

# District 12-N NEWS & VIEWS

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## District 12-N Dates to Remember 2018

**LVBI Board Meeting – RSVP**  
758 W Morris Blvd, Morristown  
April 26

**MD-12 State Convention**  
Embassy Suites Murfreesboro  
May 4 – 5

**Summer Cabinet Meeting #4**  
Embassy Suites Murfreesboro  
May 5

### Officer Training Sessions:

1. First Baptist Church, Lenoir City  
May 12 from 10:00 – 12:00
2. Watauga Insurance Office, Johnson City  
May 17 from 6:30 – 8:30
3. Powell Presbyterian Church, Powell  
May 19 from 1:00 – 3:00
4. First Baptist Church, Sevierville  
June 2 from 10:00 – 12:00

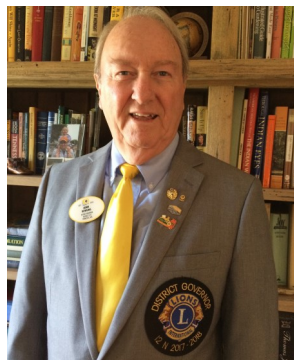
### Reverse Raffle

Fountain City Lions Clubhouse  
June 16

### Lions 101st Int'l Convention

MGM Grand, Las Vegas NV  
June 29 – July 3, 2018

## DG Adam's Post



What do you think? Is Spring here or just more Winter? Carol and I are still covering our Hosta plants at night and wondering if our trees are going to bud out and finally show some life. Weather however has not stopped the business of Lionism.

We recently travelled to Nashville and attended DGE and VDGE training for the five TN Districts. The training was organized and accomplished by the Multi-District Lions. In attendance and participating were District 12-N Lions we elected as 2018-2019 officers at our February convention in Kingsport: DGE Brandon Johnson, 1st VDGE Carol McDonald, and 2nd VDGE Millie Burke. They received many documents to help them during their

year of leadership. Please thank them for attending this training.

We just went to Roanoke and were given a tour of the Lions Eyeglass Recycling facility, one of six in the US and one of nine worldwide. I have never seen so many pairs of glasses! We helped out by learning how to sort the donated glasses into four categories, to determine the prescription using a digital read-out lensometer, and to bag and record the prescription on the bag. We also spent the day enjoying the company of other Lions while prepping the glasses to be sent out to other countries via vision missions from many organizations. On an interesting note, we separated out some frames containing gold – these will bring a higher price when selling for recycling and will help to support Lions Eyeglass Recycling Inc.

Carol and I continue to visit clubs in the District. The clubs are all busy and helping with their individual community's needs. Every club has to do fundraising and our observation is that this can be anything from magic shows to turtle derbys to motorcycle runs to annual carnivals. From small to large clubs I have been impressed with the creativity and energy being expended. And I continue to be impressed with the number of Lions receiving chevrons for service, some with as many as 65 years in our organization. May God bless you for your faithful humanitarian service in Lions.

I know that each of your clubs is very busy selecting new officers and getting ready for the handoff from the past to the new. As such I want to remind you of a few tasks ahead: 1) Please encourage the new officers (President, Secretary, and Treasurer as a minimum) to attend training at the locations pointed out by 12-N GLT Paulette Bailey; 2) Please read (President, Secretary, and Board Members) the Club Constitution and By-Laws and then ratify the changes handed down from LCI; 3) Adopt the new club organization chart showing the Global Action Team assignments. It is understandable that some clubs because of the small number of members will have problems trying to cover all of the assignments but each club has a responsibility regardless of size to add new members, perform service and ask for funds in our communities, and provide new leaders in our clubs; 4) We need desperately your registration and attendance at the State (MD-12) Convention in Murfreesboro at Embassy Suites Hotel on May 4-5, 2018. We as an organization need your participation and input to carry out our state's strategic plan and tactics.

Again, thank you for your hard work and the hospitality shown to Carol and me. East Tennessee is a better place because of you and your club. Be sure to thank your fellow Lions for all that they do!

Adam Bowling  
District Governor 12-N  
adambowlingjr@gmail.com

# Brandon's Share

WOW - what an honor it was to be elected to serve as your next District Governor! This is a position that I've been looking forward to for some time, and I am looking forward to trying to make some positive changes.

Candidly, I am tired of Lions constantly preaching about membership. It's a fact that we all know needs to be improved, and so the goals I want to push us to this next year will center around communication and publicity. So often one club may have little to no idea what is happening with the club in the next town over, and it's time we change that. Likewise, nearly every week I have someone ask what the Lions do. To be the largest humanitarian service organization in the world, we sure are a well kept secret! Lets change that. Lets start to share the great things that Lions are doing throughout our association.

My recent District travels took me to the West Knox Pancake breakfast and I was incredibly impressed! They hosted the breakfast at "Bravo! Cucina Italiana", and my sources tell me they raised over \$2,000. I'm looking forward to joining the West Knox club at their upcoming 50th anniversary, and then seeing them again in June for their golf tournament.

I also attended the Fountain City Lions Club's annual chili supper. The place was packed! I was very impressed by how they incorporated a Girl Scout Troop and the local football team to help them at the event. Exposing the youth to what Lions do is key, and many hands always make light work!

We have some incredibly exciting things planned for this next year. VDGs Carol and Millie are already joining me on weekly planning sessions to execute goals. Your support, and help, is key in advancing our association. Thank you for all that you do!

In Lionism,

**-DGE Brandon**



## District Governor's Proposed Visit Schedule

Norris	April 19	Union County	May 21
Knox Tri-County	April 23	Coalfield	May 21
Hamblen County	April 24	Johnson County	May 25
East Hawkins	May 3	Kingston	May 28
Bulls Gap	May 3	Halls	June 11
Knox Downtown	May 8	Rutledge	June 19

## 2018-2019 CLUB OFFICER REPORTING

**REMINDER –** Please make sure your New Club Officers for the 2018-2019 Lions Year are reported through MyLCI as soon as possible so that the correct information shows up in the Directory issued in July. It is important to make sure that any information reported to LCI is current and correct – especially e-mail addresses as a lot of people changed this year.

# Acronyms You May See In Lionism

DG District Governor

DGE District Governor Elect

GAT Global Action Team

GLT Global Leadership Team (Training)

GMT Global Membership Team

GST Global Service Team

ID International Director

IP International President

LCI Lions Club International

LCIF Lions Club International Foundation

LEO Leadership, Equality, Opportunity (1950s)

LIONS Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety (1920s)

MD-12 Multiple-District 12 (state of TN)

PDG Past District Governor

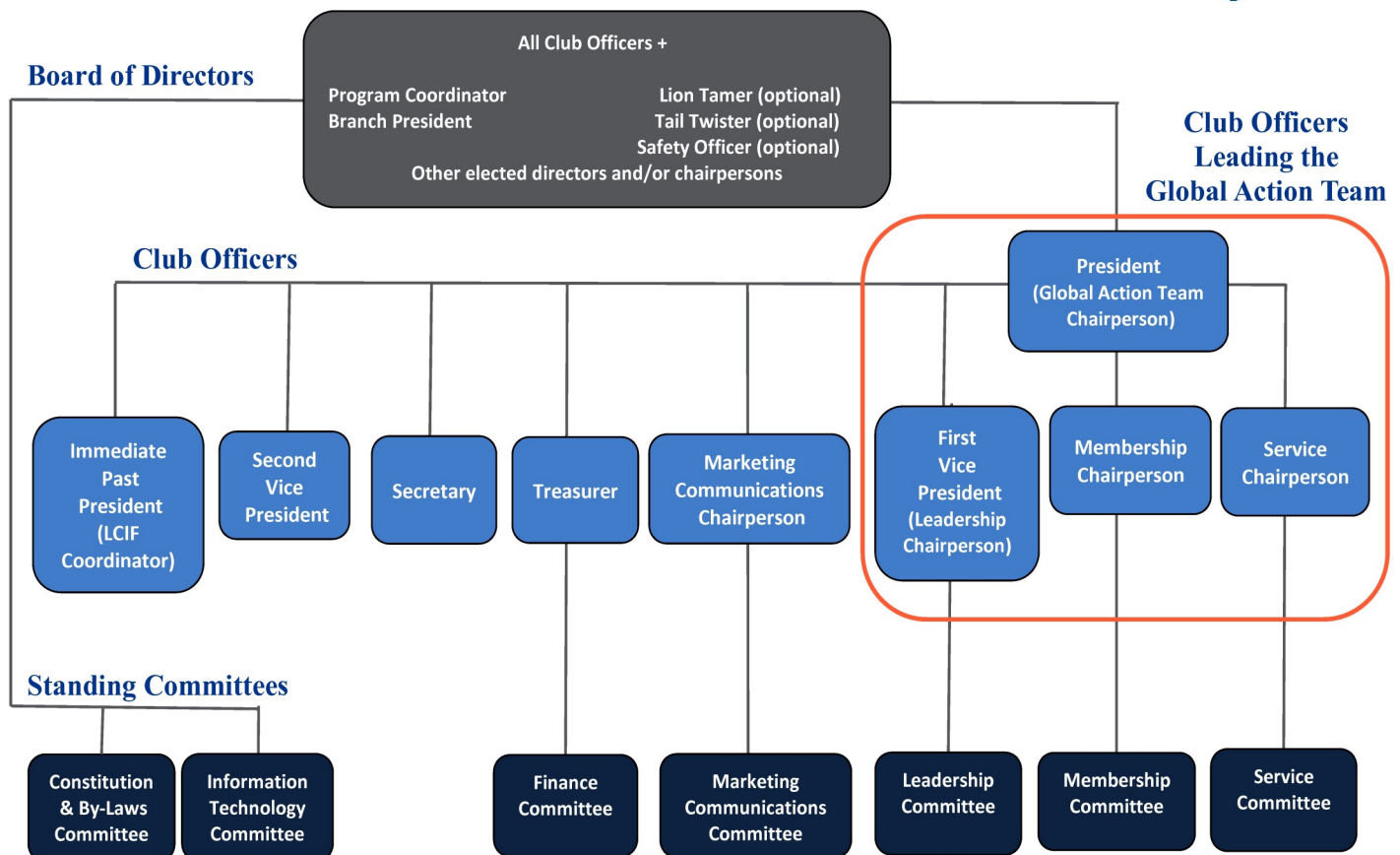
PID Past International Director

PIP Past International President

VDG Vice District Governor

VDGE Vice District Governor Elect

## Model Club Structure





# DISTRICT 12-N GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM OFFICER TRAINING

Submitted by: Paulette Bailey, District 12-N GLT Coordinator

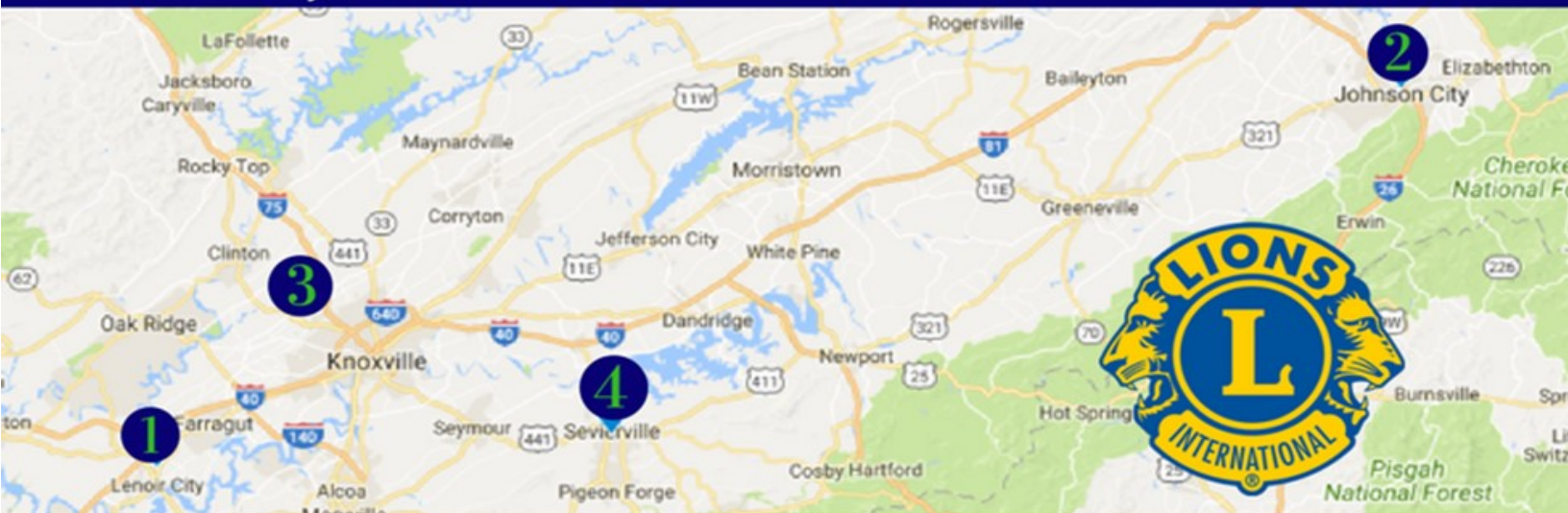
Below is the schedule for our upcoming 2018-2019 Officer Training. This training will be for Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Membership chairs but anyone is invited to attend. I am sorry to say that we will not be providing a meal at these sessions, just light snacks and water. We don't ever know how many might show up so it is too costly to have an actual meal.

Please plan on attending one of these sessions. If you are unable to attend, please contact your Zone Chair who will have some training materials available for you. If you do not know who your Zone Chair is you may contact either DG Adam Bowling or me.

## District 12-N Lions 2018 Officer Trainings

**1** Saturday, May 12  
10:00 AM - Noon  
First Baptist Church of Lenoir City  
Fellowship Hall Door Under Steeple  
2085 Simpson Road  
Lenoir City, TN

**2** Thursday, May 17  
6:30 - 8:30 PM  
Watauga Insurance Office  
201 West Watauga Avenue  
Johnson City, TN



**3** Saturday, May 19  
1:00 - 3:00 PM  
Powell Presbyterian Church  
2910 Emory Road  
Powell, TN

**4** Saturday, June 2  
10:00 AM - Noon  
First Baptist Church of Sevierville  
(GN Building next to Thrift Shop)  
441 Parkway  
Sevierville, TN 37862

# CENTENNIAL SERVICE CHALLENGE UPDATE



In District 12-N we have 33/42 or 79% of our clubs participating in at least one of the core service challenge areas and 9/42 or 21% of our clubs have or are participating in 4 or more of the service challenge areas. **Way to go District 12-N!**

## CENTENNIAL LEGACY PROJECTS

In District 12-N we have 15/42 clubs or 36% that have reported a Legacy Project for their community on the MyLCI reporting site, 11 Level 1 and 4 Level 2. There is still time left for the rest of you clubs to submit your project on line. And what a great thing to share with the District with a photo for our News & Views Newsletter!



## EYEGLASSES RECYCLING

**Our District 12-N Team taking a break from a doing a great job in Roanoke, Virginia at the Lions Eyeglass Recycling facility!**



# **Lions District 12N Charities White Cane Reverse Raffle To Be Held on June 16TH, 2018 5 - 8 PM**

**Fountain City Lions Club Park, Knoxville**

**Grand Prize**

**\$2000**

**2nd \$1000 3rd \$500**

**Need not be present to win**

**Tickets to be sold up to  
start of raffle at 5 PM**



**\$10 Each**

**Clubs  
get \$1  
per  
Ticket  
Sold**

***Monies Raised Will be Used to Support  
the Following Lions District 12N White  
Cane Charities:***

**Leaderdogs for the Blind  
Tennessee School for the Blind  
Tennessee School for the Deaf  
Lions Volunteer Blind Industries  
Learning Ally  
Lions Quest  
World Services for the Blind  
East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank  
Braille Slate**

**Game Booths,**

**Informational Displays**

**Food**

**Car Show**

**Music**



**Sponsored by Lions District 12N Charities, Inc  
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**For More Information: Call PDG Bill McDonald@ 423-907-2429 Or PDG Jim McFarland 865-556-9091**



Multiple District 12 Registration  
**100<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Lions State Convention**  
**May 4-6, 2018**  
**Embassy Suites**

**1200 Conference Center Blvd., Murfreesboro, TN**

Phone # 615-890-4464

Room Rate \$139.00 plus tax and cutoff date April 4, 2018

Comes with breakfast and a social in the afternoon around 5:30

**Keynote speaker, Intl Second Vice-President, Jung Yul Choi**

Name 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Check one      ☐ Lion      ☐ Lioness      ☐ Leo      ☐ Guest

Name 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Check one      ☐ Lion      ☐ Lioness      ☐ Leo      ☐ Guest

Club(s) \_\_\_\_\_ (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2)

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee @15.00X \_\_\_\_\_ =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Night Social @30.00X \_\_\_\_\_ =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Lunch @35.00X \_\_\_\_\_ =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Night Banquet @48.00X \_\_\_\_\_ =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary needs: Vegetarian, Gluten Free, Diabetic (circle all that apply)

Registration forms must be received by April 20, 2018

Make Payment to Lions MD-12 State Convention and mail to:

PCC Richard Kulp, Registration Chair

208 Winding Way Lane, Normandy, TN 37360

Cell #(931) 571-1278 (Home) #(931) 563-7576 email: [rkulp@charter.net](mailto:rkulp@charter.net)

There will be a golf tournament Friday morning at the Old Fort Golf Course. Tee off time is 8:30. Contact PDG Tom Irwin at (615) 683-7363 or email [tomwin327@dtccom.net](mailto:tomwin327@dtccom.net) for details.

There will also be a hospitality room beginning on Thursday evening for early check in for the golf tournament.

**NOTE:** Table reservations are through the hotel at \$50.00 per table.

## Norris Lions Awards 5 Melvin Jones Fellowships

The Norris Lions Clubs presented 5 Melvin Jones Fellowships on April 19, 2018. Congratulations and thank you to all!



Left to right: 12-N District Governor, Adam Bowling, Recipients: Steve Painter, Bob Kapolka, Fred Fields, Toby Brown, David Hopper, and Norris Lions Club president, Roy Langheld.

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