

DISTRICT 12-N NEWS AND VIEWS

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From the DG's

Desk

Hello Lions,
This will be my last
News and Views
message as District
Governor. Thank you
all for making this year a
year to remember. We
have accomplished
many great things

together. I am so amazed at how many New
|Members you have invited to join your Clubs.
Lions serve and membership is key to our success. It
is great to be a Lion and it is great to invite someone
to be a Lion.

Welcome Knoxville Downtown Lions Club
to our District. LCI has issues a club number and we
are awaiting final approval. This New Club will be
the first Centennial Chartered Club in the state.
Thanks to Lion DR. Ray Lipps for signing thirteen
of the twenty New Members for this club. Thanks to
PDG Jim McFarland and 2nd VDGE Brandon John-
son for serving as our Guiding Lions. Many thanks
go out to West Knox Club for sponsoring this New
Club, and to PGD Dave Crawford for supporting our
efforts.

Congratulations to DGE Paulette Bailey as
she began her year as District Governor this July.
Paulette has worked hard to prepare herself to be
your DG, and will serve you well. 1stVDGE Adam
Bowling and 2ndVDGE Brandon Johnson will be
helping and learning as they prepare for their year as
DG.

Thank You for a Great year!
DG Fletcher Stephens

-Fletcher



Paulette's Post

As your incoming District Governor it is especially
exciting to be part of Lions Clubs International
100th Anniversary celebration serving our commu-
nities locally and globally.

One of my primary goals during the coming year
is to improve net growth by 2% over last year.
One way to accomplish this is to Charter 1 to 2
new clubs and to strengthen weaker clubs. Both
new clubs and weaker clubs will need some nur-
turing and mentoring. In this regard we are plan-
ning on conducting Certified Guiding Lion Train-
ing following the July 16th Organizational meeting.

Certified Guiding Lions provide assistance to
clubs by:

- Helping the club determine their mission and pur-
pose
- Developing/implementing a club officer training
program
- Mentoring the club officers and members
- Providing tools and available resources for club
management

I would appreciate if anyone interested in becom-
ing a Certified Guiding Lion or seeking recertifica-
tion please contact me at ladipee@aol.com so we
can be sure to have enough hand-out materials.

Together, through growth, we can make our Dis-
trict even stronger and provide more service to
people in our communities and the world.

Yours in Lionism,

Paulette Bailey

District Governor Elect

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LIONS CLUB PROJECT HITS HOME

Thirteen years ago a young girl named Jessica was attending kindergarten at Michigan Avenue Elementary in Cleveland, Tennessee. She was having some problems progressing in her kindergarten studies and activities. One day one of the local LIONS CLUBS in Cleveland did a vision screening at her school kindergarten. Jessica was found to have some vision problems via results of the screening sent to the Lions Vanderbilt Children Eye Hospital. Her parents taking the Lions Club recommendation had further testing done and Jessica was found to have a serious vision problem. Her parents had the vision problem corrected after a year or so of medical vision help. Jessica's vision was corrected to a large extent. This was all due to the Lions Club Early Screening that went on at her kindergarten.

This past weekend Jessica graduated from Bradley County High School Making all A's in Advanced Cambridge accelerated classes for 4 years. Jessica graduated in top 3% of a class of 400+. Jessica also started on the Bradley High School Soccer team 4 years. Jessica earned many scholarships and will be attending ETSU in Medical field studies.

We were told the Story about The LIONS CLUB screening involvement this past weekend by Louisa and Jason Taylor, Jessica's parents.

We attended Jessica's Graduation which Jessica was part of the 100th graduation class of Bradley Central High School.

Why did we attend?

JESSICA MARIE TAYLOR IS OUR OLDEST GRANDDAUGHTER!

We never knew that The Lions Club screening caught that problem at that early age which really made a difference in Jessica's academic success and life until this past weekend.

What we do as Lions in our Community and World is very important and you never know when it will come back to you own Home – just as it did mine!

Yours in Lionism,
Jerry and Cabell Lonon



Jessica signs her scholarship offer with East Tennessee State University (GO BUCS!).

Fall Forum District Learning Opportunities

Walter State
Community College



As part of my initiatives as District Governor during 2016-2017, on Saturday, October 8th from 8:30 – 3:00 PM we are offering a half day of learning opportunities followed by a light lunch with one-two service project(s) going on at the same time.

Would you be interested in attending an event such as this? If so, what type of class would you be interested in attending? Some suggested possibilities are:

Lions 101/Orientation
Technology – Don't be Afraid of it
Engaging Youth in our Clubs
5 Easy Tips for Membership Growth

Your thoughts/ideas are solicited – please let me know what you might be interested in – ladipee@aol.com. With your ideas we will put a program together for a Fall Forum October 8th. More information to come.

There are also several webinars and classes that you can take through the LCI website – www.lionsclubs.org search Member Center, Resources.

Another place to enjoy learning is Lions University through the USA/Canada Leadership Forum website – <http://.lionsforum.org> You can earn a Bachelor's, Master's and PhD by taking the courses and attending the Forums.

I hope you have an opportunity to use some or all of these avenues to enrich yourself with learning.

Happy Learning and Happy Summer!

Paulette Bailey
District Governor Elect



Lions Clubs
International
2015-2016
peace
poster
winning
entry by 12
year old
Yumo Zhu
of China.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE 24-28—LCI Convention
Fukuoka, Japan

**JUNE 27th—Campbell Co. Lions Club 10th
Anniversary**
LaFollette's Party Place

JULY 16th—12N Organizational Meeting
LVBI, Morristown, 9:00 AM—Noon

JULY 16th—Guiding Lion Training
LVBI, Morristown, 1:00 PM—3:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 15-17—USA/Canada Forum
Omaha, Nebraska

OCTOBER 8th—Fall Forum
Walters State College



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Lions Environmental

PHOTO CONTEST

The 2016-17 Environmental Photo Contest Chairman is PDG Bill McDonald, Please submit any photo you would like to enter at any time to bigmac12@juno.com. Only one entry per contestant. Please send photo in a JPEG format so that I may be able to make a copy of it and it will be placed into nomination for consideration. All entries will be judged at the second Cabinet Meeting. Please Enter Early. PDG Bill McDonald

RULES

- The 2016-2017 Environmental Photo Contest is open to LIONS and LEOS.
- All photos depicting a nature theme (such as plants, animals, weather phenomenon, etc.) are welcome.
- Photos should be original and unaltered.
- Photos should depict the local environment of the community the Lions or Leo club serves.
- Photos that include people will be disqualified.
- Photos should be printed on high-quality photo paper and measure 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm.)
- All photographers accept responsibility for the cost of taking and processing all photos.

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Loudon Lions New Member induction - 8 new members! From left to right: Dee and Bob Peal, Gary and June Krantz, Leo and Bev Bradshaw and Elizabeth and Buddy Bradshaw.

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