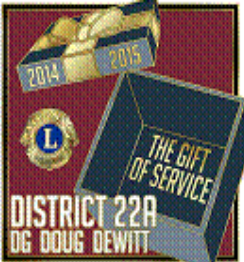


District 22-A Lions News and Views



Fellow Lions,

I have been under the weather and won't have a message this month. I will resume my messages in the next News and Views.

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The International President:

I wanted to share my February message to club leaders with you.

I am asking club leaders to continue making membership growth a priority and to keep in mind that every club project or event is an opportunity to connect with potential new members. I am also sharing information on club branches as an effective way to increase membership. To support the Protecting our Environment campaign, I am encouraging clubs to plan an environmental project in April. Our clubs mean so much to our communities, and we can do so much more when we strengthen our membership!

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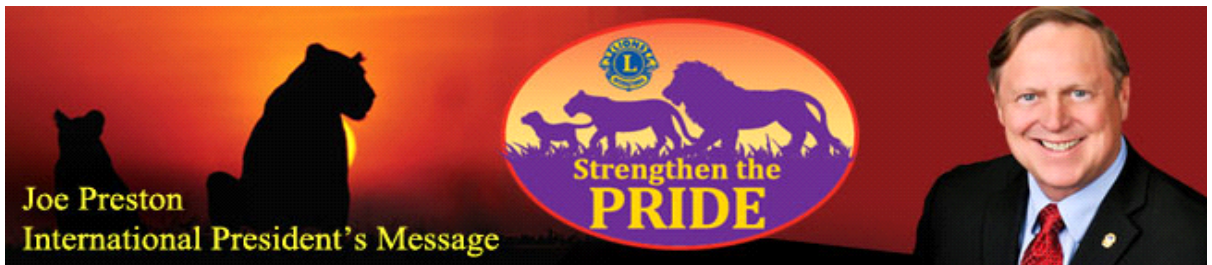
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You already know there's a big difference between communities that have a Lions club and communities that don't. A healthy club with active members can truly bring a community to life. That's why it's so important to continue building a strong club. One of the best ways to strengthen your club is by inviting new members. And there are so many great ways to do it:

Ask One – The Ask One campaign shows that each Lion can play a part in building membership, and it all starts by asking one friend, family member or neighbor to join.

Service Projects – On your next project, invite family and friends to serve with you so they can feel the satisfaction of service, then ask them to keep serving with you as Lions.

Special Events – Invite your community to join you for special events like [Family and Friends Month in April](#) to showcase your club and the difference you're making.

Inviting new members is the responsibility of all Lions, so continue to make membership a priority and keep encouraging your members to Ask One!



ON DECK: 1st Vice District Governor Larry Burton

The New Year got off to a rousing start for me as I was able to visit 10 clubs in January and several other clubs I didn't get to provided newsletters. Many clubs made reports to their membership of service activities conducted over the holidays. By my count, just from the subset of clubs I heard from, 293 families where provided some sort of assistance of either food baskets, shopping cards or gifts. Way to serve and make a difference, Lions!

In addition to the widespread assistance there was also other good news. Several Lions confirmed that they planned to attend the Lions Regional Leadership Institute at Wor-Wic Community College Feb. 20-22. It was great to hear these Lions are looking to sharpen their leadership skills and put them to use within their club and community.

Another high point was hearing about the Overlea Lions' plans for bolstering their membership. It was great to see Overlea's proactive approach in planning a "Friendship Night" to introduce prospective members on what Lions do and how we make a difference through service. Such an approach has worked well for my home club of Darlington, and I encourage others to ask me about what goes into a successful Friendship Night when I visit your club. Similarly, while visiting West Arundel with 2VDG Chuck, we had a great discussion on implementing some things to help in growing membership.

If I didn't make it to your club in January or see you at one of the Region Meetings, you can expect to see me in February and March as I complete my circuit through the District.

By the Second: 2nd Vice District Governor Chuck Egender

I am writing this the morning after the Super Bowl. That was a pretty good game! I just can't believe the Seahawks did not try to run for the touchdown at the end.

The first Region meetings took place last week. PDG Dick Bloomquist spoke at the Region 1 meeting about low vision and Lions. Invite him to your club to do this.

On the Membership front, the District will be doing a canvas for a new club in the White Marsh/Golden Ring area of Baltimore County the end of this month. Any assistance you can provide will be greatly appreciated.

We are losing a very valuable member of the team next Month. Lion Linda Lupro, our Global Membership Team chair, will move to Pennsylvania to be near her mother (she has already found a Lions club in that area). We need a Lion to step up and assume that role. Contact DG Doug, 1VDG Larry or me if you are interested.

We still need a candidate for Second Vice District Governor for next Lion year. To qualify, you must be a past club president and either a past Cabinet Secretary, past Cabinet Treasurer, past Region Chair, or past Zone Chair. You also must get your club to endorse you. The deadline for submission to PDG John Andrews is April 18.





Lions of District 22A:

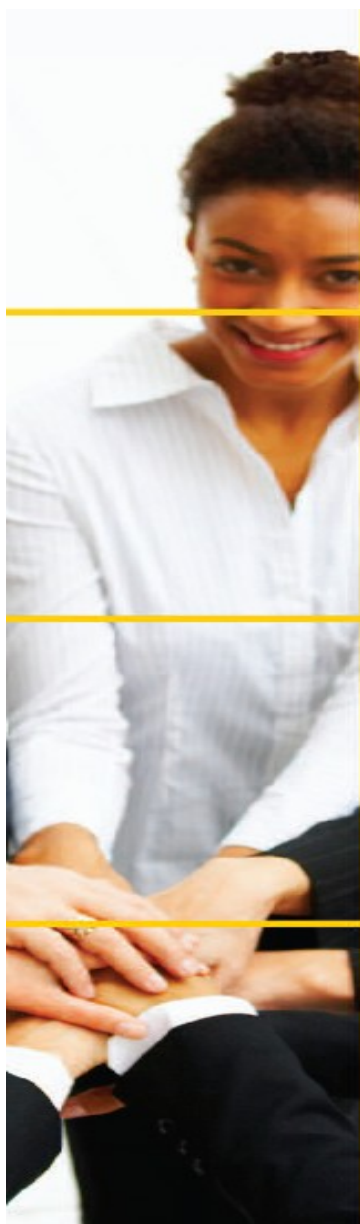
Strengthen the Pride!!

Please be a part the 22A Global Membership Team and contribute your Lion's best to an effort to grow a new Lions Club!

PCC Jim Canon will be leading a New Club Development workshop on Monday, February 23 from 9 am to 1 pm at the Essex Branch of Baltimore County Public Library. PCC Jim will continue to work with teams of 22A Lions all week as we recruit potential Lions in the White Marsh/Rosedale (Rts 7 & 40) corridor.

We need YOU to participate in this effort, and we should be able to work out a recruiting schedule for teams that is convenient for all.

Contact me: GMT Chair Linda Lupro
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EXTENSION WORKSHOP



Lions District 22A

Will be holding an Extension Workshop on

Monday, February 23, 2015, 9 AM-1 PM

At

Essex Branch Library (BCPL)
1110 Eastern Blvd, Essex, MD
in Middlesex Shopping Center, near intersection of Eastern
and SE Fwy [702]

Help our district grow by learning key strategies to charter Lions clubs and participate firsthand in the preliminary steps to the formation of a new Lions Club.

To RSVP or for more information contact:

Lion Linda Lupro lionlinda13@yahoo.com
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PCC Jim Canon will be leading the workshop and our club extension effort 2/23-27/15.

District 22 A "Leader Dogs For the Blind" District 22 A "Leader Dogs For the Blind"

Fellow Lions:

You and your club are cordially invited to attend the District 22 A "Leader Dogs For the Blind" Rally " to be held on Saturday , March 21, 2015 at the Fallston Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Hall.

Social time and registration will begin at 6:00 P. M. and the meeting will start sharply at 6:45 P.M. Dinner will be served following the opening ceremonies. The cost of the evening is \$20.00 per person in advance or \$22.00 at the door, with the check payable to District 22-A. Please have all reservations and monies to me no later than March 7, 2014.

This Rally will afford the clubs in our District an opportunity to expand their knowledge of the Leader Dogs program, as well as an opportunity to present their contribution to Leader Dogs. Our Keynote Speaker will be Carroll Jackson Leader Dogs for the Blind Graduate Field Representative and his Leader Dog, Hunter.

This will be an entertaining and rewarding night for all Lions, Lioness and Leos. Bring your club photographer, if you like, so you can publicize your donation in your local newspaper and club newsletter!

There will be a roll call of all clubs as we make our annual donation to Leader Dogs. Let us continue to allow our District to be 100% supportive in this program. If you have any questions, please contact me at pdgkeith-williams@gmail.com.

Please reserve seats for the "Leader Dogs for the Blind Rally" on March 21, 2015 for the

(Name of your Club)

The following will be in attendance:

Make checks payable to District 22- A and send to PDG Keith Williams, 424 Joppa Farm Road. Joppa, MD 21085. Deadline is March 7, 2015.

Yours in Lionism,
Keith Williams

Leader Dogs Chair



Forty West Lion's Club

64th Annual Bull & Oyster Roast

Sunday, February 22, 2015

1pm-6pm @ The Lodge • 2832 9 Mile Circle
Catonsville, MD 21228

Football season is over so come on out and beat the winter blues with us!
Oysters, (Raw, Fried & Stew) Pit Beef, Turkey and Ham, Hot & Cold Buffet
Beer, Wine, Soda and Dessert

D.J., Silent Auction, Money Wheel, Liquor & Plush Animal Wheel

50/50 Raffle, Basket of Cheer, Wine Rack,

For Ticket Information contact Don Holler @ 410-747-8270
All proceeds to charity Donation \$40

Lions note passing of longtime members

The last month marked the passing of several Lions throughout District 22-A.

Lion Ed House, 97, was a member of the Edgewood Century Lions Club.

Lion Buddy Butt was a member of the Fallston Lions Club. Contributions may be made to St. Michael Lutheran Church.

Lion Bill Cosden was a member of the Reisterstown Lions Club. He was extremely active in District 22-A and his local clubs for many years and was instrumental in the merger of the Pikesville-Randallstown and Reisterstown Clubs.

On January 25, 2015, **Robert Carmen Badessa**, 66, of Havre de Grace, MD, son of the late Joseph Conceptione Badessa and An-nadomenica Masci Badessa, the devoted husband of 44 years to Susann Ranieri Badessa, loving father of Jeffrey Joseph Badessa and his wife Kristen Smith Badessa of Jarrettsville, MD, and the late Jennifer Lorraine Badessa, adored grandfather of Dominic and Olivia Badessa and dear brother of Joseph Badessa and his wife Lorraine Roseto of Naples, FL, and Maria Badessa of Tampa, FL.

Paul **Embrey**-It is with sincere regret that I must inform all members of the Glenwood Lions community that Lion Paul Embrey passed away at 4:30 this afternoon. No doubt, Lion Paul now rests peacefully with Martha as they did for many years prior. We will pass on arrangements when they are available, but certainly a proper Lions recognition of this fine Lion will be in order.

PDG Fred Wehrenberg-passed away on Sunday, January 18. He lived in Chicago but was still a member of the Reisterstown Lions Club.

Lion Bruce G. Schmickley, Sr.: Ellicott City Lion: On Monday, January 12, 2015 arrangements from the Sun Papers,

In another note, Lion Jim Gannon of the Cockeysville-Timonium club has a hospital bed available for any club that can use it for their loan closet. He can be reached at (443) 996-1702.



District 22A Club News and Activities 2014—2015

Aberdeen Lions

Lions present \$3,000 check to Aberdeen Middle School

Lion Lambert Rickey of Aberdeen Lions Club presented Dr. Anthony Bess, principal of Aberdeen Middle School, and Thomas Scher, head of the Student Government Association, with a check for \$3,000, which represents proceeds from the Lions' annual spaghetti supper held each October at the school. The money will be used to help fund new initiatives being planned for the middle school.



Aberdeen fills December with fundraisers and donations

December was a very busy month for the Aberdeen Lions as the club conducted its annual fundraisers with its Christmas trees, fruit and nut sales. In addition to the fundraisers, monetary donations were made to Arrow Ministries and the Aberdeen Room. Food for church food pantries was collected and delivered to two area churches, Christmas food boxes were prepared and provided for about 125 families, and Christmas joy was provided for two families. The club also participated in the Aberdeen Christmas Street Parade bringing further awareness of the club to the community



Baltimore Brooklyn Lions Club ran a bingo Jan. 20 at Genesis Nursing Home on Hammonds Lane in Brooklyn Park. The club's newest member, Sam Alabi (standing), joined Baltimore Brooklyn Lions President Barbara Drummonds-Gordon. Also helping at the bingo was Pat Pettway, Dick Sebrosky, Jim Kimble and Dennis Scarborough.

Brooklyn Lions deliver help for the holidays

Brooklyn Lions Club received a request in December, through Lions International, to help Michael Carr. Lions Pat Pettway and Jim Kimble got in touch with Mr. Carr and got the name of the store where he shops. Then Jim and Pat met him Dec. 22 at the Brooklyn Library with a gift card.

As it turned out, it was Mr. Carr's uncle, who is a wheelchair-bound Vietnam vet, who needed help. Mr. Carr walked from Fort Avenue to the Brooklyn library to meet with Lions Pat and Jim who gave him a \$50 gift card to help him out at Christmas. Jim and Pat took Mr. Carr back to Fort Avenue to shop for his uncle at the Shoppers Food store. Jim, being a veteran and knowledgeable about Veterans Affairs, gave Mr. Carr advice to help his uncle apply for VA benefits.

Lions join with Home Depot for eye screening

By Past International President Clem Kusiak

I was privileged to take part at an eye screening Jan. 31 as a guest and Lion representing the Marco Island Lions Club, Florida, at the Home Depot in Naples.

The International Day event lasted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and was put together by the Home Depot manager. There were at least 10 different groups present providing skills such as teaching children art crafts, teaching the basics of building wooden objects and using tools. Schools offered skills training, and a Marine Cops group promoted leadership skills.

Home Depot provided giveaways; free hot dogs and water; children's HD work aprons, 5-gallon buckets to the each of the vendors to clean up their trash; and access to free materials and tools for vendors for their setup. Each vendor provided educational opportunities for the public in addition to either food or a trinket. Cont.



Brooklyn Lions, cont.

The eye screening went well. There were 40 people screened, 13 referrals and one who needed urgent attention. Lion Tom Taylor of the Marco Club assisted the entire time doing eye screenings. The Naples Afternoon Club and four eye doctors who volunteer their time at the Bonita Springs Lions Eye Clinic were present to advise patients needing referrals.

In my observation of the event, this is one of the best opportunities for organizations to engage themselves in the community. The Home Depot manager promised to email me details of how the she put together the event. Lions need this venue.



PIP Clem Kusiak (right) represented the Marco Island Lions Club at an eye screening event Jan. 31 at the Home Depot in Naples, Florida.



Churchville Lions

Churchville Lions dedicate Wall of Honor

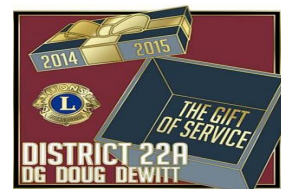
Churchville Lions dedicated a Wall of Honor in memory of several deceased members who made outstanding contributions to the club over the course of many years. The club hosted a dinner for the families of those being honored, and plaques detailing each member's contributions were showcased.

In support of Lions Worldwide Week of Service in Honor of Melvin Jones, the Churchville Lions participated in Harford County's Adopt-a-Road clean-up program. In addition, they hosted a "Lions at the Lanes" bowling party for blind and sight-impaired children.

The club made a donation to the Harford Community Action Agency in support of their many assistance programs to serve those in the community.



Teacher Dena Zorbach joins the Churchville Lions at the Lanes bowling party for blind and sight-impaired children.





Darlington Lions

Darlington Lions met at Dublin United Methodist Church this month with a special speaker Tom Norris, a double amputee who has had a difficult time with Type II diabetes. A former professional football player who said he used to party hard and did not care for his body like he should. Even after losing a leg, the logic did not hit him until he lost his second leg. A father of three daughters and who still works at 67 years young, he has a better outlook on life and appreciates the finer things life has to offer. This was a sobering and unique message for those of us who have the disease. A healthy body will carry you a lot further than one that is not.



1st VDG Larry delivering our quarterly bills, Jo Ann, and Paul Supik with Shorty Billings and Ruth Cox share a few words waiting for our program to begin.

Darlington's Fruit Sale is going on now and concludes the first part of February. Our Christmas fruit sale was a success and one that we'd like to replicate this month.

Forty West Lions



Community group donates three bikes to Wilkens Precinct

By Lauren Loricchio, Baltimore Sun

Police officers patrolling the Wilkens Precinct will now be able to do so on new bikes, thanks to a contribution from the 40 West Lions Club.

The southwest Baltimore County philanthropy group donated three new mountain bikes to the precinct, during the Jan. 13 meeting of the Wilkens Police and Community Relations Organization.

"It's things like this that give us the ability to update our equipment without straining our budget," said Capt. Douglas Irwin, commander of the precinct.

The local police station has six bicycles, often used to patrol residential areas and community events like parades. But the six were old and needed to be replaced, said Ofcr. Tom Wareheim, who attends the monthly WPCRO meetings at the Maiden Choice School in Arbutus in his role as community liaison for the Wilkens Station.

"As one of the bike riders, I appreciate the bikes," Wareheim said to the group of 40 people. "I'll enjoy riding these rather than the old ones."

With an increased number of street robberies in the precinct, which includes Arbutus, Catonsville and Lansdowne, Irwin said officers' patrolling on more dependable bikes could make a difference. "People don't expect to see a cop on a bike," Irwin said.



Community group donates three bikes to Wilkens Precinct

By Lauren Loricchio, Baltimore Sun

Darien Manley, treasurer of the 40 West Lions Club and a retired chief of the Montgomery County division of the Maryland National Capital Park Police, said the group decided to make the donation after Irwin attended one of the group's meetings.

"A question was raised about what the club could do to assist them in their mission of protecting the community," said Manley, whose parents, Jack and Berchie Manley, a former 1st District councilwoman, and sister, Deana Holler, are also members of the club.

Manley said that his mother, who had been instrumental in funding the bike patrol in Baltimore County as a member of the Baltimore County Council, asked Irwin about the condition of the precinct's bike patrol.

"They mentioned that many of the bikes were in disrepair, so we decided we were going to help them," said Darien Manley, who assembled the bikes before they were delivered to the school for the Tuesday evening meeting.

"Bike cops are near and dear to me, because I helped start our bike patrol with my agency many years ago," he said. "I really understand the value of removing the barriers of the car and the glass and allowing the officers and the public to interact in a very casual way and cordial manner."

It improves relations between police and the community, Manley said.

"I had officers that were on horses and on motorcycles," Manley said. "It's amazing when you throw those different modes of transportation in, how the community accepts your officers and how more willing they are to communicate with them, whether it's to share cordial 'Hello's' or to share information, which benefits everybody."

After the meeting, Irwin said the bicycle donation was the latest example of how the community has been generous with the precinct. WPCRO recently provided funds for three officers to attend the Reid Institute to learn a special technique of interviewing and interrogation, he said. The group also paid for an officer to receive training in Florida to become a school resource officer, Irwin said.

Forty West Lions also held a Christmas Dinner, Magic Show and visit by Santa Claus Dec. 15 at the Believe in Tomorrow Children's Home at Johns Hopkins Hospital. This house offers lodging and resources for pediatric patients and their families while undergoing treatment for cancer, as well as short- and long-term injury and illness at Johns Hopkins.

Fifteen families enjoyed a delicious roast beef dinner catered by Duesenberg's American Cafe. Following dinner and dessert, the children and their families were treated to special magic show by magician and Pastor Mark Waddell. To top off their evening, Santa Claus (Lion Don Holler) surprised everyone by delivering gifts to the children and gift cards to their parents. Each child was also given a stuffed animal, a soft and fluffy lion to remember the evening.

This activity gave the children and their families a brief distraction from their daily medical treatments and hospital routine, and an opportunity to enjoy the season's festivities.



Forty West Lions Club presented three mountain bikes to officers at the Wilkens Precinct. Lion Darien Manley, treasurer of the 40 West Lions Club, is a retired chief of the Montgomery County division of the Maryland National Capital Park Police.

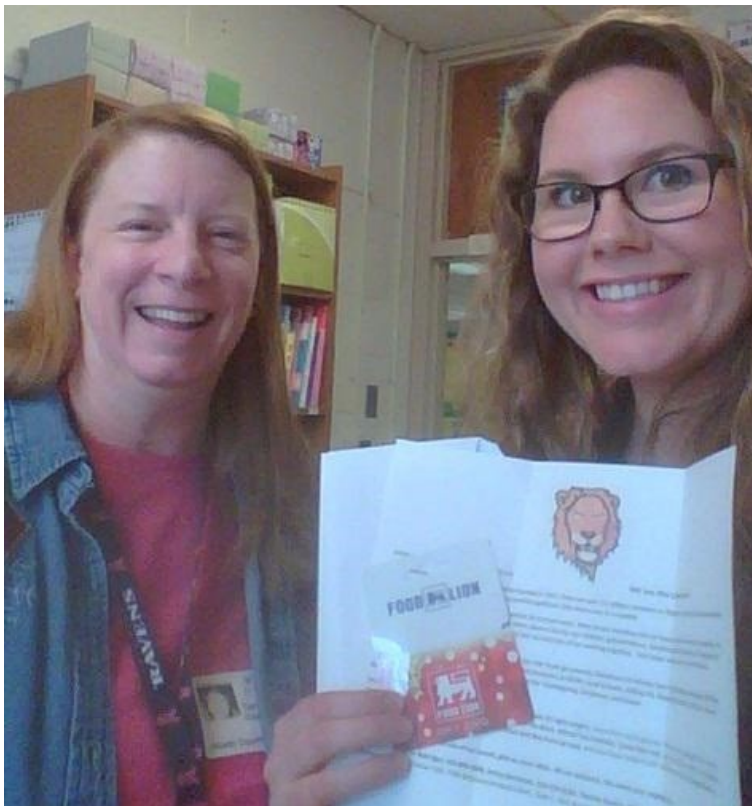


Linthicum Lions

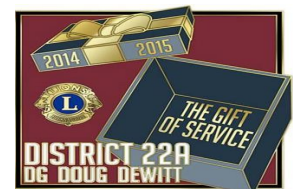
Linthicum makes donations, nominates officers

Linthicum Lions Club met Jan. 19 and voted to donate \$800 to local and Lions Club organizations. Leader Dog for the Blind (\$200), Maryland Therapeutic Riding (\$100), Arundel Singers (\$100), Lions Association for Sight and Hearing (\$300) and Chrysalis House (\$100) were the recipients. Club members also reviewed their \$300 in donations in food certificates to local needy families at Christmastime along with its November and December fruit sales that netted a combined \$697.

The club also nominated a slate of officers for the 2015-2016 Lions year. Elections will be held in March. Sept. 26 has been tentatively set as the date for this year's crab feast. There is also the possibility for a shrimp dinner in the spring. Guest speaker Larry Burton, first vice governor for Lions District 22-A, updated Linthicum Lions on upcoming district events and membership trends. Three members of Severn River Lions also visited the meeting. Lion Tammy Durkin brought a potential new member to see how the Lions serve the community.



Lauren Groves (right) of Quarterfield Elementary School accepts food certificates from Linthicum Lion Tammy Durkin. The donation supports needy families at the school.





Severn River Lions

Honorary Lion Inducted

On Dec. 16 the Severn River Lions club inducted Martin Gorman as an Honorary Lion in recognition of his contributions to the club for the past four years. Martin is the owner/manager of the local Ledo Pizza in Severna Park, and on the fourth Wednesday of each month SRLC members are encouraged to visit Ledo and partake of the delicious pizza and other dishes available. Not only do club members get to enjoy good food and companionship, the club gets a share of the total proceeds from the evening's sales to help finance the club's many service and charitable projects. Since SRLC began dining at Ledo four years ago, the club has received over \$9,000. SRLC is just one of about a dozen schools or organizations that benefit from Martin's generosity, and the name of the clubs and their proceeds are displayed on a chart at the entrance. In recognition of this generosity Martin was inducted into the club, was presented a certificate of membership, a club hat, Lions pin and coffee mug. He was also invited to take part in the club's many service activities.



Super Second Citrus Sale

The sun had not yet risen when hardy Lions began arriving at the high school lot to begin preparations for the club's second citrus sale Dec. 13. Lion Randy Roberts and his escorts had gotten the forklift from Clement Hardware and returned to begin unloading the pallets from the large truck. King Orange Carl issued instructions, and the work began. Several Lions in the truck helped bring the pallets of fruit forward, and the forklift conveyed them to the lineup. Bill Z and the "warming hut" arrived, and hot coffee and fresh doughnuts tempted the workers. When the club truck arrived, six hardy band students assisted with unloading the new sales booths that had been built by Scout Matthew Poindexter and set up began. The new booths painted in blue and gold are a big improvement over the older ones that have been "retired." The sun peeked over the horizon, and customers began to line up before the announced 9 a.m. start time. King Orange Carl signaled the "We are ready," and customers drove to the booth, paid and received tickets that corresponded to their order.





Havre de Grace LIONS CLUB

Bull, Shrimp, & Oyster Roast

Saturday, March 21, 2015 5:30pm-10:00pm
Community Center, 100 Lagaret Lane, Havre de Grace

\$50/PERSON

FOOD 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Music: 8:00pm - 10:00pm

Disc Jockey

Caterer: Fast Eddie's Ice Cream: Keyes Creamery

**Pit Beef, Ham, Turkey, Raw & Fried Oysters, Steamed & Fried Shrimp,
Wings, Italian Sausage, Potatoes, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Potato
Salad, Macaroni Salad, Cole Slaw, Rolls, Cold Platter, Sheet Cake
Pretzels, Chips, Sodas. Beer, Wine provided.**

B.Y.O.L. (Bring Your Own Liquor - carrying in wine or beer prohibited)

Big 6 Wheel * Instant Bingo * Raffles * Auctions * Basket of Cheer

**Proceeds Benefit LIONS Projects: Vision & Hearing exams for the needy,
Scholarships, Leader Dogs, Durable Medical Loan Closet, & many other
Community Service Projects and Charities**

Call Donna: 443-417-4839 for TICKET INFORMATION

SORRY, NO REFUNDS - UNDER AGE 21 NOT ADMITTED



Lions News and Views



Lions News and Views

Deadline needs to be the 21st or 22nd of each month. Photos, articles and dialogs are welcomed. If we can read them and do a little editing, we are good.

Important dates this year: Mark on your calendars for this Lions year.

Billing: District Dues: Oct. 1 and April 1; \$3.75 per member

Full Cabinet Meetings: March 28

Region Meetings:

Regions 1 and 2, April 4

Region 3, April 25

LASH Eyeglass Sorting: April 11

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