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SERVICE PROJECTS

Medical equipment lending program

Food Bank donations

Recycling used eyeglasses, reading glasses, and hearing aids

Assisting North Frederick Elementary School: school supplies, books, recycling used ink cartridges, calendars, etc.

Sponsoring the FSK Lions East Frederick Little League team (longest-tenured current sponsor)

Sending birthday and holiday cards to and playing BINGO with residents of Citizens Care & Rehabilitation Center

# KEYNOTES

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P.O. Box 3932  
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**Chartered**  
**September 14, 1959**

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**February 2025**  
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**Upcoming meeting**

**2/11**  
**General membership & board of directors' meetings**

**2/25**  
**Purple Lion Night (postponed from January)**

## FEBUARY CELEBRATIONS

Birthstone: Amethyst  
Flower: Violet

*No February birthdays or anniversaries*

**FEBRUARY** — African-American History Month, National Canned Food Month, Great American Pie Month, American Heart Month

- 1 National Freedom Day
- 2 Groundhog Day; Army Nurse Corps established (1901); World Wetlands Day
- 4 USO incorporated (1941); Rosa Parks Day; National Thank a Mail Carrier Day
- 5 National Girls & Women in Sports Day; Western Monarch Day; first quarter moon
- 12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday; Lunar New Year ends; full moon
- 13 Marine Corps Women's Reserve established (1943)
- 14 Valentine's Day; San Juan National Historic Site established (1949); World Bonobo Day
- 15 Susan B. Anthony Day; International Childhood Cancer Day; World Hippopotamus Day; World Pangolin Day
- 16 World Whale Day
- 17 Presidents' Day; Family Day (Canada)
- 19 Coast Guard Reserve established (1941); Pullman National Historical Park established (2015)
- 20 Ansel Adams' birthday; third quarter moon
- 21 Vicksburg National Military Park established (1899)
- 22 George Washington's Birthday; National Wildlife Day
- 26 Grand Canyon National Park established (1919);

- Glacier Bay National Park & Reserve established (1925)
- 27 International Polar Bear Day; new moon
- 28 Ramadan begins

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 2/11 General membership and board of directors’ meetings
- 2/24 BINGO at Citizens
- 2/25 General membership meeting; **PURPLE LION NIGHT!**
- 3/11 General membership and board of directors’ meetings
- 3/14 Traditional Dinner in the Dark, hosted by Walkersville HS Leo Club
- 3/24 BINGO at Citizens
- 3/25 General membership meeting; program TBA

**PURPLE LION NIGHT! 2/25**

Our first Purple Lion Night of 2025 was to be held at our meeting on 1/28; however, it was postponed to our February program meeting due to the speaker’s presentation running long.

Bring those “What were you thinking?!” holiday gifts or other gently used or freshly baked items to be sold to other members to benefit our club’s administrative account.

**SERVICE**

***REPORTING REMINDER***  
***When reporting service hours for the secretary to report to Lions Clubs International, please provide the following information to the best extent possible:***

- Date of service***
- Number of Lions involved***
- Number of persons served***
- Number of hours involved***
- Brief description of service***

***Providing this information will make our reporting much more accurate.***

**2024-2025 SERVICE STATISTICS**

January  
(through 1/31)

*At least*

125 service hours performed  
599 persons served

YTD:

*At least*

1682 service hours performed  
4942 persons served

**VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS CHALLENGES**

The second Vice District Governors Challenge—which ended at the Cabinet Meeting on 1/11--was to provide school supplies to a local school. Seven FSK Lions donated school supplies. On 1/10, the following items were delivered to North Frederick Elementary School: 68 pencils, 25 pens, 15 colored markers, 36 colored pencils, 4 pencil sharpeners, 3 pencil cases, 6 erasers, 96 crayons, 8 pocket folders, 2 spiral notebooks, 300 sheets paper, 27 – 2025 calendars, 6 out-of-date calendars, 2 card games, 150 index cards, 59 pictures/card fronts, 20 glue sticks, 4 scissors, 2 rulers, 13 spools, 1 bento box, 50 quart Ziploc bags, 49 bookmarks, 1 National Geographic book, 10 magazines (National and World Wildlife, Chesapeake Bay Foundation, 2 Lions publications), 19 note cards/notepads, 24 stickers, and a shirt box of wrapping paper. (SA-06691510)

The latest VDG Challenge—running through the next Cabinet meeting on 3/29—is to help by donating

through the District 22W Foundation toward the construction of two pantries to assist residents of Pensacola, NC, population approximately 500, affected by Hurricane Helene. The pantries, one for nonperishable items and one with refrigeration, will replace the tractor-trailer currently being used for that purpose. The Tiny Home Relief Project (THRP) of Oakland, MD, is leading the effort. Estimated cost of the pantries is about \$9,700, including materials, fuel, and incidental travel expenses involved in transporting the pantries to NC.

Clubs and individuals can donate with checks payable to District 22W Foundation including THRP on the memo line. PayPal is also available through the District 22W website. See the February District newsletter for more details.

### **CANINES ON THE CREEK 10/25**

*Lion Gary Bennett*

Save the Date for 2025 edition of Canines on the Creek: Saturday 10/25. Our space is already reserved. At the first November meeting, members voted to send two-thirds of the proceeds to Leader Dogs for the Blind and retain one-third for other Lions Club charities. Leader Dog banquets are coming up in April and FSK Lions are sure to be "top dogs" again.



*Lion Ellen Bennett*

Lion Ellen Bennett was recently presented with a handsome stuffed chocolate Labrador Retriever, Douglas, in recognition for the club's recent \$500 donation to Leader Dogs for the Blind.

### **FOOD BANK**

*Lion Gary Bennett*

Lions did not donate any food items in January, but that was on the heels of our big December "Family and Friends" food drive, which brought in nearly 1,000 items. Our goal for '24-'25 is 500 items. We've now collected and donated 1,162 items for the fiscal year, so we've topped our goal handily; but please don't stop. Let's keep it going. Bring your donations to any meeting and Lion Gary Bennett will take. If you donate apart from the meetings, please let him know so he can document.

### **LCIF**

*Lion Gary Bennett*

Lions collected \$156.98 at our two meetings in January along with proceeds from Cedar Ridge Soap sales. For the fiscal year, we've now collected an unofficial total of \$626.48. But, two Lions have also donated \$1,050 online earlier in the year, and one Lion recently sent a check for \$50 to LCIF from a direct mail appeal in December. That total is being kept as a separate record until we can confirm we got credit. Last fiscal year, we collected nearly \$700 at our meetings and a couple of other channels. Our goal for '24-'25 is \$1,000 at our meetings. We need to average about \$40 per meeting the rest of the fiscal year to meet our goal. We can do it! If you donate online or apart from the club in any way, please notify Lion Gary Bennett so he can document.

*Lion Gary read the following brief article about LCIF in action at our second January meeting.*

### **Easing Food Insecurity in Canada**

In Haldimand and Norfolk County, Canada, one in nine households are food insecure due to poverty. Lions were awarded a \$16,275 Hunger Grant from LCIF to help fund Riversyde 83, a food-focused community center that is changing lives. This center includes an area for at-risk youth to learn cooking skills and receive certifications to boost their job-hunting opportunities. Plus, there is a budget bistro giving out free or affordable meals from food grown in five community gardens and donated by local businesses and farmers for those who are homeless or struggling financially.

### **HOLIDAY PROJECT**

While only 3 Lions participated in this project, we were able to deliver to Citizens Care & Rehabilitation Center on 12/13: 2 body wash, 2 shampoo, 2 hand soap, 2 body lotion, 2 deodorant, 2 knit caps, 2 pr socks, two 20-ct pks note cards, 25 loose note cards, 1 eyeglass cleaning cloth, 70 notepads, and 11 pocket-sized notepads. (SA-06570214)

### **MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LENDING PROGRAM**

*Lion Ellen Bennett*

The Medical Equipment Lending Program received donations of 25 pieces of equipment in January. As of 1/31 we have 192 pieces of equipment in stock. We have loaned out 44 pieces of equipment to 34 people and have referred 8 people to other clubs or organizations to assist with acquiring equipment, mostly hospital beds. Several offers of

hospital beds were referred to other Lions clubs.

Over 150 items of medical supplies were donated to the Humanitarian Center for shipment to Ukraine in January. Items included orthopedic boots and braces, and 20 boxes of wound care dressings and bandages. Our warehouse remains full! Referrals continue to come from Senior Services, orthopedic offices, physical therapy groups, FHH Home Health Physical and Occupational therapists, the FMH ER, Whitesell's pharmacy, therapists from independent home health agencies, Facebook and former happy customers! (SA-06792962)

A note included with a recent donation check said: *Thank you for loan of platform walker—most helpful after my husband had a stroke. Your community service is greatly appreciated.*

### **CITIZENS**

Cards were provided for 18 February birthdays. (SA-06773196)

### **BINGO**

FSK Lions played Bingo with residents at Citizens Nursing Home on Monday evening 1/27. Six Lions participated: Darlene and John Aulls, Ellen and Gary Bennett, Tara Dougherty, and Lynn Stimmel, as well as three staffers. We provided a total of \$75 in prize money to 31 residents participating. We also provided snacks. A good time was had by all. (SA-06773209)

The next Bingo is scheduled for **Monday 2/24, 1900 hrs**. Lion Lynn will provide the snacks. For the rest of fiscal '24-'25, the snacks schedule is as follows:

Mar – the Lions Aulls  
Apr – Lion Daysi Villalta  
May – Lion Tara Dougherty

June – Lion Nancy Foy  
July – The Lions Bennett  
Aug - Lion Gary Snyder  
Sept – Lion Lynn Stimmel  
Oct – the Lions Aulls  
Nov – Lion Daysi Villalta  
Dec – Lion Tara Dougherty

All Lions are invited to participate. It's a lot of fun. Just let Lion Gary know you're coming.

### **NORTH FREDERICK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

*Lion Lynn Stimmel*

The principal, Ms. Poquette, has advised that, beyond normal school supplies that they accept, they always have a need for: tissues; Ziplock bags; dry erase markers; and crayons.

### **SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING**

We have been notified that during our time ringing the bells in December, a total of \$572.22 was collected, part of the \$103,619.83 collected in Frederick County.

### **FSK LIONS FUNDRAISING**

#### ***CEDAR RIDGE SOAPS***

Our arrangement with Cedar Ridge Soaps, a local family-owned business, has been providing funds for our club's donation to the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) for over six years. We receive 40% of the retail total on orders using coupon code *FSKLions*.

We receive a check on an annual basis. We recently received the 2024 payment, for \$140.98, representing 40% of total sales of \$352.45 ... from only six orders: four from FSK Lions, one from a PDG, and another from a non-Lion acquaintance.

Members, **PLEASE promote this fundraiser to everyone you know**. We could really do some good for LCIF if we'd only get more orders. **PLEASE, PLEASE DO MORE TO PROMOTE THIS FUNDRAISER!**

### **OTHER CLUBS' EVENTS & FUNDRAISERS**

#### **CHANGE OF BANNER**

Saturday 7/19, Terra Rubra Lions Club; social 1730 hrs; dinner 1800 hrs. Other details TBA

#### **GLADE VALLEY LIONS and WALKERSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LEO CLUBS**

Dinner in the Dark, Friday 3/14, 1700-2100 hrs, Walkersville Grand Social Hall, 79 West Frederick Street, Walkersville. \$60 pp blindfolded, \$65 pp not blindfolded. Meal is Chicken Marsala and Pasta Primavera with a side Caesar salad and sauteed peas; dessert and appetizers included. Vegetarian and vegan options available. Entertainment includes silent auction and two amazing speakers and their special companions. Proceeds benefit Leader Dogs for the Blind. Tickets available at [Emmitsburgevents.com](http://Emmitsburgevents.com) or contact Lion Jennifer Smith, 301/788-0526 or [jcswhycompy@gmail.com](mailto:jcswhycompy@gmail.com). Seating is limited.

As a result of their recent Undie 500 project, Glade Valley shipped 523 pair of new underwear to an elementary school in Asheville, NC. They are now seeking the following items (by 2/9) to ship to Hurricane Helene victims in NC: Laundry detergent, hygiene products (toothbrush/paste, shampoo, soaps, feminine products, etc.), cleaning supplies, non-perishable food items, propane/funds to purchase (this is huge, families are being found frozen to death), 30amp cords,

sleeping bags/blankets, furniture (bunk beds, tables, etc.), smaller appliances (crockpots, microwaves, coffee makers, counter top skillets/grills, etc. If you can help with any of these items, contact GVLC president Jennifer Smith.

### REGION III LEADER DOG BANQUET

Wednesday 4/9, Libertytown Fire Hall. Social 1800 hrs, dinner 1900 hrs. Other details TBA

### SOUTH CARROLL LIONESS LIONS

Lasagna dinner, Thursday 2/6, 1900 hrs, at Celebration Hall, Messiah Lutheran Church, 5600 Old Washington Rd, Sykesville. Homemade lasagna, vegetables, salads and desserts prepared by the members of the South Carroll Lioness Lions Club. \$20 a person. Send payment no later than 2/1 to PDG Susan Bonura, 1743 Deer Park Rd, Finksburg, MD 21048. This is a prospective member night with visitations from other Lions Clubs.

Sneakers for Abby Childhood Cancer Fund. The club is collecting sneakers for Micah, a 4-year-old girl with B cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia. They have "paired"-up with "gotsneakers?", a sneaker recycling organization, to collect new, gently used and still wearable sneakers.

### THURMONT LIONS

Thurmont Lions are selling handmade chocolate 2.8 oz. bars for \$4 each, available in the following flavors: milk chocolate; dark chocolate; milk chocolate with crispy rice; milk with almonds; dark with almonds; white with almonds; dark chocolate with peanuts; milk chocolate with peanuts; Cookies and Crème; Peppermint Crunch; Maple Crunch.

### WESTMINSTER LIONS

All Money BINGO, Saturday 3/22, Reese Fire Department Social Hall,

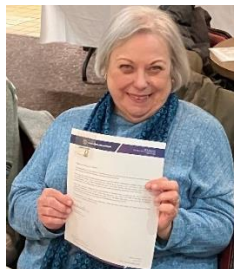
1745 Baltimore Boulevard, Westminster. Cash prizes, door prizes, King Tuts, refreshments available for purchase. Bring canned goods and receive a free Early Bird Card for each (max 4). Bring new children's PJs and receive a free Early Bird Card (max 1); PJs will be donated to hospitalized children through Josh's Jammies. Doors open 1730 hrs, games start 1830 hrs. \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door. For info contact Barb at 410/596-1483.

### EYEGLASS RECYCLING INFO

The updated list of our eyeglass collection boxes is on our website ([www.fsklions.org](http://www.fsklions.org)). Click on the PROJECTS tab, then on EYEGLASS COLLECTION for a current list of our club's collection boxes.

## MEMBERSHIP

### CHEVRON PRESENTED



*Lion Colleen Krehely*

Lion Colleen Krehely received her 10-Year Monarch Chevron at the 1/14 meeting. Congratulations!

We also received a 45-Year Monarch Chevron for Lion Bill Grove; President Everhart will handle presentation to Lion Grove.

## PARLIAMENTARY POINTERS

### **Parliamentarily speaking**

#### Instead of/ Say

I make a motion/ *I move that (give exact wording)*

Corrections or additions/ *any corrections*

The secretary's report/ *reading and correction of the minutes*

Adopting the treasurer's report/ *The treasurer's report will be filed for audit.\**

Old\*\* business/ *Unfinished\*\* business*

Simple majority/ *majority vote*

My committee/ *The committee or Your committee*

You are adjourned/ *The meeting is adjourned*

\* Only the audit report is adopted; routine treasurer's reports are filed for audit. Approval of the audit report implies approval of the preceding treasurer's reports.

\*\* *Old* business is business which was previously undertaken and resolved/completed; *unfinished* business has been undertaken previously but is not yet resolved/completed.

### 22W ROSTER BOOKS

These are the latest updates:

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Mt. Airy 4 County

As of February 2025, they will be meeting at Twin Arch Tavern, 1001 Twin Arch Road, Mt. Airy, MD

### DUES INFORMATION

*Treasurer Suzanne Everhart*

<https://checkout.square.site/buy/GDWSEFNNP7LXHXBBLCD6B6DU>

You may pay your FSK Lions dues via credit card through Square; the above link will take you to the directions. There is a \$1 surcharge to pay quarterly dues with a credit

card. If you wish to charge one or more quarters there is a \$1 surcharge for each quarter. Contact Treasurer Sue Everhart if you have any questions.

### **SUNSHINE**

If you know of a fellow Lion to whom a card should be sent, contact Lion Darlene Aulls 301/662-2360.

## **ADMINISTRATION & LEADERSHIP**

### **MEETING REMINDERS**

**CELL PHONES -- All cell phones should be turned off or put on vibrate during meetings. If you must take a call, please step out of the room; do not hold your conversation while sitting in the meeting.**

**PROGRAM MEETINGS -- Business is not conducted on program meeting nights (generally the second meeting each month). Please submit reports with information you want the members to know in lieu of discussion in the meeting.**

### **3<sup>RD</sup> CABINET MEETING 1/11**

The third cabinet meeting was held on Saturday 1/11/25 at the Libertytown Volunteer Fire Department Hall, 12027 South Street, Libertytown, at 1000 hrs. FSK Lions attending were: President Guy Everhart, Secretary Lynn Stimmel, Treasurer Sue Everhart, IPP John and Darlene Aulls. (SA-06696103)

### **REGION III MEETING 1/21**

The Region III meeting was held on Tuesday 1/21 at 1830 hrs at the Liberty Road Seafood & Steak Restaurant, 10524 Liberty Road, Frederick, and was attended by President Guy Everhart, Secretary Lynn Stimmel, Treasurer Sue Everhart. (SA- 06739660)

### **1/28 SPEAKER**

*Lion Gary Bennett*



*President Guy Everhart, Archer O'Brien*

At the 1/28 meeting, we welcomed guest speaker Archer O'Brien, who spoke about Social Security reform so that all Americans can be covered adequately. He wrote evocatively about the current problems and posed creative solutions in his book "Building a Brighter Future: A Proposal for Market-Based Universal Social Insurance."

### **2024-2025 KEYNOTES**

#### **DEADLINES**

*Lion Lynn Stimmel*

Please note these deadlines and have your reports in on time for publication:

2/28 March deadline  
4/4 April deadline  
5/2 May deadline  
5/30 June deadline

### **VISITATIONS**

Visitations are a wonderful way to learn more about Lions by visiting other Lions Clubs and seeing what they are doing. To sign up, contact Secretary Stimmel (leadership listing, page 9).

The clubs members still need to visit are:

#### **Region III Lions Clubs**

Brunswick - The Lions Aulls

Four County – *NEED 2 LIONS*

Frederick – Nancy Foy & *ONE MORE LION*

Glade Valley – The Lions Bennett

Mt. Airy – *NEED TWO LIONS*

Myersville – *NEED TWO LIONS*

New Market – The Lions Everhart

Thurmont – The Lions Aulls

3 non-Region III Lions Clubs in District 22W

1. Lavale – COMPLETED 8-17-24
2. Hagerstown – COMPLETED 11-9-24
3. South Carroll Lioness Lions Club – Lions Ellen Bennett and Lynn Stimmel, scheduled for 2/6

### **MINUTES**

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES January 14, 2025

The regular meeting of the Francis Scott Key Lions Club, Frederick, Maryland, was called to order on Tuesday 1/14/25 by President Guy Everhart at 1755 hours at Frederick BPOE Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, Maryland, with those members in attendance as shown on the Attendance Record and Guest Record.

Opening: "America (My Country 'Tis of Thee)" led by Lion Ellen Bennett; the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Everhart; and the invocation offered by Treasurer Suzanne Everhart

Tailtwister pro tem IPP John Aulls

LCIF – Vp Bennett advised that LCIF had a stretch goal last year of \$75 million; a total of \$80 million was raised. Our club goal this year is to donate \$1,000 at our meetings; thus far we've raised \$370. Members were reminded that, if they donate online, to remember to use the club's name (Frederick Francis Scott Key) and club ID number (8921) when making the donation. A total of \$68 was collected tonight.

MOTION by Vp Bennett to approve the minutes of 11/12, 11/26, and 12/10 as published; seconded; approved.

Treasurer's report: Administrative balance \$1,253.06; charity balance \$8,126.48. Reports attached; copy on file (COF).

#### PRESENTATIONS

President Everhart made the following presentations:

1. LCIF patch for the club averaging \$50 a member in 2023-2024; patch was given to Lion Darlene Aulls for the banner.
2. 10-Year Monarch Chevron was presented to Lion Colleen Krehely. We have also received a 45-Year Monarch Chevron for Lion William Grove; President Everhart will see it gets to him.
3. We received a packet from Leader Dogs for the Blind in response to our \$500 donation to sponsor a puppy, Bobbie Joe. The packet and accompanying plush puppy were given to the Lions Bennett.

#### SERVICE

Holiday greens – Lion Darlene Aulls advised that the club cleared \$570.59; four reindeer are left unsold. Nine Lions participated.  
*Editor's note: SA-06720603*

Citizens BINGO – Vp Bennett reported that we did not play BINGO in December due to a COVID outbreak at Citizens. The next date is 1/27. It was noted that May and December may need to be rescheduled, since the May date is the observance of Memorial Day and December is three days before Christmas.

Food Bank – Vp Bennett reported that the Friends & Family food drive yielded 895 items, far surpassing our goal for the year. He suggested that, since we have surpassed our club goal for the year, members use the money they would have spent on food bank donations and instead donate to LCIF.

Community Table – Vp Bennett reported that 107 citizens were served on 12/1. There are possibilities to do this service project again in 2025; however, the club needs to consider whether to partner with another group or to stop doing it, since it is difficult to do with so few members participating.

VDG Challenges/Sleep in Heavenly Peace and THRP – Report attached; copy on file (COF).

Holiday project – Report attached (COF)

Roar Like a Lion – Report attached (COF). By consensus, instead of doing a club project this year, interested members will assist Frederick Fusion Lions with their RLAL project; Lions Sue Everhart, both Bennetts, and prospective member Tara Dougherty are interested in participating.

Lions Youth Foundation – Report attached (COF)

#### ADMINISTRATION

Holiday dinner – President Everhart reported we had a good

turnout and he has heard no complaints.

Change of 4/8 meeting – report attached (COF). By consensus, the first April meeting will be at the Region III Leader Dog banquet on Wednesday 4/9, instead of our usual Tuesday date.

Visitations – Report attached (COF). The Lions Bennett will do Glade Valley.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice-president Bennett asked members to be thinking about whether we should hold another spirits tasting fundraiser this year.

50/50 was won by Vp Bennett and donated to LCIF

Adjourned 1858 hours

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#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES January 14, 2025

The Francis Scott Key Lions Club, Frederick, Maryland, held a Board of Directors' meeting at the Frederick BPOE Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, Maryland, on Tuesday 1/14/25. The meeting was called to order by President Guy Everhart at 1858 hours with the following board members in attendance: Vice-president and LCIF Chair Gary Bennett, Secretary Lynn Stimmel, Treasurer Suzanne Everhart, Membership Chair Nancy Foy, Directors Ellen Bennett and IPP John Aulls, non-Board members Lions Darlene Aulls, Colleen Krehely, and Gary Snyder, and prospective member Tara Dougherty.

MOTION by Director Bennett to approve the minutes of 11/12 as published; seconded; approved.

Unfinished Business - NONE

New Business

New member application – Sponsored by President Everhart, Dougherty is from the Philadelphia area and works in pharmaceuticals. She learned of Lions Clubs due to her eye issues and participated in the most recent Canines on the Creek. MOTION by Director Bennett to approve her membership application; seconded; approved.

William F. Moran Jr. Museum & Foundation request – Report attached; copy on file (COF). After discussion, MOTION by Vice-president Bennett to not make a donation; seconded; approved.

LEAF 5K run – Report attached (COF). The Lions Bennett agreed to help with this event; President Everhart will contact LEAF to so advise them.

Announcements

President Everhart updated members on the current status of the District's Mobile Screening Unit.

Adjourned 1913 hours

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES January 28, 2025

The regular meeting of the Francis Scott Key Lions Club, Frederick, Maryland, was called to order on Tuesday 1/28/25 by President Guy Everhart, at 1809 hours at Frederick BPOE Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, Maryland, with those members in attendance as shown on the Attendance Record and Guest Record.

Opening: "America (My Country 'Tis of Thee)," led Lion Ellen

Bennett; Pledge of Allegiance, led by Secretary Lynn Stimmel; and invocation offered by President Everhart

Guests: Lions Dave Miller and Nancy Klag, New Market District Lions Club; Archer O'Brien, speaker; Deedee O'Brien, speaker's mother; Jean Crisp, speaker's mother's friend

Tailtwister pro tem IPP John Aulls

LCIF – Vice-president Gary Bennett told of a food insecurity project in Canada, Riverside 83, which received a \$16,275 LCIF hunger grant; the project helps at-risk youth obtain marketable cooking skills.

Program: O'Brien, who has a bachelor's degree (history) from Mt. St. Mary's University, a master's degree (humanities) from Hood College, and is a PhD. candidate, spoke of this year being the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Social Security Act and how the entitlement system (Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid) could be overhauled for everyone's benefit. He gave a number of examples from his personal difficulties obtaining coverage for treatments for his cerebral palsy.

Due to the speaker arriving late and the length of his presentation, our sixth Purple Lions Night, an auction of donated items to benefit our administrative account, was postponed until our second February meeting (2/25).

ANNOUNCEMENTS – attached; copy on file (COF)

IPP John Aulls was appointed as Nominating Chair and was instructed to have a 2025-2026 slate by the March business meeting.

South Carroll Lioness Lions Club lasagna dinner on Thursday 2/6; Lions Ellen Bennett and Lynn Stimmel will attend to obtain our last out-of-region visitation.

We have been notified by the Salvation Army that our time ringing the bells in December brought in \$572.22 in donations, of the \$103,619.83 countywide total.

Roar Like a Lion is this coming Saturday at C. Burr Artz Library; several of our members will be assisting Frederick Fusion Lions Club with their projects.

Since one item for tonight's scheduled Purple Lion Night was perishable (half-dozen Cowboy Cookies), they were auctioned off; the winning \$10 bid was placed by NMDLC Lion Miller.

50/50 was won by guest Crisp, who donated her winnings back to the club

Adjourned 1941 hours

**SMILES**

*American Legion Magazine 2/2025*

"You seem to be in some distress," the judge said to the witness. "Is anything the matter?"

"Well, Your Honor," the witness replied, "I swore to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, but every time I try, a lawyer objects!"

What do you call a miniature porcupine that steals money from people? A hedge fund hog

If at first you don't succeed, look in the trash for the instructions.

*Glade Valley Lions Club newsletter February 2025*

I want to grow my own food but I can't find bacon seeds.



"I before E except after C"  
disproved by science

## **UPCOMING CONVENTIONS & CABINET MEETINGS**

District 22W Cabinet meetings  
3/29 Terra Rubra Lions Club

### LCI Conventions

2025 7/4-8, Orlando, FL  
2026 7/3-7, Hong Kong  
**2027 7/2-6 WASHINGTON, DC**  
2028 6/23-27, Singapore  
2029 Minneapolis, MN

### MD22 Conventions

**2025 May 1-4, Wisp Resort, McHenry**  
2026 Ashore Hotel, OC  
2027 Wisp Resort, McHenry

### USA/Canada Forums

2025 September 18-20, Atlantic City, New Jersey  
2026 Memphis, Tennessee

## **2024-2025 LEADERSHIP**

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Regular general membership meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month starting at 1800 hrs at the Elks Lodge No. 684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, Maryland. Members and guests are urged to arrive no later than 1745 hrs to place their meal orders; current cost is \$15 (including tax and tip).

### District 22W Leadership

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## **CLUB POLICIES**

Dinner (meeting) reservations: Reservations are due to Lion President Guy Everhart no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting, at 301/471-4962 or gfeverhart@gmail.com.

*UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD MEMBERS MAKE RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH THE MEETING SITE.*

*Guest meals:* It is the responsibility of the inviting Lion or of the guest to pay for the meal. The only meals that will be covered by the club are the invited program speaker and/or the Operation Blue Thank You participant(s).

*Opening song:* By tradition, our opening song is "America (My Country 'Tis of Thee)."

*Memorials:* established at the 8/8/00 (amended 12/14/09) Board of Directors' meeting: \$50 on a member's death; \$30 on the death of a member's spouse, widowed spouses on the active newsletter mailing list, parent, or child. Donations are made to the charity specified by the family or to LVRF.

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