



# The Pride of Olney



January 2010

## President's Message

I hope everyone had a great Holiday. I am looking forward to a great Lion New Year. The year will start with a Manna Packing evening at the new warehouse. It is a big place so we will not be bumping in to each other.

I am planning to be at the Leadership Training Conference at Emmitsburg in February. So far I am the only one from our club that has shown any interest in going. From everything I have heard it should be a great weekend. It is hard to believe that you will let me be up there representing The Olney Club with no supervision.

**KL Jerry**

## CLUB INFO

*From Lion Paul Bolton*

### Upcoming Events



- Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>** – Thurs. Blood Drive at MGH (*Contact Craig Roberts*)
- Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>** – Tues. 7:0 PM  
Dinner Meeting Membership Workshop
- Jan 13<sup>th</sup>** – Wed. Melvin Jones Birthday
- Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>** Sat./Sun.  
NBC4 Health & Fitness Expo  
(*Contact IVDG Sandi Halterman*)
- Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Saturday Melvin Jones Luncheon
- Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>** – Tuesday 7 PM Board Meeting
- February 9<sup>th</sup>** 7:00 PM Dinner Meeting
- February 19-21<sup>st</sup>**  
MD 22 Leadership Institute in Emmitsburg  
(*Contact KL Jerry White*)
- February 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Tuesday 7 PM Board Meeting Winter Growth
- February 27<sup>th</sup>** – Saturday 8A-2P  
Pancake & Sausage Breakfast (St. Johns)  
(*Contact Steve Bready*)
- February 27<sup>th</sup>** – 22C Health Unit @ MGH  
(*Contact Paul Hawkins*)
- March TBD** – Saturday - Adopt a Highway

(Don't forget, we do this every 8 weeks – our next tentative scheduled date is **Tuesday March 2nd**)

***MANNA (Contact Doug King)***

**New Location and Directions: 9311 GAITHER RD., GAITHERSBURG, MD 20877-1417, 301-424-1130. Shady Grove Rd. towards I-270, take a right on Gaither Rd., which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> light after Rt. 355. It will be on the right side next to the Red Cross**



## January Birthdays!



- Mike Patterson (15<sup>th</sup>)**
- Don Winter (19<sup>th</sup>)**
- Henry Zecher (20<sup>th</sup>)**
- Jay Heaton (23<sup>rd</sup>)**
- Drew Dumman (24<sup>th</sup>)**

*(We apologize if we missed anyone)*

## Lions Helping:

### NBC4 Health and Fitness Expo

(Contact Lion 1VDG Sandi Halterman  
[cab22c@aol.com](mailto:cab22c@aol.com) or 301 751-8627)

Last year Lions volunteered time to the NBC4 Health and Fitness Expo. Sandi is looking to see if you are available this year to help the Lions Community Outreach Foundation (LCOF) with the eye, hearing and preschool vision screenings (PSVP).

When: January 16 to January 17

Time: 9:00 am to 5pm

Where: Washington DC Convention Center

Volunteer hours will be from (each day).

9:00 to 11:30

11:00 to 2:00

2:00 to close (5:30)

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# Membership Counts!

## Membership is Everyone's Responsibility

By Lion Paul Bolton 22-C Membership Chair

At the January meeting the Membership Committee is going to provide some training on the importance of bringing in new members and some ways it can be done. The goal of our club this year is to get at least six new members and we have five months to do it. We will have some club fliers, a LCI membership flier, an application form, and some business cards that you can use.

Possible ideas on where to look for new members are relatives/spouses; professional contacts; job; Church, neighbors; friends; other civic or social organization; or someone you do business with. We have some members who are very good at recruiting new members. Many of the board members are good at recruiting and several have committed to bring in new members. The secret is that you have to ASK. Don't assume that they are not interested. You may help them to make one of the best decisions of their lives by becoming a Lion. We are

planning a Friendship Night tentatively for Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> and it will probably be at the Brookeville Inn. For members who are good at identifying prospective members, but shy about asking, you can give the name to the Membership Committee Chairman, Phil Wilk and he or some other members will contact them. You can invite them to the Friendship Night and the speakers will provide the information about our club and answer questions. Members who have been successful in getting new members use the Friendship Night in introduce their friends to Lions and we have been very successful in getting and retaining new members. Over the last couple years we have inducted some really good people in to the Olney Lions Club.

The Friendship Night is not the only way to get new members. *For the next five months I would like for you to think about membership.* Work into a conversation what the Lions Club members contribute to this community. Talk to people that you know and ask if they would be interested in coming to a community service activity, or help with a fundraiser. You can invite them to join us at a dinner meeting also. You will need to know your facts so take some time looking over our club's brochure, LCI fliers or other sources. Back up your facts with a handout or fliers and give them our website address: <http://www.olneylionsclub.com> or Lions Club International <http://www.lionsclubs.org> Thinking of and telling a personally satisfying experience as a Lion is one of the best ways to convey what it is we do and the rewarding LION FEELINGS we get serving the community.

We have a recruitment contest going on. You get a ticket for bringing someone to a club event or a dinner. Members will get tickets for an application and additional tickets for an approved application. The more tickets the better your chances, but anyone can have their ticket drawn. At our Charter Night there will be a drawing and the winner will get their choice of an early painting of the Olney, Brookeville, or Sandy Spring communities. FYI The artist will be a guest speaker at the January meeting. There is the **Key Program** from LCI and there is other recognition that the club and individual members receive from the District and LCI for sponsoring new members. Remember, membership is everyone's responsibility. Please do your share.

**Your Membership Committee Members are:  
Chairperson Phil Wilk, Clark Kendrick and  
Drew Dummann.**

## Lions Helping Lions Update:

This club initiative has been in effect for over a year and several club members have benefited from it.

It boils down to awareness of what our members do for a living and a desire to do business with a fellow Lion first. Some of you Olney Lions have used the services of the Olney Opticians for eye exams and glasses, Larry Pendelton's Legend Mortgage Corp., Phil Wilks' A.E.S. Assoc. Surveying, Land Planning for surveying, Andrew Bolton's for home repairs, and Clark Kendrick for flooring. *(There may be more that I am not aware of).*

Thanks to the club members that have looked out for each other. We are in this together until the economy improves, so if you need services, check the list of members businesses on our Web site <http://olneylionsclub.com>

As a reminder if you have not listed your business or need to update the information please do so with a business card or text and send it to Lion Myron Shear to be posted on the Web site. An updated list will be sent to other local Lions Clubs.

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**At the Holiday Party, we collected a total of \$444 in donations to Olney Help!** Thanks to all of you for your generous contributions.

We already had a budget item of \$600 for Olney Help for this year, so I added your donations to that and mailed a check for \$1,044 to Olney Help.

I'm sure Olney Help can use this money to brighten the holidays for some of our less fortunate neighbors.

Thanks to all!

Myron Shear



**I**f you couldn't join us for the party you missed a great time. Thanks to Mike Goldsteen for making arrangements. Also for KL Jerry and Janet for the program, center pieces and the party activity at the end. Also Mike Fekete and Myron Shear for their help. It was a fun event and it was nice to see so many people at the dinner despite the bad weather.

*(See pictures on next page!)*

## Send Announcements and News Items!



Please send articles and news items for

[The Pride of Olney](#) to:

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Germantown , MD 20876

or preferably by email at [razdanis@verizon.net](mailto:razdanis@verizon.net)

Please put "Lions" in the subject line.

Don't forget about our website at

<http://olneylionsclub.com>

# Photos!

Check out these pics!

