



District 12-N News & Views

"In a World of Service"



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District 12-N, Tennessee (USA)

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Hello Fellow Lions:

If you did not make it to our 12-N District Convention, you missed a great time. We had International Director Bob Corlew as our guest speaker, we gave out awards and had our first ever Leo District Convention.

Thank you to all who helped me during this time. Your support was greatly appreciated.

The convention was fantastic. We had over 160 Lions, Leos and guests. If you were unable to attend, talk to someone who was there. A great time was had by all. We also elected our next District Governor Mike McDonough and 1st Vice District Governor Elect Ed Gibbons. Why don't you give them a call or send an email and volunteer to help them during their year which starts July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.

Speaking of conventions, our State Convention is May 3rd and 4th 2013. The State Convention will be at the Double Tree Inn in Murfreesboro, TN. Don't forget to send in your registration. There are some Constitution and By-Laws that we need to vote on and your vote as a Delegate does count. See you there.

Just some friendly reminders, when you have your club elections don't forget to complete your PU101 either on the LCI website, email or mail to me. We are in the process of gathering new officer information for the directory. The deadline for this information is the end of April. We are having new club officer training Saturday, April 27 at LVBI starting at 9:00 a.m. and then again Thursday, May 23 at Powell Presbyterian Church starting at 6:00 p.m. Please let Lion Nancy Hall or myself know if you plan on attending so we can have enough printed material for everyone.

One last important item. Our district membership has fallen dramatically. We have 993 members in District 12-N. Fellow Lions, WE NEED TO CHANGE. We need to change the way we get new members, the training of new members and just our over all attitude of why you are a member. Being a Lion is a privilege. We need to get new members in so that your load will be lighter during times of club meetings, club events and fund raisers. We need to learn how to become more involved in our community, its needs and I believe that our clubs will grow again.

Thank you for all you do!

Diane Wilkerson, District Governor 12-N
2012 - 2013

Spring 2013 Eyeglass Recycling Work Trip Scheduled

The Lions District 12-N Spring 2013 trip to the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA is scheduled for Saturday, April 20, 2013.

As in the past, Lions will meet at the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (501 Elm Avenue) around 8:30 am. We'll work, have lunch, work some more, and head back to East Tennessee around 3:00 p.m. It's always a fun (and rewarding) time sorting, cleaning, reading, and packaging used eyeglasses for beneficial reuse!

If you would like more information about the work day (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.

Club Officer Training Scheduled

As your Lions Club elects its officers for the 2013-2014 year, please encourage all officers to attend Incoming Officers training. Since we will be having food and preparing handouts for both locations, please notify Nancy Hall at nehall001@bellsouth.net or 865-694-6939 if you plan to attend. Also, please indicate which session you will be attending:

- **Saturday morning, April 27, 2013, at LVBI** (758 West Morris Boulevard in Morristown) beginning at 9:00 a.m. and complete by noon. Please come at 8:30 a.m. and join us for a light breakfast.
- **Thursday evening, May 23, 2013, at Powell Presbyterian Church** (2910 West Emory Road in Powell) beginning at 6:00 p.m. and complete by 9:00 p.m.. We will serve dinner.

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West Side Leo Club Project

The West Side Leo Club conducted a school-wide "Love your Pets" drive ending on Valentine's day. Students, faculty and staff at Hardin Valley Academy collected 702 pounds of dog and cat food, pet toys, towels and other needed items for Young-Williams Animal Center. Pictured is Leo President Meagan Kessell loading some of the items into Leo Advisor PDG Clare Crawford's car.



Kingston Lions Club Pancake Breakfast

The Kingston Lions Club will hold its annual spring pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 6th. Serving will be from 7-11 AM at the Family Center of the Kingston First Baptist Church just off Kentucky Street. The cost will be \$5 (\$2 for children under 12). Anyone wishing to be a Table Sponsor (\$30 for one listing, \$50 for two listings), please contact Martin Skinner at dotmars@comcast.net. Come and enjoy a spring tonic!

West Knox Lions Club 45th Anniversary

The West Knox Lions Club invites the District Lions to join us in celebrating our 45th anniversary, April 1, 2013, at the Bearden Banquet Hall, 5806 Kingston Pike, Knoxville. Hall opens at 6pm, banquet begins at 7pm. Cost is \$25 per person. For more information and to make a reservation, contact Lion Terry Horn, Lion Tamer at: 865-661-1642.

2013 District 12 N Convention Pictures



Above: 1st Vice District Governor Mike McDonough with Fred and District Governor Diane Wilkerson.

Below: Past Council Chair and District Tail Twister Dean Harshbarger and "Trouble"



Below: District Governor Diane Wilkerson, International Director Bob Corlew, and Lion Brandon Johnson



95th Annual Tennessee Lions State Convention
Registration/Ticket Form
May 2-5, 2013
Murfreesboro, TN

Name 1 _____
Circle one: Lion Lioness Leo Guest / Delegate _____

Name 2 _____
Circle one: Lion Lioness Leo Guest / Delegate _____

Club name 1 _____ Club name 2 _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ email _____

Registration for All Attendees # _____ @\$10.00 = \$ _____

Friday Night Dinner 6:30 P.M. # _____ @\$21.00 = \$ _____

Saturday State Breakfast 8:00 A.M. # _____ @\$18.00 = \$ _____

Tennessee Lions Banquet Saturday Night 6:30 P.M. # _____ @\$32.00 = \$ _____
Steak _____ Med _____ Well _____
Chicken Marsalis _____

Hospitality Book includes All Above # _____ @\$75.00 = \$ _____

Golf Tournament # _____ @\$40.00 = \$ _____

Sunday PDG Breakfast & meeting 8:00 A.M. # _____ @\$15.00 = \$ _____

Total Paid \$ _____

Specify special needs: _____

Mail Registration Forms and Check/Money Order Made Payable to:
Lions State Convention 2013

Mail to: PCC Shirley Staats, 911 Westside Court, Murfreesboro, TN 37130-5101

A block of rooms have been reserved for Lions. Please make reservations by calling DoubleTree, 1850 Old Fort Parkway, Murfreesboro 615.895.5555. Tell them you are making reservations for *Lions State Convention*. Room rates: \$92.00 per night plus tax.
(Same rate 5 years ago) Room cutoff April 12, 2013

Registration/Hospitality Book cutoff date is April 22nd, 2013.

First Business Session Friday May 3rd 2:00 P.M.

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DISTRICT 12N EVENTS CALENDAR

April 2013

April 1 – West Knox Lions Club 45th Anniversary Banquet, 7 pm, Bearden Banquet Hall, 5806 Kingston Pike, Knoxville.

April 9 – Region III, Zone II Meeting, Jellico

- Campbell County, Clinton, Jellico Area, Lake City, New Tazewell, Norris, Oneida, Oak Ridge, Union County

April 20 - District 12 N Spring Eyeglass Recycling Project, Roanoke, VA.

April 27 - Club Officer Training, 9 a.m.-Noon, Morristown, TN

May 2013

May 3-5– Multiple District 12 (Tennessee) Lions Convention, Murfreesboro, TN.

May 18 – District 12-N Day with the Lions, Tennessee School for the Deaf, Knoxville.

May 23 – Club Officer Training, 6-9 p.m., Powell, TN

To access up-to-date District 12N events, and additional details for above events, go to:

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

KINGSPORT LIONS CLUB PLANTED TREES

In 2011, Lions Club International President Wing-Kun Tam challenged the Lions of the world to undertake a program to plant 1,000,000 trees world wide. The campaign did not stop at the end of President Tam's term but has continued unabated.

The latest report indicates that to date 9,877,906 trees have been planted around the globe with 592,486 being planted in the United States.

Recently the Kingsport Lions Club has contributed to this program by planting 100 bald cypress trees near the Kingsport Soccer Fields on Sullivan Garden Parkway and another 100 white pines along Stone Drive adjacent to Jackson School. These trees should provide shade and oxygen production for decades to come.

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