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### ***Newsletter Reminder***

*Melanie Donophan, Salisbury Heritage Secretary*

Friendly reminder, the deadline for all news articles, pictures and flyers is the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Send all submissions to Lion Melanie Donophan, Salisbury Heritage .

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## District 22B Web Site:

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The poster features a red background with a repeating pattern of the LEO logo. In the center is a large graphic of a mountain range with a lion in a red and black uniform standing to the right. The text on the graphic reads: "4TH USA/CANADA LEO LEADERSHIP FORUM 2021 CALGARY". Below the graphic, the dates "JULY 21-25, 2021" and "CALGARY, CANADA" are displayed. At the bottom, a blue banner says "REGISTER NOW" and a black banner says "Visit [www.leosforum.org](http://www.leosforum.org) for registration form."

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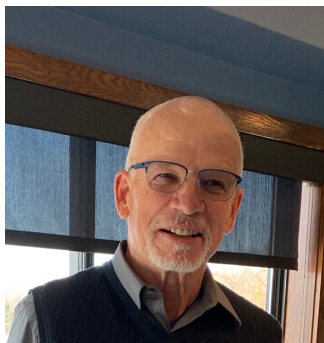
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*Message from*  
**DISTRICT GOVERNOR**  
**WAYNE BENJAMIN**

This covid-19 pandemic has certainly put a damper on our activities, meetings, socials, visitations, service projects and fund raisers. I have been repeatedly told relief is just around the corner but then when I try to pin them down the answers become evasive. So I really do not know. I question if anybody knows. How many vaccines, which vaccines, how are they going to be distributed? Who gets them first second and third? My advice, be patient for surely it is just around the corner.

This brings me up to my decision to suspend all my (District Governor) visitations until the vaccine is available and we are reaching some kind of 'herd immunity'. Visitations are done by the District Governor so the membership can associate a face with a name, discuss issues they may have with their club, their district or with LCI. It also gives the District Governor a chance to match faces with names, clubs with their individual personalities, and issues the DG notices with clubs. It is a great time for fellowship. It has also been a time when the DG made a presentation pertaining to the needs he saw worth presenting. There was no one looking forward to visitations more than this DG. It just seems to me the benefit of making a visitation at this time is not worth the risk. There are too many asymptomatic carriers, too great a difference in folk's susceptibility to the virus' complications etc. I had wanted to make visitations to every club and in fact had wanted to make an additional visitation to struggling clubs. I still plan on visiting each club; but in contrast to year's past, it will most likely be done in the spring when we can all greet one another without fear of spreading the disease.

So I ask you to bear with me as we go through this pandemic together. Surely by early spring we should have some answers that everyone can agree on. In the meantime, let's all stay well, stay safe and continue to serve where we can do so safely.

~DG Wayne Benjamin~





## Chestertown Lions Club holds September dinner meeting In-Person

The Chesterton Lions Club met in-person on September 23, 2020, at 6:30 pm for their dinner meeting at the Chester River Yacht & Country Club (CRYCC). Because of the continuing COVID-19 threat, seating was limited to four members at each table.

Wearing of masks in the Ballroom was highly recommended. There were 20 members and 2 new prospective members in attendance. The prospective members were invited to the meeting by DG Wayne Benjamin and Secretary Glenn Owens.

The dinner speaker, Mr. Scott Budden, owner of Orchard Point Oyster Company and originally from Kent County, described his very interesting oyster farming business here on the Eastern Shore. Members, who mostly are devoted oyster connoisseurs, loved the topic and as imagined had many questions.

During the business meeting, the “COVID Budget” was approved which has resulted in scaled back spending due to a lack of fundraisers last spring. Shotgun raffle ticket sales is going well and the Chicken BBQ event on October 3<sup>rd</sup> was a real success.

We are still looking for more members to help with our active schedule and who are likewise willing to participate. Otherwise, we will face a long, slow season in getting all the things done we have on our agenda.





## **CHESTERTOWN Lions club has a successful chicken Bbq Fundraiser**



**Photo 1: From left to right: Lion Ken Roderick, Chicken BBQ Chair; Club President Lion Mary Lou Pagella; and Lion Fred Sherriff, Shotgun Raffle Chair; prepare to sell chicken dinners.**

On the first beautiful Saturday morning in October, the Chestertown Lions Club held their annual Chicken BBQ fundraiser. About 40 Lions Club members participated in the preparation, cooking, meal set-up, and sales at the Trinity Lutheran Church property across from Washington College. Chestertown and Kent Count residents, and many beyond look forward to this event.

A few hearty members arrived at 7:00 am to start-up the fire pits. Chickens are dipped in that “special Lions Club secret sauce” and put on the grill around 7:30 am. Additional members arrive later to complete meal set-up and sales.

We want to thank everyone who came by and supported the Club by purchasing the BBQ chicken dinners which resulted in a successful fundraiser as 700 chicken dinners were sold out by 1:15 pm. The proceeds from this event is used for community service throughout Chestertown and Kent County.





Photo 2 (left to right) Lions Michael Moore, Jim Lupis, and Mark Mumford at roadside sales.

Photo 3. (left to right) Lions Mike Gallagher, Rick Wells, Herb Wilkinson, Phil Low, Gerry McDonald, Rock Crum, Kitty Neff prepare dinners



Photo 4. Lion Mark Mumford does what he does best.







Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

***Notice: All 2020-2021 Lions Club Boards***

Please consider including in your budget for the upcoming Lions year a donation toward LCIF. The donations will be used for various disasters or empowering service projects. So please help your club and the District get recognition by putting this item in your budget for this Lions year. If you have any questions or need any more information, please contact either IPDG Wayne or Lion Frankie.

Thanks for your support,  
IPDG Wayne Cole and Lion Frankie  
LCIF District Coordinators



## LIONS LEADERSHIP CORNER



Do you love being a Lion? Would you like to help other Lions succeed in becoming great Lions? Do you enjoy serving others? Do you have good communication skills? If so, ask your Doctor District Governor Wayne if the Certified Guiding Lion Program is right for you.

What is the Certified Guiding Lion Program? Here are the words of Lions Clubs International: *The Guiding Lion Program is designed to assist clubs that are newly chartered, established or determined as priority designation. Guiding Lions are assigned for a two-year term by the district governor in consultation with the sponsoring or established club president.*

One of the goals of our district Governor is to establish new Lions clubs. Each new club is assigned 2 Guiding Lions to be a resource for them during their first two years. Guiding Lions are also assigned to help clubs who could use a boost in creating service and fundraising projects or in recruiting new members. With a good cadre of Guiding Lions, District 22-B can become even better.

Becoming a Guiding Lion is easy. Simply go to [LionsClubs.org](https://www.lionsclubs.org) and search on Guiding Lion, and then click on Guiding Lion Program or click on <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/guiding-lion-program>. The program has several modules which will train you in how to help our fellow Lions. If you have questions, please give me a call, email, or text.

Global Leadership Team Leader John Lawrence, [Lions@JohnLawrence.name](mailto:Lions@JohnLawrence.name), 410-725-0150





# *Crisfield Lioness Club*

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# *Crisfield High Leo Club*

Members of the Crisfield Lioness Lions Club and Crisfield High Leo Club participated in World Diabetes Day, November 14th, by walking a 3 miles course. A check for \$350.00 was then sent to the American Diabetes Association on behalf of our club.



## Follow up: NAMI

By now almost everyone has heard about NAMI. 22B NAMI team has met over the last two months. Zone Chair Carol Schoonover is the chair of new clubs. District 22B GMT, Steve Disharoon, is chair of focus area new members, PDG Ben Cassell, GST, is the chair of focus area new service and our IPDG John Lawrence, GLT, is chair for leadership.

We met initially in October for a formation meeting and then later for the purposes of doing a SWOT analysis and then a third time for developing our SMART goals. We concluded, if we were going to be successful, we needed to get the individual clubs involved, to buy into our goals. Therefore, we had two additional meetings, each one of which was presented three times. One set of meetings was for the Presidents, Secretaries, Membership chairs and Zone Chairs. The second set of meetings led by Lion Ben Cassell was meant for the same group of individuals, substituting Service chairs for Membership chairs. The meetings were held to clarify the goals of NAMI with club leadership. In that respect the meetings were successful.

We hope to do follow ups on a monthly basis. I know that Covid-19 has hampered us all a bit but this is an excellent time for planning. Planning your next and new service project or fund raiser. Plan your 'community social' or 'community needs assessment' now. Do your club assessment while we are in this lull due to the pandemic. When it is over we will come out stronger than ever and you will be prepared.

Our goals for the year have not changed. Every Lion of 22B should identify three individuals who you believe would make a good Lion. Every club should have one 'new' service project and one 'new' fund raiser every six months. Every zone looks for a suitable place for a new club. We encourage all Lions to attend one of the leadership schools offered by our region or by LCI. We are looking for each zone to have a 'Guiding Lion' certified in their zone. Again during this lull in activities is a great time to consider taking the 'Guiding Lion' course.

Our team is looking forward to working with each Lion in the district. We are here to help and guide where we can. Please use us. We are all proud Lions trying to do our part to get our district to grow.

~DG Wayne Benjamin~



## Ocean City Lioness Club Gift Card Raffle



All money has been turned in to our treasurer for the gift card raffle. We are extremely pleased with the results. We made \$9,009.00 - super job ladies. I want to especially thank Billie Terrones, Project Coordinator, for her suggestion to have the raffle and her outstanding support at staging the event at many venues.

Thanks to all of the Lioness who donated gift cards, sold tickets, and worked at the venues to sell tickets. In such a short amount of time - we really pulled it off - I'm so proud of all of you. We will be able to fund many of our charities at this time - to so many that need it. On Tuesday, Dec 1, 2020, the drawing took place for our gift card raffle at the Ocean Downs Casino.

Pictured with President Bev are Anne and Jeff Taylor of Parsonsburg, MD winners of Lioness \$2000.00 gift card



## Lions Leadership Corner

I would like to introduce you to Lions University. This "school" is not run by LCI, but rather by interested Lions associated with the USA/Canada Forum. As you can see below, courses are offered at 3 levels, Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate. Several Lions in MD-22 have taken courses from this University, and one Lion in District 22-A recently earned his Doctorate. The courses run from "Effective Meetings" to "Time Management" to techniques for effective adult education. To get to the home page of Lions University, click or go to <https://lionsuniversity.org/>. I encourage each of you to go and check this out. Excellent education whether used for Lionism or other endeavors of your life.



### Lions University

Year-Round Training Provided by the  
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum



- **Bachelor's Program:** This program allows Lions to develop the skills necessary to lead a vital Lions Club. Courses are directed to the skills needed to be great club leader. [Click here to learn more about this program.](#)
- **Master's Program:** This program focuses on giving support to clubs through district leaders. This program is aimed at District Level leaders: District Governors, Vice District Governors, Zone Chairs, District Committee Chairs, Certified Guiding Lions, and other leaders that are ready to foster quality clubs in their District. [Click here to learn more about this program.](#)
- **Doctorate Program:** This program focuses on skills needed to be a training facilitator for adult volunteers. In affect, Lions who have completed the Doctorate Program are prepared to be great trainers of other Lions. [Click here to learn more about this program.](#)





## *Preston Lions Club Update*

1. Preston Lions representatives attended first held Zone Meeting this fiscal year on September 23rd.
2. The Preston Lions Club have held **5** in-person meeting since new fiscal year 2020-21.
3. Preston Lion's first ever **Peace Poster** contest with two contestants from Federalsburg, MD with our own Service Chairperson leading the charge **Lion Maggie Rogers**.
4. Preston Lion's first ever sponsorship of the Preston Christmas Parade being held December 13<sup>th</sup> at 3pm theme "**Christmas in the Country**". The Parade committee being chaired by our own **Lion Phyliss Frase** have been getting volunteers with donation of goods from people and organizations in our community. The parade committee is being represented by fellow Lions, family members, friends, and community neighbors. Although the rise of COVID-19 cases in MD has damper our fund-raising ability, we are hoping to at minimum host the parade with no activities in the carnival ground as projected.
5. **Lion Diane Engle** has suggested we host a "**Pocket Book Bingo**" at the Preston VFD sometime in 2021 as a fundraiser project she has made contact with the person to help host and raise funds.
6. **Lion Matthew Andrews** has suggested like his employer the Preston Lions could host a Golf Tournament sometime in 2021 as another fundraiser project.
7. Membership Chairperson **Lion Ed Quidas** brought to the club attention an opportunity to get grant funds and perform a service to our community. The Preston Lions will have to formulate a plan to write a grant that focus on our local community and/or state to service the needy. The grant fund is being sponsored by Qlarant Foundation applications accepted from December 1<sup>st</sup> to January 20<sup>th</sup> The Qlarant Foundation has awarded almost \$5.6 millions to 80 different organizations. Let us focus on something familiar to the Lions goals that "improves access to health care services to the unserved and underserved". In June of 2021 they will do the notification of the awards.
8. **Lion Lisa & Dave Batson** performed litter pickup service for the Preston and Jonestown community. They both picked up litter for a two mile section of Rt. 16 Harmony road from the Jonestown limit to Main St. in town of Preston. **Lion Claressa Hubbard** coordinated with the local State of Md Highway the how to stage the bags for schedule pickup date of the trash bags and how to get supplies for future litter pickup.
9. Preston Lion Community Building will not be used this calender year for rentals to organizations or community. We will revisit rental of the community building again next calender year 2021. Note: **Lion Ed Quidas** purchased and installed two hand sanitizer dispensers for the building, one as you enter the front door and the other as you enter hallway between the bathrooms.
10. We are building "**Blessing Box**" this is an effort to collect non-perishable food items for those in need. The Blessing Box is to be built by Preston Lions and will be at the Preston Lion Community building to give us visibility to our community.





**Photo 1. Service Chair Fred Sherriff highlights the Club's many service projects.**



**Photo 2. (from left to right) Member Chair Larry Lyons looks on as 1<sup>st</sup> VP Henry Hart presents Club communications.**

## **Chestertown Lions Club conducts New Member Orientation**

On October 22, 2020, the Chestertown Lions Club held a new member orientation session at the Chester River Yacht & Country Club (CRYCC). The value of these sessions cannot be over emphasized since the topics presented provide a foundation for new members to build upon. These sessions not only present an understanding of how the club functions, but what roles members may seek to serve. It gives new members the big picture of the club, district, and the national association.

Eight new members attended: Lions Rock Crum, Mike Gallagher, Brad Holloman, James Porter, Dean Tully, Jane Welch, Brian Clothier, and Jordan Larigan. Due to the COVID virus, members were requested to wear masks and social distancing was practiced.

This valuable and timely training was presented by members: KL Mary Lou Pagella, DG Wayne Benjamin, Member Chair Larry Lyons, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Henry Hart, and Service Chair Fred Sherriff. Key topics presented: Lions club purpose; LCI organization; District 22-B structure; club history & structure; traditions, elections & awards; service, fund raisers, & meetings; and dues & budgets.

The session lasted an hour and a half with each member receiving a printed hand-out. All members spoke highly of the training and particularly noted how much they enjoyed the "pie and coffee" served.

Many thanks to all the instructors for conducting this valuable training. Job well done!







Lions helping Salvation Army



Turkeys & trimmings



Recognizing Hurlock employees



Loaning out medical equipment



ent ramp building for cancer patient





Past International Director Darley T. Travers of the Hebron Lions Club, Hebron, MD passed away on March 27<sup>th</sup> of this year 2020, but due to the COVID-19 virus restrictions we were only allowed to have 10 people attend his funeral on April 1<sup>st</sup>. It was really hard not to have extended family members, and our Lions family and friends in attendance.

Therefore, we will be holding a Celebration of Life service for PID Darley on Sunday January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The service is scheduled for 3:00pm at Nelson's Memorial Church located at 100 Main Street, Hebron, MD 21830.

Please RSVP to [charlene22b@comcast.net](mailto:charlene22b@comcast.net) or leave a message at 410-430-5993 if you plan to attend as we hope to be able to have a meal after the service (depending on State of Maryland restrictions at that time) and we will need a headcount.

Thanks to everyone who sent cards and prayers to me and my family during this stressful time.





## Check out the websites below for important messages from LCIF and PID Jerome Thompson

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