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CUB SCOUT COOKS

For at least seven years SRLC has done the grilling at pack 688's annual Bridging ceremony so that parents would be able to take part in their son's ceremony rather than man the grills. On June 1 SRLC Lions Tilghman Brice, George Councill, Carl Gilbert, Dick Maurer, Bill O'Neil, and Ollie Wittig manned George's big grill at Lake Waterford Park Blue jay pavilion. After the Pack conducted the opening ceremony and moved to the bridge for the symbolic crossing the grill was turned on and soon the air was filled with the delicious aroma of hamburgers and hot dogs that would satisfy the hungry Cub Scouts when they returned. Soon over one hundred Scouts and parents lined up to get the hamburgers and hot dogs and the delicious side dishes that parents had contributed. The Cubmaster thanked the Lions for manning the grill and for assisting the Pack with other projects including the bike rodeo, pinewood derby, and the pizza challenge to collect food for SPAN. The Cub Scouts also contributed to the joint project of the Baltimore Brooklyn Lions and Severn River Lions to collect used children's books that would be given to an elementary school in Baltimore City. Nearly three hundred children's books were collected and forward for delivery. Severn River Lions can look forward to a continuing association with our Cub Scout Pack in the future.



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Hugh Obrien Youth Leadership Forum Scholarship Winners



Lion Nancy Burns and Lion Doug Macleay with HOBY Scholars Cory Russell (Severn School), Whitney Vanderheuvall (Annapolis Christian) and Hannah Krauss (Severna Park)

For several years the Severn River Lions Club has sponsored young people attending the annual Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership Forum and during the current year the club provided assistance to three rising high school juniors so they could attend the four day program in Emmittsburg, MD over the Memorial Day weekend. On August 6 the three HOBY youngsters and their parents joined us at the meeting and recounted their experience at the forum. Hannah Krauss from Annapolis Area Christian School, Whitney Vanderhueval from Severna Park High, and Cory Russell from Severn School told of how the forum had engaged them in ways to assist others by participating in “hands on” projects which helped them to acquire skills that would let them help others when they returned to their home schools. All three spoke enthusiastically about the HOBY experience and of their plans to apply this learning to serve others.

In 1958 American actor, Hugh O’Brian visited Africa and volunteered at a camp sponsored by Dr. Albert Schweitzer, renowned humanitarian and doctor. Hugh was so impressed with what he learned he returned to America determined to encourage others, especially young people, to get involved to aid the less fortunate and the Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership forum was born. Currently the HOBY program has 4,000 volunteers and each year about 9,000 youngsters take part in the multi-day forums and then return home with ideas and enthusiasm to help others. Lion Doug McClure from the West Arundel Lions Club coordinates the HOBY program in District 22-A and he thanked SRLC for the continuing support for this excellent program.

Lions Present Scholarships At Broadneck and Severna Park High Schools

The Severn River Lions club showed their support of community youth by presenting students at Broadneck and Severna Park High Schools a scholarship for \$1,000 and renewable for three additional years. The club presented the award certificate to **Gary Wallace, Jr.**, Severna Park, and **Jonah Sheffield**, Broadneck, at the school's awards programs in May. Winners are chosen based on academic performance over four years, participation in extra-curricular activities, financial need, teacher recommendations, and the selection committee's judgment of the candidates potential to succeed in college. The Severn River Lions welcome the opportunity to assist deserving students as they further their education.

Currently there are eight students from Broadneck and Severna Park High Schools receiving these stipends which can be used for tuition, textbooks, and college fees. The club also makes an annual donation to the general scholarship fund at Anne Arundel Community College.

In addition to the scholarships the club also provides numerous other projects that benefit the community including Meals on Wheels, preschool vision screening, vision and hearing at local venues, highway cleanup along Ritchie Highway, eyeglasses and hearing aids, medical supplies loan closet, and building projects with Rebuilding Together.

King Lion Chris Werth and Lion Ollie Wittig present Gary Wallace a \$1500. check. Gary is attending Morgan State



Lions With Longevity and Service

At the regular meeting on June 18 twenty two long serving Lions were presented perfect attendance certificates to commemorate their long and valued service to the club and Lionism. Lions receiving certificates included; Dick Bloomquist-24 yrs., Nancy Burns-12 yrs., Rollins Clark-11 yrs., George Council-15 yrs., Nancy Earley- 3 yrs., Carl Gilbert-3 yrs., Rhine Jager-24 yrs., Dick Maurer-13 yrs., Bill O'Neil-12 yrs., Sue Parks-13 yrs., Don Rayment-3 yrs., Randy Roberts-14 yrs., Joinette Smallwood-2 yrs., Ray Smith-49 yrs., Bill Stack-3 yrs., Dale Strait-18 yrs., Ken Tschantre—9 yrs., Jon Valett—9 yrs., Catherine Violette-1- yr., Chris Werth—5 yrs., Ollie Wittig-15 yrs., and Bill Zelenakas-20 yrs. The Lions recognized for their durability and service represent nearly 40 % of the total membership in SRLC and they have set an example for all members to follow. DG Skip Hoffman commended these Lion for their strong commitment to the club and Lionism.



Patriotic Lions March

On July 3 several hardy Lions gathered to wash and decorate the truck in preparation for the annual July 4 parade. The washing had just been completed when the “weather man” presented a downpour which temporarily halted work so the crew adjourned to a nearby porch to wait out the storm. In a short time the sun returned and the crew got back to work and adorned the truck with colorful patriotic bunting, flags, and pennants which listed SRLC’s many service activities and the truck was ready for the parade.

On July 4 Lion Rollins chauffeured the truck to the starting point near St. Martins Church and joined other Lions who gathered to march. King Lion Chris, decked out in the lions costume, entertained other marchers while we waited for the lineup. Chris also spoke with county executive, Laura Neuman and her family and invited her to attend a meeting and she accepted. Cub Scouts from our Pack 688 were marching and bicycling in front of our truck and the boys enjoyed talking to the lion.

Then it was time to march! SRLC was #11 at the front of the parade and marchers started down Benfield to Evergreen, past the judge’s stand, and past throngs of spectators along the route who cheered as the marchers and the truck passed by. Many of the yards along the route were decorated with flags and banners to commemorate our country’s founding. The weather man cooperated that day and the temperature was moderate and marchers enjoyed the walk. Finally the contingent turned onto Cypress Creek Road and the parade’s end point. But it was not over yet. A half dozen Lions distributed about 1700 Popsicles to marchers and got a resounding “thank you” for these refreshing treats. But we still were not finished! SRLC had been drafted again this year to remove the trash from the post parade festival at Cypress Creek Park. Several dozen bags of refuse were loaded onto Bill O’Neil’s trailer for transport to the dumpsters at Kinder Farm Park, a service activity we have done for several years.

The annual July 4 parade is a fine example of patriotism and our club can be proud of our participation and we will be back next year. Go Lions!





King Lion Chris Werth with Pack 688



King Lion Chris Werth with AA County Exec Laura Neuman



SRLC Calendar

Sept 3 Board Meeting
Sep 7 Highway Pickup – 7:30AM
Sep 7 Chesapeake High School Band Car Show
Sept 7 District breakfast meeting
Sep 10 SRLC Picnic – Linstead Beach
Sep 17 Regular Dinner Meeting American Legion Post 175
Sept 23 Blood Drive ELKS Club
Sep 25 SRLC Night at Ledo's Pizza
Oct 1 Regular Dinner Meeting American Legion Post 175
Oct 5 Highway Pickup – 8:00 AM
Oct 8 Board Meeting
Oct 12 Kinder Park Fall Festival
Oct 13 Regular Meeting American Legion Post 175 **DG Dan Official Visit**

Electric Wheelchair Donation

The SRLC donated an Electric Wheelchair to a disabled Ft. Meade 55th Signal (Combat Camera) Company Corporal who severely injured her back and leg while jumping off a 5 ton truck during a live fire training mission. Corporal Jessica is currently bed-ridden and only able to use the wheelchair 3 or 4 hours a day. Corporal Jessica and her husband Tony and son Anthony will be relocating to Tampa Florida in the near future to be near the Tampa Regional Chronic Pain Center. We wish Corporal Jessica a speedy recovery.

SRLC Night With the Baysox

Two dozen Lions and guests journeyed to Prince George Stadium on June 22 to watch the Bowie Baysox and the Altoona Curve play on the baseball diamond. Lions were seated in upper reserve seats behind home plate and had a great view of all the action on the field. Before the game began characters from the Star-Wars movie entertained the fans with light sword play and similar antics. Baysox mascot, Louie, strolled around the bleachers and on the roof of the dugout during the game and got lots of applause. A spirited rendition of the national anthem preceded the game and then it was "play ball". Altoona scored first and put several runs on the board and it was four innings before Bowie tallied with runs. The remaining innings were close with excellent play by both teams at bat and on the field but as the ninth inning ended the Baysox prevailed, winning by a score of 10-9 over Altoona. The stadium light dimmed and fans were treated to another Star-Wars "battle" much to the delight of the many youngsters in the stands. Off in center field a loud boom was heard and the sky was filled with sparkling lights. For the next fifteen minutes the fans were entertained with a loud and colorful pyrotechnic display that was blinding and deafening at times. At the finale the crowd responded with a hearty round of applause for a great evening of baseball, entertainment, and comradery. Everyone enjoyed the evening and SRLC will plan to return to the stadium again in the future.

