

Lions of Georgia



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State News



Council received reports or comments as follows:

PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT – LION JAMES E. “JIM” ERVIN:

PIP Ervin stated that he wanted to commend CC Alan and all Council Members for the outstanding work they have done this year. He thanked PCC Kembra Smith for the wonderful job she did, along with the Council, in handling the situation at the Lighthouse very professionally. PIP Ervin pointed out that there is now a challenge with the Camp for the Blind. He felt that next year’s Council, the Past District Governors, and all Lions should come together to find a way to put the Camp on solid ground; he felt that this challenge would be met. PIP Ervin discussed redistricting and pointed out that when the state moves to four districts there will be a lot of challenges. It takes every one of the Lions supporting each District Governor next year. Redistricting will do absolutely nothing for membership. He challenged each incoming Governor to get one new club during the first ninety days. Membership is the lifeblood of this organization. Plan a workshop; ask the GMT Chair for help. PIP Ervin thanked the Council again for the job they have done this year. He thanked ID Bob Corlew and Diane for visiting with the Lions of Georgia this weekend. He thanked Jon Winters for the work he has done on the convention.

PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR – LION HAYNES TOWNSEND:

PID Townsend stated that it is great to be with the Lions this weekend in Augusta. He reminded the incoming Council to work to make their State Convention fun, interesting and different. He stated that we must work to get the Lions in the individual clubs excited and build a great foundation for Lionism in Georgia and throughout the world. He commended DG Pat Powell for her enthusiasm for the International Convention coming up in Hamburg. He pointed out that he will be announcing the parade this year. He commended the Council on the work accomplished this year. He thanked Lion Jon Winters on the plans for this convention. PID Townsend thanked DG Olin Newby for the work his committee has done this year in lining up Convention sites for the next several years.

PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR – LION W. MYERS BANISTER:

PID Banister stated it was a pleasure to be in attendance at the meeting and the Convention this weekend. He commended the Council for their efforts this year.

PAST INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR DR. JOHN F. PEARCE:

PID Pearce brought those present up to date on Ina Mae’s physical problems; she is battling three areas of pain and this has put her to bed more than half of the time in the recent two to three weeks. All four tendons in the rotator cuff are severed. She has had a urinary tract infection they have been unable to clear; and after an endoscopy turned up no problems, they are now waiting to have a barium test done. He stated that she hated to miss the State Convention. CC

Bethel stated that the Lions of Georgia will certainly miss not seeing Ina Mae at this convention.

REPORT OF STATE CONVENTION – LION OLIN C. NEWBY,

DG 18-F: DG Newby stated that the 2013 State Convention Committee has done an exceptional job. He commended Lion Jon Winters, Convention General Co-Chair, for the job he has done this year, and called on him for a report. Lion Winters informed those present that there will be something special going on in Augusta on Saturday, and stated that information will be available at the Convention & Visitors Bureau table. He reminded everyone about the Fish Fry Thursday night, and distributed a map to the Fleming Lions Club house. DG Newby stated that the contract has been signed for the Macon State Convention in 2014. The Macon Downtown Lions Club will be the Host Club. C. DG Newby stated that the State Convention Committee has visited Tifton and Callaway Gardens. Discussions were begun with Brunswick and Jekyll Island and both Brunswick and Jekyll Island Clubs have agreed to co-sponsor a convention there. The Committee has contacted Columbus as a convention site. D. Lion Newby made a motion that Council vote Sunday morning for 2014, Macon, 2015, Tifton, 2016, Callaway Gardens, 2017 Jekyll Island, and 2018, Columbus. DG Holley, 18-D, seconded the motion. Discussion. Motion carried.

REPORT OF INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CHAIR – LION PAT POWELL, DG 18-B:

DG Powell, 18-B, stated that the State of Tennessee is the host for the Southeastern Breakfast this year. Arrangements for the Georgia Jamboree have been made and the application to participate in the International Parade has been submitted. Tickets for the Southeastern Breakfast have been distributed.

PCC Richard Brown reported on the possibility of Atlanta hosting an International Convention in 2020. He stated that he is still working with the ACVB on hosting the 2020 International Convention. He anticipates holding a meeting sometime in June or July, and hopefully will be able to report the results of that meeting to the incoming Council at their first meeting.

MD 18 GLT COORDINATOR – LION KEMBRA SMITH, PCC:

The MD GLT has continued with the Lions Clubs International’s (“LCI”) mission for identifying and developing, and training and developing leaders. Under “Identify[ing] and Develop[ing] Future Leaders,” we have continued to: “Educate members about leadership development opportunities.” The GLT coordinators have provided information about leadership development opportunities to members through the MD 18 state newsmagazine, sub-district newsletters, emails, and telephone calls. MD 18 had one participant at the Senior (Advanced) Lions Leadership Institute, and one participant at the Southeast Lions Leadership Institute in Eufaula, Alabama. “Encourage potential leaders.” All GLT coordinators have been advised, that upon completion of a training class, to complete the online list of participants on the lionstraining.us website so that the participants’ names can be compiled by LCI’s GLT Area leadership. All Lions are also encouraged to complete the leadership profile information provided on the LCI and lionstraining.us websites. Many of the framings session presenters and moderators for the Saturday, June 1, 2013 MD 18 Convention were identified by their GLT coordinators and profiles.

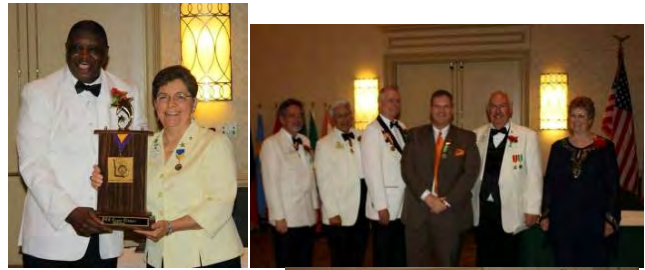
REPORT OF MD 18 CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS CHAIR – LION BILL CRAIG, PCC: CC Bethel reminded those present that this Council tabled a partial rewrite of the Constitution; this will become a consideration by the incoming Council. There is a Constitutional amendment being voted on this weekend at the Convention, to change term limits on State Committees to two years, and allowing the Chairs to be selected by the Council.

REPORT OF MD 18 STATE MAGAZINE EDITOR AND LCIF CHAIR – LION ED HASHBARGER, DGE, 18-D: Lion Hashbarger stated that he would continue as Editor of the State Magazine next year. Deadline for the last issue of this year is 20 June or sooner if possible. He discussed a printed report submitted to the District Governors. He stated that at the present time \$79,000.00 has been collected from Georgia. Some \$14,000.00 was collected (but not credited) toward Hurricane Sandy.

REPORT OF MD 18 REPRESENTATIVE TO LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND – LION PAM SCHLOEMER: Lion Schloemer stated that she has been in every district so far, seeking support for the Lions Day at the Braves Game, June 15th. Tickets should be ordered as soon as possible. Leader Dog donations are up this year. The IT team at West Georgia College is working to produce a video to be shown in local schools, and other venues. Lion Schloemer stated she would like to be a part of selected the new District Chairs for Leader Dogs next year. She would like to have District Chairs who are willing to work with her in traveling around the state in support of Leader Dogs.

REPORT OF MD 18 ALERT CHAIR – LION PEGGIE CHAPMAN: Lion Chapman stated that about \$12,000.00 was distributed in the Adairsville/Calhoun area through donations from clubs. She stated that there was also a \$10,000.00 grant from LCIF, a portion of which was returned to LCIF. In addition Clubs in Georgia donated \$14,000.00 to Hurricane Sandy Relief. She asked all incoming Governors to appoint a person from their district to serve on the ALERT team. She pointed out that on Saturday afternoon at 1:00 PM during the State Convention there will be an ALERT session, and she asked all those interested to please attend. PDG Tom Jackson will present part of the program. She thanked the Council for their support.

REPORT OF MD 18 LEO CHAIR – LION STEVE HELWIG: We held a very successful 8th annual MD18 Leo Gathering and Conference March 1-3, 2013 at our Georgia Lions Camp in Waycross. I have attached to this report the Official Minutes and Financial Statement for the event. I am especially pleased with how the Leos stepped up and supported the Camp with Tail-twister funds, monies raised at the Silent Auction, and the contributions from MD18 Leo the Council voted to disburse. I want to once again stress to the VDG's that as they work with their clubs that sponsor Leo clubs to encourage their Leos to attend – the kids will have experiences and friendships that will last a lifetime, learn new ways to implement the LEO motto (Leadership-Experience-Opportunity), make our Camp a better place, and perhaps serve as a Council member and/or officer!





Chatsworth Lions Club



Mark Rice
DISTRICT "L"

We meet at 7:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the First Baptist Church in Chatsworth, Georgia.

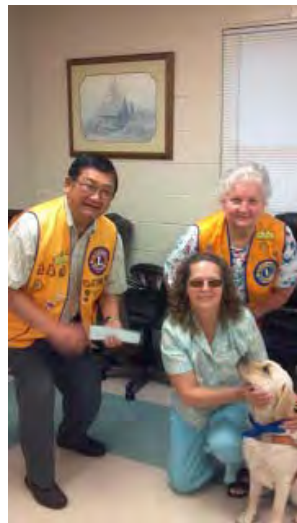
Pictures speak louder than words. Chatsworth Lions has been extremely active within the community. Involved in Black Bear Festival, Eton Fall Festival, cleaning glasses at the Lighthouse, supporting LEO's, sponsoring Senior Dinner's having interesting programs and for many years involved in their \$10,000 giveaway.

Senior Dinner



Saturday Sacks Donation

Murray County Service Dog



Officer Brian Ingle with new K-9 drug dog purchased by Chatsworth City speaking about their duties.



Chatsworth Lions President K.W. Gong presents Lion Lynn Infanger with gift of appreciation for service with the Chatsworth Lions and Leos at her last meeting in Chatsworth.

\$10,000 giveaway 2012



Toccoa Lions Club and Branch Club



Bill Holley
DISTRICT "F"



The Toccoa Lions, facing dwindling membership and poor enthusiasm, decided to reverse these trends by incorporating technology into club activities and communications. The use of the Toccoa Lions website, Facebook, twitter, internet web cams, Podcasts, Dropbox, FaceTime, Google Hangouts, LCI webpage, and various webinars has increased awareness of the Lions Clubs and attracted new members while retaining existing membership. We also increased the use of traditional methods such as Club Bulletin, newspaper articles, radio and cable TV. While this is a work in progress. we feel we have definitely made improvements.



Membership in the Toccoa Lions Club has been gradually falling for many years. The club had over 100 members in the 1980's but by 2011, it had dropped to 39. We needed to be revitalized, add members and focus on attracting younger people. A group of Toccoa Lions got together and brain-stormed on how we might get out the word and increase enthusiasm. The first item that came up was our meeting time and dues structure. Club meetings occurred at Noon and dues included meeting meals even if you did not attend. This was a big discouragement for many people. We wanted to provide some flexibility of time and cost . After considerable discussion, a Branch Club was proposed and accepted, and we began setting up our Facebook page and Twitter handle. <https://www.facebook.com/ToccoaLions?fref=ts>

The Toccoa Lions webpage had been around for a while, but we made a concerted effort to add new content and keep it timely. Additionally, we added links to the Facebook page and Twitter accounts. Facebook provided a forum for posting events and pictures to members (and interested friends), but we were also use it to publish our meeting minutes and articles of interest by the Club members. Products such as Dropbox facilitated communications by allowing members to easily exchange pictures and articles. Webcams were used to broadcast events, and PhoneTree automatically called members to remind them of meetings and activities. Finally, we developed a Signature Card for Low Vision people to give to local businesses.



All of these technologies are either free or low cost. The biggest challenge is adoption by Lions who don't typically use these products in their everyday life, especially older Lions. But like many things, a challenge can also be an opportunity. Most older Lions will need to have the help of younger people to adapt new technologies. This is an excellent opportunity to connect to your children, grandchildren or local students. One of the Toccoa Lions found his daughter especially helpful, and he got a new member in the process.

The Toccoa Lions use their website, <http://www.toccoalions.org>, to provide information on club projects and activities. The Facebook page focuses on individual Lions and the activities they are participating in. Podcasts allow members to hear the proceedings of meetings or presentations. Visit <http://billtheblindlion.podbean.com> to hear a podcast of the Toccoa Lions 80 Year Anniversary Celebration. For the website, Facebook or the podcasts to be successful, they have to be updated frequently. We use QR Codes on all of our publications to facilitate access to our sites. Technologies such as FaceTime, Google Hangouts & PhoneTree are used to improve communications.

The results to date are that the Toccoa Lions Club has sponsored a new Branch Club and added 11 new members. Not bad for a start! We will keep you posted.



Jim Walker
DISTRICT "O"

Sylvester Lion's Club in Action



The Sylvester Lions Club is working with the Georgia Lion's Lighthouse and members of the Community to help provide vision and hearing assistance to those in need. The Sylvester lion's Club was instrumental in acquiring hearing aids for Mrs. Jimmie Holley. The mission of the Lions Club is to empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs. The Sylvester Club was chartered in May 2009 and for the past year has worked to serve the community and provide assistance to those in need. The club meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the Sylvester Fire Department Community Room. The club is actively recruiting members and working on community projects. For more information please feel free to contact Mr. Frank Jones at 229-777-9590.

Moultrie Lions Club



Bar-B-Que Fundraiser



Support Camp



Support youth in both Middle and High School



Football Concession Stand

- Purchase eyeglasses for needy
- Provide vision screenings in community and assist at district vision clinics
- Sponsor Most Improved Student Awards in middle and junior high schools
- Sponsor Leo Clubs
- Support Georgia Lions Lighthouse for eye services and hearing aids beyond capability of club to finance
- Support Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind
- Support other community projects and agencies



Cathy Threatt
DISTRICT "N"

Glennville Lions Club



Funnel Cake booth at the Glennville Sweet Onion Festival (fundraiser for our projects)

Supporting the Glennville Middle School Literacy Program

Sponsor Youth baseball team in the Glennville Recreation Department program

Purchased new scoreboard for Lions Field, ball field at Glennville Recreation Department

Provide eye exams and glasses for those in need in our community

Provide funding for a person/persons to attend summer camp at the Lions Camp for The Blind located in Waycross Georgia.

Glennville Lions Club participated in the Glennville Onion Festival in May 2013. Our club operated a booth selling funnel cakes. A total of \$1200.00 was raised at the event.

Lions Clubs brooms and mops can be purchased at the Glennville Sentinel, Stricklands Pharmacy and at Kings of Glennville Home Furnishings, located on Downtown Barnard St.





The Global Leadership Team (GLT)

Webinar Tutorial – How to Be a Participant

We invite you to [experience an interactive tutorial on being a webinar participant](http://lions.alkonhosting.com/EN/webinar/player.html). Go to this web site: <http://lions.alkonhosting.com/EN/webinar/player.html>

Upon finishing this tutorial you will be able to register, log in and actively participate in a webinar.

Upcoming Webinars

Webinar Description	Dates/Times
<p>Zone Chairperson Training Learn how the role of zone chairperson is vital to the support of clubs including coaching and motivating club leaders to dream and to set goals to achieve those dreams. Intended Audience: Current and incoming zone chairpersons</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday, Jul 9, 2013 12:00pm • Friday, Jul 12, 2013 7:00 pm • Wednesday, Jul 17, 2013 7:00pm
<p>Club President: Leading and Managing Opportunities and responsibilities of the club president, the traits of an effective leader, how to maintain connections with all club members and the path to club excellence. Intended Audience: Current and potential club presidents</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, Aug 7, 2013 7:00pm • Tuesday, Aug 13, 2013 12:00pm • Friday, Aug 16th, 2013 7:00pm
<p>Managing Service Projects The characteristics of effective project managers, the five phases of service project management and a case study of a current successful club project. Intended Audience: All Lions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday, Sept 6, 2013 7:00pm • Wednesday, Sept 11, 2013 12:00 pm
<p>LCI Ethics and the Role of the Leader Overview of eight LCI ethical standards and the role of the Lion leader in ethics training and communication. Includes specific examples of the positive application of LCI ethics in sensitive club situations and a focus on election conduct. Intended Audience: All Lions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, Oct 9, 2013 12:00 pm • Friday, Oct 18, 2013 7:00pm
<p>Leadership Resources on the Web Participants take a tour of available materials and discover how web resources can assist club and district leaders/officers. Focus on the Leadership Resource Center and its role in developing the skills and knowledge of Lions leaders. Intended Audience: All Lions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, Nov 6, 2013 12:00 pm • Friday, Nov 15, 2013 7:00pm

Lions Clubs International web site: <http://lionsclubs.org>

[The Foundation](#) [Our Work](#) [Our Impact](#) [News and Events](#) [Member Center](#)

(From Member Center – Managing A District – District Resource Center – DG Team):
Constitutions and By-Laws (Int'l, Multi-Dist and Dist)
District Governor Team Manual

(From Member Center – Leadership Development – Training Materials/Resources – Independent Study Presentations):
Second Vice District Governor Online Training (COMPLETE & bring to VDG Training)

(From Member Center – Leadership Development – Global Leadership Team – Global Leadership Team Coordinator Center):
Lions Leadership Profile Tool (COMPLETE & bring to VDG Training)

Other areas of interest:

- [Managing a District](#)
 - [District Resource Center](#)
 - [District Pit Stop Checklist](#)
 - [Communicating Your Activities](#)
 - [Strengthen Membership](#)
 - [Grants](#)
 - [Finance](#)
 - [Club Rebuilding and Reactivation](#)
 - [e-District House](#)
 - [Zone and Region Chairperson Center](#)

Training sessions for VDG's will be conducted during weekend of 13-15 September – bring your MD 18 Directory

Training sessions for VDG's will be held during weekend of 8-9 November

30 December – 1stVDG's should have appointed their Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer, Newsletter Editor and District Convention Chair.

3 -5 January 2014 – 1stVDG's REQUIRED training in Atlanta



Family Project Do's and Don'ts



Incorporating families into your Lions club not only helps increase membership, but it also helps families grow closer together. Children can learn the value of serving their communities at an early age by volunteering with their parents. Current members can invite sisters, brothers, aunts and uncles to help out with [community projects](#). Grandparents can spend more time with their grandchildren. All the while, Lions are making a bigger impact. Below are some considerations to take when planning family-friendly Lions projects and meetings.

Don't:

- Organize activities that require a lot of physical movement if your members include senior citizens.
- Mix families with small children and community agencies with small children (supervision may become an issue).
- Hold club meetings at a bar or other location not suitable for children.
- Plan fixed, recurrent assignments that will make families lose interest.
- Organize projects over several hours long that might not work for families with young children.

Do:

- Hold club meetings at a time and place that is convenient and appropriate for families of all ages.
- Plan projects that offer fun, hands-on opportunities for kids.
- Organize service activities with single-function tasks that can be broken down for people of varying skill levels.
- Keep project schedules flexible to accommodate families.
- Plan projects that require multiple skills, talents and knowledge.
- Plan projects such as: helping senior citizens, literacy projects and environmental projects.

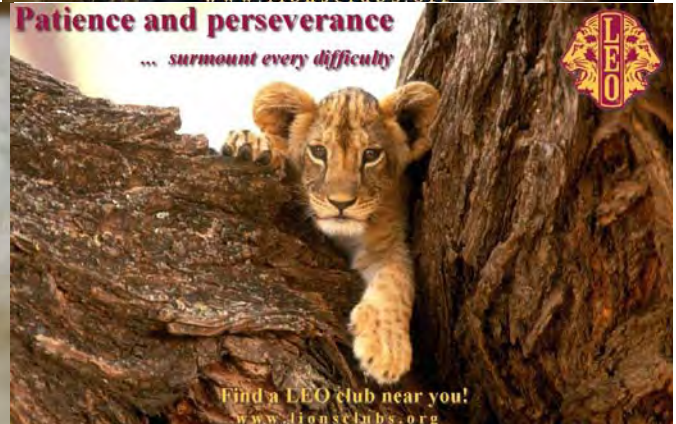
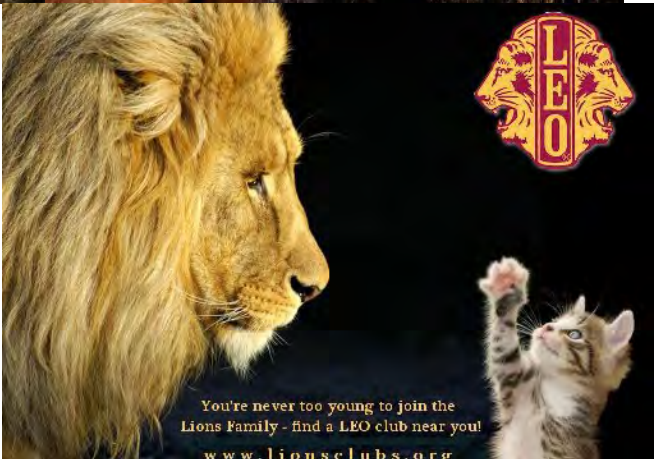
The Value of a Member

Ten members standing in a line.
One disliked the president, and then there were nine.
Nine ambitious members offered to work late.
One forgot her promise, and there were eight.
Eight creative members had ideas as great as the sky.
One lost enthusiasm, and then there were seven.
Seven loyal members got into a fix.
They quarreled over programs, and then there were six.
Six members remained with spirit and drive.
One moved away, and then there were five.
Five steadfast members wished there were more.
One became indifferent, and there were four.
Four Cheerful members who never disagree.
'Til one complained of meetings, and then there were three.

Three eager members! What do they do?
One got discouraged, and then there were two.
Two lovely members; our rhyme is nearly done.
One joined another club, and then there was one.
One faithful member was feeling rather blue.
Met with a neighbor, and then there were two.
Two earnest members, each enrolled one more.
Doubling their number, and then there were four.
Four determined members just could not wait.
'Til each won another, then there were eight.
Eight excited members signed up sixteen more.
In another six verses, there will be a thousand and twenty four.
Remember: Membership is Everybody's Responsibility!



BRANDING Here are some posters that you might want to get reproduced and add your Club name and phone number:



If you are looking for more pictures and will be able to add whatever printing to it check these out:

<http://edmclion.com/PicLionGraphics1.pdf>
<http://edmclion.com/PicLionGraphics3.pdf>
<http://edmclion.com/PicLionGraphics5.pdf>

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Just save as photo, copy and paste and add your lettering.....

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PLAN:

Reorganize/Rebuild/Merge Weak Clubs
(less than 10 members)
Each club member should be on a committee
Have a dynamic speaker at meetings
Give yearly awards and have a ceremony –
ask spouses to join club
Club adopt a Vision Screening program
(Sight for Students)
Clubs should visit other clubs in the Zone
Have Joint Projects/Fundraisers

Each District start a new Club
Each Club shall set a goal to increase membership by one.
Club be active at the District and State level
Be ACTIVE in the Community –
have a public relations program
Partner with other non-profits –
Adopt a school
Support and seek leaders from the returning military
Involve Past District Governors
Add new members to leadership positions in the Club.

ACTIVITIES are the life-blood of a Lions Club. Without activities a club dries up: with activities it grows and prospers. A Lions Club to justify its existence and to deserve the name, LIONS Club, must do something to help unfortunate individuals, to improve its community and to assist its country. Things to be done are on every hand if we have the energy to look for them and to go about doing them. Some of the activities require money. A Lions Club should not call upon its members for the money but should raise the necessary funds from the general public by worthwhile projects. The LION magazine and web site will also show the latest money-raising plans of Lions Clubs all over the country

PROGRAMS that are entertaining, interesting, instructive and inspiring are necessary if your club is to have good attendance and develop a spirit of Lionism. By all means, at meeting should open with group singing, a salute to the flag and an invocation. Much of the spirit of the meeting depends upon the tail-twister – they should go into action during the meal if possible and see that the crowd gets in a good humor.

Speakers and entertainers for the program can often be found in your own club or in nearby Lions Clubs – use them if possible. Good speakers can be located among youth leaders and the clergy, in the legal, medical and educational professions; and in business establishment, factories and military. A group of busy people, giving up their time to attend a Lions Club meeting, deserve a constructive program.

FELLOWSHIP grows and expands through work and association. Unless a Lion is actively engaged in doing something with other Lions, they do not get to know them well and does not develop a spirit of real fellowship. Regular attendance is necessary also – a member who is weak in attendance never gets in the swim and feels like they are standing on the bank watching the other fellows have the fun.

COMMITTEES are a must for all Lions. All members should be active on at least one committee. As soon as a new member is brought into the Club – they should be assigned a committee immediately.

1. Be happy and thankful that the volunteers are there. You can never say “thank you enough” (leader or not). Thank your fellow volunteers for everything they do and make it sincere. “I’m glad you’re here. We couldn’t do this without you.” “Thanks for coming, I know how busy you are.” “I appreciate your time and commitment to this project.” Don’t just say this to the group; take time out for each individual person.

2. If you feed them they will come. Now I realize that sounds funny, but, quite frankly, it works. Most volunteers are so pressed for time they are tired and hungry. Make sure you have something to munch on during meetings or during the project to keep their energy up. It doesn’t have to be elaborate.

3. Set projects up by establishing small committees. The advantage is others in the group get to develop or share their leadership skills; and that just makes people feel great and important. The bigger picture is that the project becomes less overwhelming if each committee is working on their part.

4. Make it fun! Bring your sense of humor and lightness to the project. Give a mini-pep rally for your team where maybe you bring in a bowl of candy or something for them to share. Get creative. It can't be all work and no play, you'll wind up with a cranky group on your hands.

5. Have regular meetings. Keep volunteers posted on progress. Give them a forum in which to share ideas on improvement and things that are working well. You might even want to give others the opportunity to lead the meeting. Give your volunteers the opportunity to grow.

6. Give positive feedback each day. Volunteers like to know that they are doing a good job. If someone is absent, let them know they were missed. Let them know they are important.

7. Take a break. Take time during your project to take breaks from work. You might even want to set up a "movie night" for the volunteers – rent a movie, pop some popcorn and have it at someone's home. You can even have a little discussion time after the movie. It gives everyone a chance to de-stress and bond with other volunteers

8. Recognize each volunteer. Each volunteer should receive a certificate for their participation in the project – no matter how much (or little) time they put into the project. People like to be formally recognized for what they do.

9. Give out awards. For those volunteers who go above and beyond your expectations, give them a special award.

REMEMBER: They will never do it as you well as you.....but..... They will get it done.

7 Reasons to Become a Lion!

People considering joining their local Lions club often ask, "Why should I become a Lion?" Here are just a handful of reasons:

1. Serve the community.

Lions are committed to partnering with local leaders and organizations, identifying the unique needs of their communities and surrounding areas, and planning service projects that address those needs. From community clean-up projects to food drives to fundraisers, Lions help people in need who are close to home. We serve!

2. Make a difference in the world.

A small act like collecting recycled glasses may not seem like much at first, but when those glasses are distributed around the world through Lions sight missions that change lives, you'll soon discover that Lions are making a big impact. Lions are everywhere: teaching children to read, responding to disaster, fighting measles, providing clean water and so much more.

3. Enjoy a rewarding experience.

There is no greater feeling than making a positive impact on someone's life. Lions are doing good – for others and for themselves.

4. Make new friends.

Joining a local Lions club is a great way to connect with other people in your community and make new friends. Find a Special Interest club that involves people with the same interests, hobbies and passions. Or consider [starting your own club](#)! Serving together can help build relationships that last a lifetime.

5. Learn, grow and share.

Through volunteer work and community service, Lions are learning new things and developing leadership skills every day. Learn how to plan a food drive and feed the hungry. Learn about the risks of diabetes, and share your knowledge with community members to help them lead healthier lifestyles.

6. Grow as a family.

Lions clubs offer opportunities for families to volunteer together. Become a Lion with your spouse, children, grandchildren and siblings, and start spending quality time together while serving the community.

7. Develop young leaders.

By engaging youth, Lions are helping to develop strong leaders for the future. Leo clubs provide [youth volunteer opportunities](#) that allow young adults to become involved in community service and begin learning about the impact they can have around the world. [Learn more about becoming a member!](#)

Lions, share this post with your friends and encourage them to make a difference. But first, answer this question: **Why did YOU become a Lion?**



I graduated from Crandall Business College in Macon, GA in April of 1968, and went to work that same week with the Lions of Georgia State Office on Mulberry Street.

The State Secretary was Alcee Maxfield, and he had two secretaries prior to my beginning work. The first secretary was Janet Horne who was hired in July of 1965. The second secretary was Faye Brown Hayes who worked from March 1966 to March 1968.

Mr. Maxfield was very detail oriented, and wrote many letters. My day began sitting at the side of his desk taking dictation from the time I arrived at work until 11:00 AM and sometimes we did not finish before lunch. I always worried I wouldn't be able to finish the letters by the end of the day. Back then it was carbon paper copies, and all errors had to be erased...no whiteout; and Mr. Maxfield sent lots of copies to everyone! It was not unusual to have 8 or 9 copies of a letter. When Mr. Maxfield wrote letters to prospective members of new clubs, it meant typing a stencil, running the letters on a mimeograph machine, then individually addressing each.

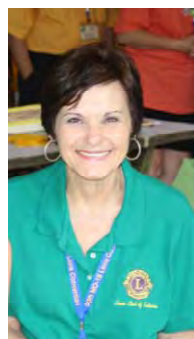
Both Mr. Maxfield and I were paid by Lions Clubs International. He worked to organize or reorganize clubs, and I did the secretarial part of that work in the state office, along with the state duties.

When Mr. Maxfield retired, the 1974-75 Council of Governors (Walter Wilson, Council Chair) hired Eugene K. Lindsay to take his place in the State Office. First MD Directory 1977-78 One thing I just want to share with you is that when Mr. Lindsay was State Secretary the idea of a State Directory came up. The very first directory was done on a mimeograph machine and each page had to be typed on a stencil and taped to the machine because we needed so many copies; otherwise the stencil would slide and bunch up and we would have to end up typing the same page twice. I don't miss that at all! We then got a tabletop offset press, and that was some better, but still very messy and time consuming. I stood on my feet all day running the press and had little time to handle anything else. To begin with, we hired school kids to come in and collate, and of course once the printing was finished I collated. Then we found a printer in Milledgeville who would run the pages, and I collated the book. For a few years the prison in Milledgeville took on the job of printing and putting the book together. In 2003-04 (or maybe a year earlier) the printing was done via internet.

Mr. Lindsay continued as State Secretary until the position of State Secretary was discontinued June 30, 1983. Mr. Lindsay then became an Extension Representative for LCI, and worked from his home. I continued to do the secretarial work for him, and my position continued to be paid from LCI. The Lions of Georgia hired Bob Bowlin to serve as State Secretary, two days a week.

In 1985-86 Mr. Bowlin left the office of State Secretary, and the office was moved to Milledgeville, Georgia. I received my salary from Lions Clubs International, and continued to do the work for the Lions of Georgia, while Mr. Lindsay continued as Extension Representative. It was between this time and 1990 (I think) that LCI ceased to fund a state office secretary, and the Lions of Georgia picked up my salary. The State Office was moved to Eatonton in the early nineties.

I am married to Joe Selby and we have two children and four grandchildren.



Family Preparedness Plan = Help protect your family against potential weather disasters and emergency situations by compiling an emergency supply kit. The kit can be assembled over a five-month period on a weekly basis. Perishable items should be changed or replaced every six months.

[SupplyKit www.weather.com/ready/checklist/wxready/preparedness.html](http://www.weather.com/ready/checklist/wxready/preparedness.html)

<p>Essentials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Battery-operated radio • Flashlight • Extra batteries • Do not include candles, which cause more fires after a disaster than anything else 	<p>Water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 gallons/person, minimum, in a food-grade, plastic container Additional water for sanitation 	<p><u>Minimum three-day supply of non-perishable food that requires no refrigeration or preparation and little or no water.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dry cereal • Peanut butter • Canned fruits • Canned vegetables • Ready-to-eat canned meats • Canned juice • Quick energy snacks, graham crackers • Ready-to-eat soups (not concentrated)
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<p><u>Tools and Supplies</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whistle • Crowbar • Paper, pencil • Medicine dropper • Needles, thread • Signal flare • Assorted nails, wood screws • Plastic storage containers • Cash or traveler's checks, change • Tape, duct and plumber's tape or strap iron • Patch kit and can of seal-in-air for tires • Shut-off wrench, to turn off household gas and water • Aluminum foil • Plastic sheeting • Compass • Matches in a waterproof container • Pliers, screwdriver, hammer • Heavy cotton or hemp rope • Non-electric can opener, utility knife • Mess kits, or paper cups, plates and plastic utensils • Map of the area (for locating shelters) • Jumper cables 	<p><u>For Baby</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formula • Powdered milk • Medication • *Bottles • *Diapers 	<p><u>Clothing and Bedding</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunglasses • Hat and gloves • Blankets or sleeping bags • One complete change of clothing and footwear per person • Rain gear • Sturdy shoes or work boots • Thermal underwear
	<p><u>For Pets</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food • Leash, harness or carrier • Records of vaccinations • Non-tippable food and water containers 	<p><u>Family Medical Needs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insulin • Prescription drugs • Denture needs • Extra eye glasses • Contact lenses and supplies • Heart and high blood pressure medication
	<p><u>Important Family Documents</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Important telephone numbers • Record of bank account numbers • Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates) • Inventory of valuable household goods • Copy of will, insurance policies, contracts, deeds, stocks and bonds • Record of credit card account numbers and companies • Copy of passports, social security cards, immunization records 	

<p><u>Sanitation</u></p>	
• Disinfectant	• Plastic garbage bags, ties (for personal sanitation uses)
• Soap, liquid detergent	• Household chlorine bleach
• Feminine supplies	• Personal hygiene items
• Toilet paper, towelettes, paper towels	• Plastic bucket with tight lid



Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation

Providing vision and hearing services to Georgians in financial need

Dear Georgia Lions!



My wife (Kathryn) and I along with nine other staff members are just back from the State Meeting in Augusta and we had a great time. Kathryn and I ran from one session to another for three straight days and enjoyed every minute. I was called upon to make a number of presentation, some planned, others not, and definitely gave more information than was probably wanted.

Kembra Smith, our board chair, asked me to tell the whole story, which I will recount for you-

Seven and a half years ago I joined the Lighthouse to increase funding. I had no earthly idea that I would find myself in this chair today. I did not anticipate that I would fall in love with your Lighthouse mission, staff and clients. You have done a wonderful job in developing this organization and its outreach. In 2012 we served 6,331 needy Georgians which was 6.3 times more than the 1,001 we helped in 2007. On average we spent about \$500 on every person we served in '07 while last year on a budget of \$2,280,000 we spent on average about \$363 per customer. In summary, the 426 surgical clients cost us about \$1,125 per case while our 4,826 clinic clients cost us about \$60. In our hearing program the Lighthouse placed 2,126 digital aids for 1,145 people at a per aid cost of approximately \$360.

This is a great story that you are a part of as a Lion and your gifts play a major role in this growth. Your gifts to us are critical and the small club who may not be able to send us more than \$500 can help as 10 people in our clinics while in a larger club a gift of \$10,000 would touch 160 people in our clinics, or 9 people in need of surgical help, or fund 28 hearing aids. Of interest, over one half of our surgical cases are for diabetic retinopathy which is treatable via laser surgeries which cost much less than other more complicated issues. We can fund these procedures for about \$500, or less, thus \$10,000 would cover 20 such procedures.

It is my pleasure to serve Lionism and the Lighthouse and if we can be of service to your club please let us know.

Lion Jim Adams
(in terms of membership Kathryn and I were the youngest Lions in Augusta)

More than \$0.90 of every \$1 you give goes directly to the Lighthouse Foundation programs. For every \$1 donated, we can provide \$5 in medical services.

Summer Service Numbers

1Jul12 — 31 May 2013

District A

Eye Glasses: 728

Eye Exams: 390

Eye Surgeries: 116

Hearing Aids: 482

District B

Eye Glasses: 1002

Eye Exams: 615

Eye Surgeries: 62

Hearing Aids: 154

District C

Eye Glasses: 301

Eye Exams: 221

Eye Surgeries: 75

Hearing Aids: 169

District D

Eye Glasses: 291

Eye Exams: 196

Eye Surgeries: 64

Hearing Aids: 243

District E

Eye Glasses: 415

Eye Exams: 279

Eye Surgeries: 78

Hearing Aids: 302

District F

Eye Glasses: 1696

Eye Exams: 686

Eye Surgeries: 49

Hearing Aids: 275

Fiscal Year Totals:

Eye Glasses: 4433

Eye Exams: 2387

Eye Surgeries: 444

Hearing Aids: 1625

“When you give a little,
you get a lot.”
-Lion Bret Wagenhorst, M.D.



Better Vision. Better Hearing. Better Georgia.



Counties Served			Hearing Services	
County	Surgey	Vision Clinic	Aids	Total
Applying	2	25	15	42
Atkinson	1	7	2	10
Bacon	0	6	4	10
Baker	0	0	0	0
Baldwin	4	4	4	12
Banks	1	0	0	1
Barrow	2	48	17	67
Bartow	5	12	24	41
Ben Hill	2	10	2	14
Berrien	0	16	4	20
Bibb	15	231	29	275
Bleckley	1	4	2	7
Brantley	4	25	9	38
Brooks	1	9	11	21
Bryan	0	21	4	25
Bulloch	1	125	4	130
Burke	3	4	7	14
Butts	2	7	6	15
Calhoun	1	3	0	4
Camden	0	15	7	22
Candler	0	27	2	29
Carroll	3	115	19	137
Catoosa	3	3	11	17
Charlton	0	4	0	4
Chatham	5	1306	38	1349
Chattahoochee	0	6	0	6
Chattooga	0	0	6	6
Cherokee	18	51	22	91
Clarke	3	160	11	174
Clay	0	1	0	1
Clayton	11	191	39	241
Clinch	9	1	2	12
Cobb	31	230	81	342
Coffee	5	2	6	13
Colquitt	5	46	11	62
Columbia	3	22	6	31
Cook	1	13	7	21
Coweta	6	30	28	64
Crawford	0	3	13	16
Crisp	0	4	26	30
Dade	0	4	6	10
Dawson	0	52	0	52
Decatur	2	6	11	19
Dekalb	8	681	141	830

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Taste of Chamblee will be held September 28, 2013

*It's fun in the sun,
but sun-damaged eyes are not.*
Protect your eyes from cataracts,
cancer of the eyes and surrounding
skin, macular degeneration, pterygium
and hypersensitivity to light.

Don't forget your sunnies
Look for lenses labeled UVB/UVB protection
and never look directly at the sun.
Even when you are squinting, the sun
damages your eyes.

Your eyes will thank you.



Georgia Lions
Lighthouse Foundation

Dodge	0	6	7	13
Dooly	1	1	4	6
Dougherty	9	207	41	257
Douglas	6	109	22	137
Early	0	4	4	8
Echols	0	0	0	0
Effingham	2	45	6	53
Elbert	2	10	2	14
Emanuel	0	10	4	14
Evans	0	4	2	6
Fannin	3	3	6	12
Fayette	3	210	19	232
Floyd	2	69	26	97
Forsyth	2	10	4	16
Franklin	3	12	9	24
Fulton	17	1532	208	1757
Gilmer	8	4	15	27
Glascok	0	0	0	0
Glynn	4	178	13	195
Gordon	4	7	13	24
Grady	0	7	3	10
Greene	2	4	4	10
Gwinnett	19	369	86	474

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~ July 2013 ~

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5 96th	6 Int'l
7 Conv	8 Hamburg,	9 Germany	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 CAMP FOR THE BLIND 37th Summer CAMP Lions Day
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	Notes:		

~ August 2013 ~

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<i>Youth</i>	<i>Global</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Action</i>	1 <i>Campaign</i>	2	3
4	5	6 Camp Kudzu Tour	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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~ September 2013 ~

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1	2 Labor Day	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Council of Governors Mtg, Macon, Georgia Joint Mtg Camp and Lighthouse
15	16	17	18	19 USA -	20 Canada Overland Park,	21 Forum Kansas
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Vision Walk – 5K Run Lighthouse
29	30	Notes:				

~ October 2013 ~

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<i>Lions and</i>	<i>LEO's</i>	1 <i>Membership</i>	2 <i>Growth</i>	3 <i>Month</i>	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 District 18-I Hall of Fame/ 58 th Rally – 12 Noon - Oconee Cty
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	Notes:	

~ November 2013 ~

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Council of Governors' Meeting, Warner Robins, GA
10	11 Veterans Day	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Thanksgiving Day	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

~ December 2013 ~

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28
29	30	31 New Year's Eve	Notes:			



From Kristen Picus, Camp Director:



Camp for the Blind Testimonial
From a Former Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind Camper
Lori Parker

The transition from awkward child to confident adult is made vastly more complicated by a visual impairment. My parents mainstreamed me in public school, where I was more-often-than-not the only blind child in my academic courses. Though I learned invaluable real-world lessons from my public education, I was in need of a place where I was not the outsider, where there was only the stress of being a youth and not that of being differently-abled.

Every summer from 1990 through 1997, I found my haven at the Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind. I gained role models in the disabled adult councilors. I went home with many show-and-tells for my parents that proved my ability and aptitude, regardless of handicap. I would get so caught up in camp activities that I would forget to call or write my mother and father.

Most importantly, I found friends at GLCB. I was connected with others of my own age group facing similar growing pains, and we had our blindness in common. I could ask the campers a year or few older for advice, commiserate with those of my school grade, or mentor the younger kids. Friendships carried beyond the camp gates. We kept in touch by letters and phone calls, until the next year brought us together again.

Those hot weeks were truly the most memorable of my childhood. That time gave me the freedom to explore who I was going to become. That camp meant so much to me that, when I lost what little sight I had during an eye surgery, I pleaded to be allowed to attend fresh from the hospital. I was late for my age group's session in 1997, but I knew no one else would truly understand what path I was now walking.

From the standpoint of experiencing the Georgia Lions Camp with usable sight and no usable sight, I offer these mental images, goals reached, and moments in my personal history:

- Receiving permission to swim in the deep end of the pool
- A yearly gold-rush-themed scavenger hunt
- My misshapen "art" clay animals
- Trips to the beach, water park, and outdoor plays
- Dining hall duty again!
- Riding a two-person bicycle with my favorite councilor
- Canoe races
- Talent night
- Beeper ball, tug-of-war, Name-that-Tune
- Developing a love of horses
- Playing pranks on the boys
- My first kiss
- Campfire tales and singing "Kumbaya"
- Tearful goodbyes

It is June of 2013, as I write to you, and I am informed that the camp I once considered my refuge is in need. Please, remember Lori Parker the next time you are asked to provide for the Georgia Lions Camp for the blind. There, I first learned how to socialize with equals, before I learned to lead. I was the Valedictorian of my public high school in Franklin, North Carolina. Being unable to continue at GLCB after the age of fourteen, when I moved out-of-state, hurt terribly, but the generosity of spirit, wisdom, and judgment of the people I had come into contact with there over years had already marked me.

I charge that you give, so that another generation can play amongst true peers. I encourage that you reach, so that children can make friends to last a lifetime. I stir you to help, so that more lasting memories will see campers through to be the adults you'll be proud to have nourished.

A Former Camper,
Lori Parker

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For Christmas in July wish list:

Kitchen Towels	Kitchen Rags	Scrubbers	Coffee Pot
Food Storage Containers	Kitchen Scissors	Coffee Pot	Good Chopping Knife
Silverware (Forks and Spoons)		Large Casserole Baking Dish	
Commercial Frying Pans	Commercial Stew Pot	Cutting Boards	
Measuring Cups	Measuring Spoons	Oven Mitts	Pot Holders
Industrial Clear Squirt Bottles (for Condiments)		Sterno	Laundry Soap

Fruit Trees	Paint Brushes	Screwdriver Sets	Bleach Wipes
75-100 foot Water Hoses	Hose Nozzles	55 Gallon Trash Bags (2 mil thickness)	
5W-30 Motor Oil	Cordless Power Tools	Dust Mop Push Brooms	
Utility Size Tool Bag	13 Gallon Trash Bags	.95 Weed Eater string	

8 foot Plastic Tables and Chairs	Outdoor Trashcans w/ Wheels
Warm Weather Sleeping Bags	Camping Sleeping Pads
Tents (sleeps at least 3-4)	

Reams of Colored Paper	9x12 White Envelopes	Hot Glue Guns/Sticks
Puff Paint	Gift Cards (Lowes, Walmart, Amazon, or Visa)	

The Rise of the Guardians (Blu-Ray)	Hotel Transylvania (Blu-Ray)
Brave (Blu-Ray)	Wreck-It Ralph (Blu-Ray)
Thor (Blu-Ray)	Captain America (Blu-Ray)
The Avengers (Blu-Ray)	Real Steel (Blu-Ray)
Here Comes the Boom (Blu-Ray)	

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GLCB Silent Auction Was Successful

During the State Convention, Lions enjoyed friendly competition and socializing with friends from around the state. Excitement was in the air as bidding continued on the 73 entries until the last seconds. PDG Patrick Pignataro had his alarm set and helped with the final countdown. This year we had the most entries and the bids and donations were tallied for a grand total of \$5025.

We had some awesome entries and several Lions were able to display their talents. A member of the Byron Lions Club made the patriotic wreath and how about the awesome handcrafted walnut bowl and segmented vase by PDG John Rudert. Someone staying at the Marriott was the lucky winner of the walnut bowl. There was the doggy feeding bin, tickets for the Georgia Mountain Fair, Braves tickets, Six Flag tickets, baskets with food and food related items, stone garden fox, display of Lions pins, the painting of the lion, and even tools for the lady to mention a few. Lions really did think outside the box as there was a watermelon to go with the watermelon basket. The Lions towels donated by the family of PDG Ivey and Clyde Plair received a lot of interest and comments. The Peach Bowl towel received a high bid of \$27.00.

The Summer BBQ Basket donated by Roswell Lions received the most bids followed by the Fire Pit donated by the GLCB. The highest bid was a bargain at \$300 for two nights at Hotel Warm Springs, \$50 in gift cards, handmade lap quilt and goodies from all around Meriwether County donated by the Greenville Lions.

Thanks, to the Georgia Lions and the Colquitt County Leos for making the GLCB Silent Auction a success. A special thank you to Alice Stagg, Dena Vanlandingham, and Helen Troha for assisting with the auction.

Dimple Forrest
Silent Auction Chair



SPAM ALERT

Be Aware: Scam Alert

During recent months, there have been a number of phone and email scams involving Lions. One member bought into an email scam and lost \$2,700. Another received a check from Lions that looked legitimate, including correct routing numbers. Because she wasn't expecting money, she called the Lions Help Desk and discovered it was a scam. The perpetrators are also posing as members and contacting other members to make donations via phone. Unfortunately, if you lose money in a scam, there is no legal recourse and no way to recover the money. If you want to donate to LCIF, you can do so through your local club or by going to <http://lcif.org/donate>. If you suspect a scam, or if you're unsure, please contact helpdesk@lionsclubs.org or call 1-630-468-6800. For tips on how to protect yourself from scams, visit the [Lions Blog](#).

I did not know this was going on until one ID told me. I went onto the web and checked with www.truthorfiction.com and found the following information:

Hotel Room Keys Have Your Personal Information on Them Including Credit Card Numbers-Fiction!

Hello my fellow Lion

I hope this email meets you in good condition of health. My name is Lion SIMON PRINGLE, I am the President MORPETH LIONS CLUB, Club Number: 20095; District: 105NE; ENGLAND. I am the Marketing officer for VAN MILDERT STORES LIMITED. We are into fabric sales. I want to employ you as our agent if you're still looking for job. We have been selling our products for the past few years and we're lately facing serious difficulties when it comes to selling our products to Americans because they are always offering to pay with U.S MONEY ORDER/CHECKS, which is difficult for us to cash here. We are looking for representatives in the states who will be working for us as a part-time worker and be willing to pay 10% for every transaction, WHICH WOULDN'T AFFECT YOUR PRESENT STATE OF WORK. We need someone who would be helping in receiving payments from our clients in the States. An agent who is responsible and reliable that will be handling the payment aspect. The payment will be addressed and sent to you and all you need do is to get it cashed, deduct your percentage and send the balance back to any of our accountants/lawyers in our regional warehouses. The problem we have is getting someone that is really capable and trustworthy and i believe that it is only a fellow Lion can be trusted 100%. This offer is not going to cost you any amount because all you need to do is to receive payments which will be sent to you via delivery courier , which would come in form of a money order/check get it cashed and send the cash to our accountants/lawyers via MONEY GRAM, WESTERN UNION MONEY TRANSFER and required charges for all transfer should be deducted from the money. If you're interested, kindly get back to me ASAP with the information below. Please note any transaction carried out by our staff on behalf of this organization will be insured against risk.

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[Facebook wants to broadcast your Lions event !](#)

An important part of our LIONS experience is made of meetings, seminars, congress, convention, forums etc. There are merely events and *I know some LIONS have turned into successful event planners.*



Let's see one feature of Facebook that could help in sharing your events and interact with the community: **Facebook Event** Facebook event is a way for members to let people and friends know about upcoming events in their community and to organize social gatherings. Facebook offers the possibility of creating an event. To use it, you first need to be active in the network and then, choose one of these ways:

- Use your personal Facebook profile,
- Use your Club Facebook page,
- Use your LIONS Club profile.

You have to look for the page with the broader audience, to enhance your range of awareness when posting the event. Events require an event name, network, host name, event type, start time, location, and a guest list of friends invited. Events can be public or private. Private events cannot be found in searches and are by invitation only. People who have not been invited cannot view a Private event's description, Wall or photos. They also will not see any Feed stories about the event. To create the event, log using the chosen profile and look at your left column:

1. **Go to the Events tab on the left side of your home page**
2. **Click Create Event in the top right.**
- 3.

A Facebook Event gives you the opportunity to:

- Invite people,
- See feedbacks (Attending – Maybe – Not Attending),
- Post updates,
- Post links / pictures / or videos
- send message to invited people (whether they attend or not),
- Modify the event (Change Date and/or hours – Cancel it).

The Facebook Event automatically sends a message to the entire invited if the event is cancelled.

What is the purpose for us LIONS, of using such Facebook feature: it could help to broadcast our event, engage audience by posting questions, calling to actions and so over. More so, since February 2011, Facebook has started using the H-card and H-Calendar micro format, which enable uploading of a Facebook to any device. Smartphone's users experience it and can see Facebook Events display on their phone agenda with date and locations.

It is a simply useful tool to use but worthy in awareness and audience engagement. See how Lions Clubs International is using it to broadcast our 96th International Convention in Hamburg: [visit here](#).

To learn more or sort out any issue with Facebook Events you can go to: <http://www.facebook.com/help/events>

Facebook Tip: Share Your Photos

One of the most effective ways to use [Facebook](#) to promote your club's [community volunteer work](#) is to share photos. Compelling images on your Facebook page catch people's attention more than blocks of text, so be sure the photos you post really say something about your club. Here are some tips for posting photos on your Lions Facebook page:

- **Show Lions in action.** Staged "grip-and-grin" photos that simply show Lions presenting a check to a local organization are not as interesting as photos that show Lions "doing." Bring a camera to your next Lions project or event, and show how your Lions are out in the community truly making a difference. Interesting snapshots include Lions working hard at a community service project, Lions and Leos volunteering side by side, or Lions getting involved at local fairs, markets or shows.
- **Promote local activities.** Be sure to give a shout-out to other local organizations and businesses that you work with in your community. If your next Lions meeting is at a favorite pizza place in your neighborhood, take a photo and mention/tag the restaurant in your photo.
- **Feature a great cover photo.** The cover photo at the top of your Facebook page is your opportunity to show off the Lions brand and tell everyone what your club is all about. If you're posting a group photo, try to make sure everyone is wearing Lions apparel and is doing something active and fun. Incorporate the Lions logo into your cover photo as best you can.
- **Choose your photos wisely.** Don't post an entire album of images that show essentially the same shot. You may have taken hundreds of photos at your event, but that doesn't mean you have to post them all. If you're creating an album, choose 10 to 15 different photos to post. Or you can just post one photo that really captures your project well.

- **Provide a descriptive caption.** Yes, a picture is worth a thousand words, but that doesn't mean the viewer will know exactly what he or she is looking at with a simple glance. Describe what you're doing, where you're doing it and why. Explain how your project is serving the community and helping others.
- **Share other Lions photos.** If you don't have many pictures of your own club to post, then share other Lions photos. Check out the [Lions Clubs International Facebook page](#) for interesting photos, and share them to your own page. And if your club has a great project with interesting images, you might see it shared on the [Lions Clubs Facebook page](#)!

More Facebook tips and info:

- **How to Set Up a Facebook Page** <http://lionsclubs.org/blog/2009/10/25/how-to-set-up-a-facebook-page-for-your-lions-club/>
- **Facebook Tip: Connect with Organizations** <http://lionsclubs.org/blog/2013/03/08/facebook-tip-connect-with-organizations/>

Video: **Learn How Lions Use Facebook** <http://lionsclubs.org/blog/2012/09/11/new-release-watch-lq-%E2%80%93-lions-quarterly-to-learn-how-clubs-use-facebook/>

The Extension and Membership Division conducts Netcasts on important membership topics each month. Netcasts are web-based forums designed to be interactive. Lions are able to ask questions of the panelists and share success stories of their own. The goal is to provide an opportunity for Lions to learn and motivate each other. We encourage you to pass along this information to your club members and promote their participation.

Netcasts are recorded and posted on the LCI [website](#). Below is the schedule of upcoming Netcasts. Space is limited so register today! Got to this web site =

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/membership-and-new-clubs/membership-communication/index.php?utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5802%20Upcoming%20Netcasts%20July%20-%20September%202013%20E

Date	Topic
<p>July 31, 2013 11 a.m. – 12 a.m.</p> <p>Register</p>	<p>Just Ask! Although the concept is simple – just ask community members to join –it's important to ensure your club is ready to invite and welcome new members and manage club growth. Attend this Netcast to learn about the new <i>Just Ask! New Member Recruiting Guide</i> so you are successful when you're ready to ask.</p>
<p>August 6, 2013 1 p.m. – 2 p.m.</p> <p>Register</p>	<p>Club Membership Chairperson Hear from Incoming President Palmer and experienced club membership chairpersons about the role of the membership chairperson and the revamped responsibilities and resources outlined in the new <i>Club Membership Chairperson Guide</i>.</p>
<p>September 25, 2013 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.</p> <p>Register</p>	<p>Membership Satisfaction Learn about the importance of membership satisfaction, as outlined in the new <i>Membership Satisfaction Guide</i>, to ensure your members feel welcome, comfortable and involved in community service so they remain part of your club for a long time.</p>



50 Years, 8 Dogs, 1 Determined Woman

August 5, 1963. Pauline Ulrey remembers that day as if it were yesterday, not five decades ago. That was when, only five days after meeting someone who had a Leader Dog, the shy 18 year old was driven to Rochester by her teacher, Miss Parker, to take part in the Leader Dog program. Only two days later, Pauline received her first dog, Danny, and the course of her life was forever changed.

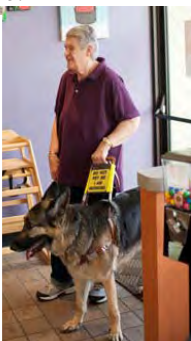


In her position as a field representative, Pauline travels to Lions conventions and other events to speak about Leader Dog. As an active Lion herself ("In 1988 I was the first woman to join the Southport Indiana Lions Club"), she particularly enjoys talking to Leo Clubs, youth groups within a Lions Club who volunteer in their community. "Leo

Clubs are a great way all through college and I gained so much confidence and self-esteem," she said.

Danny was by her side when she accepted her first job with the state of Indiana, where she spent 24 years before retiring in 1998 as an assistant program director for a rehabilitation center. The same day she retired from the state, she joined Leader Dog as a graduate field representative.

"It all happened pretty quickly back then. That was before they had the application process they have now," she recalls. "It was my first trip away from home, and it was kind of scary." "Before I had Danny I was shy and introverted and never really participated in class. He was with me for kids to get involved in their community. They work hard at



fundraising and have fun at the same time," she says.

Pauline is living proof. After 50 years and eight dogs, she looks back on her life and can't believe all that she has achieved. "There's no way I thought I would ever have the life that I do. I am in total disbelief sometimes at all that I have accomplished." And she has no plans to slow down. After visiting five Canadian provinces and 47 states (28 of those with her current dog, Gundy), she says she can't retire (again!) until she hits all 50 states.

Gundy [her eighth and current dog], won't go past a moving sidewalk at the airport—he loves them!" "I need to be busy and I love talking about Leader Dog and showing off my dog. I wouldn't last long with nothing to do," she says. Alaska, Montana and Rhode Island: she's on her way.



Our Mission: To get 10,000 Signers go to this web site:

http://www.cci.org/site/c.cdKGIRNqEmG/b.8674631/k.E4E0/Salute_Independence/apps/ka/ct/contactus.asp?c=cdKGIRNqEmG&b=8674631&en=bkLLL0NHKaUKaPKI9JRK7OVLIOI8PRKcJWJeNWLuIbH

Sign now to show your support for wounded veterans and help create more life-changing partnerships between service members and Canine Companions assistance dogs.

Add your name and tell your friends — Salute the men and women who serve so selflessly in our armed forces to protect and create independence for others. Help them make a new start.

Yes, I want to help Canine Companions Wounded Veterans Initiative provide more assistance dogs to service members with physical disabilities.



"A Canine Companions assistance dog is a great tool for injured service members to get back into life. They'll have someone to help them that is dedicated to them."

- Operation Iraqi Freedom

Veteran David Rozelle (US Army) with Canine Companions Service Dog Domi

The statistics are startling — One in 10 veterans is disabled by injuries sustained in combat, and more than 20,000 veterans were wounded during service in Iraq and Afghanistan. They return home to face new challenges, from learning to use prosthetic limbs to maneuvering in a wheelchair and coping with hearing loss.

When a service member living with a disability is teamed with the calm, reliable assistance of a Canine Companions dog, their lives are changed for the better. Our specially trained assistance dogs perform 40 different tasks, such as picking up dropped items and opening doors. They provide wounded veterans with the help they need to make a new start and regain their independence.



**From the desk of State
RFB&D Chair Lion
Fred Smith**
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Audiobooks Open a Whole New World of Opportunities Brenton succeeded in schooling from an early age with the help of Learning Ally audiobooks.



Born three months premature, Brenton Fuchs has been nearly blind since birth. Despite his visual impairment, he managed to succeed in schooling from an early age

with the help of Learning Ally audiobooks.

In 2012 he graduated from American University and currently works at Unilever in Connecticut. In the future he'd like to help others with visual disabilities achieve their full potential and enter the workplace.

Launching a Young Leader "It was an incredibly liberating experience"

Christina Chang: "I was diagnosed as a kid with low central vision. I think it's a form of retinitis pigmentosa, so essentially to lack of cells. Before Learning Ally I definitely felt constrained by not being able to access books or magazines or newspapers that everybody else could.



So I had to rely heavily on having either my parents read things to me or just take a longer time, but after Learning Ally came into my life, I was really able to capitalize on the wealth of information. I think that shaped my pursuit of academics afterwards.

I've definitely used Learning Ally continuously, from sixth grade through college, and even beyond after I started working for a few years. So in school, I started referring to Learning Ally for all of my textbooks, and when a book was not readily available I think Learning Ally was great about creating it for me and being able to prioritize based on students' needs.

The MBA program at Harvard Business School is focused on general management and I chose to come here because I wanted a stronger foundation across the board in business. So my goal is to, through this two year program, take all of the intensive case method classes that Harvard Business School is famous for, and really be the leader of tomorrow that they're training us to be. I think I owe a lot of my spirit of continued self-improvement to Learning Ally."



Finding his Niche

When 22-Year-old Jonathan B Jajland was just out of high school, he faced the future with uncertainty.

He loved the outdoors and had a way with animals, so his parents urged him to apply for a job as a kennel assistant.

"I wanted to hang out with dogs as a seasonal job," he shares.

That was over three years ago, and today this talented apprentice trainer has found his niche. His supervisors noticed Jonathan's skills, and began asking him to work with dogs that needed extra attention. He was quickly promoted and is now studying to become a certified guide dog trainer.

Jonathan appreciates the before and after in the visually impaired handlers. When they first arrive, students take a "Juno walk," holding the guide dog's harness while the trainer holds the other end. The trainer is gauging the handler's pace to match the appropriate dog. Students have laid aside their white canes, and their steps are so tentative at first. Jonathan enjoys comparing that hesitancy to the team's confidence on graduation day. He appreciates the dog's and the handler's full-circle transformation, and the satisfaction of his contribution toward the amazing results.

"Jonathan has an enviable attitude and he doesn't seem to give it much thought, he just jumps in to help where needed. And that attitude crosses all boundaries...ask anyone. if you need a hand, Jonathan's there!" says Kate Pawley Apprentice Trainer Manager.



Be Sodium-Savvy

It's no secret that most Americans are consuming too much sodium. The average American takes in about 3,400 mg of sodium per day. Yet the American Diabetes Association guidelines recommend that **people with diabetes have 2,300 mg or less per day**. If you have diabetes and hypertension (high blood pressure), you should be shooting for **1,500 mg or less per day**.

Decreasing the amount of sodium in the diet can help many people lower their blood pressure. Lowering blood pressure also means you are decreasing your risk for [heart attack or stroke](#), both of which are common [diabetes complications](#).

Limiting your intake to 1500 mg per day of sodium is a difficult goal to achieve. Our current food supply is full of hidden sources of sodium and highly preserved foods that are high in sodium.

It is estimated that about 75% or more of the sodium Americans eat is from processed, packaged foods. Many companies are slowly trying to lower the amount of sodium in their products, but there is still much work to be done.

In general, fresh, **unprocessed foods** are the lowest sodium foods out there. So, an easy strategy to cut back on sodium is to eat more of these foods and less highly-processed foods. Fresh, unprocessed foods include:

- fresh fruits
- fresh vegetables (both starchy and non-starchy)
- dried beans, peas, and legumes (buying dried beans, peas, and legumes is best since canning adds a significant amount of sodium)
- whole grain foods prepared without salt like brown rice, wild rice, oats, quinoa, popcorn, and whole grain barley
- unsalted nuts and seeds

In the chart below we've provided a list of foods that are usually high in sodium, along with some related tips to follow when you decide to include them in your meal plan:

High-Sodium Food	Tips
Frozen meals	Choose frozen meals with 600 mg of sodium per serving or less. (Be sure to check the serving size, as well.)
Cheese	Use less cheese in your recipes and meals. When choosing which to buy, use the nutrition label to compare different cheeses, and opt for those that are lower in sodium. Fresh mozzarella packed in water and Swiss cheese are usually on the low end.
Canned	Buying these items fresh or frozen without added

vegetables and canned beans	salt is a great option. If you want to stick to cans, look for "no salt added" or reduced-sodium varieties. Before using canned vegetables or beans, drain and rinse them thoroughly with cold water.
Processed or cured meats	Limit the amount of processed meats you eat. This includes hot dogs, bologna, salami, bacon, and sausage products with more than 8 grams of fat per ounce. Instead, choose fresh, lean meats , fresh fish, and plant-based protein sources.
Other deli meats (chicken, ham, roast beef, turkey)	Choose reduced-sodium varieties and be careful of portion size. When you make sandwiches, use 2-3 slices and then add other healthy, lower-sodium ingredients like: mustard, avocado, lettuce, tomato, cucumber, and/or hummus.
Many condiments (especially soy sauce, dressings/marinades, tomato or spaghetti sauce, and teriyaki sauce)	There are also other condiments that can be a significant source of sodium if you have too much. This includes: salsa, catsup, taco sauce and seasoning, garlic salt, onion salt, hot sauce, and barbeque sauce. Always check labels and choose lower-sodium varieties if possible. Look for salt-free seasonings and use them to enhance the flavor of your dishes. Try making your own salad dressing using oil, vinegar, and lemon juice. If a condiment has more than 100 mg of sodium in a serving, look for another brand that has less. Be cautious about the amount you use and measure if you have to – you may be surprised how a little bit can add a lot of flavor. Even reduced sodium versions of some condiments like soy sauce contain over 700 mg per tablespoon so read labels carefully.
Soups and broths	Make your own broths and soup at home. It's easy to boil a chicken with some vegetables and use the broth to make a soup without adding any salt. If you want to buy soup or broth from the store, look for reduced sodium varieties.
Prepared mixes for pasta, rice, etc.	These highly processed foods can easily be replaced with healthy, homemade recipes that use fresh, natural ingredients. If you are looking for a variety of healthy recipes, you may want to check out our FREE nutrition resource, Recipes for Healthy Living .
Pickled foods like pickles, relish, and sauerkraut	These foods are usually very high in sodium. One pickle wedge can have 500 mg of sodium! Limit these foods as much as possible.
Many restaurant foods	Many restaurant meals (both fast-food and sit-down) have enough sodium in them for the entire day. Large portions are part of the problem. Save half of your meal for the next day – this will help you cut sodium in half too. You can also ask your server to have your food prepared without salt. Take a look at the nutrition information online ahead of time. Don't forget to consider sodium when looking at your options. Finding lower sodium options can be tough. It may be easier to cook from scratch as often as you can so you know exactly what is going into your food.



LIIONS QUEST



Trisha Co Reyes
13 years old
Philippines

Our World, Our Future

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

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

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

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

How to Enter: Lions clubs must order a Peace Poster Contest kit from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. It costs \$10.95 plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. Each kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor a school or organized sponsored youth group:

- Official Club Contest Guide & Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules
- Participant Flyer may be duplicated and given to each participating student to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group



LIIONS INTERNATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST RULES

Our World, Our Future

"NEW" The Lions International Essay Contest entry form is included in Peace Poster kit and on the LCI website. The contest is open to students who are considered visually impaired according to their national guidelines and will be 11, 12 or 13 years of age on

15 November 2013. One grand prize winner will receive an award and US\$5,000.

The contest theme is "Imagine Peace."

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

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

• Each essay must be submitted with a completed entry form.

Essays submitted without completed entry forms will be automatically disqualified.

• Only one entry per student per year, and each entry must be the work of only one student.

• Essay entries cannot have already been published.

• Any essays found to be plagiarized will be automatically disqualified and the student will be prohibited from entering any future Lions competitions.



International Youth Exchange

An **Exchange** program can be arranged in hundreds of countries and geographic locations where there are Lions clubs. Most exchanges last between four and six weeks during which the participants (ages 15-21) stay with one or more host families in another country.

When you host a young person from another country, many things happen.

- You experience the joy of sharing your culture and daily customs
- You learn about your visitor's customs and culture
- You make a new friend, maybe a friend for life

Exchange participants are usually between the ages of 15 and 22, and come from any of the more than 200 countries and geographic locations where there are Lions clubs. Your guest will have basic or better knowledge of the language of your country. To be in the program, he or she will have completed an admissions process.

Host families should include the participant in their daily routine, including family meals. Local excursions are not required of host families, but the host Lions club often arranges for participants to visit local points of interest. They may also help organize picnics and get-togethers.

August – Engaging our Youth

Invite Leos and youth in your area to help organize and participate in a service project. Projects may include school or community facility cleanups or a visit to a home for senior citizens or a children's hospital. Allowing youth to develop and lead a service project enables them to learn skills while emphasizing the role of service.





How many of these LEO Clubs are active and submitted a LEO-72 Form for this Lions Year 2013-2014?

Please see below those highlighted in yellow I have received the LEO 72 forms for 2012-2013. I have emailed all the others direct to the Lions Club Secretary an email with the attached LEO 72 form to be completed and returned direct to me.

ID	Name	Parent
69833	ADAIRSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL	ADAIRSVILLE
89519	ALPHARETTA HIGH SCHOOL	ALPHARETTA
115424	Atlanta	ATLANTA
78008	CHATSWORTH	CHATSWORTH
69835	ELLIJAY	ELLIJAY
69834	GORDON LEE MEMORIAL H.S. KENNESAW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL	CHICKAMAUGA NORTH COBB
98081	SCHOOL	NORTH COBB
69837	PEBBLEBROOK HIGH SCHOOL PICKENS COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL	SOUTH COBB
93635	SCHOOL	JASPER
69836	PICKENS HIGH SCHOOL	JASPER
107796	RIDGELAND HIGH SCHOOL	CHATTANOOGA VALLEY
69838	SOUTH COBB HIGH SCHOOL SOUTHEAST WHITFIELD HIGH SCHOOL	SOUTH COBB
96500	SCHOOL	DALTON
118391	The Knights of the Leo	SAVANNAH
89443	COFFEE HIGH SCHOOL	DOUGLAS
84350	BAINBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL	BAINBRIDGE
105228	COLQUITT COUNTY	MOULTRIE
84465	EARLY COUNTY	CORDELE
100437	LANIER COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	LANIER COUNTY
100302	SEMINOLE COUNTY	LAKE SEMINOLE
69845	CLARKE MIDDLE SCHOOL	ATHENS
110019	KINGS BRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL	JEFFERSON
84375	NORTH OCONEE HIGH SCHOOL	OCONEE L C
69848	OCONEE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL RABUN COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL	OCONEE L C CLAYTON
69846	SCHOOL	CLAYTON
117265	Towns County	TOWNS COUNTY
69849	WINDER BARROW HIGH SCHOOL	WINDER
101437	HENRY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL	MC DONOUGH
118750	Jackson High School	GREATER BUTTS COUNTY
	LAMAR COUNTY	BARNESVILLE
104930	COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL	LAMAR COUNTY
		ATLANTA CHINESE AMERICAN
73603	Atlanta Chinese American	AMERICAN
69855	BRENTWOOD SCHOOL	SANDERSVILLE
69854	DUBLIN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL	DUBLIN
73630	HEPHZIBAH MIDDLE SCHOOL	HEPHZIBAH
78286	JOHN HANCOCK ACADEMY	SPARTA

LEO CALENDAR 2013-2014

Note: MD18 Leo Council meetings will be scheduled and interested parties notified well in advance of dates. Every effort will be made to hold one meeting in conjunction with the joint Camp/Lighthouse meeting.

JULY

- LIONS CLUB LEO COMMITTEE AND ADVISOR MEET WITH FACULTY ADVISOR AND LEO CLUB OFFICERS TO COORDINATE YEAR
- SOME CLUBS HOLD FIRST MEETING
- ENROLL LEOS AND OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE AND GROUPS IN YOUNG LEADERS IN SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

AUGUST

- SOME CLUBS HOLD FIRST MEETING
- PEACE POSTER CONTEST-KITS PURCHASED AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTED
- PLAN SPOTLIGHT ON CHILDREN PROJECT
- ENGAGING OUR YOUTH

SEPTEMBER

- SEND A KID TO CAMP FUNDRAISER
- 1ST QUARTER SUMMARY SENT TO DC AND MD18 CHAIR

OCTOBER

- LEO GROWTH MONTH - Membership increase
- SIGHT NIGHTS PROJECT
- NATIONAL MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY
- SHARE THE VISION

NOVEMBER (HAPPY THANKSGIVING!)

- DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH
- MD18 LEO LEVY STATEMENTS SENT

DECEMBER (MERRY CHRISTMAS - HAPPY HOLIDAYS!)

- WORLD AIDS DAY
- RELIEVING THE HUNGER
- INTERNATIONAL LEO DAY
- 2ND QUARTER SUMMARY SENT TO DC AND MD18 CHAIR

JANUARY

- ENVIRONMENT PHOTO CONTEST DEADLINE
- RELIEVING THE HUNGER MONTH

FEBRUARY

- "LOVE YOUR LEO" MONTH

MARCH

- LIBERTY DAY/MONTH
- 3RD QUARTER SUMMARY SENT TO DC AND MD18 CHAIR
- LEO DAY WITH UNITED NATIONS
- 16-18 - 6th ANNUAL STATEWIDE LEO GATHERING AND CONFERENCE GEORGIA LIONS CAMP FOR THE BLIND WAYCROSS, GEORGIA

APRIL

- ▲ 1st DEADLINE FOR LEO OF THE YEAR APPLICATIONS TO BE RECEIVED AT LCI
- LEO AWARENESS MONTH
- WORLD YOUTH SERVICE DAY
- 15-CLUB OFFICER ELECTIONS SUGGESTED DATE TO BE HELD BY
- WHITE CANE MONTH OR SEND A KID TO CAMP FUNDRAISER
- RECORD-A-THON (LEARNING ALLY)
- ARBOR DAY
- EARTH DAY/PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT
- 30TH-AWARDS DEADLINE (STATE AND SOME LCI)

MAY

- 15- DEADLINE FOR CLUB OFFICERS AND MEMBERSHIP (LEO-72) COMPLETED AND REPORTED
- RECYCLE FOR SIGHT MONTH
- LIONS STATE CONVENTION/ MD18 LEO COUNCIL MEETING (or June)

JUNE

- 4TH QUARTER SUMMARY AND YEAR-END REPORT SENT TO DC AND MD18 CHAIR
- 30TH-ANNUAL LEO MULTIPLE DISTRICT REPORT (LEO-91) DEADLINE
LEO CLUB OF EXCELLENCE APPLICATION POSTMARK DEADLINE
- LIONS STATE CONVENTION/MD18 LEO COUNCIL MEETING (see above)

MD18 LEO PROGRAM 2013-2014 GOALS

Fellow LEO Committee members and Georgia Lions and Leos,

Georgia's LEOS and Lions should be extremely proud of what the LEO program has accomplished the past few years. We are adding new clubs around the state and strengthening existing clubs. We are one of only 30 LEO Multiple Districts IN THE WORLD! Officers for 2013-2014 were installed at this year's Lions State Convention in Augusta. They held their first Council meeting then and are taking on new challenges and growing in their roles as leaders. I am looking forward to watching what they do!

As MD18 Leo Club Program Chair one of my primary responsibilities is to make our young people aware of service and other opportunities available to them. These can be used for Leo club Presidents, Advisors, Faculty Advisors, and membership as you plan your year. Each district represented at each MD18 Leo Council meeting

Goal - At least 2 clubs per district

Enroll LEOS (and other young people in your community-Scouts, other service groups) in Young Leaders in Service Awards program

Goal - At least 50 young people in each district (do not have to be Leos)

Peace Poster Contests - should be in ALL Middle schools with LEO Clubs

Goal - Leos and Leo District Chairs coordinate with respective

Peace Poster contest Chairs to increase number of contests and entries
Have each Leo District Chair hold a Leadership Development seminar in their district this year

School and/or community-based projects (service and fundraising)

Goals - Creative and fun ideas

District Chairs/Leo Council officers get information to Leo clubs concerning "how-to" - taking a project from idea stage through completion
FUN fundraisers!

Spotlight on Children projects (Banner patch)

Goal - Have every Georgia Leo club pick from one of the three types of projects listed on the LCI website, report results, and apply for banner patch

Address 3 Issues in respective communities

Childhood hunger/obesity

Dropouts

Teen pregnancy

Senior Citizen projects

Goal - Leos interact with these still-valuable citizens to benefit of both

Environmental projects (Banner patch) Refer to - Leo and Lion Green Team

Goal - A better, cleaner Georgia and better visibility for the Leos
Continue planting trees

Sight Nights project (October)

Goal - Collect and turn in 10,000 pairs of eyeglasses, along with 500 cell phones and 50 hearing aids, to the Lighthouse

Recycle for Sight project (May)-may be done in place of or in addition to Sight Nights

Liberty Day/month project (usually held in March)

Goal - Raise awareness of our rights and responsibilities as Americans by distributing booklets with the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution and holding projects
Service Vote project - raise awareness of the duty and responsibility as an American citizen to vote, assist in voter registration projects

World Youth Service Day project

Make a Difference Day project

LEO Awareness Month project (April)

Consider "twinning" with LEO club in another part of the world

Goal - At least one club per district "twinned"

Go to LCI website for more information on how to do

Learning Ally awareness project
LABR Reading Event

Goals - Leo clubs coordinate Reading Event in their community

(NEW FOR 2013-14) Support OUR CAMP!

Camp Raffle Fundraiser

Goal-Hold fundraiser or work with sponsoring Lions club

EVERY Georgia Leo club make a donation to the Camp!

(Note - As Leo and Lions we MUST support the organizations we own! I cannot stress enough the importance of EVERY Leo club holding fundraisers or at the very least assisting their Lions club when they hold theirs!)

Kids 'N Coins fundraiser-Leader Dog

Conduct fund-raisers for other charities at club's discretion

Budget for and contribute to: Lighthouse, Camp, Learning Ally, a guide dog school of club's choice (Leader Dog, Southeastern Guide Dog, Hearing Dog, Canine Companions for Independence, etc.)

Hold a Membership Recruitment event (recommended in October)
(Note - MD18 Membership Chair will be sending information, ideas)

Assist sponsoring Lions club with their projects and activities
LEO, Advisor, Faculty Advisor, and Lion representation at statewide LEO Conference/Gathering

Goal - At least two clubs/district attending this year's event-minimum of 13 clubs!

Review LCI, State, Camp, and other Awards with the goals of qualifying and applying

Goal - At least two clubs/district receiving the Georgia Leo Club of Service (MD18) and one/district receiving the Leo Club Excellence Award (LCI). In addition, one club/district receiving the Hank and Doy Barks Award (Camp) and Best New Leo Project (Lighthouse)

Remit MD18 Leo levy within 30 days of receipt (if in effect)

Review Lighthouse awards with the goal of applying (Best New Project, Best New White Cane Day Project)

Each LEO club is asked to submit a Quarterly Activities Report-I will forward this information to other Lions, including the LEO Committee and the Council of Governors. As State Chair I am required to file reports on a regular basis and will need this information to make a thorough report. The form can be found on the Leo website. The LEO MMR section on the LCI website is up and running and I am asking all Georgia Leo clubs to register and report.

The annual Statewide Leo Gathering and Conference will be held sometime in the spring of 2014. A committee of Leos and Lions will determine the dates, locations, theme, etc.

The MD18 Leo website (www.georgialeos.com) is there for YOU!
PLEASE send me pictures, articles, and other items of interest so

we can share with everyone. We are going to apply for the Best Website award from LCI so want it to be the best it can be! I can't stress enough the importance of applying for Awards/recognitions. We all know that we don't serve others just to receive recognition - it is, however, important to show our Lions and fellow young people what has been accomplished as a beacon to light the way for others! Elections/officers for 2013-14 need to be reported to me by May 31, 2014 Leo club Presidents should have a plan for their year. Please send that to me and your district's Chair.

Making a Decision to Leave a Legacy

More than once someone has said to me that things are bad all over, but as one person, they couldn't possibly make a difference. Too many times we fail to see the potential because we let the obstacles overwhelm us. Suppose Alexander Graham Bell had conceded that the best way to communicate with someone over long distances was the telegraph. Where would we be if Henry Ford had believed the only way to build a car was one at a time, instead of developing an assembly line approach to manufacturing automobiles. Imagine if our forefathers had just agreed to pay the taxes being imposed on them instead of asking why they were being told to pay them. Throughout our history, people have been influenced and futures impacted because someone believed that they could make a difference by trying something new.

While I am aware that Lions Clubs International is a religiously tolerant organization, the following story is just one example of how one forward thinking person made a difference by following the path that he believed God had chosen for him.

In 1938, Jim Rayburn, a young Presbyterian youth leader and seminary student in Gainesville, Texas, was given a challenge. A local minister had invited him to consider his local high school as his parish and develop ways of contacting kids who had no interest in church. Rayburn started a weekly club for kids. There was singing, a skit or two and a simple message about Jesus Christ. Club attendance increased dramatically when they started meeting in the homes of young people. After graduating in 1941, Rayburn and four associates formed Young Life developing the club idea throughout Texas, with an emphasis on showing young people that faith in God can be not only fun, but life changing.

Because of one man's commitment and dedication to our youth, along with God's blessing, Young Life has grown from that one small club in Texas with a staff of 5 to an organization staffing over 3,300 people in clubs throughout the world. In Georgia and Alabama alone, Young Life has 207 ministries with 70 full time staff serving over 7,000 kids every week.

We can be fairly certain that when Jim Rayburn started this journey 85 years ago, he couldn't have imagined this kind of ongoing ministry. But because of his faith that God would lead him down the right path, if he chose to follow it, more young people wake up every morning with hope that can only come from a loving relationship with their Creator. You see, Jim Rayburn, like many of us, had so many reasons to not believe in his mission. But instead of doubting God's plan for him, his faith allowed him to realize his legacy.... that of impacting our young people.

Our Work - That is why:

When it comes to meeting challenges, our response is simple: We serve. In 207 countries, in hospitals and senior centers, in regions battered by natural disaster, in schools and eyeglass recycling centers, Lions are doing [community volunteer work](#), helping, leading, planning and supporting. Because we're local, we can serve the unique needs of the communities we live in. And because we're global, we can address challenges that go beyond borders.

We want everyone to see a better tomorrow. That's why we support [sight programs](#) and services including vision screenings, eye banks and eyeglass recycling. Provide eye care services to those at risk of losing their sight. And raise donations through campaigns like SightFirst and Campaign SightFirst II.

We believe everyone deserves a healthy life. From providing [health programs](#) that focus on [hearing](#) loss to supporting efforts to control and prevent [diabetes](#), Lions volunteers are working to improve the health of children and adults around the world.

We empower the next generation. Whether it's providing [youth volunteer opportunities](#) and leadership experiences in a Leo club or sharing a message of peace through our Peace Poster contest, our [youth programs](#) invest in the future by reaching out to young people.

We serve local communities – and protect the planet. From performing hands-on community work and service projects to providing emergency assistance, our [community and environment programs](#) improve our communities – and protect the environment.

I challenge you to ask yourself these two questions with regards to our youth: What is your legacy? And what are you doing to achieve it?

“Engaging Our Youth” Global Service Action Campaign

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

Take Action

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

Yours in Service to Others,

Mark Bradley
State Chairman, Multiple District 18 Youth Services

Habersham	1	15	22	38
Hall	2	31	28	61
Hancock	0	1	2	3
Haralson	1	52	6	59
Harris	0	4	6	10
Hart	4	4	2	10
Heard	1	1	4	6
Henry	15	54	24	93
Houston	2	30	39	71
Irwin	1	1	2	4
Jackson	5	37	7	49
Jasper	1	1	6	8
Jeff Davis	2	6	2	10
Jefferson	0	6	7	13
Jenkins	0	3	0	3
Johnson	0	1	2	3
Jones	1	6	2	9
Lamar	0	7	11	18
Lanier	1	3	0	4
Laurens	2	10	22	34
Lee	0	0	8	8
Liberty	0	7	7	14
Lincoln	0	3	6	9
Long	0	3	0	3
Lowndes	11	91	26	128
Lumpkin	3	75	13	91
Macon	0	4	6	10
Madison	0	21	11	32
Marion	2	3	6	11
McDuffie	0	9	7	16
McIntosh	0	0	9	9
Meriwether	2	1	0	3
Miller	0	0	0	0
Mitchell	6	4	23	33
Monroe	2	6	6	14
Montgomery	0	9	2	11
Morgan	1	4	6	11
Murray	6	24	20	50
Muscogee	1	179	51	231
Newton	4	36	17	57
Oconee	0	15	0	15
Oglethorpe	2	7	7	16
Paulding	4	34	15	53
Peach	0	7	4	11
Pickens	2	24	11	37
Pierce	0	0	9	9

Pike	0	4	7	11
Polk	2	13	11	26
Pulaski	0	3	4	7
Putnam	0	2	6	8
Quitman	0	0	0	0
Rabun	1	7	15	23
Randolph	0	0	6	6
Richmond	11	119	32	162
Rockdale	4	31	2	37
Schley	2	3	1	6
Screven	1	10	2	13
Seminole	0	1	2	3
Spalding	7	19	25	51
Stephens	1	157	6	164
Stewart	0	3	2	5
Sumter	0	7	7	14
Talbot	0	4	2	6
Taliaferro	0	0	0	0
Tattnall	1	19	6	26
Taylor	0	0	5	5
Telfair	0	1	2	3
Terrell	1	6	4	11
Thomas	3	6	5	14
Tift	5	82	15	102
Toombs	4	49	6	59
Towns	0	3	11	14
Treutlen	3	3	0	6
Troup	8	16	21	45
Turner	0	10	6	16
Twiggs	1	6	6	13
Union	5	4	17	26
Upson	5	7	12	24
Walker	6	24	12	42
Walton	6	13	15	34
Ware	9	99	4	112
Warren	0	7	0	7
Washington	2	7	4	13
Wayne	3	6	7	16
Webster	0	0	0	0
Wheeler	0	0	4	4
White	5	16	6	27
Whitfield	6	31	27	64
Wilcox	0	4	2	6
Wilkes	1	3	4	8
Wilkinson	0	4	4	8
Worth	2	27	19	48



Dear Lion,

As this year comes to an end, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as Chairperson of Lions Clubs International Foundation. I am grateful to have visited many of your humanitarian projects around the world. Every day, you remind me of how Lions are able to make big things happen with the help of our Foundation.



This past year was a significant one for [LCIF](#). Millions of children received measles vaccinations when the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's challenge grant was met. We celebrated the vision screening of more than 16 million children through 10 years of our Sight for Kids partnership with Johnson & Johnson Vision Care. Students are learning positive life skills in 81 countries as Lions Quest continues to expand globally. Communities affected by disasters around the world - including towns flooded in Thailand, devastated by tornadoes in the USA and destroyed by earthquakes in China - were given hope through relief efforts. And, so much more has occurred through hundreds of grant projects.



Thank you, Lions. Your efforts are helping millions of people in many different ways, meeting the needs of your communities and global needs as well. You put your heart into everything that you do, and it shows. I am proud to be a Lion.

I believe that together, with your [support](#), we can continue to make a difference around the world in the years to come.

Wing-Kun Tam
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

121 million children around the world treated for childhood blindness

300,000 Special Olympics athletes given vision screenings

More than 5 million cataract surgeries completed in China

More than 17 million at-risk children provided with vision screenings in Asia

Accomplishments like these could not be done alone. It is only through partnerships that LCIF is able to continue preserving and restoring sight to the blind and visually impaired around the world. Through new and long-standing partnerships with corporations, governments, foundations, other non-governmental organizations and local community leaders, we are able to reach common goals, share expertise and leverage funds.

Our Current Sight Partnerships

Childhood Blindness Project

LCIF's SightFirst program and the World Health Organization have joined together on the Project for Elimination of Avoidable Childhood Blindness, which has strengthened or established 34 needs-based pediatric Lions eye care centers around the world. A new phase of the project will establish 16 additional centers.

Lions Lens and Vision Centers

Essilor International is working with LCIF to offer a high-quality, low-cost eye glass lens for humanitarian purposes worldwide. The Lions Lens Program is being piloted in several refractive error projects in Africa and the United States.

Measles Initiative

LCIF is supporting a worldwide effort spearheaded by the Measles Initiative to protect children from measles and strengthen routine immunization services.

Opening Eyes

Since 2001, LCIF and the Special Olympics have worked together to provide vision screenings, eyewear and other vision care services for athletes.

Pediatric Cataract Initiative

Bausch + Lomb and LCIF are partnering to develop and provide innovative, capacity-building prevention and treatment programs for children with cataracts.

Sight for Kids

LCIF and Johnson & Johnson Vision Care have collaborated to develop this program that provides vision screenings and eye health education for children in nine Asian countries.

LIONS OF GEORGIA

2014 MD 18 CONVENTION

Macon, GA

May 30 – June 1, 2014

HOSPITALITY BOOK AND EVENT REGISTRATION

NAME (check boxes that apply) Each person receiving a hospitality book must be listed.	# Hospitality Books	# MJF Luncheon tickets	Lion (check)	Leo (check)	Guest (check)	Dietary Restrictions (type)

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

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

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

Hospitality Books	#	@	each	Total Amt.:	\$
MJF Luncheon	#	@	\$30.00 each	Total Amt.:	\$
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