

### **Lions District 22-A**

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Fellow Lions, I hope you are well and enjoying what remains of a really nice spring season.

I am happy to report that our "Sail-a-bration of Service" on May 21 went very well. My theme this year as shown on my pin has been "Together We Can - Serve and Share the Fun." Our Sail-a-bration was certainly fun and casual and exemplified how service and fun can go together.

You may recall that we set up two Childhood Cancer service projects - collections for the Mason Strong Village and Believe in Tomorrow's Children's House at Johns Hopkins. I was overwhelmed with the response. Carloads of items from the charities' wish lists were delivered to them plus cash, checks, and gift cards. Additionally, a huge silent and raffle basket auction, and program book ads, raised funds which will benefit LASH, Leader Dog, and the Maryland School for the Blind. See some pics on the next page.

Another win! The Leader Dogs Bark, Brew & Wine held at the Klausmeier Farm on June 3rd was a huge success (see page 3). Thank you Mike and all the Perry Hall Kingsville Lions for a fantastic job!

Please join us at the Maryland School for the Blind on June 24 at 10 am. We're planning our Turnover of District officers along with Club Officer Training, Club awards, and a picnic at the PaviLion. More info on those activities will be out soon.

And as mentioned last issue, as soon as possible after July 1, don't forget to send me your application for your Club Excellence Award if you think your club qualifies (more info inside this issue).

Yours in Service, DG Sue Parks

Reminder - LCI will increase dues from \$43/year to \$46/year to be effective with our July 1 billing statements. Please remember to take that into account when setting your club's administrative budgets for the coming Lions Year.



### SAIL-A-BRATION OF SERVICE, MAY 21, 2023





Above Left, Social Chair, PDG Angela Bruce with PDG Bob.

Above Right, Lions Bill Z, Carroll Hicks, and Rollins Clark relaxing after a great meal

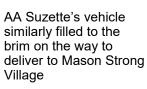
Below Left, Jarrettsville Lions Mary Dare and Rob Horn cleaned up in the auctions.



Right, our DJ, Brian Douglas



DG Sue's vehicle stuffed for trip to Believe in Tomorrow's Children's House at Hopkins.







Right, DG Sue with Kelly Nguyen with offloaded supplies

Left, AA Suzette readying silent auction











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At our Leader Dogs Bark, Brew, and Wine on June 3rd, thanks to the Lions of District 22-A. we raised over \$7,000 which will be doubled due to matching grant being offered at Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Below, PDG Owen Landis, Melody Goodspeed &

Daisy





### The Lions Club Impact



Serving clients from all 50 states and all Canadian provinces.

#### **OUR CHALLENGE**



1,300,000 people are legally blind in the U.S. 75,000 people become blind or visually impaired each year in the U.S.

And only 10% of these people travel independently with a white cane or guide dog.

### EVERY YEAR, LIONS + LEADER DOG =



1,095,000

days of independence.



Leader Dogs matched with clients.



clients provided with white cane training.



clients who are deaf and blind receive customized guide dog training.



teenagers gain leadership and travel skills.



cost passed on to our clients, because we are 100% donor funded.

Be of service. LeaderDog.org In every Leader Dog lies the heart of a Lion.











### **Get Lions Ready for the Lion Portal**

We're preparing for the launch of the new Lion Portal. This refreshed experience will combine the functionality of MyLion, MyLCI, Insights and other tools into one cohesive and consistent experience.

To use the Lion Portal, Lions must have a unique email address (one that isn't shared with another member) in their Lion Account information. Additionally, phone numbers can no longer be used as log in credentials.

Here's how you can help Lions:

- 1. **Spread the word.** Make Lions especially those who actively use their Lion Account aware of the transition to the Lion Portal. Encourage them to make sure their member information is up to date and includes a unique email address.
- 2. **Prepare club officers.** Ask club officers to review the member records for their club, checking for any shared email addresses, and be prepared to help members update their information as needed.
- 3. Stay up to date. Check for news and updates on the Lion Portal webpage.

We appreciate your support in preparing for the transition to the new Lion Portal.

Thank you Club Secretaries - 100% of you have reported your 2023-2024 Club Officers! I would ask you to take another step or two.

Please print a copy of your detailed club membership from LCI and share the info with your club members. Ask if there are any updates, especially in email addresses. Also, check to see what you've reported as your meeting times, location, etc. and update LCI if needed.

That way, they'll have the correct information when the new portal starts, and I'll have the correct information when I work on the Roster Book at the end of June. Admittedly, the Roster Book will never be 100% accurate, but I always give it my best shot.

Thanks all! DG Sue





### LASH Eyeglass Sorting at the Maryland School for the Blind



Thirty-one Lions sorted and boxed for shipment a total of 24,000 pairs of eyeglasses donated by 15 clubs. As usual, some odd eyeglasses were found. (See Lion Diane Frace pictured with a single magnifying lens that could swivel from one eye to the other.)

The next sorting will be October 14, 2023.











See Report next page.





Joee Livingston, Chairman, LASH Eyeglasses Sorting and June Livingston did a great job organizing and running the event. Thanks to LASH President Jim Katzaman for providing refreshments. I have several pictures. A few are attached. I have already sent the request to Valerie Johnson at MSB for next year's semiannual sorting events (14 Oct 23, 13 Apr 24).

Despite the event taking place the day before Easter, we had 14 clubs / 32 Lions participate (13 clubs present, 1 gave eyeglasses to Joee Livingston the day before). We usually have 12-14 clubs at the event, so we had excellent attendance despite it taking place on a holiday weekend.

#### Clubs Present/# Lions:

Aberdeen: 2 Annapolis: 2 Baltimore 40 West: 2 Bel Air: 7 Clarksville: 1 Ellicott City-Columbia: 1 Fallston: 2

Glenwood: 1 Jarrettsville: 5 Linthicum: 2

Long Green Valley: 1 (gave eyeglasses to Joee Livingston)

Perry Hall-Kingsville: 1 Reisterstown: 1 Severn River: 4

### Would Your Club Like to Receive a Club Excellence Award?

The Club Excellence Award is the ideal way to set your club on the path to continued success while gaining prestige for excelling in the areas of membership, service, leadership and organizational excellence, and marketing. Upon receiving the award, a banner patch and pin will be awarded to your club president. But more importantly, your club's membership will

be revitalized, your service impact will grow and your members will see greater leadership opportunities.



Download application here:

Club Excellence Awards | Lions Clubs International

Email your Club Excellence application to 2022-2023 DG Sue Parks - rich99991@verizon.net no later than 7/31/23.

If qualifications are met, I will forward to LCI by: August 31, 2023

2022-2023 Awards are then mailed to:

2023-2024 District Governor

For questions, inquiries or to submit your Club **Excellence Award Application you may contact us** by email clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org or phone (630) 468-6828.





### **ABERDEEN LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS**

## Designer Purse Bingo

### Sponsored by Aberdeen Lions Club

Prizes will be Coach, Michael Kohrs, Kate Spade, Patricia Nash, Vera Bradley and other designers.

Friday, June 9th, 2023

St. Paul's Lutheran Church 201 Mt Royal Ave, Aberdeen, MD

7:00 p.m.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Food, bake table and non-alcoholic beverages available





Tickets
\$27 in advance
\$30 at the door
Additional sets of 3 cards - \$5.00



Karin Hancock (443) 502-5220 Cynthia Moats (443) 617-6366 Email-aberdeenlions2@comcast.net



\* Door prizes \* Special Games \* Raffles \*

Fundraiser benefits

Aberdeen Lions Club Community Projects

"Bring item for St. Paul's food pantry. A prize ticket for each item donated to the pantry.



### **BEL AIR LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS**



### Roadside Clean Up on Earth Day

Lions Colleen Murphy, Graham Phillips, John Verbillis, Diane and Dave Frace, Dave Ellis, Mike and Chris New along with Patterson Mill Environmental Club students, Adam Lingelbach and Nathan Hillhouse, pitched in for the Earth Day Roadside Cleanup along Route 924. The project was led once again by Lion Colleen Murphy. The group collected 15 bags of over 300 pounds of trash.

Immediate Past
President Sandy
Guzewich
inducted new
Lion Greg
Pizzuto with
sponsor Dave
Guzewich
looking on.





New Lion
Doug Miller
was inducted
into the club
at the April
18th General
Meeting by
District VP
John Mosier.

### **BEL AIR LIONS AT MD 22 CONVENTION**

Lion John Mosier was elected District Governor at MD-22 in Ocean City, April 20-23, 2023. At the Multiple District banquet, DGE John was recognized with the International President's Medal, with DG Sue doing the honors and PID Bruce Beck looking on.







The night before the election, the Vice District Governors were bonding during the chicken dance.





### **Lions Contribute at United Way Project Connect**



Area Lions teamed with local eyecare professionals to provide 83 evaluations to local needy at the United Way Project Connect. The event was held at the Epi Center in Edgewood on April 27th.

Lion Monica Worrell (Bel Air) was once again the organizer for the event. Other Lion participants included: Dr. David Reed (Churchville); Bijoy & Carol Mahanti (Aberdeen); and Bel Air Lions Alice Leeds, Paul Seadler, Rick Sharesky, Dave Guzewich and Dr. John Hayes.





### CHURCHVILLE LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS



Churchville Lions welcome two new members.

Zone Chair Sandy Guzewich inducted new Lions Ben Craig and Beth Zinner, both sponsored by Lion Fred Guenthner.



### JARRETTSVILLE LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

In addition to celebrating its 74th Charter Night in May, Jarrettsville is welcoming an influx of new members.

From left - new Lions Tim Hogan, Jane Hogan, and Bernie Bena



Left to right – KL Rick with new Lion Missy Attenburg, new Lion Bob Jirsa, Lion Mel Kelly filling in for sponsor PDG Owen Landis (not shown), Lion Ned Cockey filling in for KL Rick with new Lion Debbie Moore Ulmer.





And there's more -

Transfer Lion Walter Scherer with sister Lion Ellon Ruschell

Former Severn River member moved back to Maryland - Lion Mary Dare



Not pictured **Christopher Eder**, sponsored by Robert Horn, and **Mark Walters**, sponsored by KL Rick.





### SEVERN RIVER LIONS CLUB HIGHLIGHTS



At our May General Meeting, DGE John Mosier inducted 4 new members - Peggy and Rick Fansher and Sally Stevens, sponsored by DG Sue and Laurajean Councill, sponsored by her son Lion Tilghman Brice.



AA Suzette attended the Broadneck High School Senior Assembly where she presented Olivia Akhtar with the Patrick Dionne Memorial Scholarship for the 2023-2024 school year.

Severn River also presented an E. Roy Shawn Scholarship to Severna Park High School graduating senior, Sophia Brice Clark.





## MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22 HOSTING Lions International Convention Washington DC



As the 2027 Host Committee for the Lions International Convention encourages business, member and club participation throughout the entire Multiple District 22 in our sponsorship program, we would like to thank the following sponsors for their support:

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#### **Individual Pin Sponsors**

### In honor of:

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In memory of: 1st U.S. Life Member Scott S. Bair Sr. Lion Marion Bankard



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### REMINDER TO CLUBS

Thank you to the Clubs who have been submitting articles. Please submit your short articles with pictures (jpgs) that you think may be of interest to the rest of the District. These articles must be emailed to me separately from your club newsletters which are often locked into formats I can't use.

Send your articles and photos to InSights' Editor DG Sue Parks (rich99991@verizon.net).

Only email copy is acceptable.

**Deadlines for materials:** 

7/20/23 for August issue 9/20/23 for October issue 11/20/23 for December issue 1/20/24 for February issue 3/20/24 for April issue 5/20/24 for June issue

### **Upcoming Events**

Jun 3 Leader Dog Rally

Jun 24 Club Officer Training, Picnic, Turnover, MSB

Jul 7-11 International Convention, Boston

Jul 15 LVRF Trustee Mtg, Zoom, 9:30 am

Jul 29 LYF Retreat, MD22 Turnover, Annapolis Elks

Aug 5 Voting Cabinet Mtg

Aug 31 Honorary Committee Mtg.



### MEMORIALS

Stanley Mann - Churchville Dorothy Bishoff - Edgewood Former Lion Roy Edmondson - Bel Air

## ROSTER BOOK CHANGES/CORRECTIONS

**DECEMBER 2022 ISSUE:** 

BALTIMORE FORTY WEST – pages 22 and 26

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 6 PM Double T Diner

6300 Baltimore National Pike

Catonsville, MD 21228 (Rt 40 West & Rolling Road)

**DARLINGTON** - remove LEO club indicator - pg 15

**ELLICOTT CITY/COLUMBIA** - meets at 5:30 pages 22 and 35

**LYF** – add Kirk Wimer and IPDG Bijoy Mahanti as LYF Trustees, delete Will Feuer – page 73

### Calendar and Inside Back Cover

District Social is now scheduled for 5/21/23 from 2 - 6 pm at the Annapolis Elks. Save the Date - much more info coming on our 'Sail-a-bration of Service'!

#### **FEBRUARY 2023 ISSUE**

**BALTIMORE NEPALESE -** Membership Chair Narendra Skakya email - haratiss@gmail.com

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#### **APRIL 2023 ISSUE**

**FALLSTON -** Correct phone for First VP Kent Wilhelm to 410-877-7877



#### **Jarrettsville**

Bernie Bena - Sponsor Alfred Williamson

Mary Dare - Sponsor Bill O'Neil Jane Hogan, Timothy Hogan

Sponsor Carol Morrow

Bob Jirsa - Sponsor Owen Landis

### Perry Hall Kingsville

Sue Hundt - Sponsor Jamie Hundt

#### **Severn River**

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