

# InSights



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I'd like to welcome everyone to a new Lions Year. Join me as I promote my theme "Pathways to Service." My focus is our *Global Causes*: Diabetes, Environment, Hunger, Vision, and Childhood Cancer. We're uniting Lions to take on global causes facing the world. Each cause matters, but I'm asking Lions to rally around Diabetes, an epidemic impacting more than 425 million people around the world.

When you plan your next great service project, consider supporting one of our *Global Causes*. Learn more about our causes and view videos at <a href="https://www.lionsclub.org">https://www.lionsclub.org</a>

Message from our President, Lions Club International, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi 2019-2020

"We Serve Through Diversity"

Diversifying Our Service—Uniting Clubs and Communities around the world

Love. Compassion. Inclusion. Connection.

"Only through a diverse group of perspectives, including people of all backgrounds and all places, can we realize our full potential as Lions and serve the diverse needs of our communities, and the world. There's a reason we've each chosen to be a part of Lions Clubs International. It's because we value the insight, the beliefs and the heart of others, and we realize the greater good that can only be achieved when we join together as one."

Together in Lionism,

Lion Sam



Reminders -

Please submit your club's activities though MYLCI.







JOIN US for the 22-A TURNOVER MEETING on SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2019 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.



TURNOVER MEETING begins @ 10 a.m. with Bagels, Donuts, Coffee and Juice starting at 9 a.m. at the Maryland School for the Blind Knefely Gym followed by a

CELEBRATION of PDG Angela Bruce and DG Sam Foster with a Family BBQ in the

**PaviLION** 

#### MENU:

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Boneless BBQ Chicken

Baked Beans

Potato Salad

Macaroni Salad

Soda and Water

Bring a DESSERT to SHARE



## LIONS and FAMILIES INVITED COST: \$15 per adult

**RSVP: CS Marie Marucci at** 

LionMarieMarucci@gmail.com

**NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019** 



#### **Lions Youth Foundation**

#### **FELLOWSHIP AWARD PROGRAM**



Congratulations to the following Lions who received LYF Fellowships during the 2018-2019 Lions Year:

Aberdeen Lions Club Bijoy Mahanti Aberdeen Lions Club Carol Mahanti Annapolis Lions Club Gaylon Bridges Annapolis Lions Club Jeff Fair Annapolis Lions Club Carol Kellner Annapolis Lions Club PDG Warren Kellner Annapolis Lions Club Art Tort Annapolis Lions Club Eugene Zeiser

Claymont Lions Club Matthew Yoder Frederica Spring-Creek Lions Club Susan Griffith Lord Baltimore Lions Club Jeffery Hilovsky

The Clement F. Kusiak Fellowship Award Program recognizes individual Lions and others for their dedication.

A Bronze Fellowship is available for a total donation of \$250.00

A Silver Fellowship is available for a total donation of \$500.00

A Gold Fellowship is available for a total donation of \$1,000.00

A Diamond Fellowship is available for a total donation of \$2,000.00

With all these awards the Club receives a first-time patch and each year thereafter, a rocker indicating the year of the donation. Consider one of these awards for your Lions.

#### **Introducing your Lion Account**

All Lions Clubs International digital applications are transitioning to a universal login system. This will be called your **Lion Account**. Beginning March 27, 2019, you'll be asked to use a new username and password that will give you access to:

- MyLCI
- MyLion®
- Shop
- Upcoming applications

If you already have a MyLion username and password, you're good to go and don't need to create a new one. Your MyLion credentials will become your Lion Account credentials.

We recognize this will be a short-term disruption for all MyLCI users, but we believe this approach will have big benefits in the future as we add/improve applications and give our members a great online space to be Lions.





#### LIONS VISION RESEARCH FOUNDATION

The LVRF was pleased to present Dr. Peter McDonnell, Wilmer Director and Hopkins Professor with a check for \$300,000 to officially kick off the Lions Low Vision Fellowship Fund. Dr. McDonnell was presented with the check at Convention during the MD22 luncheon. He was accompanied by Libby Bell, of the Wilmer Development Office. The ultimate goal is to build the endowment to \$2.3 million in order to fund a Low Vision Fellowship annually in perpetuity.

The Lions of MD22 should be extremely proud of all they have done in support of the Lions Vision Research and Rehabilitation Center and especially in the area of Low Vision as this is an area in which more expertise is needed. In addition to fundraisers and donations, LVRF is always on the lookout for grant money.

IF ONLY, we could state that 100% of the clubs in MD22 support the program, it would certainly help qualify LVRF for grants. This is a great goal for MD22. If your club does not already contribute to LVRF, please consider making an LVRF endowment donation part of your club's annual giving - even if your club can only contribute a token amount, 100% club support would go a long way in helping to secure grant money.

If you would like more information on LVRF, contact DG Sam or one of your LVRF District trustees and ask them to visit your club. Your Trustees are as follows: PDG Larry Burton, Lion Pam Burton, and Lion John Feldman

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Make sure to check out the article, "The Echo Effect" in the Wilmer magazine:

https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/news/articles/the-echo-effect

The article praises the Lions Low Vision Fellowship and speaks about the \$2.3 million endowment. The title of the article, "Echo Effect," is making reference to the fact that Wilmer is now seeing former fellowship awardees returning to Wilmer as fellows themselves.

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**AIM FOR SIGHT** – two opportunities for those who want to try clay shooting

Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 2555 Mayberry Road, Westminster, MD

Registration is \$70/individual or \$260/four person team. For more info please contact:

PID Richard Liebno (410) 848-4929 richard.lion@comcast.net

PDG Gary Burdette (301) 928-5095 glburd54@comcast.net

Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at Schrader's Outdoors, 16090 Oakland Rd, Henderson, MD

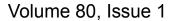
Registration is \$75/person or \$280/team of four. For more info please contact:

PDG Dal Mann (410) 673-9085 <a href="mailto:dmanninmd@gmail.com">dmanninmd@gmail.com</a>

DG John Lawrence (410) 725-0150 lions@johnlawrence.name

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Interviewers are still needed for the LOVRNET program – if you would like to volunteer, please visit the LOVRNET website and click on the VOLUNTEER button – it's that simple!! <a href="https://www.lovrnet.org/">https://www.lovrnet.org/</a>







#### ABERDEEN LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS



#### Aberdeen Lions Club Night @ Leidos Field at Ripken Stadium!

The City of Aberdeen has again made available to the Aberdeen Lions Club, tickets to see The IronBirds play!

The date is Saturday, August 10th.7:05 PM. The IronBirds play the Staten Island Yankees In fairness to all, each Lion is entitled to one ticket. If we have extra

Tickets available...as game day nears, Lions will be offered the opportunity for 1 or 2 additional tickets.

The seats are in various sections but with many seats available in those sections. I will make every attempt to seat Lions near their buddies. Please Email me or call me as these seats will go very quickly!!! Mark: Howsternfan@comcast.net; 410-575-6983, 410-404-5373





Zone Chair Lion Carol Mahanti installed the 2019 - 2020 Board Members at June dinner meeting.

At the same meeting, Perfect Attendance awards were given and the following:

President's Appreciation Award Lion Kersey Jones

Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship Lion Bijoy Mahanti

> Life Membership Lion Sandra Osborn

Lion of the Year Lion Cynthia Moats



#### BEL AIR LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

#### Rockfield Manor Butterfly Garden Cleanup

On June 15, about 20 members from the Bel Air Rotary, the Harford Volun-TEENS and the Bel Air Lions teamed up to help the town cleanup the Butterfly Garden at Rockfield Manor in Bel Air. The garden had been neglected for two years and the Town of Bel Air asked for help. The Town provided 4 loads of mulch and the volunteers provided the muscle to pull weeds, trim shrubs and trees, and spread the mulch. It was a great joint service project among these organizations to help the Town.



#### **Student Service Award Presentations**

This spring the Bel Air Lions partnered with 6 elementary and one middle school in the Bel Air area to recognize 16 students for their service to their schools and community. In each case, the students were nominated by their school principals. Each student received a small plaque, the Bel Air Lion mascot doll and, in a couple of cases, a small donation to their specific charity.



#### **BEL AIR LIONS FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Winter's Run Golf Club 1000 N. Tollgate Road Bel Air, MD 21014

Monday, September 9, 2019

8:00 AM Registration

9:00 AM Shotgun Start

2:00 PM Lunch and Awards



Mikaela Gomez, Kamilla Torres, Sebastian Varga were very helpful and kind toward a new non-English speaking student with special needs. They went out of their way to make her feel welcome to the school





#### **CHURCHVILLE LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS**



Churchville Lions Club conducted their annual Mother's Day and Easter Flower Sale Fundraisers. This year a second location was added at Broom's Bloom. We thank everyone who supported our sale and hope to see you back next year!

Lions Tom Lochner and Peggy Sullivan at the OddFellows/Churchville Flower Sale Location



VP Rocky Gonzalez presented SARC with a check for \$500 from the Churchville Lions Club in support of their Phlean House Project.

#### **POSTER/SCHOLARSHIP WINNER**

Poster/Scholarship Contest: We presented Willow Warnick, a 5th grade student at Churchville Elementary school, with a \$1000 scholarship and a \$100 Barnes & Noble gift card for winning our annual Poster/Scholarship Contest. Runner's-up also received Barnes and Noble Gift Cards.



VP Lion Rocky Gonzalez with Willow



#### **EDGEWOOD LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS**



Members of the club are holding photos of horses they have sponsored and are currently sponsoring

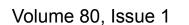
Members of the Edgewood Lions Club visited Chesapeake Therapeutic Riding (http:// ctrchanginglives.org/) on to meet the horses the club sponsors. The members took a picnic lunch and caught up on all of the happenings at CTR. The Edgewood Lions Club has been a long-time supporter of CTR and the work that they do. This year we surprised CTR with a very generous contribution of \$10,000 toward their capital campaign! Club President, Chuck Egender, said the club wanted to make sure that CTR keeps doing the good work they do in serving the community by helping them purchase the farm.

At the club meeting July 8<sup>th</sup>, Steve & Marlyn Gambrill of Extreme Family Outreach ( https://extremefamilyoutreach.com/ ), an organization we support, were our invited guests. They updated the club on their activities and talked about their impact on our community. The club has been a long-time supporter of EFO and the work they do. We surprised them with a donation of \$10,000 to help them continue the work they do.





On July 10<sup>th</sup>, PDG Chuck Egender & Lion Pat Egender visited the Welcome One Shelter (https://welcomeoneshelter.com/), a homeless shelter in Harford County, an organization we support. We met with Liz Tutino, the Executive Director and were given a tour of the facility. The club has been a long-time supporter of the shelter and the work they do. We surprised Liz with a donation of \$10,000 to help them continue the work they do. Liz told us that will take care of the 33 beds (27 men & 6 women) they have for one month.







#### **GLENWOOD LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS**



#### Police Officer of the Year, 2018

From left, KL Sam Foster, Pfc. Elijah Cortez & Maj. Mary Levy (Rep. for HC Police Chief)



#### Presentation to former HC Executive

for his support of our Bicycle collection project at the Alpha Ridge Landfill - From left, KL Sam, Allan H. Kittleman & Harrison Morson



#### Presentation of \$2,000 gift

to support Lisbon Vol. Fire Dept.'s "new facility construction"
From left, KL Sam & Chief Carey McIntosh



### Presentation to our LEO OF THE YEAR

From left, Mr. & Mrs. Suszkiw, LEO Riley Suszkiw, KL Sam & Lion Mary Powers, Glenwood Middle School teacher and LEO Club advisor.





#### JARRETTSVILLE LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

Crabs are Coming!

Mark your calendar

Saturday, September 7th
5:00 to 8:00 PM

Clear Meadow Farm

Contact Lion Rick Russell:
therickrussell@gmail.com





CARNIVAL
June 3 - 8

This was our 50th year for our annual carnival. The carnival has changed over the years and is now our major fundraiser. Thank to Lion Marvel who was president and pushed the club to have a carnival. We all wish Lion Marvel was here to see it!





#### LONG GREEN VALLEY LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

Jeff Walsh sent some photos from his recent trip to the Dominican Republic. During the last week of June, we fitted 125 pairs of prescription glasses, 200+ pairs of reading glasses and over 600 pairs of sunglasses! Most of those glasses came from the Lions Club.







#### **SEVERN RIVER LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS**

## JULY 4th PARADE Hot! Hot! Hot!

Too hot to don the Lions costume but the Lions' head road along with KL Suzette. Every year SRLC and Cub Pack 688 march (walk) in the parade and give out popsicles at the end of the parade route.





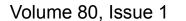
#### **ANNUAL RETREAT**

At the end of June, SRLC held the annual retreat with KL Suzette in the lead. Discussion ranged from setting goals and calendar for the upcoming Lions Year to the need to update our membership plan.

## CUB SCOUT BRIDGING CEREMONY

Every year Severn River grills up hot dogs and hamburgers at the Cub Pack 688 Bridging Ceremony - this year we cooked for 160 cub scouts, family, and friends.









#### SOUTH ANNE ARUNDEL LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

The South Anne Arundel Lions Club is passionate about eye health! One of our goals is to prevent avoidable blindness and improve the quality of life for people who are blind or visually impaired. On Wednesday June 26, 2019 a team of Lions visited CrossRoads Child Development Center, a ministry of Davidsonville United Methodist Church, to provide vision screenings for 15 children. The children were pleased because the screening was so quick and easy. A specialized camera determines if a child's vision needs correction and a follow up visit with an optometrist.







#### LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND





TOTAL 22-A DONATIONS 2018 - 2019

\$12, 752.01 PLUS 3 PUPPY SPONSORSHIPS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

#### IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!!!



Are you ready?... We help you become the best leader ever. Here's the link for the latest news and new changes with the 2019 Forum.

https://lionsforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/ForumNewsletterFeb2019.pdf





#### **Required Governmental Reporting for Lions Clubs**

Our Lions Clubs are Not-for-Profit organizations exempt from income tax. As such, we are required by the Internal Revenue Code to file some type of the Form 990 (annual information return) with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) every year. The type of 990 we are required to file is determined by the gross income and assets of the club.

According to the instructions for the Form 990:

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An organization exempt from income tax which "has either (1) gross receipts greater then or equal to \$200,000 or (2) total assets greater than or equal to \$500,000 at the end of the tax year" must file a Form 990.

"If an organization has **gross receipts** less than \$200,000 and **total assets** at the end of the tax year less than \$500,000, it can choose to file Form 990-EZ, ..., instead of Form 990."

"If an organization normally has gross receipts of \$50,000 or less it must submit Form 990-N, ..., if it chooses not to file Form 990 or 990-EZ."

"Gross receipts are the total amounts the organization received from all sources during its tax year, without subtracting any costs or expenses."

Each type of Form 990 is due by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month after the end of the organization's accounting year. If the accounting year ends June 30, the 990 is due no later than November 15. You can request an extension which will delay the reporting until February 15.

There is no Maryland reporting requirement unless the organization is a tax deductible (charitable) organization. In that case there is an annual reporting requirement to the Secretary of State's office.

For those clubs which are organized as corporations, there is an additional reporting requirement. Each of those organizations must file a Form 1 with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT) reporting gross receipts and personal property owned. This report is due NLT April 15, with a two month extension possible.

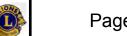
Failure to submit the Form 990 (in whichever format required) for three years will result in the IRS revoking the organization's tax-exempt status. The organization can apply to get it reinstated, but in can be costly and time consuming.

Failure to submit the Form 1 to SDAT for three years can result in the organization losing its charter, which means it no longer legally exists. Again, the charter can be revived, but it can be time consuming and a little costly.

For instructions for the Form 990, go to www.irs.gov and search for 990.

For Form 1 information, go to www.dat.maryland.gov

PDG Chuck Egender





#### From the US Dept of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General

#### **Fraud Alert: Genetic Testing Scam**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General is alerting the public about a fraud scheme involving genetic testing.

Scammers are offering Medicare beneficiaries cheek swabs for genetic testing to obtain their Medicare information for identity theft or fraudulent billing purposes. Fraudsters are targeting beneficiaries through telemarketing calls, booths at public events, health fairs, and door-to-door visits.

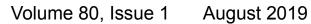
If a beneficiary agrees to genetic testing or verifies personal or Medicare information, a testing kit is sent even if it is not ordered by a physician or medically necessary.

#### **Protect Yourself**

- If a genetic testing kit is mailed to you, don't accept it unless it was ordered by your physician. Refuse the delivery or return it to the sender. Keep a record of the sender's name and the date you returned the items.
- Be suspicious of anyone who offers you free genetic testing and then requests your Medicare number. If your personal information is compromised, it may be used in other fraud schemes.
- A physician that you know and trust should approve any requests for genetic testing.
- Medicare beneficiaries should be cautious of unsolicited requests for their Medicare numbers. If anyone other than your physician's office requests your Medicare information, do not provide it.

If you suspect Medicare fraud, contact the HHS OIG Hotline.

Last updated: June 3, 2019















Submit <u>brief</u> articles on service activities or ads for fundraising events to InSights' Editor Lion Sue Parks (SPARKS@RRNRLC.ORG).

Only email copy is acceptable.

Deadlines for materials: 9/20/19 for October issue 11/20/19 for December issue 1/20/20 for February issue 3/20/20 for April issue 5/20/20 for June issue



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

June 2019 - July 2019

Melissa Hawkins - Aberdeen Lioness Kamala Bhusal - Baltimore Nepalese Graham Phillips - Bel Air Nathan Scarff - Bel Air Celia Chevere - Glenwood Scott Ichniowski - Glenwood Vanessa Kinton - Glenwood Ahimsa Aradhya - JHU Visionaries Anson Lee - JHU Visionaries Massound Sharif - JHU Visionaries Annie Zhao - JHU Visionaries

#### Upcoming Events

August	3 10	Multiple District Turnover 22-A Turnover
	29 <b>31</b>	Honorary Committee Meeting Full Cabinet Meeting
Sept	14	LYF Trustee Meeting
	19-21	USA/Canada Leadership Forum
	23	Region 1 Meeting
	27	LASH Exec. Comm. Meeting
	28	LVRF Trustee Meeting
	28	Aim for Sight, Mayberry, MD
Oct	5	22-W Social
	6	Council of Governors Meeting
	12	LASH Eyeglass Sorting, MSB
	26	LYF Trustee Meeting
	29	Region 2 Meeting
	30	LASH General Membership Mtg
	31	Honorary Committee Meeting



#### MEMORIALS

Larry Harrís, Aberdeen PDG Bill Malamphy, Annapolis Larry Webb, Darlington Don Angert, Havre de Grace