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Lions Club News

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International Theme for 2010–2011 "A Beacon of Hope"

SRLC BULL ROAST! Another Great Evening

Severn River

Saturday, April 30, the evening of the sixth annual SRLC Bull and Oyster Roast, got off to a busy start as nearly 180 Lions and friends converged on the Columbian Center for a night of fabulous food, entertainment, and socializing and all for a worthy cause. Atlantic Caterers did their usual superb job of preparing the pit beef and turkey, shucking bushels of oysters, and laying out a feast of snacks, salads, barbecue, crab soup, chicken and beverages which the hungry guests began sampling on arrival. Lines formed at the grill and shucking table as guests filled their plates and began enjoying the delicious food. It was agreed that the caterer had done a great job again this year and contributed to the success of the event. Bob Duckman, mid-day host for WNAV, provided the evening's entertainment with a variety of recorded music which was enjoyed. Visiting Lions from several different clubs were in attendance and enjoyed the delicious food and fellowship.

As appetites were getting satisfied, guests began to stroll around the hall to check out the game wheels, cake wheel, and the silent auction items that were displayed. Lion Sue Parks had coordinated the collection of nearly two dozen items for the silent auction and the variety of items was appealing to the guests who placed their bids in hopes of going home with a prize at the end of the evening.

In the corner Dick Maurer, KL Rollins Clark, Bill O'Neil, Bruce Schriner and several other Lions served as barkers and kept the game wheels spinning to attract betters. Next to the game wheel the cake wheel spun and enticed guests to take a chance on the many delicious cakes that adorned the tables. During the evening the winners of a variety of door prizes were announced and the victors came forward to claim their prizes.

Everyone waited with anticipation for the BIG DRAWING-a 42" HDTV-which was to be raffled near the end of the evening. Lion Nancy Early was most persuasive and sold nearly ninety raffle tickets to her family, friends, and neighbors so it was not a surprise that she sold the winning ticket. Angelia Foxe from Hampton, Virginia was the happy guest who went home with a new television set to enjoy.

The proceeds from the annual bull and oyster roast benefit the SRLC scholarship program which awards scholarships at Broadneck and Severna Park High Schools. The bull roast event would not have been possible without the leadership and hard work of all the members who contributed to make the event a success. Dick Maurer and Bill O'Neil were the major coordinators for this year's event and delivered a great evening. Ticketmaster Nancy Burns issued and accounted for the roast and raffle tickets. Sue Parks coordinated the collection of the items for the silent auction and prepared the descriptive handout for the many items that were auctioned. Special thanks to all other Lions who sold tickets, helped at the roast, and made this another successful activity for our club. We can now look forward to another bull and oyster roast in 2012! Go Lions!



It's true, Lions really do eat oysters!



Event coordinators Bill O'Neil and Dick Maurer.



District 22-A Governor John Cullison and King Lion Rollins Clark.

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Proceeds from the Bull Roast benefit the SRLC scholarship fund.



Lions Ollie and Nancy at the welcoming table.



Lions Nancy Early and Dick Maurer at the cake wheel.



Good food and fellowship at the Jager table.



Lion George at the money wheel.



Lions Dick Bloomquist and Bob Muchow enjoy the libations.

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Camp Blaze 25th Year

May 7 was a breezy spring day as the crowds gathered for the twenty fifth annual Camp Blaze Children's Fair at Big Vanilla. For about the tenth year the Severn River Lions had been drafted to sell tickets for the food and rides and provide preschool vision screening at this event. A dozen Lions, Dick Bloomquist, George Councill, Carl Gilbert, Chuck Horne, Dick Maurer, Bill O'Neil, Don Rayment, Randy Roberts, Bruce Schriner, Ken Tschantre, Chris Werth, and Ollie Wittig worked shifts that day. Tickets for food and rides were available for sale under the tent and crowds lined up to make the purchases and the lines lasted throughout the morning and into the afternoon until closing at 3:00 pm.A camera malfunction prevented the Lions from offering preschool vision screening this year so the screeners were drafted for other duties.

Chief engineer George Councill and conductor Carl Gilbert had set up the large train set adjacent to the ticket tent and soon three trains and cars were chugging around the oval. To say the train layout was a "kid magnet" would be an understatement and the youngsters and many adults gathered to watch the trains circle the oval track around the lot. A tall climbing wall, moon bounce, and slide drew the younger crowds to display their athletic prowess throughout the day.

Located on the lot and inside, over seventy vendors and companies had attractive displays explaining their services and most of these were geared to the young age group. On the inside stage WNAV radio personalities entertained with timely music. Several special events on the stage attracted appreciative audiences throughout the day. Several food concessionaires offered a variety of tasty treats throughout the day and the lines formed as attendees satisfied their hunger.

The Camp Blaze Children's Fair has been an SRLC activity for at least a decade and the club expects to be invited back again next year.



SRLC Lions provided ticket sales service for the event.



Children enjoyed the railroad display.



Chief engineer George Councill and conductor Carl Gilbert.

District 22-A Convention Photo Album



Dick Maurer is presented the 100% Secretary Award!



Lion Sue Parks receives the International President's Letter of Commendation. Lion Sue also received the 100% Treasurer Award.



KL Rollins accepts the Advanced Achievement, Activities, Bulletin, Community Service, Public Relations, Scrap Book, Web Page Commendation for SRLC.



Lion Suzette Kettenhofen received the International President's Letter of Commendation from Sid L. Scruggs III.



SRLC Lions enjoying the dinning and fellowship.



Sid L. Scruggs III International President, Lions Clubs International.

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SRLC Super Builders

Once again the SRLC Contracting Company undertook a construction project for Rebuilding Together. The project involved construction of a handicap access ramp for a wheel chair bound man in Glen Burnie. Foreman Dale Strait and several assistants inspected the site on May 20 and laid out the design for the 45 foot long ramp with three platforms which will give the man outside access again, something he has not been able to do for some time.

On Saturday, May 21 SRLC builders, George Councill, Carl Gilbert, Rhine Jager, Jim Morris, Bill O'Neil, Ollie Wittig, and Bill Zelenakas arrived at 9:00 am and Foreman Dale Strait reviewed the project, the materials list, and got the team started after a brief walk through of the work site. Materials for the job, large support timbers, planking for the deck, and handrails were stacked, tools were off loaded, and work began. The initial "grunt work" consisted of digging over a dozen deep holes for the upright posts that would support the structure and while this was being done timbers were measured and cut for the uprights. Several consultations during construction insured that the ramp would be built to specifications. By late morning the crew began attaching the deck support beams and back filling the holes when the posts were level and plumb.

A brief "work stoppage" occurred when Dale returned with pizza and the crew took a lunch break but soon it was back to work. As the workday progressed the crew had removed old metal railings from the entry way, installed support poles and began attaching the deck support beams and the ramp and platforms began to take shape. By the end of the work day the ramp and platform support structure had been completed and the Lions headed home.

On Sunday, May 22 the Lions returned again, this time joined by Randy Roberts and Ray Smith. And the tools began to hum as the decking lumber was cut and installed. George's pneumatic



Happy homeowner Jenette Ellison on the new access ramp.



Lions Bill Zelenakas and Ollie Wittig hard at work.

nail gun made this task MUCH easier and by late morning all the planks were in place. A foot rail was installed, the upright posts were worked to accept the top rail and hand rail – but that would be a task for another day.

The Lions enjoyed homemade lasagna and a dessert treat provided by the family to show their appreciation. The SRLC Super Builders certainly lived up to the motto, "We Serve" and can point with pride at another project well done.

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The May 22nd ribbon cutting ceremony.

On May 28 the Super Builders, joined by visiting Lion, Wayne Dudeck, returned to put the finishing touches on the ramp. Carpenter Carl Gilbert added attractive lattice posts to the upper deck. Workers Rhine Jager and Bill Zelenakas fitted the last of the handrails to the uprights, Foreman Dale Strait prepped the upright posts to receive the cap rails which Builders Randy Roberts, Wavne Dudeck. and Ollie Wittig carried. measured, cut, fit, and nailed the cap rails in place. Chief Sawyer George Councill carefully laid out the side trusses for the stairs then cut these for installation. Some bush removal was necessary to accommodate the steps and railing and Dale showed his skill with a shovel. With the project almost completed it was time for an official ribbon cutting ceremony. Homeowner Jeanette Ellison gladly obliged and the crew posed for a photo of the ribbon cutting. SRLC Lions can take pride in another job well done and the satisfaction of knowing that the ramp will help the gentleman again get to enjoy the outdoors.

"We Serve."



SRLC Ramp designers discuss the project.



Construction progresses as Lions set the ramp posts.



The ramp begins to take shape.

Welcome to New Lion Jim Morris!

Newly inducted Lion, Jim Morris, is no stranger to Severna Park. Jim, his wife Susie, and his family of five – one boy and five girls ranging in age from eleven to twenty – have resided in Severna Park for many years. Their son is a freshman in college and the daughters currently attend Severn School. Jim is a native of SP and graduated from Severna Park High School and Anne Arundel Community College.

Jim is a thirteen year employee with the Wurth Wood Group as an outside sales representative. Jim is an active member of Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church and has served the church as an usher, church elder, and deacon and he is active with the men's bible study group.

Jim has been active in community sports and enjoys watching his kids compete in basketball, soccer, lacrosse, swimming, and track. Jim has also participated in projects with Rebuilding Together so he can be expected to get involved with our club's building activities.

In his spare time Jim enjoys a round or two of golf, shooting hoops on the basketball court, and water sports activities.

Ken Tschantre, Jim's sponsor, has known and worked with Jim at Woods Church, and recognized that he would be a contributing member of SRLC. Jim accepted Ken's invitation and the rest is history. Lions, make it a point to welcome Jim Morris to our group and help him get actively involved in our club's many service activities.

Great Grillers at Cub Scout Pack 688 Bridging!

The annual Pack 688 Bridging ceremony was held at Lake Waterford Park on Saturday, June 4 and over three dozen Cub Scouts bridged (advanced), with many going into Boy Scouts. Nearly sixty boys and their parents and siblings converged on the park in late afternoon and moved to the bridge near the lake for the ceremony.

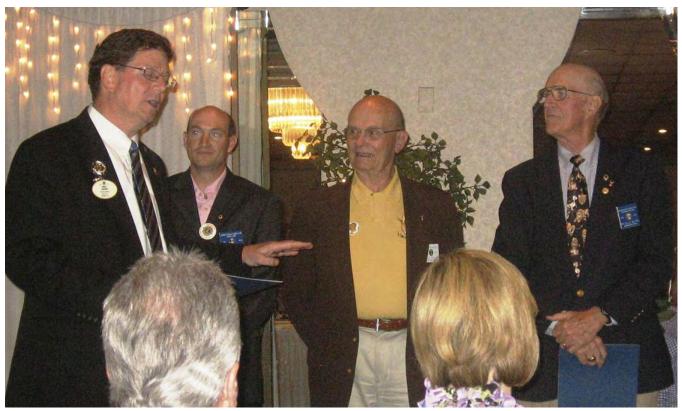
A team of Lions grillers – Dick Bloomquist, George Council,

Carl Gilbert, Dale Strait, Ollie Wittig, and Bill Zelenakas had arrived early and off loaded George's huge grill in preparation for the cook fest. While the ceremony was taking place the Lions grill masters prepared ten dozen hamburgers and six dozen hot dogs to feed the hungry group upon return. Promptly at 5:30 pm the first of the Cub Scouts returned and jumped in line for food and the hamburgers and hot dogs began to disappear. On an adjoining table a variety of appetizers, salads, side dishes, and desserts that had been prepared by the parents and the lines wended from the burgers and dogs to that table. For nearly an hour the feast continued and many of the group returned for seconds.

Even the weather man smiled on the event and the threat of rain at the start disappeared for the fun and festivities.

Cubmaster John Dennison, several other leaders, and many parents stopped by to express their appreciation to the Lions for doing the grilling and freeing Mom and Dad to participate in the Bridging ceremony that day. The Great Grillers have been invited back again next year. Today we showed that not only do "We Serve," "We Cook" too!

Severn River Lions Club Members Honored



Lions District Governor John Cullison presents the International President's Certificate of Appreciation to SRLC Lion Dale Strait for leadership of the District hearing program and to Lion Ollie Wittig for leadership of the District children's vision screening program at the District turn-over meeting on June 17th.



Bob Siska was honored with a lifetime membership at the SRLC 55th Charter Night Celebration. Bob joined in 1980 and has been a contributing member for 31 years. Bob has held offices as director, vice president, president and chaired or worked on the fruit sale, July parade, and social committees. Bob was presented a Melvin Jones Fellowship named after the founder of Lions International.



Lion Dale was awarded a certificate from the American Legion for judging an oratory contest at Townsend State college.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please check our web calendar for updates at: http://my.calendars.net/srlc

JUNE

6/21 General Meeting 6:30PM Officer Turnover

6/22 Ledo's Pizza Night 5:00PM

6/29 LASH Meeting 6:30PM

JULY

7/5 General Meeting 6:30PM7/12 Board Meeting 7:30PM7/19 General Meeting 6:30PM7/27 Ledo's Pizza Night 5:00PM

AUGUST

8/2 General Meeting 6:30PM8/9 Board Meeting 7:30PM8/16 General Meeting 6:30PM8/24 Ledo's Pizza Night 5:00PM

SEPTEMBER

9/6 General Meeting 6:30PM9/13 Board Meeting 7:30PM9/20 General Meeting 6:30PM9/28 Ledo's Pizza Night 5:00PM

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

JUNE

George Councill – 9 Carl Gilbert – 18 Bill O'Neil – 29

JULY

Myra Payne – 7 Laurie Bishop - 12 Bob Muchow – 16 Bob Siska – 18 Jack White – 18 Dale Strait – 19

AUGUST

Chris Werth - 3 Rollins Clark - 7 Mike Milord - 17 Bill Meyers - 25 Ollie Wittig - 26 Milum Greene - 26





King Lion Rollins Clark and Burton Kummerow, Executive Director of the Maryland Historical Society, who was guest speaker at the May 17th meeting.