.00; bought glasses; held Ladies Night Party February 27; calendar profit \$329.55; club asks State Road Commission to paint Town Bridge; club will sponsor boy in Soap Box Derby; gave \$25.00 to Tri-City Little League and co-sponsored one team.

1965-66

G. B. Hastings, President; Lawrence Christopher, Secretary; Francis Turpin, Treasurer.

Activities: Club cleared \$385.40 on TV raffle at carnival; held Ladies Night picnic; Club builds more picnic tables for park; Lion Sam Webster family named PTA family of year; club netted \$294.71 on Birthday Calendar; gave \$20.00 to Blind; \$50.00 to Christmas Lighting; \$100.00 to American Field Service; club holds charter night party; club sponsored boy in Soap Box Derby; club nets \$585.00 on calendar.

1966-67

J. Nat Wheatley, President; Lawrence Christopher, Secretary; Francis Turpin, Treasurer.

Activities: Club nets \$262.50 from shopping spree; purchase glasses; gave \$25.00 to Tri-City Little League and co-sponsor team; help Jaycees fund drive to blacktop West Central Ave. for Soap Box Derby race; build three picnic tables; gross \$1,588.94 for firemen in booth at carnival; hold Boy Scout board of review; hold ladies night party; buy glasses; net \$612.88 on Birthday Calendar; gave \$50.00 to Christmas Lights; give \$168.87 to Md. Eye Bank; sponsor boy in Soap Box Derby.

1967-68

Laverne Bullock, President; Lawrence Christopher, Secretary; Francis Turpin, Treasurer.

Activities: Club nets \$196.00 on TV raffle at carnival; gives \$50.00 to Santa Claus Fund; hold Crab Feast; buy glasses; help pack and deliver White Christmas Boxes; give \$25.00 to Tri-City Little League; contributes \$100.00 to local girl to attend South America Tour with band; hold shopping spree and net \$265.00; sponsor boy in Soap Box Derby.

1968-69

Samuel L. Webster, President;

1969-70

Newton White, President; H. L. Christopher, Secretary.

FRUITLAND

During the year 1947, Dr. Lee Lawry of Fruitland, together with Paul Gordy, walked the streets and helped to organize the Fruitland Lions Club. The Club was chartered in May 1947, the meeting being held at the Fruitland School. The Salisbury Lions Club sponsored the Fruitland Club. During the Presidency of Dr. Lee Lawry, we had our first Horse Show, held at the Hunt Club on South Division St. Many of the Lions worked hard on this show, especially Wilford Carey, who is now deceased, and Richard Carey, also deceased. The election was held in the Firehall when Wilford Carey was elected for the term of office, 1948-49. It was during this period that the Fruitland Lions Club was filled with enthusiasm and the next reign of office the Club got the Safety Gates at the Railroad Crossing. It was also during the reign of office of Wilford Carey that we painted the house for Mildred Mezick. All the fellows worked very hard, especially Edgar Hastings, who almost fell off a ladder. By working together and giving of self. Lionism was practiced.

ALBERT HAYMAN, 1950-1951 -- During the year 1950-51, Albert Hayman was President. The Horse Show was a success due to the efforts of

all the Lions and especially the deceased Past President, Richard Carey. It is known we packed and distributed many baskets of fruit and groceries at Christmastide. Several pairs of eye glasses were issued and anything for the benefit of the needy in the community was given within the means of our Club.

RICHARD CAREY, 1951-1952 - We now approach the term of office of a deceased President, Richard Carey, year 1951-1952. During the period between 1947 and 1952 the Lions Club bought wire and installed pigtailed and lighted the streets of Fruitland for the Christmas, lighting program. Willis Messick and several of the Lions worked hard on making these lights that went across the streets and each Lion was proud when the lights were turned on for the first time. Richard Carey did much to promote the Lions Club. Each Lion misses him very much today. But, he has his son who lives on and when that boy is 21 years old hopes are that we can get Dicky into the Lions Club.

EDGAR HASTINGS, 1952-1953 - Edgar states that during his term of office there was an inter-city meeting consisting of Snow Hill, Princess Anne, Pocomoke and Fruitland Clubs. The Master of Ceremonies at this inter-city meeting was Jerry Valliant and the principal speaker was an ex-congressman from the U. S. House of Representatives. During Edgar's term of office the Horse Show was under the direction of Richard Carey and Willis Messick. The Club shared with the Salisbury Lions Club in a gift of \$1500.00 to give a needy girl an education in physiotherapy.

IRL HOBBS, 1953-1954 - Irl was the type of man who did not become excited but who spoke with wisdom. It was during Irl's term of office that the Horse Show gained greatly and by this time had become a tradition and the funds from the Horse Show made it possible to deliver baskets at Christmastide, to put eyeglasses on those who needed and to do the various charitable projects that the Lions Club stands for.

WARREN SHORT, 1954-1955 - During the Presidency of Warren Short it is remembered the enthusiasm with which Warren took office; his enthusiasm at Christmastide when the baskets for the needy and the baskets of fruit were packed. The groceries came out of Warren's store at cost.

LEVIN ADKINS, 1955-1956 - During Levin Adkins' term of office we had our first Flag Sale. Many of the flags that you see hanging on the streets of Fruitland and in front of homes today were sold during that year. Also, during Levin's reign of office \$750 was contributed for a scholarship. At that time, we also had a Horse Show and Levin did quite a bit of whitewashing on the grounds of the Hunt Club. During the year 1955 to 1956 the Fruitland Lions Club received permission from the Fruitland Fire Dept. to use land where the Club built the Little League diamond.

FRANKLIN FIELDS, 1956-1957 - Following Levin Adkins, Franklin Fields took the reins. On one project where Levin Adkins and Franky Fields were repairing the roadside signs, Franky suffered a diabetes shock and Levin was scared almost to death. Levin tells me that he rushed and got him some type of insulin and in a few minutes Franky was out of shock and was able to continue helping to repair the Lions Club sign. He enjoyed himself at the District Conventions. Franky Fields will always be remembered for the job that he did as Secretary of the Lions Club.

OSCAR GILLIS, 1957-58 - During Oscar's term of office the last Horse Show was held. One of the projects was a \$100 donation for dental work to a lady; another was a \$25 donation to the Henry T. Stephens Memorial Fund.

LOUIS NICHOLS, 1958-1959 - It was during Louis Nichols' term of office that the family picnics we all enjoy so much were first held. It was also during Louis' term of office that \$100 was given toward an artificial limb for a needy girl of Crisfield who had been very active in attending all of the Club's Horse Shows. Her leg was broken and had to be amputated as a result of a horse fall. The Steak Dinners were started this year

FRANK BARKER, 1959-1960 - While on the subject of Steak Dinners, it was during Frank's term of office that we also had a successful Steak Dinner and the money realized from this Steak Dinner made it possible for us to bring Mrs. John Westhead from Blackpool, England, to visit her sick daughter, Joan Atkinson, who died shortly after her mother's visit

AUSTIN K. WIDDOWSON, 1960-1961 - During Austin's term of office a Pony Raffle was held. One of the ponies given away was won by Lion Ota Stevenson. During Austin's term of office a successful Steak Dinner raised money to help provide the Fruitland Boy Scouts with a Scout Center. We also sponsored a Soccer Team in the Wicomico County Recreation League who were undefeated during that year. In addition to sponsoring the Soccer Team the Club also sponsored the Fruitland Little League Team and contributed toward the purchase of new uniforms for the entire Little League.

LOUIS E. SMITH, 1961-1962 - During Mike Smith's term of office \$500 was donated to flood relief for the March storm of 1962: \$250 of this money went to Chincoteague, \$250 went to Greenbackville, Virginia. During Mike's term of office he presented the Boy Scout Award to James Drisstler. Also during Mike's term of office he presented a Merit Award Trophy at the Family Night at the St. John's Church to a member of Troop #184, Fruitland Troop. He presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Rev. David Bennett, manager of the Lions' Team of the Little League and carried the children of Lion members on a tour of the Chris-Craft Plant.

LARRY PHILLIPS, 1962-1963 - During Larry Phillips' term of office the Club donated \$100 to the Fruitland Scout Center, also spent approximately \$50 for trophies to the Soccer Team and the Pony, Bridle and Saddle Club. The Club donated a wheel chair to a lady for her use. Also, during Larry's term of office, Franky Fields died. That was November of 1962. It seems that the year 1962 to 1963 was the year for the donation of wheel chairs because during this time three wheel chairs were given. Also, during Larry's term of office we gave about \$50 worth of groceries and fuel oil to a family in need who lived down near the Pines Nightclub. As usual the Christmas baskets and baskets of fruit were distributed.

OTA STEVENSON, 1963-1964 - During Ota's term of office the steers were cooked that were grown during Larry Phillips' term of office and the profit from the dinner was approximately \$900 thanks to President Ota and to Past President Louis Nichols who so graciously let us put the steers on his pasture, he selected the steers, hauled them to his farm and worked hard in cutting up the steaks. District Governor, Warren Brooks, was at our first meeting in September. This meeting was held at the church because the fire house was being renovated. We donated \$100 to the James M. Bennett School for uniforms, gave the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fruitland Fire Co. \$100 toward the renovation of the fire hall and our Club toured the Eastern Shore Public Service building. It was also during Ota's term of office that \$300 was donated as a scholarship, \$100 was donated for a hearing aid for a lady and \$75 was donated for trophies for the Soccer Team.

JOHN WRIGHT, 1964-1965 - The growth of the Club took an odd trend. Starting with 49 members and ending with 45; one member died and four resigned in good standing, one dropped for non-attendance. To offset the losses three new members were added.

Scout of the year trophy was continued as was the annual distribution of fruit and grocery baskets at Christmas time. Our annual picnic was held at Canal Park. Ladies night was held at the Fireball in conjunction with District Governor's Night.

Other activities consisted of fruit cake sales (300), our big Club project of steak dinner (interesting to note the steaks cost only 70c per steak). A special project consisting of a raffle for a vacation in Ocean City, Md., brought in over five hundred dollars which was given to the Scout Center.

Three members attended the International Convention in Toronto, Canada; Lions Austin, Russel and Frank.

Some of the bigger expenses: Glasses \$125.00, Fruitland Fire Co. \$880.00, Fruitland Scout Center \$506.50, Christmas Baskets \$222.64.

Another item of interest was the Little League night which featured Baltimore Oriole pitcher Steve Barber.

WILLIAM ANDREWS, 1965-1966 - The Club ended the year with one member less than at the start. To offset the loss of four members, two new members and one transferred into the Club. We began with 45 members and ended with 44. For outstanding service to the Club a plaque was given to Lion Louis Nichols and Dave Wimbrow. Of particular note was their dedicated work and interest in the Club's annual steak dinners.

The Club received the District Governor's Award and 100 Secretary Award went to Lion Jack Collins.

Activities continued in the annual picnic held at city park, Christmas basket distribution, Ladies Night. Projects consisted of Halloween candy sales, fruit cake sale, and the big project of the annual steak dinner.

During this year the various Clubs of District 22-B took over the financing of the Maryland Eye Bank.

Some of the expenses of the Club: Glasses \$152.00, Fruitland Fire Co. \$180.00, Christmas Baskets \$234.53, Little League \$10000 Medical Eye Bank of Md. \$100.00, Shirts for Fruitland Lions sponsored Soccer Team \$100.00.

JOHN POWELL, 1966-1967 - This year showed a loss of two members with a gain of none leaving the year's end with 42 members.

Mr. Welton Shockley, non-member, was presented with a plaque for outstanding service. During our annual steak dinners he contributes his time and facilities at no cost to the Club.

The International sponsorship of the SEARCH FOR PEACE Essay brought one entrant sponsored by the Fruitland Club. The Club's entrant was student Bill Bowen.

Social activities consisted of the annual Club picnic at city park, Ladies Night held with the District Social at the Civic Center, and above all the 50th anniversary of Lions International Social at the Civic Center. The District Governor's dance was held at the Salisbury Armory.

The Club projects continued to be the Halloween candy and fruit cake sale. The big project was again the annual steak dinner which netted \$786.89. The Club, in conjunction with the Hebron Club and the Barber-shoppers, co-sponsored the Buffalo Bills. This brought in around \$325 00 which was donated to the Fruitland Fire Co.

Some of the larger expenses of the Club: Glasses \$220.00 Md. Eye Bank \$100.00, Local Hospital Coronary Unit \$100.00, Fruitland Fire Co \$418.00, Fruitland Little League \$100.00, Pony League Building Fund \$100.00, Christmas Baskets \$235.00.

RALPH NICHOLS, 1967-1968 - The Club maintained its strength in members this year, beginning with 42 and ending with 42. There was a loss of five which was offset by a gain of five.

The big event of this year was the Club's 20th Anniversary. This was celebrated in October with off-spring Clubs, Allen, and grandchild, Deal Island-Chance, visiting this night. The speaker for this occasion needs no introduction to Lions for he is well-known on the International level as well as the local levels, Lion Warren Brooks. As always, his speech was a great inspiration to old members and a boost for the newer members.

The annual club picnic was held at Siloam Community Hall. Ladies Night continues to be a big hit. Some worthy activities worth mentioning: a 14-year-old boy was assisted in expenses for travel and hospital care to and from Baltimore, items to occupy his spare time were collected; in dire need of heat and food, a lady was provided these necessities by the Club, the Mancus Foundation was given financial aid to help in purchasing a special vehicle for transporting handicapped persons.

The Club projects consisted of fruit cake sales and steak dinner. The steak dinner continues to be the major project bringing in \$864.72. Christmas baskets were again distributed to those less fortunate in the community. Steaks are now up to \$.98.

Some of the larger expenses for the Club: Tile and members work for Fruitland Scout Center \$330.00, Mancus Foundation \$100.00, Christmas Baskets \$353.26, Md. Eye Bank \$100.00, Fruitland Little League \$100.00, Bennett Jr. Hi Band Uniforms \$100.00.

STANLEY JOSEPH, 1968-1969 - The first four months of this year showed an increase of four members to the Club. There are no losses. Membership started at 42 and at 1-1-69 totaled 46.

The Club family picnic at city park was again well attended and all enjoyed the fellowship and food.

Two projects have been completed by the first of January 1969: pancake supper in September brought in a profit of \$278.00 and the annual fruit cake sale saw 504 cakes easily sold by Christmas. The Christmas baskets again brought Christmas cheer to 57 homes.

Plans for the remainder of the year: tickets have been printed for a raffle to be held in April to increase the fund for Convention attendance expense. The annual steak dinner has not been decided upon. Ladies Night will again be held in April.

1969-1970 - JOHN H. COLLINS begins as President.

(Lion R. Russell Hitch furnished all this history and data. Editor)

GALENA

This Lions Club was organized in 1958 and elected Rev. Charles E. Strickler as Secretary-Treasurer. Some of the highlights of the organization are:

Recently Lion Jimmy Woodall accepted an invitation to be the guest of Millington Lions Club and there he became acquainted with District Governor (Dr.) A. S. David, of the Easton Lions Club. Governor David was told that the possibility of organizing a Lions Club existed in our community. Lion Bill Pippin, a member of the Millington Lions Club - but a resident of Galena - and other Millington Lions were impressed with the idea.

Lion David, upon reaching his home late the same evening, telephoned Past International Director James C. (Jack) Hill by long distance in Vienna, Virginia. Arrangements were made that Lion Hill would arrive in Galena, Monday, October 27th, to work along with Jimmy and Lion Bill Pippin in an effort to form the Lions Club. Monday night six of the Millington Club officers headed by President Collier came to Galena for a meeting with Lion Hill, Lion Pippin and Jimmy Woodall.

In the meantime several had already signed applications for Charter membership and a list of nearly 40 names yet to be seen. Jimmy Woodall was no longer just Jimmy, but was Lion Jimmy, and Lion Bill had signed an application as a Charter Member, transferring his membership from the Millington Club. By Tuesday evening there were already 20 signed up and paid. The organizational meeting was planned for Wednesday night October 29th.

Wednesday morning there were 4 additional applications turned in that had been signed Tuesday night. Lion Jimmy and Lion Bill took turns in working with Lion Jack Hill. In addition, Lion Twynny Price had signed several more, and by 5:30, 32 were signed and paid Charter members. At the organizational meeting, held in the Methodist Church Hall, starting at 6:29 P.M. there were 14 others who signed and paid; a total of 46 in all.

Lion Jimmy opened the meeting and introduced Lion Jack Hill, who conducted the organization. Lion Rev. Charles Strickler was called on for the invocation. Each one present was then asked to introduce himself. Deputy District Governor Don Gee and Zone Chairman Vansant, of the Chestertown Club: Zone Chairman Darby Johnson, of the Elkton Club: 6 officers and members of the Millington Club and a good Lion from Pocomoke City, plus the local Lions just about filled the hall. Lion Jim Pippin,

a past president from the Millington Club, acted as secretary. Minutes of the meeting are properly recorded in the secretary's record book.

A concise story of Lionism; a question and answer period resulted in 14 more members signed. This was followed by the sessions of voting which produced 6 officers; the remaining 5 were elected at the November 5th meeting. Those elected during this initial meeting were: President, Lion James E. Woodall; 1st V.P., Lion W. E. Pippin; Secretary-Treasurer, Lion Charles E. Strickler (Rev.); Lion Tamer, Lion John Moffett; Tail Twister, Lion Harvey Stidham; 2 yr. Director, Lion Clinton Riley. The remaining officers, elected at the November 5th meeting, are as follows: 2nd V.P., Lion James D. Davis, III; 3rd V.P., Lion Paul Wicks; 2 yr. Director, Lion Bob Crow; 1 yr. Director, Lion Wilson Dill; 1 yr. Director, Lion William L. Starr.

President Jimmy appointed a committee to arrange for the dinner meeting of our Club. This committee was to report to the first Board of Directors meeting which was held at the president's home, November 3rd, 8 P.M. Four other committee chairmen were also appointed: Lion Clinton Riley, Chairman Charter Night Program; Lion Wilson Dill, Chairman Membership; Lion Dick Woodall, Chairman of Finance; Lion Bryan Wood, Chairman of Constitution and By-Laws.

It was voted to hold the club dinner meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, at 6:59 P.M. The first meeting, November 5th, was named as the closing date for charter membership.

It was also voted that the name of our club should be THE GALENA LIONS CLUB: the standard form, Constitution and By-Laws were adopted. It was decided that entrance fee after Charter membership period would remain at \$10.00; dues, including two (2) meals each month, were set at \$13.50 each quarter, payable in advance. The reason for the lower dues for this first quarter is that two months only were paid, November and December. Dues will be payable again January 1, 1959 and the full \$13.50 will then apply.

It was voted to deposit all funds in the Galena Bank. The Secretary-Treasurer must sign all checks and either the President or the 2nd Vice President will affix the second signature to all checks.

Our sponsors, The Millington Lions Club, have also appointed a committee to work with Lion Riley on the Charter Night Program. That will be the first ladies night and will probably be one of the largest social affairs ever held in the community as the Lions and ladies from many Clubs in the District will be present to witness the Charter presentation from the District Governor and the acceptance by the President.

It is important that all dinner meetings of our club begin and end on time; help your officers keep the schedule; be seated at 6:59 so that the meeting may start promptly at 7:00.

Remember, to make our club a real success, we must work and play together; Lionism is on the march. Since our organization another country has been reported. We are now organized in 92 different countries.

Members who have served in the Cabinet: Zone Chairmen – Charles Stuckler, 1960-1961, Reg. I, Zone II; Paul W. Wicks, 1962-1963 Reg I, Zone II; Wilson B. Dill, 1963-64, Reg. I, Zone II; I. Frank Huey, 1966-1967, Reg. I, Zone II.

Deputy District Governors: Wilson B. Dill, 1965-1966, Reg. I, Zone I and II; I. Frank Huey, 1967-1968, Reg. I, Zone I and II.

Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer: Wilson B. Dill, 1966-1967, District 22B.

District Social Chairmen: Wilson B. Dill, 1967-1968, District 22B-I. Frank Huey, 1968-1969, District 22B.

Membership Development and Retention: Wilson B Dill 1968-1969, Region I and II.

Graduates of Roaring Lions: I. F. Huey, Anthony Johnson, John Cochran, William Pippin, Clark Walters, Paul Wicks, James E Woodall Wilson B. Dill, Charles E. Marker, David Cope.

Charter Officers: President, James E. Woodall; First Vice President, William E. Pippin; Second Vice President, James D. Davis III; Third Vice President, Paul W. Wicks; Secretary-Treasurer, Charles Strickler; Lion Tamer, John P. Moffett; Tail Twister, Harvey W. Stidham; Board of Directors: Clinton J. Riley, William Starr, Robert Crow, Wilson B. Dill.

Past Presidents

James E. Woodall, Charter President, 1958-1959; William E. Pippin 1959-1960; James D. Davis III, 1960-1961; Paul W. Wicks 1961-1962; Wilson B. Dill, 1962-1963; I. Frank Huey, 1963-1964; Charles E Marker, 1964-1965; Warren Gillespie, 1965-1966; Harry Wallace, 1966-1967; Anthony Johnson, 1967-1968; Phillip C. Winkler, 1968-1969; Hugh R. Jenkinson, 1969-1970.

10 Year Charter Members: Robert T. Crow, James D. Davis III, Arthur B. Dill, Wilson B. Dill, Warren Gillespie, William L. Hopkins I, Frank Huey, William A. Powell, Paul W. Wicks, James E. Woodall John R. Quinn.

Money making, most successful activities: Crab feast for three years (2 a year); trapshooting for three years, any number; public dinners for seven years, 4 to 6 a year; Christmas tree sales; public dances; plays

Community Activities: Eye glasses, Eye Bank, donations to Fire Co., sponsor Girl's State and Boy's State, Halloween parade and treat, Santa Claus party for lower grades at school, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Little League, assistance to distressed families, Christmas Baskets and fruit boxes, Citizenship Award for Galena High School, wheel chairs and hospital beds.

GREENSBORO

The Greensboro Lions Club was chartered by Lions International on April 18, 1938, being sponsored by the Queenstown Club and co-sponsored by the Salisbury Club. The new club met for the first time on April 17, 1938 at Riverside Hotel and chose G. Linden Duffey as its first president.

The club was formed with twenty charter members and grew to a high of fifty-five members in 1948. After over thirty year', we still have three of our charter members in the club, Lion Russell H. Wright with perfect attendance for the entire period, and Lions Raymond B. Rawlings and Irvin Brumbaugh.

Minstrel shows provided the major source of income from 1945 through 1959 and since then a beauty contest with an advertising program has been the greatest provider. Sales of fruit cakes, light bulbs and turkey shoots have helped out too. The fellowship which developed within the membership while planning and putting on minstrel shows was great and we hated to abandon them.

By way of serving our community, we staged Halloween celebrations for twenty consecutive years featuring a window painting contest for school pupils, a parade open to young and old alike, free cookies and cider, and a street dance as a finale. We lighted the streets of Greensboro with gay Christmas lights until the Town Government took that over two years ago. We still provide a Christmas party for the kids complete with Santa and free candy, oranges and apples.

Every Easter the Greensboro Lions hide several hundred gaily colored eggs for the children to hunt with prizes for the winners. Live rabbits are also turned loose with the boy or girl who catches them having won themselves a pet.

A Field Meet was held each July Fourth for contestants of all ages, complete with a greasy pole to climb and a very greasy pig to catch. In the evening we help the Greensboro Volunteer Fire Company put on a parade.

One of the first charitable acts of the club was the collection of clothing, furniture and money in 1942 for a family which lost two children and all possessions in a fire which burned their home.

The club set up a fund which helped some deserving boy or girl to go on to college during the years 1945-1948.

The year 1947 saw the club replace some of the inadequate lighting the old section of the High School and in 1948 we joined the P.T.A. in providing an intercom system for the school.

But the greatest service of the club began in 1948 when we bought thirteen acres of land bordering River Road and running back to the banks of the Choptank River. That same year the land was graded fenced and a baseball diamond laid out. The year 1949 saw a grandstand erected. When hurricane Hazel destroyed this wooden grandstand in 1954 the club built a concrete based stand with metal roof with a seating capacity of more than 50 of the town population. Outfield fences were erected in 1956 and in 1958 a track for midget racing cars came about and the next year a grandstand for it. During 1960 we joined with the Athletic Association and installed lights, making possible night baseball and softball. This is, without a doubt, our greatest service because this field furnishes sports competition for several hours each day for ten or more teams from April to October as well as entertainment for many spectators

The club sponsored Charles S. Bilbrough in 1957 for the office of District Governor of 22B and he won a hard fought close contest at the Atlantic City Convention.

District Governor, Robert Cameron, presented Lion Charles S Bilbrough with the Key of Nations Award at the meeting of January 21 1969. This is the first such award in 22B and only the second in the Multiple District 22,

Greensboro Lions Club has served the upper section of Caroline County for over thirty years and hopes to expand its services during the years to come.

Charter Members

A. W. Brumbaugh*, A. I. Brumbaugh, J. C. Brown*, Robert B. Davenport, G. Linden Duffey*, G. Alfred Gale*, B. L. Goldsborough, T. C. Horsey*, L. O. Jarrell, L. Irving Jones*, Bert Kaler*, William E. Kerns*, James R. Lake*, C. D. Lynch, J. R. Meekins, Clayton Porter, Raymond B. Rawlings, Edwin Till*, E. J. Vandegrift, Russell H. Wright.

*@Denotes Deceased.

Past Presidents

1938-1939, G. Linden Duffey*; 1939-1940, G. Linden Duffey*; 1940-1941, Russell H. Wright; 1941-1942 Bert Kaler*; 1942-1943, Arthur Brumbaugh*; 1943-1944, Raymond B. Rawlings; 1944-1945, G Bert Hastings; 1945-1946, Clarence Wooden; 1946-1947, Carl H Nichols*; 1947-1948. Charles S. Bilbrough; 1948-1949, Granville R Kelly 1949-1950,

Irving Morris; 1950-1951, Carman Leggett; 1951-1952, Paul Biggers*; 1952-1953, Carlton Porter; 1953-1954, William F. Gray; 1954-1955, Oren T. Lewis; 1955-1956, Albert Rinner; 1956-1957, Paul Longfellow; 1957-1958, Harry F. Butler; 1958-1959, J. Thomas Ober; 1959-1960, Joseph B. Riddleberger; 1960-1961, Clarence A. Pearson; 1961-1962, John W. Barrett; 1962-1963, Edward J. Derrickson; 1963-1964, Colyle Minner; 1964-1965, Frank C. O'Day; 1965-1966, James A. Luff; 1966-1967, John H. Melhuish; 1967-1968, Russell H. Wright; 1968-1969, Charles S. Bilbrough; 1969-1970, Carlton H. Porter.

*@Denotes Deceased.

HEBRON

Beginning in the second month of 1938 this Club has been a consistent source of credit to Eastern Shore Lionism. Their projects, listed later, have been many and their service to the community cannot be told in words and figures. The worth of this club will never be completely told.

However, as in all Lions Clubs, the story is told in the men who worked as leaders and who, not being chiefs, worked behind the scenes.

Hebron gave the District two District Governors. This office of leadership was held by Lion H. Wendell Henry the year 1944-45. Shortly after finishing this year his business compelled a change of residence and he made the Club of his new domicile, transferring to the Salisbury Club.

In 1960-61 this Club was again honored by the District selecting Lion Hobert Webster. He had earned this distinction and added credit to his club.

Charter Members

Charter members, who met and organized in 1937, a year prior to the delivery of their Charter, list as follows; Arthur L. Mills, Luther Webster, Walter M. Cordzey, Howard B. Langrell, Ira C. Ellis, David K. Messick, Robert L. Lowe, Roland W. Smith, V. V. Wilson, Hobert M. Webster, Carl L. Messick, Showard Culver, William H. Seabreeze, A. Norman Short, Albert J. Bailey, Clifton R. Mitchell, Marium B. Gordy, Lester G. Timmons, Dr. William Emrick, J. Gordy Beach, Alan R. Bailey, and Edgar Gordy.

Three Deputy District Governors have represented this Club on the District Cabinet. These are Robert Lee Jones, H. Wendell Henry and Hobert M. Webster. Six members have served the District as Zone Chairmen. These are Showard T. Culver, J. Gordy Beach, Robert Lee Jones, B. Franklin Adkins, Jr., H. Wendell Henry and Hobert M. Webster.

Presidents who led the Club are: 1938, Arthur L. Mills; 1939, Showard T. Culver; 1940, Hobert M. Webster; 1941, David K. Messick; 1942, Alan R. Bailey and Lester G. Timmons; 1943, Clifford J. Bailey and Lloyd L. Laramore; 1944, Roland W. Smith; 1945, Albert J. Bailey; 1946, J. Gordy Beach; 1947, H. Wendell Henry; 1948, H. Milton Hearne; 1949, Frank W. Wilkinson; 1950, Clifford J. Bradley; 1951, Upton D. Wilson; 1952, C. Alton Hastings; 1953, Norman W. White; 1954, Samuel Phillips; 1955, C. Bounds Phillips; 1956, William Stephens; 1957, Ralph Phillips; 1958, B. Franklin Adkins, Jr.; 1959, Eugene T. Jones; 1960, Levin E. Adkins; 1961, Wilson T. Webster; 1962, Charles T. Whayland; 1963, Charles R. Smith, Jr.; 1964, Robert H. Phillips; 1965, W. Ronald Webster; 1966, Charles S. Hayman, Jr.; 1967, Howard M. Twilley; 1968, Carroll M. Huston; 1969, Donald E. Beach.

One member served the Club ten years as Secretary, being Lion William R. McKnight. Albert J. Bailey served five years. Hobert M. Webster and Robert H. Phillips each served three years while serving for two years were David K. Messick and Samuel Phillips. Four served one year each, being B. Franklin Adkins, Jr., Robert Johnson, H. Milton Hearne and Howard M. Twilley.

Early in their history this Club instituted several projects which have remained operative. They are Minstrel Shows, Horse Shows, Shooting Matches, Cake Sales, Public Suppers and the well-publicized Lions Carnival.

Club activity has placed "Eye Sight" first. They have participated in the Eye Bank, Leader Dogs for the Blind, and American Foundation for the Blind. The Maryland Blood Bank continues to be high on their activity list. For residents of the community they serve, the club has Three Wheel Chairs, Four Hospital Beds, Four sets of crutches, usually in use. The Club supports with money and personal effort the Coronary Heart Unit in the Peninsula General Hospital, purchases Eye Glasses for scores of needy each year, collects used Eye Glasses for the International Eye Glass Bank, has a Clothing Drive for unfortunates, gives Christmas Gifts to the "Shut-ins" and Party Gifts to the Deers Head Hospital.

The Club gave street signs to the town, installing them and also house numbers. Boy and Girl Scouts are sponsored, athletic events are held and also sponsored for the youth of the community. A Community Park is in the making for home town Baseball, Softball and Soccer. Dishwashers were recently purchased for two Community Halls serving community affairs.

Their attendance percentages consistently run high and their interest in the District Multiple Convention has never waned. The entire District of the Eastern Shore looks with pride on the completed efforts of this Club.

HURLOCK

During the 1930's Lionism on the Eastern Shore was expanding. One of the earliest Lions Clubs to be chartered on the Shore was at Salisbury, Maryland. The Salisbury Lions Club went on to sponsor many other clubs on the Lower Shore.

So it was very early in 1938, that Harold L. Loreman, Jr., from the Salisbury Club, who was then Deputy District Governor, together with Curt Gillette, who represented Lions International, came to Hurlock. They contacted Capt. J. Spence Phelps, through whose efforts a meeting was arranged. Six men from Hurlock were interested in hearing what Jack Loreman and Curt Gillette had to say about Lionism, so they met in a little log cabin behind the High School in town.

From this small meeting the word went out to other leading citizens of Hurlock, and on February 11, 1938, twenty-four charter members met and organized the Hurlock Lions Club. They elected officers and selected committees as follows:

Charter Members

J. Spence Phelps, President; James E. Andrews, 1st Vice President; D. Edward Corkran, 2nd Vice President; Clarence C. Crippen, 3rd Vice President, Citizenship & Patriotism; William O. Corkran, Secretary-Treasurer; Perry Stewart Flegel, Lion Tamer, Boys and Girls; James S. Bradley, Tail Twister, Membership; Orville W. Corkran, Senior Director; A. Victor Neal, Senior Director; Philip Corkran, Director; Phillips E. Douglas, Director; Roland H. Windsor, Director, Extension; Walter Vane Nichols, Attendance; George H. Rook, Constitution, Publicity; Leolin H. Higgins, Finance; Raymond C. Harper, Education; Swain O. Neal, Program; William V. Smith, Sight Conservation and Blind Work; James B. Richards, Civic Improvement; Olin R. Higgins, Community Betterment; Harry B. Smith, Education; James R. Copeland, Health and Welfare; James W. Andrews, Safety; Otis M. Trice and Leroy Tufft.

On February 22, 1938, the Hurlock Lions Club was officially chartered by Lions International. The Charter Night Banquet was held on March 15, 1938, at Hurlock High School, Hurlock, Maryland. The menu featured roast turkey with all the trimmin's, including Eastern Shore biscuits and a dessert called "Antarctic Lions (?)". Lion Leroy Tufft served as Master of Ceremonies. Following a program of entertainment, Deputy District Governor Harold L. Loreman, Jr., spoke on the History of Lionism, after which District Governor Bert H. Piers presented the Hurlock Lions Club with its charter.

It is interesting to note that the twenty-five charter members of the Hurlock Lions Club included four Corkran brothers, two Neal brothers

and two uncle-nephew teams of Andrews and Higgins. William O. Corkran and James W. Andrews are the only two members with thirty-one years of continuous service with the club from the date of its charter to the present. Two other charter members, James E. Andrews and George H. Rook, are still in the club today, but they were reinstated after an interruption in their membership. The following ten charter members are now deceased: Clarence C. Crippen, Orville W. Corkran, Philip Corkran, Roland H. Windsor, Leolin H. Higgins, Olin R. Higgins, Raymond C. Harper James B. Richards, Harry B. Smith and Leroy E. Tufft.

Only two years after its own charter, the Hurlock Lions Club was privileged to sponsor two new Lions Clubs. In 1940 they sponsored Lions Clubs in Preston, Maryland and Cambridge, Maryland. The club at Cambridge later stopped operating, but in 1952 it was re-chartered under the co-sponsorship of the Hurlock Lions Club and the Trappe Lions Club.

Early meetings of the Hurlock Lions Club were held at the Women's Club of Hurlock but they soon shifted across the street to Unity Methodist Church, where they were held for many years. However, as World War II broke out shortly after the founding of the Hurlock Lions Club the club suffered its most distressing period. Many members were called off to military service while those who were left at home faced gasoline rationing, hectic schedules and diverted interests. During this period the club was kept alive by a handful of Lions who met in their own homes with dinner being frequently served by their loyal wives. O. W. "Chub" Corkran and Otis Trice were two of several devoted Lions who saw the club through these difficult years.

Beginning in the late 1940's the Hurlock Club became well-known locally for its annual minstrel show. The show provided plenty of good times for both performers and customers alike. For many years the annual minstrel show was the club's principal fund raising project. Around 1956 it was discontinued when it became socially or politically unpopular to do black-face routines. About this time the club began a community birthday calendar project which has been an annual project ever since. This project has provided the dual satisfaction of being a good money-maker and a well received service to the community. Another project, now in its third year, which serves this double purpose is the erection of the Town Christmas lights, which the club now does annually for the Town. Scattered raffles, barbecues, white elephant and auction sales have helped the treasury through the years. In 1966 an over-capacity crowd of 850 crowded into the auditorium of North Dorchester High School to see the Hurlock Lions' presentation of the "Womanless Miss America Contest". This show was followed 3 years later by the "Womanless Miss Universe Contest".

Both shows proved to be successful contributions to our community life while raising funds for our community betterment projects.

Sight conservation work of the Hurlock Lions Club through the years has included regular financial support of the Maryland Eye Bank, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind, Maryland School for the Blind and other organizations, as well as providing glasses for needy persons and willing of eyes to the Maryland Eye Bank. The club's concern for youth has been evidenced by its regular support of foreign exchange students, Pony League baseball and Boy's State and Girl's State programs. Street signs for the Town, new uniforms for the School Band and jackets for the School athletic team are some of the community betterment projects of the club. In 1955 the club was instrumental in sponsoring the North Dorchester Heritage Festival, a week long program which highlighted the "good old days" of Upper Dorchester's history and went a long way toward building community pride. Again in 1969, the year of Dorchester County's Tercentenary, the Hurlock Lions Club was pleased to contribute to the celebration of the County's 300th birthday. Beards, long dresses and community pride once again abounded among Lions and their wives and throughout the whole County. The spirit of friendly competition, festivity and good old Eastern Shore hospitality was shared and enjoyed by all.

For ten years or more the members of the Hurlock Lions Club and their wives enjoyed a summer boat ride on the Choptank River aboard the Skipjack "Rosie Parks". This outing was discontinued in the mid 1960's when marine safety regulations became too restrictive to use the "Rosie Parks" for such purposes. A cruise aboard the "Patriot" on the Miles River and Eastern Bay in the fall of 1969 was so well enjoyed by all Lions and their guests who attended that the annual boat ride might be back in business. Our annual Ladies Night and Charter Night Banquet is an affair which is looked forward to by all Lions and their Ladies. Recently a Ladies Night and Christmas Party has become a pleasant annual social event.

The following Club Presidents and Secretaries have served the Hurlock Lions over the years:

Past Presidents

J. Spence Phelps, 37-38; James E. Andrews, 38-39; Orville W. Corkran, 39-40; Clarence C. Crippen, 40-41; Perry S. Flegel, 41-42; C. Robert Pitts, 42-43; Orville W. Corkran, 43-44; Orville W. Corkran, 44-45; Perry S. Flegel, 45-46; Walter E. Harper, 46-47; Walter V. Nichols, 47-48; F. Baynard Harper, 48-49; John V. Fleming, 49-50; Oliver Harding, 50-51; Elwood W. Cursey, 51-52; Harry Parker, Jr., 52-53; Charles A. Parker, 53-54;

Christopher C. Betts, Jr., 54-55; Donald Windsor, 55-56; Francis A. Bramble, 56-57; Roger Beckwith, 57-58; Robert W. Corkran, 58-59; Myers Hastings, 59-60; Harrison Steen, 60-61; Walton Bounds, 61-62; Alphonso L. Dean, 62-63; William O. Corkran, 63-64; LeRoy Warrell 64; Charles F. Hurley, 64-66; Robert Hastings, 66-67; Gunther A. Werner 67-68; Oliver Harding, 68-69; Robert F. Merrick, 69-70.

Past Secretaries

William O. Corkran, 37-38; Perry S. Flegel, 38-39, 39-40, 40-41; William O. Corkran, 41-42; Otis Trice, 42-43, 43-44, 44-45 45-46; T Hamil Smith, 46-47, 47-48; J. Vincent Bassett, 48-49; Les'ter Wright, 49-50; James W. Andrews, 50-51; Malcolm Hastings, 51-52, 52-53; Robert W. Corkran, 53-54; Francis A. Bramble, 54-55, 55-56; Stanley Harrison 56-57, 57-58, 58-59, 59-60; Francis Bramble, 60-61; Gerald Hudson, 61-62, 62-63, 63-64, 64-66; Thomas Spratt, 66-67, 67-68; Reginald Maguire, Jr., 68-69; G. Thomas Keplinger, 69-70.

O. W. "Chub" Corkran, served as Zone Chairman 1941-42 and as Deputy District Governor 1942-43.

The Hurlock Lions Club is proud of its members who have served District 22-B at the cabinet level. Christopher C. Betts, Jr. was Zone Chairman in 1955-56, and since transferring to the Cambridge Lions Club is now Chairman for the District Social for 1969-70. William O. Corkran was Zone Chairman in 1947-48 and is Cabinet Secretary in 1969-70. Oliver Harding was Zone Chairman for two years from 1952 to 1954 and is Cabinet Treasurer in 1969-70. Charles F. Hurley was Zone Chairman in 1966-67, Deputy District Governor in 1967-68, Deputy District Governor-At-Large in 1968-69 and is District Governor in 1969-70. Lion Charles has also officiated at various Multiple District 22 Convention functions and was Chairman of the School of Instruction for Region III and IV in 1968-69.

Hurlock Lions have also served their community and state in public office. Oliver Harding has been Magistrate for many years, while William O. Corkran and Abhonso Dean have served on the Dorchester County School Board from time to time. James E. Andrews and Ralph Wheatley were Dorchester County Commissioners and Olin R. Higgins was a Maryland State Senator. Numerous other Hurlock Lions have served the Town as Mayor or Town Councilmen.

The Hurlock Lions Club received the District Governor's Award in 1965-66. It would be hard to find another Lions Club whose members enjoy the close bonds of friendship and camaraderie more than the Hurlock Lions Club. There are no factions or cliques. Once a decision has been reached to do something, everyone gets behind the project and works hard. This spirit o' unity and cooperation in Lionism could never be more evident

than it was during the past year when the Hurlock Lions Club sponsored one of its members, Charles F. Hurley, for the high office of District Governor of 22-B. The high point of these united efforts was our club's opportunity to provide the Multiple District with a fine hospitality room, running over with good fellowship and the enthusiastic spirit of Lionism. Our efforts were finally rewarded by Lion Charles' election as District Governor of 22-B for the year 1969-70.

At its Ladies Night and Charter Night banquet held at Unity-Washington Methodist Church in April, 1969, the Hurlock Lions Club recognized the perfect attendance achievements of twenty-five of its members.

KENT ISLAND

For over twenty years the Kent Island Lions have been a credit to Lionism and a blessing to the territory on the Eastern side of the well known and greatly traveled "Bay Bridge". With the building of the present bridge (a new bridge adjoining the present one is planned) came growth in undreamed ways. It was a godsend that this Club was so well established because as the only Civic organization it's voice was heard through the growing pains and Kent Island is one of the nation's finer vacation spots.

No special undertakings were on the agenda until 1966 when the Club purchased a little over thirteen acres of land on the Romancoke Road. This is being developed, over a period of years, into all sorts of recreational sites covering a long range program. It will have a Baseball Field, Tennis Courts, Camping Areas, Picnic Grounds and as growth makes demands the grounds will be fitted to meet these demands.

In 1967 the Club was requested to conduct the Thirty-Second Chesapeake Bay Fishing Fair the first three days in September. It eclipsed the previous similar events and at this writing plans are underway to have this Club the permanent sponsor of this well-known event.

The Club began under the leadership of Walter T. Denny, a well known and greatly respected farmer whose worth as a Lion guided the Club for its first three years, 1945-48. The Club gave to District 22-B and to Lionism exceptional leadership in electing Lee G. Bell as District Governor for the year 1951-52. Governor Bell enjoyed a prosperous year in the growth of the District as the record shows and in keeping 22-B abreast with the development of the Multiple District and with Lions International in these pivotal years. Lion Lee did not end his Lionism when his term expired. He has been a devoted Lion in his own Club, always active in District affairs and has never permitted his interest to wane in Lions International.

Another Lion, Past Governor John M. Price, Jr., came to Kent Island after serving as District Governor of 22-C. He affiliated with the Kent Island Club

and District 22-B as though it was his original introduction to Lionism. In secular life he was a Real Estate developer and a credit to Lionism and his local Kent Island Club.

Past Presidents

Presidents of the Club were: 1945-48, Walter T. Denny; 1948-49 Rossem Legg; 1949-50, C. T. Dye; 1950-51, Charles A- Frampton, 1951-22, Willard Thomas; 1952-53, Wendall Shawn; 1953-54, George E. Jones; 1954-55, William E. Denny, Sr.; 1955-56, Wade Hanson; 1956-57, Percy E Thomas; 1957-58, J. Harrold Thomas; 1958-59, Lee G. Bell; 1959-60, Thomas C. Johnson; 1960-61, Morris Jones; 1961-62, Arthur S. Harris; 1962-63, James B. Carter; 1963-64, C. Gilbert Dunn; 1964-65, Gordon T. Seward; 1965-66, Jack Rohr; 1966-67, Carroll L. Staats; 1967-68, Charles Zaranan; 1968-69, William J. Thompson; 1969-70 Frank G. Schmaltz.

Charter Members

Listed on the charter of the Kent Island club are the following Charter Members: John W. Sparks, Sr., Addison Frampton, Willard Thomas, T. Walter Denny, Percy E. Thomas, C. T. Dye, George Jones, Wallace J. Chance, Thomas R. Price, Carlton R. Legg, John H Tolson, Michael Pelczar, John A. Gardner, Jr., E. R. Dawkins, Jr., Wendall Shawn, John R. Coursey, James S. Ball, Lemuel Kirwin, F. W. Coleman.

MARION

The Marion Lions Club was organized in April 1951, and the following officers and directors were elected: President, Grover Somers; 1st Vice President, George A. Green; 2nd Vice President, Carl P. Ward; 3rd Vice President, Honiss Tull; Secretary-Treasurer, Douglas Chelton; Tail Twister, Davis Chelton; Lion Tamer, Earl Butler. Directors were as follows: R. Brice Whittington, Stanley Conner, Guy Chelton and Carl Green, Jr.

We decided to hold our regular meetings in the Marion fire house and as there was not adequate cooking facilities, we agreed to buy the equipment needed as our first project. We raised \$500.00 and donated this amount to the firemen's Ladies Auxiliary for equipment

Our second project was a shooting match and contest for an automatic shotgun, a profit of \$317.00.

The third project for this year was the raising and donating of \$58 00 to the Boy Scout Drive.

For Christmas, we decided to finance the street light decorating and to have a party for all children under 12 years of age. The club gave food baskets to the needy families, costing the club \$100.00. This was the fourth project for the year.

Our fifth project was a donation of \$10.00 to the March of Dimes.

Our sixth project, we gave 2 pairs of galoshes and 1 pair of glasses to needy school children.

Our seventh project was the donation of blood to the Blood Bank by 8 members of our club.

The final project for this year was the signing of a contract with the Eastern Shore Public Service to become responsible for the payment of the cost for street lighting in town, providing the electric company replaced all old lights with new equipment and all additional lights, which they agreed to do.

The club had grown from the 25 charter members to an enrollment of 39 in one year.

The year 1952-53 found John Anderson as the president with Pete Ward as 1st Vice President; Honiss Tull, 2nd Vice President; William C. Scott, 3rd Vice President; Carl Green, Secretary; L. Q. Powell, Treasurer; Guy Chelton and Earl Butler, 1 year Directors; and Stanley Conner and Brice Whittington, 2 year Directors.

The third president of our Club was Carl P. Ward, better known to all as "Pete". He served our Club for the year 1953-54. Serving with him was Honiss Tull, 1st Vice President; William C. Scott, 2nd Vice President; H. G. Price, 3rd Vice President; Bernard Reese, Secretary; L. Q. Powell, Treasurer; J. B. Green, Lion Tamer; Eldred Bradshaw, Tail Twister; Ernest Adams and Horace Riggin, 2 year Directors; Stanley Conner and Brice Whittington, 1 year Directors. This was the year we tried our first horse show. We were soon to realize this was a lot of hard work for all, but the cooperation of all the members helped to make it a success. Our Club sponsored the TyIerton-Smith Island Club during this year.

The year 1954-55 found William C. Scott as our president with H. G. Price, 1st Vice President; Ernest Adams, 2nd Vice President; Bernard Reese, 3rd Vice President; Tom Whittington, Secretary; Bill Daugherty, Treasurer; J. B. Green, Lion Tamer; Eldred Bradshaw, Tail Twister; Doug Chelton and Carl Green as 2 year Directors; Ernest Adams and Horace Riggin as 1 year Directors. Our major money-making project was another horse show. This took the help of all members plus the wives to make it the success it was.

1955-56 was the year for Ernest Adams to be our leader with the following slate of officers: Preston Bell, 1st Vice President; Bernard Reese, 2nd Vice President; Tom Whittington, 3rd Vice President; Bill Daugherty, Secretary; Leroy Pusey, Treasurer; Harold Massey, Lion Tamer; Earl Price, Tail Twister; Pete Ward and Roland Matthews, 2 year Directors; and Doug Chelton with Carl Green as 1 year Directors.

This year we tried our first chicken barbeque. This was held the same day as our horse show. Results were more work but bigger profits.

The barbeque proved to be a success. This was the first time one of these had been used in this area.

The sixth president of our club was Bernard Reese, to serve the year 1956-57. His officers to work with him were as follows: Tom Whittington, 1st Vice President; Doug Chelton, 2nd Vice President; Bill Daugherty, 3rd Vice President; Dick Wilson, Secretary; Gleason Hayman, Treasurer. Again our major money-making project was the chicken barbeque. We were asked to help serve at the Crisfield Hard Crab Derby over the Labor Day weekend. This proved to be a lot of hard work for all concerned but rewarding with the profits.

The year 1957-58 found Tom Whittington as our leader. The following officers were chosen with him: Doug Chelton, 1st Vice President; Bill Daugherty, 2nd Vice President; Earl Butler, 3rd Vice President, Dick Wilson, Secretary; Gleason Hayman, Treasurer. This year, as in previous ones, found us following the same pattern for our money-making projects. We still depended largely on the shotgun raffle in the fall and chicken barbeques in the spring and summer.

In the year 58-59 Doug Chelton was elected president. With him were Bill Daugherty, 1st Vice President; Earl Butler, 2nd Vice President; Stanley Matthews, 3rd Vice President; Bernard Reese, Secretary; and Harold Massey, Treasurer. Nothing has been changed during this year in the money-making projects, a few new members were added and the usual contributions were made.

The ninth President for the Club was Wm. B. (Bill) Daugherty to serve the Club during the year of 1959-60. The following officers were elected to serve with him: Earl Butler, 1st Vice President; Stanley Matthews, 2nd Vice President; Harold Massey, 3rd Vice President; J. B. Green, Secretary; Sam Cluff, Treasurer; Carl Green, Lion Tamer; Bob Wilson, Tail Twister; Roy Pusey and Pete Ward, 2 year Directors; Doug Chelton and Allen Green, 1 year Directors. The usual procedures were followed and nothing new was added as a money-making thing. Much interest was shown and several new members joined our Club. We felt that this had been a very good year and had a good representation in the District affairs.

Earl Butler was elected to serve the Club in 1960-61. The records and minutes of the Club were lost and/or misplaced by the secretary serving our Club. The reason was that the secretary moved from this area during the year and the records were not turned over to the Club. The main money-making project was still our chicken barbeque. Everyone worked hard and the year was very successful.

In June 1961 Harold Massey was elected to serve as our President. As usual we were contributors of many pairs of glasses and treatments to the eye.

At Christmas, we again contributed to the unfortunate ones and sponsored the town's large tree. At the close of the books on the year 61-62, our Club was again pleased with its leader and achievements.

Lion Gleason Hayman served our Club well during the year 62-63 as its President. Through the endeavor of all the members our work seemed to go very well. We again, as in the past, sponsored several chicken barbeques as our money-making project, raffled off a shotgun in November and helped other organizations to cook chicken. Our Club attended worship service at the church of our President. There were 15 members to have perfect attendance this year.

Robert Wilson was elected to the Presidency for the year 63-64. His officers were Roger Hall, 1st Vice President; Carl Green, 2nd Vice President; Phil Mahan, 3rd Vice President; Bill Daugherty, Secretary; and Sam Cluff, Treasurer. The amount of money raised at various projects was very good for a Club of 38 members. We bought glasses, helped some families who had the misfortune to be burned out of their homes, sponsored a girl in a local beauty contest, helped the Crisfield Jaycees during the Hard Crab Derby weekend, and other contributions too numerous to mention. Our Club had 4 delegates to attend the District Convention in Atlantic City. When this year closed, we found it had been lots of fun making money and working together.

When the Club's year of 64-65 opened it found Roger Hall as President with Carl Green, 1st Vice President; Phil Mahan, 2nd Vice President; and Cecil Schrock, 3rd Vice President; Bill Daugherty, again Secretary, and Sam Cluff, Treasurer. This year proved to be successful as in our past ones. The main money-making project was our chicken barbeques held throughout the early spring and summer. We found the money to help the less fortunate ones any time the need arose and every one would work diligently with all the officers.

Carl Green took the ropes to lead the club through the year of 1965- 66, with the able assistance of the following officers: Phil Mahan, 1st Vice Pres.; Cecil Schrock, 2nd Vice Pres.; J. B. Green, 3rd Vice Pres.; also Bill Daugherty; Secretary, and Sam Cluff, Treasurer. Our Club was very active, attending the District Convention in Atlantic City, the District Governor's Social in Salisbury and visited several other clubs during the year. Financially the Club had a good year, sponsored several money-making projects with our barbeques and a shotgun raffle. The members helped several other organizations to cook chicken for a barbeque. We had a very enjoy-able year and felt that we had met with much success.

In 1966-67 our Club was led by Phil Mahan with Cecil Schrock, 1st Vice Pres.; J. B. Green, 2nd Vice Pres.; Earl Price, 3rd Vice Pres., and as usual, Bill Daugherty, Secretary. Fred Marshall was elected Treasurer.

We enjoyed our working and meeting together throughout the year. Each member felt a good deal had been accomplished when our tally was totaled in June 1967.

At this time our club saw Cecil Schrock come forward to serve us as President for 1967-68. With him was J. B. Green, 1st Vice Pres.; Earl Price, 2nd Vice Pres.; Jim Eberhart, 3rd Vice Pres.; the usual Sec. (Bill Daugherty), and Fred Marshall as Treasurer. Our members participated in the District Social held in Cambridge, 4 delegates attended the District Convention in Atlantic City, and we were active in all the local activities. The usual big project was our barbeque in Crisfield over the Labor Day weekend. This is a lot of hard work, but gratifying when the profits are turned in. We donated to the local fire company, school, Crisfield Jaycees, and bought numerous glasses for people in our area. Through the together-ness of our members we saw a profitable year come to a close in June of 1968, when J. B. Green took the chair to lead us through the next year.

1968-69--With the capabilities of J. B. and his other officers we are looking forward to continued success of long standing as our other presidents come forth.

1969-70--Earl Price, President and William B. Daugherty, Secretary.

MARYDEL

The Marydel Lions Club, Marydel, Maryland, was chartered March 2, 1948. They were sponsored by the Greensboro, Maryland, Lions Club.

Charter Members

The Charter Members were: Louis Antal, Jr., Henry D. Austin, Herbert Butts, L. H. Collison, Leonard A. Covell, Walter Donlevy, Peter Gray, Harry Heather, Robert R. Heather, U. L. Harman, James H. Jones, Jr., Bert R. Kaler, M. B. Kinnamon, Edward Lapham, H. B. Logan, Oscar L. Lord, Sr., Robert A. Miller, W. L. Oxley, Sr., Clarence R. Phillips, Sr., Paul B. Smith, E. W. Stafford, Henry Shultie, J. W. Walls, Jr., J. Wesley Walls, Sr., J. C. Wilkins, Amos H. Wyatt and Harry M. Legates.

The Marydel Lions Club is responsible for locating and bringing back to Marydel the Mason-Dixon Crown Stone. The recovery of the Marydel Mason-Dixon Crown Stone was probably the most outstanding achievement of the Marydel Lions Club.

When U. L. Harman was elected President of the Marydel Lions Club, he selected as his main project, an effort to find the Stone. After much correspondence with different Maryland State Departments and officials, a Mr. Baylis, who was then head of the Department of Natural Resources, became interested and finally located it in the storage yard of the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore. When the Library officials learned of its historical importance, they mounted it on a platform in the Library and wired it off.

They were reluctant to release it for replacement at its original location in Marydel and wanted to substitute a concrete replica instead.

A Committee of members from the Lions Club visited the library and insisted on receiving the original Stone, the bottom, half of which had been broken off and lost, but was replaced by concrete.

It was finally returned to Marydel and placed at a temporary location after a survey by the United States Geologic survey.

The stone was removed by then Governor Warfield of Maryland, who sent it to the Exposition at St. Louis, Missouri, as a mineral exhibit from Maryland.

It was moved in 1904 and replaced in 1954. One of the men, Olin Ford, who helped move it in 1904 assisted in replacing it in 1954. At its present location, it is surrounded by a concrete slab with a chain link in- closure with flowers and shrubbery planted around the perimeter, and attracts much attention. The Marydel Civic Club, a ladies organization, is in charge of maintaining the location.

MILLINGTON

The Millington Club celebrated its Twentieth Anniversary May 6, 1967. The Anniversary date is actually Feb. 18, 1947 and this first meeting was the result of activity by men who became Charter Members, aided by the Lions Club of Clayton, Delaware. Communities everywhere were organizing after the effects of World War II. This same urge was the beginning of Lionism in Millington. The community needed a civic-minded organization for the days of reconstruction ahead. Probably no Club began with greater enthusiasm. This has remained through the years, waxing and waning at times but always alive to the needs of community service. Practically every Community enterprise had its beginning and came to fruition because the Lions Club was functioning.

Millington Lions sponsored the Lions Clubs of Rock Hall in 1953 and the Lions Club of Galena in 1958. In 1962, the Sudlersville Lions Club was sponsored. This club has been a credit to the double-faced Lions emblem They have always drawn strength from looking back on their good deeds and looking forward for opportunities of service.

Millington gave to this District, one District Governor to date, in Past District Governor, James T. Pippin, who in turn gave to Millington a successful year as District Governor (1959-60) and in the same office served the entire District in constructive service. This is merely part of the story. Other men have given in service far beyond the call of duty. As in all Lionism, the deeds cannot be chronicled, the worth of men to their community cannot be fully stated, the value of Lions to Society cannot be reduced to dollars.

The complete story will never be told. We list here the Charter Members:

Charter Members

Arthur Anthony, Charles Anthony, H. J. Anthony, N. R. Baker, Paul D. Bowman, George E. Clark, Edward Fellows, Leo W. Gale, J. W. Hilyard, Louis H. Hollett, Charles W. Hollett, Dr. H. H. Hamilton, Morton Hollins, C. C. Landskroener, Julian E. Leager, A. H. Laporte, Clarence Melvin, Sr., Robert G. O'Dell, Francis D. O'Dell, James T. Pippin, Roland Porter, A. W. Porter, Harry R. Rasin, Edward W. Vansant, Edward R. Walls, Walter Lindsay.

Past Presidents

Serving as the first president in 1947 was Lion Edward W. Vansant. Finishing the year 1947 and into the year 1948, Clarence L. Landskroener served. Following him the presidents were:

1947, Edward W. Vansant; 1947-48, Clarence L. Landskroener; 1948- 49, A. Warner Porter; 1949-50, Charles H. Anthony; 1950-51, Harry R. Rasin; 1951-52, Harry E. Vansant ; 1952-53, Morton Hollins; 1953-54, Robert O'Dell; 1954-55, Robert Irwin; 1955-56, C. M. Melvin, Jr.; 1956- 57, Edward Fellows; 1957-58, James T. Pippin; 1958-59, Randolph W. Collier; 1959-60, J. Carville Robinson; 1960-61, John Faulkner, Jr.; 1961-62, Hodge Coleman; 1962-63, L. Dudley Simpler; 1963-64, Robert S. Wallace; 1964-65, Richard F. Wicks; 1965-66, J. Edwin Pippin; 1966- 67, Harrison T. Steen; 1967-68, Jay F. Pratt; 1968-69, Thomas Pippin; 1969-70, David C. Lane.

Lionism is serving one's fellow man and on a Club level it is serving the entire community. This serving of a community leads a Club to look at other communities that do not have the benefit of a Lions Club. This basic precept of Lionism led the Lions of Clayton, Delaware, on a quest.

In 1946 and 1947 the Clayton Lions approached several civic-minded men in our community with the idea of expanding Lionism to Millington, Md. The whole world was trying to pick up the pieces after W.W. II and start over, and the idea of a truly service-minded Club caught on quickly. Virtually every civic-minded man in the community rallied around the Motto, "We Serve", and a Lions Club was organized.

The first meeting was on February 18, 1947, but at a meeting of the Board of Directors it was decided to make March 26th our Charter Anniversary Night. The Millington Lions Club is always thankful of the fore-sight with which the Clayton Lions viewed this community and the faith they had in its members.

Lionism started off with a great deal of enthusiasm in our community, an enthusiasm that has waned at times but never died.

Immediately the Millington Lions began to live up to their pledge and by working hard began to show their community what Lionism really is.

Practically every improvement in our community had as its start a discussion of the problem by Lions, either at a meeting or as just interested citizen on the street. In order to follow the trail of Lionism in Millington, it would require a book to itemize all of our achievements. A rundown of a few would start with the traffic light, move on to the playground, equipment at the school, our annual children's Christmas treat, the Christmas street lights, our Halloween street dances, to the latest of furnishing street signs for the town. These are tangible things that one can see, but Lionism rests its laurels on the things that cannot be seen, its service to the poor, in the way of eyeglasses and financial aid when necessary.

In 1953 the Millington Lions saw the opportunity of passing these benefits on to another community and through hard work we sponsored the Rock Hall Lions Club, and in the year 1958 our Club sponsored the Galena Lions Club. Through the opportunity given them by the Millington Lions, their Club is a dominant force in the affairs of their community.

In ten years the Millington Club has come a long way. What enables a Club to grow? Good honest leadership and truth in what we do were the requirements of our Club, and by constantly seeking new members who will be a credit to the Club, this attitude has allowed us to put many stars in our crown.

Our Club has been a leading force in the affairs of our District. For two years we ran a man for District Governor only to lose by the closest margin possible. Finally in 1959-1960 Lion James T. Pippin was elected District Governor. Throughout our tenure our Club has had countless men who have served on the District and Multiple District level; these are all men for us to be proud of. The awards of Lionism that our Club has won are too numerous to mention, but to show that we still have our enthusiasm, at the last counting of points we were in 3rd place in the District Activities Contest for this year.

With all of these successes you would think our Club would become lazy, but it hasn't. In 1962 we sponsored the Sudlersville Lions Club. This Club took many of our members and for a while it was quite a struggle to get back on our feet, but the sacrifice of a few members is small when we can compare the benefits that Sudlersville has gotten from their Lions Club.

On this our Twentieth Anniversary, the Achievements and successes of our Club are a testimonial to its members past and present, of which they can justly be proud. We have not and will not rest on success or die with apathy towards our fellow man, for our guide is our Lions Emblem, which has one Lion facing the successes of the past and the other facing the challenge of the future.

NORTH EAST

The North East Lions Club, Inc., was founded March 1947, chartered 14 April, 1947, and incorporated March 1948. The original charter had 54 members on it, and the Host Club was Rising Sun, Charles T. Crothers, President.

Current membership consists of 39 members - 34 active and 5 members-at-large. Five Charter Members have weathered the years to the present time, two of them maintaining 100% membership to present. The 5 men are: Clayton B. Craig, B. Davis Fenimore, John Williams, John A. Gibson (100%) and Walter G. Wilson (100%).

Below are men who have served as President:

47-48, John M. Smith; 48-49, Allen B. Carlson, Sr.; 49-50, Waller G. Wilson; 50-51, Charles R. Boyd; 51-52, William A. Dilks; 52-53, Howard P. Logan, Sr.; 53-54, George C. Rhudy; 54-55, John A. Gibson; 55-56, Charles Vandemburgh; 56-57, E. Leon DeMond, Jr.; 57-58, Harry F. Gorrell; 58-59, John A. Sten; 59-60, Morris L. Kramer; 60-61, John C. Bennett; 61-62, Lawrence D. Wiggins; 62-63, Keijo E. Karppinen; 63-64, Clyde K. Simmers; 64-65, William W. Kidd; 65-66, John J. Schiedel; 66-67, Dr. Robert P. Magdeburger; 68-69, Paul Robert Crouch; 69-70, Robert L. Benjamin.

Without doubt, the two most distinguished and outstanding members, both of whom are now deceased, are John M. Smith and E. Leon DeMond, Jr. John Smith was the organizer of this club and its first president. Until his death, he maintained 100% attendance. In addition to his own club, he organized several other clubs, held the Senior Master Key, and served as District Governor in 52-53.

E. Leon DeMond, Jr., was a charter member, 100% attender, and served on 5 District Governor staffs. In addition to all the offices in the North East Club, he served his District as Zone Chairman and as Deputy District Governor, and no doubt would have gone on to District Governor had not his illness and death been so untimely.

In addition to the above distinguished men, our club is honored to have another International Counselor and Past District Governor in its membership, altho it cannot claim his past record to relate to club records. Richard Brunner transferred to North East from Elkton Club in Jan. 1967. Prior to that, he had been a Zone Chairman in District 14-D, and in 22-B while a member of the Elkton Club, served his District as Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, and District Governor.

Early fund raising activities of the North East Club were primarily by means of a series of minstrel shows held twice annually. More recent fund raising is done by Christmas Tree sales; Fruit Cake sales;

a town Racing Regatta (outboards) and Water Festival; and summer Chicken Bar-B -Ques.

The Club spends its hard earned monies essentially in the community except occasionally some well-deserved District or International project. Standing projects are: Girl Scout Troop; Boy Scout Pack, Troop & Explorer Post sponsorships; Little League team sponsorship; 4 annual college \$100 scholarships; Boys State sponsor; Maryland Eye Bank plus local eyeglasses for our needy; Citizen-of-the-Year Award to an outstanding community citizen; and Turner Park. This last is our biggest project, still continuing and sustaining. This is a Town recreation park with softball court, tennis and basketball layouts and playground equipment. Eventually *we* hope to build a Town swimming pool here also. Other activities consist of the usual annual donations to the Fire Company, Community Chest, food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas, etc.

OCEAN CITY

On May 14,1947 thirty-eight (38) men were the first members of the Ocean City, Md. Lions Club. This charter group represented a goodly cross-section of business and enterprise in the community.

From this beginning in the Adelpia Restaurant, thence to the Knotty Pine, City Lunch, etc., etc., this organization has increased not only in numbers but in active service within the community.

The first four or five years were times of uncertainty for the club. In part due to the seasonal nature of the community and also the limited outlet in terms of time and financial wherewithal, the main accomplishment during this period was the maintenance of membership and the continuity of the club itself.

This may seem strange today in view of ninety-seven (97) members and present financial independence; but this was the apparent situation. The club today owes its very existence to the perseverance of these sturdy charter members.

It is apparent that 1952 marked the real beginning of a vigorous organization. It was during this year that the first of six annual Variety Shows were held. This was not only the first sizable money maker, but was the cohesive mortar that bound the membership more closely together in a ,common enterprise. The shows served further to acquaint the general community with Lions and Lionism. Their eventual demise was due in a great part to outside, economic influences rather than any slackening of interest on the part of the membership.

During this period the Project Funds were dispensed for eyeglasses as well *as* for other items. It may seem strange to some but there were children of school age who lacked shoes! The club arranged with the

school authorities to supply all shoes where needed and the club would take care of the cost! Christmas parties were arranged for needy children. Oxy-gen was made available at no cost to the community doctors, beach patrol and Rescue Squad! This latter project still exists today on a continuing basis!

As the years passed, the club began to take a more militant part in civic affairs. For example, it's contribution to the Ocean City Library was not just the \$4800.00 for the furnishings; it was as mediator between the city and county governments that brought the building itself into being.

This organization has really become the sounding board of the community. Where action is dictated within the scope of its charter it is taken; where discretion dictates otherwise, a most useful purpose nevertheless has been served.

The largest individual financial contributions have been to the Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company and the Peninsula General Hospital. One contribution of \$3000.00 for the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit was as a memorial to one of our deceased Presidents, Lion Dr. N. R. Thomas. The most sizable single contribution to the Fire Company was made on behalf of our club by another deceased President, Lion John Sacca, prior to his recent and untimely demise.

Devotion to the youth of our area is attested by constant support of Little League Baseball, Exchange Students and the Scouts. The new \$5000.00 Scout Building on the outskirts of Ocean City has been entirely a Lions project. The Little League awards at one of our meetings is a high-light of the year! The visits of exchange students are most informative and stimulating.

Each Easter season outdoor "egg" hunts are sponsored for a large number of children. It is questionable whether the children or the Lions enjoy themselves more at this event.

Prior to Christmas food and clothing is distributed to the needy.

To raise the money for the many worthwhile projects, the club has run the gamut of the usual ideas associated with Lions Clubs and has added a few of its own. The brooms, light bulbs, fruit cakes projects have had their time in the spotlight. We even sponsored a circus on one occasion! However, our main sources of Project Funds are presently centered in our Summer Bingo, Gum Ball Machines and the Frontier Town enterprise. Bingo is operated in conjunction with the American Legion and the Ocean City Volunteer Fire Company. Through the cooperation of Frontier Town Inc., our members sell from 7000 to 8000 admission tickets to summer visitors. From this \$3500.00 to \$4000.00 is realized. Gum Ball machines are in about 150 locations. In recent years the collective yearly return from these projects has been around \$10,000.00! With this, any call for help may always

be answered, whether it be within our community, an earthquake in Alaska or a flood in Alabama!

The current project is procurement of a memorial set of chimes in the Presbyterian Church. This is to be in memory of Lion Dr. Edward Fisher. During his lifetime as Health and Welfare Chairman, Lion Fisher, as custodian of wheel chairs, crutches, canes; and the charitable disposal of our Project Funds was truly a dedicated Lion. His paramount interests were his church and the Lions Club. It seems particularly appropriate that he therefore be remembered in this manner.

The Ocean City Lion, our bi-monthly publication, is the record of the past and the herald of the future for our club. The present membership looks forward from 1968 to the perpetuation of our club not only for intrinsic reasons but also for whatever involvement of person; time and money may be required in our community.

Lion Mike Bennett of this Club, serves as the painstaking historian and keeps complete records of this active Club.

"What is past is *truly* prologue."

Past Presidents

Herman Parsons, 1947-1948; M. James Brown, 1948-1949; Robert L. Cropper, 1949-1950; Hugh T. Cropper, 1950-1951; D. Pasher Bishop, 1951-1952; William Lowe, July 1952; N. R. Thomas*, 1952-1953; G. Bert Cropper, 1953-1954; W. Preston Laws, 1954-1955; W. Scott Wallace, 1955-1956; Robert Akin, 1956-1957; James Jarman, 1957-1958; Albert Berger, 1958-1959; Preston Adkins, 1959-1960; Angelo Villani, 1960-1961; Robert Hall, 1961-1962; Arthur Davis, 1962-1963; Charles Jackson, 1963- 1964; Anthony Villani, 1964-1965; John Sacca*, 1965-1966; W. H. Ben-nett, 1966-1967; Paul Mumford, 1967-1968; Samuel Villani, 1968-1969; George Gumm-1969-1970.

* *Deceased*

OXFORD

The Oxford Lions Club was chartered on November 11, 1946 under the sponsorship of the Preston Lions Club. Four of the charter members are still active in the Club. A fifth member, Lee Willey, who had a record of continuous attendance at meetings since the chartering of the Club passed away on March 16, 1970. The membership of this Club has fluctuated between 35-45 with the present roster at 40.

The interest of the Oxford Lions Club in civic affairs has been demonstrated in many ways throughout the life of the Club. Many of these projects have involved close liaison with the Town Commissioners and other organizations to improve the appearance of Oxford and make it a better place to live and work.

The more important of these projects are as follows:

1. One of the initial projects was the sponsorship of a children's party at Christmas time. This has been done with the cooperation of the Oxford Fire Company.
2. In 1950 the Lions Club sponsored the 225th birthday of Oxford. The festivities were held on Friday, July 28, 1950 and consisted of a crab feast, athletic events and boat races on the Tred Avon River.
3. In 1961 the need for a new ambulance for the Oxford Fire Company became acute and the Lions Club undertook to obtain one for them. As the result of the Club's efforts one was purchased in 1962. Since that time the Lions Club has contributed to the Sinking Fund maintained by the Fire Company for the purchase of a replacement ambulance when the present one becomes too old for service.
4. In 1966 the Lions Club formed the Oxford Lions Club Park Improvement Fund for the purpose of obtaining funds toward the completion of the park at the Causeway at the entrance to Oxford. The funds obtained were used to build an ornamental fence and purchase tree and shrub plantings for the beautification of this area.
5. In 1968 the Lions Club sponsored the Oxford Antique Show. This show was put on during the last weekend of September with the close cooperation and participation of the Oxford Fire Company and the Oxford Museum. While the principal use for the funds obtained from this show were by the Fire Company for its ambulance Sinking Fund, both the Lions Club and the Museum realized sufficient amounts so that they could carry out projects that they would not otherwise have been able to do. A second Antique Show held in the Fall of 1969 was also very successful and plans are now underway for one to be held in the Fall of 1970. These shows have had the enthusiastic support of the antique dealers themselves and visitors came from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, as well as Mary-land to attend it.
6. In 1949 the club sponsored a Boy Scout Troop in Oxford, which later merged with Easton.
7. The Club has erected and maintained a grandstand for use of spectators at the school baseball field.

Other projects of a more minor nature which the Lions Club has either sponsored or has actively participated in are as follows: Sponsorship for two years of a manual training room and class at the local school. Initiated the action on and paid for the erection of street signs in the Town of Ox-ford. Initiated the spraying for mosquito control. This was taken over by the State. Clean-up campaigns and the planting and trimming of shrubs. Furnishing of an American flag which is flown at a triangular park at the entrance to town, Provided for the erection of a highway sign at the entrance to Oxford.

Through the efforts of the Lions Club the Oxford Branch of the Talbot County Library was kept from closing through the rental of the building. At Christmas time a "Skipjack", a sailboat like the type used to dredge oysters in the Chesapeake Bay under sail, is decorated and anchored at the end of Town Creek where it can be seen by all who enter the town.

The present club while not as active *as* it has been during some periods in the past is working towards an increase in its membership and the continued sponsorship of and participation in civic affairs.

PERRYVILLE

Chartered April 28, 1944, with twenty-seven members this Club began useful community enterprises and social activities which the entire town and suburbs deeply appreciates. They have been continuously endowed with a spirit of comradeship and enterprise which has borne fruit year after year. Like Lionism around the world, they have been a force which helps a town and individuals lift themselves by their own bootstraps.

They gave the District John Jackson who served both as Deputy District Governor and Zone Chairman and Lawrence Ryan who served as Zone Chairman.

With the exception of one year (1964-65 when James Lindenmuth served *as* Secretary) the club has been served in this position by John W. Lord. This is, beyond a doubt, the only time one man has served so many years in this difficult office in District 22-B.

Past Presidents

The roster of those who led this Club as president represents leading citizens in the community and follows: Percy Claggett, 1944 April-June; Percy Claggett, 1944-1945; Albert Winchester, 1945-1946; Thomas McLhinney, 1946-1947; Wilton Owens, 1947-1948; Herbert Williams, 1948- 1949; Henry Coudon, 1949-1950; Henry Coudon, 1950-1951; David Jackson, 1951-1952; Samuel Sadowsky, 1952-1953; Augustine Coudon, 1953- 1954; Dominic Cifaldo, 1954-1955; Donald Jackson, 1955-1956; Lawrence Ryan, 1956-1957; Paul Patterson, 1957-1958; Willard Thompson, 1958- 1959; Samuel Aikin, 1959-1960; Melvin Gorrell, 1960-1961; John Barrow, 1961-1962; James Lindenmuth, 1962-1963; John Jackson, 1963-1964; Thomas McLhinney, 1964-1965; Hanford Owens, 1965-1966; Oakley Sumpter, 1966-1967; Luby Weaver, 1967-1968; Carleton W. Brown, 1968- 1969; William R. Hall, 1969-1970.

PITTSVILLE

Pittsville Lions Club was started the year of 1945, the month of October. Charter Night was held December 4, 1945, sponsored by the Salisbury Lions Club.

1945-46, James R. Truitt: First President of Lions Club; Cashier, Bank.

1946-47, Essel T. Farlow: Zone Chairman, Cabinet Secretary, '48-49 Deputy District Governor, MC for number of Lions Benefit Shows, furnished use of trucks for Lion functions.

1947-48, Lester Brittingham: Pittsville Lions Club House was built.

1948-49, John B. Houck: District Governor in 1949-50, International Counsellor 1950-51, Donated \$1,700 to local hospital from funds received that year, attended many functions of District 22-B in Atlantic City, Director, Producer of all Shows prior to Presidency and several years later. This same year Pittsville Lions Club sponsored the Willards Lions Club.

1949-50, Frank Shockley: Boy Scouts started.

1950-51, Otis G. Esham: Benefit shows, funds for charity work in community, donated use of bus for Boy Scouts activities.

1951-52, Walter Brittingham: Sight Conservation.

1952-53, George T. Davis: Zone Chairman; membership increase, 19 new-2 reinstatements.

1953-54, Wilbur Brittingham: Sight Conservation.

1954-55, Roger Ayres: Boy Scouts activities, Neighborhood Commissioner of Boy Scouts.

1955-56, Preston T. Smith: Benefit shows for Sight Conservation. 1956-57, Franklyn Baker: Youth work in community, sandlot baseball coach.

1957-58, J. Morris Jones: Promotion of Lionism through many speak-ers.

1958-59, Chester Davis: Sight Conservation.

1959-60, Cloyde Twilley: Sight Conservation.

1960-61, Jacob Jones: Organized Teen-Age Record Hops for local chil-dren, paid in full mortgage on Lions Club building, Boy Scout Institutional Representative.

1961-62, Gorman Brittingham: Sight Conservation.

1962-63, Charles Clark: Cemetery project, Man-of-Year Award, donated to School Library.

1963-64, David F. Wheaton: Purchased limb for local boy after having leg removed, donations received from car wash.

1964-65, Benjamin Harrington, Jr.: Sight Conservation.

1965-66, Robbin W. Gray: Membership drive, received plaque from Atlantic City for same; Club house was painted inside and out.

1966-67, D. L. Jarrett: 50th Anniversary essay contest, contributed money for the return trip to New York for guest speaker from India whose pocketbook was stolen.

1967-68, Maurice Davis—Ronald Brittingham: Purchased wheel chair and hospital bed, donated to Coronary Unit local hospital.

1968-69, Lloyd O. Whitehead:

1969-70, Jack H. Jones:

POCOMOKE

The Club was sponsored by the Salisbury Club. Chartered on March 19, 1934, with the following members:

Charter Members

L. Griffin Callahan, Hugh Clarey, C. W. Crockett, I; W. Duncan, A. J. Duncan, L. Paul Ewell, H. C. Gibson, R. Lee Hall, T. D. Hamilton, Simon Heilig, Crawford Hillman, H. Appleton, Nelson B. Cole, Milton H. Brimer, James T. Nock, J. Miles Lankford, Norman E. Polk, H. A. Ryder, D. E. Riggin, L. J. Rodbell, P. J. Scheer, A. J. Schoolfield, A. Hartley Stevens, Jr., T. Bryce Venable, L. Williams, Norris W. Young, Guy W. Snow, E. P. Matthews.

Past Presidents

Past Presidents as follows: James T. Nock, Eugene P. Matthews, R. Lee Hall, L. Paul Ewell, J. Miles Lankford, L. Griffin Callahan, Wm. T. Bunting, Norris Young, Grady E. Powell, Don W. Shaw, Jr., Ben. T. Dryden, Mervin L. Blades, Willard J. Stevenson, Howard C. Gibson, John C. Yaggi, John H. Stevens, Francis P. Cluff, Norman C. Nock, George W. Reid, Vaughn Wilkinson, Stanley Lankford, Jr., John Smullin III, Howard Hudson, Clifford M. Dryden, Clifton Shay, Harry Coulbourne, Jr., Myron Smith, Arthur Lankford, Jr., Richard Bunting, Wilson Duncan, Ray Red-den, Klein Leister, Edwin McGee, Marion Butler, Clarence Duncan, Marion L. Butler, W. Leonard Brown.

Aside from the usual continuing project of Sight Conservation, the Club in the past has provided tennis courts for the high school, bleachers and band uniforms, along with other school needs. Regularly contribute to worthy civic and charitable needs.

For years the Club maintained and operated a swimming pond, known as Merrill's Beach, this at an expense of approximately \$1,800 per year.

PORT DEPOSIT

Often called "Flood Town", Port Deposit along the Susquehanna River at the Northern end of District 22-B assembled interested citizens on Feb. 17, 1947 to list a group of citizens as Charter Members of a newly formed Club to function in the community from that date forward

as Port Deposit Lions Club. Reuben W. Whisler was selected as the first president and initial leader.

The true worth of what followed this meeting will, of course, never be chronicled. The largest activity of this Club has been the "Swimming Pool". This is the center of summer activities and while many Lions Clubs become semi-inactive during the summer months, this Club increases its usefulness to the community. More than bathing enters into this activity. Splash dances are held, swimming lessons given, social activities emphasized and in general the town activities are seasoned with the development of character in both old and young. Other local projects have been part of this Club's deeds, too numerous to mention. Practically all Lions Clubs operate with a minimum of friction. Port Deposit is a shining example of this. It could well be named the "Harmony Club".

Past Presidents

Serving as presidents the following are listed as giving of their time and talents: 1947-48, Reuben W. Whisler; 1948-49, Henry E. Roberts; 1949-50, John W. Calary; 1950-51, Frank D. Brown; 1951-52, Thomas J. McLay; 1952-53, E. J. Luglio; 1953-54, Jay C. Emery; 1954-55, Brooks Platt; 1955-56, James McKechnie; 1956-57, Lee Henderson; 1957-58, William Hall; 1958-59, Andrew Kneuker; 1959-60, Howard McGuire; 1960-61, Clifton Blackburn; 1961-62, Fred Mott; 1962-63, Hubert F. Ryan; 1963-64, W. Clifford Crothers; 1964-65, Cary Leonard; 1965-66, Ernest McGlothlin; 1966-67, Ray Bulgin; 1967-68, Rev. Kenneth Dickey; 1968-69, Roy S. Dardin; 1969-70, Clifton Blackburn.

PRESTON

By November 1968, the Preston Lions Club has grown up from the Charter Club in February 1940, to a full grown, highly effective organization of men anxious and willing to contribute to the welfare of the Preston Community.

Earlier in that month of February a man named Gillette, a Lions International organizer, came into Preston and called on Max Chambers who warmed up to the idea, since the previous very effective Chamber of Commerce had all but dissolved.

Mr. Gillette called on Paul Van Dyke, Heber Lane, the late Raymond Groucho "Rabbi" Poole and within a few days had signed the necessary 15 charter members. A few days later the first meeting was held and in a week a dinner meeting was held in Mrs. Smith's boarding house.

It was a real lively organization. These men enjoyed good fellowship and fun. Some played practical jokes, one never knew what was coming next, whether it might be an explosive cigar, a green rubber worm in the string beans or "growler" on under the cushion of a chair.

But the organization prospered and began to make its mark in the community. First eyesight project was collecting old spectacle frames and buying lenses for needy children. New projects and new activities continued to liven the Club's program. Food was good; members were active.

World War II retarded the program slightly but shortly after World War II was over the Preston Lions Club got back in high gear.

In the 40's the club was involved in several very interesting programs. Through the mid 50's it almost disintegrated over some internal differences. Several of the old charter cool heads of the organization got it back on the track and it started to move ahead.

In the early 60's the Preston Lions Club joined with the Recreation Association and the Volunteer Firemen in full development of a carnival and other activities. Funds from these activities are being invested awaiting the time when the Lions Club can build its community center with full kitchen facilities to better serve the community public activities.

Past Presidents

Past Presidents of the organization are: Paul S. Van Dyke, 1940-41; (A) M. Heber Lane, 1941-42; (A) Harold B. Plummer, 1942-44; (A) Clarence Phillips, 1944-45; (A) William H. Kleinwachter, 1945-46; Dallas W. Cartwright, 1946-47; (A) Howard M. Harris, 1947-48; Early J. Harris, 1948-49; Albert H. Boevers, 1949-50; W. Elwood Bonner, 1950-51; (A) Orland B. Blades, 1951-52; Richard W. Hall, 1952-53; Carl L. Coleberg, 1953-54; Theodore E. Fletcher, Jr., 1954-55; Elmer H. Fluharty, 1955-56; Raymond L. Messick, 1956-57; (A) Franklin D. Nusbaum, 1957-58; James L. Gannon, Jr., 1958-59; (A) A. Fletcher Sisk, Jr., 1959-60; (A) Theodore Schmick, 1960-61; Gunther A. Werner, 1961-62; (A) C. Wesley Taylor, 1962-63; (A) Beverly S. Blades, 1963-64; *E. Landon Walston, 1964-65; (A) William M. Evey, 1964-65; (A) George H. Lord, Jr., 1965-66; (A) G. Albert Turner, 1966-67; *Earl W. Roberts, 1966-67; (A) Clarence W. Phillips, 1967-68; (A) C. Wesley Taylor, 1968-69; William H. Kleinwachter, 1969-70.

** Indicates passed away while in office*

(A) Indicates still active in Lionism in Preston Club

Charter Members

Charter Members were: (D) Luke Amoto, Judson C. Bateman, (D) J. Emory Bauer, * J. Max Chambers, James E. Douglas, Theodore E. Fletcher, (D) Sherman T. Griffith, Rev. Raymond W. Hallman, (D) Harry M. Hollis, *M. Heber Lane, Clarence W. Mason, *Dr. Harold B. Plummer, (D) A. Raymond Poole, *Theodore F. Schmick, Paul S. VanDyke.

** Indicates Present Active Members*

(D) Indicates member deceased

PRINCESS ANNE

A Club which has loomed big in Somerset County's County Seat had its beginning April 20, 1948 and received its Charter at a meeting June 16 of the same year. The sponsoring Club was the nearby Fruitland.

This active Club furnished leadership in the District Cabinet. Among the leaders were Lloyd L. Simpkins, Lionel Howland, Edward Price, Norris Dashiell.

Charter members were: William C. Ford, Benjamin Barnes, G. Beverly Holland, Edwin Muir, Lloyd Chamberlain, Harold MacAllen, Lloyd Simpkins, Henry Henderson, Richard W. Hall, Waldon Richards, John Jefferies, William P. Miller, J. Rufus Dashiells, Percy A. White, Oti4 Long, Charles C. Long, John G. Barile, Raymond M. Carey, Edward H. Chamberlain, Herbert A. Holland, Sr., Herbert A. Holland, Jr., Baines Layfield, Edward G. Newton, Jennings Richards, King B. Miller, Jr., Louis Abbott and Oscar W. Abbott.

Serving as King Lions in the office of president:—William C. Ford, Benjamin L. Barnes, G. Beverly Holland, Edwin B. Muir, Lloyd C. Chamberlain, Harold MacAllen, Webb Cassell, Lloyd L. Simpkins, Ross McIntyre, Charles C. Long, Charles Nichols, George Bozman, Marion Pusey, Earl White, George Brinsfield, James Bounds, Edward J. Price, Hopkins Fisher, Norris Dashiell, Kenneth Nichols, Weldon Nelson and Neary McIntyre.

Eyeglasses and examinations of the eyes of less fortunate people in the community have been given in the conservation of sight. Most of the members of the Club have bequeathed their eyes to the "Maryland Eye Bank". Each year a substantial donation is made to this service rated so highly in District 22 of Lionism.

Smaller contributions have been made to all worthy causes in Somerset County. In a very large and important service this club began giving an Ambulance in 1949, the year after being founded, and has since donated four Ambulances to Princess Anne and Somerset County in a working agreement with the Princess Anne Fire Department.

Their methods of raising money is headed by an Entertainment put on using local talent each year. It fills a large auditorium several nights each year. This began as a Minstrel Show but has since enlarged to include more talent and takes the format of an entertainment. It is regarded as one of the big community activities.

The Club supports all District events, sends delegates to the District Conventions and has helped establish several nearby clubs and was the exclusive sponsor of the Deal-Island-Chance Lions Club.

QUEENSTOWN

Wednesday, January 15, 1936, the birthday of this Club, began a series of Community Activities which have been increasingly a blessing to the towns and countryside of which Queenstown is the center. The first program had Franklin D. Day as the Club's first president, Fred Battle, president of the sponsoring Salisbury Lions Club, Dr. Seth Hurdle as District Governor and the address of the evening given by the Hon. T. Alan Goldsborough.

Charter Members are listed as follows: Harry Barton, John T. Bishop, W. Harry Bishop, James F. Boyles, Edgar Bryan, C. P. Carter, John Chaires, Charles Chance, B. R. Cook, W. S. Cross, Frank Delahay, J. W. A. Evans, J. Reynolds Friel, S. E. W. Friel, Jr., James Gibson, Joseph Ginsberg, Guy Harmon, W. K. Harrison, N. R. Hitch, Bennett H. Lane, Horace M. Morgan, H. C. Onley, Jr., H. C. Reynolds, Edward S. Rowens, W. I. Tuttle, Willard Wrightson.

Beginning with a membership of twenty-six the Club remained around thirty members for the first thirty years of its existence. At its Thirtieth Anniversary, March 12, 1966, with International Director Thomas Gwynn as the speaker, the community could look back over thirty years of devoted usefulness by this organization. Listed among its many activities are:

Instrumental in improving road conditions from Matapeake to Denton.

Helped in promoting 4-H Club work in Queen Anne's County.

Promoted Boy Scout work in Queenstown and are now sponsoring Troop 148 and Pack 148.

Sponsored a carnival for Queenstown Fire Company.

Secured land and gave to Greenspring Milk Company in helping bring industry to community. (1938)

Made it possible to save eyesight of two elementary school children by making doctors appointments and furnishing transportation to and from Baltimore.

Instrumental in getting convict labor for farm work during war years. Participated in war fund drives.

Sent cigarettes to boys overseas through The Tobacco Companies. Erected three Honor Roll plaques for boys in service (Queenstown, Queen Anne, and Grasonville).

Give Christmas baskets to the needy each year.

Instrumental in having Queenstown Harbor dredged and proper lights for marking.

Sponsored Greensboro, Sudlersville, Kent Island and Centreville Lions Clubs.

Co-sponsored Hillsboro-Queen Anne's Club.

Purchased ambulance and gave to Queenstown Fire Company for community use.

Club owns 4 hospital beds, 2 wheelchairs and pair of crutches for public service. (One wheelchair presented by Bill Cross in memory of W. Cross, a deceased charter member of our club). Pop-Pop Cross, as he was known, had perfect attendance until the time of his illness, 25 years.

Main goal of each year is to furnish eyeglasses to the needy.

Participated in Easton Memorial Hospital Building Fund Drive.

Donated \$300.00 to Queen Anne's County Health Centre in memory of our Club's deceased members.

Past Presidents

Presidents of the Club are: Guy Harmon, 1935-38; Horace Morgan, 1939-40; S. E. W. Friel, Jr., 1941-42; Linden Brittingham, 1943-44; L. H. Fleming, 1945-46; Charles Chance, 1947; Joseph Evans, 1948; John

Gibson, 1949; Bernard Kibler, 1950; Horace Morgan, 1951; Joe Anthony, 1952; Charles Sewell, 1953; B. H. Lane, 1954; Eugene Roberts, 1955; Charles Schelberg, 1956; Risdon Baynard, 1957; William L. Roberts, 1958; A. H. Radcliffe, 1959; Ralph Baker, Jr., 1960; William Wooters, 1961; Elmer Whitby, 1962; John Tipton, 1963; Dan Gannon, 1964; Thomas Rhodes, 1965; Franklin Smith, 1966; Franklin Burns, 1967; Thomas J. Thompson, 1968 and Charles C. Callahan, 1969.

RIDGELY

The Ridgely Lions Club was chartered on May, 12, 1953, with the Denton Club as its sponsor. There were 29 charter members, three of whom are still with us. These are Russell Griffith, George Butler and James H. Lynch, Sr.

A. Lofland Slaughter was the first President.

The second President was Alfred Gadow. He was also active in getting the club organized.

The third President was Dr. Charles Winnacott. Dr. Winnacott was a general practitioner here for many years. He was very active in membership drives while a member.

The Presidents after Dr. Winnacott were:

Russell Griffith was very active in selling Christmas trees and the prime instigator of the Ridgely Centennial of 1967.

Martin Sutton, who organized the Horse Show, once sponsored, was very active in young people's sports.

Robert E. Smith, a very likable King Lion.

George Butler, the best fruit cake salesman, who usually sells one-half of all the cakes sold.

James H. Lynch, Sr., has been Zone Chairman and Deputy District Governor. He organized the street sign project and other activities. He is an excellent speaker and M. C. of our Charter Nights and Ladies Nights.

Paul Schoenfelder was chairman of the Membership Committee for several years and probably brought in more new members than any other Ridgely Lion.

Glen Davis is active in boys and girls activities and in sight conservation work.

Roger Ringgold. Gene Stedman.

Calvin Lynch is the oldest member and one of the most active. He has handled tree sales for several years, is interested in local and state history and can talk interestingly on any subject.

Thomas Wright; the Centennial took place during his term of office. John M. Saulsbury is very active in town and country affairs.

John A. Glover was very active in the Centennial and works hard on every project.

William E. Fravel, President, 1969-70. Bill transferred here from Virginia and has been one of our most active Lions.

Our most important project was the Ridgely Centennial, celebrated in June of 1967. This was a very successful 2-day event, with bands and parades, contests and chicken fries and tours of old landmarks. It brought people to Ridgely by the hundreds, including many former residents. Former Maryland Governor Millard Tawes and former District Governor Warren Brooks spoke on the second day of the affair. It was written up in the LION magazine. We had splendid cooperation from every Lion and from other organizations and individuals. We also made a profit from the sale of Centennial brochures.

Our next important project was the installation of street signs in the town, with the aid of the Town Commissioners. Each sign bears the Lion emblem. We are replacing 33 of them this year. Three years later we installed house numbers on every residence and store in town. These two projects were of great value to every resident of Ridgely.

The Lions Club was the first organization to sell Christmas trees in the county. We have held scrap drives, sold barbecued chicken, in cooperation with the Greensboro Lions, hold a yearly Halloween Party and a Santa Claus Day for the kiddies, plus many other activities.

A bi-weekly bulletin has been published since January, 1959, with Frank Kessler as the Editor since that first edition. It has won first place in the District Bulletin Contest 4 times and second place once.

RISING SUN

Amid the depths of a national economic depression when banks were closing and the threat of even longer breadlines was enough to discourage any new adventure that might involve anybody parting with a dollar for any reason, several optimistic Lions from the Quarryville, Pa. Club visited our little town of Rising Sun in a most courageous effort to organize a Lions Club.

Since our town had a population of scarcely more than 400 inhabitants it is reasonable to assume that they might first have approached some of the bigger towns in the neighborhood that did not have a Lions Club. At that time there were only two Lions Clubs on the Eastern Shore, Salisbury and Berlin, Md. Later we learned there were only six Lions Clubs in the whole state of Maryland.

But it was here in 1932 they discovered the pioneering spirit that has always been characteristic of our citizenry to be the first to accomplish that which other towns dare not attempt. At a meeting of the businessmen held Tuesday, June 13, 1932, Lion Reverend George Shay of the Quarryville Club induced 19 men in Rising Sun to become charter members of a Rising Sun Lions Club which was to become the most progressive civic organization our town has known.

The first charter night *was* held in the Rising Sun High School auditorium, Tuesday night, July 12, 1932. The Master of Ceremonies was Lion John Fader, President of the Newark, Delaware Club. The Charter was presented by Lion Richard Simmons. It has been signed by Melvin Jones.

Charter Officers

Charter Officers were: Dr. R. C. Dodson, President; Cecil E. Ewing, 1st Vice President; H. M. Dinsmore, Lion Tamer, M. U. Zimmerman, Tail Twister; J. C. Hindman, Secretary & Treasurer; Directors: David T. Reed, J. Paul Slaybaugh, C. W. Ashby, A. M. Dinsmore.

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In the early years the Club held its regular dinner meetings in the Village Restaurant. Meals were \$.50 and annual dues were \$8.00. By today's wage standard these fees would seem easy but with a family to keep plus a few unemployed relatives living on a meager income, the Lions Club dues were considered an unnecessary expense and many members had to drop out.

In fact, the Lions Club's very being was threatened, while meetings for the few remaining members were being held around the dining table of Dr. Dodson's home. There was serious consideration of giving up the charter.

In was about this time (1937) a new member (McNamee) conceived an idea of a huge coffee-pot-looking-affair, that would be built on auto wheels and pulled by car to anywhere a crowd might be assembled and could be induced to buy coffee and a hot dog. The idea was adopted, the coffee pot was built at a cost of \$82.08, became an immediate hit in the community, and paid for itself after five weeks operation. Somehow it became fun and a challenge for three or four Lions to take the "coffee pot" to a football game at Tome or West Nottingham or in Center Square on Saturday night. From this simple gimmick the spirit of the Club *was* renewed, the treasury became prosperous, and activities came thick and fast that established the Rising Sun Lions Club the outstanding organization it has continued to be.

Our first major project that made the Lion Magazine happened in 1943 when the Club negotiated with National Bank of Rising Sun for land in the center of town and built a permanent log cabin for Troop 28 BSA. Its official dedication in 1944 brought more notables to our town than we had ever seen in a single day. The Honorable Owen J. Roberts of the U. S. Supreme Court, Honorable J. O. Knotts, Circuit Judge of County Courts, General Norman T. Kirk, Surgeon General of the U. S. Army, and many other dignitaries in Scouting and Lionism.

In 1940 through the promotion efforts of Rising Sun Lions Club a town incinerator was built for sanitary burning of all garbage. This was the first one in the county.

In 1944 we sponsored Perryville Lions Club. In 1947 we sponsored Port Deposit Lions Club. In 1947 we sponsored North East Lions Club.

The Rising Sun Club did the ground work for organizing the Elkton Lions Club but by agreement did not get sponsoring credit.

In 1950 a six weeks summer playground program for our community was promoted by the Lions Club and for several years thereafter we paid the salary of a professional instructor.

The Rising Sun Lions Club furnished a considerable sum of money to equip a Health Center in the Rising Sun High School for testing eyes and ears. This was a first in the county.

For five or more years the Lions Club paid the salary of a full time registered nurse in the Rising Sun High School. This, too, was the only one in the county.

The Lions Club was responsible for promoting and construction of the Community Fish Pond at the edge of town and contributed \$1,500 toward the cost.

In 1954 the Lions Club organized and has since continued to support a successful Little League in Rising Sun.

For the last thirty years or more the Lions have sponsored Troop 28 BSA, which has been in existence for more than forty years.

In 1940 the Rising Sun Lions sponsored the first Community Christ-mas Tree in Center Square. This tradition has continued every year for the past twenty-eight, largely through the personal efforts of Lion Joe Dugan.

After the close of WW2 the Lions Club erected a Granite and Bronze Memorial on the National Bank property to honor the servicemen who gave their lives for our country's freedom.

Over a period of thirty years the Lions Club has purchased play-ground equipment for our Elementary School, blacktop surfaced tennis and basketball courts for the High School as well as audio equipment for the auditorium.

In recent years the Lions Club has provided wheel chairs and several hospital beds for community citizens.

Our major project for the last three or four years has been the Dr. R. C. Dodson Memorial Scholarship Fund which we have been adding to at the rate of \$800.00 each year.

During its 36 years of service to the community the Lions Club has furnished hundreds of new eyeglasses to needy school children and the aged as well as school lunches for needy children.

In addition to routine work of Lions civic projects, last year, 1968, our Lions Club raised an \$1,800 convention campaign fund to proudly promote our favorite son, Lion Bob Cameron, for District Governor of 22-B

Another great by-product of Lionism that can never be measured is the development of civic leaders in our community. Any one of the past officers of this Lions Club will proudly admit that he is a much better man for having served in our Lions Club which played a part in developing a degree of leadership. Our community looks to the Lions to lead in all civic improvements. We are a most respected organization — today 46 strong.

Past Presidents

The following is a list of the Past Presidents and their dates in office: 1932-33, Dr. R. C. Dodson; 1933-34, Dr. R. C. Dodson; 1934-35, Dr. R. C. Dodson; 1935-36, Dr. R. C. Dodson; 1936-37, Dr. R. C. Dodson (deceased); 1937-38, Norris J. Reynolds; 1938-39, Marlin U. Zimmerman;

1939-40, John C. Hindman; 1940-41, John C. Hindman (deceased); 1941- 42, Rev. Joe Dickerson; 1942-43, Harvey B. Ewing; 1943-44, Harvey B. Ewing; 1944-45, John Bodine; 1945-46, Francis M. Kennard; 1946-47, Charles T. Crothers; 1947-48, William C. Graham; 1948-49, Charles T. Ritchie; 1949-50, Joseph B. Dugan; 1950-51, Walter M. Cameron; 1951-52, Herman Slaybaugh; 1952-53, Alton Bell; 1953-54, William B. Buck; 1954-55, Walter Orem; 1955-56, H. W. Ewing, Jr., Carl Hansen; 1956-57, Daniel Fraser; 1957-58, Dr. R. C. Dodson; 1958-59, Breece Nelson; 1959-60, Daniel Hall; 1960-61, Raymond V. Scheck; 1961-62, Robert Cameron; 1962-63, Chalmers McFerren (deceased 1968); 1964-65, Dr. Chas. L. Brandenburg; 1964-65, William C. Guethler; 1965-66, Charlton Poist; 1966-67, William W. McNamee; 1967-68, Marion Rawlings (deceased 1968); 1968-69, Maurice Thompson; 1969-70, Paul E. Scanlan.

The most successful methods of raising funds have been:

1. Annual Talent Show put on by High School and Elementary School students. The teachers put the show together. It is "sponsored" by the Lions Club who use it as a vehicle to sell ads for a program book to the amount of \$1,000. Tickets sold by students and sales at the door pays all expenses leaving the advertising sales as the net profit.
2. Annual Crab Feast promoted by Joe Ruello (nobody, but nobody, but Joe Ruello could ever do it so successfully). Usually nets \$500 to \$700.
3. Annual fifty-fifty raffle. Lions sell 100 tickets at \$10.00 each. Winner gets \$500 and Lions Club nets \$500.
4. Annual Christmas tree sale usually nets about \$160.

ROCK HALL

Rock Hall Lions Club was chartered on Feb. 4th, 1953, sponsored by the Millington Lions Club, with 22 charter members.

District Governor at this time was John M. Smith of the North East Club.

Regular meetings of Rock Hall Club were held at Fisherman's Wharf at this time, and then were moved to the Church Hall, then moved about from place to place until finally a group of the members formed a Corporation with money from their own pockets and purchased a building which was made into a regular meeting place for the Club, which we still use at the present time. Stock certificates were obtained and any member of the Club could purchase stock if he so desired.

It was through the very outstanding efforts of Lion Lester T. Mayne, Sr., that the Club was organized, he being a member of Cherry Hill, Pa. Club. He was very well qualified for the job of Charter President, which post he held for five (5) consecutive years.

Lion Les has a perfect attendance record of thirty-two (32) years at this writing.

Of the original twenty-two (22) charter members the following are still on the active list: Joseph Williams, Simms Jacquette, Robert Johnson, Randolph Burgess, Frank Puppe, and Lester T. Mayne, Sr.

The Rock Hall Lions Club, along with our normal activities, have erected street name signs all over town and even named some of the streets. Contributed to the ambulance fund, and have been very active in the development of the Rock Hall Civic Center.

After purchasing the present meeting place, the Ladies formed an auxiliary and they have been serving the Club dinners since that time, most of the profits from the meals have been donated back to the Club for maintenance of the building.

SALISBURY

The Salisbury Lions Club, sponsored by the Wilmington, Delaware, Club, was chartered on June 23, 1923. Of its twenty-five charter members two are still members, Joe Gunby and Walter Holloway.

This June, 1970, it will mark its forty-seventh year and begin to plan for its golden anniversary. Forty-nine men have served as its President. And it has known a great share of success as well as times of doubt, but never has it known despair.

One of its earliest accomplishments was being host to the 1925 District Convention. But after this the Club faltered and retreated into inactivity devoid of incentive and any real reason to continue. By 1928 a weekly attendance dropped to ten or less. So low was morale, the Civitan Club proposed that we surrender our charter and be absorbed into that organization.

In 1931 occurred the crisis. Upon urging by one of its medical members, the Club undertook to aid an almost totally blind youth, Carl Hastings. Weeks later after surgery and treatment, Carl returned to the Club with just one thing to say, "I can see now".

That opened the eyes of every member. And from then on the Club grew in purposefulness and in vitality, which it has not lost or lessened.

Other individuals benefited from its program of helpfulness. A crippled young man who possessed ambition and energy and capability was sent to business school. (He quickly repaid the money invested in his education and went on to become a fine accountant.) A girl whose sight was endangered was helped and sent to a school for training women with the blind. An ambulance was presented to Salisbury. The Lions seeing the need, organized the first band for the Wicomico High School, a band which won first honors in the state in its first year and still maintains its proud tradition.

proud tradition. Hundreds of persons have been helped to see again or to avoid blindness by examination, treatment, the gift of glasses, even surgery.

A more recent achievement of major degree was the founding of the Blood Bank of the Eastern Shore. This was a project which made available to thousands of people the benefit of a vitally needed medical service.

When the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center was opened, the Lions initiated it by bringing to Salisbury the Aquacade. For awhile the magnitude of the project generated doubt of the Club's capacity to make it a success. But leadership and confidence rallied members and the Aquacade became a great success. This sports event recalled to old-timers the regular boxing matches which the Club had successfully sponsored in 1932.

They remembered, too, the parade to bury Old Man Depression in 1932 and participation in Salisbury's Bi-centennial. They recalled the naming of the weekly letter VOX LEO; and the tradition of blindfolding cubs at their initiation that they might realize the handicap of blindness.

This Club is proud of the brother Clubs it has sponsored. Among these are Berlin-Ocean City, Cambridge, Crisfield, Delmar, Denton, Easton, Federalsburg, Fruitland, Hebron, Hurlock, Pocomoke, Queenstown, Sharptown, Snow Hill, and Vienna. It was the sponsoring of the Berlin-Ocean City Club which, along with the saving of Carl Hastings' sight, which lifted Salisbury from the doldrums of lassitude into the tradewinds of useful achievement.

Today the Club has a total membership of 151. It continues its tradition of community and individual service. It is proud of its record and it is proud of the men who have shared its fellowship and contributed to Lionism. Among those who have gained International recognition are Harold Loreman, Jr., Dr. Seth Hurdle, and Dr. Lee Rademaker. Space is not available to list all who have outstandingly served the Club and the District. The prestige of the Salisbury Lions Club attests this. It is its most signal honor and its finest heritage. And it is dedicated not alone to maintaining this record but to improving and to refining it.

Let this list of major achievements stand for the Club's record to date:

Provided operation for the restoration of sight of Carl Hastings, blind from childhood with cataracts.

Sponsored the creation of the Wi-Hi Band with financial support for uniforms, instruments, and director's salary.

Set up news stand for Helen Salter, blind, in the Salisbury Post Office. Purchased three ambulances for the city of Salisbury.

Helped provide for the education of Suzie Mezick (partially seeing) as physical therapist.

Furnished a room at the Wicomico School for Retarded Children.

Organized the Blood Bank of the Eastern Shore.
Gave electric scoreboards to Red Shield and Wicomico County Stadium.
Helped finance Coronary Intensive Care Unit at Peninsula General Hospital.
Rendered support to the Eye Bank of Maryland.
Branch H. Phillips, Jr., is the current Historian.

SHARPTOWN

According to the records of Lions International, the Sharptown Lions Club was organized on February 16, 1940, at Sharptown, Maryland. Since the Club's formation, it has taken a most active part in the community's life, welfare and well-being. The Club has maintained and promoted the projects of Lions International such as purchasing eyeglasses for the needy and working with the youth of the community in sports and other fields. For many years, the Club has kept and maintained hospital "beds for use by those persons in our community who were in need of such items.

In the early 1950's, the Club made arrangements with the Town of Sharptown to develop a tract of waterfront property owned by the town into a public park and beach. Since the beginning, much time and money has been spent on this project and now, Cherry Beach Park is widely known throughout the Eastern Shore of Maryland and lower Delaware for its facilities and picnic areas. With the park's boat ramp, ball field, pavilion, bath houses, picnic tables and approximately 100 yards of sandy beach, all built or developed by the Lions Club, it has become a big asset to the Town of Sharptown and surrounding community.

Past Presidents

February 16, 1940 to June 30, 1941, Avery W. Owens, Charter President: Lion Avery is a Charter Member of the Lions Club and served as its first President, after which he served one term *as* the Club's Secretary.

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942, Harry S. Kuhlman: Lion Harry has served his community well and was so recognized in June of 1967 when the town held a Doctor Kuhlman's Day to his honor; Charter Member, served as 1st Vice Pres. and President.

July 1, 1942 to June 30, 1943, Howard Selathiel Bennett (deceased): Lion Howard was a Charter Member of Sharptown Lions Club and served as 1st Vice Pres. and President.

July 1, 1943 to June 30, 1944, Charlie Louis Windsor: He is a Charter Member of Sharptown Lions Club and served the Club as Treasurer, Secretary and President.

July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945, John H. Cornell (deceased): No information available.

July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946, Edward Rowe Howard, Jr.: Lion Rowe joined the Sharptown Lions Club in February 1942, has served *as* Secretary, Treasurer and President. In February, 1968, he completed his 26th year of perfect attendance.

July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947, Walter Gorman Mann (deceased): He was a sponsor of the Dor-Wic Post No. 218, American Legion, and served as its first Commander, and held many offices there. He was a Charter member of the Sharptown Fire Dept., and served as Fire Chief. He was a Charter Member of the Sharptown Lions Club and served a.5 President and was Secretary at the time of his death.

July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948, James Carlton Hastings: Lion Jim joined the Sharptown Lions Club in 1940 and has held the positions of President and Treasurer.

July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949, L. Fulton Lowe: He joined the Lions Club in 1943 and has served *as* Vice-President and President.

July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950, Donald Ellsworth Wheatley: He joined the Sharptown Lions Club shortly after it was chartered and has served in the three Vice-President's chairs before being elected President.

July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951, Gordy Bounds Collins: He entered the U. S. Army in October of 1942 as a private, served in the United States, England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. Lion Gordy was awarded the Bronze Star for action in the Germany Campaign and was discharged in December of 1945 with the rank of 1st Lt. Lion Gordy is a Charter Member of the Sharptown Lions Club and has served as Secretary, Treasurer, 1st Vice-President and President.

July 1, 1951 to June 30, 1952, Gene H. Phillips: Lion Gene entered the U. S. Army in August of 1941, served in the United States, Africa and Italy, and was discharged in February of 1946 with the rank of Captain. Lion Gene joined the Sharptown Lions Club in October of 1946, served as Secretary, 2nd and 1st Vice-President and President.

July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953, Walter H. Cordrey (deceased): Lion Walter joined the Sharptown Lions Club in 1944, since which time he has served as Secretary, 3rd, 2nd, 1st Vice-President and Club President. He was Zone Chairman of Zone II, Region III in 1953 and 1954. He served as Deputy District Governor of Region III in 1955 and 1956, and again in 1957-58.

July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954, William Jackson Huston: He entered the U. S. Army in September of 1944, served in the United States and Europe, being discharged in February of 1946. Lion Bill joined the Sharp- town Lions Club in 1947, served *as* Secretary, Treasurer, all Vice-Presidents and President.

July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955, Paul J. Smith: Mr. Smith resigned from the Sharptown Lions Club in June of 1964, as he had moved at that time to Silver Spring, Maryland.

July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1956, Avery D. Owens: Lion Avery joined the Sharptown Lions Club in 1945, serving as Tail Twister, 3rd, 2nd and 1st -Vice-Presidents, and President. Lion Avery transferred his membership to the Laurel Lions Club in 1966.

July 1, 1956 to June 30, 1957, Samuel W. Owens: Lion Sammy is a Charter Member of the Sharptown Lions Club and has served his Club as 3rd, 2nd and 1st Vice-President, President and several terms on the Board of Directors as an elected Director. Lion Sammy has been a lifetime resident of Sharptown.

July 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958, Robert W. Wheatley: He entered the United States Army Air Corps in 1943, May 3rd, graduating from the Air Flight School in California and the U.S.A.F. Test Pilot School in Ohio. Lion Bob joined the Sharptown Lions Club in January of 1954 and has served the Club as Secretary, 3rd, 2nd and 1st Vice-Presidents and President.

July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959, Robert H. Owens: Lion Bob joined the Lions Club in January of 1952 and has served as Secretary, 1st Vice- President and Club President. Lion Bob still holds a Member-at-Large membership with th2 Sharptown Club.

July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1960, Samuel Ray Stokes: Lion Ray joined the Sharptown Lions Club in January of 1954 and has served *as* Tail Twister, 2nd and 1st Vice-President and Club President. He is a lifetime resident of Sharptown.

July 1, 1960 to June 30, 1961, Cleophas Ewell Bennett: He entered the U. S. Army in November, 1942, served in U.S.A., Europe and Germany and was discharged in December, 1945, *as* a First Sergeant. His service record shows the Good Conduct Medal, Purple Heart, and Bronze Star. He joined the Sharptown Lions Club in April, 1953, since which time he has served as Treasurer, Secretary, 3rd, 2nd, and 1st Vice President and President. He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Club, having been elected as a Club Director for several terms.

July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962, Benjamin Fulton Adkins: He entered the U. S. Navy in September, 1943, in which service he served as an electrician aboard a U. S. Navy Minesweeper. He was discharged December, 1945, as a 2nd Class Petty Officer. Lion Fulton joined the Sharptown Lions Club in September, 1954, and has served as Secretary, Treasurer, 2nd and 1st Vice-President and Club President and Director on the Board of Directors.

July 1, 1962 to June 30, 1963, James Louis Goslee: He entered the U. S. Army service in March, 1951. He served in the U. S. and the Korean conflict, being discharged in March, 1953, as the rank of Corporal. He joined the Sharptown Lions Club in September, 1953, since which time he has served *as* Lion Tamer, Tail Twister, Treasurer, Secretary, Director, 1st Vice President and Club President. Since joining the Club, Lion Jimmy has attained 100% attendance each year.

July 1, 1963 to June 30, 1964, James Roy White: Lion Roy joined the Sharptown Lions Club in October, 1951, and has served the Club as Secretary, 2nd and 1st Vice President and Club President.

July 1, 1964 to June 30, 1965, Ralph Hermus Cordrey: Lion Ralph joined the Sharptown Lions Club in April, 1952, and has served the Club as Director, 3rd, 2nd, 1st Vice-President and as Club President. In 1967- 68 he was appointed Zone Chairman of Zone II, Region III and, in 1968- 69, was Deputy District Governor of Region III, District 22-B.

July 1, 1965 to June 30, 1966, Allen Thomas Dickerson: Lion Allen joined the Sharptown Lions Club in January, 1961, and has served as Treasurer, Director, 3rd, 2nd, 1st Vice-President and *as* Club President. During the Presidency, the Club won first place in "Activities" contest, District Governor's Award and 100% Secretary Award.

July 1, 1966 to June 30, 1967, Lindley O. Roberts: He entered the U. S. Marine Corps in August, 1937, and served in the U. S., Caribbean, Pacific, China, Korea and retired at the rank of Captain on September 1, 1957. Lion Lin joined the Sharptown Lions Club in December, 1962, and has served as Secretary, 2nd, 1st Vice-President and Club President.

July 1, 1967 to June 30, 1968, Jennings B. Phillips: Lion Jennings joined the Sharptown Lions Club in January, 1953, and has served as 2nd, 1st Vice President and Club President.

1968-69 James C. Hastings. 1969-70, James W. McWilliams II.

SMITH ISLAND

Captain John Smith planted a colony on Roanoke Island, Virginia, which Island became famous *as* the home of "The Lost Colony". On the Captain's return to Roanoke Island the colony had left the Island leaving

no trace whatsoever as to where they went. Theory has it they journeyed South when winter came with friendly Indians. No signs of foul play or graves was left behind.

Captain John Smith journeyed in every direction to find his colony survivors. Most likely seemed up the Chesapeake Bay. He landed on what has been, ever since this visit, Smith Island. He named the Island after himself.

Smith Island has been very much sufficient unto itself. The Chesapeake waters have furnished seafood in abundance from its settlement and in the winter months wild geese, ducks and swan have been plentiful. The people grow some vegetables and keep some cattle for milk. Chicken, beef and pork grace their bounteous festive boards along with the sea-food. They go off the Island to either Deal Island or Crisfield, art' hour ride or longer, for staples and clothing. Mails were uncertain for many years but today a mail boat makes daily calls. The church, the school and community hall furnish meeting places.

On this Island two Lions Clubs were formed: one in Tylerton (an Island within an Island) and the Smith Island Club. They headquarter at the town of Ewell on the Island. Beginnings were in 1948 and the member-ship is maintained at seventy Lions.

Socially the Lions have done much for the community. In 1964 the Tylerton Club amalgamated with the Smith Island Club and one stronger Club leads the civic affairs. Little need is registered for poor families. Sickness and accidents oftentimes call for help. At times a physician has lived on the Island. When this is not true haste is oftentimes needed to secure help. This is a trip to the Crisfield hospital by boat or the U. S. Coast Guard or a Navy base will send a helicopter. Here the Lions spring into action.

All civic affairs are turned over to the Lions for action. The modern aspects of the Island are the products of Lionism. In International Lionism this Club takes a vital interest and in District affairs they always con-tribute of money and time to assist.

No history would be complete without mention of the annual visit of each District Governor. Royalty could treat him no better. Every Lion wants to go by boat to this affair. The writer has been guest of honor as District Governor and has accompanied each District Governor in the yearly visits since his first one. The food, the hospitality, the entertainment and the whole souled friendship is unsurpassed anywhere in Lionism. These men are watermen, in business for themselves handling fishing, crabbing and oyster boats. They are hearty followers of the water, rugged and knowledgeable of the sea. They wear their Lions pins with pride and justly so.

SNOW HILL

The Snow Hill Lions Club was chartered in 1946 under the direction of the late Dr. Rademaker of Salisbury. A. Hartley Stevens was the first President. Lion Hartley is still a very active member of the Club. In the early years of the Club, the main activity was an annual Horse Show held at the Milton Pennewell Farm near Snow Hill. In the past twelve (12) years our main activity has been an annual Homecoming which is held each year in May at Byrd Park in Snow Hill. The activities of Home-coming consist of a barbecued chicken dinner and an auction of merchandise of all description donated by various companies, businesses and friends of the Lions.

In about 1962 the Club bought a building located on Route 113; just north of the Snow Hill corporate limits, and named it "Lions Community Center". The building has been recently remodeled and enlarged, and is now being used by many groups in the area for dinners, dances, wedding receptions and meetings of all kinds. The Maryland Department of Motor Vehicles presently uses the building each Monday morning for its driving test and license examinations.

The Snow Hill Lions Club presently has fifty-four (54) members and is a very active organization. The charitable activities of the club consist of donating eyeglasses to the needy, donations to Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Snow Hill High School Band, American Legion Boys State, American Legion Girls State and the Empty Stocking Club during the Christmas season.

The Club meets the second and fourth Monday nights of each month, except July and August. During these two months we hold no regular meetings. The present President of our Club is Charles D. Dickerson. For the 1970-71 season the elected President is Albert Ardis.

SUDLERSVILLE

The Sudlersville Lions Club was formed by six members of the Millington Lions Club who were residents of Sudlersville. They were Jack Kern, LeRoy Everett, George Godfrey, Hodge Coleman, John Faulkner and Randolph Collier, along with the able assistance of the then District Governor, Seth H. Hurdle of Salisbury. We were chartered with 47 members.

The Sudlersville Lions Club was sponsored by the Millington Lions Club, with our first regular meeting held on October 15, 1962, at the Kent- Queen Anne's American Legion Home near Millington. Our charter night was December 3, 1962, with guest speakers Governor Millard Tawes and Delegate Elroy Boyer.

Our Charter President was Jack Kern, who served for 1962-63, followed by the following presidents:

LeRoy Everett, 1963-1964; James Clements, 1964-1965; George Godfrey, 1965-1966; Charles Coleman, 1966-1967; Guy Comegys, 1967-1968; Spencer Everett, 1968-1969; Austin Appenzeller, 1969-1970.

J. Ralph Graham has been secretary since the organization of our club. Our first Fish Fry was held October 20, 1963, and is an annual affair. It is our main money raising event each year. Other money raising events are raffles, sales of various items such as light bulbs, flag sets, white elephant sales and community bakes.

Our major projects are glasses for the underprivileged. We also support the following organizations: Eye Bank, \$100 annually; Little League; Sudlersville Fire Company; Sudlersville Playground, \$500; and County Recreational Center, \$150.

TRAPPE

The Trappe Lions Club was chartered November 15, 1949. It has experienced a gradual growth and has always been the outstanding force in community improvements. The Lions Club is looked to for leadership in all civic enterprises and has always met the challenge. Beyond local activities this Club has been a contributor to Lion activities in the District, Multiple District and International accomplishments.

To write a history of the Trappe Lions Club is to record the names of the presidents and the accomplishments of each in turn. The first president, also a charter member and very active in forming the Club, was Lawton G. Brown. He motivated the new organization through 1949-50 and at the end of his tenure left a well established organization to his successor.

Another Charter Member, Edwin D. Hirst, President 1950-51, was a civic-minded leader. The outstanding achievement of this year for the President and the Trappe Club was the construction of the new Trappe Fire House and the meeting room for the Lions Club on the second floor. This facility is still used and is a benefit to the entire town.

Charter Member Oliver N. Harrison became President (1951-52). As King Lion he led the Lions Club in equipping the meeting place in the new Fire House with a complete kitchen. This year a Town improvement committee began activities.

William K. Bartlett (President 1952-53). He was a very active Lion President. The club enjoyed good attendance and an increase in membership. Later Lion Bartlett became a Zone Chairman.

The year 1953-54 had Lion Joseph P. Adams, a Charter Member, as President. He was a widely known dealer in agriculture implements and brought to Maryland's Eastern Shore the first powered farm machinery in President. He saw the need for traffic zoning and the use of traffic lights and persuaded the Lions Club to work toward accomplishing this end. The Lions Club did the job.

J. Franklin Baker, President, 1954-55, beyond any doubt the most popular son of Trappe, took an interest in establishing the movement begun by others in forming the "Home Run Baker Little League" and gave to Trappe the first Boy Scout Troop. This man who loved Lionism and gave his support, actively, in all Lion activities honored this Lions Club by being a good and devoted Lion, liked in all things he undertook, from his becoming a Charter Member, to his election to Baseball's Hall of Fame following his death. Under the caption of Outstanding Lions and District Governors will be found a short but very inadequate chronology of this world famous Lion.

President John Betts (1955-56) took the leadership in the Club most seriously. Town improvements were first on the list and finishing traffic regulations were his chief aims. He gave to the Club the experience of a man devoted to detail. The Club continued to grow and prosper.

1956-57 had S. Troth Kemp as King Lion. He was popular in the community, a devoted Lion and was very active when traffic lights and regulations of traffic were in the making. He was an expert at raising funds and organized the Lions Club's first Minstrel Show.

Lloyd L. Morris, 1957-58, served as President for another good year for the Club. One project, often discussed but nothing done about it, came under his plans and he led the Lions into improvement of Maple Avenue.

In 1958 Merrick Saulsbury became President. A harmonious cooperation between the Lions Club and the local Fire Company was needed and he seemed exactly the right man for the task. It was accomplished. A new Post Office Building was in the offing and under his leadership this project was sponsored.

George G. Betton took over for a year in 1959. As a Lions Club leader he introduced two fund raising projects. The Club sponsored a Shrimp Feast. Also a Chicken Bar-B-Que was sponsored and the Lions Club has seen to it that this Fund Raising project exists to this day and is growing in popularity, drawing patrons from a larger circle, around Trappe, each year.

Kirby Metz, 1960-61, saw the new Post Office Building opened in Trappe, culminating the efforts of the Lions Club covering a period of several years. Lion Kirby was also a Charter Member of the Lions Club. President John Quidas took the leadership in 1961. He was another

Charter Member to serve his club as President. He promoted a "Crab Feast" as a Fund Raising project, and gave his active leadership to in-creasing the Lions Club's Hospital and Invalid equipment, used whenever needed by the community.

Another Charter Member became President in 1962. He added an Antique Show to the annual Chicken Barbeque. This became popular at once and still is an annual project of the Club. Lion Emory T. Carter served well.

Dr. William L. Winters found time, along with his practice of Med-icine, to furnish the Club leadership. A fire escape was added to the lo-cal Fire House, the number of Social events staged annually by the Lions was increased. The District Governor, this year, praised the Trappe Club for its gradual but certain growth, its gifts to the community and cts unity in action. 1963-64 was another good year.

Carlton Mock served for the year 1964-65. He was a money-getter. He actively led in all the established activities and added a Fish Fry to the projects for raising funds. The "Eye Bank", started two years previously was gaining great momentum in the District and Lion Carlton led the Club in supporting this greatest of all Lion projects with all his might.

Again a Charter Member, Lion Howard Bailey, became King Lion for the year 1965-66. Lion Howard was well-known; his duties as Farm Administrator with the United States Department of Agriculture covered a large area. He was a very active administrator giving full attention to de-tails. He is a Key Member and a devoted Lion.

Lion C. Lester Chance, President, 1966-68. The Fish Fry, Crab Feast and Chicken Barbeque are still going strong under his leadership, and the Club is finding places to spend their earnings on the community.

Naturally, in reviewing the activities of the Club by the terms of presidents, the emphasis is placed on the chief activity. This does not tell the full story. The lesser activities are consequently omitted and yet they may be the activities with the greatest potential value. No one can estimate the value of any one gift to a town. No one can estimate the worth of eyes willed to the "Eye Bank". Some person may receive the sight therefrom which will bring untold blessings to the world.

The worth of a Lions Club is first local, but Lionism, in 144 Nations, spreads itself around the world. The sun never sets on Lions projects. They number into the millions and most Lions share in this service of blessings to mankind. Some Clubs are rather self-centered. This could not be said of the Trappe Club. It is not mentioned, world-wide, like its most famous member, the late Franklin J. (Home Run) Baker but its influence and worth and usefulness, is felt around the globe.

Past Presidents

1949-1950, Lawton G. Brown; 1950-1951, Edwin D. Hirst; 1951-1952, Oliver N. Harrison; 1952-1953, William K. Bartlett; 1953-1954, Joseph P. Adams; 1954-1955, Franklin J. Baker; 1955-1956, John Betts; 1956- 1957, S. Troth Kemp; 1957-1958, Lloyd L. Morris; 1958-1959, Merrick Saulsbury; 1959-1960, George G. Betton; 1960-1961, Kirby Metz; 1961- 1962, John Quidas; 1962-1963, Emory T. Carter; 1963-1964, Dr. William L. Winters; 1964-1965, Carlton Mock; 1965-1966, Howard Bailey; 1966- 1967, 1967-1968, C. Lester Chance; 1968-1970, Ira O. Nelson.

WEST SIDE

An organizational dinner-meeting was held on October 23, 1947, 'at the Waterview Beach Hotel. At this meeting were forty-five (45) persons who indicated their desire to organize and become members of the West Side Wicomico County Lions Club. Under the sponsorship of the Hebron Lions Club, this Club was organized and elected Harold B. Kennerly, Jr., as its first President. On November 20th of the same year, a combined Charter- Ladies Night meeting was held at which time the Club was presented its Lions International Charter. It was a pleasure to have as guests Mr. Lee Rademaker, International Director of the Salisbury Club, plus many supporting guests from the sponsoring Hebron Club, who made a presentation of a gong and gavel. In addition, a flag was given by the Salisbury Club.

The West Side Lions Club has been an energetic and busy one. Some of its projects and accomplishments are as follows:

- a) The establishment and maintenance of a Disposal Area.
- b) Eye Pro-gram: providing eye examinations, one eye operation, glasses, and solicited donors for the Eye Bank.
- c) Sponsored such community activities as the March of Dimes, Community Chest, Blood Bank, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, softball, basketball and volley ball teams, Teenage and Youth Group dances
- d) Contributed to the purchase of the Fire Department Ambulance.
- e) Constructed a home for an aged couple in 1956.
- f) Built and equipped a Community Center at a cost of \$45,000.00. The Cornerstone Ceremony was held on Dec. 13, 1958. The building was completed and dedicated on Aug. 30, 1959. By holding Sunday Dinners once a month, plus other money- raising activities, it was possible to complete payment of this center in 4 1/2 years. The Mortgage Burning Ceremony was held on March 22, 1964.
- g) A continuing project is to furnish fuel, food, electricity and medicine for the aged and needy in the neighborhood, as such need arises.
- h) An intensive search for a doctor was undertaken and suitable offices established for his use.

- i) In 1962 a Yearly Memorial Service was instituted, usually held in May, to honor deceased members.
- j) Subsidized the Milk Program at the Nanticoke School for needy children as requested.
- k) This Club was active in facilitating the dredging of the Nanticoke Harbor and pursued the establishing of boat ramps in the area.
- l) Provided recreational equipment for the softball diamond. The Club took an active interest in providing parks and other recreational facilities in the area. m. A recent accomplishment was the efforts of this club, in conjunction with other Clubs of the District, to purchase a school bus for the Blind Work Shop of Salisbury, Maryland.
- m) The West Side Lions Club won an Activity Award in 1960 for the numerous activities and projects accomplished. It has been exceedingly fortunate in winning the Secretary's Award several times.

WILLARDS

The Willards Lions Club was organized on the evening of November 15, 1948, with thirty-one charter members:

Edward C. Wilkins, Denver R. Richardson*, Wilbur E. Wimbrow, D. Aubrey Davis*, Valentia D. Truitt*, Harry J. Wilkins*, Crawford D. Rayne, Veletus Hudson, Elton Dennis, Bonard Murray, Ralph M. Rayne, Paul Richardson, Benjamin Dennis*, Floyd R. Cooper, Wallace Cooper, Edward L. Hoffman, H. Gleason Hildreth, Evert B. Fuller*, W. Franklin Taylor, H. Olen Baker, Richard W. Rayne, Grover C. Nicholson, Calvin R. Lewis, H. Carlton Adkins*, Frank R. Lewis, C. Ralph Bradford*, Clinton J. Massey, Wesley D. Truitt, Sture Peterson*, Harry J. Wilkins*, and Olen H. White. *deceased.

Installed as first President at the organizational meeting was Richard W. Rayne, Sr. Serving with him were: Wilbur E. Wimbrow, H. Carlton Adkins, and Valentia D. Truitt, First, Second, and Third Vice-Presidents, respectively; W. Franklin Taylor, Secretary; Clinton J. Massey, Treasurer; Wallace E. Cooper, Lion Tamer; Crawford D. Rayne, Tail Twister; and Frank R. Lewis, C. Ralph Bradford, Denver R. Richardson, and Benjamin F. Dennis, Directors.

Among the special guests were District Governor Raymond A. Magee, of Berlin, Md.; District Secretary E. Peter Richardson, of Berlin, Md.; Edwin R. Kingsley of Parkersburg, West Virginia, Past President of Lions International; H. L. "Jack" Loreman, Jr., of Salisbury, Md., Past Inter-national Director; J. B. Houck, President of the sponsoring Pittsville Lions Club; Essel T. Farlow of the Pittsville Club; James Brown of the Ocean City Club; and C. Ray Hare of the Salisbury Club.

Our meeting dates were set for the first and third Wednesdays of the month, and these dates are still the same. Meetings were held on the second floor of the Fire House for about the first year. On October 2, 1951, however, the club purchased the school property, located on Davis and Canal Streets, and as time and finances permitted the property was improved, resulting in meeting rooms, a modern kitchen, and an assembly hall, all of which are housed in the building known as the Lions Community Center. Trustees for the property were named by the President to be Richard W. Rayne, Sr., H. Carlton Adkins, and Wilbur E. Wimbrow. Over the years the community center has been much used and is in demand several times each week. During the rebuilding of Eden Methodist Church, the center was used as a place of worship. Among the many meetings held here are those of the town of Willards, the Boy and Girl Scouts, and various church groups. The town would be at quite a loss without the Lions Community Center.

It is noteworthy to single out those Lions whose contributions to the Willards Lions Club have been among the most significant. The first to be recognized would be Essel T. Farlow, Past Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer, and John B. Houck, Past District Governor of 22B of the Pittsville Club. Their help in organizing this club and their guidance afterwards was and still is an important influence. Both Lion Essel and Lion Jack have since gone to their great reward.

One should also make note of D. Aubrey Davis, Past President. Lion Aubrey was one of the first to recognize the need for such a building as the community center and was the prime motivator in obtaining funds for the center. Lion Aubrey also made a twenty year perfect attendance re-cord, for each attendance being a regular meeting at the regular meeting place. He has also passed away.

Another good Lion, whom one could not overlook is Grover C. Nicholson, Past President. He should be recognized for his talent and zest for showmanship. He produced and directed twenty minstrel shows for the charity fund. This was no small task and required many hours of his own time. Lion Grover is blessed with talent and the desire to serve his community. He is one of a kind. The Club owes him so much because he is truly a great Lion.

Finally, one must mention the late Denver R. Richardson, Past President. He was chairman of the building committee, and was the major planner in the renovation of the community center. Many hours went into

this project, and they were given most generously. His good work and devotion will live long after him.

In addition to those Lions whose services have been outstanding, we have been blessed with the wonderful Lionesses of the Willards Lions Club. Over the years, they prepared and served the meals, working in groups. Their presence always added to the comfort and enjoyment of the members. Although at this time we are using the services of professional cooks to pre-prepare the meals, the Lionesses still do the serving and are indispensable.

The Presidents who have served the club since its organization are *as follows*:

Richard W. Rayne, Sr., 1948; Wilbur E. Wimbrow, 1948-49; H. Carl-ton Adkins*, 1949-50; Valentia D. Truitt*, 1950-51; Edward C. Wilkins, 1951-52; Grover C. Nicholson, 1952-53; D. Aubrey Davis*, 1953-54; W. Franklin Taylor, 1954-55; Crawford D. Rayne, 1955-56; Denver R. Richardson*, 1956-57; Harry J. Wilkins*, 1957-58; Elton R. Dennis, 1958-59; H. Gleason Hildreth, 1959-60; William A. Carter, 1960-61; Wallace Cooper, 1961-62; D. Collins Ayres, 1962-63; Veletus M. Hudson, 1963-64; J. Maurice Bradford, 1964-65; Charles F. Gurley 1965-66; Bonard A. Murray, 1966-67; Vincent A. Kane, 1967-68; Kenneth L. Lambert, 1969-70.
*deceased.

Members who served in the Cabinet are:

Richard W. Rayne, Sr., Zone Chairman, 1953-54; Veletus M. Hudson, Zone Chairman, 1965-66; J. Maurice Bradford, Zone Chairman, 1966-67; Richard W. Rayne, Sr., Deputy District Governor, 1954-55; Richard W. Rayne, Sr., Deputy District Governor, 1955-56; J. Maurice Bradford, Deputy District Governor, 1969-70; Bonard A. Murray, District Governor, 1965-66; J. Maurice Bradford, Cabinet Secretary, 1965-66.

In summation, there are ten charter members who are still active Lions, and ten are deceased. The Club has a current roster of thirty-seven Lions. In making special note, in earlier paragraphs, of some members who have been outstanding, our apologies to those who might have been overlooked. All of the members, in their own ways, have contributed much, otherwise they would not be Lions.

Our motto is "We serve," and over the past twenty-one years since the organization of the Willards Lions Club, the community has reaped many benefits from its existence. Greater still, the members have benefited the most. It is a pleasure and a reward that words cannot express. It is our hope that the club will continue to grow and serve.

Part III

J. FRANKLIN BAKER

Lion Frank, born in Trappe, Maryland in 1886, is better known by his nickname, "Home Run" Baker. He earned a niche in organized Base-ball by playing for Philadelphia 1908-14, transferring to New York through 1922. He was elected to baseball's Hall of Fame in 1955. He led in the number of Home Runs hit in four consecutive seasons. His records were made in the "dead" ball era.

His contributions went far beyond thrilling thousands who crowded the Ball Parks to see him knock the ball over the fence, OT to put a World Series on ice by slamming a "home run" in a World Series against Christy Mathewson, who pitched three shutouts, out of a five game series, the year previous, (1903). Quickened heartbeats, too numerous to compute, could have been registered around the world. His greatest contribution was to the sporting world. He brought character, honesty, integrity, truthful-ness into the heroic place he held in the hearts of true sportsmen.

Newspapers and magazines around the world have chronicled his deeds on the baseball diamond. The purpose of this brief narrative is to record that he returned to the small town of his birth, bought many acres of the soil he loved, and was a member of the Trappe Lions Club. Being a man who believed in the better things of life and exemplifying them, the Lions Club membership was a natural. He shunned publicity to a degree hard to believe and did not accept any District positions. He did, however, serve as President of his Club, was a member of many committees and never lost interest in helping his Lions Club foster improvements to the community life of Trappe.

His visits to distant points covered much of the world. Whenever possible he attended Lions meetings in distant places. He enjoyed just being a visiting Lion and usually this was the role he played. Nonetheless some-one usually recalled his name or knew him from recalling pictures of him, and the Lions Club went wild in hosting a celebrity so widely known and admired.

His death left organized Baseball, his community and Lionism richer for his having lived.

LEE G. BELL

Serving one year, 1951-52, as District Governor of 22B, this man has given to Lionism an active interest from the day he had a Lion pin placed on the lapel of his coat. His worth to Lionism will never be completely told. Some clubs dig up an old program of an event held, years previously, and the name of Lee G. Bell appears.

Governor Lee, as he is affectionately known, was born on Kent Island, March 10, 1911. His education was begun in the grade schools of Kent Island. He finished High School on Kent Island and in 1933 graduated from Washington College, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics.

In 1935 he married Virginia D. Clifford. Two sons: David and Robert, and one daughter, Virginia, graced this marriage. Three grandchildren complete the family circle.

He has always been interested and active in the civic affairs of the Island of his birth. He has long been a member of the Kent Island Methodist Church, the Kent Island Yacht Club, the Kent Island Fire Department and the Kent Island Lions Club. He served Lionism as Club President, Secretary, Director, numerous Committee Chairmanships, Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, District Governor and District Convention Chairman. He is a Key Member, has a twenty year perfect attendance record, has a perfect attendance at District Conventions and has attended ten International Conventions. Presently he is on two committees of his own club. He will be active as a Lion as long as he has strength.

He has served his County, Queen Anne's, as Chairman of the Heart Fund and his Alma Mater as a committee member of the Heritage Fund. He has served as President of Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department, Kent Island Chamber of Commerce, Kent Island Yacht Club Holding Corporation and the Kent Island High School Parent Teachers Association.

In business he is owner and proprietor of Bell Sales and Service, Bell L.P. Gas and The Bell Insurance Agency.

Kent Island has made many civic advances with the erection of the bridge crossing the Chesapeake Bay. In practically all these endeavors the Kent Island Lions Club and Past District Governor Lee G. Bell have deep interest and painstaking leadership.

CHARLES S. BILBROUGH

Lion Charles S. (Moose) Bilbrough, born in Greensboro, Maryland, April 27, 1911, educated in the public schools of Greensboro, Maryland, served Lionism in many capacities and at this writing is as interested as in the days he was District Governor. He was President of the Class of 1928 when he graduated from Greensboro High School.

He early attained recognition in the late twenties and thirties as a semi-pro pitcher, being retained in 1930 by the Chicago Cubs as a batting practice pitcher.

He could boast in helping a few of the great batters attain their high standings. He pitched to Rogers Hornsby, Hank Wilson, KiKi Cuyler and Gabby Hartnett, among others. The Eastern Shore will long remember his prowess as an athlete.

His first employment was with A. J. Reach Sporting Goods Company as a Store Manager in Greensboro, Maryland. In 1930 he became a Shipping Clerk for The Ford Motor Company in Chester, Pa. The following year he was appointed as Rural Letter Carrier from Greensboro and has held that position to the present. He is a small type farmer of no mean ability and has become interested in raising Iris of distinction.

Since 1943 he has been a Director of the Caroline County Bank of Greensboro, served as President of the Board of Trustees of the local Methodist Church, 1941-1961, President of the Parent Teachers Association for 1950-51 and President of The Rural Letter Carriers Association 1946 through 1948.

He joined the Greensboro Lions Club in 1943 and has maintained a perfect attendance record. He held every office in his club, served twice as Zone Chairman and twice as Deputy District Governor. Numerous committees on the District level included his name and efforts. He always showed an interest in Lionism and fidelity in the performance of his duties. He became District Governor in 1957 and under his leadership the District had a growth in number of Clubs and membership. He has received all Keys given Lions with the top Key given Christmas 1968 being the Key of Nations.

The Bank of Greensboro made him President and he is now serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors. He married Margaret Elva Warner, the daughter of a well-known and successful farmer of Sudlersville. Two children blessed this marriage. Betty Jean trained as a nurse in Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, and is now married to James Alexy, a Philadelphia, Pa., lawyer. A son, Larry Barton, is now teaching Mathematics in Colonel Richardson High School.

To serve as Cabinet Secretary he appointed Joseph B. Riddleberger and as Deputy District Governors those selected were Dr. A. S. David, Robert F. Irwin, Walter H. Cordrey, William L. Dudley and Lloyd L. Simpkins. These men later attained distinction as Lions.

ORLAND B. BLADES

Lion Dick came into this world in Seaford, Delaware, August 29th, 1901. Preston, Maryland, became his home in boyhood. He attended the Preston Public Schools and Washington College in Chestertown, Md.

In 1942 he joined the Lions Club of Preston and has behind him a history of perfect attendance. He held practically all the offices in his Club and is a Past President.

In 1949 he was elected Governor and gave to the District a leadership long to be recalled by the many friends he made. Among the achievements of that year was his organization of the Trappe, Maryland Club. He is a Past Master of the Preston Masonic Lodge, was a member of the Maryland House of Delegates for fifteen years ending in 1966 and in his retirement he is serving as Chairman of Recreation and Parks for Caroline County which office he has held since 1967.

In Lionism he has been faithful to the organization, loyal to the services for which the organization stands and loyal to his own Club. He has two sons, one of them living in Preston who is following in the foot-steps of his illustrious father.

WARREN F. BROOKS

Warren F. Brooks, District Governor, 1963-64, brought to his retirement on Deal Island a reputation as an After Dinner Speaker, a membership in Lionism dating back to 1941, a Green Thumb in the horticulture of Iris, a sense of humor and ability as an executive. It was not long until his new home as a Lion, the Deal Island-Chance Lions Club, elected him President. He breathed enthusiasm into this office in 1961. The following year, Dr. Hurdle appointed him Deputy District Governor-at-Large. He was elected, unanimously, District Governor for 1963-64. His ability as a public speaker, his humor and his love for Lionism made him a popular District Governor. He has given much of his time since his term of office to installing officers, speaking at special functions and inducting new members throughout the District. In addition, he has been the speaker at District Socials and Anniversary Meetings in other Districts.

He served three years on the Multiple District Convention Committee as Treasurer, Vice Chairman and as Chairman in 1967. He attended several International Conventions, has been active in the Cabinet of his own District and compiled this history. He was Multiple District Chairman at the Tokyo, Japan Convention.

He grew Iris as a hobby and at one time had over two acres of Iris in bloom each spring numbering about five hundred varieties. These attracted hundreds of visitors and his garden was pictured in several widely read magazines. He served Somerset County as President of Somerset Re-development Corporation for two terms and as Chairman of a Financial Drive to begin construction of a Civic Center.

Governor Brooks is a graduate of Bucknell University, "magna cum laude", did graduate work at Bucknell and Northwestern, was a Sales Manager for a large Oil Company and a Goodwill Agent for a large Insurance Company.

He served four years as a Director of the Delaware County Board of Realtors, being an affiliated member, was president of The Riverside Yacht Club in suburban Philadelphia. In addition to the Lions, he belonged to the Masonic Blue Lodge and Sigma Chi, a national college fraternity. He traveled both to Europe and South America and after retirement spent much of his time wintering in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

He has one daughter who lives with her husband, Thomas Spreeman, and her three daughters in King of Prussia, Pa.

In 1969 he married Mrs. Naomi Long. They live in the Deal Island dwelling of Lion Warren and her home in Salisbury.

H. RICHARD BRUNNER

The Oxford, Pennsylvania, Club prepared this Lion for duties he later gave to District 22. He joined the Oxford, Pa. Club in 1941. In this Club he held many of the important offices and was an active member. He gave one year as a Zone Chairman, District 14D in Pennsylvania.

In 1952 Lion Richard transferred to the Elkton, Maryland Club. Immediately he became an active member. He served *as* Deputy District Governor 22B, 1954-55 and as Deputy District Governor-at-Large, 1955-56.

In 1956 he was elected District Governor and served for one year. During this year he was Chairman of the Council of Governors for the Multiple District 22. His was an active year as Governor and the District prospered under his guidance. No activity of a District Governor was left undone. Perhaps one of his outstanding achievements was his interest in and ability to prepare men for leadership in District 22B.

Later he changed his residence to North East, Maryland. He is the father of four children: Barbara, Linda and Fred at home and Richard who wears the uniform of the United States Army.

ROBERT "BOB" CAMERON

Bob came into the world July 14, 1925 in Peach Bottom, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Fulton High School and Franklin & Marshall Academy. He was engaged in farming until 1950, at which time he transferred his interest to the distribution of petroleum products. In agriculture he grew varied crops including the lucrative raising of mushroom rooms.

He married Phyllis Alger of Rising Sun, a graduate of Linden Hall, Lititz, Pennsylvania. Two sons complete the family, aged 19 and 22.

Varied business experiences fitted him for the role he undertook as District Governor of District 22B; 1968-69. For nineteen years he has owned and operated The Alger Oil Company based in Rising Sun, Maryland. He is a member of the Advisory Committee for the Distributors panel of the Atlantic-Richfield Oil Co. The Official Board of the St. James Methodist church enjoys his service, the Cecil County National Bank has him on the Board of Directors, The Rising Sun Better Business Association and the Cecil County Chamber of Commerce have used him in official capacity. He has served as president of Chantilly Country Club and in work among youth has coached and officially served the organizations of Little League and Babe Ruth Division of Senior Baseball as well as giving of his usefulness to the Boy Scouts.

With this in his background it was natural that his Lions Club brought him to the front as material for District Governor. He served his Club as Treasurer, Vice President, Director and President. District-wise he served as Zone Chairman, International Youth Exchange, Membership and Development and Extension Committees. In 1966 he was Chairman of the Key Breakfast at the District Convention.

As a District Governor he brought business acumen to the task, gave the District the advantage of his organizing ability, painstakingly visited all Clubs officially and was in demand at Lion Social affairs. He presided at several District dinners and for the Multiple District was prominent in his investment of his usefulness. His service on the Cabinet with District Governors Darby Johnson, Bonard Murray and Harry Tucker gave him experience he immediately put to work efficiently. The progress of the District attested to his worth.

Since leaving the high office of District Governor he has not lost contact; attending all Cabinet meetings and giving of his time unreservedly to Lionism.

WILLIAM O. CORKRAN

A Charter Member of the Hurlock Lions Club since 1938, Bill Corkran has served as Secretary and President of his club as well as one term as Zone Chairman. Bill attended the public schools of Dorchester County, Strayer-Bryant Stratton Business College, and was graduated from The Johns Hopkins University in 1934 with a B. S. in Economics. Cabinet Secretary in 1969-70, Bill and his wife, Hazel, and their two children reside in Hurlock, Maryland. Except for a three-year hitch in the Air Force during World War II, Bill has worked as an accountant for the same accounting firm since 1936.

A. S. "DOC" DAVID

Lion David became a member of the Easton Lions Club in 1943. He was elected president of the Club in 1946, in which year the Club won the District Governor's Award. He served as Zone Chairman in 1952-53, as Deputy District Governor in 1956-57 and Deputy District Governor-at-Large in 1957-58. He was District Governor 1958-59.

As District Governor it was his privilege to present the Charter to the newly formed Galena Lions Club in January 1959. District 22-B participated in the Multiple District Lions-Care for Colombia project to provide the children of that South American country with greatly needed school building and classroom supplies.

In addition to his service in Lionism, Lion "Doc" David has been active in his community in many capacities. He is a past-president of the Easton Chamber of Commerce and a past-president and one of the organizers of Easton Little League. He is a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Easton, Maryland and has served as trustee, secretary and president of the Church Council.

Lion David graduated from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 1925 and since then has been employed by Read's, Inc., as a registered pharmacist and store manager.

Lion David and his wife, Peg, were married in 1927 and have two sons, Richard and Stephen, and two daughters, Johanna and Margaret Ann (Mrs. Wm. H. Reeder) and five grandchildren, Dewey, David, Annaliesa and Dirk Reeder and Laurel David. The Davids live at 518 South Aurora Street, Easton, Maryland.

From his first becoming a Lion until the present his interest has never waned. All Cabinet meetings find him in attendance. He has served on various committees each year since he finished his successful term as Governor. His service is such that it will live on after he can no longer donate of his time and energy.

LARRY DODGE

Past King Lion Larry Dodge, retired from a 31-year career of research and administration for the E. I. duPont de Nemours Company, Wilmington, Delaware. Joining with an associate and friend in duPont, Past King Lion Larry Livingston, the two bought a farm in 1950, which they have together developed into a 1200 tree holly orchard. Both have displayed another Lion characteristic, a lively and constructive interest in community affairs.

Lion Larry Dodge, a graduate of Harvard College (A.B., 1917) and, after a World War tour of duty in the U. S. Navy, a graduate of Harvard University (Ph.D., 1924) was the lucky recipient of a gift tape recorder player on retirement from duPont in 1955.

Five years later a summer tenant, who had been typing Braille for the Volunteers Service for The Blind, Inc., 332 South 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19107, suggested that all one needed to become a volunteer worker was an ability to read, a suitably modulated voice, and a tape recorder. This seemed to be an opportunity to put Lionism into practice. It took only one trial tape for Lion Larry to qualify in 1960.

For the past seven years the Cecilton Lions Club has assisted the Volunteers Service for The Blind, Inc. with money, and Larry Dodge with encouragement in providing texts for blind students and professionals, who are less fortunately endowed.

As might be expected from his technical background, Lion Larry has become one of VSFB's mainstays when complicated texts in any field of science or mathematics are to be read. Occasionally, however, he reads some of the classics or some historical material that was assigned to him years ago in school. It is surprising to him to find this material more interesting at age 72, than it was in high school or college.

An idea of the scope of reading covered by his 1325 hours is over sixty-five books and pamphlets. Lion Larry says that the encouragement of his fellow Lions and the expressed appreciation from the many blind friends he has made has been more than ample reward for the hours he has spent. He hopes that for many more years his voice can substitute for eyes for many more blind clients.

GEORGE W. DUTTON

Lion George W. Dutton rose from the "Charter President" of Chesapeake City Club to the District Governorship of 22B for the year 1954- 55. He served his Club *as* Tail Twister, Lion Tamer, Secretary and Director.

He transferred his membership to the Denton Club in 1952, served *as* a Director the next year. He worked as a Zone Chairman, a Deputy District Governor, became a Key Member and assisted in organizing five new Lions Clubs. International bestowed Merit awards on him for his good works. He joined Lionism in 1946.

In his organization, James W. Wright, Jr., served as Cabinet Secretary- Treasurer and as District Governors five names appear. They were Roy R. Adams, H. Richard Brunner, Lawton Brown, Richard W. Rayne and John C. Yaggi of the Denton, Elkton, Trappe, Willards and Pocomoke City Clubs respectively.

Governor Dutton was born in Delmar, Maryland and was educated in the public schools of this same town. He manages the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company in Denton.

He is a Past Master of the Cecil Lodge of Masons, a member of the Royal Arch Chapter and has devoted an unusual amount of time to community projects. His wife Beatrice and self have one son Terry.

OLIVER HARDING

Cabinet Treasurer, 1969-70, Lion Oliver Harding, a native Dorchester Countian, joined the Hurlock Lions Club in 1946 and since that time has established a phenomenal record of 23 years of perfect attendance. He served as President in 1968-69 and, in addition, served as President in 1951-52, Zone Chairman for two years, 1951-53. He is also responsible for sponsor-ing 25 new Lions during his membership.

Lion Oliver is in his sixth two-year term as Trial Magistrate in and for Dorchester County. Lion Oliver's principal occupation is farming. He farms approximately 400 acres of various grain crops. He and his wife, Mary, reside on their farm near Hurlock, Maryland, and have three sons and one daughter and six grandchildren. Two sons are active Lions.

H. WENDELL HENRY

H. Wendell Henry was accepted into membership of the Hebron Lions Club on May 10, 1939. Attended his first International Convention at New Orleans in 1941.

Was elected Director of Hebron Club in 1942.

Was elected Secretary in 1943, also served in 1944.

Was appointed Zone Chairman in 1943-44, under J. Robert Frederick, from the Wilmington Club.

Was elected District Governor in 1944 and served until the District Convention in 1945.

The conventions that year were held in the individual districts due to the travel regulations, because of the war restrictions. District 22 had a Multiple District of 22-A and 22-B, and in 1944 divided again into 22-C. 22-B was all of the Eastern Shore of Maryland and the State of Delaware.

There were 28 Clubs in 22-B when he was elected and he started one Club at Green Hill, Delaware, making a total of 29 Clubs in 22-B. The slogan for that year was "More Lionism in Lions than Lions in Lionism".

The late Dr. Lee A. Rademaker was the Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer. He later was elected Governor and then International Director.

During the administration the matter of Lions education was stressed and tried to keep all Lions interested.

Was elected President of the Hebron Club, 1945-46 after serving as District Governor.

Moved residence to Salisbury in 1941, maintained membership in the Hebron Club until after term as President. Then asked for transfer to Salisbury Club.

Was District 22-B Convention Chairman for the first Convention held outside of the District, when it was moved to Atlantic City. At that time we could not be accommodated in our District.

JOHN B. HOUCK

In John B. Houck, Lionism on the Eastern Shore of Maryland had a devoted Lion who painstakingly did much to advance the organization he carried close to his heart. His immediate family have all passed away at this writing. He died April 19, 1955.

Most of his life was spent in Baltimore where he was born and attended school. His life, business-wise, began *as* proprietor of a self-owned business, said to have been a laundry. Upon retirement he moved to Pittsville and when Lionism was born in Pittsville he became a Charter Member of the new Club. This was October 9, 1945.

Lion John held every office in the Pittsville Club and served on Committees and in Cabinet Offices on the District level. In 1950 he was elected District Governor. His contribution to this high office was the impact of his devotion to Lionism and his organizing ability. He organized the Willards Club before he became District Governor. Lion Essel Farlow served as his Cabinet Secretary.

Later in life he followed the profession of a Public Accountant. This he did in the retirement years on the Eastern Shore. He used the contacts he made in this profession to lead men into Lionism. Lions are richer in 22B because Governor John B. Houck persuaded men to follow him in the richer life, being a Lion, he led.

SETH H. HURDLE

Dr. Seth H. Hurdle, a native of Norfolk, Virginia, is a graduate of the University of Virginia Medical School, the Trudeau School of Tuberculosis and Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health.

With the exception of one year of private practice in Wilmington, Delaware, all of his medical career has been devoted to public service; Resident Physician, Brandywine Sanatorium, Superintendent of the Brandywine Sanatorium, Health Commissioner for New Castle County, Delaware, and since 1930, Health Officer for Wicomico County.

During World War II, he served as Acting Superintendent of Peninsula General Hospital when demands of the armed forces depleted his staff. He also carried on his work as Health Officer.

Later, the State of Maryland called on him to "help out" at Pine Bluff Sanatorium when an administrator could not be found. He served as acting head of that institution for several years until a full time superintendent could be hired. He also carried on his duties as Health Officer during this period.

Dr. Hurdle is a member of the Presbyterian Church and has been very active in the community life of the City of Salisbury and County of Wicomico. He is a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Tall Cedars, Boumi, Eastern Shore Shrine Club, and is a past Commander of the local Power Squadron.

Professionally, he holds membership in numerous medical societies and associations and has rendered valiant service in community drives of Polio, Heart, Cancer and many others closely allied with his life's work.

He joined the Newark, Delaware Lions Club in 1929 and transferred to the Salisbury Lions Club the following year. His Club, the District and International Association have profited much from the zeal and wise counsel he has applied to the duties of the many offices he has held under Lionism. In addition to the numerous District Conventions he has attended, he has also attended twenty-three International Conventions.

Dr. Hurdle has twenty-five years of perfect attendance. Dr. and Mrs. Hurdle have three children, all daughters, and eight grandchildren.

His term as District Governor for the year 1935-36 followed his election to this high office before the days when District "B" was a part of the now well-known Multiple District. He was elected by a slight margin over Lion Bert Piers of Washington, D. C. The entire District was to be served. The Convention was held in Ocean City, Maryland. He appointed Lion Raymond McGee as Deputy District Governor. With the aid of a Past President of the Salisbury Club, Lion Guy Harmon, who had recently moved to Queenstown, the Queenstown Club was chartered. Two more Clubs were added, one being in Laurel, Delaware, now in District "D" and the other in Baltimore known as the Hamilton Club, now in District "A". This brought the number of Clubs in District Twenty-two, under his leadership, to Thirty Clubs.

Again in 1962-63 after his announcement of retirement from the practice of medicine he was drafted to again fill the office of District Governor. There was, of course, no contest and he was the unanimous choice as District Governor of District 22-B. In the twenty-seven years intervening District "B" had been formed and Districts "C", "D", and "W" had also separated from District "A". Four Regions, with two Zones in each Region now comprised District "B".

With the help of the Millington Club the Sudlersville Club was established. An educational program to train speakers and officers for Lionism was in its infancy and Dr. Hurdle took this under advisement and appoint-ed Lion Darby Johnson to lead the baby organization in District "B". He interested The Reverend Allan Whatley, D.D., in the "Eye Bank" just be-ginning and Dr. Whatley has followed through ever since.

CHARLES F. HURLEY

Lion Charles F. Hurley, Sr., a native Dorchester Countian, became a member of the Hurlock Lions Club in 1953. He served as President (1964- 66); Zone Chairman, Region III, Zone I (1966-67); Deputy District Governor (1967-68); Deputy District Governor-at-Large (1968-69) ; member of District Governor's Cabinet (3 years) ; and has a record of 9 years perfect attendance. He served as District Governor 1969-70.

Lion Charles officiated as Master of Ceremonies at the 1967 Multi- District 22 Governors' Elect Luncheon; served as Chairman of the Model Luncheon at the 1969 Multi-District Convention, as well as Chairman of the School of Instruction for Regions III and IV in 22-B; and served *as* Committee Member of Leadership Training Institute at the 1968 Multi- District 22 Convention.

Three of Lion Charles' major goals were: (1) Eye Conservation, (2) Assisting yours truly in the completion of this publication, (3) Promoting Lions International by placing emphasis on Humanism and International President Dick Bryan's motto, "Unite Mankind Thru Lionism". The spirit of Lionism, throughout the District, is now more evident than ever before.

The material for the publication is now going to press. More than \$7,000.00 has been contributed to the Medical Eye Bank of Maryland (the largest sum ever from District 22B); more than two thousand "Gift of Sight" pledges have been signed and turned in; and more than three thousand old pairs of glasses have been collected and distributed to needy persons.

After receiving his B.S. Degree from the Northwest Missouri State College and teaching three years in Missouri, Lion Charles returned to his home county to teach. He attended Columbia University, N. Y., where he received his M.A. Degree. He has done additional graduate work at Columbia, New York University, and the University of Maryland.

Lion Charles has been a school administrator 29 years. At present he is High School Supervisor of Dorchester County Schools. He is an active member of the Trinity Methodist Church in East New Market; has been a member of the Board of Directors of the United Fund, Dorchester County; and a Director of the North Dorchester Chamber of Commerce.

He served nearly 2 years as the Worshipful Master of Choptank Lodge 138 of the Blue Lodge, A.F. & A.M. He has been active in Scouting, Little League Baseball, and the East New Market Volunteer Fire Company, as well as a Town Commissioner of East New Market. He served 2 years (1950-52) as President of the Dorchester County Teachers' Association and one year as Secretary of the Maryland State Principals' Association.

Lion Charles and his wife, Mildred, live in East New Market with the youngest of their children, Kirk. A married son, Charles, Jr., whom he had the pleasure of inducting into Lionism this year, resides in Bel Air with his wife and son. Their daughter, Hyla, resides in Washington, D.C.

DARBY J. JOHNSON

Lion Darby J. Johnson joined the Chesapeake City Lions Club in 1949. He served his Club in almost every capacity, rising through the ranks as Lion Tamer, Tail Twister, Secretary and two terms as President, 1952-53 and 1962-63.

Lion Darby served his District as Zone Chairman; Deputy District Governor, Region I; Deputy District Governor-at-Large; District Co- Chairman, Membership and Development and two terms as District Chairman of ROARING LIONS. He is a Key Member and the recipient of several District Achievement Awards.

A native Marylander, Lion Darby is a graduate of Beacom College, Wilmington, Delaware, and for the past eighteen years has been employed by the United States Government, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland.

During World War II, District Governor Darby served 41 months in the United States Air Force, of which he served twenty months in the China-Burma-India Theatre of Operations (CBI).

Past District Governor Darby is the recipient of the coveted 100% District Governor's Award. Five Lions Clubs celebrated 25th Anniversaries during Lion Darby's term of office.

Lions International, then 3rd Vice President Jorge Bird was the speaker at the *Chestertown Lions Club's celebration*.

Lions International, then Immediate Past President, Aubrey D. Green was the guest speaker at the combined *Preston-Federalburg Lions Club's celebration*.

Lions International, then International Director, Robert J. Uplinger was the guest speaker at the *Easton Lions Club's celebration*.

Lions International, Past International Director, Carl G. Roessler was the guest speaker at the *Sharptown Lions Club's celebration*.

The film, depicting the "Gift of Sight" was procured during Lion Darby's administration. Since that time Lion Reverend Allan 'Whatley has shown the film to hundreds of Lions and non-Lions in and out of the District.

One "ROARING LION" Class, Class No. 6, was graduated during the year.

Two Lions members received Master Keys, two members received Advancement Keys and five members received Key Awards during 1964-65.

Lion Darby and his wife, Mary, reside at 313 Hermitage Drive, Elkton, Maryland.

HERB KAUFMAN

In addition to an excellent coin collection Lion Herb Kaufman has a unique Lion stamp collection. It took him nearly a year to compile and it may be the only one of its kind.

A Past President of the Centreville Lions Club, Kaufman has collected a complete set of the Lions International 50th anniversary commemorative stamps from 35 nations around the world, plus 43 other stamps honoring Lionism by nations in past years. His small, but valuable, collection has just 78 different stamps.

Kaufman, who is also a member of the Centreville Town Commission-ers, and a builder and contractor by trade, became interested in collecting the stamps when he read the January 1967 issue of the Lion magazine which described the 50th anniversary of Lions International and explained that many nations would be issuing special stamps during the year.

While he is primarily a numismatist, he wrote to a number of the stamp collecting firms around the country for help in getting various issues and was even told by one firm that "it would be impossible to compile the entire collection".

Most of his help came from District Governors in the 34 foreign countries. He wrote to 27 of them and received answers from most of them, including the Republic of South Vietnam.

The Lion stamp from Iran arrived in the mail the day after the disastrous earthquake in that country last year and he is not sure that District Governor Dr. A. A. Homayounfar of District 354 in Tehran lived through the quake.

Kaufman said he was most fortunate in that some of the District Governors even mailed him the "First Day Covers" of the stamp along with one or two issues of the stamp. For those of you who are not stamp collectors, a "First Day Cover" is coveted

as this wording is so stamped on the envelope the day of its issue from a particular post office in the country. It is the only time this cancellation will appear for this issue.

An unusual note in the collection: Every nation used the Lion emblem somewhere on the stamp with the exception of the United States. The 5 cent commemorative by this government has a white dove and the wording "Search For Peace".

Going back to 1940, Kaufman *was* also able to collect the 43 other stamps issued in behalf of the international civic organization beginning with Cuba, which now does not even have a Lions Club on the island. The last commemorative was issued on Oct. 7, 1967, by France.

To his knowledge, this unusual collection is the only one of its kind in District 22-B, and he is wondering if it may be the only one in existence. When he wrote to Lions International in Chicago for some help, he was informed that they had no way of gathering all the 50th anniversary stamps together. He wants headquarters to know that it took a little time, some postage and writing, but it was done.

A very active Lion, Kaufman has held every office in his home Club in the 20 years he has been a member and is a Past Zone Chairman.

Now that he's gotten a taste of collecting stamps, will he turn into a philatelist? He thinks not; coin collecting is still his main interest.

H. L. "JACK" LOREMAN, JR.

Outstanding is the word to partially describe the worth and merits of this Lion. He entered the Salisbury Club, being initiated at a luncheon when World Heavyweight Champion Jack Dempsey was a visitor. He served his Club in the three Vice President offices and as Treasurer shortly after becoming a member. In 1936 he was appointed as Deputy District Governor under District Governor, Joseph T. Moltz of the Uptown Baltimore Club. His territory took in Maryland's Eastern Shore, the State of Delaware and one Club, Sandy Springs, west of the Chesapeake Bay. He held the first Group Meeting held in District 22 in the Wicomico Hotel in Salisbury. At this early date a "Group Plan" was in effect; the system of Regions and Zones of the present organization plans had not yet been adopted. He had thirteen Clubs to visit and was the first Deputy District Governor to visit all Clubs in his Group.

In 1937 he again served as Deputy District Governor, appointed by District Governor Bert H. Piers of the Washington Host Club. During this year he was active in organizing new Lions Clubs. In 1938, he served the same office being appointed by District Governor George M. Phipps of the Wilmington Host Club. This year he organized two new Lions Clubs.

In 1939, at the Atlantic City District Convention, "Jack" was elected District Governor. Under his leadership nineteen new Lions Clubs were organized and chartered. New members numbering 190 came into Lionism. This term ended with Lions Clubs outnumbering all other Service Clubs in his District and outnumbering the other Districts in Multiple 22 both *as to* number of Clubs and membership. He set forth a plan of organization which became adopted by Lions International known as the present Region and Zone system and published the first Multiple District Constitution and By-Laws.

In the years he became friendly with the Founder of Lionism, Melvin Jones. Founder Melvin Jones made several trips to Salisbury to consult with Lion "Jack" on development plans for Lionism.

At the close of this unusual year in the local growth of Multiple District 22, the International Convention held in Havana, Cuba, elected him to the International Board of Directors. He traveled extensively for the two years of his office and in 1942 attended seven District Conventions, being an honored guest and speaker. As one of the main speakers he was an outstanding leader at the 1941 Convention held in New Orleans. At the end of this term, 1942, he was a candidate for Third Vice President of Lions International, at the Convention held in Toronto, Canada.

The first "Lions Good Luck Key" offered for organizing a new Club went to "Jack" as a reward for the organization of the Greensboro Club. His was the second "Membership Key" given in the Salisbury Club. His father had earned the first key for sponsoring his own son and Charles Hurt. He holds a "Master Key" having sponsored more than sufficient members to receive this coveted award.

Locally, his influence went far beyond Lionism but always reflected credit to his Service Club. He was, and still is, in demand as a Master of Ceremonies at community and Lions events too numerous to mention. He is never without a message and can find humorous illustrations to emphasize his thoughts. This alone would have been sufficient criteria to bestow honors on him. However his organizing ability and his sincere application of his personality to Lionism forced him into positions of leadership and honor. To compute the number of miles he traveled as Toastmaster, inductor of officers and members and speaking at Lions meetings would number into the thousands.

Naturally these activities, many requested by Founder Melvin Jones, led him into the broad field beyond his own Club. In 1963 he began devotion to his Club and took up positions leading to the presidency of the Salisbury Lions Club. In the rendering of services this position had never been held. He was elected a Director of the Salisbury Club in 1963 to serve two years. In 1965-66-67, he was chosen as third, second and first Vice-President respectively.

In 1968 he was elected *as* president of his Club. He had served one year on the Multiple District Convention Committee. The gauntlet had been complete. He gave of his talents and time to his own Club, to his own District, to Multiple District 22 and to the office of Director in Lions International.

In and through it all he has always been plain, easily met, anxious to help and thoroughly devoted: Past International Director H. L. "Jack" Loreman. His family consists of Shirley, his wife, held in esteem by his fellow Lions, five daughters, three of whom are married, being Gale, Jackie and Bobbie and two at home unmarried, Julia and Jane.

RAYMOND A. MAGEE

Raymond A. Magee came to the Eastern Shore of Maryland, along with his father, from Pennsylvania in March 1920. The father and son partnership founded the Magee Oil Company. Their business was petroleum products, tires and auto parts, being distributors for several well-known and nationally advertised products. They went into the Jobber business of retreading tires and hardware sales.

In a short period of years father and son were well established in Berlin, Maryland. Popularity was an attribute of the son and he became active in community affairs. In 1931 he proved his leadership ability by becoming a founder and one of the "Charter Members" of the Berlin- Ocean City Club. He was President two terms, served twice as Secretary, was Zone Chairman and Deputy District Governor, being selected twice for each office.

He served as District Governor, 1948-49. He was a President of the Ocean City Club the year Ocean City hosted the District Convention and later served his second Lions Presidency as President of the Berlin Club after the two Clubs became separate organizations.

As District Governor he chartered the Willards Club which had an auspicious beginning and has grown in strength and usefulness over the passing years. During his interesting Lions activities he was Convention Chairman and the Convention was held in Ocean City for the second time.

The Berlin Club became his home Club when Berlin and Ocean City decided their usefulness would be greatly increased if they worked separately in their respective communities. He is one of the few Charter Members still living at this writing (1970). He has been honored greatly by Lionism, having earned the honors many times over. His efforts were always sincere, his work well done, his devotion to Lionism very pronounced.

In the declining years his oil business was turned over to the third generation of the family, having remained a growing business over the years. His activities in Lionism gradually decreased as the years slowed him down. He is another of the great men in their communities who gave to Lionism and by this giving served their community first and the whole world with countless blessings. As long as he lives, Lionism will live in his heart. In the years ahead his name will be among those highly revered.

BONARD A. MURRAY

Genial, easily met, enthusiastic and every inch a devoted Lion, Bonard served as District Governor 1965-66. Incidentally, he lived in Delaware, in Millsboro (just over the line), and belonged to the Willards Club in Maryland. This situation, unique but quite in line with a Lionism which recognized no barriers, may never happen again.

His wife, Catherine, was as easily met as the Governor and to this he added Maurice Bradford and his charming wife as Cabinet Secretary.

During his year enthusiasm was shown by a large attendance at the District Social, the 1200 eyes willed to the Eye Bank. \$2,685.00 was donated to various projects by the Clubs in the District.

Queenstown celebrated its Thirtieth Anniversary with Governor Bonard officiating and International Director Tommy Gwynn as the speaker.

He traveled twenty thousand miles and made 114 visits to Clubs. Six members received Key awards. Thirty-eight Clubs had 100% Secretary awards. Death claimed twenty-three Lions, an unusually large number.

He threw his support behind the Roaring Lions classes and with the help of J. Edwin Pippin two classes graduated a large number of students at well attended ceremonies. To close a splendid year, Lion Bonard was elected Advisor to the incoming Council of Governors, a position he filled with his habitual enthusiasm and good judgment.

EDWARD O'DWYER

Lion Edward O'Dwyer joined the Elkton Lions Club in 1954 and has maintained perfect attendance since that time. In his Club besides many committee assignments, he has served as Director, Secretary, Vice President, President in 1962-63. He has served the District as Zone Chairman and Deputy District Governor prior to his election as District Governor in 1966.

Lion Ed was born in Philadelphia and received his education in the public schools in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. He also attended the Goldey Beacom Business College.

District Governor Ed is employed by the Chrysler Corp. in Newark, Delaware, as an expediter in the Planning Dept. and has recently completed fifteen years with this corporation.

Lion Ed and his wife, Vera, reside in Elkton, Md. They have two children, Richard and Marjorie, both married, and five grandchildren. His son, Richard, now serving in the Armed Forces, is also a Lion.

As a member of the Elkton Club his enthusiasm was pronounced in Regional and Zone activities this enthusiasm never lagged and it followed him into the leadership position of District Governor. He put all he had, unreservedly, into this position and gave District 22-B an outstanding year. The District caught his devotion to an active Lionism and individual Lions will always praise his deep interest and fidelity in performing the tasks of a District Governor.

HARRY OLIP'HANT

To write a short synopsis of this Lion requires more ability than this writer can command. Name a capacity a Lion can serve his Club and Harry Oliphant was that. The same success which attended him in business, also attended his efforts in Lionism.

He began life as an Agent for a popular automobile in Laurel, Delaware and in 1933 became a citizen of Salisbury with the same Automobile Agency which still bears his name. It was the life work of a man who took an interest in his own work and showed fidelity in its performance.

Among the several organizations to which he belonged, his Lions Club took preference over all others. He made his business appointments around Lions Club meetings. His attendance record over a business lifetime was one hundred percent. He attended a Lions Club meeting in Middle River, Florida on a Tuesday evening and died the Saturday following. Toward the close of his life, in retirement, he "made up" the meetings he missed in his own Club by attending the Clubs nearby in Florida but essentially the Middle River Club.

He read the Lions Magazine, it is reported, from cover to cover as each issue arrived. He read everything written on Lionism which reached publication. He advocated a Community meeting place for all organizations and never ceased to insist that Salisbury needed such a meeting place as a "Lions Den". At this writing the idea is again being revived.

Lion Harry was always constructive in his thinking and gave this quality to his leadership in Lionism. He thrived on "visitations" to Clubs other than his own and took others with him on his many visits with other Clubs. Never did he miss an opportunity to talk Lionism to individuals. This resulted in his bringing new members into the organization. He attended all Multiple District 22 Conventions, several International Conventions

and following his year as District Governor attending Cabinet Meetings, serving on Committees until his retirement in Florida. When he returned to Salisbury in the summer months his loyalty to the District Cabinet did not slacken in the least.

He served on Committees in his own Club, began with the office of Secretary, served as a Director, later as president and his highest office was that of District Governor 1955-56, five years after being president of his Club. These are facts but do not hint at telling the story of his usefulness.

He was born June 20, 1889 and died in Florida in December 1968. Survivors are his widow, Gladys Oliphant and two daughters; Mrs. Mary Miller of Dover, Delaware and Mrs. Dorothy Martin of Salisbury. So many friends in Lionism sent garlands of flowers that he slept the night of his funeral beneath a wilderness of blooms, a partial tribute to the fondness in which his associates in business and the Lions of District 22B revered his name.

HARRY T. PHOEBUS

This Political Leader, close friend of many, successful in business and a gentleman proud to be a Lion was born in the town of Oriole, Maryland, February 24th, 1893. Oriole remained his home until his death November 27th, 1964. His tomb is in the town where he was born.

He attended the Public School of Oriole and beyond that was a graduate of what is oft called the college of hard knocks. He knew human nature, had a most pleasing personality, made friends very swiftly. He had the confidence of his fellow men, the trust of little children and the respect of decent women.

He began business as an Automobile Dealer and Real Estate Broker. He remained in this dual business all his life.

He became known throughout the State of Maryland and adjacent territories as a Public Official. In 1917 he was elected a member of Maryland's House of Delegates which position he held until 1921. This year of leaving Annapolis he was elected to the Board of County Commissioners for Somerset County serving a four year term. In 1925 he was elected Treasurer of Somerset County.

Elected to represent Somerset County in the Maryland Senate he served as Senator until he was appointed Commissioner of Labor in 1937. He was a candidate for Governor of Maryland in 1939. This was unsuccessful. In 1946 he came from eight years of retirement in public life and was again elected State Senator. He held this position until his death and his son, Harry T. Phoebus was appointed to take his place in the Maryland Senate Chamber.

He was popular in public office as at home being the Minority Leader 1955 through 1963. In community affairs he was the counselor to many citizens. The number of young folk for whom he secured scholarships to gain a higher education, the number of men and women whom he aided in securing work and the many friends he made because people believed in him will never be counted.

Mr. Phoebus married Vera Beauchamp in 1916. They had five children: Priscilla (deceased), Elizabeth, Jean, Harry T., Jr., and I. Theodore.

As a Lion Harry T. Phoebus, Sr., was a proud wearer of the emblem of his Service Club. He attended Lions luncheons and dinners wherever he was and when at home attended the Deal Island-Chance Lions Club of which he was an active and highly esteemed member. His son, Harry T., Jr., was a member of his father's Lions Club until he took up residence in Crisfield as an attorney and the other son I. Theodore, Clerk of Somerset County Court, is an active member of his father's Lions Club. Lionism and especially the Deal Island-Chance Club will always be proud that this distinguished gentleman was a member.

JAMES PIPPIN

Lion Jim was born and raised in Millington, Md., and graduated from Massanutten Military Academy. He served three years in the U. S. Army during World War II and returned to Millington to enter the Feed, Grain and Fertilizer business. He and his wife, Phyllis, have three children and two grandchildren. Jim is now employed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Chestertown, Md. Lion Jim is a Charter Member of the Millington Lions Club with 18 years perfect attendance. He served in all of the Club offices through President. During his term as District Governor he served as Secretary-Treasurer to the Council of Governors and chartered the Allen Lions Club.

WILLIAM PUNCKE, JR.

This Past District Governor was born in Alberta, Canada 1913 and graduated from Grammar and High School in Chicago, Illinois. He completed a Certified Public Accountant Course in LaSalle University of this same city. He spent nine years in the Trucking Transportation Industry in Michigan, five years with Maryland State Police, three years in the overseas Air Corps, and worked with the Noble Lumber Company, Federalsburg as an Accountant. He has been active in both Boy and Girl Scout work serving on committees at their founding and on two financial drives.

In January 1947 he became a member of the Federalsburg Lions Club. He served as Program Chairman, First Vice President, Club President, Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, holds a Membership Key,

has had a splendid attendance record, six years being perfect. He enjoys Cabinet and Construction work and Architectural Drawing.

Irvin Engrem served as his Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer and three District leaders served as Deputy Governors being Roydon Powell of Centreville, George Dutton of Denton and Harry Oliphant of Salisbury.

LEE RADEMAKER

Possessing the qualities which make a man a natural leader, Dr. Lee Rademaker brought leadership to Lionism. In 1933 he joined the Salisbury Club and displayed leadership, loyal interest and accomplishment throughout his life. One of his first tasks was to be Secretary of his Club. This year he also received the Senior Master Key award because he brought in new members to earn this unique Key.

In 1942 he was elected President of his Club. The International Convention was held in Toronto, Canada that year. Lion Lee was active in promoting men from his Salisbury Club and this year Lion Jack Loreman was elected Third Vice President of Lions International. Dr. Rademaker led the Multiple District parade in Canada that year. The first prize went to District Twenty-two.

He was elected District Governor for the year 1946-47. Nine new Clubs came into what is now District B that year and more were added to what is now District D. This year another division came to District 22 and "B" was divided into two Districts. Considerable discussion was held at the District Convention in the Spring of 1943 on this division. A line was drawn dividing Maryland's Eastern Shore and Delaware into North and South forming two Districts. However, when the Resolution went to Lions International the Resolution was discarded. Lionism, from the beginning followed state boundary lines. Therefore, the Eastern Shore of Maryland remained in Lions International as 22B. Delaware was 22D.

Now an International figure in Lionism Lion Lee took the Wicomico High School Band to the Philadelphia Convention. Lionism elected an outstanding and devoted Lion this year, as International Director for the term 1947-49.

Lionism had many members who wanted the worthy Lion raised to the office of President of Lions International. This was seemingly an almost accomplished fact. After his term as Director of International he was active in all District and local club matters. He left his mark on the local scene and through Lionism made an impression on much of the world.

He was an outstanding Doctor of Medicine. Many people, still alive, owe their lives to his skill as a surgeon. His name is framed sacredly by the lips of many. At the International Surgical Convention in Chicago he was elected a Director. He was dictating an Acceptance Speech to this

high honor in the field of Surgery when he died the eighth day of September, 1954.

EARL W. ROBERTS

Born October 5, 1903, this Lion served his Club and District well. He began as a Lion in 1952 when he joined the Preston Club. He served his Club and the District on various committees and as Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor (two terms), President of his Club, 1962-63, following the holding of practically every position in his Club.

In 1961 he was elected District Governor and was made Chairman of the Council of Governors for the Multiple District.

He graduated from Pennsylvania State University and later earned his Master's degree at the University of Pennsylvania. He taught school in Pennsylvania prior to coming to Maryland where he became County Di-rector of Music for Caroline County. His work with a musical Band brought him into the limelight. He was a member of the Maryland Association of Bandmasters and the International Music Fraternity "Sinfonia". He was a member of the Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity and rose in Masonry to the thirty-second degree.

In 1963 a prolonged illness took this leading Lion from us and his active career as an instructor in Public Schools and his activity as a worthy Lion came to an end. His death left Lionism on Maryland's Eastern Shore poorer with his passing.

As a District Governor he had the confidence of his fellow Lions, left a series of accomplishments behind him. His Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer was Charles "Chick" Newton of the same Preston Club, now transferred, in business, to Florida.

He is survived by one son, George, and two grandsons. His wife, Almeda, lived one year after his death.

JOHN M. SMITH

Rev. John M. Smith from Northeast, Maryland Club was well equipped to serve as a District Governor of Lionism and did so with consecrated zeal. He was, by a lifetime of training in the ministry, an eloquent speaker, a leader and organizer. In addition he believed in Lionism and wanted the organization to grow.

Although he came from the Northern part of the District his work was rewarded in the lower section of the Eastern Shore. Smith Island, Deal Island-Chance Clubs were established under his direction and with the aid of other Clubs he wisely pressed into service.

Historical data is vague in his active Lionism. Many praises have been given him. Verification is seemingly impossible of many works he accomplished. It was a part of the man to not boast nor record his efforts and the rewarding fruits.

He was taken from his tasks on earth rather quickly and in addition to his dedication as a clergyman he left an indelible mark upon the Eastern Shore of Maryland as a courageous Lion.

J. WALTER TRUITT

This District Governor served in 1947-48 being appointed to this task by Lions International after a plan to divide the Del-Mar-Va Peninsula into North and South Districts was countermanded by Lions International, the rule being obligatory that District lines and States lines coincide.

Two Governors had been elected, both from Delaware, and it was necessary to appoint one from Maryland's Eastern Shore. J. Walter Truitt was the logical man for the task. He served the year 1947-48 with distinction and efficiency.

He began his year of leadership with a Cabinet consisting of only two men who had enjoyed official experience. The problem was to pull the somewhat disappointed Clubs together and get them operating as a unit. The goal was to have 85 percent average attendance and five new clubs. The last of the five clubs was organized the week before the Multiple District Convention. The attendance averaged over ninety percent.

His leadership proved to be exactly what was needed. He was enthusiastic and this quality spread throughout the District. He was well liked and this helped Lionism move as a District unit. He was devoted and this led to others catching the same spirit. He passed to his eternal reward and is remembered by many as a loyal leader.

HARRY J. TUCKER

Harry J. Tucker served as District Governor 1967-68. He brought to the highest office in the District a successful career in business as a General Contractor since 1931. This, a new angle for a District Governor, gave a slightly different approach to the office than had been experienced and a successful year of activity.

Outside of Lionism he served the First Methodist Church of Chester-town in various official capacities including nine years as Chairman of the Finance Committee. He is a member of the Chestertown Fire Company Band and the American Legion. He wore the uniform of his country serving in World War II. He and his wife, Betty, boast of four children: John, Robert, Barbara, David, and two grandchildren, Robert, Jr. and Kirk.

His Lionism began November 25, 1952, when he became a Charter Member of the Church Hill Lions Club. He served his Club as a Director for four terms, as Treasurer for one year, as First Vice President for one year and *as* President 1958-59.

He served District 22-B as Zone Chairman 1964-65, Deputy District Governor 1965-66, Co-chairman of the Membership and Development Committee 1966-67 and became District Governor at the Atlantic City Convention in 1967. As District Governor he was elected Chairman of the Council of Governors.

His interest in Lionism never waned throughout the years. All phases of Lionism received his wholehearted support and enthusiastic participation in bringing activities to a successful fruition. He was painstaking in the performance of his duties and his year revealed increases in District Lionism.

HOBERT M. WEBST'ER

This devoted Lion began his usefulness to Lionism by being active as an organizer and Charter Member of the Hebron Club in 1937 and beginning in 1938 commenced an activity which has been increasingly beneficial to many up to the present. He served his Club as President (1940), served his District as Zone Chairman (1950), under District Governor John Houck. Again in 1956 he served as Zone Chairman under Governor H. Richard Brunner. Under District Governor James T. Pippin he served as Deputy District Governor (1958). He served as Secretary (1944 and 1964). Hebron Public Schools, The International Correspondence School and a class in Roaring Lions fitted him educationally for his service through Lionism.

He worked thirty-five years *as* a Salesman for Sweetheart Bakers, Inc. Later he was Supervisor and District Manager from which office he retired in 1962. He lives at 302 East Lillian Street in Hebron with a popular Lioness "Willye", his wife, and is proud of his only daughter, the mother of his four granddaughters, who reside in nearby Salisbury.

REV. ALLAN WHATLEY, D.D.

It takes a Raphael to paint a Madonna and to write of the worth and merits of Lion Allan Whatley demands words beyond the writer's ability to command. He was born in Newfoundland, Canada, graduated from Bishop's University with a degree of B.A. in 1925. Four years later he earned a degree of S.T.D. from General Theological Seminary and an M.A. from New York University. Following this came studies at New York University for a Doctor's degree. He is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, a national scholarship, research and leadership fraternity.

He has served the Episcopal Church since 1927 and for the past sixteen years has been Rector of Christ Episcopal Church in Cambridge, Md. This church has produced five Governors of Maryland who are buried in the church cemetery. He has served on every committee in the Easton Diocese at present is President of the important Standing Committee, a member of the Department of Missions and the Executive Council. He directed the campaign for the new Diocesan Center in Easton and raised \$375,000.00 for the Choptank Diocese. A new Parish House is the result of his efforts in Cambridge and is used for church and community meetings. He retired in 1969.

In Civic work he served as chairman of the Public Relations committee three years during the racial crisis which attracted world-wide 'notice. He brought about better housing, better employment through training, gradual integration in the public schools and did away with discrimination in restaurants. From these beginnings progress is still being made. Dorchester County recently raised the largest fund in the history of the county under his leadership, for the United Fund.

He organized and directed the yearly conference for clergy and wives in the Easton Diocese for ten consecutive years and has been elected to three General Convention and Provincial Synods of the church.

From the prestige of being Rector of this important and large Parish and his many attributes Lion Allan brought his talents to Lionism. He became a Charter Member of the reorganized Lions Club in Cambridge in 1952. To date he has a fifteen-year perfect attendance. He has served his local club in every capacity except the Presidency which he has often refused. The award as "Lion of the Year" was given him in 1964 and in 1966 a state award in a plaque for his service in "Sight Conservation". This he turned over to District 22-B since they so well supported his leadership. The past ten years has seen him active at every District Lions Convention and he has been a delegate to three International Conventions including the one in Nice. At the Fiftieth Anniversary of Lionisms founding held in Chicago he opened this historic meeting with the Invocation. He has served the Medical Eye Bank of Maryland on the Advisory Board since its inception and has spoken to all types of Service Clubs from Lions Clubs to the most humble. Other organizations have invited him to tell the story of reclaiming eyesight for the blind and at this writing, through his efforts and leadership, many people who once were blind can now see the beauties of the world about them and function well in the art of usefulness. The writer has talked with persons on the Eastern Shore who once were blind and can now see as well as their neighbors. Clubs in 22-B

contribute generously to support him in this very philanthropic task and have bequeathed over 1500 eyes to the Eye Bank he has headed for every year since its inception by Lionism. He does not need this write-up. His deeds enthrone him forever in the annals of his church and in the hearts of his fellow man. He is serving Lionism well.

The record shows the following facts: he is a Charter Member of the Cambridge Lions Club, re-organized in 1952, having perfect attendance through the 15 years, served on the Board of Directors for 15 years, served in practically every capacity on the local Lions Club with the exception of President.

Served for nine consecutive years on the District Cabinet holding many offices including Zone Chairman, Deputy District Governor, Membership Development, etc.

Awarded "Lion of the Year" through the District Cabinet 1964 in Atlantic City at the District Convention.

Assisted in all local Club activities including selling "Hot Dogs" at the "Dorchester County Fair" and sold "Barbecued Chicken" on several occasions, serving as cashier. Sold more "Light Bulbs" than any other local Lion last spring to raise money for the Salvation Army and Cambridge Hospital.

Worked with The Medical Eye Bank of Maryland since its official organization five years ago. More than 1,500 eyes have been donated through my office and during 1966-67 thirty out of 43 Clubs in District 22-B contributed \$3,235 to the Medical Eye Bank of Maryland.

Served on the Advisory Board of the Medical Eye Bank of Maryland for the past three years and continues to serve in this capacity.

Travelled over the Eastern Shore and Baltimore from Rising Sun in the North to Pocomoke City in the South telling the story of the Medical Eye Bank of Maryland, encouraging people to donate their eyes and contribute money to this philanthropic cause.

Spoken to many Lions Clubs, Rotary, Exchange, Ruritan, Business and Professional Clubs, American Legion, Masons, Chamber of Commerce and church organizations on the Medical Eye Bank of Maryland and other topics as desired.

Attended every Convention in Atlantic City for the past ten years.

Attended as a Delegate four International Conventions including Nice and Tokyo.

CLARENCE W. WHEALTON

One of the older Lions of District 22B reminded the writer: "When you mention the name of District Governor Clarence do not forget to give him the proper name of "Buck" Whealton. He was a man of extra-ordinary ability and lived a very successful life. He was a distinguished lawyer and was always addressed with respect as a man of distinction. However, when among Lions it was always "Buck" Whealton.

He was born November 7, 1887 and passed from this earth, August 14, 1935. He enjoyed an enviable law practice, was a member of the Maryland Legislature and a proud and loyal member of the Salisbury Lions Club from its beginnings. He was a charter member, attended meet-ings regularly until the end of his life, served *as* District Governor' 1928- 29 having a successful year in the early days of Lionism's establishment.

Present District Governors came into office with a group of well established Clubs to rely upon. Not so with Governor Whealton who was the first Governor of 22B. Lionism, everywhere, was experiencing growing pains. It was true in the early days on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Lions International was fortunate that a man capable and efficient as Clarence W. Whealton could be found to serve in the difficult times of the organization's beginnings.

Words like "Loyalty", "Efficiency", "Leadership", "Devotion" and "Fidelity" must be used to describe him. The Salisbury Club met at noon luncheons in the beginning days and the Past District Governor was always in attendance if not away from home. He preached Lionism, brought many men into the Club, stood for all progressive endeavors, and the last year of his life was as regular in attendance at the weekly meetings as in the beginning years of his membership. No history can evaluate the worth of the early leadership of men like Past District Governor Clarence W. Whealton.

**ELECTED TO LEADERSHIP
DISTRICT 22B
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTORS**

HAROLD L. LOREMAN, JR.

DR. L. A. RADEMAKER*

**DISTRICT GOVERNORS
AND THEIR CLUBS**

1928-9 Clarence W. Whealton*

Salisbury

1935-6 Dr. Seth H. Hurdle

Salisbury

1939-0 Harold L. Loreman, Jr.

Salisbury

1944-5 H. Wendell Henry

Hebron

1946-7 Dr. L. A. Rademaker*

Salisbury

1947-8 J. Walter Truitt*

Federalsburg

1948-9 Raymond A. Magee

Berlin

1949-0 Orland B Blades

Preston

1950-1 John B. Houck*

Pittsville

1951-2 Lee G. Bell

Kent Island

1952-3 John M. Smith*

North East

1953-4 William Puncke

Federalsburg

1954-5 George W. Dutton

Denton

1955-6 Harry Oliphant*

Salisbury

1956-7 H. Richard Brunner

North East

1957-8 Charles S. Bilbrough

Greensboro

1958-9 Dr. A. S. David

Easton

1959-0 James T. Pippin

Millington

1960-1 Hobert M. Webster

Hebron

1961-2 Earl W. Roberts*

Preston'

1962-3 Dr. Seth H. Hurdle

Salisbury

1963-4 Warren F. Brooks

Deal Island-Chance

1964-5 Darby J. Johnson

Chesapeake City

1965-6 Bonard Murray

Willards

1966-7 Edward G. O'Dwyer

Elkton

1967-8 Harry J. Tucker

Church Hill

1968-9 Robert H. Cameron

Rising Sun

1969-0 Charles F. Hurley

Hurlock

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J. William Beck

Salisbury

*Transferred from**District Governor of 22W*

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John M. Price, Jr

Stevensville

*Transferred from**District Governor of 22C*

* Deceased

At a Twenty-Two-B District Banquet a lady, deprived of seeing the holiness of beauty about her, was introduced as receiving sight by transplanting eye tissue from eyes bequeathed to the Lions Eye Bank. She made her way to the podium through obstructions of chairs. She said; "I lived my life in darkness, but now I can see you as well as you see me. Thanks to the Lions Clubs". I could not restrain the tears of joy. Nebrby, a man I knew was shedding big tears. "This also brings up the artesian stuff in you", I said half smiling. "Sure does", he replied, "she is my sister".