

September  
2006

# Severn River Lions Club

1956 – 2006

President – King Lion Sue Parks



**WE SERVE  
AND  
SHARE THE FUN**

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## GOOD NEWS!!!!!!

Fellow Lions,

Thanks to the tremendous efforts of VDG Dick, PDG Bob, and Lion Dale over the past ten months (not to mention a little input from International President Jimmy Ross) – West Anne Arundel Branch is ready to be chartered as an independent club!! As of last night (8/31), there are 31 paid members with more on the way.



*The Extension Team - Lion Dale, PIP Clem, VDG Dick, Lion Colleen, IP Jimmy, DG Harold, PDG Rowe, and PDG Bob - canvassed businesses in the west County area*

Over the next several weeks, West Anne Arundel will be considering the community service projects they want to pursue, electing officers, and applying for a Charter. As sponsor, Severn River will continue to provide man- (sorry, people-) power and financial support. Do you know anyone in the west Anne Arundel County area who would make a good Lion? Be sure to let Lion Dick Bloomquist or anyone on the team know.

September is bringing DG Harold's official visit on the 19<sup>th</sup>, educational opportunities at the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum and the Leadership Retreat at Camp Merrick, and our second fundraiser of this Lions Year at Gary's Garden on September 30<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>. Try to attend any or all of these activities – they provide a great opportunity to interact with your fellow Lions, education, and FUN!

KL Sue



## Homewood Project Vision Screening

Lions in District 22-A have an opportunity again this year to help youngsters in the schools in the Homewood District of the Baltimore City Public Schools by offering both preschool vision screening to the kindergartners and acuity screening using the Titmus machines to the older youngsters. Last year's successful program benefited many youth who might not have had any type of vision screening.

Again this year Lions are needed to serve as Titmus machine operators, camera operators, photo readers, record keepers, and guides at the six Homewood schools, Barclay, Dallas Nichols, Guilford, Margaret Brent, Medfield Heights, and Waverly. The screening dates are between September 25 and October 13. The final schedule is being developed but the dates shown are the expected screening dates.

### Tuesday

September 26-Margaret Brent ES  
October 3-Barclay ES  
October 10Dallas Nichols ES

### Thursday

September 28-Medfield Heights ES  
October 5-Guilford ES  
October 12-Waverly ES

Clubs and individual Lions are urged to volunteer for one or more of the dates. Previous experience with either the Titmus machine or the preschool camera is helpful but not necessary. To volunteer or get more information contact:

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Don't miss this opportunity to provide a valuable service to youth and let the community know about Lions!

## We Serve

### Severna Park Racquet Club Vision Screening

On Saturday, August 26, 2006 a dozen Severn River and West Anne Arundel Lions participated in SPRC's health fair by taking shifts to perform vision screening with the Titmus machines. About 40 individuals were screened. Thanks to Annapolis Lions Club for the use of the machines and to Lion Ollie for putting together another successful screening project.

# AUGUST GENERAL MEETINGS

Heat index of 110 degrees on August 1<sup>st</sup> encouraged a move to the great indoors for our annual picnic and, by all reports, everyone had a good time!



Our August 15<sup>th</sup> General Meeting was a busy one. Brittany Gendron told us of her experience with HOBY, PDG Bob presented Lion George Council with a progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship pin for his contribution to Campaign SightFirst II, IPP Randy recognized Lion Ray Smith for 42 years of perfect attendance, and KL Sue presented her Stars of the Month to Lions Nancy and Ken for their work on the picnic and to Lion George Jenkins for suggesting that it be moved inside!



# S.W.A.T. Report

August 26, 2006

Fifth of Seven "in the bag"

Nine Lions participated today, which allowed for four groups of two Lions. Each group walked one quarter of the 1.5 mile route and one Lion picked up/cleaned up at the bus stop on route 648 & Macey's Corner.

"Nine Lions" is the "key" in the above paragraph. Today marked only the "third" time this year that our Club was able to bring nine or more members together for our "once a month" Saturday stroll. The month of May had four Lions and July had five Lions.

When nine or more members participate, the "walk" is usually completed in thirty to forty-five minutes. If seven or less participate, each Lion must walk the 1.5 miles, which extends the time to one and half to two hours.

I would like to acknowledge the Lions who have participated, so far this year, along with the number of times each has "signed up".

- Ray Smith – five times (Gold Star)
- Chuck Horne & Dale Strait – four times (Silver Star)
- Carroll Hicks (affiliate), Rhine Jager & Ken Tschantre – three times (Bronze Star)
- Milum Greene, George Jenkins, Roger Knauth & Jon Valett – two times (Pewter Star)
- Janice Abney, George Councill Jr., Trent Kutsch, Don Rayment, Randy Roberts, Ed Taylor & Bill Zelenakas – one time (Honorable Mention)

The next time the sign up sheet for Adopt-a-Highway is on the table, pick up the pen and put your name on the list – this program NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT.

Chief Maintenance Engineer  
Lion Wayne

Lions in the pictures - Milum Greene, Chuck Horne, Rhine Jager, George Jenkins, Roger Knauth, Ray Smith, Dale Strait, Jon Valett and Bill Z.



**Draft Minutes of 8/8/06  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Severn River Lions Club  
To Be Approved at 9/12/06 Board Meeting**



**Attendees:**

**Board:**

Colleen Benda	Nancy Burns	George Council	Milum Greene
Shirley Greene	Chuck Horne	Roger Knauth	Trent Kutsch
Joe McClellan	Nadja Muchow	Bill O'Neil	Sue Parks
Randy Roberts	Jon Valett		

**Other Members:**

VDG Dick Bloomquist	Rhine Jager	Dick Maurer	PDG Bob Muchow
Dale Strait	Ollie Wittig	Bill Zelenakas	

The Severn River Lions Club Board of Directors' Meeting was called to order by KL Sue Parks at 7:30, with fourteen board members present.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the last board meeting held on July 11th, were presented by Lion Jon Valett. Lion Nancy Burns motioned for approval as presented and was seconded by Lion Chuck Horne. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lion Bill O'Neil reported bank account balances as follows:

Activities Checking	\$12,110.25
Administrative Checking	\$ 8,918.75
Truck Replacement Fund	\$13,401.13
Foundation Checking	\$ 3,473.53
Foundation Money Market	\$12,498.46

**Correspondence:** Lion Jon Valett presented several general announcements. KL Sue read a thank you for a vision screening.

**Old Business/Reports:**

**Club Picnic** - Lion Nancy Burns reported that the picnic had generally been successful. Catering was good by Adam's Ribs, only complaint was that the ribs ran out. Lion George Council motioned to thank Nancy for her hard work, Lion Bill O'Neil seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**8/26 Vision Screening** – Lion Ollie Wittig is looking for people to help.

**Cabinet Meeting Signup** – Lion Dick Maurer reported that the cabinet meeting will be August 29, 2006.

**Other items :**

- Food Survey – KL Sue discussed the food survey. She will send out the menu choices to get feedback.
- Convention – VDG Dick Bloomquist reported that there was an attempt to get the convention moved to Dover, Delaware for next year.

## **New Business:**

**Membership** – KL Sue presented a membership application for Mary Boblitz. Lion George Council moved that she be accepted as an active member pending orientation. Lion Jon Valett seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Lion Jon Valett reported that Lion Don Luce had asked to be moved to affiliate member. Lion Nancy Burns moved that he be made an affiliate retroactive to July 1. Lion Jon Valett seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Camp Merrick Leadership Weekend** – KL Sue reported that it will be held the weekend of September 8-10. VDG Dick Bloomquist will attend as will Lion Colleen Benda.

**USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum** – VDG Dick Bloomquist and PDG Bob Muchow will attend.

**Paws in the Park** – Lion Nancy Burns will participate and invited other to do the same on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Gary's Garden Fundraiser** – Lion Nancy Burns reported that it will be September 30<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>. Gary's wants pit beef and Lion Nancy is looking into how to do that. They expect over 1500 people over the two days. Lion Nancy moved that we commit to doing pit beef and Lion George Council seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Activity Budget** – Lion Bill O'Neil presented a draft activity budget. The board gave input and Lion Bill will revise.

**Community Service Project** – Lion George Council met with the Kinder Park ranger regarding the deer tick stations. Based on the meeting it was not clear this was a good idea as a project due to costs and the possibility that ticks are really being carried by mice.

### **Other Items –**

- Lion Dick Maurer and Lion George Council have built boxes to store and carry the tent.
- Lion Dale Strait announce that no one knew when the next blood drive would be held.
- Lion Dale also noted that the DG had asked us to consider cancelling a January meeting to encourage attendance at the District Social. Lion Jon noted that the District Social and meetings didn't impact the majority of the Club and that we should go ahead with our meeting. KL Sue noted that in January in addition to the Social the District had scheduled a Region Meeting and a Cabinet meeting and that we should reconsider our meetings at a later date.

Lion Jon Valett motioned to adjourn at 9:00 pm, which was seconded by Lion George Council and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted  
Lion Jon Valett, Secretary



# LEADERSHIP EVENT

Multiple District 22  
Eighth Annual  
Leadership Retreat



**September 8-10, 2006**  
At Lions Camp Merrick  
\$30.00 per person

**Don't Miss This!**

**Mark your calendars now for the....**

## **2006 Lions Leadership Retreat**

**September 8-10 at Lions Camp Merrick**

Designed specifically for  
Club and district leadership and those who  
will lead in the future...

Who in your club has the potential to lead?  
**Those members should be at this  
weekend retreat!**

### **Great Topics!**

- Innovate or Hibernate!
- Brand and Communication
- Fundraising Ideas
- Getting On Line
- Effective Meetings
- Dynamic Committees
- Parliamentary Procedure
- Membership

### **Team Fun!**

- Team "Survivor" Challenge
- Pool fun
- Cook out and Fire Circle



**Beware the Super  
Soakers...**

# 8/29 FULL CABINET MEETING

Severn River Lions Mary Boblitz (our newest member), Nancy Burns, George Council, Dick Maurer, Bob & Nadja Muchow, Ollie Wittig, Bill Z, KL Sue Parks, and VDG Dick Bloomquist attended. KL Sue arranged a special cake for DG Harold and Baltimore Host presented him with a non-skimpy gavel.



**Please be sure to review the Membership Roster on the next few pages and let King Lion Sue Parks know of any errors, omissions, or changes required. Thanks.**



<b>SEVERN RIVER ACTIVITY REPORT SUMMARY</b>		
	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>August, 2006</b>
	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Health	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>
Diabetes Awareness	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Sight	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>
Hearing	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
LASH	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>
Youth	<b>25</b>	<b>20</b>
Community	<b>262</b>	<b>93</b>
Environment	<b>22</b>	<b>10</b>
International Relations	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
Lionism	<b>477.5</b>	<b>170.5</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>831.5</b>	<b>307.5</b>

S.W.A.T pickup schedule  
September 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 AM  
October 14<sup>th</sup> 7:30 AM

<b>Membership Report August, 2006</b>	
Members July 31, 2006	77
Active (includes 8 WAA Branch)	46
At Large	9
Life	2
Affiliate	20
Privileged	1
Members August 31, 2006	78
Leo Club Members	60

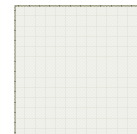
**BIRTHDAYS**

*September*

- John Randall – 2
- Bob Urschel – 6
- Ron Walters – 8
- Don Luce – 8
- Robert Bauman – 13
- Joe Earley Jr. – 15
- Edward Taylor – 20
- Wayne Dudeck – 22
- Ray Smith – 22



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SEVERN RIVER LIONS FOUNDATION  
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The SRLC meets semi-monthly on the first and third Tuesdays at the American Legion Post 175 on Manhattan Beach Road.  
**Social - 6:30 pm  
Meeting - 6:59 pm**

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

General Membership Meeting - American Legion Post 175  
Paws in the Park fundraiser  
Camp Merrick Leadership Weekend  
Board Meeting - Jaycee Building, Kinder Park - 7:30 pm  
USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum  
West Anne Arundel Branch meeting - Perry's Restaurant  
General Membership Meeting - DG Harold Boccia Visitation  
S.W.A.T. Pickup - Earleigh Heights Fire Hall - 7:30 am  
West Anne Arundel Branch meeting - Location TBD  
LASH General Membership Meeting - Holiday Inn, Timonium  
Gary's Garden Fundraiser  
General Membership Meeting - American Legion Post 175  
Program - Boy Scout Handicap Troop?  
Board Meeting - Jaycee Building, Kinder Park - 7:30 pm  
General Membership Meeting - American Legion Post 175  
Program - Diabetes Awareness  
S.W.A.T. Pickup - Earleigh Heights Fire Hall - 7:30 am  
Kinder Park Fundraiser  
Combined Region Meeting - ID Joe Gaffigan on Membership  
LEOs Leadership Weekend - Camp Merrick