

# DISTRICT 22B NEWSLETTER



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### ‘CELEBRATE YOUR SHINING MOMENTS’ Monthly Comments from Your District Governor

Dear Lions,

Where has the time gone? The end of the 2023-2024 Lions year is quickly approaching but one thing is for sure, the Lions of 22B have impacted so many lives with their compassion and service and will continue to do so in the years to come.

The 101<sup>st</sup> MD22 Convention is in the books and I hope those in attendance enjoyed it. It was a wonderful time to make new friends and reconnect with old ones and just enjoy being with people who have the same vision and that is to serve. Consider attending the 102<sup>nd</sup> MD Convention at the WISP Resort in McHenry, MD next year.

The new portal has launched and many comments have been positive. Like anything else, there will be a learning curve. Training videos are available on the site itself and our Information and Technology Chair Jesse Drewer can answer any questions you might have. Lion Jesse has even emailed “how to steps” for logging on and accessing information to presidents and secretaries.

We are currently in the “plus” column for membership growth. Please continue to invite new members. With more members come more opportunities to serve more people. 63% of clubs so far have added new members this year, which is commendable. Hats off to Chesapeake City and Millington who have added 12 new members each. Federalsburg is not far behind with 11. There is still plenty of time to add members to your club.

Please remember to support LCIF with your donations! Currently our clubs have donated almost \$24,000. Let’s reach our goal of \$35,000! Our own district has benefited in so many ways including grants for the Conowingo Medical Center and a much needed \$10,000 grant to Crisfield after the disastrous effects of Hurricane Sandy.

I have had the honor of serving as your District Governor and it has been a once in a lifetime experience, something I wouldn’t have missed. A year ago, there were feelings of apprehension and uncertainty but they quickly evaporated with the support of my cabinet and the Lions of 22B. I encourage every Lion to think about serving at the club and district level and then consider taking the decisive step of serving as District Governor. You will not regret it, I promise!

Thank you Lions,  
DG Kathy

## Multiple District 22 Convention



Our Multiple District Convention was held at the ASHORE Hotel and Resort in Ocean City this year on the 18th thru the 21st of April. The annual golf tournament was held on the 18th of April at the Ocean Pines Golf Course. The first business meeting was held beginning at 1 PM on Friday the 19th of April where the reports of the Multiple District Chairs were given. The MD22 Banquet was held that evening. Leo-Lion Liaison Lion Alicia Kiri Beer who was our guest speaker from Lions International. She is serving as an appointee to the International Board of Directors. Lion Alicia is only 22 years old and is a member of the Foothills Lions Club of Canada. She gave an informative and entertaining speech. District Governor Kathy Crockett along with Alicia presented three International Awards after the dinner. 2nd Vice District Governor Beth Whitelock received the International Presidents Award. Lion Donna Shelton and Michelle Holland received the International Leadership Awards. Shown above left is the head table for the Banquet and above right 2nd VDG Beth receives the award from DG Kathy and Lion Alicia along with PID's Richard Liebno and Ted Riever. Shown below left Cabinet Secretary Lion Donna is shown receiving her award from DG Kathy and Lion Alicia, also shown from left to right is PID's Joe Gaffigan, Richard Liebno and Ted Reiver. Shown below right Lion Michelle Holland is receiving her award from DG Kathy and Lion Alicia, also shown from left to right is PID's Joe Gaffigan, Richard Liebno and Ted Reiver.



## MD22 Convention Continued



On Saturday the 20th of April we begin the day with the Memorial Service for those Lions who passed away during the year followed by the District Luncheons. Shown above left Lions Sandy Pierce, PDG Robert Kidner and CS Donna Shelton and above right Lion Joe and Barbara Wood and Regina Daniels are enjoying the Lunch. Lion Regina was the Convention Chair who had to move the Convention from Hunt Valley to Ocean City after the Delta Hotel closed. After the Luncheon we went to our separate business meetings. 1st VDG Beth Whitelock was nominated for 1st VDG. During the meeting we were honored by a visitation by the VIP Committee. Shown below left DG Kathy is presenting Lion Gary Fellows an award for the growth of the Millington Lions Club and below right International guest Lion Alicia is addressing our Delegates with PID's Joe Gaffigan, Richard Liebno and Ted Reiver looking on.



## MD22 Convention Continued



The Hospitality night was held on the 20th of April in the Cabana Room. Each District had their own Hospitality Room. In the main room we had District Governor Jeremy Bair from District 22W serve as the DJ with Music. Shown above left some of the Lions are enjoying some of the treats provided by the District Governors. Above right are a couple of Lions in Costume. Can you guess who is the Zebra? Below left and right some of the Lions are participating in some fun games.



## MD22 Convention Continued



On Sunday morning the second business meeting was held followed by the District Election Meeting. PDG Dave Studley conducted the meeting with help from PDG Lion Joe Wood, CS Donna Shelton and Jerry Hovatter. 2nd VDG Beth Whitelock was elected 1st VDG for 2025-2026. PDG Bijoy Mahanti was introduced as the PDG who will be appointed by Lions International to be our District Governor for 2024-2025. PDG Bijoy was a District Governor in District 22A and has transferred to the Perryville Lions Club. Shown above left is the head table for the second business meeting and above right Lions CS Donna Shelton and Jerry Hovatter are ready to call the delegates from the clubs. Below left Lions Jerry Hovatter and Joe Wood are taking the ballot boxes to the counting room. Below right 2VDG elect Beth Whitelock is expressing her desires for the coming year.



The convention was wrapped up with the Victory Luncheon on Sunday afternoon. Above left are some of the Lions enjoying lunch and above right Lions Vicki Vegis and Vic Lowe are enjoying the conversations.