



District 12-N News & Views

“In a World of Service”



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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Well 2013 is here. Hope everyone had a great holiday season visiting your family and friends.

Did everyone watch the Rose Bowl Parade? If not you missed seeing the Lions International Float with International President Wayne Madden and his wife riding on the float. It was great!

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 1) 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.
- State Convention – May 3-5, 2013
- Day with the Lions – May 18, 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 was reminded the other day of the definition of “Serve”; it means to contribute to the welfare of others. Think about it for a moment. It is NOT about me or you. It is about the welfare of others. Many of you do this very well. I thank you.

Thanks for all you do!

District Governor Diane Wilkerson

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

Norris Lions Club Announces 2012-2013 Peace Poster Winners

Norris Middle School student Mollie Wheeler takes First Place in the competition.



L to R: Wingo, Wheeler, Art Teacher Jenni Braeuner, Reed, Johnson, Mynatt

By early November, sixty 11, 12 and 13 year-olds from Norris Middle School, all students of art teacher Jenni Braeuner, had rendered their image of peace in the world to paper. Portrayed in vivid colors and tranquil pastels, limited only by Lions Club International specifications, their works captured the theme “Imagine Peace” in illustrations of sun, doves, rainbows, peace signs, flags and yes, even soldiers in a mutual surrender. Fourteen area judges, members of the local art community who agreed to remain anonymous, met at the Norris Community Center at 7 p.m. on November 9th to examine the sixty submissions and select first, second and third place winners.

The “Evening of Peace” so titled by Norris Lions Peace Poster Chairperson, Murrie Graser, was opened with words from the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States recited by Reverend James Mohrman. -**Continued on page four...**



LIONS DISTRICT 12-N CONVENTION & 12-N CHARITIES ANNUAL MEETING

Feb. 22-23, 2013

Crowne Plaza Hotel • 401 W. Summit Dr. • Knoxville, TN 37902

Phone: 865-522-2600

Keynote Speaker: International Director Chancellor Bob Corlew, Milton, TN

Registration Deadline—Feb. 1, 2013

NAME 1 _____

CLUB _____

Lion

Lioness

Leo

Guest

NAME 2 _____

CLUB _____

Lion

Lioness

Leo

Guest

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (best number to reach you—Name 1) _____

Email _____

REGISTRATION FOR ALL ATTENDEES: _____ @\$15 EACH = \$ _____

FRIDAY DINNER @\$30 EACH = \$ _____

NAME 1: Pan Seared Chicken Breast Vegetable Moussaka Special Dietary Need (be specific)

NAME 2: Pan Seared Chicken Breast Vegetable Moussaka Special Dietary Need (be specific)

SATURDAY BOX LUNCH @\$16 EACH = \$ _____

NAME 1: Ham Ciabatta Turkey Croissant Vegetable Pita Special Dietary Need (be specific)

NAME 2: Ham Ciabatta Turkey Croissant Vegetable Pita Special Dietary Need (be specific)

SATURDAY DINNER @ \$30 EACH = \$ _____

NAME 1: Roast Sirloin of Beef Vegetable Moussaka Tuscan Chicken Roulade
 Special Dietary Need (be specific)

NAME 2: Roast Sirloin of Beef Vegetable Moussaka Tuscan Chicken Roulade
 Special Dietary Need (be specific)

TOTAL= \$ _____

Mail registration form by **Feb. 1** with check payable to: LIONS DISTRICT 12-N to:
Jayne Raparelli, Convention Chair, 648 Fox Lake Lane LaFollette, TN 37766

DISTRICT 12N EVENTS CALENDAR



LEO T-SHIRT

The Leo Clubs of District 12-N will be holding their convention at the Knoxville Crowne Plaza at the same time as the Lions District 12-N Convention. The Leo Clubs are selling a T-shirt at \$10 each. Please fill out the form below if you'd like to purchase a Leo T-shirt.

Front YES, I'd like to buy a Leo T-shirt!

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Quantity _____ @ \$10 each= \$ _____

Quantity _____ Size:
 Small
 Medium
 Large
 X Large



Back

Pick up your T-shirts at the Lions Registration Table.

PLEASE INCLUDE THE COST OF YOUR LEO T-SHIRT(S)
WITH YOUR CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO LIONS DISTRICT 12-N

Mail to: Jayne Raparelli, Convention Chair
648 Fox Lake Lane
LaFollette, TN 37766

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING DISTRICT 12-N LEO CLUBS.
LEO CLUB CO-CHAIRS 1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR MIKE McDONOUGH
AND LION BRANDON JOHNSON.

February 2013

- Feb. 4—Zone Meeting at 6:00 pm, Sweet Tooth Cafe' at 114 E Main St, Ste 1; Rogersville, TN. Topic will be Fundraising to support District 12N Charities. Cost is \$15 each, RSVP to PDG John Wolfe at 423-272-2463 or ZC Edna Longwell at 423-967-8377 by 1/31.
- Feb. 22-23 – District 12-N Convention, Crowne Plaza, Knoxville

May 2013

- 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, bicycle ride, Frisbee golf, diabetes screening, KidSight vision screenings, book give away, and more!

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

Please send your News & Views submissions to:
newsandviews12n@yahoo.com

If you are receiving a paper copy of the News & Views by mail, please register here:

<http://tnlions.org/subscribe-to-news-views/>

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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).

Norris Lions Peace Poster Contest -From Page One:

He pointed out that the “tranquility” ensured by those words was a synonym for peace. “Lions Clubs extend beyond our shores to 100 other nations,” Mohrman explained to the judges. “The annual winner of the International Peace Poster contest is awarded \$5,000 along with a trip to the United Nations,” He then cited the provisions of the preamble to the Charter of the United Nations, among them, “to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war...which has brought untold sorrow to mankind.” He continued, “Youth from Lebanon, South Korea, South Africa, Hong Kong, and the United States have been some of the winners.

Their vision and careers have been broadened through this effort. Let us rejoice for the imagination of these 60 participants and those beyond.”

The judges, as well as others who had come to witness the event, then took turns reading aloud from artists’

statements until all posters were shown and their respective statements read. For more than an hour, the fourteen deliberated as they studied each work, walking slowly around the display. Finally, they cast their votes and in the end were unable to narrow the winners down to three.

There was consensus, however, that Mollie Wheeler’s poster would receive first place. “The vivid colors show peace pushing back the darkness,” explained Mollie in her artist’s statement. Indeed, bands of color dominated her canvas against a left border swirling in black.

Hannah Reed, whose great sun beamed upon three individuals, also offered the association of peace with light. Her rendering of peace took second place. But when the judges were stalled at a single third place winner, they agreed four artists would have to tie for the award: Brooklyn Wingo, Sadie Johnson, Emily Mynatt and Ian Barry.

Submitted by Susan Daniel, Norris Lions Club

Submitted poster pictures accompanying this article will appear in upcoming issues.-Ed



Norris Lions Club Peace Poster 1st Place Winner by Mollie Wheeler
