



# District 12-N News & Views

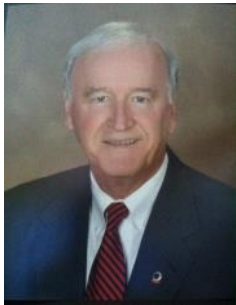
**“In a World of Service”**



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## **Greetings from DG Ed Gibbons**

Fellow Lions,

I have thoroughly enjoyed my first month of serving as your District Governor. From installing the new officers in the Dandridge, Greeneville and Fountain City

Lions Clubs, to playing in the fundraiser golf tournament in Dandridge, it has been a mix of delightful duties. When I read your monthly membership reports, not only was I impressed with all the activities of each club, I was proud as well! All of you are truly living up to our motto “We Serve”. Thank you for getting our name out as the world’s largest service club organization.

Let me share some information some of you may need. First of all, if you are a Club needing White Cane flyers, please contact Second Vice District Governor Paulette Bailey. She has the flyers in generic form or she can send them to you via email allowing you to print the flyers with your club information. Her email address is [ladipee@aol.com](mailto:ladipee@aol.com). Thank you Second VDG Paulette. Also, Second VDG Paulette and PCC Dick Kulp have been working feverously on the District Directory changes. I am happy to report it has been completed and in the hands of PDG Ken Moffett. I will be sending the next version by email in the next few weeks to all Club Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers. You will then be able to print your own copy. PDG Ken will have the directory on our website by the time you read this.

Let me remind you the USA/Canada Leadership Forum is coming up September 11-13 in San Juan, Puerto Rico and Theresa and I will be attending. If you have never attended this Forum, let me encourage you to put it on your Bucket List. This Forum offers informative classes for individual leadership growth as well as skills for collectively guiding your club.

As you plan and progress this year, please keep in mind all of our District Challenges:

- Strengthen the Pride Through Service
- Strengthen the Pride Through Membership
- Strengthen the Pride by Strengthening your Club (CEP)
- Strengthen the Pride Through Leadership
- Strengthen the Pride Through Partnerships
- Strengthen the Pride Through Rededication

- Strengthen the Pride Through Giving (LCIF)
- Strengthen the Pride Through Creativity
- Strengthen the Pride Through Courage and Conviction

Let me remind you to send me your Club goals for the year. Some of you have already responded. Remember, I am asking for (1) membership growth, (2) a new service project, and (3) a date your Club will enroll in the Club Excellence Program.

Thank you for all you are doing for Lionism ,

-- DG Ed

## **DG Ed conducts his 1st Cabinet Meeting**

District Governor Ed Gibbons opened his first Cabinet Meeting (Organizational Meeting) at LVBI on July 19 at 9:00 AM. He introduced his new Cabinet Officers including: First Vice DG – Fletcher Stephens, Second Vice DG – Paulette Bailey, Secretary – Carolyn Broyles, Treasurer – Kathy Burrow, Adm. Assistant – Theresa Gibbons and IPDG Mike McDonough who will also serve as Multi-District Council Chairman.

The proposed 2014-15 budget of \$27,162.00 was adopted as well as keeping the account at Regions Bank with authorized signors of DG Ed Gibbons, 1st Vice DG Fletcher Stevens, 2nd Vice DG Paulette Bailey and Treasurer Kathy Burrow.

A Report was made by PDG Chuck Bailey to close out the Habitat for Humanity LCIF Grant. Reports were also made by Membership Chair, PDG Dave Crawford, Leadership Chair, PDG Wendy Cain, and Awards Chair, PDG Jim McFarland. The following awards were presented; Small Club of the Year – 3rd – Oak Ridge Lions Club, 2nd – Loudon Lions Club, 1st – Clinton Lions Club Large Club of the Year – 3rd – Telico Village Lions Club, 2nd – Kingsport Lions Club, 1st– West Knox Lions Club.

IPDG Mike McDonough also presented awards to clubs that met all three of his goals as follows; Campbell County Lions Club, the Farragut Lions Club and the ETSU Campus Club. Each will receive a framed charcoal sketch for their club. His final award went to ETSU Campus Club for both the largest percent of membership increase and to the club which added the most new members. Former President of the club, Brandon Johnson will receive a Lindsey Jennings Fellowship and new president Destiny Welden will receive a Melvin Jones Fellowship for these achievements by the club.



## GRAB YOUR CAMERA

Lions District 12-N Environmental Photo Contest  
PDG Ken Moffett, Chair

Have a few colorful pixels hanging around? Then enter your favorite environmentally themed photo in this years Lions Environmental Photo Contest!

This is a way for you to portray, through an original photo, your pride and commitment to improving, protecting and preserving our environment. Every Lion from a club in good standing can enter a photograph into the club-level Lions Environmental Photo Contest.

Categories this year include animal life, urban or natural landscape, plant life, weather phenomenon, as well as this special theme:

*Lions' Pride in our Environment: Capturing the magnificent beauty and grandeur of our natural environment*

Lions Clubs International will display the multiple district entries at the annual convention in Hawaii!

PDG Ken Moffett, District Environmental Photo Contest Chair, is encouraging Lion shutterbugs to submit entries to this contest. Club winner should be selected by November. We need to have the 8x10(s) for District 12-N judging by December 15 in order to get the winners to the MD-12 chair by January 15. Please identify (on the back) with name, address, club, and category. With this info on back only, it will help to insure impartiality on the part of the District's judges.

Note: For identification, a self-adhesive printed label works well, and won't make an impression through the photo paper.

More information is available from the Lions Clubs International website:

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/community-environment/lions-green-team/environmental-photo-contest/index.php>

1 in 3 adults in America is at risk for developing diabetes, the main cause of blindness in the United States. Join us in the walk to Stop Diabetes. The walk is 3 miles long and is stroller, wheelchair and dog friendly. There will be vendors with information and giveaways, as well as music, refreshments, contests and fun. Registration opens at 1:00pm • Walk begins at 2:00pm

This year, the **Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes®** event has two East TN Locations.

Sunday, September 14, 2014 at Kingsport Farmers Market – 225 West Center St. - Kingsport -Register online at [www.diabetes.org/stepout](http://www.diabetes.org/stepout) or call 865/524-7868, Ext 3342

Sunday, November 2, 2014 at UT Gardens – Joe Johnson Dr. - Knoxville – Join the **Lions of East TN Team** – Register at <http://main.diabetes.org/goto/lionsofeasttn> - Paulette Bailey is your Team Captain. Feel free to join the team to walk or make a donation.

**Join us in the fight to Stop Diabetes.**

### **12-N Charities Elects Officers**

The Trustees/Directors of Lions District 12-N Charities met following the conclusion of the Cabinet meeting at LVBI for the purpose of electing its 2014-15 officers and other appropriate business. A slate of officers was presented, seconded and unanimously adopted. For 2014-15 the officers are:

President - Adam Bowling, Kingsport Lions Club  
Vice President - Jim McFarland, West Know Lions Club  
Secretary—Chuck Bailey, Loudon Lions Club  
Treasurer - Kathy Burrow, Farragut Lions Club

The next meeting of 12-N Charities' Trustees/Directors will occur on December 7, 2014 at 2:00 PM in the LVBI Cafeteria where the main business will be allocation of the budget among the nine charities District 12-N supports mainly through White Cane collections.. The recommended allocation will be published here in the News & Views and will be presented to District 12-N Membership with a recommendation for adoption at the District Convention to be held in Johnson City on February 20-21 at the Carnegie Hotel.



We look forward to viewing your submission(s).

*Lions view photo contest entries at the LCI Convention in Toronto, Canada.*



**It's that time of year again**

In keeping with our tradition over the years, it is suggested that your club hold a fundraising event to collect funds for our 12-N Charities. "Help the Lions Help the Blind"

This year your club can request generic White Cane flyers from your zone chair or your club can customize the flyer with your club information on it. During that event help promote your club for membership as well as White Cane collections. If you choose to customize your flyers, contact White Cane Chair, VDG Paulette Bailey at (865) 458-3088 or by email at ladipee@aol.com. She will email you the materials that allow you to customize the flyer for reproduction

**Dandridge Lions hold successful golf Tournament**



On July 30 the Dandridge Lions held their annual David De Zan memorial golf tournament as the largest fundraiser of the year. It was a great success due to the work of many of our members who worked prior and on that day. It was a lot of work, and well worth it so we can serve our local community as Lions.



DG Ed Gibbons with Lion Travis Henderson, President of Fountain City Lions Club at officer installation night.

**Maryville Lions Club's newest member**



On July 1, the Maryville Lions celebrated the new year by inducting Janet Hiers into membership. In typical fashion, Janet donned the ears of a Lion and produced a growl that satisfied the assembled membership. Here are Janet and her sponsor, Susan Shearin, celebrating the event.



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### **DISTRICT 12N EVENTS CALENDAR**

August 18, 6:30 PM - Zone Meeting hosted by Karns Lions Club at Karns Pavilion and Community Pool

August 25, 6:00 PM - Zone Meeting hosted by Harriman Lions Club at Roane Medical Center

November 15, 8:30 AM - Noon, District 12-N Cabinet Meeting at LVBI in Morristown TN. All are welcome, but at least Presidents and Secretaries from each club are expected to attend.

January 16-18, 2015, Lions Learning Retreat at Coffee County Convention Center in Manchester, TN

Feb. 20-21, 2015, District 12-N Convention in Johnson City, TN

May 8 -- 10 2015, Tennessee State, MD-12 Convention

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**To access up-to-date District 12N events, and additional details for above events, go to: <http://tnlions.org/calendar/>**

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**Please send your News & Views submissions to: [newsandviews12n@yahoo.com](mailto:newsandviews12n@yahoo.com)**

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### **District 12N Welcomes New Lions!!**

Lion JAMES BROOKS - Bulls Gap Lions Club  
Lion SANDRA LYNN LUDWIG - Tellico Village Lions Club  
Lion JAMES W VARNEY - Morristown Lions Club  
Lion CLAY NICHOLAS WILLIAMS - ETSU Campus Club



**Just imagine if every Lion, 1.36 Million, asked one person to join their club.....**

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