

# LIONS



# ROAR

Connecting the clubs, communities & needs for the  
Lions of Central and Southeastern Virginia. We Serve!

## WHAT DOES BEING A LION MEAN TO YOU?

District Governor Greg Cole

I challenge you to stop reading this newsletter, pull out a pad and pen then answer this question. If you are so inclined, please email your answers to [liongregcole@gmail.com](mailto:liongregcole@gmail.com). When you are finished, come back and enjoy this great newsletter.

I have had a wonderful time traveling our district to attend meetings and share my heart with fellow Lions. The words I speak come from the heart and are designed to inspire and challenge members to excel as a Lion. But these are only words, meaningless without action. Being a Lion is more than a membership in a club. Being a Lion is a way of life. We are able to come together with likeminded persons to make a positive difference in the lives of members of our community. When actions are applied to words, they become a message. Our communities will know us by the message they see thru our actions! What do they see in your club? I would love to hear those stories.

The challenge before us is to send a message to a new generation of Lions that will prompt them to service. We must impart our knowledge of service into the next generation so that humanitarian needs of our community will continue to be met by Lions. This is a very tough challenge because it will require us to change certain aspects about how our club functions. We ALL need to embrace this challenge. Afterall, who will carry on the work of Lions Clubs if we no longer exist in our communities? Are you up to the challenge?



During the Fall Conference we will have an exhibit hall with information about various service project and fundraiser ideas. If your club is interested in having an exhibit table, please send me an email and I will make sure that you will get an application. There is no cost for the exhibit table, but space is limited.

Let me leave you with this thought. As an organization we are either growing or declining. There is no in between. We grow through leadership and service, but we decline due to the lack of leadership and service. Which group are you in as a Lion? Which group is your club in? I encourage you to participate in the Governor's Club of Distinction Program. This program will help put you on a growth track.

## WHO'S ON YOUR TEAM?

1st Vice District Governor  
Helen Person

When was the last time you attended a Lions meeting that something was not said about membership?

We need younger members, but young people aren't interested in doing service.

We can't get any new members. They don't want to help with the fundraisers.

We're probably going to have to disband. We're doing the same things we used to do, but nobody seems to want to join us.

Actually, young people engage in many service activities. They don't like the meetings in between. Why? Simply put, many young people are just plain meeting'd out. Their workday is spent hopping in and out of meetings. After work, they have church-related meetings, meetings at the school, youth team parent meetings, neighborhood committee meetings, professional association meetings. Their family time begins to more closely resemble a corporate meeting than Sunday dinner and they find themselves running their household as though their next raise depended on their 4-year-old's potty performance.

And we wonder why they don't want to come to another meeting where the Minutes and Treasurer's Report are punctuated with folks bemoaning the fact that nobody wants to come to a meeting. Why would they? We've bored them to death!

You want new members for your Lions Club? Try this: Look around your community. Are there groups of people who may be interested in performing community service, but who aren't affiliated with a formal organization? How would you like to be able to harness their energy and their numbers to boost your Lions Club's membership while raising your community profile?

October has been designated as Community Team-Up month. The idea is for civic organizations to team up to address community service projects better tackled with larger numbers. What a perfect lead-in for a conversation with a group of younger members of your community! Invite them to work with your members to support:

a community food drive.

a Flood Bucket collection drive to assist flood victims; or

a fundraiser to build a supply of heater meals and bottled water your emergency services can store to be ready for the possibility of inclement weather that renders cooking undoable.

What an opportunity this could be to make friends, become friends, and bring your friends into Lions as new members or, perhaps, a Branch club. Bring them gradually into the Lions fold while being open to changing your meeting day or time to accommodate possible new members. Be sure to wear nametags in case some new people come to give your club a test drive. And remember: Friends don't let friends not be Lions.





## 2nd Vice District Governor's Travels

Homer Cook

Recently, I attended the Zone L meeting (Roger Browns) where DG Greg talked about his vision. When you have listened to some of DG Greg's presentations you pick up new things, like his love of alliteration and the letters PP. All of you old guys get your mind out of the gutter and think about what PP could stand for.

At Southside Lions (Swam Terrace) PCC Chet talked about the Diabetes camp and the Reach program. While we had a chance, we talked to Lion Mary Lou about grants from LOVF, informative! Speaking of grants Lions of Virginia Foundation and Lions Charity Foundation of South Eastern Virginia are open for grant requests, if you have not applied for a grant you might want to have a representative speak at your club. My club (Oceanside) completed our second joint hunger project at Judeo Christian Outreach Center with Hampton Roads Pride and served 75 meals at a cost of over \$500. Oceanside Lions has committed to serving a meal on 27 Nov 2021 and four more in 2023. To fund these, we need to raise funds and apply for grants.

I attended the USA Canada Forum and learned a few things. Lion Matt Rafa (Ohio County Virtual Lions club) demonstrated that if you put a QR code on your business card you do not need a lot of flyers, the code links to your website. He also suggested that you specifically spell out what your fundraising money will be spent on.

Lion Daniel Elkins (you may see him in the fall of 2023) brought up how some old traditions may make some people feel excluded. He also brought up that if someone has a burning desire to do something embrace the idea and grow with it.

Jessica Cox was one of our lunch speakers and she said we should think outside the shoe. She came up with this because she was born without arms and uses her feet to do things like tying her shoes, flying her plane and driving her car. She opened a can of soda with her toes, picked it up, balanced it on one foot and took a drink without spilling a drop. She was born with an impediment, but she did not let it disable her.

Think about new ways to provide service, new ways to raise funds for service, and new ways of getting more people to provide service. Plant the seed and tend it. If it does not grow plant another seed in a different place.



Eric Newman Roc Solid Founder

## GLOBAL SERVICES TEAM

It's time to start preparing for our Fall Conference service project. We're collecting items for Roc Solid Foundation® Ready Bags. The story of the Roc Solid Foundation begins with the personal journey of the founder, Eric Newman. When he was three years old, Eric was diagnosed with liver cancer. Thanks to the medical team at the Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters in Norfolk, VA, he surprised his doctors and beat the odds and he remained in remission ever since. But tragically, Eric lost two first cousins to childhood cancer at a young age. Determined to do something with his passion for helping kids with cancer, Eric founded Roc Solid Foundation in 2009. The District 24-I based organization has completed hundreds of Play It Forward Projects, providing and assembling playsets at the homes of children with cancer, and distributing thousands of Roc Solid Ready Bags in partnership with children's hospitals all over the country. Each day in the U.S. approximately 43 children are diagnosed with cancer. That's nearly 16,000 kids each year. Cancer does not discriminate; it affects kids from all backgrounds, ethnicities, and socio-economic groups. Roc Solid Ready Bags are given to families on the worst days of their lives.... The day they find out that their child has cancer. Their battle often starts that day, with their child being admitted for treatment, and everything else comes to a halt. Ready Bags include everything a family might need for their unexpected hospital stay – toiletries, a blanket, a journal, a tablet and more. These essentials are helpful, but Roc Solid also hope the bag send a message to each family that the family is not alone as they begin this journey. Ready Bags are distributed by hospitals in our communities that we serve as Lions. I hope that your club members will work together to purchase items on the Ready Bag list found here: <https://rocsolidfoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/Ready-Bag-Checklist-Rev0121..pdf> Please be sure to adhere to the item size guidelines. Bag items by category and bring them to Fall Conference.

Please inventory the items and email me a list along with the number of club members participating in the project and club name to [lionstevens@cox.net](mailto:lionstevens@cox.net). Remember, DG Greg has offered the incentive of a \$100 Visa gift card to any Lion who donates at least two items to the project. Only one ticket per Lion will be entered in the drawing and tickets will only be issued at Fall Conference. Yes, if a club member brings collected items along with a list of members who qualify for a raffle ticket their names will be entered in the drawing. Wow, we have a generous DG! O.K. Lions, now it's up to you...it would be fantastic to pull up to Roc Solid Foundation with a van stuffed full of Ready Bag items. And, don't forget to report your service in MyLion so we can hear the DG team's rendition of Soft Kitty.

Together in Service,  
PDG Beth Stevens

## Great Networking and Learning Opportunities

PDG Heather Jones - Lancto

The 2021 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum ended a little over a week ago. Three Lions from MD24I experienced some great opportunities. IPDG Scott and 2nd VDG Homer attended the Lions University graduation while PDG Beth Stevens had the chance to both instruct and moderate training sessions. It is great to see Lions from our district participating in such a wonderful event and to know that their learning opportunities were recognized at such a high level. Congratulations to these great Lions!



Leadership trainings offer great learning experiences, but they also offer the ability to network and meet Lions from all over the commonwealth, the country, and the world. Many training exercises ask participants to share personal Lion and club experiences. Free time, such as meals, allow for the sharing of service and fundraising stories and ideas. Below are some of the Leadership trainings available to you....

**Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)** – 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, Time Management, Diversity, Conflict Resolution, and Membership Motivation. If interested in next year's Institute please contact [heameljon@yahoo.com](mailto:heameljon@yahoo.com)

**Advanced Lions Leadership Institute (ALLI)** – Organized by Lions Clubs International and includes Lions from Constitutional Area I & II. Focuses on building the skills of Lions leaders to prepare them for leadership responsibilities at zone, region, and district levels. Next year's institute will be held in Calgary, Canada March 26-28. [heameljon@yahoo.com](mailto:heameljon@yahoo.com)



**MD24I Officers Training** – Organized yearly by the district GLT. Held in the spring at a central location for the district. Classes include training for President, Secretary, Treasurer, New Member Orientation as well seminars vital to the district's goals. Monitor your newsletter for class information, dates, and location. Similar trainings also take place at the MD24 State Convention; if you miss the district training attend the convention training.

**USA/Canada Forum** – Even though this year's Forum just ended you can still plan to attend next year. Next year's forum will be held in Calgary, Alberta Canada September 15-18. It will feature over 70 seminars in two and a half days.

**Ask yourself....are you taking advantage of all Lions has to offer?** I am available to speak with your club at your next meeting to learn more about all of the great leadership opportunities available.

## WHAT IS FOMO?

Mack Stevens  
GMT Coach

It's the fear of missing out. It refers to the feeling or perception that other people are having more fun, living better lives, or experiencing better things than you are.

When you know what makes your members excited, it's much easier to create compelling messages. FOMO is anything which makes your audience feel like they're missing out. Since this is a real fear we all possess, it makes potential members more likely to take action. Enjoy this video from Simon Sinek [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=llKvV8\\_T95M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=llKvV8_T95M)



For years we have told people "If you don't attend a Lions meeting you might miss out"

you might miss something exciting  
You might miss something good  
you might miss something fun  
you might miss an opportunity  
You might not find out about service projects  
you might miss networking with someone  
you might miss a chance to help others  
you might miss a chance to lead  
you might get appointed if you're not there  
you can't vote if you don't attend  
you must be present to win

you might miss important information  
You might miss free training  
you might get recognized  
You can't discuss what happened  
you might miss a chance to talk to your friends  
you might not get your job done if you're a leader  
You might miss learning something new  
you might miss the entertainment  
you might miss free stuff  
you might miss great food  
You might not pick up a skill

You might miss a purple rhinoceros with a blonde mohawk but what are the chances of that if your club doesn't do these things on a regular basis – you are the leadership make it happen! Instill a FEAR of missing out!

Work for people who share your beliefs. Show up and feel a part of something bigger than yourself. Groups that are crystal clear in what they believe, are disciplined in how they do things, and are consistent in everything they say and do serve as a symbol of values and beliefs. We use those symbols to say something about who we are. We surround ourselves with the people and the products and the brands that say something about who we are. When we find other people who believe what we believe, we are drawn to them and it builds trust. This is the Value of an association.

How do we get fulfillment – DO SOMETHING FOR SOMEONE ELSE! It's the only way we can get that feeling

Do you know why 90% of people don't feel fulfilled by the work they do? It's not their job, it's not the pay or benefits. It's because we don't help each other anymore. We sit in our cubical and only email each other if we need something.

How does this affect me? What am I supposed to do? We seldom put ourselves out to help someone else. Do you know what generosity is? It's doing something for someone else, expecting nothing in return, EVER! It's not an equation. When we are in groups of people who believe what we believe trust goes up. We make strong bonds and help each other more. It gives us a common set of values and beliefs. This is the power of our Lions association. We Serve!

What if you are just getting started in the work force? Missing out could be life changing. What if you never had a chance to speak in front of people? What if you have never led a project or made a case for your opinion in your club? Participating in your Lions club could allow you to get these experiences in a non-threatening environment. So now, think about why you should invite your neighbor, co-worker, or family member to become a Lion. Do something for someone else! Share that Fear of Missing out. You will both have something to talk about.

What could a young person get out of becoming a Lion?

### Responsibility

I counted, and recounted the money to make sure everything was always accurate

### Leadership

I learned how to motivate and lead people and manage my team.

### People skills

I learned how different people think, react in various situations, and approach problems.

### Problem solving

I learned to think on my feet and come up with solutions, fast.

### Organization and planning

Planning helped me stay on time for classes, meetings, deadlines, and all my other responsibilities.

### Networking

I met a lot of people I probably never would have. Community service is a great opportunity to network,

### Commitment

Making a long-term commitment to a single organization demonstrates more commitment than volunteering for multiple organizations.

### Teamwork

Community service quickly teaches you that it's not about you, it's about us.

### Learning from mistakes

I made mistakes. I learned from others, and from my own experiences, how to come up with solutions and to avoid the same mistakes in the future.

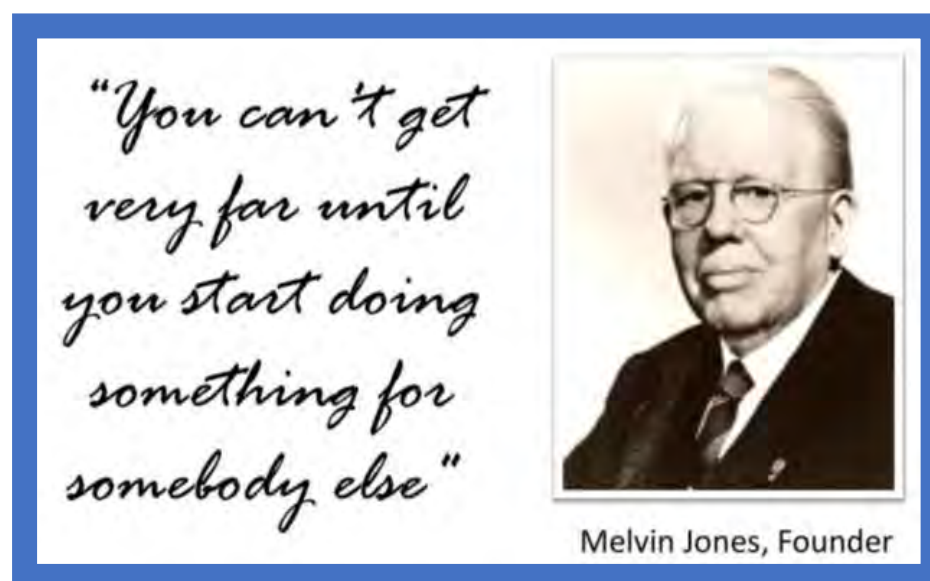
### Watching for opportunities

Volunteering is an opportunity to exercise your current skills and learn new ones. Look for opportunities that match your talents, interests, and passions.

### It's never too early to start volunteering

I wish I had understood the importance of volunteering even earlier in my life. Now, I try to give back to the community as much as I can and offer that opportunity to others.

Do something for someone else today, invite them to participate in your Lions Club. Community service can help them learn new skills, build character, and it's just the right thing to do. Offer them the opportunity to serve!





WHAT ARE LIONS?

WHO CAN BECOME A LEO-LION?

LEOS CONTINUING THEIR SERVICE JOURNEY

## ARE WE MISSING THE BOAT TO YOUNG LIONS MEMBERSHIP?

**What is the Leo-Lion program?** The Leo-Lion program is an incentivized membership program for current or former Leos who are ready to transition to Lions membership. The Leo-Lion program is a Lions membership program with all the same rights and privileges of traditional Lions membership, including voting. The program is structured with benefits that offer opportunities for Leos to continue to develop their leadership skills.

**Who is eligible for the Leo-Lion program?** Current or former Leos between the ages of legal majority through age 35, who have served as Leos for at least a year and a day, can continue serving their communities as **Leo-Lion** members! Lions under age 36, who previously aged out of the Leo-Lion program may rejoin the program, by contacting their club secretaries. Those officers can update the member records in [MyLCI](#) by choosing the Leo-Lion member type on the edit member page. Discount benefits are limited to the period of their active Leo-Lion membership for the billing period starting January 2020 and are not retroactive.

### What are the benefits of the Leo-Lion Program?

- 50% discount on international dues
- Entrance or charter fee waiver
- Leo years of service credited to Lion record
- Opportunity to serve in a Leo-Lion club
- Eligible to serve as a Leo-Lion board liaison
- International service and cultural exchange scholarship opportunity
- Advanced Lions Learning Leadership Institute (ALLI) in-person training scholarship opportunity
- LinkedIn professional networking group
- Continued connection to the Leo identity under the name "Leo-Lion"

**How do you charter a Leo-Lion club?** For chartering purposes: A Leo-Lion club requires 10 former Leos to be included in the twenty members needed to charter a Lions club.

Are Leo-Lions the same as **young Lions**? The term "**young Lion**" refers to an unspecified age demographic. A young Lion can be the same age of a Leo-Lion but has never served as a Leo. Do all members in a Leo-Lion club get the same discount and benefits as the Leo-Lions in the club? Young Lions in a Leo-Lion club only may enjoy the same discount benefit if they are under age 31. To add young Lions who are under age 31, to a Leo-Lions club, choose the "Young Adult" member category in MyLCI. The Young Adult discount is not applicable to other clubs, as it is limited to only Leo-Lion clubs for chartering Young Adults members and new Young Adult members added to the established club.

The **Leo-Lion** program is for Leos who are ready for Lions membership. As a Leo, you took part in service projects that not only improved your community but provided you with valuable leadership experience. Now you have an opportunity to expand your skills while growing personally and professionally as a Lion. **Leo-Lions** are professional, skilled leaders who are passionate about serving their communities. LCI encourages multiple districts and districts to include Leo-Lions on their councils and cabinets. Leo-Lions have been representing young members at the international level, as non-voting members, on the Lions Clubs International board of directors since 2018. The Leo-Lion board Liaison's insights and unique perspectives are a welcome contribution to board discussions and initiatives

**Become a Lion:** There are many ways to serve as a Lion. Continue serving your community while further developing your leadership skills and networking with Lions around the world. Serve as a Leo-Lion The Leo-Lion program offers benefits and opportunities exclusively for current or former Leos who choose to continue their service journey as Lions members. All Leos who have served for more than a year and are between the age of legal majority through age 35 are eligible to become a Leo-Lion

**Join or Charter a Leo-Lion club:** A Leo-Lion club is a great way to serve with other former Leos and young Lions. • At least 10 of the 20 charter members need to be former Leos • Young Lions through the age of 30, in Leo-Lions clubs, receive the same Leo-Lion program discount

**Join or Charter a Campus Lions club:** Serve while attending university, college, technical or post-graduate school • Improve your leadership skills, network and form new friendships • Alumni, community members, faculty and school staff are welcome to join and serve with student members

**Join an existing Lions club:** Get started right away by joining your local Lions club! Continue answering the needs that challenge your community and those around the world as a Lion.

**Form a club branch:** Ask your sponsoring club, or another club in your area, if you and your friends may form a club branch. Club branches can be formed with just five members. Plan activities and service projects meaningful to you and members of your club branch.

**A special way to serve:** Are you passionate about a specific cause? Then a specialty club might be right for you! These clubs focus on common interests. Consider starting a young professionals' specialty club, and invite your friends to join you.

**Need more flexibility in your schedule?** Consider virtual meetings for your club, and enjoy the convenience of planning events from your home or while traveling

However, making the leap to a Lions club can represent a big transition for some Leos. To ease that transition, some Leos have chosen to maintain membership in their Leo club while also joining a Lions club. At this time, there is no policy prohibiting an individual from holding membership in a Leo club and a Lions club simultaneously, provided that the individual meets the requirements of the clubs. Clubs are encouraged to exercise caution and sound reasoning when allowing this practice, as dual memberships may present conflicts of interest in certain scenarios. Given this, it is recommended that dual members:

- Serve in an officer position as a Leo or a Lion, but not both simultaneously
- Do not serve as Leo club advisors
- Limit their dual memberships to a brief transition period



Hello 24-I Lions,

The link below is a short video of a REACH Teen Diabetes Camp held at Old Dominion University this past month. Our Partners at ODU did a great job of putting together the video, and I'm glad we can share it with you. We hope you're interested in the program, now we want to get out information on the upcoming camp events. This is a great opportunity for Lions to interact with their local communities by offering a fun and educational experience to diabetic teenagers at no cost to the attendees.

Thank you!  
PCC Chet Kramer

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**REACH Fall Dates 2021\***

September 18, 10am-1pm  
October 2, 10am-1pm  
October 23, 10am-1pm  
November 6, 10am-1pm  
November 20, 10am-1pm  
December 4, 10am-1pm

*\*Campers must be 12 years old or older & fully vaccinated*

Please contact Dr. Eddie Hill or Mrs. Rowan Williams for more information:  
ehill@odu.edu | 757-683-4881  
rhwillia@odu.edu

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY

## GET YOUR CLUB SERVING WITH NEW PROJECTS

PDG Beth Stevens

### Lions' Bag Hunger

Lions' Bag Hunger" is a new district-wide hunger relief project that each club can run in their respective community in January in recognition of Lions Clubs International Hunger Awareness Month. The district has purchased grocery bags and labeled them with a Lions logo and the tag line serving the citizens of Central and Southeastern Virginia. Your club selects the community partner to benefit from your local food drive. Then based on your conversation with the Food Bank or Pantry, set a goal for the number of bags of food to collect. Request that number of bags from the District Global Service Team Coordinator. Create a checklist of requested food items, branded with your club information, and attach it to the bags. Then, club members distribute bags to friends, family and coworkers asking them to fill the bag for you in support of Hunger Awareness Month. Plan a time, date, and location for the people to return the filled bags to your club. During that time, your club can host an open house to feature the work of your Lions Club in the community. Arrange for the food partner to speak about their organization and take the collected food bags back to the pantry with them. There will be a webinar on how to run this project on Monday, October 11, at 7 PM via Zoom.

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### Lions Bear Hugs

Our district goal is to provide 100 Jerry the Bears to children ages 4 – 7 years old newly diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes through referrals at the Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters (Norfolk) and the Children's Hospital of Richmond. Your club can support this project in two ways: First, sponsor a bear at \$55 or a HD Fire Tablet \$90 (only provided to families requesting financial assistance) by sending a financial donation to the Cabinet Treasurer designating Jerry the Bear Project. Second, volunteer to deliver the bears to the children. Volunteers will attend a training to learn the Jerry the Bear app and other program protocols. The Jerry training is scheduled for Thursday, October 28, 2021 via Zoom.

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### Read Between the Lions

Read Between the Lions is a reading skills program specifically developed to address a lack of saccadic fixation, developed by two Nevada District 46 Lions. Saccadic fixation is a keystone visual skill defined as the jump eye movements necessary for reading. These micro jump eye movements are a result of the simultaneous and continuous use of 12 different extra-ocular muscles, 4 intra-ocular muscles, and 4 separate cranial nerves. If these muscles are not working together, they can be trained using proven remediation techniques to work together more efficiently. The ultimate goal of the RBTL program is to identify the lack of saccadic fixation through screening (a series of 3 timed eye movement tests which takes about 5 minutes per person). Statistically, we expect at least 20% of everyone screened will require some degree of remediation. The next step is to offer proven remediation techniques, done in time to a metronome to train the eye muscles to work together efficiently. Remediation is recommended for a total of 6 hours, 10 minutes a day, every day for 36 days. Rescreening is suggested after 2 – 3 weeks to monitor for improvement. The program is free. The district is hosting a webinar on Tuesday, October 26, at 7 PM via Zoom if you are interested in learning more about the program.

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## 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
Sept 1, 2021	6:29 pm	Zone L Meet with DG @Craddock Lions	Roger Brown's Sports Bar	√
Sept 9, 2021	6:00 pm	Appomattox Lions 82 yrs with DG	Railyard Restaurant	√
Sept 9-11, 2021		USA Canada LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM	Des Moines, Iowa	
Sept 11, 2021	1PM	Region 2, Zone C and D Meet w/ DG	Mildred's Meals Kenbridge	√
Sept 12, 2021		Lancaster County Golf Tournament	Indian Creek Golf & Yacht Club	
Sept 14, 2021	5:30 pm	Zone M Meet w/ DG @ Norfolk LittleCrk	Mom & Pops Restaurant-Norfolk	√
Sept 16, 2017	5 pm	Goochland County Lions Club BBQ	Dover Lake @ Manakin Sabot	√
Sept 17, 2021	7 am	James City Charity Golf Tournament	Ford's Colony Golf	
Sept. 21, 2021	6:15 pm	Varina Lions Club DG Visit	Varina Ruritan Building	√
Sept 23, 2021	6:00 pm	ZONE A Meet w/ DG (host TBD)	Lynchburg area	cancelled
Sept 25, 2021	11 am	Suffolk Car Show & Zone N Meeting	Nansemond Academy	√
Sept 25, 2021	6 PM	SEVA Filo Am Club Dinner Dance	Crown Plaza Hotel, Va Beach	√
<b>OCTOBER</b>				
Oct 1-3, 2021		District 24 L Fall Conference MD24 COG meeting: DG Joel Kendall	Hospitality House Fredericksburg	√
Oct 5 2021	6pm	Zone K Meet and Greet with DG	Angelo Steak and Pancake	√
Oct 7, 2021	6 pm	New Kent Lions official DG Visit	Don Miguel's Restaurant	√
Oct 11, 2021	6 pm	Zone Q Meet and Greet with DG	Island House Restaurant	√
Oct 14, 2021	6:30 pm	Zone I Meet and Greet with DG Host: Northumberland Lions	Unique Experience Eatery	√
Oct. 16, 2021	11-1pm	Dist 24-I Cabinet Meeting 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr Host: New Kent County Lions Club	Providence Forge Recreation Center.	√
Oct 19, 2021	6:30 pm	Zone P Meet and Greet with DG	Issues & Answers Conf Rm	√
Oct 20, 2021t	6 pm	Zone O Meet w/ DG @ Thalia Lions	Broad Bay Country Club	√
Oct 23, 2021		Amelia Lions Car Show	Amelia Courthouse, VA	
Oct 27, 2021	6 pm	Zone E Meet and Greet with DG Host: Powhatan Lions Club	County Seat Restaurant	√
Oct 28, 2021	6 pm	Zone B: Meet and Greet with DG Host: Danville Host Lions Club	Moffett Memorial Baptist Church	√
<b>NOVEMBER</b>				
Nov 4, 2021		Zone J: Brent Bohannon	TBD	Pending
Nov 5-6, 2021		District 24 C Fall Conference MD 24 COG Meeting DG	Holiday Inn Valley View	√
Nov 10-13, 2021		Pin Traders Club of VA Annual Swap	Doubletree Midlothian Richmond	
Nov 19-20, 2021		District 24 I Fall Conference Longwood University (LOVF Meeting)	Hotel Weyanoke, Farmville	√
<b>JANUARY 2022</b>				
Jan 14-15		MD 24 COG Meeting Pre-Convention Site Visit	Delta Chesapeake	√
<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
Feb 19, 2022	9 am – 4pm	SAVE THE DATE: Dist 24I Winter Conference / Host: James City Lions	Colonial Heritage Club House Williamsburg, VA	√

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





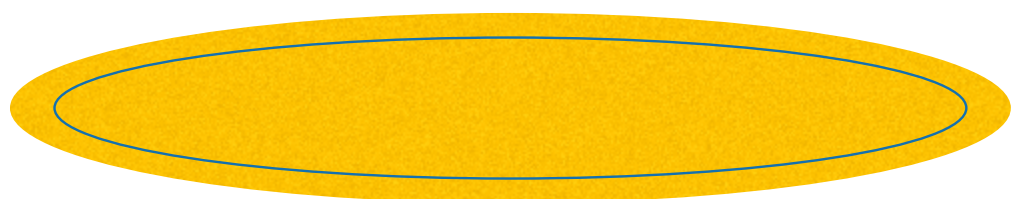
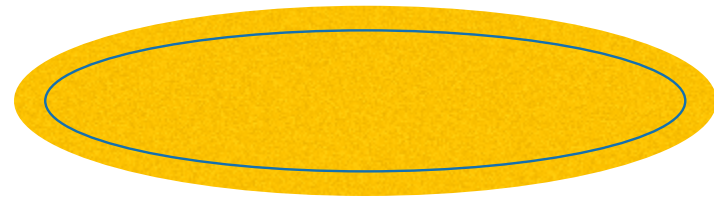
# SERVICE SPOTLIGHT



Cleaned up a section of the Strawberry Plains Road heading towards Eastern State Hospital. Those Picture are from left to right, Back Row – Lions Bill Blank, Doug Brown, John Dean, Chet Kramer, Paul Kerr Mary Lou Newman-Kramer, and Bert Bull

Front row – Walker Knight, Pat Kerr, Shana Lawler and Lynn Lubinski.

Two New Lions were added to Oceanview. Left To Right Lions Meredith Coldren – sponsor, New Lion Nancy Rodrique, President Nancy Growshowski of Oceanview, New Lion Ruth Ann Kearney and Lion Tracy Hewitt - Sponsor



Chesapeake Southside - Southside has partnered with St. Matthew's Church Food Pantry and his collecting food for the homeless. September was peanut butter month. Southside Lions gather up the food and deliver it to the church pantry for distribution. Southside Lions are also hosting a fund raiser with only 400 tickets to be sold. Tickets are \$ 60 for one and \$100 for 2 the prizes are 1st \$5,000. 2nd - \$1000 and 3rd - \$500.



Tappahannock Lions Club screened 111 students at Central High School and King & Queen Elementary school. 27 students who were screened received vision referrals and 11 received hearing referrals. These children will be able to achieve more thanks to the help of these busy Lions. Tappahannock Lions have more screenings scheduled on Sept 27 – Lawson Marriott Elementary School, Oct 4th at Essex High School and October 25th at Tappahannock Elementary School. Also check out their virtual fundraising efforts on the Tappahannock Lions Website.



The District 24 I Lion off the parade float needs a Home. The platform is 2 ft X 8 ft. It has handles on both ends to make it easier to move. The District wants the lion available for any Club to use for events, parades, white cane events or anything your club can use it for. If you have space to store the Lion contact the District Secretary.







On 15 September, the Poquoson Parks & Recreation Department held a ribbon cutting for a new picnic shelter located at the City's South Lawson Park. The ribbon cutting was two part; to open the shelter and to thank the Poquoson Lions Club for donating six picnic tables, making the shelter complete. Since 2011, the Poquoson Lions have partnered with the City to improve the city's soccer park, home to five soccer pitches (fields).

In 2012 the Poquoson Lions Club adopted the park and have continued to invest in it for the benefit of the city's youth. The picnic tables are the most recent addition provided by the Poquoson Lions, following the planting of trees, installation of park benches, construction of swing sets, and building of a playground.

Following the ribbon cutting, the Lions and others were treated to a picnic dinner provided by Parks & Recreation.



## Northumberland Lions

The Northumberland Lions have recently had a program on Solar Energy at their September 9th Dinner Meeting. They have inducted two new members and are currently conducting member orientation in segments at their meetings.

The Club presented Lion Michael Sullivan Harwood a Bronze Lion Statue in appreciation of his 28 dedicated years of service to the club and community. Lion Mike has served as President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chairman during those 28 years. He has volunteered as a Reading Buddy at Northumberland Primary School, worked White Cane Day Collections, on Broom Sales, Fruit Cake Sales, and Eye Screening. He most recently assisted a local resident by driving him to physical therapy. Thank you, Lion Mike.

The Club will be conducting their Fall White Cane Days October 8th and 9th. They have ordered their Fruit Cakes to start selling. They will have one more Broom Sale at the Heathsville Farmer's Market on October 16th. Students at Northumberland Middle School are working on their Peace Posters. Club members continue to deliver hospital equipment to residents in the county and adjoining counties.

Northumberland will also be hosting the Zone I Fall Meeting on October 14th. They are now meeting at 6:30 pm at Unique Experience Eatery in Heathsville on the second and fourth Thursday.

## ZONE I FALL MEETING

The meeting is scheduled for October 14th starting promptly at 6:30 p.m.

The menu will be Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Vegetables, Rolls, Dessert, and Non-alcoholic Beverage. The Price is \$30.

RSVP by October 7th Please.

The Meeting is being hosted by the Northumberland Lions Club.

The meeting will be held at  
 Unique Experience Eatery  
 8200 Northumberland Hwy,  
 Heathsville, VA 22473

Club Presidents (or Proxy) will be asked to give a report on your club.

Please report the following Verbally and in Written Form

1. Membership Status
2. What are you doing to grow your membership?
3. Are you meeting in person, virtually, or both?
4. Are you reporting membership in MY LCI monthly (if not do you need assistance)?
5. Are you reporting Activities and Projects in MY LION monthly (if not do you need assistance)?
6. Fundraising Activities
7. Service Projects
8. Did you report your 2021-2022 Officers in MY LCI (if not do you need assistance)?

We will have Speakers from the District, including Governor Greg Cole, present to provide you information on the New Awards the District has, Membership Growth, District Service Projects, etc...

I hope you will be there with several members from your club.



# IN MEMORY

**Norma Jean Brower**

*Danville Host Lions*

**Ronald L Ratcliffe Sr.**

*Franklin Lions*



## WELCOME OUR **NEWEST LIONS**

### Chatham Lions

Amy L, Alderson  
James L. Boyd  
Phyllis S. Collins  
Alice L. Shelton

### Gretna Lions

Mark W. Marstin  
Yancy Deware Moran

### Varina Lions

Betty M. Winks

### Virginia Beach Kempsville Lions

Venus M. Marshall

### Filipino-American Lions

Jenieza Alston  
Julie G. Baz  
Benjamin Equitan  
Rolando Facundo  
Josefina E. Galon  
Monica Galozo  
James Mcaulay  
Precious Parsels  
Jarrett S. Price  
Maluisa G. Price  
Elmer Ramiscal  
Angelo P. Reyes  
Shane E. Roddy  
Coleen Santa Ana



## District 24 I LCIF Bowling Challenge Fundraiser



*October 23, 2011 at 1:00 PM*

*Pinboys at the Beach*

*1577 Laskin Road, Ste 100*

*Virginia Beach VA*

*With IPDG Scott Durbin*

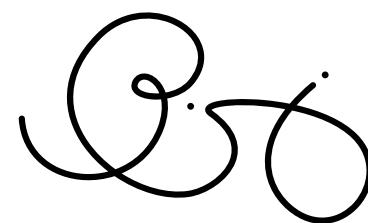
Join IPDG Scott Durbin as he rolls 5 games to try and knock down 1000 Pins. All proceeds will be going to LCIF as part of Campaign 100.

Join him in collection donations from your friends, neighbors and fellow Lions.

The results of all games will be posted on the District 24 I website. Cheer him on. Lets help LCIF and all those who need help get the help they need from LCIF now and in the future.

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

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



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