



District 12-N News & Views



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District 12-N, Tennessee (USA)

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Fellow Lions of District 12-N,

The Hawaiian District 12-N Convention is now behind us. In addition to having some fun at the Crowne Plaza in Knoxville, thanks to great entertainers, we accomplished some very important business. Your leadership team for the

next Lions year was elected. Diane Wilkerson from the Powell Lions Club will become District Governor, Mike McDonough from the Campbell County Lions Club will become 1st Vice District Governor and Ed Gibbons from the Johnson City Lions Club will become 2nd Vice District Governor. Congratulations to you all and thank you for stepping up to take on these very important leadership positions.

Additionally, the proposed District 12-N Constitution and Bylaws were ratified and becomes effective immediately. This very important action now makes our governing documents fully compliant with those of our International Association. And, the proposed changes to the Constitution for 12-N Charities (White Cane) were also ratified. The 2012-13 budget for 12-N charities was approved as recommended by the 12-N Charities Board. This budget now becomes a commitment by all the clubs in our District to collect White Cane donations in Lions Year 2012-13 to support the work of organizations like; Lions Volunteer Blind Industries, Learning Ally, East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank, Tennessee School for the Blind, Tennessee School for the Deaf, Leader Dog, etc. In these hard economic times the demands for services from these organizations have increased while their sources of income have decreased. Please Lions, let's do our share to ensure their continued service.

The visiting International Director, Sonja "Sunny" Pulley, gave an inspiring talk and awarded three Presidential Certificates of Appreciation, the 4th highest award in Lionism. The Certificates were awarded to; PDG Dennis Powell of the Johnson City Lions Club for his many years of leadership and heading the tornado disaster relief efforts last year in Greene and Washington Counties, Lions John and Katie Haley from the Tellico Village Lions Club for their tenacious efforts that sparked screening for diabetes in the Tellico Village Lions Club, then District 12-N and now in each district in MD-12, and to Lion Karen Taylor-Good from the Franklin Lions Club for her inspiring music; "Because You Serve," "We Serve" and "Hands" that inspire Lions to community service worldwide. She even wrote and performed a song for District 12-N. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MBomXNpdTm8>

will miss someone if I try to name you all so I'll hit just the highlights, the Convention Chairperson Kathy Burrow, who made everything run like clockwork as if there was no effort, the Tellico Village Lions Club for the Hospitality Suite, the Farragut Lions Club for New Officer Reception and for Kathy and Norvell Burrow, the Seminar Leaders; PDG Wendy Cane – What Every Lion Should Know, Lion Harmon Towne / EMT Rick Papke – How to Do Diabetes Screening and PDG Jim McFarland - KidSight and my favorite Cabinet Secretary, Lion Paulette Bailey, who has been my everlasting support and the love of my life. Thank you all. Yours in Lionism,

--Chuck--



Knoxville Mayor Madeline Rogero presents District Governor Chuck a plaque commemorating Lion's Day in Knoxville at the District Convention.



Singer /songwriter Lion Karen Taylor-Good from the Franklin Lions Club performs at the District Convention.



PDG Dennis Powell being awarded the International Presidents Letter of Commendation at this years District Convention by International Director Sonja (Sunny) Pulley

From The District Cabinet Secretary:

DG Chuck and I wish to thank all of you that were able to join us this weekend at the District 12N Convention at the Crowne Plaza in downtown Knoxville. A special thanks to those that helped us set up and tear down for the various venues - we couldn't have done it without you. We hope you enjoyed your Hawaiian weekend escape and you all did a fabulous job dancing the hula at our Friday night luau! Those of you that were unable to be there... Well, I think you missed a GREAT time!

At the closing of the convention I presented DG Chuck with a wood carved Scrapbook created by one of our very own Lions, PDG Neal Vaughn of the Clinton Lions club. The cover is the head of a lion and it is awesome - thank you Neal. I have a lot of work cut out for me now to fill it with various memories during Chuck's year as your District Governor. This is where I would like to ask for some of your help. If you have any photos or articles from a visit DG Chuck may have made to your club or any activities that your club is doing that you are extra proud of, I would appreciate your sharing that with us for me to include in his scrapbook. I would also be interested in any photos or articles you may have regarding your tree planting activity! You can either send things to me via e-mail or our address is in the District Directory.

Thanks for everything you do!

Yours in Lionism,
Paulette Bailey
District 12N Cabinet Secretary

Roanoke Eyeglass Recycling Center Work Day

The District 12N work party trip to the Eyeglass Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA has been confirmed by the District Eyeglass Chairman, Harry Ennis. The date is Saturday, March 24th, 2012. If you would like to participate in this event or have questions or concerns, please contact Harry Ennis either by email at hrennis@chartertn.net; at (423) 239-7681 (H); or (423) 292-4161 (C).

REMINDER!

**Volunteers Needed for Remote Area Medical at Bristol
April 13-15, 2012**

District 12-N will be offering a Remote Area Medical event on April 13, 14, and 15, 2012 at the Bristol Motor Speedway in Bristol, TN. During the clinic in October 2010 we were very much in need of additional eye care professionals.

All Lions Clubs in District 12-N and Southwest Virginia are being asked to help recruit professional volunteers: Ophthalmologists, Optometrists, and Opticians.

What is needed from Lions:

Appoint a committee to PERSONALLY contact your local area vision professionals. Ask them to consider helping with this worthy cause. (Download a letter to share with potential volunteers).

These contacts need to be completed no later than the first week of December. Having worked this last year, I know that it takes PERSONAL contact with these professionals.

SAVE THE DATES ~ April 13, 14, and 15, 2012. They DO NOT have to work all three days to participate.

In the letter to download, I have asked for the professional to send me their information. It would be extremely helpful to me if you could also send a list of potential volunteers. This way I can contact you if I have not received information from them.

Send the list of those professionals who are volunteering and their email addresses to: Lee Bryan, RAM Vision Chairperson at bryansdesigns@aol.com Applications for this event will be available after the first of the year.

I will contact everyone at that time. RAM does all scheduling for this event. Once the applications are processed, RAM will send out confirmation letter to all volunteers.

Although RAM would like our eye professionals to work for the full day we will take whatever time they are able to help. Nonprofessional volunteers are needed as well. RAM does ask that these volunteer be able to work the complete day. Volunteer will need to arrive about 6:00 a.m. and work approximately twelve hour day on Friday and/or Saturday. Sunday is a shorter day of about six to eight hours.

Lee Bryan, Kingsport Lions Club
RAM Chairman/Vision



94th Annual Tennessee



MD-12 Lions Convention / Registration/Ticket Form
The Marriott MeadowView Resort & Convention Center
(Exit 3 off I-26), Kingsport, TN 37660
www.MeadowViewResort.com
May 4-6, 2012

The Cutoff date for Registration is April 20th, 2012

Lion Name: _____ Lions Title: _____

Partner Name _____ Lion Y ___ N ___ If Yes, Lions Title: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ Club _____ District _____

Email: _____ Delegate _____ Alternate _____

Special Dietary Needs if any: _____

Registration for **ALL Attendees** # _____ at \$10.00=\$ _____

Golf Tournament Friday 8:30 a.m. (includes lunch) # _____ at \$40.00=\$ _____

FRIDAY NIGHT - Dinner @ 6:00 p.m. (Seafood Buffet)
(or dinner on your own) # _____ at \$31.00=\$ _____

SATURDAY – Lunch 12:00 p.m. # _____ at \$26.00=\$ _____

SATURDAY NIGHT - TENNESSEE LIONS BANQUET @ 6:30 p.m. # _____ at \$35.00=\$ _____

SUNDAY - PDG Meeting @ 8:00 a.m. No Charge

TOTAL PAID \$ _____

PLEASE NOTE: When you book your room, you will have an opportunity to book your room with the optional Breakfast Plan. This is an additional \$7.00 per person / per night for the Breakfast Buffett. If you order from the restaurant directly the Breakfast Buffett is \$15.00 per person. There is not any “official” breakfast function at this convention.

MAIL REGISTRATION FORMS: PDG Bill Moore, 133 Columbine Road, Kingsport, TN 37660/(423) 765-1878

CHECK/MONEY ORDER IS TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO: LIONS STATE CONVENTION 2012

For **ROOM RESERVATIONS** contact The Marriott MeadowView Conference Resort and Convention Center, 1901 MeadowView Lane, Kingsport, at 423-578-6600. Mention “Lions State Convention” for the group rate of \$104.00 per night plus tax. If you wish to include “**Buffet Breakfast**” rate is \$111.00 (Single); \$118.00 (Double) per night plus tax.

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DISTRICT 12N EVENTS CALENDAR

March 9 - "Managing a Service Project" Lions Training by Webinar (8 p.m. EST)

March 24 - Farragut/Knox North Lions Clubs Pancake Breakfast, Knoxville

March 24 - Eyeglass Recycling Workday, Roanoke, VA

March 30 - Farragut Lions Club Hoedown (BBQ Dinner and Square Dancing), Knoxville

April 13-15 - Remote Area Medical, Bristol Motor Speedway

April 14 - Lions Membership Revival Part 2, Knoxville TN

April 20 - Registration Deadline for Tennessee State Convention, Kingsport

April 24 - "Club Secretary Training" Lions Training by Webinar (11 a.m. EST)

April 27 - "Club Secretary Training" Lions Training by Webinar (8 p.m. EST)

April 28 - Lions Club Officer Training, LVBI, Morristown

April 28 - Farragut Lions Run for Sight Poker Run (Cars and Motorcycles!)

May 2 - "Club Secretary Training" Lions Training by Webinar (8 p.m. EST)

May 4-5 - Multiple District Convention, Marriott's MeadowView Resort and Conv. Center, Kingsport

To access up-to-date District 12N events, click on:

<http://tnlions.org/calendar/>

PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

Farragut and Knox North are having their annual pancake breakfast Saturday March 24th at Applebee's on the corner of North Peters and Cedar Bluff Roads. 8:00 - 10:00AM

Please send your submissions to:
newsandviews12n@yahoo.com
Thank You for your submissions! -Editor

Welcome New Members!

Member	Club	Sponsor
February 2012:		
Brandon Johnson	Campbell Co.	William McDonough
Kenneth Franz	Dandridge	Jim Everett
David McMillan	Fountain City	Richard McMillan
Robert Bradley	Morris. Cherokee	Don Britton
Trevor Sutherland	Morris. Cherokee	Steve Doka
Robin Cogdill	Sevierville	Jack Denton

In Memory

The Lions of District 12-N extend our condolences to the family and Lions Club for the passing of:

- Lion E. Dale Allen, White Pine Lions Club
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