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August 2013

We Serve



District Bulletin



District Governor Ed Hashbarger

Follow Your Dream

It's great to be a LION! I wish to thank Lions Mark and Gay Bradley and other members of the Jefferson Lions Club for their part in supporting our 1st Cabinet Meeting. We had great attendance at both the training session and Cabinet Meeting. This was a great turn-out and shows the direction this new District is heading.

I wish to also Thank all the Lions who volunteered their extra time by serving on our District Cabinet and Committees.

As you all know – our new International President Barry Palmer had a Dream in which he followed. Now he wants each of you also to Follow Your Dream. I hope that each of you go on the web site and **Watch the President's Theme Video** = <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-and-events/lions-news-network/videos.php>

There are also other videos you might wish to watch also. I will not go into depth – because you will read your next Lion Magazine and/or watch the video.

One item of importance to all is **Membership** – I know many of you are somewhat tired listening about this subject – but it has to be brought out into the open. What bothers me is when I see a Lion and know what they have done and time goes by and that Lion has departed – I don't see anyone that replaces them. When a Lion departs this earth – we must bring two into the Club to replace them. It is a challenge, but it can be done. Just three small letters that fit together **A S K**. Once you are able to get them in we have to keep them active – they should be asked what they like to do and give them a job that might work in their favor. If you are able to get a young person in – **THEY REALLY NEED TO STAY BUSY** or else they get bored and leave. We also must make each individual fill **WELCOME**. Let's **GET 'EM and KEEP 'EM!**

Next - The Service Activity Report is a feature within [MyLCI](#) that allows clubs to report service activities and measures the global impact Lions are making through service in their communities. The report application allows clubs to:

- Keep a descriptive, searchable record of service activities
- Share photographs
- Enter service goals and track progress toward achieving them
- Search for activities (including photos and project descriptions) that are being shared by other clubs and districts worldwide

Resources

The following materials were designed to introduce Lions to MyLCI and address common questions related to the service activity report. Video: [Introduction to MyLCI](#) - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v-SQEj4wiel&feature=youtu.be>

Video: [Using the MyLCI website](#) - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VhegiWA6HPA&feature=youtu.be>

“Engaging Our Youth” Global Service Action Campaign

A growing number of studies show that youth who engage in meaningful service projects experience a host of positive outcomes. Lions have an incredible opportunity to engage youth by developing programs they can relate to, and by encouraging their input and participation in the planning process. Allowing youth to develop and lead a service project helps them learn valuable life skills while emphasizing the role of service.

You have to get the word out. **Communication is the KEY! Make sure you pass the WORD.**

Yours in Lionism,
Ed

UPCOMING EVENTS

You know how time flies when you're having fun -- mark your calendars for:

18-1 District Hall of Fame and District Rally 26 October

Now is the time to be thinking about the upcoming Hall of Fame and District Rally

Inform all of your members to mark their calendars 26 October meeting at:

Location – Watkinsville First United Methodist Church
Grace Hall
1331 New High Shouls Road
Watkinsville, Georgia.

Training sessions to start at 9am = **Certified Guiding Lion/CEP Overview** - see page 8

The Cabinet Meeting will start at 11:00 am = what's the 4 initiatives?

Hall of Fame/Rally will start at 12 noon = who will become a Hall of Famer and guest speaker for the Rally?

This is a good time to ensure that all new members are invited to attend. Cost will be \$18.00 per person. Come one, **come all...**

Check pages 40 and 41 and register now.

Club tables can be reserved on a first-come/first serve basis.

Check your email or mail box

All applications for Hall of Fame will still need to be sent to PCC Grace Clower
graceclower@comcast.net
no later than 10 September.

We are the greatest secret in the world and it's up to you to spread the word

Planning Ahead

September 2010

Keep the Camp Fires Burning

JOINT MEETING of
*Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation
and Camp for the Blind, Macon, Ga.*



13-15 September 2013



Plan for Sight Night 2013.
What do we do?

Decide who is going to organize and collect eyeglasses for your Sight Night activity.

Consider partnering with your Leo Club, Boy or Girl Scouts, Children Church Groups, schools, etc. Confirm the date for trick-or-treat in your community.

November 2012
Lions Diabetes Awareness Month
Get Ready for World Diabetes Day



Now is a great time to decide how you will [join in the fight against diabetes!](#) Opportunities abound for you to spread awareness throughout the year. Encourage healthy activity by hosting a fun "Strides: Lions for Diabetes Awareness" event or distributing educational handouts at a local health fair. Watch our webinar, Lions – Get Ready for World Diabetes Day, to get updates on this global epidemic from the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) and tips on how to make a difference on November 14th. Plan now to be a part of World Diabetes Day and impact the fight against diabetes!



Where in the World

Have you ever checked the Lions Web site – click on Lions Newswire or check out =
[Lions News Network](#)
 • [LQ-Lions Quarterly](#)

International President

Barry J. Palmer

First Vice President



2013-14 President's Theme: Follow Your Dream

This year, International President Barry Palmer is encouraging Lions everywhere to follow their dreams. Take Responsibility by serving your community through programs like the Global Service Action campaigns and the Reading Action Program. Reach out to other service-minded individuals by recruiting new members and helping your club perform at its highest level. Earn the Recognition you deserve through Membership Awards, Excellence Awards and Dream Achiever Awards. Visit the [President's Theme](#) page to find resources to help achieve your dream.

Go to this web site:

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/presidents-theme.php?utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5604%20\[Newswire\]%20July%20Lions%20Clubs%20Newsletter%20EN](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/presidents-theme.php?utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5604%20[Newswire]%20July%20Lions%20Clubs%20Newsletter%20EN)

Make Tree Planting and the Environment Your Responsibility

As a part of the 2013-14 Presidential Theme “Follow Your Dream,” International President Barry Palmer is encouraging all Lions to focus on the three R’s: Responsibility, Reach and Recognition. Take responsibility for your environment by planting trees in your area. Tree planting projects are a great way to get the entire community involved in service that makes a real impact. Visit the [Tree Planting Projects page](#) for more resources, and see our [Flickr set](#) for the 2011-12 Tree Planting Campaign, during which Lions reported planting over 15 million trees.

“Engaging Our Youth” in August

This month’s Global Service Action campaign encourages Lions to involve the community’s youth in service activities. By working with young people to develop and lead projects, they can gain valuable skills that help them achieve their dreams. Projects that engage our youth include environmental cleanups, book drives, assembling care packages for homeless shelters, assisting at special needs camps, after-school tutoring and more. Visit the [Engaging Our Youth page](#) for more ideas and resources.

Begin Planning for “Sharing the Vision” Campaign



Lions have an impressive history both in preventing vision loss and in helping people who are blind or visually impaired. During October, Lions around the world can make an even greater impact through the [Sharing the Vision](#) Global Service Action Campaign. Resources include a Planning Guide, a Project Idea sheet and more. Consider using the [Lions Eye Health Program](#) materials and publications to help prevent vision loss and promote

awareness of eye diseases and conditions such as AMD, diabetic eye disease, glaucoma, cataract and low vision. Report your service via the online Service Activity Report.



Lions Clubs International

LIONS QUARTERLY



Watch [LQ](#) to learn how Lions inspire teens to become young entrepreneurs.

[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-and-events/lions-news-network/lq.php?id=cde/MViH&utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5604%20\[Newswire\]%20August%20Lions%20Clubs%20Newsletter%20EN](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news-and-events/lions-news-network/lq.php?id=cde/MViH&utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5604%20[Newswire]%20August%20Lions%20Clubs%20Newsletter%20EN)

CONTESTS

2013-14 Peace Poster Contest

Purchase a kit for next year's theme, "Our World, Our Future."

HIGHLIGHTS

[Lions Clubs Blog](#)

Read our blog for stories, news, photos and videos.

[Digital Lion Magazine](#)

The entire Lion Magazine (Headquarters Edition) is available online with added content, videos

EVENTS

[Calendar of Events](#)

Review upcoming Lions events your club can participate in locally.

[USA/Canada Forum](#)

September 19-21, 2013: Overland Park, Kansas, USA

CONNECT WITH US ONLINE





Dear Lion,

A highlight of the annual Lions international convention is to learn more about all of the great things that Lions have done with the help of Lions Clubs International Foundation.



We hear stories of Lions saving sight, supporting youth, providing relief following disasters and meeting many humanitarian needs.

During convention, LCIF announced the expansion of the [Special Olympics International Opening Eyes program](#). Lions and LCIF will continue to provide needed vision services to people with intellectual disabilities. Through this global partnership, Lions will also provide service through hearing health, family support, advocacy, athlete leadership opportunities, membership development and more.

One other way that Lions meet humanitarian needs is through the One Shot, One Life: Lions Measles Initiative. Together, we will continue the fight against measles and rubella worldwide. In Hamburg, LCIF announced a [partnership with the GAVI Alliance](#), along with a new fundraising challenge and matching grant to combat measles around the world. We are excited to continue this life-saving work through LCIF. No child should go blind or die from measles. With our global reach and support, we can create an impact.



Our work to meet needs around the world isn't always through planned efforts. When the unexpected happens, we are there ready to help. A recent example of this is in the Himalayas, where there has been severe flooding. Our hearts go out to everyone who has been impacted. To support Lions' relief efforts in affected areas, LCIF provided grants totaling US\$130,000. It is thanks to the generous financial support of Lions that LCIF is able to act quickly following a devastating disaster. I encourage you to consider making a [donation to the disaster relief fund](#). These donations are Melvin Jones Fellowship

eligible and help support Lions whenever a need arises due to natural disasters.

This year presents more opportunities for service around the world. Your Foundation is here [to support you](#), and as LCIF's Chairperson, I am here to support you as well. Your impact is not just in your local communities - you also make an impact in the global community and through our Foundation partnerships.

Sincerely,

Lion Wayne Madden
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

LCIF is Lions' Love in Action!

As LCIF ambassadors among Lions and Clubs in your districts, you share this message all the time. The link below takes you to a YouTube video which was produced and shown at the International Convention in Hamburg just hours ago.

On behalf of the many people whose faces and words are shared during this short video, THANK YOU for your leadership on behalf of LCIF!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5IMIGP1w8aE>

LCIF Partners with GAVI Alliance against Measles and Rubella

Lions Clubs International Foundation is continuing to meet humanitarian needs by partnering with the GAVI Alliance against measles and rubella. [Announced during the international convention](#), Lions will raise US\$30 million by 2017. The funds raised by the Lions will be matched by the [United Kingdom's Department for International Development \(DFID\)](#) and [the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#), bringing the total to US\$60 million.

Learn more about this exciting partnership through this video produced by the GAVI Alliance:
<http://vimeo.com/70038681>.



Two special announcements were made at the Lions International Convention in Hamburg on Monday. One on the partnership with the GAVI Alliance for Measles and one on the partnership with Special Olympics.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL AND GAVI ALLIANCE PARTNER TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM MEASLES

Lions to raise US\$30 million for immunization, matched by US\$30 million from UK Government and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

HAMBURG, Germany, 8 July 2013 – The GAVI Alliance and Lions Clubs International today announced a unique partnership designed to protect tens of millions of children in the world’s poorest countries against measles, a highly infectious disease that kills an estimated 430 people every day, mostly in developing countries. Under the partnership, Lions Clubs – the world’s largest service club organization – will deploy its network of 1.35 million volunteers to **raise US\$30 million** and to improve access to vaccines through the GAVI Alliance, a public-private partnership whose mission is to save children’s lives and protect people’s health by increasing access to immunization in the world’s poorest countries. The funds raised by the Lions will be **matched by the UK’s Department for International Development (DFID) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, bringing the total to US\$60 million.** The announcement was made at the Lions Clubs’ 96th annual convention in Hamburg, Germany. “Lions Clubs International and its members are excited to continue our commitment to the fight against measles and rubella,” said Lions Clubs International Foundation Chair Wing-Kun Tam. “Through our joint efforts with GAVI and other partners, we will increase access to quality immunization services at every level – globally, nationally and locally – to benefit children in developing countries.”

- See more at: <http://www.lcif.org/EN/news/release-25.php#sthash.vXTZVIVF.dpuf>

Lions Clubs International Announces Historic Expansion of Partnership with Special Olympics
Increasing Funding, Member Activation and Programming to Benefit Those with Intellectual Disabilities Worldwide

HAMBURG, Germany, 8 July 2013 – Lions Clubs International Foundation is **pledging \$7.8 million to**

Special Olympics, expanding worldwide efforts to support the inclusion and well-being of people with intellectual disabilities.

Building on the organizations’ 14-year history of collaboration, this pledge is part of a new multi-year partnership plan that will strengthen ties between Special Olympics and Lions Clubs International at the country and the community level. The partnership is providing health services, engaging youth and encouraging family support to benefit the global population of individuals with intellectual disabilities.

The announcement was made on stage during the 96th annual Lions Clubs International convention in Hamburg, Germany, by National Basketball Association athlete and Special Olympics Board Member Yao Ming, Special Olympics Chairman and CEO Timothy Shriver, Special Olympics Australia athlete Ben Haack, Special Olympics-Lions Clubs International Opening Eyes Founder Dr. Paul Berman and Lion Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Chairperson Tam Wing-kun. “Just five months ago at the Special Olympics World Winter Games in Korea, Special Olympics convened world leaders for a Global Development Summit focused on ending the cycle of poverty and exclusion that people with intellectual disabilities face around the world. Lions Clubs did more than participate in that gathering -- they committed to action,” shared Yao Ming. “With this remarkable commitment, they’re putting the funding and strength of their global grassroots organization in direct service for one of the world’s most marginalized populations. There’s no greater service organization than Lions, and the athletes, families, volunteers and fans of Special Olympics worldwide are proud to stand with their members in service to others.”

Lions Clubs International has been supporting Special Olympics with a focus on health through the Special Olympics-Lions Clubs International Opening Eyes vision screening program. Now, this five-year renewal and increased support will create leadership opportunities for Special Olympics athletes, increase the health work of Special Olympics, conduct outreach to families for additional support and allow for both organizations to reach more young people through inclusive sports and advocacy programs in an effort to achieve full acceptance and inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities in their communities.

- See more at: <http://www.lcif.org/EN/news/release-24.php#sthash.QF9wLdah.dpuf>



Editor's Note



DONATIONS

Fellow Lions:

As stated from a fellow Lion – we have to rethink when doing our Club budgets. Where exactly is the money you raise going? Does some money go to specific charities who **already** get \$ millions \$? If so – why are we also giving.

We, as Lions, have four (4) state initiatives – LCIF, Camp for the Blind, Lighthouse and Leader Dogs for the Blind. All clubs within the District should give a minimum of \$25.00 now and be 100%. Then during the rest of this Lion's year – give the normal amount your club usually gives to the four initiatives. If you wish to give more – please do so – they do need it.

The rest of the money your club raises should go out and help within your community. Specific Co-ops, food banks, building ramps for the handicap, putting swings in parks, providing needed equipment to the Police or Fire/EMT that the county does not get. There is also the Special Olympics, Camp Kudzu and a few others the Lion's support.

So please think about your budget this year and remember the **Lion projects first and the community second** before you think of outside money making charities.

MEMBERSHIP



We have to stop the loss of members within our clubs.

Close the back door – retain your members by improving your programs – keeping everyone busy with projects – try new ideas – visit other clubs

We cannot continue in the wrong direction.



An Active Club Makes Its Case

Now – have you checked out the current issue of the LIONS Magazine? If not – why not turn to pages 42 and 43.

What a GREAT IDEA. Especially if you live in a in a county that has a great library.

Why not do the same? This is spreading the word and maybe there might be someone that could be interested in joining an organization that does something for a living.

Here again – what can you do? Put your Dream into ACTION.

MEMBERSHIP



What can you do???? Just ASK maybe.....

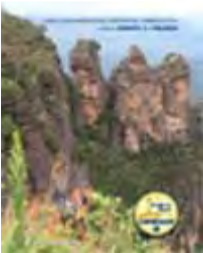
We are the greatest secret in the world and it's up to you to spread the word



Dear Lions,

Follow Your Dream

Join International President Barry Palmer and Lions everywhere in fulfilling the dream of stronger clubs, stronger communities and stronger Lions. Check out the LCI resources that can help you achieve your dream.



Download [Follow Your Dream](#) and watch video below.
<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/intprogram.pdf>

Responsibility. Service is more than a dream—it's our identity.

- [Global Service Action](#) – Get involved in our year-round service initiatives that impact youth, vision, hunger, and environment.
- [Tree Planting](#) – Plant a tree and better our environment.
- [Reading Action Program](#) – Make reading and literacy a focus in your community and share the dream of education.

Reach. More members mean more service, and satisfied members lead to active and engaged clubs. Here are key resources for growing and strengthening your club:

- [Just Ask!](#) – This new member recruiting guide will get your club ready to invite new members and be prepared for success when you do.
- [Membership Satisfaction Guide](#) – Learn how you can keep members happy and coming back.
- [Club Excellence Process](#) – Get your club performing at its highest level through the interactive CEP workshop. Now available in two versions – CEP Pro and CEP Lite.
- [Start a new club](#) – You can give others the opportunity to make a real difference by starting a new club in your community.

Recognition. Lions are making a difference and deserve recognition for their achievements. Here's a look at some of the ways you can earn it:

- [Club Membership Awards](#) – Find out how your club and members can earn awards for inviting and retaining members.
- [Excellence Awards](#) – Find out how your club or district can qualify for pins and patches that celebrate your achievements.
- [Presidential Award for Zone and Region Chairpersons](#) – Zone and Region Chairpersons can earn a special presidential pin each quarter to recognize their leadership.
- [Dream Achiever Awards](#) – District governors can earn a one-of-a-kind pin and a Presidential Medal when they reach superior membership results.

Additional Resources

- [Leadership Development](#)
- [District Resource Center](#)

To learn more about International President Barry Palmer:

- Download [biography](#)
- Watch [biography video](#)
- IP Palmers [Facebook](#) Page and [President's Service Blog](#)

There is little time to waste, so I am encouraging all club presidents to use the Club Excellence Process (CEP), a resource that can help clubs reach their true potential. CEP Lite is currently only available in English, with all languages available by October (I will notify clubs then), but I didn't want to wait to get this critical resource out to clubs. I'm asking you to lead by example and take CEP to your own club, then share it with others. Thank you for your help, now let's get the word out!



I'm very excited to tell you about the perfect tool to get your club operating at the highest level—the Club Excellence Process (CEP). CEP is a fun, interactive process that can help you improve member satisfaction, make your service projects more effective, and set goals to ensure your club stays on the path to excellence.

We've made it easier for you to take advantage of the Club Excellence Process by offering two versions: CEP Pro and CEP Lite.

- **CEP Pro**– Let a trained Lion facilitator come in and guide your members through the program.
- **CEP Lite**– Custom designed to allow your club to experience the program with a member of your club leading the process.



GO TO:

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/membercenter/membershipandnewclubs/strengthenmembership/clubexcellenceprocess/index.php?utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5601%20FWD%20Palmer%20CEP%20Message%20EN%202013%2007%2017

Choose the version that's right for your club, and get on the path to club excellence!

Kind regards,

Lion Barry J. Palmer
Your International President

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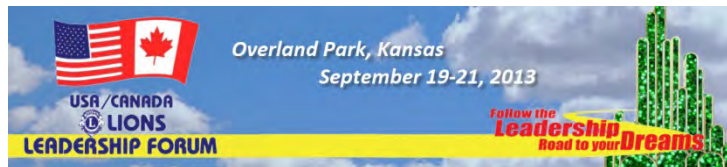
Take Action

During August, we invite you and your club to join Lions around the world in recognizing the power of youth involvement. Help us shine a light on youth by planning activities in connection with [United Nations International Youth Day](#), recognized each August. Or, organize projects throughout the month that engage and mobilize youth in the process of helping communities.

Resources

The following resources are available to plan and promote a future “Engaging Our Youth” Global Service Action Campaign project.

- **[Press Release](#)**: Send a press release to local media to encourage them to publicize your “Engaging Our Youth” Global Service Action Campaign.
- **[Call to Action Flyer](#)**: Get an overview of the “Engaging Our Youth” Global Service Action Campaign – and ideas to jumpstart your project.
- **[Planning Guide](#)**: Use this step-by-step approach to organize your very own “Engaging Our Youth” Global Service Action Campaign.
- **[Project Ideas](#)**: Review ideas you and your club can use to partner with youth to develop a signature service project during the month of August that will make a big impact on your community. The opportunities are endless!



The Lions of Kansas and the Forum Planning Committee encourage you to attend the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in 2013 in Overland Park, Kansas.

We are working hard to provide attendees with a great Forum experience.

We will have new topics and presenters for educational seminars, motivational and inspirational speakers, and will be using new technology in staging and presentations.

[Click here to read the current issue of the Emerald City Gazette...](#) =

https://usacanadalionsforum.org/pdf/emerald_city_gazette05.pdf

We look forward to having you join us September 19-21, 2013 as we "follow the yellow brick road and go over the rainbow to the Emerald City" at Overland Park, Kansas!

Doug Lozier,
General Chairperson

Follow Your Dream at the 2013 USA-Canada Forum

We are looking forward to seeing you in Overland Park and seeing you in the Forum Store for all of your needs. Ever thought about running for District Governor or International Director? Not sure how to take that first step?

The 2013 USA-Canada Forum in Overland Park this fall will allow you to join others who have the same dream and learn from past LCI leaders about the ins and outs of seeking higher office in our Association.

In addition, your partner-in-service can hear firsthand what they can expect and their role as a supporting partner from two recent partners-in-service, whether District Governor or International Director.

Some will say we have a leadership problem, not a membership problem. What better way to get the most current best practices for identifying and training future leaders for your District and Club than to attend the session on Preparing Future Leaders in Your Districts and Clubs.

“We’re not in Kansas anymore” is the theme for the Forum’s Webinar. Learn from our LCI professionals on how to make use of this ever changing technology to better educate and train Lion leaders on all levels.

Saturday afternoon will culminate with the return of the ever popular Dr. Love’s Traveling Road Show featuring PID Doc Meyers.

You’re not registered yet? Like the Nike ad says, “Do It” Now! And, get on the Yellow Brick road to Overland Park today!

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM UPDATE

District 18-I = **CERTIFIED GUIDING LION TRAINING**

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/membership-and-new-clubs/start-a-new-club/programs-member-guiding.php>

Guiding Lions are encouraged to complete the Certified Guiding Lion Course to receive training in new club support. The course may be taken individually or facilitated by an instructor. To take the course on your own, download the materials below and complete the Certified Guiding Lion Course Workbook.

To get started, request a [Certified Guiding Lion Kit](#) or, download the items below:

- [Certified Guiding Lion Course](#) Workbook (pdf)
- [Charter Night Planning Guide](#) (pdf)
- [Club Officers Manual](#) (pdf)
- [Club Membership Chairperson's Guide](#) (pdf)
- [Lions Club Constitution and By-Laws](#) (pdf)
- [Lions Community Needs Assessment](#) (pdf)
- [Making It Happen: Guide to Club Project Development](#) (pdf)
- [Orientation Guide](#) (pdf)

CEP Overview

The Club Excellence Process (CEP) helps clubs become more effective in service, communication, leadership and membership satisfaction. Essentially, CEP helps clubs do what they do better. CEP is now offered in two formats to meet the needs of our clubs: CEP Pro and CEP Lite.

In either format, a participating club will examine its community's needs, analyze its membership experience, identify club and LCI resources, and develop action plans to support your club goals.

Future Training =

February 22, 2014 – Member Orientation – Athens-Watkinsville Area

April 26, 2014 – Club Officer Training – Comer

If you want your club to excel in 2013-2014, please take advantage of these training events. Your club is only as strong as its leadership.

Thanks for all you do!

PCC Grace Clower

18D Global Leadership Team Coordinator

What's New in the Leadership Resource Center

If you haven't visited the Leadership Resource Center (LRC) lately, now is the time to do so. In addition to the many existing resources, the new 2013 [Club Secretary and Club Treasurer Webinar materials](#) are now posted! You can view the actual recordings, as well as download the slide presentations, participant workbooks and answers to questions asked during the webinars. You can also download the newly revised [Nurturing New Clubs presentation](#) that can be adapted for your needs. Visit the LRC today for these valuable new materials.

Lions Learning Center Course: Team Motivation

Are you a part of a team, or the leader of a team? Is your team successful? Understanding how a leader can increase motivation of your Lions team is a key to achieving your team's goals. Each individual team member has his or her own personal motivators, but the team—particularly its leader—needs to understand what influences and motivates the team as a whole. Take the Team Motivation course in the Lions Learning Center to learn about the 50/50 rule and see a Lions project team in action using five motivational strategies that can increase your results by up to 37 percent.



Webinar Tutorial – How to Be a Participant

We invite you to [experience an interactive tutorial on being a webinar participant](#). Upon finishing this tutorial you will be able to register, log in and actively participate in a webinar.

Upcoming Webinars

Club President: Leading and Managing

Opportunities and responsibilities of the club president, the traits of an effective leader, how to maintain connections with all club members and the path to club excellence.

- [Wednesday, August 7, 2013 8:00pm](#)
- [Tuesday, August 13, 2013 1:00pm](#)
- [Friday, August 16th, 2013 8:00pm](#)

Intended Audience:

Current and potential club presidents

Managing Service Projects

The characteristics of effective project managers, the five phases of service project management and a case study of a current successful club project.

- [Friday, September 6, 2013 8:00pm](#)
- [Wednesday, September 11, 2013 1:00 pm](#)

Intended Audience:

All Lions

Leadership Resources on the Web

Participants take a tour of available materials and discover how web resources can assist club and district leaders/officers. Focus on the Leadership Resource Center and its role in developing the skills and knowledge of Lions leaders.

- [Wednesday, November 6, 2013 1:00 pm](#)
- [Friday, November 15, 2013 8:00pm](#)

Intended Audience:

All Lions

Simplified New Member Induction Kit

New Members who are properly welcomed and orientated are more likely to remain Lions. That is why, beginning in 2013-14, Lions Clubs International will be distributing a revised New Member Welcome Kit and introducing new ways to welcome Lions. The New Member Induction Kit (NM10) has been simplified to provide new members with the most relevant materials when becoming a Lion. Effective July 2013, the New Member Induction Kit will contain the following:

1. *New Member Certificate*
2. *Membership Card*
3. *Membership Pin*
4. *Sponsor Certificate*

Since the kit will no longer include the [New Member Book](#), please provide a link to the book to clubs and new members. Once the new member welcome emails begin being sent from the international president, referenced below, a link to the book will be provided.

New Member Induction Kit Distribution to VDGs

To make New Member Induction Kits readily available to present to new members, you will be receiving a supply of kits prior to your term as district governor. Please encourage clubs in your district to order additional kits from LCI or their local supply office. This will ensure the certificates within the kits have the proper international president's signature.

New Member Welcome & Sponsor Emails

Additionally, new members will begin receiving a welcome email from the international president into the 2013-14 fiscal year. LCI will also begin sending an email to new member sponsors to thank them for their support and remind them of their responsibilities. For members and sponsors with no email address, an email will be sent to their respective club secretary. Please encourage your club secretaries to record new member emails when reported to LCI.

Lions Clubs International is excited about these new opportunities to welcome new members. If you have any questions related to the revision and distribution of the New Member Induction Kit, contact us at memberops@lionsclubs.org.



Just Ask!

This year, I want to focus on making our clubs stronger, more effective, and more satisfying for our members. To do this, I'll be sharing valuable information and resources with club presidents throughout my term. I will also be asking for your help in working closely with your clubs. Please read my first message below and check out the new membership recruiting guide, *Just Ask!* Always keep in mind that women make great Lions. Together, we can help clubs achieve new levels of success!

The [*Just Ask! New Member Recruiting Guide for Clubs*](#) is designed to help your club recruit new members. It gives your club the tools to create and implement a growth plan that's right for you. New members can help achieve your service goals, bring fresh ideas to the club, and ensure club health.

Inviting new members is something that every Lion can do. Because there are a lot of people out there—like I was—just waiting to be asked.

Download *Just Ask!* and share it at your next club meeting.

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/me300.pdf?utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5603%20President%20Palmer%20Forward%20Club%20July2013%20EN

Dear Past District Governors,

By now you are aware of my theme for 2013-14 "Follow Your Dream."

As part of my dream, I would like your participation in a year that has the potential for the largest membership increase in the history of our organization. I want you to be part of setting a new standard for excellence – helping us raise the bar to new heights in order to provide more service to our communities.

Here is how you can help. I want you to make sure your own club has a net gain in membership at the end of the year. That's it. It's that simple. Just a net gain in each club that has a PDG as a member. That would make a huge contribution to our association.

I have asked the district governors and their respective teams to set goals and targets as well in order that each district has an outstanding year of service.

This letter is going to you – my fellow PDG's, in the hope that you will accept my outreach for support. I have been told during my many visits to Lions that there is no role for the PDG. Well my friends, here is your opportunity to show Lions you are still a true leader within our organization.

I hope I can count on you for support, and to make our dream come true.

Sincerely,

Barry J. Palmer

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Lion Bob Walker
District 18E
Columbus, Georgia

"When I was inducted into the Lions of Tallahassee 62 years ago, broom sales were our major fund raise. To this day, broom sales remain one of our major fund raises. Selling brooms produce many dollars for our projects and affect us the opportunity to be seen and heard in the community."

Lion Chuck Mohr
District 6F
Tallahassee, Florida

"The Lions of Spartanburg, South Carolina have been selling brooms to the public for over 30 years. During that time, the Broom Project has been a major fund raise and our year with many repeat customers."

Dr. Eugene Spinks
DC 2008-2009, District 60A
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Again, Lions Clubs Brooms and Mops are the symbol of a quality product sold to support a worthy community project.

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	6402	MaxiSoft™ Plastic Broom (Assorted Bristle Colors)	12	\$66.00	\$
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	6502L-6	Lions Clubs Cotton Household Deck Mop	6	\$17.10	\$
	6507	Toy Deck Mop w/24" Wood Handle	12	\$25.80	\$
	96470	MaxiPlus® Microfiber Duster w/Extension Handle	12	\$63.00	\$
	94217-6	MaxiTwist® Microfiber Self-Wringing Mop	6	\$44.10	\$
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	96324	24" Heavy Duty Sweep, Unflagged Bristles - Head Only	12	\$81.00	\$
	96418	18" Fine Sweep, Flagged Bristles - Head Only	12	\$64.80	\$
	96424	24" Fine Sweep, Flagged Bristles - Head Only	12	\$81.00	\$
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CLUB REPORTS



Certain things can happen when your Lions Club gets involved. If we have to find something new – go for it – because the more we raise – the more we can give. Also, the more members who get involved also create a bundle of fun and more money raised. The information that appears may benefit another club – for here is where we get ideas and we might be able to use those ideas within your own club. Getting involved is another word for WE SERVE.

Athens Heritage Lions Club = Open House July 19, 2013 2 members participated. Wheelchair Clean Up and Tune Up on July 20, 2013 6 members participated.

Buford Lions Club = July 18th. Meeting: Lion Sue and Lion Earl Benson attended the Buford Business Alliance monthly meeting as a representative of the Buford Lions Club. We talked to two business members that expressed in attending a meeting. Lion Sue and Lions Earl Benson visited the Loganville Lions Club to get a different perspective on how other clubs operated. We also visited there because they were displaying a new line of brooms and mops from the Greenwood Broom and Mop Co. in Greenwood, SC. We have been talking about these items as a fundraiser.

Clermont North Hall Lions Club = June, our first meeting of the month, we had Larry Duttwieder to speak about the upcoming North Hall Lions Club 5K Cupcake Challenge that the club will be sponsoring as a fund raiser event September 21st at the Clermont Days Centennial Festival which will start at 8:00am . If you are a runner or walker we invite you to go to clermontdays.net and get an application and join in the fun. We had our induction for Officers for the years 2013-2014 and had a great turn out to hear PDG Grace Clower charge us with the duties of the officer's job. Grace also sword in our newest member Danny Head and welcome him to the North Hall Lions Club. She had the honor of presenting to Mancel Oliver the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. We had several to get perfect attendance pins for the year. Ten Year Chevron was presented to Linda Chastain, while David Sargent received the Chevron for 45 years of service, Lion of the Year for North Hall Lions Club went to John Brady and was presented by outgoing President David Sargent. Incoming President Jack Campbell, thank President David Sargent for his service and for leading the North Hall Lions Club though a rough year, because we loss of our top fund raiser program last year. President Campbell outline the upcoming year with lots of thing in the planning stage for the members to look forward to. We will have another great year as the club moves forward and upward. We are now of Facebook and our web site is e-clubhouse.org/Clermont We cancelled the first meeting for the month of July, because a lot of our members were out of town for the 4th of July Holiday. At our second meeting the newly elected President, Jack Campbell, presented to the board and the club his goals and budget for the year 2013-2014. We have several projects in the planning stages and he has assigned chairpersons for these projects, also assigned the chair for committees in the club. ===The committee for the 5K run on September 21st at Clermont Days had a meeting with the organizer and went over the route and budget for that project. +++The Town of Clermont will be having a birthday party for the towns 100 year (Centennial) birthday on August 10th@ 7:00 pm. The Lions Club of North Hall will be involved with this event as a community activity. ***The fall Pancake Breakfast is being planned, date and time is schedule for October 12th @ 7:00 am (could be changed). We have a lot of fun putting the event on and getting to reach out to the community for exposure to what the Lions Club do.



Colbert Lions Club = Lion Tuggle was honored by being the Grand Marshal for the Colbert 4th of July parade. Copy – paste and enlarge to read.

Colbert Fourth of July Parade

'An honor to be chosen'

Tuggle to serve as Colbert parade grand marshal

Tuggle ... continued from page 1A



Bennie E. Tuggle

Gwinnett High School in Snellville in 1958 and joined the army the next year, spending nearly 15 years on active duty before he was discharged during the troop drawdown at the conclusion of the Vietnam War. After that he attended the University of Georgia and joined the U.S. postal service, where he served as postmaster in various local post offices until his retirement in 2000. He also rejoined the army reserves, serving in their postal unit from 1985 – 1989.

These days, he enjoys retirement and besides serving as head of the Lions Club, he also serves as president of NARFE (National Active and Retired Federal Employees) Chapter 548 in Athens.



BENNIE E. TUGGLE

Bennie and his wife, Barbara, moved to the Colbert area in January, 1995. At the encouragement of the late Paul Burroughs, Bennie joined the Colbert Lion's Club in 1999. He became active in the Club and later was elected President. He has served as the Club President for the past eight years. Bennie was the driving force in renovating the old Colbert School Cafeteria and kitchen into what is now known as the Colbert Community Complex and the home of the Lion's Club. Bennie and his wife, Barbara, have three sons, Mitchell, Michael, and Mathew. They are the proud grandparents of four grandchildren, Kivara, Katie, Anna, and Joe.

Mr. Tuggle entered the Army in 1950 as a Private and served on active duty and in the Reserve until 2000. He retired as Captain.

With gratitude, we dedicate this 44th Annual July 4th Celebration to Mr. Bennie Tuggle.

Thanks, Bennie, for all you have done!

The Colbert Community

Comer Lions Club = NEWS FROM THE COMER LIONS CLUB WE ARE GROWING!! On June 13, 2013, the Comer Lions Club inducted 2 new members. PDG Richard Smith came and performed the induction ceremony. The new members were given their certificates along with a membership pack. Their sponsors were also present to give membership pins to their sponsored members. The members are: Diane Pritchett, Sponsors: H.D. and Ruth Cannon Rick Fyock, Sponsor: LaVonda Fyock. I had the privilege to give membership pins to 2 members: Sue Carithers and LaVonda Fyock. A hearty congratulations to these members and I look forward to serving with them for many years. The Madison County 4-H Club presented the Comer Lions club with a certificate of appreciation for the club's sponsorship and support. As the 2011-2012 year ends I would like to pay a memorial tribute to 2 members we lost during last year. Billy Daniel and Larry McGinnis: these men gave of their time and talents to be a service of the community. Both were very active in the club and are greatly missed.



Conyers Lions Club - At the first meeting the gavel was passed from Lion Mary Michael to incoming president Nancy Morton Linek. Officer installation was conducted by PDG Ben Poole. Lion Charles Walton reported that five club members washed glasses at the Lighthouse. At the second meeting Rhonda Sheridan spoke to the club about some of the features of the upcoming health care reform (ObamaCare). Lions Mary Michael, Marvin Armistead and John Martin turned in more than 210 pairs of used glasses, 69 loose lenses and various parts. Lion Mary Michael reported that three Lions worked with 120 children at this month's Kids' Workshop. Lion Teresa Kelley was warmly welcomed back to the club. A board of directors meeting was held on 9 July; the next one will be on Thursday, 1 August at the Car Barn. N.B. The next club meeting will be Monday, 5 August at the Golden Corral on Hwy 138.

Covington Lions Club = Countdown to Saturday, December 7, 2013 - Annual Christmas Parade! Two prior meetings were held, but on July 2, members met to discuss 3 route options presented to President Richard Brown and 1st VP Ed Johnson. Purpose: City Council wishing to include neighborhoods in the North sector only. Members were asked to drive the route options to determine feasibility and float negotiated turns. Members were emailed a blank City of Covington map to draw their suggested route. Best route would include the entire City and not just the North sector. Another meeting was held with 1st responders in mid-July, and the Christmas Parade Route finalized! On July 8, the Board approved the 2013 – 2014 Budget and the Membership meeting time change from 7:30 to 7 PM to allow early adjournment. The Membership voted and approved same at their July 11 meeting. President Richard Brown advised that minor adjustment were made to the Cooking and Clean-Up Committee schedule, and that he will announce a slight revision of our Club Committee List. Nine special guests joined the Membership Meeting. They were four of our six 2012 – 2013 scholarship recipients and family members. Each took the podium to say a little about themselves, the college they plan to attend and their major. On July 13, Earl Stallworth attended the Zone Training Meeting in Winder, GA. His Zone Clubs are Covington, Oxford, Monroe, Loganville, Loganville Legacy and Social Circle. On Saturday, July 20, five members attended the GA Lions Day at Camp in Waycross, Georgia. Earl and Doreen Stallworth, Ed Johnson, Roger Pflug and Richard Garner enjoyed the day, met Lions from other clubs and certainly gained greater appreciation for what Lions do for the Camp. Members took items from the Camp's "Christmas Wish List". We had a great lunch and enjoyed the Campers' program. On July 25, Anna Knippel with the Lions Lighthouse Hearing Program, spoke to the Membership. On July 27, several members attended the 1st Cabinet Meeting in Jefferson, GA. Volunteer Hours: 412 hours



Dahlonega Lions Club = Cook pancakes for seniors. Put up flags/markers for Lumpkin County decease veterans.

Dawsonville Lions Club = Lion Don Cargill brought 106 eyeglasses and 7 cell phones to the Lighthouse. Lion President Katie Hulsebus held the first meeting of the new Lions year. Lions Mike and Kathryn Higgins transferred into the club. Lions Jim Purdy and Ken Breeden receive 100% attendance pin from 2012-13.



Decatur Lions Club = Collected and donated to the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation 120 pair of used eye glasses. Total year to date 120 pair. Three (3) members worked a total of 58 man hours on the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation recycling program (eye glasses, cell phones, hearing aids, eye glass cases). Total year to date 58 man hours. Paid \$25.00 for an honorarium donation to the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation. Total year to date \$25.00. Dr. Sharyn Dowd presented a very interesting program about "Sight and Blindness as Metaphors in the New Testament." Dr. Sharyn Dowd was presented a plaque designating her as the Decatur Lions Club 2013 Senior Citizen of the Year. Donations of the following items were made to the Edgewood Church for school supplies for needy children: 200 # 2 wooden pencils - 100 ball point pens - 2 rolls paper towels. Our club is saddened by the death of Lion John Southern on July 12, 2013.

Forsyth County Lions Club =



Lion Linda graciously models the earplugs Lions Club members she and her fellow Lions passed out to Cumming 4th of July parade-goers. Despite the threat of rain and storms, the Cumming 4th of July parade was held... and the Forsyth County Lions Club was there. The parade featured several steam engine vehicles, which produced extremely loud whistles. To help parade-goers protect their hearing, members of the Forsyth County Lions Club passed out hundreds of pairs of complimentary earplugs. A special "thank you" to those members who helped pass out the earplugs and/or worked our concession stand at the Cumming Fairgrounds the night before.

Jefferson Lions Club = Eyeglass Collection Committee: Jerry Legg reported that we collected 12 pair of used eye-glasses 6 cell phones and 11 chargers had been collected. **Sickness, Distress and Praise: Committee Reports: – Programs:** The regular meeting of the Jefferson Lions Club was called to order on Monday, July 8, 2013 by Lion President, Jerry Legg. Lion Bob Norton, Zone 4 Chairman announced the New Officer Training and First Cabinet Meeting would be held at Certus Bank in Jefferson on July 27, 2013. President Jerry Legg called the Board of Directors Meeting to order at 7:32 PM on Monday, July 8, 2013. The Regular Meeting of the Jefferson Lions Club was called to order by Lion President, Jerry Legg on July 22, 2013. Lion Dot Hunt introduced our guest speaker, Dr. C.B.Skelton, Doctor Skelton entertained the group with several humorous songs while playing his autoharp. He related many stories of his experiences as a World War II Army Officer. The following Jefferson Lion members attended the District 18-I 1st Cabinet Meeting on July 27, 2013 from 12:00 Noon to 1:30 PM. at the Certus Bank in Jefferson. It was hosted by Lions Mark & Gay Bradley from the Jefferson Lions Club. Lion President Jerry Legg Lion Secretary Rita Gunter, Vice President Gay Bradley Lions Members Sandra Friedlander & Mark Bradley. The following Jefferson Lions members attended the District 18-I New Officer Training held on July 27, 2013 at Certus Bank in Jefferson from 9:00AM - 11:00 AM. Lion President, Jerry Legg, Lion Secretary, Rita Gunter, Vice President Gay Bradley Lion Members Sandra Friedlander & Mark Bradley.



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Show Judging	Noon – 2pm	Tractors	Top 4
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CONTACT - BUDDY HUNT (home) 706-367-8933 or (cell) 706-621-0700

Come join the Lions Club for all around family fun. This show will help the Lions in their Drive Against Darkness. You may bring used eyeglasses; they will be used to help others see.

Personal canopies may be set up behind show cars on grass.



LaVista Lions Club = Guest Speaker June 11: Dewey McLain, former Atlanta Falcons football player and current Atlanta businessman gave an interesting talk about the new retractable roof football stadium.

Installation Banquet

June 11: Thirty-three members, friends and guests enjoyed a delectable ham dinner prepared by our own Lady T. We were one member shy of 100% attendance of active and semi-active MAL members. PDG June Phillips installed the officers for the 2013-14 Lions year. Congratulations to all of the new officers. Anniversary Program Book June 11: Former member Connor Allred snapped picture after picture of all members attending the banquet. Reports are surfacing that a number of ads for the program book have already been purchased even before the paperwork is distributed. If everybody participates, we will be successful!

Lions at Work May 31 – June 2: Lions Helen Troha and Don Smith represented the club at the GA State Lions Convention in Augusta, GA. The La Vista Lions were recognized for our eyeglass and Hearing aid collections. Lion Don Smith was presented a plaque for his continued efforts in collecting eyeglasses and hearing aids. June 21: Lunch and dinner during the basketball camp were very successful. Six members helped to serve 200 guests and participants of the camp. June 22: The Broom & mop sale at Evans Restaurant raised about \$200. Thanks to all Lions who participated. Anniversary Banquet Hoping that all members will plan to attend the 60th Anniversary Banquet on October 19, at the Colonnade Restaurant, meal tickets should be purchased early. Please get your tickets at the July or August meeting for \$30. each from Lion Howard. Teresa's Needs for the Homeless What a great way to show our support, recycle our castaways and help those who need help the most.. Bottled Water Bottled water is always needed. Bring your case of water to any meeting. If you need help transferring the water from your car to Teresa's, ask and you'll get help. Plastic Shopping Bags Plastic shopping bags are always needed. These are used to package food and water. Bring your plastic shopping bags to any meeting. Dates to Remember July 9: La Vista Lions meeting July 20: Lions Day at the GA Lions Camp for the Blind, Waycross, GA July 27: Cabinet meeting 12:00 Noon, Officer's training 9:00am. Cetrus Bank, 1465 Old Swimming Pool Road, Jefferson, GA. August 6: Camp Kudzu Tour at Camp Barney, Cleveland, GA. August 27: La Vista Lions meeting. District Governor's annual visitation.

Reservation Ticket

I (we) will attend the 60th Anniversary Night of the La Vista Lions Club on Saturday, October 19, 2013 at the Colonnade Restaurant, 1879 Cheshire Bridge Road, Atlanta, GA.

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Number of tickets _____ x \$30. = \$ _____

(Make check payable to La Vista Lions Club and mail before September 15, 2013.)

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Lion Howard Jones
1668 Hartland Drive
Decatur, GA 30033

Lawrenceville Lions Club = We had 2 members tour Camp Dove, a camp for deaf children. We had 3 members attend our 1st Cabinet Meeting and New Officer Training Session. We had 3 members attend Winder Lions Club with Lion Brian Donegan as guest speaker for Keep The Campfires Burning, a program as a fundraiser for Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind. We collected 79 pair of used eye glasses to be recycled. We donated \$100.00 to Lawrenceville Housing Authority for school supplies.

Loganville Legacy Lions Club = 9 members attended dedication of new town green area in downtown Loganville and dedication of Mayor Ray Nunnaly pavilion. Event once again gave opportunity to be visible at a community event. Lion John Morgan also took pictures throughout the ceremony. 10 lions volunteered to marshal parade postponed due to weather from - again a visible presence throughout the event. 5 members attended ribbon cutting ceremony for remodeled Burger King. 1 member collected, sorted and distributed food donations from southern crescent co-op in McDonough to locations in Loganville area 8 members attended special city council meeting and received letter of appreciation for the clubs work in marshalling recent independence day parade held. 2 members conducted Bucket Brigade on Saturday morning. 4 members conducted another Bucket Brigade, raising another \$ 429.00 1 member secured order for 100 warehouse brooms generating \$270 to the activity account. 3 members and 1 Monroe Lion met to update progress for October golf tournament at Walton EMC. 6 members attended new 18-I cabinet meeting and officer training in Jefferson ,GA. Officers attending President, 1stVP, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Director and Associate Director for LHB and CFB





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Norcross Lions Club = Report of July 3 fundraiser that was not held due to rain Report of membership Plans made for next meeting with grilling of leftover hamburgers from June fundraiser. DG Ed Hashbarger, club secretary Lion Trudy Rudert and Lion Yoriko Hashbarger attended the first District 18-I Cabinet meeting. The meeting was held in Jefferson on Saturday, July 20. Report of membership Plans made for next meeting with grilling of leftover hamburgers from June fundraiser. PDG John Rudert worked 50 hours this month grinding lenses to fit frames for needy Georgians. He uses the equipment in the Optic Lab at the GA Lions Lighthouse. Norcross Lions Club secretary Trudy Rudert attended the District 18-I club officer training on Saturday, July 20.

North Decatur Lions Club = Yesterday, my friends and I drove over 2 hrs (one way) to Columbus city to have a welcome party for this “ Home Run” team whom won the Champion at the last year, whom just came to Atlanta last night from Taiwan, some of them are came from my home town. They ask me to be MC (in a very short notice) The President of NBBA welcome everyone and behind is the band called East Wind Blue Grass. A typical southern country music. I also learn to say “ How di !!!” The game will start on Tuesday, we will go back at this coming Saturday for their final game.



Oconee Lions Club = The Oconee Lions Club agreed to work with the Athens Classic City Lions Club at Learning Ally to jointly provide LCI's Lion Magazine to blind Lions. Accordingly, the Oconee Lions partly read the magazine and assisted in creating the CDs and getting the ready to be mailed. Oconee Lions worked at Merci Health Center with two Georgia Lions Lighthouse employees that brought vision medical items for a volunteer doctor to screen the eyes of people in need of glasses. In addition, these individuals and individuals with prescriptions approved by the Lighthouse choose their glasses that are set up and then created at the Lighthouse and then sent to them.

Oxford Lions Club = At the June 21st meeting the members enjoyed a steak cookout at the Varner Lake home of Lion Mike Willard. Letters from LCI congratulating members for a number of years that end in five were presented to four members. Perfect attendance pins for 12 months were presented to six members. The officers for 2013 - 2014 were installed, and the outgoing president - Jim Patty - was presented a plaque for his good service. Fourteen cell phones and 510 glasses were taken to the Lighthouse. Two members served a total of 44 hours with Newton Reads literacy program. Two members served a total of 16 hours with the Scouting programs. One member served 8 hours as a hospital volunteer.

Zone 8 Social Circle and Oxford Clubs conduct Vision Screening = The Social Circle Lions and Oxford Lions participated in a Community Health Expo on July 27 from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. in Conyers, GA. The clubs conducted vision screening for 109 participants using two new vision screening machines courtesy of the Monroe Lions Club. A special thanks to the Monroe Lions Club for loaning their vision machines. Social Circle Lion Charles Astin and Lion Dede deMarks worked non-stop from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Oxford Lion Richard Henderson took over at 1:30 p.m. relieving Lion Dede long enough to take pictures. The event was scheduled to end at 2:00 p.m. but was extended for another 30 minutes due to the long waiting lines at the Lions Club International table. The demand for vision screening was great and all attention was directed to the Lions' table. Lion Dede, who is also one of the district's diabetes chairmen, led the efforts



of planning for this event and has her eyes focused on another health expo in September for the Zone 8 clubs to come together and provide vision screening. Lion Dede is working on the logistics for the next vision screening event and will share the final plans next month. So Lions of Zone 8 get your vests ready to wear, bring your club brochures and banner, and fulfill our motto of WE SERVE at the next vision screening event. For more information about this event, contact Lion Dede at liondede@msn.com or Lion Richard lions18f@gmail.com

Snellville Lions supports these and many other service projects:

- Leader Dogs for the Blind
- Lions Camp for the Blind
- Georgia Lions Lighthouse
- Snellville Co-op Ministries
- Snellville Nursing & Rehab Center
- Eye Exams & Glasses for Needy
- Retinitis Pigmentosa Association
- Emory Children's Eye Center
- Local High School Scholarships
- Hearing Conservation

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1 - Putting Contest
2 - Mulligans
1 - Gift Drawing
1 - Hit from Red Tee

Extra Club Tickets \$2.00 Each

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8:00 A.M. Sign In
Practice
Dinner Provided 
Putting Contest

8:45 A.M. Instruction from
Golf Professional

9:00 A.M. Shotgun Start

1:00 P.M. Summit Club
Hamburger &
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SNELLVILLE LIONS CLUB

Fifteenth Annual Golf Classic

at



Summit Chase
Country Club
Snellville, GA

MONDAY
August 26, 2013

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TO OUR PLAYERS

Mail Your Entry Early.

The Snellville Lions Club cordially invites you to participate in its Annual Golf Classic. We are proud of our tournament, its workers, sponsors and players.

TO OUR SPONSORS

Our sponsor list has grown each year and we appreciate them.

We urge sponsors to also sign up early since your names will be published in early announcements, newsletters and brochures. From the day your application is received your name will appear in all future printed material.

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For additional information call:

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David Epps
Head Pro at Summit Chase

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Company Name _____

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Lion Contact _____

Player Entry Form (soft spikes required)

Player One Handicap _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (W) _____ (H) _____

Please present a copy of your current handicap card at registration.

Player Two Handicap _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (W) _____ (H) _____

Please present a copy of your current handicap card at registration.

Player Three Handicap _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (W) _____ (H) _____

Please present a copy of your current handicap card at registration.

Player Four Handicap _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (W) _____ (H) _____

Please present a copy of your current handicap card at registration.

ENTRY FEES

Each Player _____ \$80 _____
Sponsorship & Sign _____ \$250 _____
Sponsorship w/4 Players & Sign _____ \$550 _____
Total Amount Enclosed _____ \$ _____

Make Checks Payable To:
Snellville Lions Club, Inc.

Mail To:
Snellville Lions Club
Attn: Golf Classic
P.O. Box 292
Snellville, Georgia 30078



The Snellville Lions Club meets at the Wallton EMC auditorium located on Lenora Church Road. Dinner meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

Social Circle Lions Club =

Food Distribution –Stop the Hunger Campaign

The Social Circle club had one representative, Lion Larry Knox, to assist in distributing lunches to kids Monday through Friday. The Social Circle Lions club partnered with the Faith in Serving Humanity (F.I.S.H.) non-profit organization to deliver daily lunches to kids. This campaign was a small step in relieving hunger campaign for kids who were more likely not to be fed or fed healthy over the summer. Lion Larry worked 2 hours a day picking up prepared lunches from F.I.S.H. headquarters and then distributing lunches to kids in select neighborhoods Monday through Friday from the month of July. Lion Larry gave 40 hours of service. The stop the hunger campaign reached 150 kids daily.

Toccoa and Toccoa (Branch) Lions Club = Lion Ray announced the 100th birthday party of Vernon Smith at 2:00 on July 21st at the Presbyterian Church. Tail Twister Henry Fields thanked everyone for their prayers and encouragement. He entertained with a humorous story and collected \$20.05. Sherry Beavers was presented a check for Open Arms Clinic. Ray Cornell announced service awards for Bill Graham, Bryan Gordon, Steve Spruill, Mary Ann Mojica, Dave Stancil, M.C. Stowe, Drew Taylor, Beverly Vanderhoef, and Margo Taylor. Those in attendance were presented with plaques. Lion Bill introduced Lion Steve Spruill to present the budget. Lion Steve explained that increases in administrative costs, mainly meal expenses, necessitated a \$2.00 increase in dues. This would increase the cost per meal by \$1.00. Lion Henry Fields moved to adopt the administrative budget as presented. The motion passed. Lion Henry then moved to increase the dues by \$2.00 per month. The motion passed. Lion Steve then discussed the activities budget. Lion Larry Earhart moved to adopt the activities budget as presented. The motion passed. Lion Ray Cornell shared a certificate of appreciation from the JROTC at Stephens County High School. Lion Bill said they would like to continue working with the Lions on projects. Lion Bill then went over the results of the member survey. He reminded members to buy Lions brooms when needed. He also passed out the Camp for the Blind Gator Raffle tickets. Money should be turned in to Sheila Rousey.



Lion Vernon Smith recently celebrated his 100 Year Birthday at a celebration at the Toccoa First Presbyterian Church. Pictured above/below is a picture provided by the Toccoa Record newspaper of the event. Lion Vernon joined the Toccoa Lions Club in 1979. Vernon served in the Toccoa Lions Club in numerous ways including Club President in 1984/85. He was an active Lion until 2011 when he fell and had to work on rehabilitation. Lion Vernon has been inactive for the last two years but that does not stop the Toccoa Lions Club from celebrating his 100 years.



Towns County Lions Club = June 11 Club Meeting Notes. Due to a conflict, the speaker from the Leader Dog program was unable to be with us. However, this gave us an opportunity to hear from our very own Jack Anderson. Jack shared some of his family history of how they came to America from Ireland in 1700. He also shared how the Revolutionary War and the Civil War affected his family and the community. (Based on his knowledge of the events, I am sure he must have been at both!). Jack also shared some interesting facts about why our US flag is folded in a triangle and how Taps was started. He then reviewed with the club some of the history of the Georgia Mountain Fair: how it got started, the original location at the old school and, finally, how we acquired the current property. This was good information for those who have joined the club in recent years and do not really know the history of the Fair. Our next meeting will be on June 25th and will be our annual picnic at the Paris Pavilion, up the hill near Hamilton Garden.



**Georgia Moonshine
Cruizin
August 8, 9 & 10, 2013**



**Georgia State HOG Rally
September 13 & 14, 2013**



**Georgia Mountain Fall Festival
October 11 - 19, 2013**

**TOWNS
COUNTY
LEO'S
IN
ACTION**



At the July 13th dinner meeting the new LEO Club Officers and Directors were installed (pictured above). From L to R: Courtney Marshall, President; Mia Manto, 1st VP; Lexi Stephens, 2nd VP; MegAnn Bradley, Secretary; Danielle Diehl, Treasurer; Elizabeth Turner, Director Not pictured: Carly Gilfilian and Macy Shattles



LEO Dinner July 13, 2013 at Brother's in Young Harris, GA



Mia and Savannah working at the Lemonade Booth at the GA Mtn Fair!

Union County Lions Club = Sight/Hearing: Approved 3 applications for exams and glasses, **Membership:**. No report. **Glasses Collected:** 309 pairs eye glasses; 128 lens; 21 frames; 74 pairs sun glasses; 36 sun lens; 46 cell phones and 13 used hearing aids. **Activities/Community Service Activities** - In July, 5 Lions has 111 hours for community causes including assistance at local food and clothing banks, the Georgia Mountain Health Program, local blood drive, the American Legion, and work with special needs individuals. Farmer's Market —4 Saturdays in July – 16 Lions and 1 friend worked a total of 138 hours selling fried pies, sausage biscuits, cheese straws, whoopee pies, hot dogs and hamburgers and visiting with members of our community. The Green Bean Festival was Saturday July 27 held on Saturday July 27th. In addition to our normal Lion's food sales, Lion Betty Gurr and Lion Karen Clark provided Lion's Club information alongside a 6 foot green bean poster man complete with a Lions vest. **Board Meeting:** •President Mary passed out and discussed Committee Assignments for 2013-14 •Motion by Lion Betty, second by Lion Jim to send \$100 each in Memory of Lion Jim Hinton and Lion Elmer Thompson to Georgia Lions Lighthouse. •Lion Bob Wood discussed Farmers Market. Motion by Lion Joan, second by Lion Carol to purchase new banner. Lion Bob will try to get the Lion's as the featured business on Saturday. Discussed adding iced tea to menu. •Lion Bob also discussed a possible fund raiser – He is going to request passes from Disneyworld for a raffle. •Lion Paul then celebrated the life of Lion Elmer Thompson. Many of the board members also shared their fond memories of Lion Elmer. **Programs: July 11** •Lion Michael Thompson talked about what the Lions meant to Lion Elmer Thompson, He and Mildred appreciated the show of support by the Lions at the funeral. •Chaplin Paul Clark presented a memorial for Lion Elmer Thompson. •Lion Paul recognized all the veterans in the club and then introduced our guest speaker Grant Ingersall, of the North Georgia Honor Guard. Grant was in the Navy for 14 ½ years and joined the honor guard as a bugler 3 years ago. He now is the captain of the East Guard in Union Towns and Rabun Counties. The honor guard is former service members that provide funeral and honor details for veterans, including full Military Service Honors. They also present colors at home football games and parades. Grant closed his remarks with a flag ceremony. **July 25** •Lion Betty Gurr presented the new feature for our Lion meetings, 'The Spotlight'. Tonight's Spotlight was Lion Don Enzmann with 59 years, 1 month & 25 days as a Lion, having joined June 1, 1954! First up was Lion Don's son, Mark, who gave some very interesting tidbits of being brought up in a very dedicated Lion family and some were really funny. He also told of being selected as an exchange student to Mexico when Lion Don was DG of than 18-D in North Hills Lions Club in Atlanta, GA. The communication was quite a challenge for a 'then' teenager! Next came Lion Betty Gurr who gave information on Lion Don's years in Lionism including where he began his journey as a Lion in Minnesota where he joined & chartered the International Falls Lions Club with 32 members! Because of his job association with General Electric, he & family not only moved about in numerous states, they also traveled extensively and always either found a Lions Club or started one! He received his 50 yr Monarch Lions service pin in 2004 & his 55 yr pin in 2009. Other awards included Life Award in 1977, Melvin Jones Fellow in 1984 & 5 member Key Award in 1996 [this was just Union County Lion members]. Then Judy, Lion Don's daughter in law, gave a very emotional journey of when she became a part of the Enzmann family, even some funny episodes, and as caregiver [even though he currently resides at Stonehenge Assisted Living] and what a privilege it is to see that he attends Lion meetings. His face just lights up at the word Lions! That concluded the Spotlight. •Next came the presentation of the 2012-2013 Lion of Year Award, presented by Lion President Mary Arnold to a surprised Lion Chaplain Paul Clark! He admitted that about halfway through the presentation remarks, he realized that he was the one. He very humbly accepted & thanked all. I wanted to make sure everyone knows that the appreciation dinner in the Fox Lake neighborhood is Thursday, AUGUST 22. This is the day of the 2nd August regular meeting. We will have dinner and our meeting at the pavilion.



WORKING LIONS - 295 hours
 NON LION COMMUNITY HOURS - 111 hours
 FAMILY & FRIENDS ASSISTING LIONS - 34 hours
 Total: 440 hours

Washington Lions Club = 4 members provided Bingo to nursing home people. 3 members helped with food pantry during the month of June

Winder Lions Club = We sponsored a Christian Rock Concert to benefit the Newtown Lions Club in their effort to raise funds for the counseling of the first responders, victims and family members of the Sandy Hook school shooting. We were able to raise \$300 for the Newtown Lions. The band of young people (high school students from Appalachian High School) volunteered to play for the event and Chic-fil-a sold sandwiches, drinks and chips.



I called Sharon Parks with Kaiser Permanente, to see if they would negotiate on their price for Mrs. Bedwell and they did. Let me know if your club wishes to send their \$150 check separately and we will get this done. I am extremely pleased that our 2 clubs were able to come together and provide this service to Mrs. Bedwell. Also, let me know of any thoughts you may have toward our clubs making our actions public. I was thinking Mrs. Bedwell could contact the local newspaper and tell her story. again, thanks to you and the Winder Lions Noon Club.

Winder Noon Lions Club = The Winder Noon Lions Club partnered with the Winder Lions Club to purchase a hearing aid for a community resident. Each club donated \$150. The club supported the blood drive at the Winder First United Methodist Church in July by maintaining the canteen area during the day. This included making sure all donors were provided with a snack and a drink after they had given blood. 40 pairs of glasses were collected during July by the Winder Noon Lions Club.



**We're Waiting =
have you ASKed?**



Did you submit yours?

E-mail = edmcionh@bellsouth.net or
Go on-line = www.edmcion.com/ or

Thursday, August 22, 7 PM – Zone 8 Meeting at the Covington Lions Clubhouse on Conyers Street in Covington. The street address is 3120 Conyers Street – Academy Springs Park .

These are two very important meetings to bring in our new year. It will contain much information going forward.

I would like to **hear from you** if you plan to attend our Zone 8 Meeting on August 10th so that **I can plan a light** lunch.

“Toccoa Lion Bill visited two clubs in the month of July as part of his duties as Zone 1 Chair. Lion Bill visited the Lavonia Lions Club on July 2nd. Pictured above/below is Lion Bill and Lavonia Club President Lion Cindy. Lion Bill also visited the Hartwell Lions club twice in July. On July 8th, Lion Bill visited the Hartwell Lions Club as a Zone visit. During that visit Hartwell Lions Club President Lion Mike presented Donna Seay with an Appreciation Plaque for the work her husband, Dr. Paul Seay, does in helping the Hartwell Lions club Sight Conservation Project. Pictured above/below is a picture of Lion Mike presenting the appreciation plaque to Donna. On July 22nd, Lion Bill was invited back to the Hartwell Lions Club to induct two new members into the Hartwell Lions Club. Pictured above/below are lions Derek, Margaret Ann, Bill, Paul and Mike. Lions Margaret Ann and Paul were inducted as new members. Lion Derek and Mike are the new member sponsors. Way to Go Hartwell Lions Club!”



A Lion from Florida took a picture this morning in Hamburg, Germany of the Georgia Lions assembling for the international parade. Unfortunately, my computer is not able to make an attachment at this time. By my count there are nineteen Georgia Lions in attendance at the international convention. Fifteen marched in the parade.





GA. Lions Lighthouse
VP June Phillips, PDG
junelieu@aol.com

Check out the new **Lighthouse Vide**
 Click here to view the Lighthouse Video!
<http://www.eventstreams.com/lighthouse/010fst/>

Dear Lions,

THE LIGHTHOUSE CORNER

A couple of weeks ago four of us here at the Lighthouse enjoyed a day-long seminar at the Georgia Vision Collaborative which is made up of over 25 agencies that are concerned with adequate vision care for all Georgians. During the day we heard from four of our surgeons along with representatives from the CDC and State Agencies involved in vision rehab.

In the afternoon a retired school teacher and client of the Center for the Visually Impaired (CVI) told her about her struggle with macular degeneration. She is legally blind. During her up-lifting presentation she stated that she is learning to live with her eye issues but poor hearing was really beating her down. After her talk we had a break and I introduced myself to her as your Executive Director and suggested that we may be able to help her with her hearing issues. This morning she and her son showed up in our offices and we gave her all the material she needs to apply for hearing aids. Her name is Martha and it is our desire to assist her in this process and we hope to give you her picture and bio in an e-blast of the future.

Thank you and stay tuned in to this channel for breaking news.

Jim Adams

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Make your reservations today for the September Joint Meeting!

Rooms are available at the Macon Marriot City Center - There is limited availability so make reservations a.s.a.p.

Call (800) 228-9290 to reserve your room

Fish Fry

A fish dinner will be held on Saturday, September 14th at the Macon Marriott Conference Center, following the day's meetings.

Dinner is \$20/ person, cash or check will be accepted at the door.

Contact Kelcie Lewis to make reservations:
klewis@lionslighthouse.org 404.325.3630



Service Numbers

From July to June 2013

People having eye exams
212 were from 18-D

People have better vision after receiving a pair of glasses
327 were from 18-D
 \$10,773.70

Eye surgeries were performed.
67 were from 18-D
 \$65,367.45

Hearing aids through the dispensation
261 were from 18-D

Get involved!

Whether through charitable giving or volunteering, there are many ways to support your Lighthouse!

Upcoming clinic dates in your area:

16 August – Athens

Contact Judith at 800-718-7483 or JKerr@lionslighthouse.org for more information about volunteer opportunities.

Help Us Use our Recycled Glasses

18 I District Chair:
Ken Massingale, PDG
 E: g_massin@yahoo.ie



Dear Lions,

From right: Calling all volunteers! Boxes of glasses are ready to be washed and sorted!; Luwam works hard at a Chamblee clinic; A volunteer group from Dell Secure works has fun with glasses in the recycling center.



This year's Taste of Chamblee is in the works and we can't wait! Be a sponsor or make sure your restaurant has a booth at the Taste. Sponsorship Application

The Taste of Chamblee is an annual street festival held in the heart of Chamblee, Georgia. Anchored by the main stage, the festival offers live entertainment, some of the Southeast's most talented visual artists, and the opportunity to taste the food of 20-30 regional restaurants. This FREE ADMISSION 1-day outdoor event has something to offer for the whole family! Co-sponsored by the Chamblee Business Association, the City of Chamblee, and the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation, this year's festival promises to be an event not to be missed.



Shop the Art Walk featuring more than 40 regional artists with unique fine arts and craft items in a variety of media including photography, sculpture, pottery, jewelry and more.

The Taste of Chamblee offers attendees a unique opportunity to enjoy samplings of the food of our area restaurants, as they showcase items from their menu. Each year we hold a food competition. The winners are announced during the festival on the Main Stage. Click on the restaurants links and get a peek into their menus!



Mark your calendars!

Taste of Chamblee is September 28th from 12-6pm in downtown Chamblee. Volunteer at the Festival or come and enjoy great food and fun for the whole family.

Contact Peri Finch at PFinch@lionslighthouse.org for volunteer opportunities.

Also be sure to check out our new website for the event, www.tasteofchamblee.com for event info and updates. (site will launch July 9th)

See you there!





Lions Camp for the Blind
 Olin Newby, PDG
newby@wildblue.net



The Campers are coming!

The Campers are coming!

***Hephzibah Lions Club
 3rd Annual
 Fallen Lions Poker Run***

To benefit the Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind
 Help a Blind Child at www.GLCB.org

Date: Saturday – 31 August 2013
 Registration starts at 8:00AM @ KJ's IGA in Hephzibah, GA
 Last Bike Out or Kick Stands up at 9:30AM
 Final Stop @Country Boys Cooking at 1:00PM+-for B-B-Q

Lunch and Prizes Cost is \$25.00 per entry/ \$35.00 if riding two up
 (Entry fee includes one hand of poker, B-B-Q Meal(s) and a chance to win door prizes)

Extra hands of poker may be purchased for \$5.00 each.
 Prize for best and worst poker hand.
 Event Tee-Shirts will be available for order.

POC is Lion Frank Spinney: LionSpinney@aol.com or (706)-339-5535

Member of Southern Cruisers Riding Club, Waynesboro, GA -Chapter 572



**Lions David Self and Mary Anne May display bricks honoring Lions Terry and Don Glover and PDG Deal.
Lion Therry Deal with memorial brick honoring her husband, PDG J.B.
Lion Self "lays" memorial bricks at GLCG Saturday 7/20/13**



Lions DAY at the Camp

I wanted to share with you the funds that were collected on Lions Day. Last year we collected \$1,910 on Lions Day. This past Lions Day we collected \$3,327 from lunch, auctions and Pair family sales. This does not include all the Christmas in July non-cash items. The Christmas Tree was FULL with presents. With all the other cash contributions, the total funds collected were \$10,000. Way to go Lions of Georgia.



District Leader Dog Chair Lion Sheila Rousey s_rousey@truvista.net

Training Leader Dogs, Clients is Time-Intensive Process

This article was reported and written by John McKay.

When shoppers or diners stroll along the sidewalks in downtown Rochester, it's not uncommon to encounter a Leader Dog at work, a testament to the rigorous training cycle the dogs undergo before they are paired with a visually impaired client.

Debbie Komondy, a guide dog mobility instructor at Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester Hills who has trained more than 300 dogs over 25 years with the organization, said preparing dogs and clients can be a time-intensive process. Popular Stories "I enjoy working with the dogs," Komondy said. "Sometimes it can be a little frustrating, but for the most part it's a lot of fun. It's not as easy as it looks."

The training process is split between working with 6-8 dogs for 16 weeks, than working with clients for another 26 days. Leader Dogs for the Blind primarily uses Labrador Retrievers, Golden Retrievers and German Shepherds, which are bred in-house. "We find that's much more successful than using dogs from shelters," she said. She said the organization has explored using rescue dogs in the past, but with a low rate of success.

Soundness and focus are keys to a dog's success in the Leader Dog program, Komondy said. Puppies are taught at an early age to stand on a "wobble board," which makes noise and causes uneven footing, so the dogs get accustomed to sudden environmental changes.

"It's important that they have soundness, that they're not afraid of anything," she said. "We don't want to instill fear into them. Dogs that are fearful will refuse to do things quite often."

Training the dogs, she says, requires plenty of positive reinforcement and the occasional food reward. Keeping a dog focused from other environmental distractions, such as other dogs or those wanting to pet the Leader Dog, is crucial for the client's safety, she said.

Finding a match with client, dog is critical: When dogs are paired with the clients, Komondy said, it is important to find a good match for each client.

"Every person is an individual, and the dogs are the same," she said. "It's a matter of matching the person and the dog with their pace and lifestyle, more or less. Some dogs would rather lay around and walk to the store; some would be happy walking back and forth to work, so we match the dog and person so that they are both on the same page when they are working together."

Before clients use a dog, however, they participate in mobility and orientation training, which teaches clients to move about in the world, listen for traffic, learn to cross the street, walk in a straight line and be aware of traffic signals and stop signs. Once the clients begin working with the guide dog instructors, they participate in "Juno training," where instructors pull a Leader Dog harness, much as a dog would, and teach clients the commands they will later use with the dog.

"That gives me an idea of how they learn and what I need to teach them," Komondy said.

Clients taught to care for dogs: When clients are paired with dogs and trained, Komondy said she teaches clients how to care for dogs at home.

"A lot of people have other dogs or cats and we teach them to introduce each other and to not get too rough when they play together," she said. "One of the major things we make our clients aware of is the perfect weight of the dog, not by the number on the scale, but by feeling the dog and the way the harness fits."

Clients also are taught to seek their own veterinarians (clients living near the Rochester Hills campus can receive free veterinary care on-site) and when to schedule vet visits.

For dogs that don't make it through the program, whether because of medical or training issues, Komondy said they undergo what the organization calls a "career change." They are offered back to the puppy-raiser, or to fill other service needs—such as arson dogs or police dogs—or are put up for adoption with strict adoption guidelines.



After 24 days, 48 states, 9,000 miles, 100+ degree temperatures and more than a dozen stops to meet friends and supporters old and new, Mark and Debbie Mansell have reached California.

Mission accomplished!

With your help, they have already raised over \$30,000. But there's still time to be part of this amazing summer mission.

[Help Mark and Debbie achieve even greater success by donating today.](#)

"We did it!" Mark said from the Mojave Desert, "Thank you so much for believing in us again. We are so very appreciative of all the support each of you and Leader Dog has given us!"



The sun is out, the grass is green and the air is warm. Summer has officially begun, and Mark and Debbie Mansell are on their summer vacation.

This week, they met a few more of the many people who are excited about their summer mission. Members of the FM Crusaders Motorcycle Club escorted the Mansells from North Dakota to Minnesota, where the Barnesville Lions Club welcomed them all with a feast.

Mark and Debbie also met Future Leader Dog Beemer, who was named in honor of Motorcycling for Leader Dogs.

Follow their progress on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CyclingForLeaderDogs and join their mission by donating at www.leaderdog.org/cyclingforleaderdogs.

Unique Ways to Support Leader Dog *Event Hosts Think "Outside the Box"*



Tim "Moose" Stachlewitz paints a bowling pin.

It's amazing when one small idea turns into a large fundraising event. But "amazing" doesn't just happen; it is the result of countless hours spent planning the event and recruiting the participants, all to support Leader Dog.



From the desk of State Chair Lion Fred Smith
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[Learning Ally Partners with SpeakingPhoto™ to Launch the 1in5 Stories App](#) Enhancing digital storytelling for its national 1in5 dyslexia awareness initiative

National non-profit [Learning Ally](#) today announced its partnership with SpeakingPhoto to create the 1in5 Stories App – a mobile photo app for iOS devices that lets visitors to the new Explore1in5 website contribute personal stories by uploading photographs with sound.

The 1in5 Stories App allows people with dyslexia, along with their families and friends, to share stories of encouragement, hope, and struggle with their community. The App lets users shoot a photo and record up to 30 seconds of their own voice right on their iPhone or iPad. Once recorded, it's easy to share the story via email. The free app is available now to download via Explore1in5.org and on the iTunes App Store.

Background: In April, Learning Ally launched the [1in5 Initiative](#) – named for the one in five Americans who have dyslexia – combining a viral public service announcement with a community website to drive public awareness of dyslexia, and offer hope and educational resources for the millions of individuals affected by it. The [viral PSA](#) shows how dyslexia can negatively affect children who do not receive adequate support and educational interventions. The accompanying Explore1in5 website derives much of its dynamic appeal through crowd sourcing – featuring both written blog posts and videos sharing personal stories contributed by people who are dyslexic, as well as by their parents and teachers.



Tell your story

“Explore1in5.org was created for people with [dyslexia](#), with input from people with dyslexia,” says Learning Ally CEO Andrew Friedman. “

“With their help, we’ve developed a dynamic online destination where kids and parents can hear from each other and share their diverse stories, discover a wealth of resources and become part of a growing community of support. The new 1in5 Stories App is an ideal tool to help parents and kids see what others have gone through and what has helped them be successful.”

“Images are such a compelling way to tell a story,” says Diana Iles Parker, Partner and CMO of SpeakingPhoto and Director of Marketing for *The Big Picture: Rethinking Dyslexia*, an award-winning HBO documentary directed by James Redford. “When you add your own voice, the image becomes a dynamic and powerful way to share your point of view. The 1in5 Stories App will help give a voice to those who want to share about their dyslexia or anything else that’s important to them.”

Learn more about SpeakingPhoto on [Mashable](#) and by visiting www.SpeakingPhoto.com



Judy Stamsen CCI Chair
eskiemom@bellsouth.net

Southeast Companion Just Like All the Other Kids

“I just wanted to have something to be like other people,” says thirteen-year-old Jared of Nashville, TN. Jared is a lot like most adolescent boys. He likes to play video games, is a Boy Scout and is on his middle school’s wrestling team. So what makes Jared feel different? He’s living with cerebral palsy.



Phil, Jared’s dad, thought an assistance dog would be just the ticket for Jared. Not only would Jared have companionship of a dog, but an assistance dog would be able to do things like pick up Jared’s video game controller when he drops it.

In February 2012, Jared and Phil graduated, with assistance dog John III, from the Southeast Regional Training Center.

In February 2012, Jared and Phil graduated, with assistance dog John III, from the Southeast Regional Training Center. Since returning home, Jared’s life has changed dramatically. “People used to be scared to talk to Jared. Now with John by his side, people look at Jared, not just at his wheelchair, and they have conversations,” said Phil. “Since we got John, Jared has more of a community and more opportunities for friendships. Now he knows everyone in his school.”

Recently, Jared’s community expanded vastly after a video of him winning his first wrestling match was viewed by over a million people online. He’s been invited to meet professional wrestlers and enjoyed the morning talk show circuit, including



Good Morning America and The Today Show. Also, Jared and John, along with the whole family, joined Canine Companions in the 57th Presidential Inaugural Parade.

Jared is just one example of how our assistance dogs change lives, and how our graduates and volunteers are our best ambassadors.



Diabetes Awareness Chair
Kathryn Higgins
klhiggins07@aol.com



Back to School Parent Advocacy Webinar

You will not want to miss this important webinar! In this webinar, you will hear from parents who have been there—on behalf of their own children, and through their work with other parents who want to keep their children safe at school! Please share this invitation with others who might also want to attend.

Thank you!

Details:

Date: Thu, Aug 15, 2013
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 PM EDT
Duration: 1 hour
Host: Taryn Egelanian

Presenter Information:

Tracy Milligan

Tracy began her diabetes school advocacy told that her son, Jared, could not go to his neighborhood school unless a parent came every time he needed insulin. Tracy and other Florida parents worked with the Association to successfully pass a state law that protects students with diabetes, including ending the segregation that Jared faced. Now, Jared is entering 6th grade and Tracy is a local Advocacy Chair, and an Advanced School Advocate, who helps other parents learn about their children's rights and ensure they are safe in all school activities and programs.

Crystal Jackson

Crystal is Director of the American Diabetes Association's Safe at School campaign at the Association's National Office in Alexandria, Virginia. Crystal has spoken at conferences throughout the country about how to effectively advocate on behalf of students with diabetes, and has trained hundreds of parent advocates, attorneys and health care professionals. Crystal is considered a national authority on the rights of students with diabetes and is, also, the parent of a child with diabetes.

Webinar Topics:

- Safe at School campaign overview
- School diabetes care challenges
- Federal and state laws
- Safe at School updates
- Developing a 504 plan & strategies to overcome challenges
- Key resources for families & school
- Getting involved in Safe at School

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Go to this web site:

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This webinar will offer closed captioning. Please contact tegelanian@diabetes.org if you require accommodations.
Can't make the live broadcast?

The recorded webinar will be posted within 2-3 weeks at <http://diabetes.org/safeatschool>.



Camp Kudzu's mission is to educate, empower & inspire children living with diabetes.



Its power is transformative and adds joy, hope and confidence to young lives. Learning to reach for dreams and never being limited by diabetes happens in the fresh air and in the gathering places and paths of camp in the company of health care professionals, mentors and caring, well-trained counselors.

Camp Kudzu is Georgia's single largest resource, outside hospitals and clinics, for diabetes self-management education. It's a Georgia-based nonprofit. **Camp Kudzu offers summer camps, family weekends, teen retreats, adventure trips and more.** The focus is on fun, but the lessons learned are critical to long-term health. Children who have access to quality diabetes management education at a young age can reduce their risk of diabetes-related complications and often display greater emotional resilience in coping with their diabetes. Camp is a child-friendly atmosphere where healthy habits are reflected by adult role models living with diabetes as well. Diabetes camp also offers the same benefits of any other residential camp—games, new friends, and a lot of fun!



Fitness



Dear Lion,

Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes® is the signature fundraising walk of the American Diabetes Association. More than 120,000 participants from 120 walk events across the country came together last year to raise over \$24 million. Step Out has been taking place for more than 20 years and has raised more than \$175,000,000 to Stop Diabetes®!

Will you join the movement and Step Out in 2013?

Join us! American Diabetes Association – Step Out

P.S. It's more fun to Step Out together! Gather your friends, family and co-workers and form a team! Teams come in all sizes—two or more people make a team! It's a great way to fundraise and support the American Diabetes Association's movement to Stop Diabetes.

WHY DO YOU WALK?
Share your story by registering today! [register](#)

Location

Event Date

North Metro, GA - Independence High School –
Alpharetta, GA

October 12, 2013

Need more info? Contact:

Adrienne Harrison at aharrison@diabetes.org |
(404) 320-7100 ext. 3045

[register](#)

[http://main.diabetes.org/site/TR/StepOut/StepOutAdmin?
fr_id=9084&pg=entry](http://main.diabetes.org/site/TR/StepOut/StepOutAdmin?fr_id=9084&pg=entry)

Location

Event Date

Atlanta, GA - Turner Field, Braves Stadium

November 9, 2013

Need more info? Contact:

Tiffany Rozier at trozier@diabetes.org |
(404) 320-7100 ext.3096

[register](#)

[http://main.diabetes.org/site/TR/StepOut/StepOutAdmin?
fr_id=9096&pg=entry](http://main.diabetes.org/site/TR/StepOut/StepOutAdmin?fr_id=9096&pg=entry)

Exercise, or physical activity, includes anything that gets you moving, such as walking, dancing, or working in the yard. Regular physical activity is important for everyone, but it is especially important for people with diabetes and those at risk for diabetes.

That doesn't mean you need to run a marathon or bench-press 300 pounds. The goal is to get active and stay active by doing things you enjoy, from gardening to playing tennis to walking with friends. Wondering how much activity you should be doing and what your options are?

Here are some ideas to help you get moving and start making exercise part of your daily routine.

[Physical Activity is Important](#)

Regular activity is a key part of managing diabetes along with proper meal planning, taking medications as prescribed, and stress management. <http://www.diabetes.org/food-and-fitness/fitness/physical-activity-is-important.html>

[Types of Activity](#)

Find out what activities we recommend for people with diabetes and how you can incorporate more movement into your day. <http://www.diabetes.org/food-and-fitness/fitness/types-of-activity/>

[Get Started Safely](#)

If you have never been active or have not been active for a while, it is important to start slowly and check with your health care provider. <http://www.diabetes.org/food-and-fitness/fitness/get-started-safely/>

[Exercising With Diabetes Complications](#)

If you want to know more about exercising safely with specific diabetes complications, check out our chart. <http://www.diabetes.org/food-and-fitness/fitness/get-started-safely/exercising-with-diabetes-complications.html>

[Get and Stay Fit](#)

It's easy to start an exercise routine once you've decided it's time for a change, but keeping it up is a challenge for many people. <http://www.diabetes.org/food-and-fitness/fitness/get-and-stay-fit/>

[Exercise & Type 1 Diabetes](#)

With type 1, it's very important to balance your insulin doses with the food you eat and the activity that you do. <http://www.diabetes.org/food-and-fitness/fitness/exercise-and-type-1-diabetes.html>



Grand Prize Winning Peace Poster for 2012-13.

The artist is 13 year old Jenny Park from California.

Our World, Our Future

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students 11-13 on 15 November 2013. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, "Our World, Our Future."

AWARDS: Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging are recognized as follows:

International Grand Prize Winner receives a trip to the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations (subject to change). At the ceremony he/she will receive a cash award of \$5,000 and an engraved plaque. Two family members (one being the winner's parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring Lions club president or a club member (as designated by the club president) will accompany the winner to the award ceremony. The award ceremony is scheduled for March 2014.

23 Merit Award Winners each receive a cash award of \$500 and a certificate of achievement.



LIONS INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST RULES

Our World, Our Future

"NEW" The Lions International Essay Contest entry form is included in Peace Poster kit and on the LCI website.

The contest is open to students who are considered visually impaired according to their national guidelines and will be 11, 12 or 13 years of age on 15 November 2013. One grand prize winner will receive an award and US\$5,000.

• Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest. The contest may be sponsored in a local school(s) or organized, sponsored youth group(s), or individuals may be sponsored as well. *A Lioness club can sponsor the contest through its sponsoring Lions club.*

• Essays must be no longer than 500 words in length, submitted in English, type-written in black ink and double-spaced.

- Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form. Essays submitted without completed entry forms will be automatically disqualified.
- Only one entry per student per year, and each entry must be the work of only one student.
- Essay entries cannot have already been published.
- Any essays found to be plagiarized will be automatically disqualified and the student will be prohibited from entering any future Lions competitions.

Kits are available 15 January – 1 October 2013:

Purchase your kit early to allow adequate time for shipment and contest planning.



Youth Camp and Exchange Program

The Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange Program are life-changing. Participants have a unique cultural learning experience whether in their own country or traveling to another, living with a host family and taking part in a camp.

How the Youth Camp and Youth Exchange Program Works

The success of the Youth Camp and Exchange Program is the result of cooperation among many people. The program begins when:

- A young person requests sponsorship from a local Lions club to become a Lions youth camp or youth exchange participant
- A Lions club seeks young people to participate in their youth camp and exchange program.

Participation in the YCE program is open to all young people who are:

- The appropriate age
- Sponsored by a Lions club
- Capable of representing their sponsoring Lions club, community, and country
- Willing to accept the customs of another culture

Type of Youth Exchanges

Youth Exchanges can be arranged in hundreds of countries where there are Lions clubs. Most exchanges last between 4-6 weeks during which the participants (ages 15-21) stay with one or more host families in another country. Participants experience life as part of their host family.

Where to Start

Host Club Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the host Lions clubs are to:

- Arrange for financing all costs related to the room and board of camp participants along with the camp committee. During a host family stay, room and board is the responsibility of the host family.
- Recruit and provide [orientation](#) to [host families](#).
- Maintain communications between the participant, sponsor Lions club, host family, and YCE chairperson.
- Provide local transportation to events organized by the host Lions club.
- Ensure that Lions [International Youth Camp and Exchange Program policies](#) are followed.
- Ensure compliance with local laws governing youth protection.

Recruiting Host Families

The host club recruits qualified host families from the Lions club, or non-Lions in the community. Requirements for host families include:

- Persons who are in contact with youth of the same approximate age as the participant.
- Knowledge of the participant's language.
- Knowledge of Lions clubs and the goals of the Lions International Youth Camp and Exchange Program.
- Adequate space in their home and finances to provide meals for a visitor.

It may be helpful to write a press release about the program requesting families who are interested in hosting a youth contact the host Lions club. Also, consider contacting local schools and universities, especially the foreign language or international studies departments with information about the program. Places of worship may also be a good place to provide information. All host families must complete an [application](#).

Host clubs often coordinate special events for participants. Host families should be informed of the activities, which may include:

- Welcome party.
- Outing with the local Leo club or attendance at a Lions meeting.
- Sightseeing outing, day trip to an amusement park, seaside outing, etc.

Costs and Travel Arrangements

Travel arrangements for participants are usually made between the Lions youth camp and exchange chairpersons in the sponsor and host countries. Details are passed to sponsor/host Lions clubs and participants.

Financial arrangements for transportation costs (including actual fares, insurance, airport fees, customs duties, and layover or overnight fees) are the responsibility of the sponsor Lions

club. Some camps require a camp fee. Costs may be paid by the sponsor Lions club, by the participant, the participant's family, or a combination of these sources. If you will need to raise funds, ask your sponsor Lions club for an acceptance letter and other materials that will help you explain the program to donors.

Arrangements for food and lodging are covered by the host Lions club, during and exchange. Participants are responsible for personal expenses (approximately US\$75 per week) such as phone calls home, souvenirs, etc.



Meet people you had the chance to take care of their daughter.

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Lions Clubs International Announces Historic Expansion of Partnership with Special Olympics

HAMBURG, Germany, 8 July 2013 – Lions Clubs International Foundation is pledging \$7.8 million to Special Olympics, expanding worldwide efforts to support the inclusion and well-being of people with intellectual disabilities.

Building on the organizations' 14-year history of collaboration, this pledge is part of a new multi-year partnership plan that will strengthen ties between Special Olympics and Lions Clubs International at the country and the community level. The partnership is providing health services, engaging youth and encouraging family support to benefit the global population of individuals with intellectual disabilities.

The announcement was made on stage during the 96th annual Lions Clubs International convention in Hamburg, Germany, by National Basketball Association athlete and Special Olympics Board Member Yao Ming, Special Olympics Chairman and CEO Timothy Shriver, Special Olympics Australia athlete Ben Haack, Special Olympics-Lions Clubs International Opening Eyes Founder Dr. Paul Berman and Lion Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Chairperson Tam Wing-kun.

“Just five months ago at the Special Olympics World Winter Games in Korea, Special Olympics convened world leaders for a Global Development Summit focused on ending the cycle of poverty and exclusion that people with intellectual disabilities face around the world. Lions Clubs did more than participate in that gathering -- they committed to action,” shared Yao Ming. “With this remarkable commitment, they're putting the funding and strength of their global grassroots organization in direct service for one of the world's most marginalized populations. There's no greater service organization than Lions, and the athletes, families, volunteers and fans of Special Olympics worldwide are proud to stand with their members in service to others.”

Lions Clubs International has been supporting Special Olympics with a focus on health through the Special Olympics-Lions Clubs International Opening Eyes vision screening program. Now, this five-year renewal and increased support will create leadership opportunities for Special Olympics athletes, increase the health work of Special Olympics, conduct outreach to families for additional support and allow for both organizations to reach more young people through inclusive sports and advocacy programs in an effort to achieve full acceptance and inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities in their communities.

“Lions Clubs International is honored to serve as a global partner of Special Olympics,” said Chairperson Tam. “For many years, we have worked side by side in the field of vision care for those with intellectual disabilities, and we are so

excited to expand the scope of our collaboration to meet additional needs in our communities. This expanded global partnership provides an opportunity for our Lions and Leo members to engage in new service opportunities like hearing health, family support, inclusive sports, membership development, and much more.”

As part of the partnership announcement, Lions Clubs International Foundation Chairperson Dr. Tam Wing-kun made Special Olympics Global Ambassador Yao Ming an honorary Lions Clubs member for his dedication to serving children throughout China.

Since 2001, Special Olympics and Lions Clubs International have screened more than 325,000 Special Olympics athletes, and with the help of global suppliers Essilor International and Safilo Group, have provided more than 100,000 athletes with high quality prescription eyeglasses. The expanded partnership will utilize the proven collaborative model exhibited through Opening Eyes, with the focus on creating additional health and social impacts to empower individuals with intellectual disabilities, their families, and their communities.

In addition to empowering people with intellectual disabilities to achieve their best both on and off the playing field, the partnership is designed to highlight the global and community leadership offered by Lions Clubs International, the largest service organization in the world, and a global leader in humanitarian service.

“Thank you Lions Clubs for your continued support, but more importantly for your belief in people like me,” said Ben Haack, Special Olympics Australia athlete. “Your support will allow us to reach more young people and empower our athletes to be leaders. We are so excited to work closely with Lions Clubs throughout the world to bring your mission, ‘We Serve’, to every corner of the Special Olympics Movement. These actions will help build understanding and break down barriers and bullying and will create communities of acceptance everywhere.”

In 2001, Lions Clubs International Foundation awarded Special Olympics the first grant in a multi-year, multi-million dollar commitment in the expansion of the Opening Eyes vision screening program. Since then, the Foundation has provided over \$15 million to provide vision and health-related services for a population long denied access to quality health and social services.

The commitment will continue to be more than just financial. Lions Clubs International has supported the Opening Eyes program with more than 20,000 volunteers in more than 80 countries, as well as helping to build capacity for increased disability programming in communities throughout the world.



**1st Annual District Rally
District 18-I
Watkinsville First United Methodist Church
Grace Hall
1331 New High Shoals Road
Watkinsville, Georgia 30677
October 26, 2013**



Dear Fellow Lions,

You and your club members, along with your guests, are cordially invited to District 18 - I's 1st Annual District Rally to be held 12 Noon, Saturday, October 26, 2013, at the Watkinsville First United Methodist Church..

Tickets for the dinner are \$18 each. Tickets will be held at the door and will be issued by club. Reserved seating will be assigned. Please complete and return the enclosed order form with payment to P.O. Box 871, Watkinsville, GA 30677, Attention Bill Bowman by no later than Saturday, October 15, 2013.

Other events of the day include the District's Second Cabinet Meeting and recognition of the 2013 District I Hall of Fame Inductees. All events will occur at Watkinsville First United Methodist Church's Grace Hall, 1331 New High Shoals Road, Watkinsville, Georgia 30677. Nominees and guests for the Hall of Fame /Rally luncheon should be included on the reservation form. Each club will be responsible for providing all the information requested in a timely manner.

It is requested that a club check be sent for all attending. Table assignments will be made in order of receipt of checks – the earlier your club registers the better the table assignment.



Each Club is to provide a basket or item for a silent auction. Please put an approximate value on the basket or item so initial bids can be established.

Yours in Lionism,

**Ed Hashbarger,
District Governor 18 --I**

**Schedule of Activities 9:00 am Training Certified Guiding Lion/CEP Overview
 11:00 am Cabinet Meeting
 12:00 noon Lunch/Speaker
 1:15 Hall of Fame presentations**

District 18 - I Hall of Fame/Rally Ticket Order Form
Watkinsville First United Methodist Church
Grace Hall
12 Noon, Saturday, October 26, 2013

Cost: Number of Tickets _____ @ \$18.00 Each = \$ _____

Tables: Eight Persons to a Table

Club: _____

Contact: Name _____ Telephone: _____

Please list attendees if known, so we don't duplicate the order.

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Please make check payable to: Lions 18-I Hall of Fame/Rally
ORDERS MUST BE POSTMARKED NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 15, 2013

Remit to: District Rally/Hall of fame
P.O. Box 871
Watkinsville, GA 30677
Attention: Bill Bowman

LIONS OF GEORGIA

2014 MD 18 CONVENTION

Macon, GA

May 30 – June 1, 2014

HOSPITALITY BOOK AND EVENT REGISTRATION

NAME (check boxes that apply) Each person receiving a Hospitality Book must be listed.	# Hospitality Books	# M/JF Luncheon tickets	Lion (check)	Leo (check)	Guest (check)	Dietary Restrictions (type)

Club:		District:	
Address:		City, State, Zip:	
Email Address:			

Hospitality Book Includes: 2 District Breakfasts and District Governors Banquet on Saturday Night.

Cost of Hospitality Book: Before Sept. 30, 2013 \$105.00 Oct. 1, 2013- Dec. 31, 2013 \$125.00
 Jan 1, 2014 - April 30, 2014 \$145.00 After April 30, 2014 \$160.00

Hospitality Books	#	@	each	Total Amt.:	\$
M/JF Luncheon	#	@	\$30.00 each	Total Amt.:	\$
Make Checks Payable To: Lions of Georgia MD Convention				Total Amount Due:	\$
Check #/Cash:		Date Paid:		Amount Paid:	\$

HOTEL INFORMATION:

Marriott Macon City Center
 240 Coliseum Drive
 Macon, Georgia 31217
 478-521-5300 or 1-800-868-5354
 Make Reservations Directly with Hotel
 Room rate is \$119 night plus 14% tax
 Tell them you are with the Lions Convention!

MAIL REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECKS TO:

Lion David McDonald
 1624 Hannahs Mill Road
 Thomaston, Georgia 30286
 H: 706-548-3550
 Email:
 dmcDonald@charter.net

District Governor

Lion Ed Hashbarger (Yoriko)
edmlionh@bellsouth.net

Cabinet Secretary

Lion Harold Walker
hewalker7@bellsouth.net

TO:



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