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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

District Governor Greg Cole

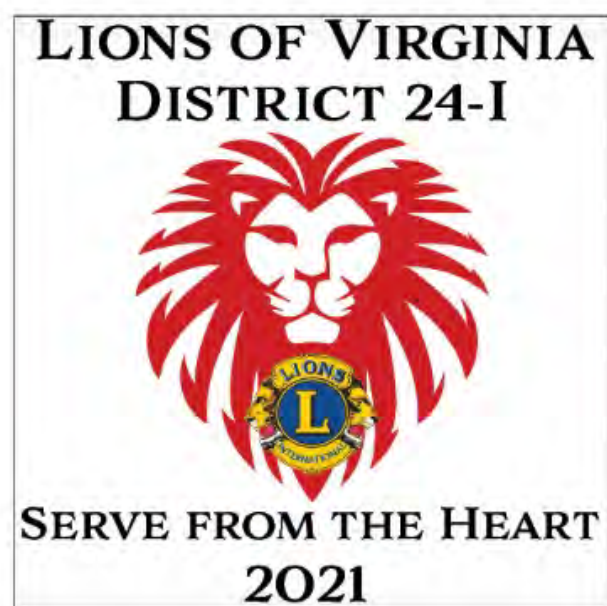
We had a fantastic Fall Conference in Farmville! I hope you were able to attend and enjoy a time of fun, food, and fellowship. I am very grateful for the superb service of the Farmville Lions Club as our host club. The members that served made this an outstanding event. We had some very informative workshops conducted by some great presenters. Also, much thanks and appreciation to the vendors for bringing relevant information and ideas for attendees to take back to their clubs.

I hope everyone marks their calendar for February 19, 2022 as we will be having our Winter Social in the Williamsburg area that day. Many thanks for the James City Lions Club for stepping up and being our host for the event. More information will be forthcoming.

During the conference I talked about leading with a purpose and serving with a passion. Leadership and Service are the foundation of our clubs. It is when our foundations are strong that we are able to attract and retain members. Lions must be willing to blaze new trails that will send a loud message of hope to our communities. We must never be satisfied when it comes to service. As Lions we need to be ready, willing, and able to take on new service projects. Our motto is WE SERVE! As Lions, we should:

Love TO Serve and Serve WITH Love!

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DID YOU HEAR THE ONE ABOUT TWO LIONS WALKING INTO A BAR?

1st Vice District Governor
Helen Person

On Friday night, November 19th, a bunch of Lions walked into a bar at the Hotel Wyanoke's Taproot Tavern. They were there for our District Governor's opening night social for the 2021 Fall Conference in Farmville, the Heart of Virginia. It was everything a Lions social should be: greeting longtime fellow Lions, meeting new ones, and taking a little time to get back in the groove of being with other Lions. It was fun.

A cold, crisp Saturday morning ushered Lions into Blackwell Ballroom across High Street from the hotel and into a unique style of Lions conference. Lion Greg welcomed over one hundred attendees from around District 24-I, as well as our counterparts from Districts 24-L and 24-C. Warm greetings from Mayor David Whitus and Longwood President Taylor Reveley helped set the tone for a day of exploration, learning, and fun.



As midday approached, a young lady accompanied by her mother, aunt, and younger sister made their way to a table in the front of the room. Most noticeable was the beautiful yellow Labrador Retriever leading the way. Once his party was seated, he quietly took his place next to the young lady and waited to be called into action.

When the time came, Samson snapped to attention to lead Christopher Newport University freshman Brooke Coleman to the podium where she shared her story of being diagnosed at age 7 with retinitis pigmentosa. Brooke told the gathering about her journey, connecting with Leader Dogs for the Blind, and receiving Samson on Halloween 2020.

The highlight of her presentation was a video of the day Samson and Brooke not only became partners, but best friends – and there wasn't a dry eye in the house. The 19-year-old college freshman with an electric smile and a presence that belies her age received a standing ovation from 100+ Lions who now want to know more about Leader Dogs for the Blind.

Lion Greg wanted this conference to be a celebration of the emergence from almost two years of shutdowns and uncertainty. Should we meet? Should our club be actively in service? How many members will we lose? How can we recruit fresh faces for our club? Do we dare go to a conference?

Let's see how this answers those questions: Saturday afternoon's Lions Expo showcased Lions organizations like Pin Traders Club of Virginia, Lions Diabetes Camp, Lions of Virginia Foundation (LOVF), Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions Bag Hunger, Leader Dogs for the Blind, and Virginia Association of Workers for the Blind/Burkeville Lodge.



featured collections for Roc Solid Ready Bags and a computer kiosk where Lion Homer Cook, 2nd Vice District Governor, helped Lions with a refresher on how to connect with MyLion. And there was more!

Tying the Expo together was a Poker Run, gift baskets, door prizes, and a \$100 VISA card for the winner of a drawing among Roc Solid Ready Bag donors. There were afternoon learning sessions that garnered rave reviews on topics designed to help clubs take a deeper look at themselves, find the jewels among their resources, and recapture their passion for Lions service and fellowship – and have fun!

Most exciting of all was that Lions were invigorated. They were talking with each other, exchanging impressions of what they had experienced. They left with ideas, added resources, a thirst to share with the Lions at home. Lion Greg's vision came to fruition.

Two Lions walked into a bar. They laughed. They were touched by an amazing young woman's story. They learned. They're looking forward to the next event. And they had fun!



2nd Vice District Governor's Message

Homer Cook
2nd Vice District Governor



Hello from second VDG land. What service projects excite young people? Can we tell them what to be excited about? Will they listen if we TELL them? Can we approach it a different way? Lions have Six service areas. I know that we only have 5 specifically named areas: Hunger, Vision, Diabetes, Childhood Cancer, and Environmental. However, MyLion accepts Other Service Activity's. I consider Other Service Activity as our sixth area and it covers just about anything. Now back to the topic at hand, young people and service projects.

What if each Lions club went to a local school or university and asked them to participate in a Service Project contest? The participants would receive information about our major service areas and asked to come up with a service project that meets a need in one of our service areas, or the other area. The participant must: explain the need, show how the project addresses that need, list the manpower needed, show the projected cost. The more details they provide the easier it's going to be to evaluate the project.

The Lions club would put together a group to evaluate the projects and chose one or more winners. The projects that are not selected will receive feedback that may help them out for the next project they work on. The winning project(s) would receive funding and assistance if needed. Each club would have to determine the level of funding that will be provided and make that known at the start of the contest. This is the young person's project and we are there to help not take over. The young person will get the credit for the idea and for managing the project, a block that can be filled on a college application.

I see two items on the down side; the club is not able to get participants, and the project flops and costs the club some money.

Some of the positive points are: the club finds out what young people are interested in, the club learns how to tailor the Lions message for young people, you may attract interest in your club, may find a new service project, you may come up with a novel idea that is a tremendous success, the young person has gained experience leading a project, and the club gains community exposure from the project.

You could offer; a scholarship, mentorship in community service or some other item that may attract young participants.

Plant the seed and help it grow.



REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

PDG Heather Jones-Lancto – Global Leadership Team

I am so very excited to announce that the Virginia Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) will again be held in the spring 2022. Registration is open and available on the Multiple District website, the District website, or you can send an email requesting the application to heameljon@yahoo.com. RLLI will be held from March 4-6, 2022, at the Holiday Inn – Valleyview in Roanoke Virginia.



If you have never heard of Regional Lions Leadership Institute you may wonder, what is it? RLLI is organized by the MD24 GLT and held yearly in the spring at a central location within the Commonwealth of Virginia. Ten Lions from every district participate in sessions such as Public Speaking, Lions Fundamentals, Local Issues and Opportunities, Time Management, Diversity, Personal Mission Statement, Setting and Reaching Club Goals, Working in Teams, Conflict Resolution, and Motivating Club Members. The Regional Lions Leadership Institute is a great occasion to meet with and interact with Lions from all over the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is a great learning opportunity as well as a chance to network and share ideas with others. During these difficult times, RLLI gives Lions a chance to come together and share our successes and our failures. So much information to be brought back to your clubs.

You will submit a check for \$150 with your application. Tuition covers the cost for the hotel room, books, and meals for the entire weekend. Tuition must be paid with the submission of your RLLI application. Each RLLI student is required to reserve their own hotel room with their own personal credit card but they will not be billed for the room, only incidental purchases for food and entertainment.

If you are interested in learning more about RLLI I encourage you to speak with a graduate or reach out to me and I will be happy to share my experiences with the institute.

If interested in next year's Institute please contact heameljon@yahoo.com.

LIONS ROC!

PDG Beth Stevens – Global Service Team



WOW, Lions you really knocked it out of the park for our Roc Solid Foundation Ready Bag drive. We collected over 2,000 personal toiletry items from the list and \$455 in donations. We had approximately 40 Lions participate in the project dropping off donations for their clubs at Fall Conference in Farmville.

The winner of the \$100 VISA Gift Card was Karen Bona from the Clarksville Lions Club. We owe a special thanks to the Virginia Beach Public School Division's Advanced Technology Center's Technology Student Association (TSA) members for counting and sorting all the donated items. This project will count as one of the TSA's service projects for the year. Thanks to everyone who participated – you met the challenge; our van was completely full on the way home.

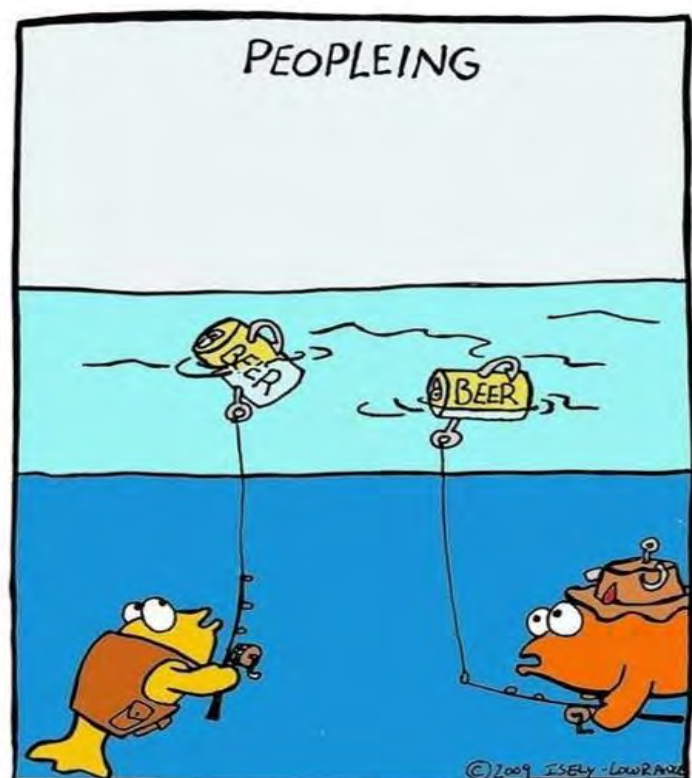
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On another note, I want to give you an update on our Lions Bear Hugs project. When I called Beyond Type 1 to order Jerry the Bear, I was informed that he has been discontinued and referred to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation to order bears. Upon further investigation, it turns out that JDRF Rufus, the Bear with Diabetes® now has the artificial intelligence and the companion app previously associated with Jerry. I'm working on the new partnership so we can continue our Lions Bear Hugs project with a new community partner. I'll keep you posted in the next issue of the Roar. Finally, please congratulate the clubs honored with the District 24-I Kindness Matters Service Award highlighted in the next article. The district committee selected the Region II and III Ice Storm Collaborative submitted by the Charlotte Lions Club to represent the district at the multiple-district level. In October, the Council of Governors selected this project to represent Virginia at the Lions Clubs International level. We appreciate all Lions Clubs' commitment to provide essential services in our communities. Remember, report your service in MyLion. Our DG team challenge has been extended to Winter Conference; but we now need to achieve 80% of clubs reporting service. The bar is higher than ever. Help us climb to new heights by entering your activities today!



Together in Service,

PDG Beth Stevens



YOU GET A LINE AND I'LL GET A POLE

Mack Stevens –
Global Membership
Team Coach

This is my 5th year as the Global Membership Team Chairperson. The first time I took it on was a required 3-year commitment. My wife was serving as Regional Director then running for 2nd Vice District Governor then she served as first VDG and that was the end of my GMT Position – But wait there's more... DG Beth asked me to stay on and be her GMT. I agreed to Stretch my 3-year commitment into a 4-year commitment and by this point it had been changed to a 1 year term (hoorah!) By the way, we will need an excited, motivated, coach to replace me next year! I enjoy the job but it's time to share.

The Goal of the Global Membership Coach is to motivate every member in every Lions Club to replace themselves each year. Not only officers, every member. If we all made it a priority to bring in one fantastic new member into our club each year, think of how much we could do! We could each contribute a small amount of time and money and we would have a wealth of resources. Instead, just the opposite is happening. Many clubs have not brought in a new member in 5 or more years. A few members in each club do most of the activities and donate a lot of money and time to keep the club viable. There is a good reason that clubs are required to start with 25 members. At least 6 of them will become leadership. Usually, 1/3 of the members are extremely involved, 1/3 do some things and 1/3 are seldom seen. If there are only 3 people on the roster, which one are you?

I started this year comparing finding and bringing in new members to fishing. I would like to revisit that for just a moment. Fishing for most of us is a recreational activity but in many countries, it is a daily necessity. In this country if we don't eat all the fish, we refrigerate it but, in many countries, there is no refrigeration so daily fishing is a priority. As a recreation we use a rod and reel and try to catch one fish at a time. In other countries not everyone in the village can fish so a few men in the village fish for everyone. 5 men go out in a boat and throw out a net. They don't worry about catching the best fish, trash, crabs or pulling up large rocks. Sometimes it happens and sometimes those things break the net. The fishermen know that the items that are unwanted will work their way out or be thrown back later. Sometimes the net breaks and the fishermen must take time to repair the nets. Their job is to not be discouraged and just keep casting. However, one thing is certain, the fish don't jump in the boat on their own. There are days when the fishermen cast and cast but the net yields nothing. When that happens, the fishermen don't take it personally; they know that God's mercies refresh daily. The only people who stop catching fish are the ones that stop throwing the net.

Why don't our members bring in new members? I have heard a vast variety of excuses.... reasons. When something is a PRIORITY it means that it moves to the top of the list of things to do. Bringing in a group of new members all at the same time is more efficient and helps people bond quicker.

So, let's put it all together. I challenge every club to "cast your net" by planning and holding a membership growth event by January 31, 2022. Recruiting 5-10 members should be the goal. Start by challenging all your members to agree to accomplish this goal. Plan a place and time for a membership event. Use the wheel of recruitment to brainstorm names and contact information of possible new members. Include those potential new members in your cause. Give those people or families a Bag and have them fill it with groceries. Give your members 3 bags but 2 must go to someone else to fill them and only fill one yourself. Show people how they can teach their kids to help people in need. Go through the Growth Event Checklist: <https://tinyurl.com/2p8vw93z> Call every person who took a bag and ask them if they need a ride to the event. Make sure to invite a representative from the organization you are helping. Ask them to speak. Have refreshments, mix and mingle, offer people a chance to get involved in more things we do, tell them how to join and work as a team. Make a big deal out of the food that was brought in and we couldn't have done it without you.



Please remember that someone once cared enough about you that they introduced you to Lions. They made sure you got involved, met people, had that feeling of helping others in a cause. Won't you do that for people you know too? Call me if I can help

Mack Stevens

KINDNESS MATTERS SERVICE AWARDS

2020-2021 District 24-I Recipients

Amhurst County Lions Club Category: Vision

Project Name: Amhurst County Schools Vision Screenings

Lions' children's eye screenings have become a cornerstone of most Lions Clubs' vision program since the introduction of the SPOT technology to the district. Through the years, public school divisions have relied on the partnership with Lions Clubs to perform vision screenings on their students. Many times, a teacher may recognize a student's difficulty to see the board from the back of the room before a problem is noticed at home. Lions using the SPOT can detect the need for eye glasses or a disorder commonly called, "lazy eye." If lazy eye is caught and treated early, it can prevent blindness in that eye. Students who need to be seen by an eye doctor for any reason detected during the screening are given a referral. Although the Amhurst County Schools were on a hybrid schedule due to Covid - 19 in the Fall of 2020 the students still needed their eyes screened. Lions working closely with the school nurses screened 858 kids in the elementary, middle and high schools. Additional sessions were scheduled to accommodate the virtual learners as well. In a time when many other individuals chose to stay home, the Amhurst County Lions donated 133 service hours to the school division providing an essential service to the children.

Charlotte Lions Club Category: Disaster Relief

Project Name: Regions 2 and 3 Ice Storm Collaborative

On January 31, 2021, an historic ice storm blanketed the southcentral Virginia (USA) region. Just 12 days later, a second ice storm hit the same eight-county region. Over 48,000 households and businesses were left without electricity for up to two weeks as power crews from neighboring states assisted local power companies with tree removal, power pole and line replacement. The Charlotte Lions Club, Keysville, VA, coordinated obtaining two \$10,000 Lions of Virginia Foundation (LOVF) Emergency Disaster Grants totaling \$20,000 to assist those affected with gift cards to help replace lost heating fuel, food, and prescription medications.



In partnership with the Blackstone, Chase City, Clarksville, Crewe-Burkeville, Dinwiddie (Region 3), Farmville, Kenbridge-Victoria, and South Hill Lions Clubs, the Charlotte Lions Club coordinated acquisition of store gift cards in \$25 and \$50 increments to assist households least able to replace lost food, fuel, and medications. In all 950 individuals were helped with potentially lifesaving goods and services. Despite many being affected in their own households, members of the Lions Clubs volunteered with area fire and rescue squads to provide hot meals for volunteer first responders, as well as the power company line workers working around the clock to restore electricity.

Project Name: Peace Poster

The Peace Poster competition is an integral part of Lancaster County Middle School's art program. In 2020, Marilyn Sprouse, Lancaster Middle School Art Teacher, and Lion Eileen Tullner, Peace Poster Coordinator, had decided not to conduct the Peace Poster competition due to COVID-19 restrictions. Under these restrictions, Art projects could only be done utilizing school provided chrome book computers. However, after Lion Eileen and Marilyn participated in a District 24 I Peace Poster training program, they decided to get creative. Private schools, home school parents, and clubs working with children were contacted to support this idea. Training was given to teachers who made interactive google slide shows allowing the children to see and form ideas. Students, grades K – 8, were exposed to what peace looks like, where it comes from, and how to create it. They had the opportunity to participate in discussions of what peace means to them and how they feel and show peace in their family, community, and schools. Then students were invited to create a vision for Peace Through Service, the 2020 Peace Poster theme. Six hundred and seventeen students, either in the Lancaster County public schools or through outside venues, were exposed to and participated in conversations about peace. The Lancaster County Lions Club funded three Peace Poster competitions. The first and second competitions were for the forty-seven hard copy posters; one meeting the LCI Peace Poster Contest criteria and the other for students outside the required age range. The third competition was for the ninety digital entries produced by students at the Lancaster County Middle School.

Virginia Beach Town Center – Blind Lions Club Category: Environmental

Project Name: Arbor Day with Pembroke Elementary

The Virginia Beach Town Center – Blind Lions Club Purchased 100 Red Maple Trees for 4 th-grade students at Pembroke Elementary School to plant on Virginia Arbor Day. Since Covid-19 indoor meeting restrictions were still in place and students were attending classes online, the club had to think “outside the box” to conduct this project. Trees were ordered online from the National Arbor Day Foundation and delivered to club members.

Members then met outdoors to separate the trees for packaging, individually bagging trees, and inserting an informational sheet. The page included Tree planting and care instructions, Earth Day tips to clean the environment, and stated the tree was a gift from our Lions Club. Teachers were given lesson plan resources with handouts and activities for the kids which taught them about types of trees, a tree's life cycle, and the science behind forestry. The day of the lesson, parents drove by the school to pick up the donated trees for planting. All eighty 4th grade students learned to appreciate their environment and take an active role in serving their community. The remaining trees were donated to a Sunday school class who learned the same lessons. The trees planted by all the children should provide oxygen and wildlife shelter for many years to come.



SUSSEX COUNTY LIONS SHOWING KINDNESS MATTERS

The Sussex Lions Club is kicking off our 2nd annual food drive to benefit the local food pantries. All donations collected during this drive will help Sussex County residents.

During the holiday season, the collection box will be located at the Wakefield Great Valu at 608 County Drive, Wakefield, VA 23888. All items should be purchased from the Wakefield Great Valu and placed in the collection box in the check-out area (front of the store).

The generosity of the Sussex County Community last year blessed so many families, and we would like to increase the number of families that will benefit from this event. We appreciate all people who support us even when they are struggling but can find it in themselves to give to someone less fortunate.

We have a few projects planned to assist others during the holiday season: The Sussex County Social Service (Angel Tree Project), Ronald McDonald House/Children’s Hospital Foundation @ (VCU) and Adopt-A-Senior @ Accordius Health-Waverly. In March, we will be conducting Sight for Kids at the Sussex County schools, Recycle for Sight in April, and a few more things in the Spring. We continue to assist families in the community who need financial assistance to purchase glasses, so when you see us out and about in the community collecting money, glasses, and hearing aids. Would you please support our efforts as it will all help Sussex County residents? Thank you so much for your support. We are always looking for like-minded individuals to join our club. Would you mind going to our Facebook page leave us a message and like and follow us @SussexCounty, VA Lions Club?

DISTRICT GOVERNOR UPS THE ANTE

Calling all District 24-I Lions,

We were unable to make the deadline for 75% of clubs reporting 1 service project by Fall Conference. The District Governors were relieved they did not have to sing. Your GAT team (GAT Man, GAT Woman and GAT Girl - Mack, Beth, and Heather) were challenged to up the ante. We were intrigued so DG Greg said they would still sing at the next conference BUT we would have to up it to 80% and the GAT team would have to join in the singing. (UGH) We are United District 24-I. Many people who were struggling to report even one project have now reported 3 or 4 and having done it say they have no problem doing it again.

Thanks for your help,

GAT MAN – Mack Stevens

THE GAT TEAM SINGERS



THE GOOD

THE BAD

THE UGLY

RECORD EYE SCREENINGS REPORTED IN MY LION IN OCTOBER

A Record number of Screenings were reported by District 24-I, during the month of October, congratulations to those clubs involved. All the clubs involved **screened 3,748 individuals**, a lot of them at Elementary Schools. They had a total of 103 Lions volunteers who gave a total of 290 service hours. Of those screened, 294 referrals were reported.

Here are the clubs that did screenings

Amherst County	603 Screened, 11 Volunteers, 37 Hrs.
James City	7 Screened, 2 Volunteers, 6 Hrs.
Norfolk Little Creek	44 Screened, 4 Volunteers, 8 Hrs.
Norfolk Ocean View	67 Screened, 4 Volunteers, 2 Hrs.
Tappahannock	73 Screened, 5 Volunteers, 25 Hrs.
Virginia Beach Princess Anne	693 Screened, 14 Volunteers, 52 Hrs.
Virginia Beach Oceanside	241 Screened, 6 Volunteers, 18 Hrs.
Virginia Beach Thalia	1,470 Screened, 42 Volunteers, 99 Hrs.
Virginia Beach Town Center Blind	83 Screened, 2 Volunteers, 10 Hrs.
Williamsburg Host	348 Screened, 8 Volunteers, 26 Hrs.
York	119 Screened, 3 Volunteers, 7 Hrs.

Lion Richard Evans, PDG

804-304-4354 (Cell)

EYE SCREENINGS REPORTED IN KID SIGHT USA DURING THE QUARTER

In September we started eye screening in the public & private schools as well as at the daycare centers.

The September totals in District 24-I were:

1452 screened **218** referred 7 clubs reporting

In October the numbers jumped through the roof:

8147 screened **1041** referred **17 clubs** reporting (11 clubs listed above)

As of today for the month of November

1993 screened **263** referred 1 club reporting

So drum roll please, TOTALS ARE:

11609 screened **1525** referrals 18 clubs reporting.

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone on a job well done!

Lion Bambi Martin - Lions Kidsight USA Chair

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If you compare the two articles above, you can see that the general public does not truly know the impact of what Lions Clubs do in our community. The reason is because we are not reporting in MyLion.



Commonwealth of Virginia
Office of Governor Ralph S. Northam

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Governor Northam Announces Recipients of the 2021 Governor's Honor Awards

~ Fifteen state employees honored at the Executive Mansion ~

RICHMOND—Governor Ralph Northam and First Lady Pamela Northam today announced the recipients of the 2021 Governor's Honor Awards at an Executive Mansion ceremony. The Governor presented the awards to employees who consistently demonstrate exemplary service and commitment to the Commonwealth of Virginia. There were 11 award categories and 15 total recipients.

"I feel so fortunate to work alongside such excellent state employees," said **Governor Northam**. "These recipients deserve recognition for their unwavering efforts, commitment to public service, and professional excellence. On behalf of the Commonwealth—thank you for your hard work."

"These awards not only recognize the outstanding contributions of the honorees, but also pay tribute to the collective genius of the Commonwealth's workforce," said **Secretary of Administration Grindly Johnson**. "Very little is accomplished in a vacuum, but everything is possible through respectful and intentional collaboration. Congratulations to the 2021 Governor's Honor Award recipients."

Winners were chosen for a wide variety of accomplishments. Seyoum Behre designed the Office of New Americans and revolutionized the support offered to refugees and immigrants. Nathan O'Kaine helped combat the pandemic by designing face shields to protect thousands of workers at local hospitals. Lieutenant Thomas Mitchell demonstrated heroism when he saved a woman and three children from a burning car. Information on the exceptional work done by all of the award winners can be found [here](#).

The recipients of the 2021 Governor's Honor Awards are:

- **Crystal Barrett**, Department of General Services
- **Dr. Tomikia LeGrande**, Virginia Commonwealth University
- **Pamela Kestner**, Department of Housing and Community Development
- **David Todd Phillips**, Department of Military Affairs
- **Seyoum Behre**, Department of Social Services
- **Lieutenant Thomas Mitchell**, Department of Corrections
- **Mitchell D. Broudy**, Office of the Attorney General
- **Nathan O'Kaine, P.E.**, Department of Transportation
- **Vieng Sikler, Margie Wilks, Samantha Cohen, Barbara Smith, and William Libby**, Department of Veterans Services
- **Douglas D. Riley**, Virginia Retirement System


Public Service: Making outstanding contributions by participating in or implementing community and public service projects that have made a beneficial and sustainable effect on the quality of community life for citizens in the Commonwealth.

Douglas D. Riley, Virginia Retirement System During the pandemic, Mr. Riley coordinated vaccination implementation for King William County civic and faith-based groups to ensure vaccine doses were maximized. In addition, he coordinated efforts to provide meals to residents who were experiencing financial difficulty during the pandemic. Mr. Riley serves as a mentor for the King William Fatherhood Program to provide support and encouragement to fathers raising their children. He is an active member of the King William Lions Club and served as president for seven years. He arranged annual hearing and vision screenings, ensuring individuals received glasses or hearing aids. Mr. Riley obtained grants to purchase AED equipment for churches in King William County, and arranged for appropriate training for those using the equipment. Mr. Riley has had a tremendous impact on his small rural community and is an outstanding example of the importance of volunteering to make a difference.



District 24-I 2021-22 Calendar of Events MD24

District Meetings, DG Official Visits, Club Fundraising and Service Projects

Date	Time	MD 24 ,District 24I events,	Location	Confirm
		NOVEMBER		
Nov 5-6, 2021		District 24 C Fall Conference MD 24 COG Meeting DG	Holiday Inn Valley View	✓
		Mail Peace Posters to Lisa Tharpe		
Nov 9, 2021		Region 6 Meeting: Host SEVA Filipino American: Debra Laughlin, Chair	Susan's Kitchen Diamond Springs Road, VB	
Nov 12 , 2021		24-I Fall Conf. Registration Deadline	Hotel cut-off date 10/20/21 Mail Form before 11/12/21	
Nov 10-13, 2021		Pin Traders Club of VA Annual Swap	Doubletree Midlothian Richmond	
Nov. 16, 2021		ZONE J Meet and Greet with DG Cole	Brent Bohannon West Point VA	✓
Nov 19-20, 2021		District 24 I Fall Conference Longwood University (LOV Meeting)	Hotel Weyanoke, Farmville	✓
Nov. 29, 2021	6:30pm	Region 5 Meeting: Zones L, M, and N Dr. Kristina Ramsey Chair	Windsor Town Center	
		DECEMBER 2021		
		Clubs celebrating Charters <i>Varina, Matthews, Northampton, Chesapeake Host, Portsmouth Host, Princess Anne</i>		
December 25		MERRY CHRISTMAS 		
		JANUARY 2022		
January 1, 2022		Happy New Year <i>Love to Serve, Serve with Love</i>		
Jan 14-15		MD 24 COG Meeting Pre-Convention Site Visit	Delta Hotel; Chesapeake	✓
Jan. 26, 2022		Zone J Meeting	To be announced	
		FEBRUARY		
Feb 8, 2022	6 pm	James City Lions Charter Night With DG Greg Cole, Speaker	Colonial Heritage Club House	✓
Feb 19, 2022	9 am – 4pm	SAVE THE DATE: Dist 24I Winter Conference / Host: James City Lions	To Be Announced Williamsburg, VA	✓
		MARCH		
Mar 4-6, 2022		Regional Lions Leadership Institute	Holiday Inn Valley View	
March 10, 2022		Zone J Meeting	To be announced	
March 18, 2022		COG Meeting and DG Training	Roanoke MD 24 Office	✓
March 25, 2022		Central VA and Southeastern Lions Bland Contest	Location and time to be announced	
		APRIL		
April 28- May 1		MD 24 LOV State Convention	Delta Marriott Chesapeake	

Key: ✓ = confirmed

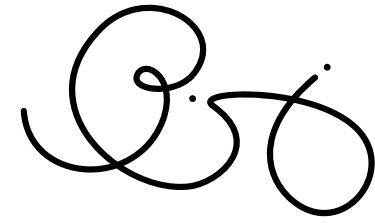
	MD 24 / District
	Club Fundraiser/ Service
	Club Visit by DG, 1VDG, 2VDG
	Completed event

Call Cabinet Secretary Ann Ragland to Schedule a DG, 1VDG, 2VDG Club Visit, or a Region, Zone Meeting or Club Event or Project



**NEED A FLYER, SOCIAL
MEDIA DESIGNS, OR A
NEW LOGO?**

**IF IT CAN BE DESIGNED,
WE CAN MAKE IT!**



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