



# The Pride of Olney

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## Presidents Message

The 2007-2008 Olney Lions Club is almost over. It has been a great year and you have accomplished a great deal. We have added some activities (Ice Cream Sales at the Fair & Eye and Hearing Examinations at the Fair) and dropped a couple (Fall Mulch Sale and the Raffle). The fund raisers were rejuvenated and profits went up. Everything that we did was fun, I thought, even the Spring Mulch sale with the help of the Our House group and the extra trucks that many of you were able to locate for our use. The Olney Days Parade was a little wet and no one has called to tell us that we won and award, but Lions Joe D. and Clark Kendrick and I had a great time. Thanks to Lion Myron and the Board we have new Foundation By-Laws and updated the Club's By-Laws. We have changed the way we pay for the meals at our meetings and have the club's accounts receivable down from \$5,000 to approximately \$400. Financially, we are in great shape and we hope to not have an increase in dues again next year. At the last meeting the Board listened to suggestions for donations and dedicated our \$2,000 year end surplus to some of them. We have an ALERT Disaster Plan for the club in place (please get those questionnaires in to the secretary). Our club's membership is up by about two members. We picked up Lions Cindy Whitehead, Andrew Bolton, Drew Dumann and Bill Klein and we lost Francois Simon, and Jay Heaton. I was so proud doing the induction at the last meeting for Lions Drew, Bill and my son Andrew.

At the Dover, DE District 22 Multiple Convention we had more members attending than I have seen before. Lion Paul Hawkins was elected to be the 2008-2009 District Governor for 22-C. District Governor Elect Paul H. also received an International President's Certificate of Appreciation, a Convention Resolution praising his work on the convention, and an award for his efforts with SightFirst II. Lion Steve McCaskill was asked by Lions Paul to make the nomination speech and he did a great job. We received the 5-Star Award at the convention and most of the Special Recognition Awards, and the Governor's Exceptional Club Award. Nice going club members - we met the

challenge. I appreciate the effort from all of you, but especially several of you doing last minute visitations in April and May for that requirement.

We are expected to have a large turn out for VDG Paul H. next year are the 22-C Social (one table reserved) and at the convention. We are a good Lions Club, but we tend to stay home and we should get out and party a little and meet people. I would like to propose that we get VDG Paul's schedule for next year and try to have a club member with him at all of his visitations. Advantages are that we get credit for a two member visitation (if required next year), VDG Paul is a great teacher/leader, and we could drive him. You may learn more during the drive than at the meetings. He can tell you a lot about District 22-C, the clubs and the members and I hope that those that go will want to get more involved and go to more of the events in 22-C and the convention next year.

Having been on the chicken circuit with the ALERT Program this year I can assure you that there are some very nice and interesting Lions in 22-C.

We bought a few useful items such as the reflective safety vests for Adopt a Highway or traffic/parking control, Olney Lions Club aprons for ice creams dipping and pancake breakfast duties, and the Lion Lon Anderson PA system. We had a Baby Contest and Lion Jay (Baby Face) Garrett won that. The Wild Tropical Shirt Contest was won by Wild Lion Larry Pendleton, and the Great Hat Contest was won by Lion Mike (Big Head) Fekette.

We helped an Olney family keep Christmas this year. I saw many of you at the Rebuilding Together project in Olney last month. I remember a busy July-Aug. with the MGH Hospital Bazaar tent set up and take down and the parking control. Lion Dee is the Chairman again this year so let's plan on helping her. National Night out is a fun night working the concession stand together to help benefit the local law enforcement/public service agencies and meeting our neighbors. Staffing the ice cream stand for two days in Aug. will be a challenge again this year. Adopt a Highway and MANNA are projects that we worked together on. We may have a chance to help kids with AD/HD this summer at the Olney Golf Park with the CHADD organization. Lion Cindy W. might have some things that we can do to help the Olney elderly.

Next year we will have a great board of directors. Lion Mike Goldsteen will be the Zone or Region

Chairman (?) and I know he will do a good job. DG Elect Paul Hawkins and our local Sandy Spring Lion VDG Elect Lion Bill Thomas will provide outstanding leadership. I have it on good authority that VDG Paul H. will be emphasizing community exposure for the clubs of 22-C. I agree with him. We spend much of your time doing fund raisers and the members that get the most satisfaction are the ones that write the letters and checks for the organizations that we donate to. We don't see and touch the end user of our efforts. Let's try to find activities that give us more hands on and face time with those in the community that need our services and let others see us doing it. What better way to promote ourselves then to be seen doing what Lions are suppose to do **SERVE not SELL**. Don't get me wrong, we help a lot of organizations with the money that we raise and I very proud of that fact, but maybe, just maybe, we should re-evaluate our priorities a little.

I have had a good year thanks to you. I have made some new friends and lost some old ones. I've made some mistakes and made some improvements. For a volunteer, I think that I have done the best that I could for the club and the community.

Thanks to each and every one of you (including spouses) for your service to the community and for your friendship and participation in the Olney Lions Club. Tell a friend!

Sincerely,

Paul Bolton KL

Looking for something to do in June?

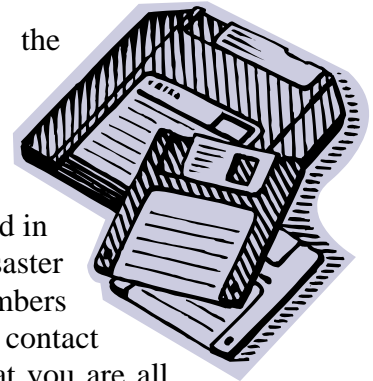
Go see Bye, Bye, Birdie. It will run Friday, June 13 at 7:30; Saturday, June 14 at 2 and 7:30; and Sunday June 15 at 2. All shows are at the Olney Theater Historic Main stage. Tickets are selling fast. Please order your tickets online at [www.ActTwo.org](http://www.ActTwo.org). Tickets will be available to be picked up at the theater on the day of the show. Please arrive at least a half hour early to peruse the silent auction.

For those of you who might like something a bit racier (probably not suitable for younger kids), the weekend before we are running Cabaret (high school cast). Also at the Olney Theater.

These productions are of the highest quality (not your typical grade school production by any means). Do not contact the Olney Theater. Any questions contact David Hahn.

## ALERT Reminder

Please fill out the questionnaire for the ALERT Program and send it to the club's Secretary. It only takes a few minutes and in the event of a major disaster your fellow club members will be better able to contact you and make sure that you are all right.



## YEARBOOK PROJECT REMINDER

Lion Rao has offered to help cover the cost of a yearbook for the Olney Lions Club. I'm thinking of making it a Word document so that we can save the cost of printing and binding, plus it can be easily updated. We will be sending out a sample so you will know what we are looking for. We may ask you to tell use about your family, business, hobbies, special interest, and organizations that you may belong to. Something about yourself that you would like to share.

Of course this is voluntary but the purpose is to get to know each other a little better. If you want to participate and not have me find a picture of you please send one to me at [pebolton@comcast.net](mailto:pebolton@comcast.net) or give me a copy and I can scan it. If anyone has any good ideas, better software for the project then WORD or would like to help give me a call.

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# District 22-C

## Lions

# Schedule

6-7 Silver Hill's Demolition Derby  
6-8 The Leonardtown Lions Club will hold the 22nd annual St. Mary's Crab Festival  
6-14 Incoming Officer Training  
6-27 Lions Clubs International Convention in Bangkok,  
6-27 LCOF Board Meeting  
6-28 District Awards Luncheon

### Send Announcements and News Items

Please send any announcements, notices, club events, email additions or changes to: Jim Daniels, 22-C Email Coordinator, at <[jdaniels@ftdata.net](mailto:jdaniels@ftdata.net)>.

Please send articles and news items for *The Pride of Olney* to Jeff Mendenhall 21736 Brink Meadow Lane, Germantown MD 20876 or preferably by email at [jfmenden@aol.com](mailto:jfmenden@aol.com) please put Lions in the subject line.

## Olney Lions Info:

### *Olney Lions Schedule:*

#### Upcoming Events

June TBD	Adopt a Highway
June 10 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Olney Lions Club Charter and Installation Night
June 14 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Incoming Officer Training
June 14 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Camp Merrick Open House
June 18 <sup>th</sup> Thursday 12-5	Blood Drive MGH
June 24 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday 7 PM	Board Meeting
June 28 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	22-C Awards Luncheon

### *June Olney Lions Birthdays:*

It would appear, we are without any June Birthdays, if I missed anyone that is incorrect on the roster let me know.

### Our newest members





# Our Olney Lions attending at Dover

