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Introducing the 2015-2016 District
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Darlington Lions Club

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 4 Aug. Dinner Meeting—AL Post 175
- 11 Aug. SRLC Board meeting
- 15 Aug. Adopt-a-Highway cleanup 7:00 AM
- 18 Aug Dinner meeting — AL Post 175
- 26 Aug. SRLC night at Ledo's Pizza
- 29 August State Fair Vision and Hearing Screening
- 12 Sept. Adopt-a-Highway cleanup 7:30 AM
- 15 Sept. SRLC Picnic at Linstead Beach
- 15-19 Sept. USA/CANADA Lions Leadership Forum
- 10 Oct. Kinder Park Fall Festival
- 7 Nov. District 22-A Social honoring District
Governor Larry Burton and first lady Lion Pam



The following link is contains information
on all of the District 22A clubs the DG is
responsible for.

http://lions22a.org/lions22a_clubs.html

Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY)

HOBY is an organization dedicated to "training and nurturing the young leaders of tomorrow." Its mission is to provide lifelong leadership development opportunities that empower youth to achieve their highest potential. To attend seminars in the United States, a student must be chosen by their high school out of all students in that school's sophomore class. At the seminars, students participate in programs designed to enhance their leadership and team-work skills. Students also meet and converse with leaders in their community in fields such as volunteerism, media, education, philanthropy, and politics, among others. They also break off into groups and discuss the day and their activities, as well as their life and feelings. They also participate in energizer cheers in between panels and in any free time they have. In 2014, the Hugh O'Brian Legacy Fund was established as an endowment to assist in getting more students, especially disadvantaged ones into the program.



At the July 21 SRLC Dinner meeting Duffy Burns from the Severn School was honored for his participation. Duffy was sponsored by SRLC Lion Nancy Burns (No Relation) and the Severn River Lions Club. Duffy spoke eloquently about his experience at the HOBY convention and thanked the Lions for sponsoring him. The SRLC also sponsored Ryan McNeal from Broadneck High who was unable to attend the dinner due to illness. Also present was the District 22A HOBY coordinator Douglas Macleay from the West Arundel Lions club. Doug MacLeay thanked SRLC for sponsoring the HOBY program in our area and encouraged the club to continue this effort in the future. HOBY is just one example of our club's contribution to youth.

Bay-Wise Gardening and Lawn Care

The MD Bay-Wise Program focuses on water quality. It comprises a comprehensive set of environmental topics that affect the quality and quantity of water here in Maryland. Bay-Wise strives to achieve better water quality in the Chesapeake Bay through smarter gardening and landscape management in AA County.

At our 21 July dinner meeting Nancy Landers and Denise Elliot Gave a presentation on Gardening and Lawn care and they presented Resource Lists for getting Bay-Wise

The presenters were thanked and given a SRLC Lions coffee cup by King Lion Catherine Violette.

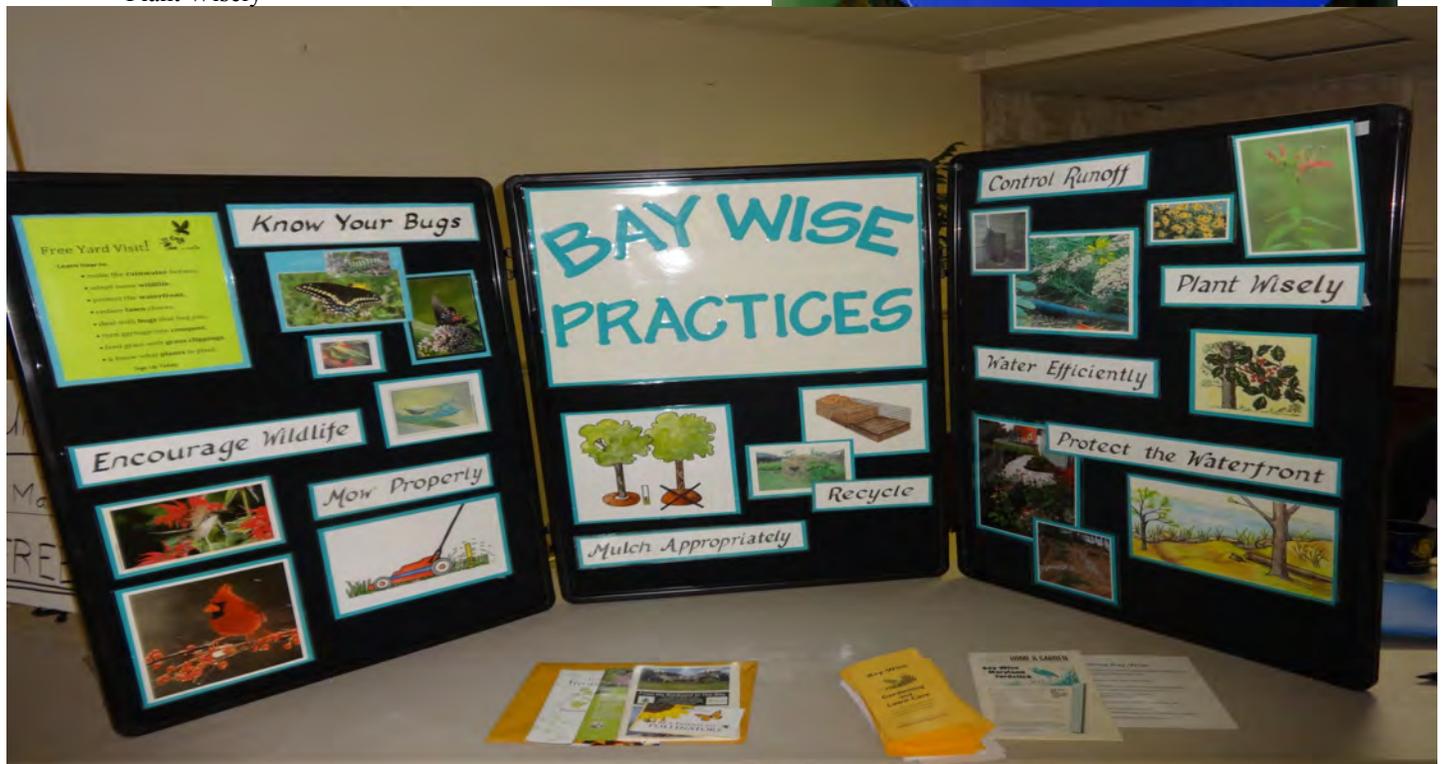
Bay-Wise yardsticks can be downloaded at

http://baywise.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/8/4/10844220/bay-wise_garden.pdf

http://baywise.weebly.com/uploads/1/0/8/4/10844220/yardstick_landscape.pdf

The Bay-Wise Program teaches residents to:

- Control Stormwater Runoff
- Encourage Wildlife
- Protect the Waterfront
- Mow Properly
- Water Efficiently
- Manage Yard Pests with Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
- Mulch Appropriately
- Recycle Yard Wastes
- Fertilize Wisely
- Plant Wisely



Lions At The Ballpark

Nearly two dozen Lions and spouses journeyed to Prince George Stadium on July 18 to see the Bowie Baysox play the Harrisburg Senators. The program listed the Baysox in first place in their division and the Senators were further down the list. Lions had upper deck reserve seats on the first base side and the sun was bright and very warm for about forty five minutes but it eventually dipped and the temperature was more pleasant. A patriotic opening with the National Anthem delivered by a local church chorus and a salute to all military veterans began the event. The Senators played aggressive baseball and scored first but the Baysox persevered. During the game Louie, the Baysox mascot entertained fans, especially the young ones and there were several competitions on the field with “valuable” prizes for the winners. During the game spectators were treated to some excellent baseball by both teams. The Senators were determined to win and as the game rolled to the ninth inning the scoreboard read Senators-11 and the Baysox-6. During the game Lions and guests had a chance to chat and reconnect and in spite of the score it was a fun event. But it was not over yet! The announcer asked the fans to begin a countdown that led to turning off the stadium light. Another countdown ending in “fire in the hole” brought on the fireworks. For the next fifteen minutes the thunder and flash of brilliant pyrotechnics lit up the sky and the audience was treated to a colorful ending. SRLC has been attending Baysox games for at least ten years and we will be back again next year. Go Baysox!!



Lion Pete Geis



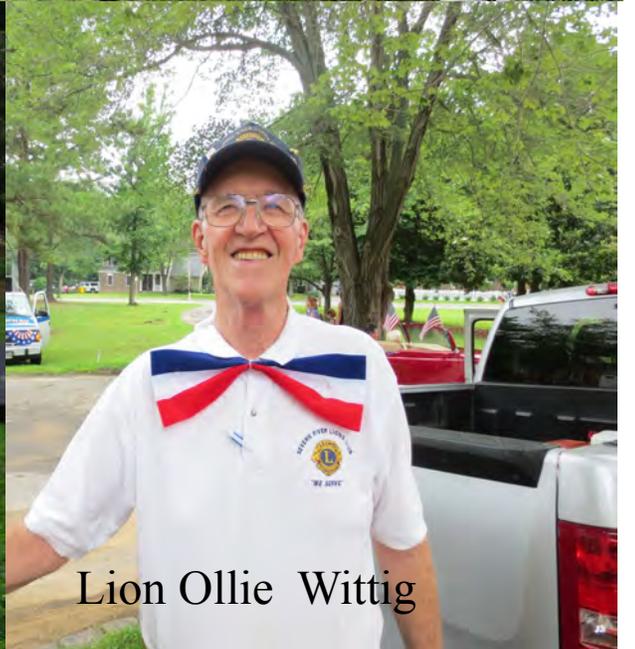
Lion Bill Stack & Family



Rain On Our Parade

Preparation for the annual Independence Day parade began on July 3 for the Lions Club as six hardy Lions gathered to decorate the trailer and put the large gold lion on the stack of pallets. Colorful streamers and flags soon adorned the trailer and then it was time to rehydrate as the group adjourned to a nearby porch for a “cold one” and discuss details for the march. Early morning July 4 Lion Bill Zelenakas arrived to chauffer the trailer in the parade and the fun began. Upon arrival at the church we were given number 11 which put us at the front of the parade. Marchers and bike riders from Cub Scout Pack 688 were in position 10 and Lions got to interact with the boys and leaders as we awaited the start. Promptly at 10:00 am the signal that the parade would begin was given and the many groups started down Benfield Road. A clear sky had greeted the marchers earlier but as the parade moved on the clouds arrived and the drizzle began. The sky soon open up and a harder rain fell on the marchers and the hundreds of spectators who lined the roadway. Queen Lion Catherine Violette in the Geis convertible waved to the crowd along the way. The large gold lion on the trailer was a hit with the spectators, especially the youngsters and a lion’s roar was given and got a laughing response. While it was not a perfect day weather wise, the annual parade paid tribute to the military members who have fought to protect our country for centuries and the audience response was gratifying. As the float wound its way to the end of the parade the rain continued. Several hardy Lions were on hand to give out popsicles to the grateful marchers who expressed their thanks for the treat. The “weather man” promised a break in the weather later that day and the planned cookouts and picnics can go on in more pleasant conditions. Have a Happy July 4!







Great July 4 Picnic

For several years lion Rhine Jager has hosted a post parade picnic-cookout at his home on Northway Drive for Lions, spouses, friends, and neighbors and this year was no different. At 4:00 pm on July 4 over thirty party goers arrived to celebrate. Tables filled with delicious appetizers and treats tempted the guests and



Lion Rhine Jager Lion Ollie Wilig

off to the side several coolers with a variety of cold drinks stood at the ready. Lawn chairs were clustered all about and conversations began as friends reconnected to catch up. A bit of drizzle left over from the morning rain was noted but the hardy party goers did not let a few drops dampen the celebration. Rhine announced that delicious main dishes would soon be ready. Off to the side two expert chefs prepared tasty hot dogs, hamburgers, and cheeseburgers which were plated for the hungry horde. And the cooks were challenged to keep up with the crowd. Gradually stillness fell on the lawn and the only sound that could be heard was munch, munch. After a tasty meal a tempting dessert table drew a crowd and the party continued. Near the deck Rhine's "guard dog", Jack, was alert and kept an eye on the revelers. In spite of the hungry horde there were left-

overs as the end approached and these were collected and will be meals for several days. It was a fun and food filled post parade gathering and Rhine deserves a hearty "Thank You" for hosting this annual event.

