



# Monty's Roar

The Newsletter of the Montgomery Central Derwood Lions

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- The Derwood Open

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April 2009

## Walter Reed Hospital, Ronald McDonald, & the Derwood Lions

Lion Dale Besteder has initiated a collection of toys with the local McDonald's restaurants. Each month or so, McDonald's promotes events or movies with toy giveaways in their Happy Meals. Lion Dale has been collecting the extra toy displays after each promotion and donating them to the children who visit the Walter Reed Hospital. In addition, Lion Dale has been organizing a larger collection to help support a visitation room for these children. When family and relatives of the wounded soldiers visit the hospital, their children need space to keep busy and well, act like children. Lion Dale is collecting toys, puzzles, crafts, etc. to stock a small room for these children. He will talk more about these efforts in the coming weeks. If you have toys that are in very good shape he will take them down to the hospital.

Last week the local Gazette paper published a photo of Lion Dale at Walter Reed Hospital. Look for the photo and more information on our website.

## The Derwood Open IV <http://www.derwoodopen.net/>

Spring is rapidly approaching and it's time to make plans for June 1, 2009 as Mill Creek Parish, UMC and the Derwood Lions Club present the fourth annual Derwood Open. You'll want to register right away so you don't miss the fun this year.

### Golfers

No matter what your skill level - join your neighbors on June 1, 2009 at Laytonville Golf Course for 18 holes of golf, lunch and fun while supporting a couple of great causes.

### Businesses

For businesses looking to get involved in the community while also getting some great advertising and publicity, many sponsorship opportunities are available. Check out the website and move quickly because they are going fast!



## Used Eye Glasses

Lion Jim P. & Dodie (and other Lions are invited) are going to Melwood Center on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> to wash and sort used eyeglasses. Lion Jim needs any glasses you may have or are in collection boxes. He is making an order to send to Togo, Africa. Please contact Lion Jim ASAP if you have any glasses.

## The LEO Report

**From LEO Magruder President Mike Buscemi:**

The LEO Club has been very busy since my last report. On Saturday, February 14, members of the Shady Grove LEO club as well as the Magruder LEO club came to the Buscemi house to make dinner and Valentine's cards to give to a Rockville Women's shelter. On Thursday, March 12, a few of Magruder Leos volunteered at St. Martins Soup Kitchen. On Tuesday, March 17, Magruder's club had a meeting and decided to participate in raising money for the Pennies for Peace fundraiser. The next day, a couple members stayed after school and started a few tomato seedlings for a nearby community garden. This Saturday, March 28, many Magruder Leos are coming to the Buscemi's house to learn how to knit. We are going to be making 8-inch squares to be sent to South Africa to local women there to be put together and made into blankets for babies with HIV/AIDS.

**From LEO Shady Grove President Chris Argueta:**

The Shady Grove Middle School LEOs never sleep. We have been busy like beavers. We have been recruiting new members, thinking of new ideas, and even putting our ideas into actions. We have approximately 42 members in our club. At our last meeting, on 3/19/09, we made Easter baskets for an underprivileged boys' school that is located in Washington, DC. We created 14 baskets and inside of each we included: Easter grass on the bottom of the basket, plastic eggs with candy inside, play dough, and a stuffed animal.

We are not done yet! We are also working on a new project which is called "Pennies for Peace". "Pennies for Peace" teaches children the rewards of sharing and working together to bring hope and educational opportunities to children in Pakistan and Afghanistan. A penny in the United States is virtually worthless, but in Pakistan and Afghanistan, a penny buys a pencil and opens the door to literacy. Now you might be asking how will we accomplish this large project. During the school day we will have large containers in the lunchroom on the stage where kids can come up with their spare change and dump it into containers. We hope many students will see the importance of our project and contribute to the need. The Shady Grove Middle School LEO Club would like to give thanks to the Derwood Lions Club for selecting the winner of the Peace Poster Contest. Melanie Lee received a \$50 savings bond for her outstanding poster.



**Board Meeting Minutes, Tuesday March 10, 2009**

**ATTENDEES:** Lions Jim Pope, Jack Waters, Ken Twentey, Jeff Robertshaw, Jim Walker, Judy Casey, Karen Buscemi, Dale Besteder and Bill Duce.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting of the Board for the month of March was called to order by 1<sup>st</sup> VP Jeff Robertshaw at 7:30PM.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the February meeting were read and accepted with no changes to the minutes.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Lion Tal Hughes was absent, but phoned in the Administrative and Activity financial reports. These were accepted with no changes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

22-C Night Dinner – There will be 17 Lions and guests attending. Lion Jim Pope will try to get two tables next to each other.

Dues – One member has not paid his dues.

Membership – The secretary has formally dropped Lion Ken Brace and Lion Rosemary Smith from the MCDL membership.

Nominations – The board noted that nominations for next year's officers are due to be presented to the full membership soon.

Eye Glasses – Lion Jim Pope purchased 5 vouchers for eye glasses. He has used 3 already and has two remaining.

22-C Convention – At this time we have no one attending the 22-C Convention, thus we will have no voting delegates representing our club.

Advisory Meeting – The District Governor's Advisory Meeting will be held at Camp Merrick on Mar 28<sup>th</sup>. This is open to all and it is a great opportunity to learn more about District Level activities. So far Bill Duce and Jeff Robertshaw will be attending.

Camp Merrick – The cabin sponsored by MCDL need roof repairs. This will be done during our April 4<sup>th</sup> visit.

Wilmer Eye Institute – Lion Jeff has organized a visit to the Wilmer Eye Institute in Baltimore on Sat April 18<sup>th</sup> or Sat May 9<sup>th</sup>. Thus far 6 people said they would attend.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Leos – Lion Karen held an event at her home where 30 Leos showed up to make valentines, candy, and corn bread for the Dorothy Day Women's Shelter

Leos – Leos are planning to build a community garden at the Washington Grove Elementary school

Leos – MCDL gave \$80 to the Magruder Leos and \$ 55 to the Shady Grove Leos for their share of the Citrus Fruit sale.

District Governor's gift – The board voted to send \$25 for the District Governor's gift.

Monty Roar – Articles for the Monty Roar must be in by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to be in time to be published.

Walter Reed – Lion Dale went to neighborhood McDonald's and asked for their old display that they no longer used. He is taking them to Walter Reed for the children's center.

Tri-State – Four Lions have said they would attend this meeting. Lion Paul is organizing this event.

Melwood Eye Glass Recycling – Lion Jim Pope is going to the Melwood center to volunteer and work on April 9<sup>th</sup>. Anyone wishing to accompany him is welcome.

Next General Meeting date changed – The next meeting will be Wed Mar 18<sup>th</sup>, due to the OTWC not being able to accommodate us on the 17<sup>th</sup> (St Patrick's Day).

Meeting Place – Many Lions expressed displeasure with the OTWC and will be on the lookout for a new meeting location.

Lion Jeff adjourned the meeting at 9:18 PM.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 PM at Lion Karen Buscemi's home. All Lions are invited to attend.

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## April 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Nancy Walker's (Jim) Birthday	3	4 Camp Merrick Clean-up
5	6 LionDale and Catherine Besteder's Anniversarv	7 Meeting Outta of the Way 7pm	8	9	10 Lion Donald King's Birthday	11
12 Lion Bill Rowe's Birthday	13	14 Board Meeting Lion Buscemi's home 7:30pm	15 Lion Ken and Dixie Twentey's Anniveresry	16 Lion Jim Walker's Birthday	17	18
19 Lion Tal's Birthday	20	21 Meeting Outta of the Way 7pm	22	23	24	25 22C Night White Cane
26 White Cane	27	28	29	30		

## NOTES



## Derwood Lions


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### Monthly Meetings

1st & 3rd Tuesday  
of each month  
6:30 Social-  
7pm Meeting  
At

**The Outta the Way Café**  
Redland Shopping Center  
17503 Redland Road  
Derwood, Maryland 20855  
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## Upcoming Events

### Camp Merrick Clean-up April 4th

### White Cane Days

Shady Grove Giant April 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Contact Lion Bill Rowe

### Membership Night

Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup> Outta the Way Café 7pm

### 22-C Night – Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup>

Sign up with Lion Bill Duce if you would like to attend 22-C night. We have 2 tables (10 seats each) with about 15 people planning on attending.

### GAS AND STEAM ENGINE SHOW- April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>


A gas and steam engine show will be held at the Agricultural History Farm Park in Derwood on Saturday & Sunday, April 18 & 19 beginning at 10 am. Our Lions will be operating the Kiddie Tractor Pull on Saturday. Identify yourself as a Lion helping with activities and avoid an admission fee. Come to see history with old steam and gas engines. A parade of the gas and steam engines and tractors is held around 1 pm.

### Wilmer Eye Center: Low Vision Service- May 9<sup>th</sup>

Lion Jeff Robertshaw is still attempting to put the final touch to a fieldtrip to the Wilmer Eye Center in Baltimore, MD. Stay tuned for details.

### CLUB AUCTION-May

Lion Joe Pursel has organized this year's auction at the Montgomery Country Club. This year food and beverages are the items of choice. Stay tuned.



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