Welcome Lions, Leos and Guests Welcome and thank you for attending the MD27-A2 43rd annual District Convention in Port Washington.



Our International Guest for the weekend is ID Bert Nelson and his wife Lion Pamela from New York Mills, Minnesota. We also have the honor of having our own Past International Director Mark Hintzmann and his wife Lion Jane as host for our International guest. When you see them please make sure to stop and welcome them.

District Governor Slava's theme for Friday night is "International". Please help us celebrate and enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun visiting with other Lions/Leos and guests and visiting the hospitality booths that will be setup for you to meet the candidates that are running for district offices and events.

The Leos plan to help add to the entertainment on Friday and plan to do a service project on Saturday. There will be an auction and music provided by The Nightinjails.

We will again be running the District Merchandise raffles with many great items to take a chance on both Friday night and Saturday before lunch. Please remember that Friday Night's and Saturday's raffles are separate drawings so Friday night's prizes need to be picked up Friday night. At Friday's dinner and Saturday's lunch there will be a cash raffle. There will also be a District Governor's raffle with prizes provided by District Governor Slava.

Saturday starts with our business meeting. Then we have several speakers which we hope will inspire you. There will be tables from all of our district projects set up. This will give everyone the opportunity to talk one on one with a representative of each project. This area will be open until the beginning of the necrology service, which will be at the end of the afternoon right before voting.

A special thank you goes to the convention committee that put forth a great effort to make this a memorable convention for all.

Enjoy the weekend and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or any member of the Convention Committee.

Yours in Lionism Lion Darrel Blank Convention Chair