



# INSIGHTS

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## Upcoming Meetings & Events

**November 19**  
LYF Executive Meeting

**November 23**  
LVRF Fall Fest Rally  
Johns Hopkins Hospital  
9:30AM - 12:30PM

**Meeting Details Link**  
[https://www.lions22a.org/lions22a\\_calendar.html](https://www.lions22a.org/lions22a_calendar.html)

**July 2-6, 2027**  
LCI Convention  
Washington, D.C.  
*Get information at:*  
[lciconv2027host@gmail.com](mailto:lciconv2027host@gmail.com)

## District Governor’s Message

Thanks to everyone who attended our District 22-A social this month. I heard from many Lions there that they enjoyed the evening. That is a tribute to PDG Sue Parks, First VDG Suzette Kettenhofen and Cabinet Secretary Sandy Guzewich who pitched in to do all the hard work. My job was to stay out of their way and follow instructions, which for the most part I did.



Also, thanks to them for the surprise Melvin Jones Fellow presentation that I assure you was a surprise and did not see coming. I accept the award as recognition of what we have done and will continue to do as a district.

There are a couple of takeaways from our social and the District 22-W social last month. They come under the umbrella that we’re all in this together. Our guest speaker from Kansas told me that as he travels through his home district – 250 miles in one direction and 150 miles in another – that he drives along stretches of roads and passes one town after another where there used to be a Lions Club. That has a familiar ring for what we see in our district and throughout Multiple District 22. We can feel a bit of relief that, as of the beginning of November, our District 22-A membership numbers are holding steady, and the rest of our multiple district is doing well overall. Yet, from Kansas to Maryland and Delaware, there is work to be done to reverse membership declines.

At our Council of Governors meeting after the District 22-W social, the guest speaker from Arizona noted that her home district struggles to get more than 40 percent of clubs to report service activities. Again, that sounds familiar, although our service reporting is better but not great.

When people face challenges, experts suggest going after “the low-hanging fruit.” Tackle the easy stuff first. Reporting service is the easy stuff. You already did the tough work of giving time and effort doing service. Now spend a few minutes recording what you did for Lions Clubs International and, more importantly, for the rest of the world to see.

## Editor's Note

Thank you to the clubs who have been providing articles for the newsletter.

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 which cannot be used.

Send your articles and photos to InSights' editor John Hayes at [jhayes1012@outlook.com](mailto:jhayes1012@outlook.com).

### Deadlines for materials:

- **12/20/2024 for January issue**
- **02/20/25 for March issue**
- **04/20/25 for May issue**
- **06/20/25 for July issue**

Going online and updating MyLion club accounts is more natural than you suspect. How many of us are on Facebook? On Instagram? On LinkedIn? Listing service activities is not much different than going to Facebook and posting pictures of what you had for dinner last night or friends having a good time together. Don't make reporting service activities harder than it needs to be.

Then when you report service activities, by all means copy, paste and post that same content on Facebook or wherever your friends are. You don't have to be a club secretary to showcase on your personal profile what you and your fellow Lions are doing to serve our community. A pro tip: Whenever you post a Lions-related item, tag District 22-A Lions and Lions Clubs International. They will often grab those posts and share them to the rest of the world gaining thousands of more views.

Reporting service and amplifying it on social media, we can help answer the question that prospective members ask: What do Lions do? Point them to your webpage and let what we do come to life for them. By fixing service reporting and giving it an extra kick on social media, we can resolve one issue – the low-hanging fruit – and be well on the way to see gains in new members that all of us really need.

Thanks for all you do.

DG Jim

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## First Vice District Governor's Message

Hello District 22–A Lions,

It has been a very busy few months for me. In September, I went to Detroit and the Leader Dog Institute to learn more about how our Lions funds are used to help those who cannot see. To say it was an eye-opening experience might be a little cliché, but I appreciate my eyesight even more. Our October Eyeglass sorting was a very successful event and several thousands of glasses were sorted and boxed up. The District Governors Social on November 2 was also a very eventful function with all in attendance raving about the great food.



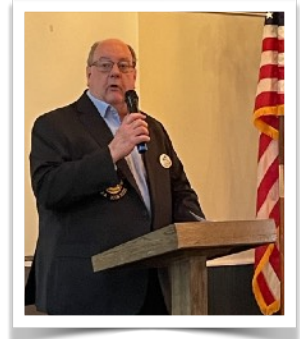
I look forward to visiting your clubs in the new year, as I will be asking several Lions members to join my Cabinet/Committees, if you would be interested in a cabinet or committee position please reach out to me directly and let's talk.

YIL,  
1VDG Suzette Kettenhofen  
2024-2025 District 22-A

## **22-A HARVEST GALA** **In Honor of** **District Governor Jim Katzaman and** **First Lady Lion Myrna**

Lions of District 22-A honored District Governor Jim and First Lady Lion Myrna Katzaman on Saturday, November 2nd at the Elks Lodge in Annapolis, MD.

PDG Sue Parks, from the Severn River Lions Club, was the Emcee. 75 representatives from all MD22 Districts attended including the three Past International Directors, the Council of Governors, many Past District Governors and other friends. International Director Hans Neidhardt gave the keynote address highlighting LCI's membership initiative 1.5 and leadership qualities. DG Jim's remarks emphasized membership and also the ease and necessity of reporting service.



The District presented ID Hans with a 2027 International Convention Sponsorship pin and we honored DG Jim with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. ID Hans and DG Jim presented PCC Larry Burton and PDG Sue Parks with International President's Certificates of Appreciation for their guidance and advice throughout the year.

Rounding out the event were door prizes, a silent auction, and 50/50 raffle. From all reports, everyone enjoyed the dinner buffet and loved the picturesque setting. PDG Sue thanked the Social Committee - FVDG Suzette Kettenhofen and CS Sandy Guzewich, Co-Chairs for the Silent Auction, for all of their work in gathering donations and setting up the silent auction, Lion John Hayes for producing the Harvest Gala's program book, Lion Colleen Murphy for handling the program ads process, and Lion Mike Barnett for handling the reservation process. Without these volunteers the event could not have been a success! DG Jim has designated LASH as recipient of the event's donations and Suzette delivered a carload of non-perishable food items to the Anne Arundel County Food Bank.



*Upper left: DG Jim was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Upper right: from left, Lion Eileen Gaffigan, Lion Myrna & DG Jim Katzaman, ID Hans and DG Shari Neidhardt.*

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*Upper left: International Director Hans Neidhardt gave the keynote address. Upper right: ID Hans and DG Jim present PCC Larry Burton with an International President's Certificate of Appreciation*



*Upper left: From left, ID Hans presented Past International Directors Dick Liebno, Ted Reiver, and Joe Gaffigan with a special coin. Upper right: DG Shari Neidhardt accepted a gift from first lady Lion Myrna Katzaman*



*Upper left: From left, PCC Bob & Lion Linda Eisenberg, PDGs Angela & Bob Bruce, PDG Nadja and PCC Bob Muchow. Upper right: Some of the 64 pounds of food collected for the Maryland Food Bank.*

## LASH EYEGASSES SORTING

Thirty-two people from 14 Lions Clubs sorted and boxed 18,000 pairs of eyeglasses at the October 12th LASH Eyeglasses Sorting Event. A total of 46 boxes of eyeglasses with at least 350 per box were collected and sorted. Some boxes had over 400. There were also 1,000 wrap-around sunglasses that will go to missionaries to take to Africa and other countries, and one box of about 500 broken frames that will be recycled. The money from the recycled eyeglasses frames and the titanium and gold frames will come to LASH. That money will help pay for eyeglasses and hearing aids for applicants within Baltimore City, where we have no Lions Clubs to help provide funds.

There were about 500 cellphones and 100 sets of hearing aids collected. The cellphones will go to a veterans organization that will recycle them for money for projects for active duty military and veterans. One thing they buy is phone cards for troops overseas to be able to call home.

The hearing aids will go to the Towson University Hearing & Balance Center, where LASH sends approved hearing aid applicants to get their hearing aids. Some of the donated hearing aids are disassembled for demonstration in audiology PhD classes. The newer ones in better condition are refurbished and issued to clients who cannot otherwise afford hearing aids. One hearing aid assistance applicant this year is an 84 year old concert pianist, who graduated from Peabody and has her masters degree in music education. Part of her income comes from performing at events. Her old hearing aids have failed and she cannot hear well enough to perform until she gets replacements. A set of donated upper level hearing aids are being refurbished for her, so she can better hear the nuances of sound in the range of music, so she can perform again. She is so excited and grateful to be able to play again. That's what Lionism is all about.

Thanks so much to Eyeglasses Sorting Chairman, Joe Livingston, for another well-organized event and for handling the shipping of all the eyeglasses and cellphones.

District Governor Jim Katzaman and wife, Lion Myrna were present representing Linthicum Lions Club. Clubs who attended were:

- Annapolis
- Baltimore 40 West
- Baltimore Nepalese
- Bel Air
- Churchville
- Clarksville
- Fallston
- Glenwood
- Jarrettsville
- Linthicum
- Long Green Valley
- Overlea
- Reisterstown
- Severn River



# LASH EYEGGLASS SORTING PHOTOS



## ABERDEEN LIONS HIGHLIGHTS

### Aberdeen Lions Fruit Sale

The Aberdeen Lions club is conducting their annual fruit sale. Fruit orders are due by Friday, November 15th, 2024. Ad-on orders are due November 22nd, 2024.

Fruit will be delivered on Thursday, December 5th, 2024, to Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, 201 Mount Royal Avenue, Aberdeen, MD. Customers can pick up their orders from 12 pm till 6 pm and on December 5th, 2024, and from 9am till noon on Friday December 6th, 2024.

Orders can be dropped off at Harford Bank's Aberdeen office on or before November 15th, Attention Lion Sandy Osborn or contact Lions Mark Schlottman, Dave Shetterly or Chuck Jacobs.

If you are interested in placing an order, contact any Aberdeen Lion member or send an email to: [aberdeenlions2@comcast.net](mailto:aberdeenlions2@comcast.net).

Visit the club's website to see the fruit sale flyer at: <https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/aberdeenmd/>

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### Lion Cheryl Rickey Presented Life Membership

Lion Cheryl had been a member since 2001 and was sponsored by Ronnie Landbeck. She has served as 3rd VP, 2nd VP, 1st VP, President and Immediate past President and has earned the Melvin Jones award.

Lion Cheryl has served on many committees such as Christmas Tree fundraiser, spaghetti and pancake supper, Lions Apparel, Bingo, Youth Scholarship Empty Stocking and Arrow Ministries.



# ANNAPOLIS LIONS HIGHLIGHTS

## Vision Screening at Heritage Harbor Health Fair

Annapolis Lions and friends participated in the Annual Heritage Harbour Health Fair September 16th.

Visual acuity screenings were completed and over the counter reading glasses were provided when requested. The group collected used eyeglasses, hearing aids and cell phone were collected and a permanent donation box was provided for the Heritage Harbor community building.

The group had interesting conversations "How are The Lions Doing" with answers provided by way of the Annapolis Lions Club Flier and LCI flier titled - HELLO Get to know the world's largest service club organization. (LCI Flier EX511 EN 1/24). Information on the club's fruit sale was also provided.

The Lions wished a special thank you sent to the host committee - Women's Club of Heritage Harbour for the complementary table, space and advertisement in their program booklet.



## Annual Fruit Sale Annapolis Lions Fruit Sale

Click the link for information on the club's annual fruit sale.

<https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/annapolismd/page-7.php>





# BEL AIR LIONS HIGHLIGHTS

## Club Wins HCAA Food Drive

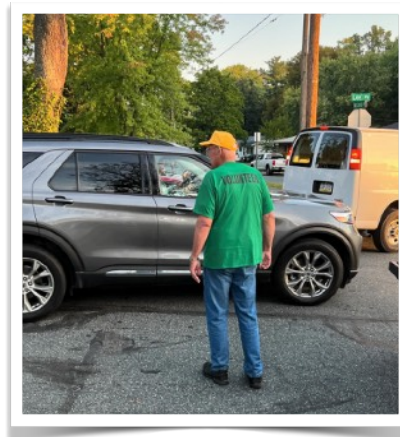
The Bel Air Lions won the Harford Community Action Agency (HCAA) Food Drive Competition and will have honorary naming rights to the Emergency Food Pantry for one year! HCAA raised over 15,000 points (a point is one dollar or pound of food donated) with the Bel Air Lions leading the way with 4,403 points.

Hunger Committee Chairs Lions Dave and Diane Frace provided leadership in collecting donations Chambers was the lead Lion for the competition. A group of Lions gathered at Hopkins Brewery on September 20<sup>th</sup> for the official weigh in.



## Lions Assist at the Festival for the Arts

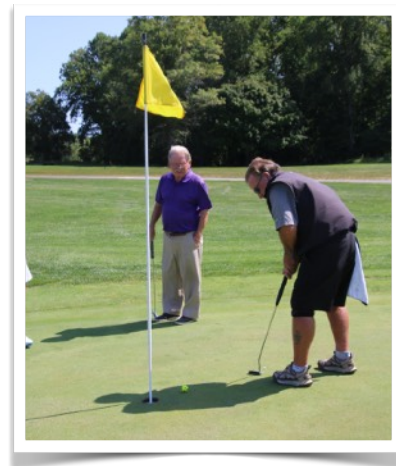
Bel Air Club members pitched in again to support the 57th annual Bel Air Festival for the Arts on September 15th at Shamrock Park. Lion Don Stewart coordinated help from several Bel Air High School sports teams to help vendors move in Sunday morning and then move out Sunday evening. Over 300 vendors participated. Other members pitched in to help move vendors, direct traffic flow, sell food and yes, even with live entertainment!



# BEL AIR LIONS HIGHLIGHTS

The Bel Air Lions Foundation hosted the annual Conrad DePinto Golf Tournament on September 9<sup>th</sup> at Winters Run Golf Course. 120 golfers participated in the sold-out event. The tournament should net approximately \$11,000 for scholarships. The foursome from the Bel Air Volunteer Fire Company won the event. The tournament was blessed with great weather and was catered by MaGerK's.

Lion Phil Raub again sponsored the putting contest, with Klein's Shoprite and Boyle Insurance a return sponsor for the beverages. Lion Jesse Bane was an Eagle sponsor along with WebIXI. A new sponsor this year was X-Golf, who will be hosting the club's virtual golf tournament in January.



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## Lions Recognized for 50 Years of Service



At the September 16<sup>th</sup> General Meeting at Rockfield Manor, Lions Wayne Dudeck and Phil Raub received citations from LCI in recognition for 50 years of Lions service.

A great accomplishment for 2 great Lions!

# DARLINGTON LIONS HIGHLIGHTS

## Lions Participate in Annual Apple Festival

For the 20th year, Darlington joined with the Mason-Dixon Lions of District 14-C to work a food booth at the Darlington Apple Festival the first Saturday in October. Six Darlington members joined a like number from Mason-Dixon to prepare and sell Italian sausages, hot dogs, French fries, and drinks that netted more than \$1,500 that was split between the two clubs.



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## Serving Seniors in Darlington

Following the Lions motto of “We Serve,” Darlington members assisted as servers and cleaned-up for the gathering of the community Silver Lunch Bunch in early August. Seventy-one persons were served and the club received a \$100 donation from the organizer in thanks for our help. The Lions will be ready to help again at the next quarterly luncheon in November.

## Upcoming Events

Upcoming club service activities include semi-annual clean-up of our adopted road in October, manning of the Harford County Lions train garden, and distribution of food baskets to community families in need. The club’s service activities have not gone unnoticed as we just received an unsolicited \$300 donation from a local church in recognition of “all the Lions do for the community.”

# JARRETTSVILLE LIONS HIGHLIGHTS

## Celebrating Years of Service

Lion Odell Jarvis was awarded Life Membership at the last membership meeting. Lion Odell has served the club and the community with commitment and compassion.

During his many years with the club, he has served as president and as the district zone chair.



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## Supporting Community Schools

Once again this year, the Jarrettsville Lions Club supported Jarrettsville Elementary, Norrisville Elementary, North Bend Elementary, North Harford Elementary, North Harford Middle and North Harford High Schools by contributing \$500 to each school’s principal’s fund. This fund is there for the teachers to purchase supplies not provided by the county.



## SEVERN RIVER LIONS HIGHLIGHTS

### Lions Assist at Bay Bridge Walk

On November 9th, the Severn River Lions Club had eight volunteers working at the Bay Bridge Walk volunteer booth checking in runners and issuing shirts in preparation for the Sunday, November 10 Bay Bridge Walk.



*Front row: Lion Bill Stack, Lion Bill Zelenakas, and Lion Laurajean Councill, Back row: Mrs. Dixie Stack, Lion Carroll Hicks, Lion Tilghman Brice, 1VDG Suzette Kettenhofen and Lion Catherine Violette.*

As the 2027 Host Committee for the Lions International Convention encourages business, member and club participation in the sponsorship program, we thank the following sponsors for their support:

**MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22 HOSTING**  
Lions International Convention Washington DC



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**In memory of:**

Lion E. Louise Stonesifer

1st U.S. Life Member Scott S. Bair Sr.  
Lion Marion Bankard

Lion COL. George Bolling  
PDG Dalton Mann

## Help “Give Back” to the Disabled Students who Sort Lions’ Used Eyeglasses

People know we Lions collect used eyeglasses. For many years used glasses collected in the Multiple Districts ultimately have been given for free to indigent needy people in vision clinics that I established in California and Mexico over the past 18 years.

I’m Lion Bob Martin, and I’ve been a District Sight Conservation Eyeglasses Recycling Chairman for many years in Districts 22-W and 22-C. I joined Lions over 22 years ago. As my wife and I moved, I’ve belonged to Clubs in Middletown, Myersville, Freedom District, and Sandy Spring.

After Lions collect donated glasses, I am the person to whom they go. Those glasses are sorted to determine their re-usability, then counted, packed, and boxed for eventual shipment to clinics.

Since 2001, our used glasses have been sorted at no cost or expense to Lions by SUCCESS students in Frederick, MD. SUCCESS is a 3-year Frederick County Public School-sponsored job and life skills training program for 18–21-year-old young people with disabilities.

I’ve worked with SUCCESS students for 23 years as the program grew from 5 students to 66 this year. These students have performed tens of thousands of free volunteer community service work hours for Lions. They know their efforts are important and that their contributions are “helping others.”

Over the past few years, I have invited Santa Claus to visit the students at a party just before the winter holidays. As a part of the celebration, I give each student a small cash “Thank You Gift”. The first year it was a \$10 dollars bill. That year, one student opened his envelope, raised his bill in the air, and excitedly yelled “I’m rich! I’m rich!” I thought he was being funny. Then I realized – sadly – that he was not!

Since then, each student has received a \$30 cash “gift” from me/us for their work. The money has been donated by me, my friends, family, and Lions Clubs throughout the Districts. It all goes to the students and the SUCCESS Program.

I hope your Lions District, Club or members will send me a donation in *any amount* before early December. Santa’s already “scheduled,” and I can’t wait to be his helper again this year!

**Please mail your checks *by early December* to:  
Lion Bob Martin, 1706 Hickory Knoll Rd., Sandy Spring, MD 20860**

*P. S. Our permanent clinics (not temporary mission clinics) have provided free, recycled glasses to over 100,000 underserved people faster and more accurately than is possible by any other means. If your Club wants to learn how our unique system works, I would be delighted to speak to your Club. Please call me, Lion Bob Martin, at 301.471.9998 or email me at [bmartin495@aol.com](mailto:bmartin495@aol.com). More info is available at [www.GlobalRevision.org](http://www.GlobalRevision.org). THANKS, and Merry Christmas!*

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## Welcome to Our Newest Members

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