Hello fellow Lions,

The Lion year has started off with a bang. We are in the process of forming a new club. This process started last Lion year under IPDG Larry Burton. The members of the club are immigrants from Nepal. More details will be provided in future issues of the News & Views.

International President Chancellor Bob Corlew’s theme for this year is “New Mountains to Climb”. The mountains are our service projects. As we finish one, we can look out and see another that needs to be done. The link to view the 10 minute video online is http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-media/videos/index.php.

We have already been told that International President Chancellor Bob Corlew plans to attend the Multiple District Convention in Gettysburg next year. After the USA/Canada Forum in Omaha in September, he plans to do a bus tour to promote Lions. As part of the tour, he will travel I-68 to I-70 to I-270 to I-495 to I-95 (heading north), thus visiting all of the sub-districts in MD22. Again, more details will be provided as we get them.

As you know, we are in the 100th year of Lions. Next year’s International Convention will be in Chicago, the birthplace of Lions. I encourage you to attend the convention in Chicago. Other sub-districts in MD22 are organizing bus trips to go to the convention. I hope there is enough interest in 22-A for us to have one. In order to set up a bus trip, we need a coordinator. This is a call for a volunteer.

Congress authorized the production of a Lions Silver Dollar to be released in 2017. Details appear elsewhere in this issue.

I have another call for a volunteer. As part of LOVRNET, we (Lions) provide Direct Services to patients. Those services range from changing the switch and outlet covers from white (on a white wall) to black or dark brown (this service has been performed) to transporting patients to appointments with providers of low vision services. The District needs a coordinator to arrange for a Lion (or club) to provide the needed service. Right now, I am acting as the coordinator. If you are interested and want more details, contact me.

Now a bit of bad news. LASH was unable to arrange to use the 22-C screening trailer (they no longer have the bus). As a result, we will not be doing vision and hearing screening at the State Fair this year. LASH is already planning for next year so that this does not happen again.

Again this year, we do not have a Second Vice District Governor. The procedures that we have to go through will be sent to each club’s President and Secretary. Please consider very seriously filling the position.

Finally, please let me know about your club’s service projects and fundraisers. If my schedule allows me to join you to help out, I will. Just as a bit of information for when I come visit your club – I do not eat seafood. My e-mail address is 22a.districtgovernor@gmail.com.
Lions of District 22A:

As our new Lions year begins, I am looking forward to meeting all of you as I travel throughout our great District. Between club visits and service projects, I plan on being there with you as “WE SERVE” those in our communities. I will be contacting the clubs within the next couple of weeks in order to set up a visitation date that fits your club’s schedule as well as mine. My new email address is: wearelions@outlook.com

I urge you to utilize the above contact information to let me know when you are having special events and activities, as I am looking forward to seeing what all our clubs are doing and, if time permits, to be able to assist you with your event.

Thanks for all that you do....
Upcoming District & Lions International events:
Future District 22 Convention Sites:

2017 May 15 – 18 Gettysburg PA
2018 May 7 – 10 Ocean City MD
2019 May 13 – 16 Ocean City MD

Future Lions International Convention Sites:

2017 June 30 – July 4 Chicago, Ill.
2018 June 29 – July 3 Las Vegas, Nv.
2019 July 5 – 9 - Milan, Italy

District 22A Club News and Activities 2015–2016

Annapolis Lions

On June 14th, 2016, the Annapolis Lions Club celebrated their 75th Anniversary with the rededication of our charter by PIP Clem Kusiak. The event took place at the William Paca House which is located in Annapolis, and within its gardens is the original site of the Carvel Hall Hotel where the Annapolis Lions Club held its first meeting 75 years ago. After the brief ceremony, members and guests enjoyed lunch at Galway Bay Irish Restaurant in Annapolis. PIP Clem attended, and he took several photos of the event.

Carol reports: Annapolis Lions Club sent donations to the following for Lion Year 2016:

Gambrills Youth Organization
Maryland Therapeutic Riding
Maryland School for the Blind
Leader Dogs
Medical Eye Bank of Maryland
LVRF
Lions Youth Foundation
Annapolis Fire Department
Annapolis Police Department
LASH
Lions Camp Merrick

Even before his office is official, look who is the banner bearer, DG Chuck!
On this 75th year of service to the community, we need to respect the wisdom and leadership of the Lions who preceded us. This club's existence has enabled families to come together in common fellowship and establish personal bonds and has produced untold good for citizens of the area, both in quality of life and the abatement of personal tragedy. It has provided a forum for members to bring other people with other ideas into an environment to help make lives more meaningful and productive. As Charlie Steele said, it is a chain reaction, and it must not cease. We need to carry on.

Past International President Clem writes:

June 1941 is the year the Annapolis Lions Club held their first meeting with the sponsoring club, Washington, D.C. Club, presenting their charter during the event at the Carvel Hall Hotel....

On Monday May 13, 2016, seventy-five years later, a committee of four headed by President Gene Zeiser, held their charter event celebrating accomplishments and the opportunity to continue their service in the community.

“The President Gene Zeiser’s Address at Paca House”

The event began in the beautiful gardens of the Paca House, site of Carvel Hall Hotel, where the Charter event had taken place. First Order of business: welcome by President Gene, dedication of the Annapolis Lions Charter by Clem Kuisak and a certificate of appreciation to KL Gene from International President Dr. Yamada.
Brooklyn Lions

On Friday, June 10th, Lions Pat Pettway and Dennis Scarborough attended the Brooklyn and Curtis Bay Community Cookout @ Curtis Bay Recreation Center, (1630 Filbert Street), 3 – 6 PM. Many community organizations were present and the Lions had an opportunity to meet with many of the leaders of those organizations as well as tell those leaders what the Lions do in the community. Food, games, music and activities were free to all attendees.

The goal of the event was to make the community residents know what community services are available and how we can build a stronger, safer and healthier community together. News of the event was posted on the “You know you grew up in BROOKLYN (MD) if....” Facebook page.

Brooklyn Lions Club presents Attendance Awards at the Curtis Bay Middle School Eighth Grade Closing Ceremonies, June 15, Lions Pat Pettway and Dennis Scarborough attended the Closing Ceremonies for Curtis Bay Middle School which were held at Benjamin Franklin High School in Brooklyn. Six students were presented Attendance Awards by the Brooklyn Lions. School Principal Lynnea Cornish thanked the Lions for presenting the awards.

A memorial Day Celebration once again allowed the Lions, Lioness and Leos to participate as a unit of clubs with their families. For the second year in a row, Miss America participated with Multiple District 22. As the marchers and float passed by the viewing stand, the Lions were recognized for dedication by making the world a better place. In addition, Miss America led the song of “God Bless America”. Lion Clem’s participation of carrying the banner has been a tradition for the past 5 years.

Lions Dick Sebrosky and Terri Mills attended the Kindergarten Graduation Ceremonies at Maree Garnett Farring Elementary/Middle School on Friday, June 17th in Brooklyn. Attendance medals from the Baltimore Brooklyn Lions Club were presented at the ceremonies. Lion Pat Pettway also attended.

Churchville Lions

Summer Picnic/Turnover - New Officers of the Churchville Lions Club were welcomed by PDG Larry Burton at the Summer Picnic/Turnover in July.
Churchville Lions cont.

Roadway Clean Up - The Churchville Lions recently conducted a roadway clean up along Paradise Road.

Darlington Lions

Have we mentioned how proud we are of the job done by one of our own, Immediate Past District Governor Larry? We are indeed delighted to have him serving the Darlington Lions Club and of the way he represented us in the District. The Darlington Lions Club continues to collect aluminum cans from the community for recycling. In addition, we invite you to attend any of the monthly Bingo games held at the DVFC on the third Thursday of the month from 6:00-9:00. Come have a great time, and you might get lucky!! Also, our loan closet containing medical equipment for those in need continues to be active. Our 4th of July fire works event went off with a bang this past month. The parade and activities proved fun and enjoyable to the crowd and we did have FUN. The Club is currently busy planning for the upcoming Chicken Barbeque which will be held on August 27th. Come join us for a delicious, meal and top it off with desserts made by our busy bakers.

Eastern Regional Lions

On May 30, 2016, several members of the Eastern Regional Lions Club attended the annual Memorial Day services at the Holly Hill Memorial Gardens in Middle River. They participated in a mini parade and laid a wreath at the Lamky, Luther, Whitehead Veterans Memorial.
Edgewood Lions

**Annual Edgewood Car/Truck Show**
Saturday, September 10th at Presbury U.M. Church, 806 Edgewood Rd., Edgewood, MD. from 10-2. Raindate is Saturday, October 8th. The church will also be having its Pit Beef Sale that day. Bring the family, come to the show, and have lunch! Music by DJ- The Perfect Beat. For more information (or if you'd like to register a car or truck), the chairperson is Lion Steve LaOrange- 410-676-8135.

**Annual Bull Roast** will be held at Richlin Ballroom on October 15th from 7:30 – 11:30 PM. There will be games, a lottery tree, money bowl, 50/50 and of course lots of good food! **PDG Doug Patterson** is chairing the event: 410-688-3491. Tickets are available. **Everyone is welcome!**

Severn River Lions

Saturday, June 11, was a special day at Kinder Park Farm Park for Scouting Pack 688 after the scouts completed their Bridging Ceremony. The Severn River Lions grilled hamburgers and hot dogs for more than 70 plus people including scout leaders, scouts, parents and Lions. In addition to grilling, each parent provided their favorite outdoor dish. The grilling and serving team consisted of Lions Don Rayment, Tilman Brice, George Concill (grill caretaker and quality control tester), Ollie Wittig (team facilitator), Dick Maurer, Jackie Hetick, Clem Kusiak, Bill Zelenahas and Carl Gilbert.

Thanks to PIP Clem for getting and sending over this and several other articles for this issue of News and Views. Ed
Breaking News!!

On Wednesday, July 27, I joined IPDG Larry Burton at the Nepal House restaurant in Baltimore. This organizational meeting for a new club was the culmination of work that IPDG Larry started in April 2016.

Other Lions there were PIP Clem Kusiak, ID Richard Liebno, ID Sanjay Khetan of Nepal, 1VDG Paul Rufe, CS Marie Marucci and KL Bijoy Mahanti of the Aberdeen Club.

The Consulate General of Nepal for MD & PA and the President of the Baltimore Association of Nepalese in America were there, too.

ID Sanjay Khetan has been identifying areas for clubs in America (with LCI's permission) and provides the District Governor from the area with a contact within the group to start a new club. IPDG Larry was provided that information in April and has been working on it since then.

By the close of the evening, we had 32 applications for membership and a charter application for a new club. The name of the club is Lions Club of Baltimore Nepalese. They will meet at the Butter Chicken restaurant located in the Hillendale Shopping Center, 6837 Loch Raven Boulevard, Towson.

Thank you, ID Khetan and IPDG Larry!

See next page for photos of the event.....ed.
A new Lions Club for District 22A can be seen below. Congratulations for all the work done to get this one going!
Commemorative silver dollars will be available later this year for all Lions to get and give as gifts. These would make great appreciation gifts to guests and important speakers. Save them for your kids and grandkids. Or just add to your collections.

The 99th annual convention in Fukuoka, Japan, for Lions Clubs International served as the stage on June 28th for the unveiling of the approved designs for the 2017 Lions Clubs International Century of Service silver dollar.

The approved obverse rendered by U.S. Mint Artistic Infusion Program artist Joel Iskowitz and sculpted by U.S. Mint Medallic Sculptor Joseph F. Menna features a portrait of Lions Club International founder Melvin Jones paired with the Lions Clubs International logo.

The reverse, rendered by AIP artist Patricia Lucas-Morris and sculpted by U.S. Mint Sculptor-Engraver Donald Everhart II, depicts a male and female lion with a lion cub superimposed over a globe.

The Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act authorizes the production and release, in Proof and Uncirculated coins combined, of 400,000 coins.

Courtesy of Coin World
LVRF News for July 2016

As we look forward to celebrating 100 years of Lionism, the Lions of MD 22 will be celebrating 25 years of LVRF so mark your calendars for November 19, 2016. This year’s rally is going to be a big one! We have some changes happening at LVRF, too. Our AA Kelly is moving on and we will be looking for a replacement. Thank you, Kelly, for your service. We all wish you well. For the present time, PDG Susan Timmons will be taking over Kelly’s duties. We have a new Email lvrf.info@gmail.com and phone 410-955-1883. Thank you PDG Susan.

As I start my term as Chairman of LVRF I want to thank IPC Rodney for all his hard work and a job well done. I am looking forward to helping your LVRF grow. This is every Lion’s foundation in MD 22, and I hope you all take as much pride in it as I do. I am humbled to be your chairman for the next 2 years. New KLs, please, if you have not had a program at your meeting for LVRF in a few years, please think about it, just ask one of your trustees. We all love to talk about LVRF! We have lots of exciting things going on in new research and new programs to share. One last thing if you do a Vision day for LVRF, thank you!! If not, how about trying one? LVRF Chair PDG Karl E Gude

Maryland State Fair Lions 22A Eye and Hearing Screenings

We will NOT be screening this year due to the screening bus or trailer being used elsewhere.


SAVE THE DATE

DISTRICT 22-A DISTRICT SOCIAL
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2016
RICHLIN BALLROOM
1700 Van Bibber Road
EDGEWOOD, MD 21040

Cocktails/Hors d’oeuvres at 7:00 PM
Dinner served at 7:30 PM

WATCH YOUR MAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION
During the LVRF meeting Vision Days, Chairman Bob Bullock (4th from the left) created WESTERN LIONS Club for the purpose of illustrating "Planning" the clubs Vision Days plan. Vision Days how-to booklets with a welcome letter and poster were handed out to the 42 attendees. President of the Western Lions club, John Cullision, PDG representing Western Australia introduced the clubs committee: VD Chairman Bob Bullock, representing Western Maryland, Ted Ladd (2nd from left) PDG, representing Western Beltsville, John Shwed, PDG (3rd from left), LVRF Development chair, Mel Nace, Lion (5th from left) representing Western Delaware, Clem Kusiak, PIP (far right) representing Western Baltimore. Club President John requested everyone open their how-to booklets, refitting first to the Chechen list, success stories. Input from the members included testimonials, proclamations by mayors and where addition materials (i.e. Booklets, Posters, Canister Labels, Letters etc) could be gotten. Web master John Lawrence reported that the LVRF Webb page has all the information. See LVRF.info@gmail.com. Additional participation during the club meeting included a personal donation by each member for the purpose of launching the club’s first planning event for Vision Days.

Blind Industries & Services of Maryland held their Eastern Shore Pro - Invitational at Green Hill Country Club located in Quantico, Maryland on Friday, June 10th. Lions Clem Kusiak of the Baltimore Brooklyn Lions Club and Lion Skip Hoffman of the Aberdeen club represented Lions in addition to their foursome winning 2nd place.
Editors: Kirk Wimer and Jim Katzaman

Lions News and Views

Deadline needs to be the 20th of each month. Photos, articles and dialogs are welcomed, if we can read them and do a little editing.

Important dates this year
Here are important dates to mark on your calendars for this Lions year:
Billing: District Dues: Oct. 1 and April 1; $3.75 per member

District 22A Cabinet Meeting: Aug. 30
Region Meetings: Region 1, Sept. 29
LASH General Membership Meeting: Aug. 29
LASH Exec. Board Meeting: Sept. 30
LASH Eyeglass Sorting: Oct. 8, April 8, 2017

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Note: District 22A celebrates its 76th anniversary this year.