



We Serve



18-D

District Bulletin



District Governor Ed Hashbarger

Fellow Lions, Have you submitted the Names and Contact info of Lions to the Chamber of Commerce – City Officials - Health and Welfare and so on who are ready to take appropriate action in case of any Emergency or if someone might be in need of aid????????? Please take the necessary action so others won't have to suffer.

Time really flies when you have fun. I have enjoyed getting out and visiting all the Clubs within the District. Many of you have asked about fund-raising ideas, training and other items of interest. Well, I have tried to put as much in the Bulletin as I can. First, I will start off with Fund-raising ideas: I know a good fund-raising has to make at least 50% profit or more. If you check out page 14 about the Ultimate Fundraising Inc. They seem to have some good items that can be done. Check it out – it might surprise you. Also, I have not heard on whether some of you have tried the Supermarket Sweep as of yet. Whoever does – please let me know how it turned out so I can pass the word. It also can be fun and worthwhile.

Training: As you all know, we are really in the training mode. It is very important – we must get Lions trained to start climbing the ladder. There is much to be done within your community and there is much to be done within your District. As you know, as one Club we can only do so much, but as a FAMILY, we do and can have a TEAM effort in supporting each other. Also, we need the Leadership to start stepping up and take charge within the District as well as the State. We are trying the best that we can and need everyone's help in supporting the Lions such as PCC Grace Clower, PID John Pearce and Lion Pete Stamsen. They will be on the road passing information onto you – please try and get Lions out and get the much needed info that you need to know. Check out pages 11 and 12.

Tree Planting: Check out page 13 in regards of getting 4th graders involved on Arbor Day. Kids across the nation plant trees – if you need more info on getting trees – please contact Lion Wayne Turnbull at 706-769-5310 – he is waiting for your call. (he can give you more info and also gives a tremendous program). We also have a few other Lions within our District who work for or have worked for the Georgia Forestry Service – if they are in your club – get them to give a program and volunteer to pass info within your Zone. Also, are you working with the LEO's in your area or have you contacted the Scouts – they can help and it helps them get their needed badges.

Also, check out the Editor's page – Lion Meetings are counted as Service Hours on the Service Activity Report.

Tanx for being who you are - LIONS

Publicity and Communication are the KEYS – use them.

Remember – "The significant problems we face cannot be solved by the same level of thinking that created them".

Yours in Lionism, Ed Hasbarger

# UPCOMING EVENTS

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

## November - Recognize World Diabetes Day

World Diabetes Day, November 14, aims to highlight the rising prevalence of both type 1 and type 2 diabetes in children and adolescents. It is estimated that 70,000 children under age 15 develop type 1 diabetes each year (almost 200 children a day). Begin organizing your diabetes awareness event now:

Plan a diabetes screening or organize a [Strides Walk](#) for children and adults



Show the new film presentation, "Protect Your Vision: The Dilated Eye Exam," to promote the importance of an annual eye exam and prevention of diabetic retinopathy. A DVD is available by [order](#) in English and Spanish

Use public relations tools such as [Public Service Announcements](#) to promote diabetes awareness

Learn more about [World Diabetes Day](#) and visit the [National Diabetes Education Program \(NDEP\)](#) Web site for additional community awareness ideas and educational materials—a Lions Clubs International partner.



## Peace Poster Contest Judging Deadlines.

Lions clubs sponsoring the **2010-11 Peace Poster**

**Contest is "*Children Know Peace*"**

must mail posters advancing to district judging by 15 November. Be sure the sticker (PPC-4) included in each Peace Poster Contest kit is affixed to the back of the poster.



## November – Annual LCIF Contributing Member Month.

Lions who become Contributing Members receive distinctive lapel pins and the satisfaction of knowing they help restore vision, bring food, and clothing to victims of disasters and provide vocational training for the disabled plus much more. Get involved.

Member Orientation Training, by Region, for the district – See page 11:

Region I – Sunday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at Ryan's Steakhouse in Commerce (At Outlet Mall)

Region II – Saturday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m. at Just Off The Square Country Café, 123 East Main Street, in Dahlongega

Region III – Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Winder Lions Clubhouse.



# Planning Ahead

## 5 December: International Leo Day Making the World a Better Place for Children

Every day, millions of children around the world miss out on the joy of childhood. Instead of playing with toys, they deal with poverty, malnutrition and disabilities. That's why Leo clubs work on international Leo projects and [local community service projects](#) to improve the lives of children.

### International Leo Projects

[Spotlight on Children](#) is the international service project of Leo clubs. Spotlight on Children projects give Leos the opportunity to enrich the lives of children by:

- **Collecting food and clothes for local street children**
- **Repairing playgrounds**
- **Implementing after-school tutoring programs**
- **Visiting children in hospitals**
- **Raising funds for immunization programs**

Through projects like these, Leo clubs bring hope and laughter to needy children, especially on December 5, International Leo Day.

## January is Glaucoma Awareness Month

### 13 January is Melvin Jones' Birthday

13-19 January: LCIF Week



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



**Congratulations** to the new  
*Hall of Fame* recipients:



**Lion Grace Clower –  
Snellville Lions**



**Lion Walter Stearman -  
Loganville Lions**



**Joe Brown –  
Dahlonega Lions**



**Lion Roberta Wagner –  
Dahlonega Lions**

**District 18-D Rally**

**Congratulations =**

*Presidential Leadership Medal  
Herman Jones – Gainesville Lions*



**Lion Bill Mundy – Ervin/Crumbley Award**

*Presidential Certificate of Appreciation*



**PCC Dan Stuart and Oconee Lions Club**



**Lions Diane O'Shields and Gene Little**



**Presidential Lapel Pin to Lions Bill Heron Tail Twister  
and Steve Hart LCIF Coordinator**

**What did YOU MISS?**





## 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](#)



## I Believe in You



**Wing-Kun Tam,  
International  
President**

## I Believe Resources

Use the following resources to help your club – and our association – make a difference through service and impactful projects this year:

- [I Believe brochure](#): Read about 2011-2012 international president's theme brochure, *I Believe*.
- [I Believe logo](#): Download 2011-2012 international president logo to use on club communications and promotional materials.
- [Global Service Action Campaigns](#): Participate in Global Service Action Campaigns to bring attention to the service Lions provide for the environment, youth, sight and more.
- [Tree Planting Campaign](#): Take part in International President Tam's campaign to plant 1,000,000 trees during his presidential year.
- ["The Believer's" Award](#): Read about "The Believer's" Award – a special recognition award for those who demonstrate their belief in the power of service by planting a tree.

- [First Believer Awards](#): Learn how the First Believer Awards will recognize District Governors who achieve strong membership results in the first four months of their year.
- [Service Awards](#): Find out about the Service Awards – and how they will recognize outstanding achievement by clubs and districts in the area of service.
- [My Club, My Family](#): Get tips your club can use to instill the philosophy "my club, my family."
- [Welcoming New Members](#): Use this pocket card checklist as a reminder to welcome new members as you would family.

---

## Share Our New "Rockin' the Vest" Music Video with Your Friends, Family and Local Media



Have you seen the [Lions rap video "Rockin' the Vest?"](#) We want this video to go viral to show as many people as possible the great work Lions do – and get them excited about serving their communities as Lions. Help spread the word by e-mailing the video to your family and friends. Placing it on your Facebook page. And sharing it with local TV stations and newspapers. When doing so, be sure to include information about how your club is improving the community.

[A radio PSA version is also available.](#)

## Lions Serve Where We Live

Raise awareness of Lions service in your community. Provide television and radio public service announcements (PSAs) to the public service director or director of community affairs at your local

media outlets. To assist your efforts, review [tips for placing PSAs](#) on television. Stations can download a broadcast quality MPEG format directly on LNN or request a DVD from the [Public Relations Department](#).



### Airport

[30 seconds](#) **NEW**  
[60 seconds](#) **NEW**



### Safari

[30 seconds](#) - Feeding **NEW**  
[30 seconds](#) - Hunting (Environment) **NEW**  
[30 seconds](#) - Vision **NEW**



## Get In Step with Your Community

[30 seconds](#)   
[30 seconds](#) - ([Localizable Script](#))

### Radio Format

To download audio format, right click on the desired track and select "Save Target As."

[:30 – .wav format](#)  
[:30 – .aif format](#)  
[:30 – .mp3 format](#)



### Diabetes

[15 seconds](#)   
[30 seconds](#)



## Register to Attend International Convention in Busan



Make plans to join Lions from around the world at our 95th International Convention in Busan, Korea, June 22-26, 2012. While in Busan, be sure to experience Korean cuisine at a barbecue restaurant, get your toes in the sand at Haeundae Beach and take a short ride to visit Beomeosa Temple on the slopes of Mt. Geumjeongsan. [Learn more about pre/post convention tour options](#) – and be sure to [register to attend](#) by December 31 to lock in the lowest registration fee and reserve your hotel at our specially discounted Lions rates.

## Lions Clubs International Blog Posts

If you're looking for weekly news about our association – and stories and photos from clubs around the world – the Lions Clubs International blog has got you covered. During the past quarter, our blog has featured daily highlights from International Convention in Seattle, updates on our disaster relief efforts in the U.S., famine relief efforts in Africa and lots more.

<http://lionsclubs.org/blog/>

## Tree Planting Challenge

Lions find it impossible to resist a challenge. The goal of planting [one million trees](#) in a single year was surpassed September 7<sup>th</sup>.

Of course, the challenge is not really the important part. It's furthering Lions mission to be good stewards of the environment that matters most. Planting trees helps prevent soil erosion, cool the environment and replenish the oxygen in the atmosphere.

In Sri Lanka, the Colombo Maitland Lions Club planted 200 banana trees

which provide all these benefits and provide a source of income for the local people. In Zambia, the Lusaka Mulungushi Lions Club planted 60 fruit and shade trees at a new school for orphans and impoverished children. The trees will provide a nutritional supplement and create an appropriate learning environment for the school's 375 students.

## Help Prevent Vision Loss During November

November is Diabetes Awareness Month. This gives you a chance to fight diabetic retinopathy, a leading cause of adult blindness. Take action now by partnering with local health care providers to [organize diabetes and/or vision screenings](#). Distribute the new Lions Eye Health Program resource, *Making Vision a Health Priority* to promote eye health awareness and blindness prevention. Or plan a [Strides Walk](#) to raise awareness of diabetic retinopathy.

## For Clubs , check out....

### [Club Excellence Award](#)

Clubs and districts that excel in community service, membership growth, communication and organizational management may qualify for the prestigious Excellence Awards.

**Club Excellence Award:** Clubs receive a distinguished banner patch to proudly display on their banner and the club president receives a Club Excellence Pin to proudly recognize his or her outstanding leadership.

### [Family Lions Cub Program](#)

Invite your family to participate in your club's next community event, because as a family unit, you can receive a dues discount when volunteering together.

As a Lions family unit you can:

- Increase quality family time
- Be a role model
- Help your community

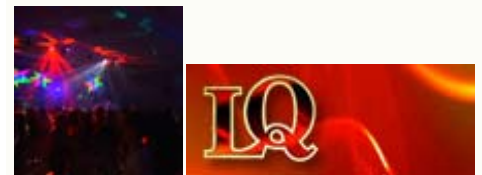
The Family Membership Program applies to family members eligible

for Lions membership in and/or joining the same club and living in the same household related by birth, marriage and other legal means - such as parents, children, spouses, aunts/uncles, cousins, grandparents and in-laws of spouses.



Lions Clubs International

## LIONS QUARTERLY



Watch [LQ](#) to see how Lions in England are helping teens avoid substance abuse.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### [Commemorative Coin](#)

Support this campaign to commemorate our centennial.

### [Lions Clubs Blog](#)

Read our blog to get news updates during the month.

## CONTESTS

### [International Contest](#)

Enter your Newsletter, Trading Pin, Banner or Web Site today.

### [Environmental Photo Contest](#)

Organize a club-level contest to showcase the beauty of nature.

## EVENTS

### [Calendar of Events](#)

Review upcoming Lions events your club can promote locally.

## CONNECT WITH US ONLINE





**Dear Lion,**

This month we celebrate Lions World Sight Day and our commitment to saving sight around the world. This month I am also happy to share with you a new health initiative.



I am sure you have heard of the deadly disease measles. The terrible truth is that 450 children die each day from this disease. You may not know that a devastating complication from this disease is blindness. This is just another reason that as Lions we join the fight to stop this disease to save lives and prevent childhood blindness.



Last year we joined the Measles Initiative, a collaborative effort of several leading organizations to eliminate measles. In less than 10 years, this August, the 1 billionth child was vaccinated through this initiative. While measles has been reduced by 78 percent since 2001, the World

Health Organization estimates that decreasing support could result in 500,000 more deaths each year if the present progress rolls back to pre-2000 levels.

Our pilot year was a great success! Lions and our partners vaccinated 41 million children in four countries. Now we must expand these efforts to reach even more children in more countries. In a survey of Lions members, 90 percent expressed the desire to continue this program.

This is now possible thanks to a commitment by our partner, the Gates Foundation. The Gates Foundation is awarding us US\$5 million for the program this year, the largest single donation in our history. The Gates Foundation will do this by matching every US\$2 that we raise with US\$1. We have set a combined goal of providing US\$15 million toward this initiative.

I ask that you encourage your club and district to get involved. Please help us to meet our goal of providing US\$15 million for the Lions' Measles program this year. You can support this program at [www.lcif.org/donate](http://www.lcif.org/donate) or [learn more online](#). Your donation is MJF eligible.

Serving today for a better tomorrow,

*Sid L. Scruggs, III*

*Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation*

### **SightFirst II Making an Impact in South Asia**

Lions helped to raise more than US\$200 million during Campaign SightFirst II. These funds are already having a great impact around the world, including in South Asia. To date, in South Asia the program has helped to fund 112 projects totaling US\$16.9 million. Grant funds have been awarded to upgrade or expand 72 clinics and hospitals, provide 496,200 cataract surgeries, and train 96 midlevel ophthalmic personnel. In addition, one state-of-the-art comprehensive eye hospital will be constructed and equipped, and one comprehensive, multiple district diabetic retinopathy program, including equipment purchases and training for seven Lions eye hospitals, has been completed. In upcoming e-newsletters, each region of the world will be highlighted.

### **LCIF Awards Grants**

At the recent International Board of Directors meeting in Hong Kong, China, [55 grants were awarded](#) totaling US\$4.09 million, benefiting 915,778 individuals. This includes US\$1.19 million for the Lions Clubs International-Special Olympics Opening Eyes program. These grants will enable Lions to have a great impact in their communities.



### **River Blindness Eliminated in Colombia**

Since 2004, SightFirst has been a contributing partner in the Onchocerciasis Elimination Program of the Americas, which works to end the illness and transmission of onchocerciasis (or river blindness) in Latin America. As a result of health education and Mectizan® distribution, there has been no new blindness from onchocerciasis in these areas. The World Health Organization (WHO) will announce the elimination of onchocerciasis in Colombia at the Inter-American Conference of Onchocerciasis in November, making Colombia the first country to receive such certification.

### **Lions Hold Seventh MalTra Week**

The 7th MalTra week will be held November 5-12 in Ethiopia. Aimed at preventing malaria and trachoma, MalTra week is held twice annually. During the 5th MALTRA week in November 2010 more than 10 million people in Amhara state were given the drug Zithromax®. Amhara is the most endemic area in the world for trachoma.

## THE GATES CHALLENGE & THE MEASLES INITIATIVE

The following memo will provide you with some important facts and background information about the Gates Challenge and LCIF's deepening partnership with the Measles Initiative. Please use this information to inform Lions about the Gates Challenge, Lions' role in halting measles, and our partnership with the Measles Initiative. More information and materials will be forwarded to you in the weeks to come.

### The Gates Challenge

On October 21st, Chairperson Scruggs' monthly e-blast announced LCIF's commitment to raise US\$10 million to help halt the needless deaths and the crippling health effects of measles. Furthermore, LCIF is proud that the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will match every US\$2 that Lions raise this year with US\$1, for a total gift of US\$5 million. All together, LCIF will provide US\$15 million to the Measles Initiative in 2011-12. The US\$5 million gift from the Gates foundation is the single largest donation in LCIF history and it marks a deepening of the relationship first started with last year's initial grant of US\$400,000. **All donations made to LCIF to help meet the Gates Challenge are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship (MJF) credit.**

### The Measles Initiative

The World Health Organization, the United Nations Foundation, UNICEF, American Red Cross, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention created the Measles Initiative in 2001 as a partnership of leaders in public health committed to achieving the United Nations' goal of reducing measles deaths. While measles does not pose a significant health risk in the developed world, 450 children still die each day from measles-related complications. Measles is a major cause of childhood blindness and is the leading cause of vaccine-preventable deaths among children, worldwide. As recently as 1999, nearly 900,000 measles-related deaths occurred annually. In the last 10 years, however, the Measles Initiative has supported the vaccinations of more than one billion children. These efforts have reduced measles deaths by 78%. It is estimated that more than 5 million deaths have been prevented because of the work of this remarkable Initiative. Much more remains to be done to continue these successes and save the lives of even more children.

### The Measles Initiative - Lions Clubs International Pilots

The Measles Initiative recognizes that there are many important advantages inherent in a partnership with Lions Clubs International.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation considers the improvement of global health systems to be one of its highest priorities. It awarded Lions Clubs International Foundation a matching grant of US\$400,000 to conduct four Lions-Measles Initiative pilot projects in Ethiopia, Madagascar, Nigeria and Mali in 2010-11. The LCIF share of the matching grant added an additional US\$300,000 to support measles campaigns in

these four countries. Lion members in recipient areas strengthen campaigns through a combination of social mobilization, advocacy and monitoring activities.

The first campaigns of the Lions-Measles Initiative pilot program were in October 2010 in Ethiopia and Madagascar, where more than 13 million children were treated. Vaccination campaigns took place in Nigeria and Mali in January and February 2011; 4.5 million children in Mali received vaccinations. With the help of Ministries of Health and other Measles Initiative partners, Lions' leadership teams in these four pilot countries assisted with coordinating the program implementation and documentation.

It is hoped that the involvement of Lions in these four countries will not only add value to the measles campaigns themselves, but will result in more robust health systems in Africa, as well.

### **Measles Initiative and Gates Challenge Fast Facts**

- \_ Cost Effective - US\$1 = 1 child saved from measles through LCIF support of Measles Initiative vaccination campaigns!
- \_ End Unnecessary Deaths – 450 children die each day from measles-related complications.
- \_ Prevent Permanent Damage to Children's Health - Nearly 30 percent of children who contract measles suffer complications from the virus such as vision loss, hearing loss, or brain damage.
- \_ LCIF's Goal – Raise US\$10 million (in addition to the US\$5 million grant from the Gates Foundation) to support the Measles Initiative in 2011-2012
- \_ Historic Gift - US\$5 million matching grant from the Gates Foundation – the biggest single gift in LCIF history
- \_ Proven Positive Impact - Last year, more than 41 million children were immunized in four pilot countries (Ethiopia, Madagascar, Mali, and Nigeria)
- \_ View Video Online – Coverage of 2010-11 measles vaccination campaigns available online:  
<http://www.lcif.org/EN/ourprograms/humanitarianefforts/measles.php> (video link at bottom of page)
- \_ Long-term Solution - In addition to distributing vaccinations, Measles Initiative activities prioritize strengthening the immunization delivery system in order to ensure future sustainability and support eventual eradication of the disease.
- \_ Global Partners - Our global partners in the Measles Initiative include: UNICEF, World Health Organization (WHO), U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC), American Red Cross, and the United Nations Foundation.
- \_ MJF-Eligible – All donations to help LCIF meet the Gates Challenge are eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship credit.
- \_ Dedicated Webpage for Measles Donations:  
<http://www.lcif.org/EN/ways-to-give/lion-measles-donation.php>





## Editor's Note

Fellow Lions:

**Have we forgotten?**

### Lions Code of Ethics

- **To Show** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.
- **To Seek** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.
- **To Remember** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.
- **Whenever** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
- **To Hold** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.
- **Always** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.
- **To Aid** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.
- **To Be Careful** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

LIONS ARE men and women who believe that by working with other dedicated Lions, they will accomplish more for their communities than would be possible alone.



**Have YOU done the Service Activity Report?**

### Service Activity - Category Summary

#### Subcategories:

Participating Clubs  
 % Participating Clubs  
 Activities  
 Lion Hours  
 People Served  
 Participants  
 Twinning Relationships  
 Hearing Aids Collected  
 Eyeglasses Collected  
 Trees Planted  
 Funds Raised  
 Funds Donated

#### Assistance to Individuals

aid to disadvantaged children  
 aid to disadvantaged families  
 aid to homeless  
 aid to the elderly/disabled  
 aid to the vision / hearing impaired  
 other assistance to individuals

#### Community & Cultural Activity

art / cultural event  
 civic services  
 competition / contest  
 education/language/literacy  
 facility improvement / construction  
 food bank/food distribution  
 other community & cultural activity  
 sports / recreation event

#### Disaster Preparedness & Relief

Blood Collection  
 other disaster preparedness & relief

#### Donations

Non-LCIF Donations  
 scholarship

#### Environmental Services

clean up  
 environment preservation services  
 environmental awareness / education  
 Recycling  
 Tree Planting

#### Fundraising

Fundraising Event / Campaign  
 other fundraising

#### Health & Wellness

eyeglass recycling  
 guide dogs  
 health/support services  
 vision screening

#### Meetings / Administrative Activities

club visitations  
 conventions & other events  
 meetings

#### Opportunities for Youth

sponsorship of boy scouts / girls scouts troops





**Dear Lion Leaders,**

When we began our leadership year in July, I announced my intention to visit with as many club presidents as possible. Now, with one quarter of the year behind us, I have had many opportunities to fulfill that commitment.



In meeting with presidents in many diverse locations around the world, I have seen that most Lions clubs are alike in very many ways...and certainly in all the ways that really matter. We all believe in Lions power to change our neighborhoods and the world through service and leadership.

In fact, most clubs remind me of the Mt. Cameron Lions Club which I joined in 1981. The members there made me feel welcome, immediately offered me responsible assignments and taught me what it means to be a Lion. They made me feel like a member of a family. Because they did, I became a Lion for life.

I believe that it is the club presidents who have the greatest responsibility and opportunity to make members' experiences more like that of a family. Presidents can set the tone. I hope the tone you set will be one of welcome and respect for the talents and ideas of all members. Presidents who are successful at this will find themselves at the head of a healthy -- and growing -- Lions club. Lions who are fulfilled in their desire to serve and happy with the club's camaraderie are our best recruiting tools.

Club presidents are also the key to motivating clubs to participate in projects like the [Global Service Action Campaigns](#) and this year's challenge to plant [one million trees](#) worldwide. Already there has been more than 150,000 of hours of volunteer service and 2,518,999 trees have been planted to date.

These projects are already changing the world in meaningful ways. They will be the legacy of our leadership and testimony to the truth of Lions motto: We Serve.

Thank you for all you have done and all you will do to make our world a better place.

Sincerely,

Wing-Kun Tam  
International President

### **Global Membership Team and Global Leadership Team**

*Since July, the Global Membership Team (GMT) and the newly created Global Leadership Team (GLT) have been working side-by-side for club success. Each has a separate but parallel structure at the global, multiple district and district levels.*

*District GMT and GLT coordinators have been appointed by the district governor teams.*

*GMT coordinators help identify district and club community service opportunities, assist in setting membership goals, identify and aid struggling clubs.*

*GLT coordinators identify future leaders, and provide training to club officers and members.*

*The GMT coordinators and zone chairpersons identify candidates (clubs) for the [Club Excellence Process \(CEP\)](#). This program helps clubs examine community needs, analyze membership experiences, identify and train future leaders and develop action plans. Once a club is willing to participate the GLT D coordinator will assign a facilitator/"coach."*

### **Volunteering as a Family**

Volunteering together makes your family stronger and helps make the Lions family stronger.

When you invite family members to take part in your club's projects, you increase quality family time and have the opportunity to serve as a good role model for your children and allow them to experience the joy of serving others. You will also have fun! In addition, you also bring new hands and vital energy to help your Lions club better serves the people of your community and the world.

The Family Membership dues discount makes it easier for all members of your family to become active Lions club members. Lions Clubs International's new Cub Program (pdf) helps make clubs even more family-friendly.

**Lions International Mission Statement:** To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace, and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs.

**Lions International Vision Statement:** To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.

## Global Service Action Campaigns

### Sharing the Vision

"We Serve" in many ways. One of the oldest, most important and most successful ways in which Lions serve is by protecting and restoring sight. This, along with helping visually impaired live more fulfilling, dignified lives, is the focus of this month's [Sharing the Vision](#) campaign. There is still time for your district or club to participate in this vital area of Lions work.

When your club has completed its project, please be sure to report the results using the [Service Activity Report](#) at the Lions Clubs International Web site.

### Relieving the Hunger

With more than one billion people in the world who do not have enough to eat, Relieving the Hunger may seem like an impossible task. But like every other Lions project, we can change the world one person, one life, at a time.

Your club can:

- Sponsor a community food drive to replenish a local food pantry.
- Volunteer to deliver prepared meals to elderly or disabled citizens.
- Serve meals at a soup kitchen or homeless shelter.
- Partner with local restaurants or food markets. Pick up donations of fresh food items for a women's or children's shelter.
- Collect infant formula and baby food for an organization serving young mothers at risk.
- 

For more project ideas and help planning events see [Relieving the Hunger](#) at the Lions Clubs International Web site.

### Engaging Our Youth

In August's [Engaging Our Youth](#) campaign, 1,250 Lions clubs planned and executed 2,343 projects and completed 272,168 of hours of volunteer service. In that amount of time you could sail around the world 141 times.

## Set Your Sights High

### [Lions Eye Health Program \(LEHP\)](#)

**New** [Lions Eye Health Program \(LEHP\)](#) materials are now available for you online! LEHP is a community-based education program that empowers you to promote healthy vision and raise awareness about eye diseases that can cause blindness.

- LEHP provides user-friendly, fact-based toolkits and materials for you to personalize and use with confidence and pride.
- LEHP is co-branded with the globally-respected National Eye Institute (NEI)/National Eye Health Education Program (NEHEP).
- LEHP resources can be used worldwide, with the guidance of your local professional eye care partners.

Coming soon... more LEHP toolkits and resources!

We encourage you to take a look at LEHP, and if you have any questions, please contact [Health & Children's Services Department](#).

Marilee Kadar, Manager, Health & Children's Services, [Marilee.Kadar@lionsclubs.org](mailto:Marilee.Kadar@lionsclubs.org)  
Tel: 630-468-6867

### LEOs to Lions

Leos are the future of the Lions Clubs International family. Your club and your community will all benefit when you make Leos your active partners in service. Leos bring energy, passion and new ideas about service. And no one understands the needs of young people in your community better than other young people.

Mentoring Leos is also a valuable opportunity for Lions to serve as positive role models for the youth of their communities and to demonstrate the skills and satisfaction that come with the dedication to volunteer service.

There can be no better preparation for a lifetime of service as a Lion than participation in an active Leo club. Today's Leos are tomorrow's Lion leaders. To make the transition easier, Lions Clubs International has established the [Leo to Lion Program](#) which waives the usual entry fee as well as half of all international dues until age 30.

## GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM UPDATE

I have shared with you earlier all the training included in our District Leadership Development Plan. We held our first training for Certified Guiding Lions in conjunction with our recent District Rally. As a result, we now have 4 new Guiding Lions in our District. I hope we will have more Lions who will go online and complete the course. If you do that, you will need to forward the Certified Guiding Lion Test and Completion Verification Form to me.

**Another important part of our training and leadership initiative is webinars.**

**Webinar = Also written as "webinar."** Short for *Web-based seminar*, a presentation, lecture, workshop or seminar that is transmitted over the [Web](#). A key feature of a Webinar is its interactive elements -- the ability to give, receive and discuss information. Contrast with [Webcast](#), in which the data transmission is one way and does not allow interaction between the presenter and the audience.

Go to this web site and sign up = [http://lionstraining.us/Lions\\_Training/Webinars/Webinars.html](http://lionstraining.us/Lions_Training/Webinars/Webinars.html)

### Training Certified Guiding Lions

**Monday, November 7, 2011 = 6:30pm**

This webinar is designed for the Lion that will be Training Guiding Lions and qualifying those Lions to be Certified Guiding Lions. The CGL program was redeveloped recently by LCI. CGLs are critical to...



\* \* \* \* \*

### Facilitating CEP: Leading Clubs to Success

**Monday, November 14, 2011 = 6:30pm**

The new Club Excellence Process is a great tool to help any club get onto the road to successful community leadership. This webinar will explain how to conduct these workshops for clubs in your Zone...

\* \* \* \* \*

### Zone Chair Meet-up

**Monday, November 28, 2011 = 6:30pm**

Zone Chairs will electronically meet each other across the Southeast U.S. Gather new ideas about making the clubs in your zone thrive! Did you know there is a new medal that Zone Chairs can earn...



More Great Lions Club Webinars: [LCI is hosting regular webinars on all kinds of topics.](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/leadership-development/development-programs/webinars.php)  
<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/leadership-development/development-programs/webinars.php>

**One of the major focuses of our training is the Club Excellence Process. This is primarily for clubs with 20 members or less. If your club falls in this category, I hope you will consider this way to help your club. I am planning an emphasis on Club Excellence Process in January. A goal of 4 clubs to participate in the Club Excellence Process has been set.**

**All of these training opportunities are designed to make our members, clubs, and leadership stronger. We hope you will join us in this effort to make ours the best district in Georgia.**

PCC Grace Clower  
18-D GLT Coordinator

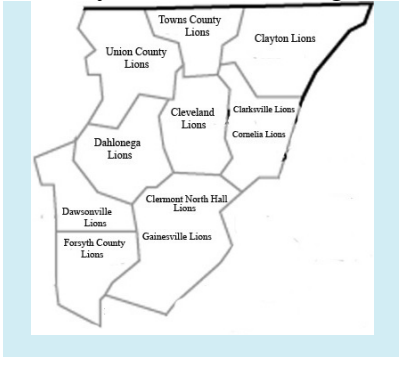


## Member Orientation Training, by Region, for the district:

**Region I** – Sunday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at Ryan’s Steakhouse in Commerce (At Outlet Mall)



**Region II** – Probably Saturday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> – 10:00 a.m. at Just Off The Square Country Café in Dahlonega



**Region III** – Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Winder Lions Clubhouse.



Lions Clubs International offers orientation materials for both new and long-term Lions. The [Orientation Guide](#) (pdf) is a platform for Lion leaders when planning and conducting new member orientations. The first section gives training tips and suggestions. The second section provides reference materials and serves as a reproducible workbook for new members. The Lions Orientation Refresher Series is beneficial for all Lions, even the most seasoned, active Lion. The series is designed to REFRESH members' knowledge of Lions Clubs International, REVITALIZE their enthusiasm for helping those in need, RECONNECT them with their reasons for becoming a Lion and RENEW their commitment to membership development, extension and leadership initiatives.

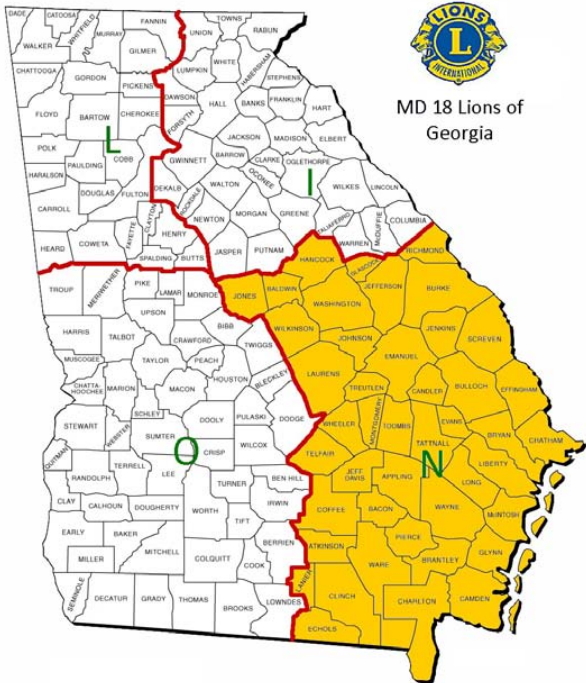
### New State District Map is Approved

We have received notification from the International Board of Directors that our Redistricting plan was approved as submitted. As of July 1, 2013, Multiple District 18 will reform all District lines becoming 4 districts. District 18-D will become District 18-I. At that time we will welcome clubs from the former District 18-F from the south.

During this Lions year, this district will continue with its convention as previously scheduled along with the District Breakfasts at the state convention next year. In the Lions year 2012-2013, the district will continue to hold regular District Cabinet Meetings and District Breakfasts at the State convention. But there will not be a 18-D Convention. There will be an organizing convention of District 18-I that will be held sometime in the winter of 2013. At that time, elections for District Officers of the new District will take place.

At our final 18-D Convention in Dahlonega, we will elect the following officers for the Lions Year 2012-2013 = District Governor, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor, 2nd Vice District Governor, District Director for the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation. All nominations must be submitted by the club of the nominee by February 15, 2012 to the District Governor and the Nominations Chair Lion Ray Chastain.

Normally the term of office for Camp VP and Lighthouse Director is 2 years. For this election it may be for 1 year as our charities adjust to 4 districts instead of 6. More information will be published as it becomes available.



**PCC Grace Clower**  
18-D Global Leadership Team Coordinator

Since 2007 more than 166,000 fourth graders, all across America rolled up their sleeves and planted a tree.



To help revitalize a remarkable idea ♦

## Arbor Day at School

They have become members of **FOURTH GRADE FORESTERS USA**, a project that is designed to do just that.

In 1885 a national group of educators urged observation of Arbor Day in the nation's schools on the official Arbor Day of their own State.

School observations grew by leaps and bounds. Over the years, millions of children received and planted millions of seedlings, millions of seedlings that grew into millions of mature trees.

Together, those trees make up a unique forest. A forest planted by generations of America's children.

Somehow the School Arbor Day tradition began to fade away and now only relatively few kids get a tree to take home and plant on their State's Arbor Day.

It's time to reverse the decline.

Georgia's Arbor Day is February 17, 2012. There are approximately 130,000 4<sup>th</sup> graders in Georgia. A Remarkable Idea, Arbor Day at School.

The project, organized by Free Trees and Plants.com, has four major goals.

1. To revitalize observation of Arbor Day in America's schools on the official Arbor Day proclaimed in their own state.
2. To send every fourth grader home with a tree of their own to plant and care for.
3. To support employment of workers with disabilities.\*
4. To bring schools, private individuals, businesses and organizations together to have direct positive impact on the urban forests of their communities.

### How Lions Clubs Can Help

If a Lions Club becomes a sponsor of the Fourth Grade Foresters they will:

1. Build a new connection with the community by making it possible for trees to be planted and cared for in your local Urban Forest . . . the trees surrounding the homes of your citizens.
2. Share the message and vision of the Club directly with local families.
3. Help kids learn that they make a difference in their community and have a direct impact on the environment.
4. Help local Fourth Grade Foresters set an example for the entire community. The trees they plant will become a forest that will benefit the environment and generations to come.



There is no fuss or muss. There is absolutely no cost to the student, teachers, the schools, or the school district.

A bag header attached to each tree featuring planting and care instructions and a place for you to attach your message.



**FALL HAS ARRIVED!!  
FALL FUNDRAISING IDEAS!**

I want to thank all of the Lions members who visited our fundraising booth this past September in **Anchorage, Alaska**. I felt very proud to say that we here at Ultimate Fundraising Inc. are able to work with such fine people who are striving to make a difference in their communities.

**I was so impressed that I even became a Lions Member that weekend. Let the roaring begin!**

In talking with various Lions Members, it became apparent that the **three most popular fundraising programs are the First Aid Kits, Coffee and Beverage**. For this reason, I have decided to make these the focus of this email and invite to you to contact me and gather some more **information and a sample** if you would like. We are currently working with many clubs across the country and they are experiencing **great success and large profits** with these two programs. Your club can do the same.

**NEW First Aid Kit Fundraiser**

**This is our best fundraising program ever! The program is now new and improved. It offers 10 different \$10 first aid kits and your club makes a profit of 40%. There are also \$20 and \$25 kits available for those who wish to have a more extensive kit. 20 members sell 5 kits each and make a profit of \$400**



**NEW First Aid Kit Program**

**Also available:  
Auto, Sport, Outdoor, Gardening, Golf,  
Handyman, Ow-Wee, Kitchen, Home**



**Many other fundraiser items:  
Art in Nature Flower Program 40-50% profit, Boston's Best Ultimate Beverage Collection 40% profit, Popcorn Fundraiser 45-50% profit and much more – visit the web site below.....**

**CONTACT US TODAY TO RECEIVE YOUR  
FREE INFORMATION PACKAGE!!**

**Soccer/Baseball Bracelet Fundraiser** Earn hundreds of dollars and provide a cool product to adults, teens, and kids **83% Profit**



**Skratchers** New and Unique- tired of candy- who isn't? Skratchers offers a **NEW, easy way to raise funds 90% Profit**

*We look forward to working with you!*

*Pat Van Hesteren, President, Toll Free 1-888-489-8122 - Email [info@ultimatefundraising.us](mailto:info@ultimatefundraising.us)  
Website [www.betterfundraisingideas.com](http://www.betterfundraisingideas.com)*





Official Lions Pocket Calendar & Pens

18 month calendar, January 2012 through June 2013. Durable, attractive dark blue vinyl cover includes pocket for money or other valuables and Lions emblem imprinted in gold.



Pocket calendars (G540) - \$4.15/each

Calendar refill only (G540R) - \$2.15/each

Personalized Pocket Calendars (G540GS) - \$4.50/each

Special area on the cover for your club's name to be imprinted in gold, if desired. Unless ordered online, club name must be provided in writing exactly as you would like it to appear on the calendars. Minimum 25 calendars. Allow two weeks for delivery.



Parker IM Rollerball - Black - G1487 \$12.95 each

Redefining affordable luxury in a writing instrument. IM's modern design and timeless finish successfully meld the classic with the contemporary. Lion's emblem imprint.



Quill 510 Deluxe Ball Pen

Available in Turquoise (G1531) or Orange (G1532) \$15.75 each

The 510 Deluxe Ballpoint Pen Features unmistakable Quill quality with a contemporary design, smooth and effort less writing with a balanced feel.

Visit our online https://www2.lionsclubs.org/?utm\_source=constantcontact&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CS419calpen to order these and other fine Lions products.

In addition to our online selection of products you can also shop directly through our Official Licensees https://www2.lionsclubs.org/t-officiallicensees.aspx?utm\_source=constantcontact&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=CS419calpen for many other Lions products.

Advertisement for 'A Great Fund Raiser...' featuring various brooms and mops. Includes text about the company's history and product quality, and a list of products like Corn Brooms, Angle Brooms, Floor Sweeps, etc.

Contact information for Lanny W. Balentine, PDG, Lions Club Sales Representative. Includes phone numbers, email, and address: 131 N. Railroad Avenue • Paxton, IL 60957-0071.

Order form for Nexstep Commercial Products. Includes fields for 'To', 'Address', 'Ship To', 'Date', 'Phone', 'Fax', 'E-mail', and a table of products with columns for Item #, Description, Case Pack, Case Price, and Extended Price.



## Coin to Support LCIF

Lions hope to raise US\$8 million for LCIF through a commemorative coin honoring 100 years of service in 2017. In recognition of our 100th Anniversary in 2017, LCI is leading efforts to mint 400,000 silver dollars. This is the first step to commemorate our centennial - while raising millions to support our global mission areas for the visually impaired, disabled, youth and those affected by disaster. Lions from all over the globe are exploring similar commemorative campaigns locally.

How much is a Lions silver dollar worth? [Read the feature article](#) in the September 2011 issue of the LION magazine.

## Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin



### Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act

In June, the "Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act," S. 1299/H.R. 2139, was introduced in the U.S. Congress by Senator Jerry Moran, a Lion, and [Congressman Peter Roskam](#) thanks to [Sandy Spring Lions Club](#), District 22-C, who formally proposed this opportunity to publicize our accomplishments and raise funds for the Lions Clubs International Foundation

Thanks to your efforts to contact our lawmakers, we've reached 41% of our goal in the U.S. House and 36% of our goal in the U.S. Senate. Congratulations to PDG David Orr and Lions of Wyoming, District 15, for securing all Wyoming House and Senate legislators as co-sponsors! Also, congratulations to the Pago Pago Lions Clubs, the Territory of American Samoa, for securing their sole Representative in the House as a co-sponsor.

## District Office Visit Kit

Visit your U.S. Senators and Representative in their district office during congressional recess. Be sure to check both the [House schedule](#) and the [Senate schedule](#) to find out when members will be in the state or district office.

District Office Visit Kit contents:

- How to [Schedule and Conduct a District Office Meeting](#)
- [Talking Points & "Ask"](#)

Share these materials with your Member and their staff at the meeting.

- [Coin Overview](#)
- [Coin Quick Facts](#)
- [Coin Frequently Asked Questions](#)

## Report Back Form

After contacting your lawmaker, be sure to share your experience with us by filling out the [Report Back Form](#). Once you've completed the form, be sure to print out your Certificate of Appreciation.

For those of you who have already reached out, we'd like to extend our thanks and appreciation. Please take a moment to [tell us about your experience](#). Be sure to print the certificate upon completion.

## Coin Waiting List

If the legislation is passed and signed into law, [LCI commemorative coins can be purchased from January through December 2017 from the U.S. Mint](#) or by phone at 1-800-USA Mint. Commemorative coins are always in great demand among coin collectors; therefore, please [add your name to the waiting list](#).

## For More Information

To learn more about this campaign, please read [Quick Facts](#) (<http://www.lionsclubs.org/coin/pdfs/CoinQuickFacts.pdf>), [Frequently Asked Questions](#) ([http://www.lionsclubs.org/coin/pdfs/Coin\\_FAQ.pdf](http://www.lionsclubs.org/coin/pdfs/Coin_FAQ.pdf)), view our [Campaign Overview](#) (<http://www.lionsclubs.org/coin/pdfs/CoinOnePager.pdf>).

# CLUB REPORTS



This is another way of getting Lions in your club, new members and prospective members interested in doing something new and different. Getting involved is another word for **WE SERVE**.



**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.**

**Buford Lions Club** = The Buford Lions had three of its members attend the Fall Joint Lighthouse Meeting on Oct. 1st, while there we also turned in 614 pairs of glasses 10 cell phones & one hearing aid.

In June we awarded two \$250.00 Scholarships to two deserving students from Buford High School, one for achievement in the Arts given in memory of Harold Hannah and one for achievement in sports given in memory of Laveece Martin, both long time club members. In Sept. four members attended a joint meeting, put on by Alan Stalker, at the Norcross Lions Club to learn how to attract new members. In the Picture President Earl Benson and Treasurer Bob Riordan presenting the Certificate and Check to Josh Davenport. Not pictured Constance Harrison received the Laveece Martin Scholarship.



**Commerce Lions Club** = Approved glasses for 4 persons. Club is continuing its efforts for the 2012 Community Calendar by selling ads, calendars, and listings as a fundraiser. Club had a pancake supper on 9/29/11 and raised approximately \$300 for glasses. Club collected 2 pickup loads of plastic bottles for recycling. This was approximately 20 full trash bags of bottles. Club also collected approximately 150lbs of aluminum cans.

**Clermont North Hall Lions Club** = During the month we coordinated with Volunteer Corps for the Forest Service on a project to repair a trail for the visually impaired at the Anna Ruby Falls Park. Our Board voted to move ahead with this project and to continue the coordination required before the work can begin. We also completed some needed repairs to our building. These repairs will help in the longevity and insure safety for community and club members using the building. Our Sight Committee also approved three applications for eye exams and glasses.

We serve!



**Dacula Lions Club** = Participated at the Elisha Winn Fair on October 1st and 2nd selling coffee, doughnuts, snow cones and hot chocolate. We also used this opportunity as a membership drive. Hosted a Silent Auction on October 22nd at Del Rio Restaurant. Proceeds are to go toward helping a needy families during the holidays.

**Elberton Lions Club** = Getting ready to serve Ham and Egg Supper – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in November



**Dahlonega Lions Club** = Members participated in the following areas of community service: Angle Food Ministries - "Food Bank/Food Distribution" Community Helping Place - "Food Bank/Food Distribution" "Pancake for Seniors" at Senior Center - "Aid to the elderly" Red Cross - "Community Awareness / Service" Providing assistances to elderly in hospital to bringing them home to bringing to church - "Aid to the elderly". Has been named Best Civic Organization for third straight year by The Dahlonega Nugget Readers. Speaker at their meeting on the 22nd of this month was Diane O'Shields on Leader Dogs. Participated in partnership with Georgia Lions Lighthouse Vision Clinic on September 19th. Dahlonega had 10 members that helped provided assistances with the Vision Clinic that was held in Dahlonega at St. Luke's Catholic Church. 21 Clients were seen for vision exams and eye glasses.

**Norcross Lions Club** = Lauren Ranney and Chris Bingham Norcross Lions Club Students of the Month – You both have been highly recommended for this honor by your teachers due to your academic accomplishment, initiative, cooperation, responsibility and good citizenship. We sold hot dogs, chips, beverages, and snow cones on Saturday and Sunday at the Norcross Art Fest. We talk to our customers about the Lions Club and what we do with the money and invite them to come to a meeting. We provide a brochure about our club to those who are interested in more info. For those living outside our area, the brochure includes the LCI web address so they can locate a club near their location. We also collect used eyeglasses and cell phones. A granddaughter of one of our members helped on Sunday. 10 Lions, 108 hours of work preparing for the event, selling, and cleaning up. We earned \$1735 at the food booth. Donations will be going out to LCIF, GA Lions Camp for the Blind, GA Lions Lighthouse, Leader Dog, Canine Companions for Independence, GA Special Olympics, Camp Kudzu, Learning Ally (RFB & D), GA Council for the Blind, Norcross Meals on Wheels, 5 Norcross Cluster elementary schools, 2 Norcross Cluster middle schools, and some local non-profits. We delivered 247 eyeglasses, 24 sunglasses, 4 lenses, 1 frame and 192 cell phones to the GA Lions Lighthouse. Three members attended the District Cabinet meeting on Oct. 8. Six members attended the District Rally and our club provided two baskets for the silent auction to help reduce the cost of the Rally. We provided refreshments of hot chocolate, coffee, water, chips and cookies for the Norcross Ghost Tours and accept donations for charity. We also built and maintained a warming fire in the fireplace in the pavilion where the tour starts. We provided the wood for the fire. This event is also an opportunity for us to talk about the Lions Club and what we do. 4 Lions 40 hours Our speaker was Mayor Bucky Johnson, Chairman, Atlanta Regional Transportation Roundtable, who talked about Atlanta Regional Roundtable's draft transportation project list and the Transportation Investment Act (TIA). We have begun to sell raffle tickets for the Camp for the Blind.



**Jefferson Lions Club** = Sickness, Distress and Praise: Lion Dot Hunt is recovering and may get to at home. Lion Ham is currently home bound.

Committee Reports: **Eyeglass Collection Committee** - Lion Jerry Legg reported that recent collections include 39 pairs of glasses, 25 lens, 1 pair of sunglasses and 2 cell phones. **Service Projects** - Lion President Jim reminded the club that the annual Fly-in will be at Jackson County Airport this Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Lion Dwayne announced that we will clean our section of road for the Adopt-a-Road program will be this Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M. **LEO Report** - Lion Mack Cates reported that we currently have 27 members in the Kings Bridge Leo Club. They held a meeting the week of October 12, 2011. **Membership** - Chair Lion Edna Briggs announced that our next meeting will be a membership drive meeting. **Camp for the Blind** - needs us. Florida camp has been closed. We can support our camp by purchasing raffle tickets. **Reminder** - Lion Harvie Lance reported that the Albert Gordon Chapter of the American Legion will be holding an Open House on Veterans Day from 3-6 P.M.

Old Business The Club membership was reminded that the annual Lions/Rotary Christmas Banquet will be held on Thursday, December 1, 2011 at Certus Bank in Jefferson. Lion Greg reminded all that our November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting will be our annual picnic.

MEETINGS: **Program**: **10Oct** - Lion Harold Fletcher introduced Alan Denson and Jessica Bankston with the Northeast Georgia Area Agency on the Aging. This ministry was developed to assist the elderly in recognizing and accessing resources offered to them through various agencies. These include varying degrees of in home care, transportation to and from appointments and retrieving medicines, free legal services and more. They are looking for clients, volunteers and partners. **24Oct** - Lion Edna Briggs introduced our guest speaker, Past District Governor Grace Clower from the Snellville Lions Club. PDG Grace gave a very inspiring talk on Lionism and the opportunities that we have to impact our communities. Included were her personal experiences traveling through various phases of Lionism. With this being our Membership drive meeting, PDG Grace's comments were well received and reflected her reasons for being involved in this organization.

**Lawrenceville Lions Club** = We had 4 members attend the Georgia Lions Lighthouse meetings/5K Run. We had 2 members attend the 2nd Cabinet Meeting, Hall of Fame and District Rally. We had 1 member attend the Guiding Lion seminar. We donated Sno-Cone syrup and cups to Special Needs School for a Fall Festival Fun day for them. We had 4 members attend Dacula Lions Club fundraiser dinner. We had 81 volunteer hours. We have a party planned for Creative Enterprises on November 12th. We collected 29 pair of used eyeglasses.

**Loganville Lions Club** = Golf Tournament was successful. Calendars passed out to all. Will provide Seniors with a Thanksgiving dinner at Journey's End. Donation to be sent to Special Olympics. Collecting food for needy families in area for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Will participate in Trick-or-Treat on Main Street and in Christmas Parade.

**Loganville Legacy Lions Club** = "Learn from the past, embrace the future" Golf Tournament successful



Legacy Lions will conduct vision screenings/hearing assessments along with Monroe Lions Club help 11/18, as part of Walton regional medical center senior extras health fair from 7:30 am til 12:00

**Toccoa Lions Club = Standing Committee Reports:** (A) Program- John Rutan the county administrator will be our speaker in September and Shelia Rousey will speak in October. We will have a zone meeting on 10-06-11. (B) Sight Conservation report- five clients were seen in August and four seen at the Open Arms Clinic. (C) Membership report- no action. (D) Activities report: (1) Calendar sales- currently we have received \$1,508.00 in sales. The ads have generated enough to prepay the calendars: (2) Flower bulb sales will continue until October 13th. Money should be in by the first meeting in October. (3) Pancake breakfast is set for September 24th. **Old Business:** (E) Old Business- (1) Lion President will make a contact with the doctors who service customers for sight conservation to recognize them for their services. (2) Lion President has set up the Estore on the club's website. (3) Lion President advised of the International Presidents' "Plant a Tree" program. **New Business:** (F) New Business- Items brought forth- (1) we will have a table at the district rally. (2) There will be an increase in dues from international (3) there was a discussion about Telemarketing (4) Letters of appreciation are to be completed when we have guest speakers. (4) Perfect Attendance pins will be given to lions for their 2010-2011 year of attendance. **Sight Conservation Committee Report:** Sight Conservation: Lion Nick Thomas will now be making quarterly reports and will email them to the Board. This past month eight referrals were made to Dr. Schneider. **Programs:** Sheila Rousey will speak at the next meeting, Oct. 13th, on the subject of leader dog training. On Oct. 27th, interns from the Georgia Lighthouse will speak. **Calendar:** no new events. **Membership:** no changes. **Activities:** Lion Russ Paxton reported on the Pancake Breakfast. Sales were down significantly. Many Lions still owe for their tickets. They will be billed by the Secretary. ROTC members were a tremendous help, both working at the event and selling around 100 tickets. 334 were served and 451 tickets were sold. The Mitchell Allen Foundation gave \$1,600.00 to cover expenses. A total profit of around \$3,200.00 was made from the Pancake Breakfast. Leftovers were distributed to Shirley's Shelter, one of the schools (O.J.), and donated for Currahee Military Weekend breakfast for troops. The help from the Junior ROTC was greatly appreciated.



On Saturday morning September 24th, a couple dozen JROTC cadets from Stephens County High School assembled at Toccoa Elementary School to assist the Toccoa Lions. Right, "Colonel Mom" aka, Jocqueline Baker, possess with several of the cadets. The cadets helped sell tickets and promote the event in advance as well as work during the breakfast.



**Toccoa Lions Flip Out**

... hundreds of pancakes for the hungry masses in the driveway behind the school and in the dining room. Lion Irene Chitwood. Lions Larry Earhart in the foreground and Drew Taylor in the back. Lions Steve Spruill in the foreground and Dave Stancil in the back.



**Union County Lions Club = Sight/Hearing:** 4 eye glass requests were received. 2 were approved, 1 was returned for clarification of expenses, 1 was rejected. **Donations:** The board approved a \$50 donation for the Lion's Project for Canine Companions for Independence. **Programs: October 13** - Guest speakers Lions Mike & Kathryn Higgins had to cancel so Lion Gene Little, Zone Chair Region 2 Zone 1 'wore several hats' and gave following reports: First he told 'tidbits' of long time Lion members, Don Enzmann [56 years]; Arthur Gurr [49 years]; Betty Gurr [19 years]. Then, he asked Lion Louise to give report of the 56th annual 18-D District Rally. At the Rally PID Bob Browning recognized Lion Gene Little with certificate for Distinguished Service in Lionism. Also a movie, "Going Blind" was shown about the challenges of an adult person going blind. Lion Gene also reported that the Lighthouse just received large grant for the purchase of hearing aids for those meeting criteria for assistance. Membership Chair, Lion Gene inducted two new members into the club. They are Tom & Susan Angley with Lion Les Myers as their sponsor. Lion Susan is daughter of Lion Les & Marge. **September 22** - Guest speakers were Peg Schnieder and Claire Johnson from the Georgia Mountain Research and Education Center in Blairsville. They presented a program about the Community Council which provides Children's Educational Programs, Adult Outreach Seminars and Tours, and Preservation Programs. Lion Lisa presented President Mildred Thompson with an appreciation gift from the club members in recognition for all her hard work in making this year's Farmers Market a great success. **Farmer's Market – 5 Saturdays in October** – 14 Lions and 3 friends and family members worked a total of 174 hours selling hot dogs and hamburgers and visiting with members of our community. Oct 29<sup>th</sup> was the last day for the Farmer's Market, completing a successful year. The club grossed approximately \$5312 at this year's Farmer's Market. **Sorghum Festival- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Weekends in October** - 20 Lions and 11 friends and family members worked a total of 233 hours at the Lions food booth at the Sorghum Festival. The club has another successful year, grossing over \$3700. **Glasses Collected:** Eye Glasses- 737 pairs, Eye Glass Cases – 203, Lens- 51 pair, 197 singles, Shades – 90 pairs, Shaded lenses- 6 pair, 39 singles, Hearing aids - 5, Cell phones - 112, Chargers 90. **NEWS Articles:** 3 submitted.

**WORKING LIONS - 26 Union County Lions had total of 493 hours for Lion causes**

**NON- LION COMMUNITY HOURS - 4 Lions had total of 51 hours for community causes**

**FAMILY & FRIENDS ASSISTING LIONS - 14 Family member & friends had 96 hours for Lion causes**



Lion Wentworth gives program on the National Forestry



Lion Jim Wentworth swears in a new Lion Kim Fene who was sponsored by Lion Gene Little



Lion Roy McKee tries to teach Lion Robert Lester how to use the bag pipes while Lion Louise Little looks on confused and baffled and wishes she could play.



Union County Lions host an Appreciation Picnic for all non-Lion volunteers who help during the year.

**West Jackson Lions Club** = We had a dinner to honor and thank our first responders in the West Jackson area. We invited men/women from Braselton Police, Jackson County Sheriff's Department, West Jackson Fire and EMT's and CERT (County Emergency Response Team). We fed 25 people from these services. We had a great meal prepared for these men/women and enjoyed meeting the people that take care of us on a daily basis. On September 17th, the West Jackson Lion's Club had the concessions for Braselton's Movies in the Park. The Lion's sold hotdogs/chili and chips and drinks and goodies. The Lion's baked the goodies. They also sold brooms and mops. All total we raised \$168.88. This is an ongoing project and we do Movies in the Park during the months of May, June, July, August, September and November. The proceeds from this project goes to fund eye exams and other projects.



**Winder Noon Lions Club** = Donated \$100 to Advantage Bags for Children being relocated by FACS. \$450 to Boys and Girls Club for past quarter. Club participated in Blood Drive operated by Red Cross by handing out cookies, granola bars and juice to blood donors at Barrow Regional Medical Center. Members also participated in assembling food boxes for the food pantry. Lion Bob Norton collected 158 glasses and took 1,247 glasses and 1 hearing aid to Rally in October. **Upcoming Events** – PECANS – Taking orders now for \$10/bag of really fresh shelled halves. Also collecting \$20. per member for annual Contributing Member pins for LCIF and become a 100% Club. 4 November – Blood Drive at Barrow Regional Medical Center, 18 November – Mobile Food Pantry at Holly Hill Shopping Center .

***LIONS AREN'T just about work. Lions have fun and fellowship.  
Friendships made in Lionism last a lifetime,  
because they are based on a common commitment to service.  
Lions work hard, but have fun all along the way.***

Move On ===== You can spend minutes, hours, days, weeks or even months over- analyzing a situation;

Trying to put the pieces together, justifying what could've would've happened...

Or you can just leave the pieces on the floor and move on. ~Tupac Shakur~





**GA. Lions Lighthouse**  
**VP Lion Mike Higgins, PDG**  
[jmhpdg@windstream.net](mailto:jmhpdg@windstream.net)

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



**Lions Roar at the See Now. Hear Now. Run Now. 5k!**

On Saturday, October 1, 2011, the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation hosted the **See Now. Hear Now. Run Now. 5k Run/Walk**, raising over **\$13,000** for vision and hearing care for Georgians.

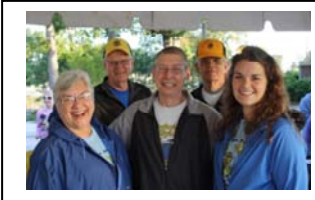
Many Lions laced up their running shoes and enjoyed the flat course through downtown Chamblee, passing nationally-renowned Antique Row. The 5k kicked off with a special introduction from Eric Clarkson, the mayor of Chamblee. The awards ceremony was emceed by Jessica Black, Miss United States 2010 and Atlanta Lions Club member.

The 5k is part of a larger effort to meet the challenge of raising money in a difficult economy. High unemployment has led to recent spikes in demand for Lighthouse services, and we have met significant challenges in expanding programs at a time when many nonprofits are struggling.

Throughout the rest of the day, Lions attended meetings and breakout sessions. The evening concluded with a big-tent Joint Meeting Banquet. Lions ate and enjoyed a live performance by a blues quintet. Frank Spinney from the Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind and Gary Vaughters from the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation gave updates on new developments.

Through contributions and participation in events such as the 5k and the upcoming Night of Spectacles, Lions help ensure that the Lighthouse is able to meet the challenges of this economy head-on.

**Thanks again to everyone who came out! Photos of the 5k and the Joint Meeting are available on the Lighthouse Foundation’s Facebook page!**



**Service Numbers**  
 From July to September 2011

People having eye exams  
*44 were from 18-D*

People have better vision after receiving a pair of **glasses**  
*73 were from 18-D*

Eye surgeries were performed.  
*14 were from 18-D*

Hearing aids through the dispensation  
*41 were from 18-D*



**Monday,  
 November 14, 2011  
 Athens**

**Help Us Use our Recycled Glasses**  
**18 D District Chair:**  
 Judy Stamsen - 770-995-9274 [eskiemom@bellsouth.net](mailto:eskiemom@bellsouth.net)



## Volunteers of the Month: Conyers Lions Club



For the last few months, the halls of the Lighthouse Foundation have been filled with the sounds of laughter.

Member of the Conyers Lions Club have been coming out to the Lighthouse every month to help Ken wash and sort glasses for use in the Eyeglass Recycling program.

Charles Walton, the Associate Director, is responsible for coordinating the trips, and everyone helps out, including Conyers Lion Club President Lee Cronan.

Judith Kerr, the Lighthouse Volunteer Coordinator, looks forward to their visits each month. “We know that when the Conyers Club comes around it’s going to be a good time,” says Judith. “They laugh, they talk, and they stay until the job’s done.”

The Lighthouse needs volunteers! If you are interested in individual or group volunteer opportunities, please con-tact Judith at [JKerr@lionslighthouse.org](mailto:JKerr@lionslighthouse.org)

\* \* \* \* \*

## Walks in the park and grandchildren on the knee.



Dahlonega Lions Club members help a young girl pick out her glasses.

\* \* \* \* \*





**GA. Lions Camp for the Blind  
 Thoïs Masters, PDG  
[tstmasters@windstream.net](mailto:tstmasters@windstream.net)**



Dear Lions, Lionesses and LEOs,

*"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do something that I can do."*

*Helen Keller*

*The silence has set in. This month marks what is probably the quietest month of our entire year. I miss those days of summer. I miss them something fierce, but the time to grow our camp is now.*

*This month is Send-A-Kid-To-Camp month. I will be honest I haven't seen many checks come rolling in for this project. I know that many of you do your Send-A-Kid-To-Camp fundraiser at a different time of year, but if your club doesn't do a fundraiser let me encourage you to start one. This fundraiser gives visually impaired people all over the state of Georgia the opportunity to come to camp. I can stress just how important this place is. For many this week of camp is the catalyst to begin taking the steps to take back their independence.*

*Also I want to encourage you to come to the joint meeting. We will have our committee meetings on Saturday followed by a celebration of both the camp and the Lighthouse. Please come and be a part!*

*As Always thank you for serving*

***Kristen***



*Dear Georgia Lions,*

*This month I just have a few reminders for y'all:*

*o When you send in a Memorial/Honorary card please be sure to complete both sides of the card.*

*This is really important!*

*o Grand Tour of Georgia participants completing the requirements must have their passports with qualifying information postmarked and mailed by September 30, 2011*

*o Our triple option raffle is well underway. If you haven't received your tickets contact your camp VP. The monies gathered from the selling of tickets should be mailed to the camp every few weeks.*

*o Again, ALWAYS indicate on each check what fund or category the monies are intended for so your club can get the proper credit.*

*I hope each one of you are enjoying the beginnings of Fall. If you need anything please email me or give me a call.*

*Merri Blount*

*Camp Secretary*

*912-283-4320*

[glblindsec@accessatc.net](mailto:glblindsec@accessatc.net)

My Fellow Lions,

*Not a lot to say at this time. Our Camp is doing well and we are looking forward to the upcoming Joint Meeting. This letter will be very short as I have included my Report to the Council of Governors. That was quite short as well, and can see no reason to say things twice.*

*You will see in my Report to the Council that we are looking at making changes to the way we run our Camp. This is very important, because if we do not change we will not grow and prosper in the years to come.*

*September is Send a Kid to Camp Month. Please consider doing a project to support the General Fund for our Camp. My Hephzibah Lion Club is taking on a project to do just that. I have included that Project Flier in this Newsletter as an example of what can be done to support our Camp. If you ride a bike, please consider coming and partaking in our event. If you would like to do an event like this, ask our Committee Chair (ME) and I will be glad to give you some pointers on how to do this. It is fun, it is easy and it will raise some much needed funds for our Camp!*



There is not much changed since my last report to you for the August Meeting. The Camp is doing well and the Staff is getting recharged after a very good Camping Season.

Once again we are proud to host the Council at our Joint Meeting of the Georgia Lion Lighthouse and Camp for the Blind. It has been a pleasure working with Gary, Christina and Kristen preparing for this very important meeting. Gary and I are so lucky to work with great Staffs!

The one thing that has happened since my last report is that we have signed a contract with the Georgia Center for Nonprofits (GCN) to complete an organizational assessment of our Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind.

We understand that we must change and we look forward to working with the GCN in making that change. A change that we hope will help our Camp grow and be successful for another 35 years of service to the visually impaired of Georgia.

Some Camp dates to remember:

Christmas Camp December 2-4, 2011

Winter Board of Director's Meeting February 4-5, 2012

Work Weekend March 23-25, 2012

Work Weekend April 27-29, 2012

Board of Director's Meeting @ Sate Convention May 25, 2012

## ***Inaugural Fallen Lions Poker Run***

To benefit the Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind = Help a Blind Child at [GLCB.org](http://GLCB.org)

Date: October 29, 2011      Registration 9:00AM @ Augusta Harley-Davidson      Kick Starts up at 10:00AM 10:30AM

Final Stop @ Country Boys Cooking at 1:30PM for B-B-Q 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](mailto:LionSpinney@aol.com) or (706) 339-5535

Take Care and God Bless!

**Frank**



# Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind, Inc.

## Triple Option Raffle



John Deere Gator

or **\$5,000.00**  
Cash



Street Legal Golf Cart

The Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind, Inc. is a Lions of Georgia funded project that provides blind children, teens and adults with an opportunity to grow and become self-reliant. We do this at our beautiful 62 acre camping facility in Waycross, Georgia.

Please help us continue this service to those in need by purchasing a Raffle Ticket for the price of \$1.00. You could win your choice of one of the Triple Option Prizes shown above and will also win by helping a Blind Georgian attend our Camp!

**We all can be Winners!**

We will draw the winning ticket on February 5, 2012 at our Winter Board of Director's Meeting in Warner Robins, GA.

Thank you for your support!

*Frank Spinney*

President, GLCB, Inc.



**Leader Dog Chair Lion Diane Wall-O'Shields**  
[liondianewall@bellsouth.net](mailto:liondianewall@bellsouth.net)



## Man's best friend helps at local school

LAFAYETTE, Ind. (WFLI) - Each morning she takes the bus to work. Every afternoon, he lives close enough to walk to his volunteer job. Both make the daily commute to Glen Acres Elementary in Lafayette. But they are not alone. Debbie Morgan spends her mornings working as a Teacher's Assistant, helping children in two first-grade classrooms at Glen Acres Elementary. "I help them with their reading. I help them with their spelling words, with their math," said Morgan.

Bob Hardy spends afternoons as a volunteer at Glen Acres. Since retiring from Alcoa, he's spent the last couple years at the school his children once attended. Answering phones, letting people in the front door, and has taken on the role of web master, keeping the school's website up to date. "It makes you feel like you're wanted and I feel like I can make a difference. I'm able to help some kids maybe learn one thing one day or if I can help the teachers do their job and help our kids learn," said Bob Hardy.

Both Hardy and Morgan can do their jobs, because their guide dogs are doing their jobs. Hardy and Morgan are blind, and rely on Ada and Alex for assistance. Morgan's yellow lab, Ada, is four-years-old. Morgan has been blind her whole life and has two artificial eyes. She depends on Ada to get around, and is right at Morgan's side all day. "She's a good, calm, gentle dog. She loves the children. Oh my goodness, sometimes when they've been really well-behaved, we take the harness off and they get to pet Ada and they love it. And Ada loves it. And sometimes they can even sit on the floor and read with her and she really likes that," said Morgan.

Hardy lost night vision when he was 14. He has a genetic eye disease, and his eyes have slowly gotten worse. He decided he would need a guide dog to get around safely. "If you closed your right eye and with your left eye looked through a straw, that's kind of what I see," said Bob Hardy. Hardy said he hopes he and Alex can teach students a little more about people with disabilities. Morgan said helping the children is the best job she's ever had. "The Lafayette School Corporation has given me more opportunities for employment than any place else and I'm very, very thankful for that," said Morgan.

"It's a great source of freedom for visually handicapped people, the dogs, and the chance to come up here and help and work. It's been a great experience. And like I said before, I just feel like I'm part of the family. It feels like a family up here," said Hardy.

Both Ada and Alex were trained at Leader Dogs for the Blind in Michigan.

## Summer Experience 2011

### "Some of us love to climb those walls."

Jeff, 2011 Summer Experience Participant

When you're a teenager, summer should be about spending time outside, making new friends, hanging with old friends and having new experiences. That is exactly what happened at Leader Dog's week-long Summer Experience program for kids age 16 and 17.

But it doesn't stop there—throughout the week the kids strengthened their independence by learning simple, practical ways to develop their leadership skills by building stronger relationships, having a can-do attitude and focusing on having fun. The impact this program has on the kids is amazing. Who says blind kids can't climb walls? Not us. Not them. [See for yourself.](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuNJAZtAPxs) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wuNJAZtAPxs>

We hope to provide this experience to even more kids next summer. Like all our programs, the Summer Experience is provided free to all participants. So we need your financial support to make this happen. Please make a gift now so that more teens with visual impairment can have a great Summer Experience that they'll remember for the rest of their lives!

Given the chance, these kids can climb walls—and go all the way to the top!

\* \* \* \* \*

### Regular Club Contributions



All donations to Leader Dog help provide travel independence to hundreds of our clients each year. Every club that donates, regardless of the size of the donation, receives a certificate of appreciation suitable for framing. Regular club contributions of \$250 and above are acknowledged with club banner patches.

The patches indicate the contribution level achieved in levels ranging from \$250 to \$25,000. Certificates and recognition patches are mailed at the end of each Lions fiscal year

\* \* \* \* \*

### Welcome to Mary Jane's Leader Dog Gift Shop



Leader Dog's online gift shop is made possible through a very generous gift from a longtime donor named Mary Jane. Along with her husband Richard, Mary Jane lived in Rochester Hills, Michigan for many years and had the opportunity to watch our clients and dogs train together.

We dedicate our campus gift shop and online store to Mary Jane's support of our mission. We hope you enjoy your shopping experience and buy lots of Leader Dog stuff!

Our online gift shop is open for business! Shop for Leader Dog apparel, accessories, and dog items or purchase the Kapten PLUS for \$295.



**Go Here, There and Everywhere** with the Kapten Plus Leader Dog Edition





From the desk of State RFB&D  
Chair Lion Fred Smith  
[lionfredsmith@gmail.com](mailto:lionfredsmith@gmail.com)

## **FOX-5 Atlanta: Group Helps Blind, Dyslexic Students**

ATHENS, Ga. - According to the National Center for Learning Disabilities, 15 million Americans struggle to succeed in school, work and in some cases, life. But a studio in Athens is doing more than its part to help get Georgians on a level playing field. Imagine wanting to do your best in school, but something keeps holding you back? Well a national organization has found a way to help students live their dreams.

Kimberly Winsett says she's always known she learns a little differently than other students. "It was a constant battle all the way through school especially learning new stuff. I was always a couple reading levels behind everybody else," said Kimberly Winsett.

Faced with a reading writing and comprehension disability, it was her mother that discovered a little known place that seemed to turn everything around. For more than 60 years, an Athens studio is where Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic takes place.

"We are about recording textbooks for those students who need them. They are blind or visually impaired, dyslexic or have any other learning differences. With our services they are able to succeed in school," said Lenora Dyer of RFB&D.

"It worked wonders because I was able to set the pace of the reading. I could pause it, go to a certain page and let it read to me. I could stop it and take my notes," said Winsett.

Volunteers come from all walks of life -- some professors, many retirees. Former math teacher Ellen Hanna has been on the mic for more than 40 years and logged over 4,000 hours. "You rarely have time to look over the material unless it's a science book and I read primarily math books so I flip through to see graphs and charts and check them out. But you have to be able to just to read at sight," said volunteer Ellen Hanna. The people who volunteer their time spend about an hour a week in this booth reading page after page. But say that doesn't compare to the possible benefit to the people who may be listening.

To take advantage of RFB&D's services, you don't have to live in the Athens area. They can mail you your needed audio textbooks. You also don't have to go to the Athens studio to be a volunteer reader, they have a home reader program. For more information, visit [www.recordathon.org/georgiastudio](http://www.recordathon.org/georgiastudio) .



**Judy Stamsen CCI Chair**  
[eskiemom@bellsouth.net](mailto:eskiemom@bellsouth.net)

## **Dogs, Doctorates, and**

Don has a lot to be thankful for, not the least of which is the independence that his Service Dogs from Canine Companions have helped create for him.



Expo was Don Weller's first assistance dog.

"Expo went to college, graduate school and off to complete a clinical internship program with me," Don explains.

"Expo gave me confidence and helped me to be independent in the dorm. But, more than that, he helped me see that I could be independent on my own. I realized that if I could take care of Expo, then I could take care of myself," says Don.

Now, Don has his second Canine Companions for Independence assistance dog, Luna.

With Luna by his side, Don received his doctorate, got married and settled into a good personal and professional routine as a licensed psychologist.

### **Decorations**

Don's family are strong supporters of Canine Companions. Since Don received his first assistance dog in 1990, they've grown their two family business websites [www.OrnamentShop.com](http://www.OrnamentShop.com) and [www.ChristmasOrnaments.com](http://www.ChristmasOrnaments.com) into the Internet's leading sellers of personalized and decorative Christmas ornaments. Now they offer an opportunity for all Canine Companions friends to contribute as you shop their sites.

The two websites will contribute 10% of your purchase to Canine Companions when you insert coupon code CCI2010 when requested at the end of your order. Then, the Wellers will match your 10% for a total of 20% of your purchase going to Canine Companions. This program is applicable to all Canine Companions coupon orders between now and December 31, 2010.



Lion Kathryn Higgins  
 Diabetes Awareness Chair  
[Klhiggins07@windstream.net](mailto:Klhiggins07@windstream.net)



## STOP DIABETES! Join the Millions.



Stop Diabetes is the movement to end the devastating toll that diabetes takes on millions of individuals and families across our nation. It inspires and mobilizes the general public, volunteers, donors, corporations and the scientific and medical communities to rally around our cause and our call to "share, act, learn and give." Through these actions, millions will have the chance to get involved and help raise awareness, promote healthy living, and raise money to fund educational outreach, advocacy efforts, and critical research that will ultimately stop diabetes once and for all.

## Volunteer



Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes depends on volunteers like you to help us recruit sponsors, teams and other volunteers that will help increase fundraising dollars for diabetes research, information and advocacy.

Day of Event volunteers help the event run smoothly and ensure the walk is a memorable experience for everyone! By volunteering, you will join the movement to Stop Diabetes. To sign up, please complete our [online form](#) or call 1-888-DIABETES to get connected with your local office.

We need people to contribute their valuable time by serving in the following areas:

### Committee Leadership

Help the Association raise much-needed funds to Stop Diabetes. Join a local Executive Committee to recruit new sponsors, teams and other volunteers to participate in Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes. Utilize your personal and

professional expertise to further the Association's vital mission to Stop Diabetes.

### Day of Event Volunteers

We count on our Day of Event volunteers to ensure a successful Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes experience. Volunteer opportunities include:

- Registration: **Welcome Team Captains and walkers, help get them registered and distribute t-shirts.**
- Rest Stop: **Serve refreshments, offer assistance and provide support to walkers.**
- Finish Line: **Serve refreshments and cheer and greet walkers as they complete their day.**
- 



It's more fun to Step Out together! Gather your friends, family and co-workers and form a team! It's a great way to fundraise and support the American Diabetes Association's movement to Stop Diabetes. Walking is also a fun, healthy activity that you can do with other people.

Team Captains are the volunteer leaders who help us make a difference in the fight against diabetes by forming walk teams and raising money. Teams come in all sizes—two or more people make a team! There are all types of teams as well: [corporations](#), [families](#), [clubs & organizations](#), and [school groups](#) build teams to walk for those who have been touched by diabetes.

### Get started today!

1. Find your Step Out event, then register by clicking the "Form a Team" button. The first person who registers a new team online is automatically the Team Captain.
2. Choose a team name—make sure to inform your team members of the name.
3. Have your team members register by finding the event, clicking on "Join a Team" and searching for your team name.
4. Set goals and work together to make your Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes experience great! **The average team goal is \$1,200.**
5. If you've already registered as an individual and wish to become a team captain, please email [stepoutadmin@diabetes.org](mailto:stepoutadmin@diabetes.org) and include your name, event and team name. We will help you get started!



**"Vision of Peace"  
2010-11 Grand  
Prize Winner**

Raj Phairembam, a  
11-year-old boy from  
Moirang, Manipur,  
India.

**"Children Know Peace"  
Peace Poster Contest Theme Announced**

For more than 20 years, the Lions International Peace Poster Contest has given young people a chance to express their visions of peace. **The theme of the 2011-12 Peace Poster Contest is "Children Know Peace." Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 on November 15, are eligible to participate.** **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.



**Lions Young Leaders In  
Service Award**

The [Lions Young Leaders in Service Award](#) allows Lions the opportunity to give formal recognition to young volunteers with in their community, ages 12-18, who have completed 50 or 100 hours of community service, within a 12-month period.



**Lions International Essay Contest**

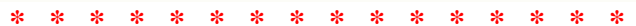
Dear Lions,

*Lions Clubs International is offering you an opportunity to support your local visually-impaired youth. The Lions International Essay Contest is open to 11, 12 and 13-year-old students who are visually impaired. Work with your fellow Lions, local schools and area families to identify young people who are interested in participating and who could benefit from this program. One grand prize winner will receive an award and US\$5,000.*

*The theme for the essay is "Children Know Peace." Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form. Essays must be no longer than 500 words in length, submitted in English, type-written in black ink and double-spaced. Please note the deadlines for submission.*

*For more information about the contest, including the complete rules and entry form, visit <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/online-community/official-contests/lions-international-essay-contest.php>*

*Thank you for your consideration.*



**Life-Changing Services and Opportunities for Youth:**

Around the world, if we see a need, we fill that need. In 46,000 communities in more than 200 countries, Lions implement targeted, creative projects to meet the specific needs of millions of local children – whether they're at risk for hearing or vision loss or can't afford to have their bikes repaired. Our programs make growing up safer and healthier.

Through **Services for Children**, we meet education and health needs.

Through **Lions Quest**, we bring crucial life skills to more than 12 million children in classrooms around the world. We also respond to issues that cry out for solutions and support – by bringing potable water to far-flung villages, building a home for street children in Sri Lanka. And through a number of other programs uniquely suited to match local challenges in communities around the world.

We bring young people together. Our **LEO Clubs** provide youth volunteer opportunities that inspire and support leadership in young people ages 12 and up by giving them the chance to learn, grow and serve by participating in community service projects. We enhance their lives.

Every year, thousands of young people travel around the world to learn about cultures, customs and friendship through our **Youth Camp and Exchange** program. And we help them share a message of peace.

For decades, the **Peace Poster Contest** has helped more than four million young people express their creativity, their aspirations and their hopes for the world.



\* \* \* \* \*

SERVICE LEARNING for LEOs and YOUTH (and these will help adults as well) \*\*\* What are the characteristics of Service-Learning?

\* Service-learning is not: An episodic volunteer program; An add-on to an existing school curriculum; Logging a set number of community service hours for graduation; Compensatory service assigned as a form of punishment; Only for high school students; one-sided e.g. benefitting only students or only the community.

\* Service-learning does combine experiential learning and community service opportunities.

\* \* \* \* \*

## What will your Leo club do to bring hope to CHILDREN in need?

In recognition of service to children in need:

Leo clubs can earn a special banner patch after completing a Spotlight on Children project.

Leos that provide a high level of support to a Spotlight on Children project are eligible to receive an individual certificate of recognition.

Every day, millions of children around the world are robbed of their childhood. Instead of playing with toys and developing to their full potential, many children face difficult circumstances such as poverty, malnutrition, illness, abandonment and disabilities.

Through Spotlight on Children projects, Leo clubs can bring hope and laughter to children in need.

\* \* \* \* \*

### Leo Club Program

One more week to participate in "Sharing the Vision", the October Global Service Action Campaign. Join Leos and Lions around the world to lead the fight against blindness.



### Leos help with grade school eye screenings

BURLEY – Students from Burley High School who will likely one day be members of the Lions Club helped last week to screen the eyes of grader school students in Burley elementary schools.

## Leos: Special Members of the Lions Family

by Wing-Kun Tam  
President, The International Association of Lions Clubs

I believe our clubs will prosper if we treat members like family, and we must be extra attentive to very special members of our Lions family: Leos. We must support and guide them, care about them and love them. The relationship of Lions and Leos is like a friendship. We want the best for them and we will respectfully work with them in service on an equal basis.

I am proud to be an honorary Leo, proud to be the "world's oldest Leo," as I like to call myself. In Seattle, at our international convention, I was privileged to speak at the Global Leo Conference and meet Leos from around the world. Do you ever get a little down or discouraged about the state of the world? Then spend some time with Leos. Their energy and idealism is contagious. They bring a fresh energy to every endeavor. They will refresh our service mission as they grow into Lions.

It's important we serve together with Leos and not tell them what to do. We are equal partners in service. Let us be mindful about respecting Leos and their ideas. Let us value their input and listen to what they say. We can mentor them and model a life of service.

This year in my travels I hope to meet with as many Leos as possible. I look forward to hearing their ideas and embracing their visions of service.

Lions Clubs International is supporting Leos in new and exciting ways. We will have a Leo e-clubhouse. I plan to hold a Leo/Lion summit next June at the international convention in Busan, Korea. Meanwhile, please believe in Leos and continue to serve with them. They bring many gifts to our clubs and communities and let's continue to appreciate their presence.

\* \* \* \* \*



### Connect with Us Online

- Facebook - [facebook.com/leoclubs](https://facebook.com/leoclubs) & [facebook.com/lionsclubs](https://facebook.com/lionsclubs)
- Leo Zone - [lionsclubs.org](https://lionsclubs.org) click: Member Center/Planning Projects/ Youth/ Leo Zone

**District Governor**

Lion Ed Hashbarger, PDG (Yoriko)  
[Edmclionh@bellsouth.net](mailto:Edmclionh@bellsouth.net)

**Cabinet Secretary**

Lion Trudy Rudert  
[trudert@comcast.net](mailto:trudert@comcast.net)

1441 Burycove Circle  
Lawrenceville, GA 30043  
Return Address

**TO:**



*Have All Lions  
Received the  
Word?*

*Make A Copy of  
This Bulletin*

*So We Can All Be  
Heard.*

