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CAROL CALLING

Roar Lions, This will be my last post as your District Governor. Would like to have gone out with a bang but looks like that's not going to happen. It has been a good year for growing on my part and maybe yours too. It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve you as your District Governor. Thank you for giving me that opportunity.

There are so many people that have been a help to me during this year. I want to start with my DG team, DGE Millie Burke, 1st VDGE Paulette Bailey, Cabinet Secretary Kim Osbourne, and Cabinet Treasurer Chuck Bailey.

At least every other week DGE Millie, 1st VDGE Paulette and I would keep in touch regarding events and future plans. I can't thank them enough for helping to keep me organized and on time. I'm very forgetful and that was a chore I'm sure they won't miss.

District Secretary Kim really had the difficult job, and she handled it like a pro. Thank you Kim, for gathering all the reports and compiling them for our Cabinet meetings, typing all those minutes, and handling our correspondence. Many thanks are necessary for all the work you did helping with the District Convention.

District Treasurer Chuck worked like a champ in the back room making sure all the dues were collected and the bills were paid. Thank you PDG Chuck, it was such a load off my mind to know you were there, unseen, keeping the books for us and handling those grants!

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CAROL CALLING (cont'd)

Thank you to so many others working in the background to help our clubs be up to date on what is happening. Lion, now 2nd VDGE, Mike Walker with the News and Views and other important information that needs sending to all the clubs. Our Zone Chairs, Lions Wayne Garland, Connie Emmons, Lisa Grooms, Wendy Cain, and Fred Miller. DGE Millie and 1st VDGE Paulette also served as their Region Chairs. 48 Lions served as Chairpersons over our District Committees. Please forgive me, but for the sake of space I won't list their names.

I also want to thank all you Club Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers. Your leadership in steering your club is the most important position in the district. As in the workings of the District, there are also many Lions serving a myriad of offices and committees. Thank you all for doing what is necessary to serve your clubs and communities.

Lastly, I want to thank the rest of those Lions, who served their communities. Without you..... well, you know. Many thanks all!

Carol McDonald, District Governor

DATES TO REMEMBER

1. June 6, 2020 - Zoom Training. Incoming Officers will be contacted via e-mail.
- 2 July 18, 2020 - Organizational meeting at LVBI. TBA lifting of Covid-19 restrictions.
3. Zone Chair training - TBA lifting of Covid-19 restrictions.

July Issue of News and Views

The deadline for submissions to the July issue is June 20th.

In the event that you may need to issue a “blast notice” for a time sensitive event during this period, please contact the Editor, Mike Walker, appinscot@outlook.com or at 865-332-6882

Millie's Memo....

Dear District 12-N Lions,


Two months ago, our world entered chaos brought on by the Covid19 pandemic. So many things are much different than they were and Lions are stepping up to serve their Communities in varied new safe ways. Congratulations, Bravo, Kudos



and High Fives to all of you!!! We have had to change the way we communicate with absolutely no advance warning and again Lions accepted the challenge. Many have found that things like Teleconferencing and Zoom Meetings are not as frightening or intimidating as they feared. The DG and News & Views Team decided to reinvent News & Views in the hopes that more Lions in District 12 would read it, as this is another way, we can stay connected. To do this fully, we need the help of all of the Clubs. We will only be successful in this endeavor if you send us articles preferably including

pictures for us to share. It doesn't need to be fancy. If it is good enough for you to post on Face Book, it is what we are looking for. We are not looking to win the Pulitzer Prize; we just want the Lions in District 12 to be connected. Pamela Maples is assuming the role of Editor so that Mike Walker has more time for his new duties as 2nd VDG.

We will be recognizing our New Members in each issue; this is information we can obtain from our LCI reports. Where we really need your help is in Honoring Lions who have passed away. In this case we are asking that you send us the information including an obituary if available as we have no other way to gather this information. These members, both new and deceased deserve a tribute. Starting with the August issue, please forward your Club News, events and tributes to Pam Maples Editor, pmaples803@gmail.com

And now I'd like to introduce Tartan.  He will be hidden somewhere in each issue. When you find him email the page number you found him on to Millie Burke gebgem@snet.net.

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Millie's Memo.... (Cont'd)

All correct answers will be entered into a drawing for: Lions are you ready?? a PIN!! All of the entries will be entered into another drawing at the District 12-N Convention. The prize for that drawing has not yet been determined. To be eligible for the monthly drawing, entries must be received by June 15. There is a story, behind the name Tartan that I will share at a future time. Lions, keep on keeping on.

Sincerely, Millie Burke DGE



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

(MARCH – MAY 2020)

James Bramlette - Clinton Lions Club

Kenneth Leinart - Clinton Lions Club

Michael McGee - Norris Lions Club

Frank Aparicio - Sevier County Lions Club

Teresa Aparicio - Sevier County Lions Club

Sidney Jessee - Union County Lions Club

Lowell Thomas - Union County Lions Club



12-N 2020-2021 OFFICER VIRTUAL TRAINING - SAT. JUNE 6TH

Virtual Officer Training will be conducted using ZOOM meetings. Training will be provided to the Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers of the clubs in District 12-N.

Sessions are scheduled as follows:

President Training.....8:30am to 10:00am

Secretary Training.....10:00am to 12:00pm

Treasurer Training.....1:00pm to 3:00pm

E-Books for each Office have been e-mailed to participants. Not an Officer? You may still attend one of the sessions by registering with Paulette Bailey, ladipee@gmail.com or calling (423) 371-9738

PAULETTE'S POST



Fellow Lions –

We have had a lot of missed opportunities to get together and share fellowship these last few months - We sure do miss you! I hope everyone is coping the best they can! I am happy to hear that several clubs have met on their computers *virtually and conducted important business such as election of their 2020-2021 club officers and planning their future service projects.* Please share what you have been doing to meet or perform service in your

communities during this shutdown. We would love to share your story in our News & Views Newsletter. I hope those of you that have not yet elected your officers please do so ASAP – the virtual meeting concept is a great way to do this and is very easy to set up.

2020-2021 Officer training is scheduled for Saturday, June 6th. The individual Officer positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer should have all received email invitations to participate. The individual sessions are assigned specific invitation times so just click on the “JOIN” icon in the email invitation you received and you will be linked up with the training session.

Please continue to stay safe as we begin to slowly open up. Remember, I believe currently groups are still supposed to be no larger than 10 so that precludes most clubs from meeting. If you do get together please be cautious and mindful of each other. Hope to see you soon!


Paulette Bailey, 2nd VDG/1st VDGE

MIKE'S MUSINGS....

I am amazed each day with the patience and fortitude of Lions.

The New York Public Library steps are flanked by two marble sculptures of lions. During the 1930s, Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia named them Patience and Fortitude, for the qualities he felt New Yorkers would need to survive the economic depression. Today, those qualities are tested again all around the world by Covid-19.



As the world moves to cope with this situation and get back to normal life, so are our Lions Clubs. Most of the clubs I have spoken  to are beginning to try to work their way back into the kind of hands-on service and club fellowship that Lions around the world are known for.



While we try to get back to work, we must all be mindful of our responsibilities to protect our members and our communities. It is a tough call. Just as in everything we do, it will be “Your Club, Your Way” as it should be. I am always available to listen to your stories and offer free advice (and that is overpriced most of the time). But mostly I want to tell all of you how much we appreciate you and understand that it is not always easy to be a Lion. But it is what Lions do. **WE SERVE!**

You can count on me to be out there with eyes, ears, and heart open to hear what I can do to help you. Call me!

Be Safe, Healthy and Serving!

Lion Mike, 2nd VDGE

(865)332-6882 or appinscot@outlook.com

2020 Final International Convention Report

I've listed the upcoming Lion International Convention dates here. Although this year's Convention was cancelled, I hope Malala Yousafzai will be invited to speak in Montreal, Canada next year. I was actually thinking of going to Singapore when I heard she was one of the guest speakers. Malala is the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize. She is the Pakistani activist for female education who stood up to and was shot in the face by the Taliban on October 9, 2012 when she was 15 simply because she wanted an education. She truly is an inspiration as a person who has overcome obstacles. I consider her to be one of my many role models and mentors.

Future Lions Clubs International Conventions dates are below.



2021 in Montreal, Canada

2022 in New Delhi, India

2023 in Boston, Mass.

2024 in Melbourne, Australia

2025 in Mexico City, Mexico

2026 in Atlanta, Georgia

Respectfully Submitted, Millie Burke DGE



Lions Clubs International

USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

Dear District 12-N Lions,

As of now the 44th annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is still planning on convening in Louisville, Kentucky September 17-19, 2020. Hopefully we will be well past the COVID-19 crisis by then and ready to make up for our current isolation by networking with other Lions again.

The Forum offers three days of special events, four meals featuring professional speakers to motivate and inspire, and of course over 80 seminar break-out sessions. Your experience at the Forum will provide you with ideas and tools to help revitalize your Club.

Now, before you get scared away by that word leadership, this Forum is for all Lions who want to help their club become stronger so they can do more in their community. Personally, and fortunately, I have NOT met that Lion who doesn't want to do more to help "Serve", so please think about attending in order to gain skills to help you be able to take your Club to the next level. Remember, Louisville is within driving distance. I am confident that should there be a need to cancel, the Forum will do the right thing and return any prepayments. Registration form may be found toward end of News and Views.

For more information visit <https://lionsforum.org/>

I hope to see you in Louisville, Kentucky. Stay Safe and Healthy

Millie Burke VDG gebgem@snet.net 860-912-4171 (C) 860-326-0676 (H)



**Louisville
Kentucky**

September 17-19, 2020

District 12-N Receives \$500 for their 2019-2020 District Project

Below is the article which was submitted to GAT (Global Action Team) about the District 12-N project held at the 2019 Organizational Meeting. The District has received a \$500 Grant for the submission. Although I'm not sure if the Grant will be offered in the 2020-2021 year, I am looking for ideas for a District-wide Service project for 2020-2021. I'd like to see this Grant money returned to our Communities, so we could consider a larger project this coming Lion year. Please send me any ideas you have. Thanks so Much. *Millie Burke DGE 12-N*

Lions in District 12-N Tennessee wanted to do something to support the Lions Clubs International newest initiative Childhood Cancer, but were unsure of where to start. GAT team members did a little research and found there were two hospitals in East Tennessee taking care of children with cancer. The Team then reached out to the hospitals to see how the Lions could help. They received a Wish List of items suggested by the Hospitals, which was circulated to the membership. It was decided to have a collection of suggested items at the District 12-N Organizational meeting July 2019. Members could voluntarily bring donations to the meeting.

At the Organizational meeting two tables were available for members to place their donations. One for East Tennessee Children's Hospital and the other for Niswanger Children's Hospital in order to allow members to decide where they would like their donations distributed to. By giving an option we felt this would be in keeping with the "Your Club, Your Way" concept. The District 12-N Lions as usual rallied and provided overwhelming donations to the project.

One of two tables of donated items collected is pictured below.



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District 12-N Receives \$500 for their 2019-2020 District Project (cont'd)

The next step was to seek volunteers to deliver the donations. A District 12-N member spearheaded forming a team to deliver the donations to the two East Tennessee Children's Hospitals. A letter to the Hospitals indicating the donations were from the District 12-N Lions and not listing individual Clubs with the purpose of making it a District team approach was provided to the delivery teams.



One of two teams who delivered the items collected to the Children's Hospitals.

The GAT of District 12-N and both Hospitals were very appreciative of generosity of the Lions in our District. The District 12-N GAT also believes that by accomplishing this Service project in this manner it helped those involved to

utilize the concepts brought to us with the Service Journey: Learn/Discover/Act/Celebrate approach. District 12-N Learned that there was a need for easily obtainable items for the Children's Hospitals in East Tennessee. They then Discovered that the District members became excited to be able to help provide donations. The next step was to Act by setting a times and dates for a District wide collection and distribution. Then came the Celebration of delivering the items to the grateful Hospitals. To continue the Celebration an article with pictures was published in the District Newsletter helping all Clubs in the District to Learn of the successful project.

The success of this project in District 12-N really portrays Hellen Keller's "Alone we can do so Little; Together we can do so Much" quote is as true today as it was the day, she first said it. District 12-N is honored to be able to continue this in her name.

Club Activities Around The District



Clinton Lions Club members Neal Vaughn and “Lonnie Lion” were on hand to greet students at South Clinton Elementary School last week during the meal pickups. Clinton Lions Club members have been busy during the COVID-19 pandemic in numerous ways, living up to the motto, “We Serve.”

In Remembrance of District 12-N Lions

John Samples

Kingsport Lions Club

Troy Holt

Maryville Lions Club

George Roark

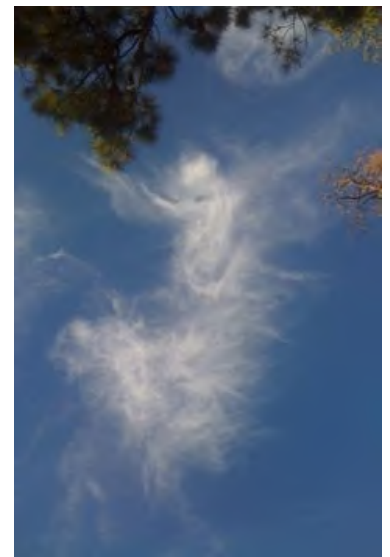
Oneida Lions Club

John Wolfe

Rogersville Lions Club

James Randy Allen

Knoxville East Lions Club



Past International President Wayne Madden



Wayne Madden of Auburn, Indiana, was elected president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 95th International Convention in Busan, Korea in 2012.

A member of the Auburn Lions Club in Indiana, he held many other offices within Lions Clubs International. He was a past president of the Indiana Lions Foundation. He served as a District Governor-elect Seminar faculty member, as Campaign SightFirst II sector coordinator and as vice-chairperson of the Global Action Team.

Lions Volunteer Blind Industries

Did you know that Lions Volunteer Blind Industries in Morristown and Johnson City employs over 100 visually impaired individuals, some of whom have been with us over 30 years?

This team of highly-skilled employees produce mattresses, foundations, mattress pads, army and navy physical-fitness pants, helmet covers for the military, and industrial paper towels. The products made by our blind and visually-impaired employees can be found in homes, colleges and universities, hotels and resorts, and on military bases both at home and abroad.

Begun in 1951 by the combined efforts of Lions Club Members, the National Industries for the Blind, the State of Tennessee, and other interested individuals, **Lions Volunteer Blind Industries** began our mission of providing blind people with **"The dignity of independence through employment."** Our goal is to help people who are blind to help themselves by achieving personal and economic independence.

We are always hiring blind and visually-impaired people, and offer a very competitive compensation and benefit package. We can use your help to recruit visually-impaired applicants! How? Get the word out in your community and refer interested applicants to us by sharing this link:

[https:// www.facebook.com/ComfortCraftersMorristown/videos/186130468965042/](https://www.facebook.com/ComfortCraftersMorristown/videos/186130468965042/)

For more information about employment opportunities, please contact

Michele Love at 423-586-3922 ext 123, or by email at: Michele.Love@volblind.org



For more information about employment opportunities, please contact

Bill Martin at 423-586-3922 ext 112, or by email at: Bill.Martin@volblind.org.



USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM
Louisville, Kentucky
Opening Sessions - Thursday, September 17, 2020
Closing Banquet - Saturday, September 19, 2020

Registrant A

<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	SUB-DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> LION	<input type="checkbox"/> LIONESS	<input type="checkbox"/> LEO	<input type="checkbox"/> NON-MEMBER
Name _____					
First	Last	Initial	Nickname (Titles will not be included)		
Mailing Address _____					
Street Number/PO Box		City	State/Prov	Zip/PC	
Phone (_____) _____		(_____) _____		E-Mail _____	
Primary Phone		Alternative Phone		Please print clearly	
<input type="checkbox"/> This is my First Time Attending a Forum I was invited to the Forum by _____ (name of mentor must be listed to receive credit for your attendance)					
_____ Forums attended		Highest Office Held _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Past <input type="checkbox"/> Present	
Please check all that apply:					
Special Meals: <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Hindu Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ (Please specify needs and include any allergies. It may not be possible to accommodate all special meal requests)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Challenged <input type="checkbox"/> Visually Challenged <input type="checkbox"/> Physically Challenged Specific needs _____ (Please let us know how we can help with your specific challenge, i.e.: hearing device, Braille, signer, wheelchair access...?)					
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a Pin Trader <input type="checkbox"/> I will need a table for pin trading _____ Number of tables needed _____ (Pin trading tables will be available at \$60 each)					
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to participate in the Strides walk on Thursday afternoon, September 17, 2020. (Cost is \$25 per person)					
T-shirt size _____					

Registrant B

<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>	SUB-DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> LION	<input type="checkbox"/> LIONESS	<input type="checkbox"/> LEO	<input type="checkbox"/> NON-MEMBER
Name _____					
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Mailing Address _____					
Street Number/PO Box		City	State/Prov	Zip/PC	
Phone (_____) _____		(_____) _____		E-Mail _____	
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HOUSING

Hotels: Reservations must be made with this form. **Do not register directly with the hotel.** Please Indicate 3 choices in order of preference. **Rooms cannot be reserved without \$150 US deposit.**

	HOTELS	RATE	DISTANCE TO CENTER
	Galt House (Headquarters) *	\$140	2 blocks
	Galt House Suites *	\$160	2 blocks
	Galt House King Suite w/ Balcony *	\$175	2 blocks
	Marriott	\$177	Adjacent
	Hampton Inn	\$159	1/2 block
	Holiday Inn Express **	\$171	7 blocks
	Holiday Inn Express Suites **	\$185	7 blocks

* Galt House will add \$10 per night for occupancy over 2 people

** Holiday Inn Express has easy access to free "Loulift" transportation to CC

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Registration Fees (US \$)

Rooms cannot be reserved without \$150 US Deposit

	Early Bird	Posmarked after May 31, 2020	Posmarked after July 20, 2020
Registrant A	\$285	\$320	\$345
Registrant B	\$285	\$320	\$345
Leos	\$150	\$150	\$175
Hotel Deposit	\$150	\$150	\$150
Strides Walk	\$	\$	\$
Reg A	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
Strides Walk	\$	\$	\$
Reg B	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 25
Pin Trading	\$	\$	\$
per Table	\$60	\$ 60	\$ 60

THESE ITEMS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE ROOM RESERVATIONS CAN BE FINALIZED!!

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

in Room _____ # of Beds _____

Sharing Room with _____

Special Room Requests:

Room requests will be made on a first come-first served basis

HELP US BETTER PLAN FOR YOUR ARRIVAL

I will be arriving by:

☐ Air ☐ RV ☐ Undecided

☐ Car ☐ Other

REGISTRATION FEE covers the cost of the seminars and four designated meals (Thursday evening banquet, Friday noon lunch, Saturday noon lunch, Saturday evening banquet). All attendees must pay full registration fee to participate in any of the meals or seminars. **Individual meal function tickets will NOT be available.**

Hotel rooms CANNOT be assigned until registration fee and hotel deposit are received. **ALL REGISTRATION AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS ARE MADE ON A FIRST-**

Total Amount Due Now

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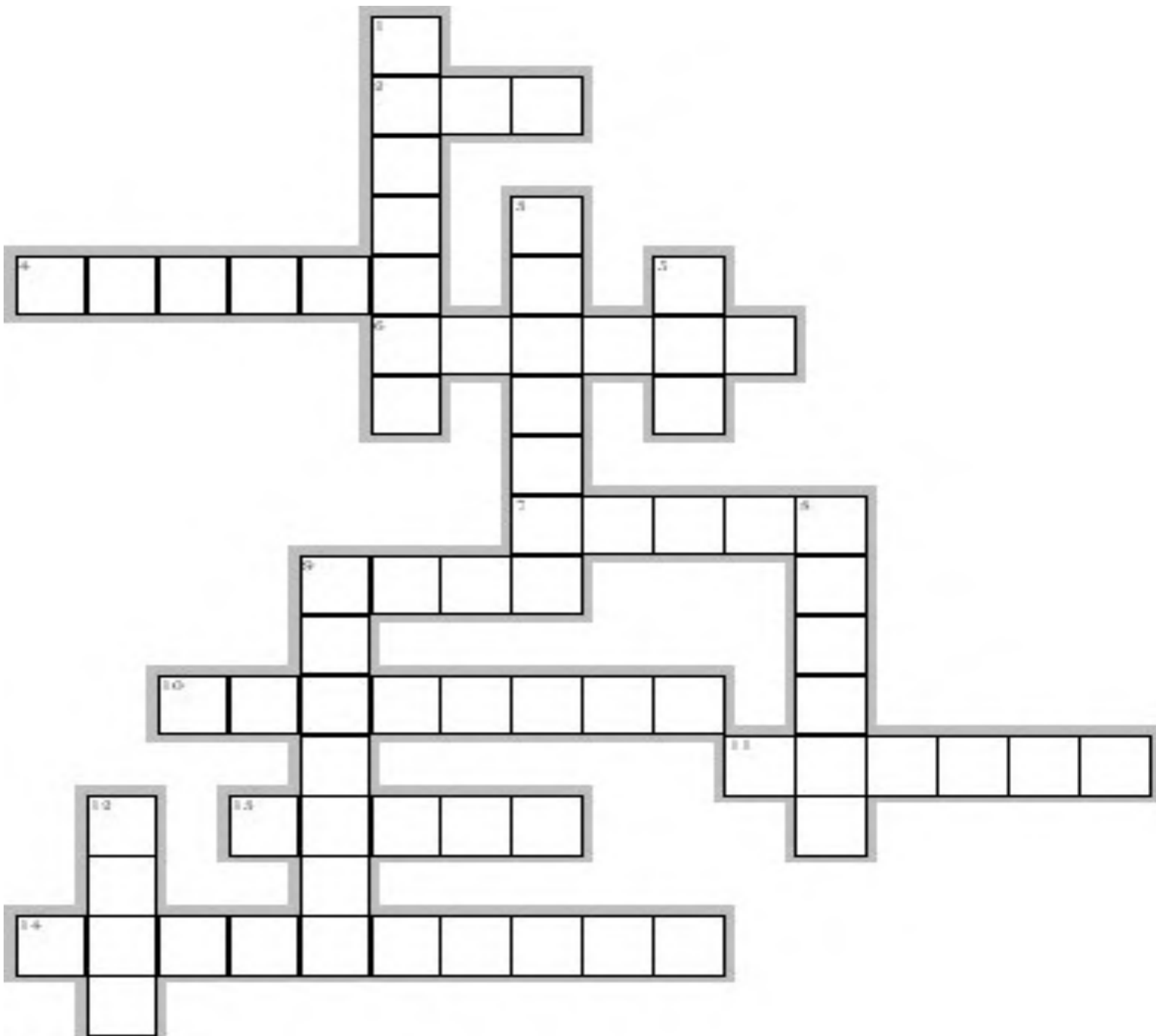
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June 2020 News and Views Crossword Puzzle

Send a picture of your answer sheet or a copy of your answers to Paulette Bailey, ladipee@gmail.com, by June 15th to receive 5 pts. toward a new incentives program TBA for the 2020-2021 Lion year.



Across

- 2. Safe group number**
- 4. 2023 Int. Convention site**
- 6. Lion Icon**
- 7. Current District Governor**
- 9. Publisher of News and Views**
- 10. Day of Week for Officer Training**
- 11. 2020-21 DG**
- 13. WE_____**
- 14. USA/Canada Location**

Down

- 1. 2026 Int. Convention site**
- 3. Lions Club goal**
- 5. Editor of News and Views**
- 8. Clinton LC Lion's name**
- 9. Kindness_____**
- 12. Virtual Meeting software**

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with Pride to show we
are a member of Lions**



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