SEVERN RIVER Lions Club

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The following Lions were elected club officers for the 2016 - 2017 Lions year at the 60th anniversary dinner meeting on April 5, 2016.

President Joinette Smallwood **1st VP Jackie Hetrick** 2nd VP Chuck Horne 3rd VP Jon Valett Secretary Dick Maurer Asst Sec Bill Stack **Treasurer Sue Parks** Asst Treas Vacant Tail Twister Suzette Kettenhofen Lion Tamer Tilghman Brice 2 Yr Dir Ollie Wittig 2 Yr Dir Carl Gilbert 1 Yr Dir George Councill Jr. 1 Yr Dir Rollins Clark Membership Chris Werth IN THIS ISSUE SRLC 60th anniversary YMCA in Arnold Wearing the Green **Eye Glass Sorting** 2016 LUAU

Publisher Lion Bill ONeil Writer Lion Ollie Wittig

SRLC Events

The health fair at AACC is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, 11:00 am-2:00pm in the dining hall of the Student Union building at AACC. Set up starts at 10:00 am and the fair begins at 11:00 am. Lion Ollie will plan to arrive with equipment about 10:30 and the equipment set up doesn't take long so we can have a short training session if needed. AACC provides lunch to us. I will also bring some Luau flyers and SRLC brochures for display/ distribution. Thanks for volunteering. See you Wednesday.

Mark your calendar to attend our second LUAU at the LEGION on Saturday May 21 from 5 to 9 PM

Entertainment by Hawaiian Hula Dancers and Fire dancer will be provided. Read more details on page 12





Sixty Years of Service Celebration

On April 5 nearly sixty Lions and guests ventured to the Blue Dolphin Banquet Hall in Crofton to celebrate the Severn River Lions Club's sixty years of service to the community. Arriving guest checked in, found their table and then enjoyed the hors douvres and drinks. Lion Sue Parks had put together a special program for the event and it listed the club history, a listing of the charter members, past presidents, all of the Melvin Jones Fellow recipients, and the menu for the evening. Promptly at 7:00 pm King Lion Catherine

convened the meeting and the traditional Lions opening got the festivities underway. Lions and guests enjoyed delicious soup, a crispy salad, and then the main course, a choice of three delicious entrees, ending with tasty desserts. Then it was time to "get down to business." Special guest, District Governor Larry Burton was introduced and complimented SRLC for being one of the largest and most active clubs in the District and urged the club to "keep up the good work." DG Larry presented a special citation from International President Jitsuhiro Yamada, a commendation from PIP Clem Kusi-



ak, and a District Governor citation. SRLC's sixty years of service was also noted with a letter from President Barrack Obama, congratulations from Senator Barbara McKulski and County Executive, Steve Schuh. DG Larry thanked the members for the continued effort to live up to the Lions motto, "We Serve."

King Lion Catherine announced that there would be some business to discuss. A proposed change to the club constitution that would affect a quorum at meetings had been distributed and members voted to approve the change to the constitution. To insure that SRLC



would continue strong in the 61st year the slate of officers was presented and approved unanimously and the newly elected members would begin service in July.

The special program and the commemorative pin given to members will serve as a lasting reminder of this event. The planning committee did an outstanding job in selecting the locale, designing the program and agenda and making this a memorable event for the membership. Go Severn River Lions—"We Serve."

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 15, 2016

I send my regards as you celebrate your organization's 60th anniversary.

Throughout the American story, each generation has continued the unending work of building a better future and making our Nation more just and more equal. By joining in a spirit of common purpose and contributing to shared progress, you are helping drive America forward. As you reflect on your achievements, I hope you take prid in the difference you have made in the lives of others.

Congratulations on all you have accomplished. I wish you the very best in the years ahead as you continue working to forge an ever brighter tomorrow.



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Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

April, 2016

Severn River Lions Club District 22 A Maryland

Dear Lions,

Congratulations on your club's 60th anniversary!

This anniversary is an opportunity for your club to reflect on what you have accomplished and look forward to new opportunities to serve. Your compassion and dedication to reaching out to others has made your club a vital part of your community, and it has helped Lions Clubs International remain a global leader in service for nearly a century.

Your club was chartered by caring, concerned people who understood that working together for the greater good of all can make a larger impact. You are bringing dignity and harmony to humanity through service, which makes the world a better place.

Your continued commitment and hard work ensure that your club will continue to grow and provide a helping hand to those in need.

Congratulations again on your anniversary, and I look forward to your many years of continued service.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Yamada



Executive Citation

The Citizens of Anne Arundel County, Maryland

salute

Severn River Lions Club

On your 60th Charter Night

On behalf of the citizens of Anne Arundel County, I am pleased to join in paying tribute to you on this special occasion.

Congratulations on this milestone and we extend to you our heartiest congratulations and thanks for your many years of service to our County. We wish you continued success.

STEVEN R. SCHUH County Executive April 5, 2016



This Certificate Is Presented to the

Severn River Lions Club

On the Occasion of your

60th Anniversary

In recognition of your commitment to 60 years of empowering volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding

Best wishes for your future success!!

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Barbara A. Mikulski

United States Senator On This Day The Fifth Day of April, Two Thousand and Sixteen







The Neighborhood YMCA

Long time residents of the area may remember Big Vanilla in Arnold, a tennis and athletic fitness complex on Ritchie Highway. Several years ago Big Vanilla closed and the YMCA secured the facility and began offering a greatly enhanced program to the community. The featured presenters at the March 15 meeting were Debra Einstein and Jeremy Hester from

the YMCA in Arnold and their presentation told of the many programs available. Programs included swimming, tennis, physical conditioning, Zumba, yoga, pilates, cycling, and circuit training to name just a few. Also included was information about the different programs for children and youth. Programs for preschool age children, before and after school enrichment programs, summer camp, and programs for homeless teens. The facility in Arnold is part of the Y of Central Maryland and we are fortunate to have this in our neighborhood. Debra suggested that Lions who have not visited the facility come by a see first-hand the excellent programs available in the community.



Wearing of the Green

When Lions arrived for the meeting on March 15 the first impression was that we were assembling in a different locale. The long tables were colorfully deco-



rated with shamrocks of different sizes, large green dinking vessels, and colorful Irish decorations. Lion Bill Stack had decided that the Lions would celebrate St. Patrick's Day that evening and he had done a super job of decorating all the tables for this special occasion. Many Lions arrived attired in colorful green apparel- shirts,

hats, and neckties and it promised to be a festive evening. Several thirsty Lions

could be seen quaffing some "green brew" and that set the tone for the event. Lion Bill Stack deserves a hearty "thank you for decorating the tables with



the Irish theme. And did you notice his green shirt from Stacks Pub in Dublin?

Lions At Work

On April 9 Lions Dick Bloomquist, Bill Zelenakas, and Ollie Wittig delivered an estimated 3,000 pairs of used eyeglasses that had been collected to the District's semi annual eyeglass sorting at the Maryland School for the Blind. Upon arrival the cartons and bags of eyeglasses were unloaded onto carts and taken into Knefley Gym and added to the stacks of glasses already delivered. Lion Joe Livingston gave directions for setting up the hall for the sorting. Long tables were put in rows, large plastic containers of different colors went

on each table, and an instruction sheet provided directions to nearly sixty Lions who had volunteered for the sorting. The collected glasses were placed on the tables and sorters got to work. Eyeglasses and prescription sunglasses went in one carton, regular sunglasses into another carton, and eyeglass cases filled a third carton. The prescription glasses went into large cardboard boxes that, when full, were taken to Joe's table



where they were sealed and labeled and will be taken to a facility in Virginia where they will be sanitized, graded, and packaged for shipment to third world countries where they will help underprivileged people see and function better in life. The semi annual eyeglass sorting is just another example of Lions living up to the motto, "WE Serve." The sorting are not only a worthwhile activity but a great opportunity for Lions from all over the District to collaborate on a project that does good for so many less fortunate people in the world. Coffee, tea, and doughnuts were available and Lions to short breaks to enjoy these treats. Any Lion who has never participated in an eyeglass sorting should put in on their list for the fall sorting and come out and enjoy several hours that benefit so many less fortunate people in the world.

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Article XI Section E of the SRLC constitution was approved unanimously on 5 April: 'The presence in person of a majority of ACTIVE members in good standing shall be necessary for a quorum at any meeting of this club.'



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