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LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL



MESSAGE FROM DG VIC

I would like to encourage the clubs to schedule their respective Official District Governor visits.

They can reach me by email:

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Send club news, events, projects and other listings for the District 22B Newsletter by the 12th of each month to Jack Walter
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Just a reminder that the Princess Anne Lions is having their 2nd Annual Golf Tournament and Auction on May 2nd at Great Hope Golf Course in Westover MD.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Fellow Lions:

Please join me in welcoming our first new club to District 22B in nine years. On March 26th the Ocean Pines Lions Club official became a chartered club. Formerly a branch of the Berlin Lions Club the celebration and charter night festivities will be held on Sunday, June 28th.

Please contact Region 4 Chairperson and the clubs first President Donna Burke for more information.

Consider sending a representative from your club on this most momentous occasion.

Kudos to the District 22B Social Committee (PDG Dal Mann, PDG Dorothy Culver and Lion Carol Schoonover) for making that evening a special event. Additionally, hats off to Lion Doug Parks for providing two successful Leader Dog Dinners in Galena and Sharptown.

The district raised over \$ 26,000 for this program.

Hopefully, you are making plans to attend the Multiple District 22 Convention in Dover, Delaware that will be held on May 17th – 20th.

International President Albert Brandel will be in attendance. It promises to be another exciting event.

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April 4, 2009

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, April 14th Regular meeting at Cambridge Yacht Club at 6:30 p.m. Our guest speaker tonight will be Brigadier General James A. Adkins, Adjutant General of the Maryland Department of the Military, and Secretary of the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs.

Saturday, April 18th Vision screening at the Cambridge Family YMCA – If you are able to help out with this most worthy project contact Lion Josh Wagner.

Tuesday, April 28th Regular meeting at Cambridge Yacht Club at 6:30 p.m. Our guests tonight will be our two scholarship winners.

Tuesday, April 28th Directors meeting will follow regular meeting tonight.

May 17 through 20th Multiple District 22 Convention will be held again at Dover Downs in Dover, Delaware. Our April 14th meeting is deadline for sending in our registration for this.

If you know of anything that might be of interest to our membership please let Lion Anne Whaples or the Secretary know so it can go in the newsletter. Also, a big THANKS to Lion Anne for a great job on the newsletter!

To become more familiar with what and Lions International our District are doing, take a minute and visit the following websites: www.lionsclubs.org or www.Lions22B.com

The Ocean City- Berlin Leo Club

Spread some spring "sunshine" to the Berlin Nursing Home with their first Daffodil Delivery. This past month the Leos cut and bunched Daffodils from the Ocean City Lions Club and then distributed them to the nursing home on Monday March 23rd. As a group they had a blast both at the club and at the Berlin Nursing Home, just seeing the joy on the resident's faces was the greatest reward.

The Leos hope to make this delivery an annual event in the future.



members Cate DeCicco, Alex Clagett, Ocean City- Berlin Leo Club President Lindsey Bankert, Peter Andes

Ocean City-Berlin Leo Club President Lindsey Bankert presenting a check, to the Leader Dogs program, for \$500. to Districk Governor Vic Lowe and Leader Dog representative and our guest speaker Carroll Jackson. Mr Jackson is also a Lion from Detroit



Crisfield Lioness/Lions

Hosting the Soft Shell Spring Fair, Sunday - May 24th, 12 noon to 5p.m.
at the Crisfield City dock.

Fresh local seafood, arts and crafts,
waterman's hall of fame awards, and live entertainment. **FREE admission.**

The Princess Anne Lions Club

Holding its 2nd Annual Golf Tournament and Auction on May 2nd at the Great Hope Golf Course in Westover, MD. The club is looking for teams to golf, tee sign sponsors, and donations for the auction.

SPRING FESTIVAL

The Hebron Lions Club, in conjunction with the Hebron Vol. Fire Dept., will again be holding their major fundraiser starting in May. The Spring Festival dates are May 20th thru 23rd, May 27th thru 30th, and June 3rd thru 6th. The Spring Festival is held on the permanent carnival grounds owned by the Hebron Vol. Fire Dept. The funds we receive from this project are used for our scholarship program, eyeglasses, youth softball and soccer programs, Halloween party for the community, and many other projects undertaken throughout our Lions year. Everyone is invited to come out and support our efforts with the Spring Festival, and if you have a few hours to volunteer, call any member of the Hebron Lions Club. Come to our Spring Festival and have a great family-oriented evening of good food, games, rides, great fellowship, and help us support our many worthwhile projects.



Lions Clubs of MD-22

Be a part of history!

How can your Club participate:

- **Volunteer to carry your club banner**
- **Ask veterans in your club to participate**
- **Watch the Parade with your family, friends, neighbors, colleagues, etc.**
- **Invite prospective members to view**
- **Publicize in your local paper and news**



For more information, please
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Local

Health center gets \$120K grant

By Jane Bellmyer
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In the current economic climate, taking time off from work for routine health care — even treatment for a cold or other malady — can be too costly for some people to bear.

But now, thanks to President Obama's economic stimulus package, residents of western Cecil County might not have to make that choice.

Mark Rajkowski, director of the West Cecil Health Center in Conowingo, said the 16-month-old facility received word this week that it would soon receive a \$119,904 federal stimulus grant to expand its services to include more evening hours.

Rajkowski said the award is a prime example of how the federal stimulus package should help the economy and add jobs to the workforce.

"We have some part-time staff that may go full time," he said. "We will definitely be hiring some staff."

West Cecil Health Center opened in January 2008 after a federal study identified Conowingo and the surrounding community as being "medically underserved."

Rajkowski said use of the center, which focuses on providing health care to the uninsured and underinsured, has been growing.

"March was our largest volume of patients year to date," he said.

By pulling the center's patients,



PHOTO BY ADRIANA GREGORIO/UNDEL

Mark Rajkowski (left) stands with Stephen Naylor of West Cecil Health Center. Rajkowski says the center will use its stimulus funds to offer more evening hours.

Rajkowski said he learned that evening appointment time is in high demand.

Currently, the only evening hours offered at the center are on Wednesdays.

"Our nights are booked three weeks out," he said. "We want to expand night services so people don't have to take time off from work."

Kevin Lawlor, a spokesman for U.S. Rep. Frank Kratovil (13-1st Dist.), said the congressman voted to release grant funding to the center, which he referred to as necessary.

"This is a case of where (funds) are going to go directly to the community where it is needed," he said.

You don't have to support the war to support the troops!
International Picture of the Year
Here are two very touching photos honored this year



First Place

Todd Heisler The Rocky Mountain News

When 2nd Lt. James Cathey's body arrived at the Reno Airport , Marines climbed into the cargo hold of the plane and draped the flag over his casket as passengers watched the family gather on the tarmac.

During the arrival of another Marine's casket last year at Denver International Airport , Major Steve Beck described the scene as so powerful: 'See the people in the windows? They sat right there in the plane, watching those Marines. You gotta wonder what's going through their minds, knowing that they're on the plane that brought him home,' he said 'They will remember being on that plane for the rest of their lives. They're going to remember bringing that Marine home. And they should.'

Second Place



Todd Heisler The Rocky Mountain News

The night before the burial of her husband's body, Katherine Cathey refused to leave the casket, asking to sleep next to his body for the last time. The Marines made a bed for her, tucking in the sheets below the flag. Before she fell asleep, she opened her laptop computer and played songs that reminded her of 'Cat,' and one of the Marines asked if she wanted them to continue standing watch as she slept. 'I think it would be kind of nice if you kept doing it,' she said. 'I think that's what he would have wanted.'

Blue Fridays.

Very soon, you will see a great many people wearing blue every Friday. The reason? Americans who support our troops used to be called the 'silent majority' We are no longer silent, and are voicing our love for God, country and home in record breaking numbers. We are not organized, boisterous or overbearing.

Many Americans, like you, me and all our friends, simply want to recognize that the vast majority of America supports our troops. Our idea of showing solidarity and support for our troops with dignity and respect starts this Friday -- and continues each and every Friday until the troops all come home, sending a deafening message that every red-blooded American who supports our men and women afar, will wear something blue. By word of mouth, press, TV -- let's make the United States on every Friday a sea of blue much like a homecoming football game in the bleachers. If every one of us who loves this country will share this with acquaintances, coworkers, friends, and family, it will not be long before the USA is covered in BLUE and it will let our troops know the once 'silent' majority is on their side more than ever, certainly more than the media lets on. The first thing a soldier says when asked 'What can we do to make things better for you?' is . 'We need your support and your prayers.' Let's get the word out and lead with class and dignity, by example, and wear something blue every Friday.

The newest Darley Travers Fellow is Past District Governor Dorothy J. Culver. The presentation of the Certificate and the Darley Travers Fellow diamond pin was made at the Final Cabinet Meeting in Salisbury, on April 5, 2009. This was an individual donation, made by PDG William R. Culver, in honor of his wife for her dedication to all the work for Lionism and in particular to Lions District 22-B Charitable Foundation. PID Darley made the presentation . PDG Dorothy becomes the District's fourth Darley Travers Fellow.

Congratulations!

NORTH EAST LIONS CLUB

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! *And come on up to the NE Lions CHICKEN BBQ scheduled for Saturday, **May 30, 2009** from 11:30 AM until the chicken is gone. Our 1st VP Lion Michelle Manfredi is chairing this event. Get the platter which includes ½ chicken, two sides, and a beverage, or just the chicken. We will be serving up great platters at the field next to the Day Basket Factory, Rt. 272 and Irishtown Road, North East, MD.*

Lions Vision Days (Candy Days) took place on Friday & Saturday (yes, in all that rain), April 10 and 11, 2009, chaired by Lion Ted Wilt was a success! Donations amounted to \$1,010! We also collected 55 pairs of used eyeglasses!!! Many of the people we talked to thanked the Lions for helping them, and praised the Lions Club for providing eye exams for their children.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Lion Arlene Goldman, Lion Lloyd Rabuck, and Lion Scott Vivian

AWARDS:

*Lion Larry Wiggins - 55 years
Lion Martin Thompson - 30 years
Lion John Fuddy - 25 years*

DISTRICT 22 – B

“ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS”

Congratulations to the Marydel Lions Club for being selected as the **recipient** of the **2009 Delaware “Adopt-A-Wetland” Award**. This award is a result of the Club’s adoption and monitoring of the waters and adjoining wetlands of Mud Mill Pond that sits astride the “Mason-Dixon Line” just south of the Village of Marydel. The Club “adopted” Mud Mill Pond, also known as Medford’s Mill Pond, in 2005. Beginning in 2006 the Club has held a **“Free Youth Fishing Derby”** every July for Maryland and Delaware families.

As we continue our **commitment** to **“Going Green In 22 – B”**, we ought to consider the following. We can **reduce, recycle, and reuse**. We can **purchase minimally packaged** products and we can **replace standard light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs**.

Questions and/or comments: please contact Lion Terry Higgins at higginte@dmv.com or 1-302-492-3354.

MARYDEL LIONS CLUB
“NEWS FROM THE LIONS DEN”

Our Club’s “Spring New Member Drive” continues with our forthcoming “Bring A Friend” Dinner Meeting on April 14. On Saturday, April 25, the Club will have its “Funnel Cake Wagon” at the Marydel-Hartly Little League Opening Day Festivities. With each serving of our Club’s “World Famous Funnel Cakes” we will include a Marydel Lions Club **Informational Brochure** inviting men and women to consider becoming a Lions Club member.

The Club cast a unanimous ballot for the election of the officers for the 2009-2010 Program year at the April 7, 2009 Board/Business Meeting. **Congratulations to Lion Mark Browning, President, Lion John Reedy, Vice President, Lion Mary LePore, Secretary, and Lion Jerry Lawrence, Treasurer.** The Club continues to plan for its May “New Lions” Dinner Meeting and its June “Member Appreciation” Dinner Meeting.

Questions and/or comments: please contact Lion Terry Higgins at higginte@dmv.com or 1-302-492-3354.

OCEAN PINES LIONS CLUB
CHARTER NIGHT JUNE 28th

The Ocean Pines Lions Club invites you to join them in celebrating their Charter Night on Sunday, June 28th, at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Social hour is at 5 pm with dinner at 6 p.m. PIP Clement Kusiak will be the guest speaker for the evening. Tickets are \$35 per person. Music will be provided by Everett Spells during happy hour and dinner. For more information please call President Donna Burke at 410-641-4207.

The Lions Clubs of Wicomico county have raised or pledged about \$10,000 dollars for the "Club House" project. We need to raise \$15,000 to match the Lions International grant that we have been given. This money will allow us, in partnership with Habitat for Humanity, to build a home for a vision and hearing impaired couple. The eleven clubs in Wicomico county have several fundraisers in progress. We also will be furnishing much of the volunteer work to construct this house.



Lion Cy Marter Lion Lawrence Elsey and Lion Richard Schurmann



Lions Clubs of Multiple District 22 National Memorial Day Parade

FACTSHEET

Date and Venue: The National Memorial Day Parade – 2:00 PM – May 25, 2009
Washington, DC – Constitution Avenue (7th-17th Streets, NW)

Event Profile: Presented by the American Veterans Center, it is held annually in Washington DC, and is an opportunity for thousands of patriotic Americans to come together and honor those who have sacrificed so much in service to our country.

The event celebrates all those who have served in uniform from the American Revolution to Operation Iraqi Freedom, and seeks to educate the public about the meaning of this hallowed day. The National Memorial Day Parade has quickly become a tradition in which Americans of all ages and generations can share.

Lions Clubs proposed entry:

- Multiple District 22 Banners
- Parade of Club banners
- Lions Float of Peace Poster images
- Wagons of Lions who are war veterans (international parade dress requested)
- LCOF Mobile Health Unit
- Lions and Leo volunteers with Recycling Boxes to collect glasses or handle giveaways
- Celebration of Opening Eyes partnership with Special Olympics (TBD on availability)

Lions Public Relations Grant:

This event is part of a Multiple District 22 Publicity grant. The goal of this project is to **increase visibility and awareness** by highlighting District clubs, their members and activities.

Throughout the Multiple District, **all Clubs will be able to participate** in this event, whether it be by sending your veterans, volunteering, or bringing friends and family down to cheer for your Lions. This is also a fantastic opportunity to rally your members around an exciting weekend social event that is fun, multi-generational and patriotic.

Lions Publicity: We want more! More awareness, more media hits, more coverage, more participation leads to more members, more service and more Lions everywhere.

The more you participate and document your participation with pictures and by sending press releases, the more publicity you can generate about your Club and its activities.

We want to be mentioned in every local paper in MD22 and you can help.

Research your local community reporters' contacts!

Media Coverage: The National Memorial Day Parade received coverage in over 230 media markets, with stories picked up by The Washington Post, The Washington Times, The New York Times, Baltimore Sun, Orange County Times, and Human Events. The parade was covered by each of the major television news networks, and has been televised live, including by the Pentagon Channel seen by military personnel at installations around the world. It is estimated that the parade was seen by over 4 million viewers worldwide.

Parade Facts: In 2008, its second year, the parade drew over 250,000 spectators, a testament to the public's desire to honor our heroes in uniform. The parade includes nearly 200 elements, including marching bands, active duty and retired military units, youth groups, and parade floats—as well as hundreds of veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, and Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

Parade celebrities: Mickey Rooney (Honorary Marshal for WWII veterans); Gary Sinise (CSI NY, Co-founder of Operation Iraqi Children); Joe Mantegna (Criminal Minds); Lt. General Julius W. Becton (Honorary Marshal for the Korean War); General Volney F. Warner (Honorary Marshal for the Vietnam War); General Frederick M. Franks, USA-Ret (Honorary Marshal for the Gulf War); Lt. Gen. Jack C. Stultz (Chief, Army Reserve and Commanding General); Miss America 2008 Kirsten Haglund.