



District 12-N News & Views

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District 12-N, Tennessee (USA)

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HELLO FELLOW LIONS!

Can you believe that we are already into February 2013? Do you know what that means? **CONVENTION TIME IN TENNESSEE!**

I just want to remind you about the up-coming events in the next couple of months.

- **District Convention – February 22, 23 2013** (Deadline registration, February 9). Please read the recommended changes to the 12-N Constitution and be ready to vote on those changes. They are also posted on the web site. For those who do not have internet, you should have a printed copy in this mailing.
 - International Director Chancellor Bob Corlew is our guest speaker.
 - Convention Chair – Jayne Raparelli – 423-871-1739
- **State Convention – May 3-5, 2013**
- **Day with the Lions – May 18, 2013**
- **International Convention – July 5-9, 2013**

You can find all the information about the above mentioned events on the district website. I look forward to meeting all of you at these events. We need to remember, as Lions "We Serve" and we do it with pride. These events help us to renew our spirit by talking and learning from other Lions.

I have some exciting news. I am in the process of having each Lion household receive a phone call with a personal ***Important Message***, from me, with regard to the District Convention. This phone call will begin by saying "**This is your District Governor, Diane Wilkerson with an important message for**" and then say your name. The message will then proceed with information about registering for the District Convention. So how exciting is that? You will be receiving your very own personal invitation, from me to you, to join us at the convention. So listen for that phone call. See you there! ***Thanks for all you do.***

District Governor Diane Wilkerson, 12-N



94 year old PDG Bob Miller (1987-88) holds Riley Shea Condon while Lion Lee Bryan does vision screening at a Kingsport school. Other Lions are in the background.

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White Cane Day Kudos!

Congratulations to Dandridge's Leo Club at Maury Middle School. The Leos raised \$1053.82 for White Cane Day at Walmart in Jefferson City, TN. For their Christmas project, they sold home-made cookies, cakes and other treats at the basketball games to raise funds to purchase coats for children in area schools who didn't have protection from the cold. The coats went to several surrounding schools and the Leo didn't know who in the schools received the coats. Teachers selected the needy students. The receiving students were told they were from Maury Middle School's Leo Club. This club is only two years old, and has grown to over 25 students this year. Hats off to Maury Middle School Sponsor, Dandridge Lion Arnold Chandler, and to the parents of the students who are encouraging these students to be interested in their community, the school and helping them take the steps to be tomorrow's leaders!

Kingston Lions Club

Already reported was the income from six hours in front of Kroger's: \$1549.99. The road block crew beat that per hour as they collected \$1257.17 in 3 hours. Both of these amounts are records! The total amount, which will be sent to the District Charities, is \$2807.16. Thus, we greatly exceeded our goal of \$2000.00.

Eyeglass Recycling Workday—April 20

The District 12-N Spring trip to the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA is scheduled for Saturday, April 20. As in the past, Lions will meet at the Center (501 Elm Avenue) around 8:30 am., and we'll head back to East Tennessee around 3 p.m.

It's always a fun (and rewarding) time sorting, cleaning, reading, and packaging used eyeglasses for beneficial reuse! **JOIN US!**

If you would like more information (logistics, hotel recommendations, etc.) or have glasses that need hauled to the Center, please contact Lion Harry Ennis at hrennis@chartertn.net or (H) 423-239-7681.

Here's your chance to get those used eyeglasses you've been collecting recycled!



Norris Lions Club Peace Poster 2nd Place Winner by Hannah Reed

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District 12-N Directory Corrections/Updates

- P. 117 - VDG Mike McDonough - Delete home number, add cell: (423) 201-3181
 - P. 117 - Cabinet Treasurer PDG Jim McFarland - Correct Zip Code is 37938
 - P. 121 - Remove Judy Donley from list of District officers and chairs
 - P. 127 - Robert Davis - Add cell: (423) 748-1259
 - P. 127 - Donna Williams - Correct address should be: 220 Woodbine Avenue. Delete Work Number, add email: gdwms2@att.net
 - P. 127 - Bulls Gap Lions Club - Change meeting location to: Pizza Plus, 14480 W. Andrew Johnson Hwy, Hwy 11E, Bulls Gap
 - P. 129 - Carolyn Rinehart - Add cell: (865) 924-2615
 - P. 130 - Farragut Lions Club - Change meeting location to: Shoney's at Walker Springs and Kingston Pike, Knoxville
 - P. 131 - Randall Kurth - Add zip code 37918
 - P. 131 - Remove Joe McCampbell as Fountain City Treasurer. Add Brandon Clendenen as Treasurer: 4814 Hollow Trace Way, Knoxville, TN 37912, phone: (865) 556-1009
 - P. 132 - Brenda Williams - Correct address should be: 3312 Gap Road, Knoxville, TN 37921. Delete home phone, add cell: (865) 207-8865
 - P. 134 - Eric Wagsness - correct spelling should be Wangsness
 - P. 134 - Remove Debra Shipley's email address.
 - P. 135 - Tony Wright - correct email address should be: twright2436@comcast.net
 - P. 136 - Rob Parker - Correct city should be Oak Ridge, TN 37830
 - P. 139 - Remove Lori Huffaker as Maryville Secretary. Add PDG Kevin Storberg as Secretary: 3631 Morganton Road, Maryville, TN 37801, cell: (517) 449-6130, email: k.storberg@sbcglobal.net
 - P. 142 - Roy Proffit - Correct phone number should be (423) 625-9699
 - P. 148 - Stanley Wilder - Add cell: (865) 755-9814
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District 12-N By-Laws Proposed Changes

The following changes to the District 12-N By-Laws will be voted on at the District Convention:

Article VII; District Administrative Fund; Section 1. District Revenue. Change due dates to be consistent with LCI Board Policy as stated in Standard Form Multiple District and District By-Laws that dues should be paid in advance of September 10 and March 10. The proposed paragraph will read (changes underlined):

To provide revenue for approved administrative expenses of the district, an annual district administrative fund per capita tax of \$16.00 is hereby levied upon each member of each club in the district and shall be collected and paid in advance by each club in two (2) semi-annual payments as follows: \$8.00 per club member on September tenth of each year to cover the semi-annual period July 1 to December 31; and \$8.00 per club member on March tenth of each year, to cover the semi-annual period January 1 to June 30, with billings of the same to be based upon the roster of each club as of the first days of July and January, respectively. Said tax shall be paid to the cabinet secretary or cabinet treasurer (or cabinet secretary-treasurer if utilized) by each club in the district, except newly chartered and reorganized clubs, which shall collect and pay said per capita tax on a pro-rata basis from the first day of the second month following the date of their organization or reorganization, as the case may be.

Article IX; District Projects and Grants; Section 3, Designated District Projects; Item 6, Tennessee School for the Blind; should be changed to read *Friends of TSB*.

Clarification: The checks issued by Lions District 12-N Charities are to Friends of TSB and not Tennessee School for the Blind.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR LIONS DISTRICT 12-N CHARITIES FOR 2013-2014

The Lions District 12-N Charities Board of Directors/Trustees has established a proposed budget for the Lions Fiscal Year 2013-2014. The proposed budget, shown below, is based on information provided by the Agency project chairs and the Treasurer's report of funds available. It will be presented to the membership at the Convention on February 23rd for a vote.

AGENCY	Requested 2013-2014	Prior Year 2012-2013	% Change
1. East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,500	- 30%
2. Lions Volunteer Blind Industries	\$19,000	\$19,000	No change
3. Learning Ally (formerly RFB&D)	\$15,000	\$14,000	+ 7.15%
4. TN School for the Deaf	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	No change
5. Leader Dogs for the Blind	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000	No change
6. TN School for the Blind	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	No change
7. Diabetes Awareness	\$ 250	\$ 500	- 50%
8. Lions Quest	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	No change
9. DG Emergency Fund	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	No change
10. District Discretionary Fund	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	No change
11. Operating Expense	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,444	- 31%
12. World Services for the Blind	\$ 0	\$ 0	No change
13. Braille Slate	\$ 0	\$ 0	No change
Total	\$52,800	\$52,944	-0.1%

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 12-N CHARITIES!

Nominations are being accepted for Lions who wish to serve on the Board of Directors of Lions District 12-N Charities, Inc. This group recommends annual allocations for the 10 charitable agencies that are supported by the District. Nominees will be voted on during the Spring Convention, where one person from each Region will be elected to serve on a panel for a term of three years. Any Lion in good standing with a Club in the District can serve. If you are interested in serving, please contact: VDG Ed Gibbons (423-914-9991 or ed.gibbons@wataugainsurance.com) or PDG Neal Vaughan (865)-457-4664 or neallion@comcast.net).

DISTRICT 12N EVENTS CALENDAR

February 2013

- Feb. 22-23 – District 12-N Convention, Crowne Plaza, Knoxville

April 2013

- April 20—District 12-N Spring Eyeglass Recycling Trip to Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA

May 2013

- May 3-5—Tennessee State Lions Convention, Murfreesboro, TN
- May 18 – District 12-N Day with the Lions, Tennessee School for the Deaf, Knoxville. Looking for clubs to help with the event and: walk, run, health fair, KidSight vision screenings, book giveaway, and more!



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

District Convention Schedule:

Friday Evening, February 22, 2013

3:00-4:30	Registration and Hospitality Room
6:00	Dinner
	Entertainment - Powell Playhouse
8:30-9:30	Hospitality Room

Saturday (All Day), February 23, 2013

7:30-11:30	Registration and Accreditation
8:45-9:45	Opening Ceremony
	Welcome/Introductions
	Necrology Service
10:00-11:30	Break-out sessions
12:00-1:30	Lunch
	Speaker ID Bob Corlew
1:30-3:00	District 12-N Business and Charities Meetings
3:30	Reception for newly elected officers
5:00	Dinner
	Speaker ID Bob Corlew
