



## SEVERN RIVER LIONS CLUB

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**We Serve**

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### Lions With Longevity

During 2009 a group of Lions have achieved or will achieve membership milestones in the Severn River Lions Club. As a group, these Lions have given a combined 145 years of service to the community and District through their participation in the many service activities that the club offers. Congratulations to these Lions for their durability and resilience. We learned at press time that Lion Bob Urschel passed away last week but he would have been at the top of the list with 35 years of service this year. Lions who reach these "Membership Milestones" in 2009 include:

**Bob Muchow – 25 years**

**Rhine Jager – 20 years**

**Pete Geis, Ken Tschantre – 15 years**

**Randy Roberts, Chris Werth – 10 years**

**Milum Greene, Shirley Greene, Michael Milord –  
5 years**

**Go Lions!!**

### King Lion George Council Jr's Message

Fellow Lions,

First, I must give my sincere condolences to the families of Lions Don Smith and Bob Urschel who passed away in February. Severn River has lost these dedicated and admired Lions who gave their time and resources to helping others in need.

While we've lost two dear members, we've also gained some new members since the start of this Lions Year:

Joinette Smallwood  
David Knabel  
Laurie T. Bishop  
Gary L. Wells  
Leanna Maurer

Be sure to welcome them to our club when you see them.

There are a number of Vision Screening projects underway. Contact Lions Ollie or Dale to get information if you're able to give some time.

On another note, remember to invite your neighbors and friends to our new fundraiser at LEDO's Pizza on March 25. The more the merrier!

Don't forget the last Fruit Sale on 21 March. Your help is needed to man the booths and distribute the fruit.

And last but not least, sell those raffle and bull & oyster roast tickets!!! And call Lion Sue Parks if you have a donation for the silent auction.

Yours in Lionism, King Lion George

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Lions Don and Bob  
at the Lions annual  
picnic, Linstead  
Beach, in 2004

**In memoriam  
Lion Don Smith 4/11/15 – 2/7/09**

Our friend, Lion Don Smith, passed away last month. He had been a member of the Severn River Lions Club since August 23, 1966. In this day and age of folks who are too busy to stop and help their fellow man, Lion Don gave over 40 years of service and had 40 years of perfect attendance.

He served on committees and chaired many of them – Health & Welfare, Light Bulb Sales, Finance & Budget, Membership, Visitation, Greeter, Program, Constitution & Bylaws, Golf Outings, Social, Community Improvement, Appalachian Project, Fruit Sales. He held offices – Director for many years, Membership, Secretary, 3rd Vice President (7/1/81), President 7/1/82.

In 1994, he was given Lions Clubs International's highest honor – a Melvin Jones Fellowship for his dedication and service to the community and Lionism.

We will sincerely miss our friend, Lion Don Smith.

**In memoriam  
Lion Bob Urschel 9/6/24 – 2/28/09**

We lost another friend and long time Lion last week.

Lion Bob became a Lion in January, 1975, transferring to SRLC in July, 1977.

He became active very quickly, serving as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP (1978), 1<sup>st</sup> VP (1979) and President from 1980 – 1981.

He continued his involvement on committees such as Budget & Finance, Conventions, Citizenship & Youth, Health and Welfare, Program, and Picnic. He was also a Zone Chairman in 1986.

More recently he participated in Blood Drives, Fruit Sales, and Meals on Wheels, and last attended a meeting in November 2007. He was also honored with the Lions Melvin Jones Fellowship in February 2001 for his contribution and service to the community.

He had a bright smile for everyone and will be missed by all.

# 2009 – 2010 ELECTIONS TO BE HELD

The nominating committee, chaired by PP Chuck Horne, presented the following active members for the Severn River Lions Club/Foundation Board of Directors for fiscal year 2009 – 2010. Voting for officers for 2009 – 2010 will take place at the regular general meeting on April 7, 2009. Please be sure to attend to give them your vote.

President	Jon Valett	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Trent Kutsch
2 <sup>n</sup> Vice President	Rollins Clark	3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Bill O'Neil
Secretary	Sue Parks	Assistant Secretary	Nancy Earley
Treasurer	Chuck Horne	Assistant Treasurer	Joinette Smallwood
Tail Twister	Bill Zelenakas	Lion Tamer	Dick Maurer
2 Year Director	Nancy Burns	2 Year Director	Chris Werth
1 Year Director	Ken Tschantre	1 Year Director	Randy Roberts
Membership Chair	Ollie Wittig	Immediate Past President	George Council Jr.

## S.W.A.T. Scheduled to Sweep Route 2

### For 2009

The following Saturday mornings are scheduled as “Clean – Up” Days for the Severn River Lions Club along the Route 2 corridor from Earleigh Heights Rd, north to Route 10 OR from Earleigh Heights Rd to Whites Rd.

⇒	April 25 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 AM
⇒	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 AM
⇒	June 20 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 AM
⇒	July 25 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 AM
⇒	August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	7:00 AM
⇒	September 26 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 AM
⇒	October 17 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 AM



Meeting location will be in the parking lot of the Earleigh Heights Fire Department. Meeting date and time will also be listed on the “sign up sheet,” which will be circulated at the dinner meeting prior to each scheduled clean up.

Once again it’s time to *PROWL* along Route 2 and reclaim the grassy shoulder from the debris left by motorists, joggers, partygoers and snowplows. This will be our 14<sup>th</sup> year supporting the Adopt-A-Highway program. The longevity of this program is tribute to the Lions of our club, who monthly, volunteer just one hour or so of their time and energy to walk along Route 2 and retrieve **that** which has been deposited by careless individuals.

Hey Lions – Get ready to *pick up garbage and talk TRASH.* It only takes about ten Lions a little over one hour on each of the clean up dates to meet our obligation to MD DOT. So, when the sign up sheet gets passed around, roll up your sleeves, grab the pen and sign on board.

Thanks for your support.

Chief Maintenance Engineer – Lion Wayne

# **BULL & OYSTER ROAST**

**Saturday, Apr. 18, 6 - 10 p.m. at the  
Columbian Center on Rt.2 in Severna Park.**

**Proceeds will benefit scholarships and community service  
projects. Atlantic Caterers will prepare the dinner.**

**There will be Wheels of Chance,  
Silent Auction and a Liberty Ship  
John W. Brown Chesapeake Bay  
Cruise RAFFLE for FOUR persons  
for your entertainment**



**Bull Roast Tickets are available at \$35.00  
each and Liberty Ship John W. Brown Raffle  
tickets are \$5.00 each.**

**Please call Lion Nancy at 410-647-2756 or  
Lion Dick at 410-544-1156 for tickets.**

An email letter from scholarship winner, Allison Behringer, attending Princeton University

Dear Dr. Wittig,

I appreciate your compliments on my pictures! There is actually a photography contest going on in my dorm right now, so I entered few of my pictures (one of which is in the school office, I think). The winners are determined by student votes, so I guess I'll find out about that in a few weeks.

As I mentioned to you over the phone in January, I went to Australia with the lacrosse team. We were in Sydney for a few days, surfing, going to the beach and touring the city, then flew west to Adelaide where we played the Australian national team three times over the course of a few days. The competition was incredible, but we managed to win our last game. One of my favorite activities was a half-day trip to a wildlife facility where we walked among emus and kangaroos - truly a once in a lifetime opportunity!

Lacrosse started February 1, so we have been practicing for almost 3 weeks now. Our first game is next Saturday against Hopkins - I can't wait! It has been a big commitment, both physically and mentally, but I have really been enjoying my time with the team.

For my language requirement, I am taking French again this spring. Also, we have required writing class that all freshman take. Basically, in this class, I will be writing papers and leaning how to improve my writing and do research. So far, my professor has been very helpful and she seems very passionate about the subject, which really makes a potentially boring class a lot of fun. My third class is a lab course called "Structures and the Urban Environment" where we learn about modern buildings. We just finished up a unit on Felix Candela, a Spanish structural artist. The Princeton art museum happened to have an exhibit on some of his work right as we were learning about him, so it was great to be able to go to the exhibit and see first hand 3-D models of his buildings. My last class is called "The American Dream and Public Schools" and is a small class of about twelve and is only open to freshman. We've examined supreme court cases pertaining to education and then discussed how they have shaped education today. Last week, we looked at Brown v. Board and similar cases and then applied the findings to issues concerning segregation in schools today. Overall, I have been very pleased with my class selection and I am looking forward to the rest of this semester.

I would just like to say again how grateful I am for the scholarship that the Lions Club gave me. Thank you so much. It has truly been a load off my shoulders to not have to work during the school year. I won't be able to come home during the spring, but hopefully I'll be able to make it to a Lions Club meeting when I come back this summer!

Hope all is well with you,  
Allison Behringer



**Lion Joinette Smallwood  
was inducted in October  
with her parents looking on**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

[HTTP://MY.CALENDARS.NET/SRLC](http://my.calendars.net/srlc)

MARCH 3	GENERAL MEETING
MARCH 10	BOARD MEETING
MARCH 17	GENERAL MEETING
MARCH 21	FRUIT SALE
MARCH 23	REGION 1 MEETING, PIRATES COVE, GALESVILLE
MARCH 25	LEDO PIZZA NIGHT FUNDRAISER
APRIL 7	ELECTION NIGHT GENERAL MEETING
APRIL 14	BOARD MEETING
APRIL 18	BULL & OYSTER ROAST
APRIL 21	GENERAL MEETING

### SRLC ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITY	YEAR TO DATE
<b>Health</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Diabetes Awareness</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Sight</b>	<b>430</b>
<b>Hearing</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>LASH</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Youth</b>	<b>214</b>
<b>Community</b>	<b>686</b>
<b>Environment</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>International Relations</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Lionism</b>	<b>2299</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3878</b>

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

##### **MARCH**

Don Lilley – 14  
 Don Rayment – 14  
 Jonathan "Jack" Brown – 17  
 George Williams – 19  
 Ken Tschantre – 21  
 Ulysses Archie – 24  
 Trent Kutsch - 27  
 Nelson Chesler – 31

##### **APRIL**

Pete Geis – 5  
 Barry Johnson – 10, 1940  
 Lynette Walters – 16  
 Shirley Greene – 20  
 Bruce Schriener – 23  
 Mary Dare – 25  
 Bob Bieri – 27  
 Chuck Horne – 29



## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

### eBay as FUNDRAISER

Do you do any buying or selling on eBay? If so, you know that a lot of listings now have designated charities where a percentage of the sales price goes back to the specified charity.

The Severn River Lions Foundation has now been designated as a charity! So, if you list anything for sale, designate the Foundation as the charity, and then when someone buys the item, the Foundation will receive the designated percentage.

For instance, a dishwasher listed on eBay this week sold for \$500. The seller could designate anywhere from 10% to 100% of the proceeds to go to charity. The Susan G Komen foundation was designated to receive 10%, so when the dishwasher sold, Susan G Komen received a \$50 donation.

This is an opportunity to raise funds with little to no effort.

Lion Sue

PS – If you don't want to place an eBay listing, give me a call and we'll take it as a donation for the silent auction being held at our upcoming Bull & Oyster Roast.