

# SEVERN RIVER Lions Club

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December 2019 SRLC Newsletter

## Notes from King Lion

Our Holiday party in December was well attended and a good time was had by all who came. Thank you to Saint Nick for stopping by.

Congratulations to Lion Bill Zelenakas on receiving his Arnall Patz Fellowship! Lion Bill Z was surprised and touched by his award.

Happy New Year! Since 2020 is being called the year of clear vision I think of how appropriate that is for us as Lions!

January 7th we will be doing another "Dine to Donate" night at the Texas Roadhouse. Last month's event was so successful that we decided to have one every 3 months. Thank you to all the Lions that either baked, worked the front table or brought friends to eat! Remember to share our flyer (attached) and remind people they can show on their phone when eating there or taking out.

January 16th all Lions are invited to attend the Healthy Eyes Inaugural Reception (see flyer) to help Maryland lawmakers understand the importance of eye screening and vision support for Maryland. If you can make it, please be sure to wear your lion shirt or name tag.

January 18th is our next Fruit Sale. Honeybells are coming! ALL Orders must be in by the 10th.

May you and your family have a wonderful new year!

King Lion Suzette Kettenhofen



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MARYLAND LIONS CLUB  
MEMBERS

*You are Cordially  
Invited to attend*

## Healthy Maryland Eyes Inaugural Reception

Help advocate for the vision needs of all  
Marylanders

January 16, 2020 between 9-2 PM  
Lowe House Building, Rm 170, Annapolis



Maryland  
Optometric  
Association

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# FUNDRAISING

»» *Support* ««

**SEVERN RIVER LIONS CLUB**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 7**

**4PM-10PM**



# 10%

**DONATION NIGHT**

for **Severn River Lions Club**.

Present this flyer at the Pasadena location and Texas Roadhouse will donate **10%** of your total food purchases to **Severn River Lions Club!**

**410-439-0233**  
**4465 MOUNTAIN ROAD**  
**PASADENA, MD**

## Citrus Sale Kickoff

On a breezy November 16 Lions hosted the first citrus sale of the season at Severna Park Middle School.

The big truck arrived early and the citrus was stacked on pallets. Navel oranges, grapefruit, mixed oranges and grapefruit and Mandarin oranges were available for the sale. Two hundred forty customers had ordered nearly 500 cartons of citrus and the citrus season got started. About fifteen Lions, three energetic band students and two band parents were online to load the orders. Two sale booths were set up and the cars began to arrive. Drivers came to the booths, gave their name, paid, and the Lions gave them a receipt to present at the pick-up line. Customers drove to the line and were greeted, their citrus was loaded, and they were reminded of the next sale in early December. The November sale was relocated to the middle school due to a conflict at the high school but we expect to return to the high school next month. Hot coffee, soda, and doughnuts were available for the workers.



Lion Sue Parks was at a table to sell peanuts and flavored candles and customers stopped to check them. In spite of the windy weather on a chilly morning the sale went well and got the citrus season off to a good start. Go Lions!

## The Seasons Second Citrus Sale

Saturday, December 14 was a gloomy day with some rain in the forecast but the Lions and energetic band students gathered at the high school early in the morning to prepare for the club's second citrus sale. The weatherman did cooperate and the rain held off. The large truck was on site and the forklift brought off the pallets with grapefruit, naval oranges, and mandarin oranges and stacked them in line. Two colorful booths were set up and we were ready to go as customers began to arrive. Customers pulled up to a booth, gave their name, and paid and a printed receipt was provided which they took to the citrus lines. Energetic Lions and band students loaded the citrus and thanked the customer for the purchase and reminded them that the next sale will be in January. The large home trailer had a supply of doughnuts, hot coffee, water, and soda for the workers and the fruit lines began to dwindle. When the sale ended about mid day there were about two dozen boxes of fruit left and these will sold at Clements Hardware on Sunday. The citrus sales are SRLC's primary fundraiser and the proceeds support the clubs numerous charitable activities. The crowd of Lions and band students deserve credit for the hard work to make the sale a success. Go Lions!

To the Lions of Severn River,

Thank you for honoring me to become an Arnall Patz, MD Fellow of the Lions Vision Research Foundation at The Johns Hopkins Wilmer Eye Institute, a long-term vision support project of Multiple District 22. I am deeply touched and humbled, as I know, I'm just one of many of you that more than deserves such recognition for your Lionism. As Lions we spend a share of our lives helping others that need that little extra support, and ask little in return. You are out there doing what you can, and rarely get a pat on the back for it. Know that you each have a piece of the honor I received from PDG Larry Burton, Chairman of the Patz Foundation Board. As a Lion, you too are helping people get their vision back, and in so many, many other ways. I'm proud to be a member of the Severn River Lions, our District and LCI, and to serve with you to enrich the lives of others. Thank you for your service and the recognition.

Yours in Lionism, Bill Z



## Lions Dine Out at Texas Roadhouse

On Tuesday December 3 at least a dozen Lions, spouses, and friends journeyed to the Texas Roadhouse on Mountain Road in Pasadena for a special fund raiser to benefit SRLC's charitable projects. Even though it was a week night the restaurant was packed with diners but guests were seated promptly. The large number of diners is an indication of the good quality of meals at the Texas Roadhouse. The wait staff was very prompt in taking orders and the kitchen staff prepared some delicious meals for the attendees. A printed sheet on many of the tables reminded the diners to include the sheet with the receipt so that the Lions club would receive a 10 % donation from the restaurant. This was a first time SRLC fundraiser at the Texas Roadhouse but the quality of the food and the donation earned may encourage the club to hold another event at that location in the future. Later in December the second of five citrus sales will take place to aid the club's fund raising effort. Go Lions !





Featured are Lions Rollins, Carl and Carroll preparing for the Clubs road clean up, treasurer findings and wrap up at McDonalds ( Photo by Lion Clem, Rollins and a patron at McDonalds).

Treasures found: Flat screen TV (Sony) and Cell phone, Nissan and Ford hub caps, trailer hitch cover, Toyota car parts, hinge for a car or truck hood.

Area Canvased: Intersection of Route 10 and Ritchie Highway (Route 2) Total number of bags filled - 4.

Following the road clean up event allowed time for a trip to McDonalds to enjoy fresh cups of coffee and tea, including light conversations with much laughter.

Kodos to Lions Rollins for arranging the event, picking up the SRLC truck and contacting the county representative to pick up the bags and treasures.



Join us for  
**LIONS DAY**  
at



**Ledo**  
PIZZA & PASTA



**Great Pizza for a Great Cause!**

If you love delicious pizza and pasta, then we've got all the right ingredients for the perfect night out:

*Great food. Great fun.  
With great friends!*

**Where** Ledo Pizza, 552 Ritchie Highway, Severna Park, MD 21146

**When** Fourth Wednesday of every month

**Why** It helps Lions help those in need in your community.

**\* Hosted by the Severn River Lions Club**

When you leave your register receipt in the basket on the counter, you're supporting Lions community projects. Ledo donates a portion of the proceeds to the Severn River Lions Club for local causes. *So thank you for helping us help others!*

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A note from Lion Clem to new Lion Lillian

Lion Lillian, Please accept my thanks as co coordinators of "Lions day at LEDO" - You did a terrific job.

Totals per SRLC Board approval toward "CHILDHOOD CANCER" during "Lions Day at LEDO" for the following months;

August -	\$151.05
September -	193.00
October -	102.00
Total	\$446.05

Regards, Lion Clem Kusiak, **Lions Day at LEDO** Co Coordinator

## Santa Comes To The Party

On Tuesday December 17 about forty Lions, spouses, and guests journeyed to Café Mezzanote for the annual SRLC Christmas party. Attendees were directed to the large dining room that had been set up with six tables to accommodate the crowd. Upon arrival the diners picked a table and then some headed to the side bar for some liquid refreshment. Guests, some dressed in colorful holiday attire socialized and sipped until KL Suzette “called the meeting to order.” A traditional opening oath, prayer, and reminder were made and guests sat down. Tables were told the order that they would could visit the food line. On one side of the dining room a long table had been set and trays of delicious food in warming trays was available and the lines formed. For the next half hour guests enjoyed the variety of delicacies and got a chance to socialize. After dessert Lion Suzette called the meeting to order. She welcomed special guest, former DG Larry Burton who announced that he was here to present an award to a deserving member and Lion Bill Zelenakas was called up to receive a plaque commemorating his service to Lions vision programs and Bill got a well deserved round of applause. Lion Suzette then announced that a special guest had been invited and had arrived. When the entry door opened a large man in a bright red costume came in the room and the song, “Here Comes Santa Claus” was heard. Santa came forward and two elves with flashing lights also came forward to help Santa to give out gifts to party goers. When Santa’s package was empty he departed with a hearty Merry Christmas and said he would be back again next year. Guests continued to socialize and some got their coats for departure. Once again this was a very enjoyable event and it will be looked forward to again next year. Merry Christmas to all !



