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Severn River Lions Club

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President – King Lion Chuck Horne

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KING LIONS ROAR

Fellow Lions,

Spring is springing! First things first – many many thanks to Fruit Sale Chair Lion Randy for a fabulous fruit sale season. Second, if you'll take a look at the Calendar on the back page, you'll see we have plenty of activities coming up where we need everyone's help. Don't be shy – even if you don't get a call to come out – be there anyway – all hands needed – especially for the Bull & Oyster Roast on April 12th and the Children's Fair on May 3rd, but we have multiple vision screenings happening this month also, so step up!

This month we welcome three new members – Skip Beckett, Jack Brown, and Chris Werth who is transferring from Annapolis. Please welcome our new friends (and put them to work!!) These new Lions will be inducted during our celebration of Worldwide Induction Day on April 15th – come out and show them how happy we are they're with us.

The new Board of Directors was elected at the April 1st meeting – they might have been hoping it was an April Fools joke – but no such luck. Seriously, thank you to all who have agreed to serve in the coming year. You'll see the full list in Lion Ollie's article on page 8, but I want to especially thank and congratulate those of you who will serve who have not been Board members previously.

A slightly down note (that can be easily turned to an up note if we try hard). For the last three years, Severn River has received the District Governor's All (or Five) Star Club Award, evidence (though we already know it) that we are one of the top clubs in the District. If we don't act quickly, we will fall just short this year. The only requirement we are lacking is the net increase of 3 in membership – thanks to the increase in membership noted above, we are only short by 2 members. As Membership Chair Lion Roger pointed out at our last meeting, if you have anyone that you've been talking to that might be on the cusp, now is the time to urge them along. In order to count for this year's award, they would have to be on the membership roles by the May report. Can we do it? I think so. Has your spouse or significant other, brother, sister, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, cousin, or next door neighbor thought about joining us? Ask them to come out now!!! They'll be glad they did – it's a win win!!!!

Yours in Lionism, KL Chuck

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S.W.A.T. Scheduled to Sweep Route 2

For 2008

The following Saturday mornings are scheduled as “Clean – Up” Days for the Severn River Lions Club along the Route 2 corridor from Earleigh Heights Rd, north to Route 10 OR from Earleigh Heights Rd to Whites Rd.

⇒	April 19 th	7:30 AM
⇒	May 17 th	7:00 AM
⇒	June 21 st	7:00 AM
⇒	July 19 th	7:00 AM
⇒	August 16 th	7:00 AM
⇒	September 20 th	7:00 AM
⇒	October 18 th	7:30 AM

Meeting location will be in the parking lot of the Earleigh Heights Fire Department. Meeting date and time will also be listed on the “sign up sheet,” which will be circulated at the dinner meeting prior to each scheduled clean up.

Once again it's time to *PROWL* along Route 2 and reclaim the grassy shoulder from the debris left by motorists, joggers, partygoers and snowplows. This will be our 13th year supporting the Adopt-A-Highway program.

The longevity of this program is tribute to the Lions of our club, who monthly, volunteer just one hour or so of their time and energy to walk along Route 2 and retrieve **that** which has been deposited by careless individuals.

Hey Lions – Get ready to *pick up garbage and talk TRASH*. It only takes about ten Lions a little over one hour on each of the clean up dates to meet our obligation to MD. DOT. So, when the sign up sheet gets passed around roll up your sleeves, grab the pen and sign on board.

Thanks for your support.
Chief Maintenance Engineer – Lion Wayne



SRLC LIONS STAYING BUSY

SRLC attends Region I Meeting



General Meeting speakers provide valuable info



VDG Candidate Lion Senora Haywood visits SRLC on 3/18

Pack 688
Cubmaster
er John
Dennison
- 2/5/08



Jenny Welchslauger, Severna Park Assistance Network, speaker on 3/4



SRLC
Board of
Directors
hard at
work



Maureen Cavaiola and Peter Engstrom from Partners in Care visited on 4/1/08



SEVERN RIVER LIONS CLUB

BULL & OYSTER ROAST

Saturday, Apr. 12, 6 - 10 p.m. at the
Columbian Center on Rt.2 in Severna Park.

Proceeds will benefit scholarships and community service
projects. Atlantic Caterers will prepare the dinner.

There will be Wheels of Chance, a DJ,
Silent Auction and a **GREEN EGG**
Smoker-BBQ Grill-RAFFLE for your
entertainment



Bull Roast Tickets are available at \$35.00
each and **GREEN EGG** Raffle tickets are
\$5.00 each.

Please call **Lion Nancy at 410-647-2756** or
Lion Dick at 410-544-1156 for tickets.

**Severn River Lions Club
Minutes-Board Meeting
March 11, 2008**

Draft: To be submitted for approval at the April 8, 2008 Board meeting

Call to Order: KL Horne convened the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Attending: Board members: George Councill, Chuck Horne, Roger Knauth, Dick Maurer, Bill O'Neil, Sue Parks, Randy Roberts, Dale Strait, Jon Valett, Ollie Wittig. Other Attendees: Nancy Burns

KL Announcements: Sign up sheets for various activities are circulating. Please sign up.

Secretary Report: Minutes from the January 15, 2008 and February 12, 2008 Board meetings were distributed for review. The minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer Report: Lion Dale Strait distributed copies of the financial report for review. The Activities Fund has a balance of **\$17,225.14** and the Administrative fund shows a balance of **\$8,643.28** for a total of **\$25,868.42** compared to last month's total of **\$23,179.32**. The financial reports were accepted and will be filed for review. Lion Dale reported that two checks drafted on March 11 for registration for the club truck and trailer and a check for Post Haste for post card mailing will be shown on the April financial report. Dale will also prepare a summary of club charitable donations and recommendations for review/action at the April meeting.

Old Business:

Fruit Sale - Lion Randy reported that the post office had "lost the post cards for the Severna Park area and few calls have been received for the March sale. He has visited the post office to try to determine the cause and a solution. Copies of the order list for 21146 based on February sales were distributed and members were asked to call customers about ordering citrus. Citrus pick up date is March 22 at Severna Park HS.

Bull Roast: Lion Nancy Burns reported that returns for bull roast tickets and raffle tickets are coming in slowly. A final count is due the caterer by April 5. Members should return ticket/raffle money promptly. An email will be sent to all members reminding them of the ticket due date. A large container to hold the Green Egg raffle tickets is needed. The staff at Hearth and Home has been very helpful selling Green Egg tickets and will receive complimentary tickets.

Membership: Lion Roger Knauth reported that two new members will be joining SRLC and suggested induction in April to coincide with Worldwide Induction Day. Chris Werth, an experienced Lion, will transfer from Annapolis effective March 31. Jonathan Brown, BSA District Executive and former Lion is joining. Two other prospective members, Skip Beckett and Mohamed Andushi, have received information about SRLC. Information brochures about SRLC are being prepared for circulation.

Nominations: Lion Sue had no further report from her committee. Members not attending the March 2 meeting when nominations were presented were notified of the committee's report and asked to attend and vote at the April meeting.

Life Membership: The packet for Don Smith has been received and KL Chuck will make arrangements for an official presentation at a meeting or fruit sale. A list of SRLC members eligible for Life Membership will be prepared for review.

Eye Screenings: Sign up sheets for several vision screenings were circulated and will be available at the next general meeting. Scheduled screenings include: Cecil ES-March 13, 2008—Edinboro Early School-April 8 and 11, AACC Health Fair-April 9, St. Martins Day School-May 12 and 13.

New Business:

Multiple District Convention, May 7 to 10, 2008, Dover, Del. SRLC is entitled to seven (7) delegates and alternates. Members planning to attend are reminded to notify the secretary promptly so that the credentials can be submitted. Members planning to attend so far include Nancy Burns, George Councill, and Sue Parks.

Request for Financial assistance: The Annapolis LC is asking for donations to offset the purchase price of a vision enhancer device purchased for a lady in Crofton. So far donations have been received from Annapolis, East Anne Arundel, South Anne Arundel, and a private donor. Approximately \$500 still needed. The Board approved a donation not to exceed \$500 be sent to the Annapolis club. Confirmation of the exact amount needed will be gotten and a check will be drafted and sent.

Homeless Resource Day: Information about this program scheduled for March 29, 2008 at Glen Burnie HS is available and will be circulated at the next meeting.

Community Health Fair: May 17, 2008 at Severna Park HS. Do we want to participate?

Relay for Life: May 16 and 17 at AACC. Fundraising activity for cancer research. Volunteers needed to help with registration and food prep and serving on May 16 and 17. Sign up sheet available next meeting.

Other items:

Children's Fair - May 3, 2008 at Big Vanilla. SRLC will partner with South Anne Arundel to provide preschool vision screening using the SureSight device. SRLC will also need volunteers to sell tickets outside the event.

Kinder Park Fall Festival: Saturday, October 11, 2008. More information to come.

Scholarship Committee: The committee has met to do a preliminary review of the applications and will have a final meeting on March 13. Fewer applications were received this year. Scholarship winners will be invited to a future meeting to meet our members.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Oliver Wittig, Secretary, SRLC



LIONS LICENSE TAGS

Now is the time to show your Lions' pride by ordering your LIONS CLUB LICENSE TAGS. This is one way to keep Lions in the public eye – easy, on-going PR for Lionism. This is an easy process when your normal renewal comes due or upgrading within your current registration period.

You will need one MVA Vehicle Tag Form (VR124) for each set of replacement tags.

If you are upgrading to LIONS tags within your current registration you will need **TWO** Checks

1. \$25.00 Check payable to the **MVA**
2. \$5.00 Check payable to **Lions Club Multiple District 22**

If you have a renewal notice, and are upgrading to LIONS tags you will need **THREE** checks:

1. Enclose a check made out to MVA for the amount shown on your renewal notice.
You must include the renewal notice with your tag application.
2. \$25.00 Check payable to the **MVA**
3. \$5.00 Check payable to **Lions Club Multiple District 22**

The \$25.00 and \$5.00 are one time fees for the LIONS Club Logo tags.

If you have two or more vehicles and want consecutive tag numbers, send all applications at the same time.

Please indicate your Clubs name and district (A,B,C,W) on the first line of the MVA Form VR124. i.e.: Lions Club International, Severn River Lions Club, District 22-A

MVA Form VR-124 can be obtained from the MVA or District 22A Tag Chairman Lion Bill O'Neil. Email: willy.o@comcast.net

Please send **all** applications and checks for proper certification to Multiple District 22 Tag chairman:

Lion W. Roger Sauter
2363 Kays Mill Road South
Finksburg, MD 21048
Home Phone 410-833-5388



Your LION Tags will be mailed to you by the MVA.

Each Lion must return their old tags to the MVA.

Lion Ollie submitted the following article to the SP Voice.

Local Lions Elect Leaders

The Severn River Lions Club recently elected officers to lead the club in 2008-2009 and the installation of the new leaders is scheduled for a special meeting in June. Veteran Lion George Council will receive the presidential gavel at the induction. Assisting as Vice Presidents will be Lions Jon Valett, Trent Kutsch, and Roger Knauth, as Secretary and Assistant Secretary; Sue Parks and Dick Maurer, as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer; Bruce Schriener and Rhine Jager, as Directors; Nancy Burns, Rollins Clark, Bill O'Neil and Ken Tschantre, and as Membership Chair; Ollie Wittig.

Incoming President George Council plans to continue the club's membership growth and maintain or increase the club's many worthwhile community service projects.

Since the club's chartering in 1956 the Severn River Lions Club's dedicated members have worked on a variety of projects that directly benefit the community. In keeping with Lions Clubs International tenets, the local club has been active in vision related projects that have included adult vision screening at local health fairs, preschool vision screening at several day schools in the area and in Baltimore City, used eyeglass collection, and assistance with eye exams and eyeglasses for the needy. The club provides four year scholarships to two graduating seniors at Severna Park High School, one scholarship at Broadneck High School, and an annual donation to the scholarship program at Anne Arundel Community College. From April to October the Lions can be seen along Ritchie Highway as part of the Adopt-a-Highway cleanup program. The club sponsors LEO clubs at several area middle schools and assists the youth with various service projects. Local Cub Scout Pack 688 is sponsored by the Lions and there is an annual competition between these two groups to collect canned food for the Severna Park Assistance network. The citrus sales that run from November through March and the annual Bull and Oyster Roast are the club's major fund raisers and proceeds from these activities fund the many worthwhile projects.

The Severn River Lions Club currently has nearly seventy members. The club meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at American Legion Post #175, Manhattan Beach Road, Severna Park, MD at 7:00 pm. Anyone desiring information about the Severn River Lions Club may visit the club's website, www.severnriverlions.org, call 410-544-6719, or write to SRLC, PO Box 118, Severna Park, MD 21146.

Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service organization with nearly 1.35 million members in 45,000 clubs in 200 countries and areas around the world. Since 1917, Lions clubs have aided blind and visually impaired worldwide and have made a strong commitment to community service and youth programs

If you are interested in serving the community and enjoying the fellowship of like minded men and women then the Severn River Lions Club is for you. "We Serve"

For additional information contact
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BIRTHDAYS

April

Pete Geis – 5
 Barry Johnson – 10
 Don Smith – 11
 Lynette Walters – 16
 Shirley Greene – 20
 Bruce Schriener – 23
 Mary Dare – 25
 Bob Bieri – 27
 Chuck Horne – 29

May

Roger Knauth – 3
 Bill Zelenakas – 24
 Joe McClellan – 26
 Nancy Garczynski – 28
 Dick Bloomquist – 30

SUMMARY ACTIVITY REPORT			
	CLUB DOLLARS	Year to Date Hours	March, 2008 Hours
Health	0.00	109	36
Diabetes Awareness	0.00	0	0
Sight	4,245.00	375	26
Hearing	0.00	215	6
LASH	0.00	51	4
Youth	6,180.00	388	36
Community	131.00	687	177
Environment	0.00	67	1
International Relations	0.00	36	12
Lionism	0.00	2836	388
TOTALS	10,556.00	4764	686

Membership Report April 1, 2008

Members March 1, 2008	65
Active	36
At Large	10
Life	1
Affiliate	21
Privileged	0
Members April 30, 2008	68

REMINDER

If you expect to miss a Membership Meeting, be sure to email Secretary Ollie Wittig, witbrew@comcast.net, or call 410/647-7338 by 4 pm on the Sunday prior to the meeting. If you are an Affiliate or MAL Member, call if you are going to attend. Thanks.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

An updated roster is included in this issue. Please check the information carefully and let me know if any changes are needed. Thanks.

Editor

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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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 4/8 Board of Directors Meeting, SPHA Building
- 4/12 **BULL & OYSTER ROAST, Columbian Center, 6 pm**
- 4/15 General Membership Meeting, American Legion Post 175
- 4/19 Adopt-a-Highway, Earleigh Heights Fire Hall, 7:30 am
- 5/3 Children's Fair to benefit Camp Blaze, Big Vanilla
- 5/6 General Membership Meeting, American Legion Post 175
- 5/7-10 MD22 Convention, Dover, DE
- 5/13 Board of Directors Meeting, SPHA Building
- 5/17 Adopt-a-Highway, Earleigh Heights Fire Hall, 7:30 am
- 5/20 General Membership Meeting, American Legion Post 175
- 5/23 LASH General Membership Meeting
- 5/29 Club Officer Training
- 6/3 General Membership Meeting, American Legion Post 175
- 6/6 Club Officer Training
- 6/10 Board of Directors Meeting, SPHA Building
- 6/13 District Turnover
- 6/17 General Membership Meeting - **Officer Turnover**, American Legion Post 175
- 6/23-27 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION - Bangkok, Thailand