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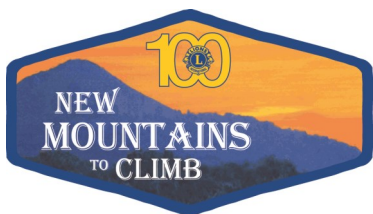
UPCOMING EVENTS

April 8, 2017

District 12N Eyeglass Recycling Work Day at Virginia Lions Sight Foundation, 501 Elm Avenue, Roanoke, VA) around 8:30 am.

May 5-7th

TN State Convention Music Road Hotel & Convention Center, 303 Henderson Chapel Rd. Pigeon Forge, TN 866.767.7077



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DG Paulette's Post



WOW – Thanks to all of you who attended and helped to make the District 12N Convention a great success! I can't speak for everyone but I had an awesome time – **it's great to be a Lion!** And, Congratulations to our newly elected District Officers: DGE – Adam Bowling, 1st VDGE – Brandon Johnson and 2nd VDGE – Carol McDonald.

They will take office July 1st – Good Luck to all!

Some of the highlights were our terrific Leader Dogs for the Blind Speaker, Lion Carroll Jackson sharing some of his life experiences with his dogs.



Carroll Jackson and Leader Dog Will

Key note Speaker, PID Haynes Townsend managed to bring in some stories about our District Lions..

Presenting awards of recognition is always a special moment. 1st VDG Adam Bowling received an MJF award and Lion Ron Riehn a Progressive

MJF award. Membership growth through Jan 31st awards were presented to: Gold – Powell (67%), Silver – Morristown Morris Blvd (40%) and Bronze – Knoxville Downtown (40%). Six clubs were recognized for having reported completion of Legacy Projects: Karns, Kingsport, Knox County North, Loudon, Norris and West Knox – Congratulations to all! I am truly honored to be your Governor! Thanks for all you do!

Yours in Lionism,

DG Paulette



DGE Adam, 1VDGE Brandon, 2VDGE Carol



PID Haynes and Donna Townsend

Adam's Archive



Fellow Lions, please remember to put on your calendar the **MD-12 State Convention** which will be held May 5, 6, & 7 at the Music Road Inn and Convention Center in Pigeon Forge, TN. Our keynote speaker will be LCI President Bob Corlew. For room reservations, please contact the hotel directly by calling 1-866-767-7077. A block of rooms has been set aside for the Lions Convention. Convention registration and delegate certification will begin at 1:00 PM on Friday. Lions will participate and march in the Dolly Parton parade between 6:00 and 7:00 Friday. This year Dolly herself will be Grand Marshal. Please note that the Parkway entrance into the Music Road Inn will be closed to entrance/exit traffic during the parade. You will be provided directions to use a back way in and out as we get closer to the parade date. Convention business will resume at 7:00 PM and dinner will be served at 7:30 PM. Please submit your registration form as soon as possible to aid in scheduling table settings and meals. I look forward to seeing everyone there! For greater detail, contact Lion PDG Chuck Bailey at 1-865-233-2820 and/or *chuck-yegg@aol.com*.

I am sure that each of you has heard about our **2017 LCI Convention and Centennial Celebration** taking place in Chicago on June 30 through July 4. The activities will take place primarily at the McCormick Place Convention Center, which consists of four inter-connected buildings overlooking Lake Michigan. Significant events include:

- International Parade of Nations – Saturday July 1st, 9:00 AM
- Live entertainment – Chicago, Beach Boys, Charlie Daniels Band
- Plenary Session keynote speaker – Former Vice-President Al Gore
- Delegate Hotel – Hilton Chicago

For more information please visit the LCI website at www.lionsclub.org. MD-12 has an option for transportation via a chartered bus from TN School for the Blind in Nashville to Chicago. Leaving the driving to the bus company allows you and your friends to better enjoy the trip to and from Chicago. The bus will be parked in a secured area during the convention and probably will be used to transport TN Lions to tour LCI Headquarters in Oakbrook, Illinois. For information about the bus and the Southeast Breakfast get-together, please contact Lion PCC BJ Blankenship at 1-615-699-2495 and/or *bjblank1322@yahoo.com*. Carol and I obviously are looking forward to seeing each of you and joining in with the festivities.

The 41st **USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum** will be held September 21-23, 2017 in Portland, Oregon.

This year's theme is *Leadership with Imagination and Service with Creativity*. It is the first Forum in the new century of leadership and service of our great Association. The largest and best Lions Club leadership training event in the world, the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum is for you! With over 90 specific training sessions related to developing quality Lions Clubs, thousands of Lions leaders share their experiences. Great opportunity for all attendees to network, make new friends, and share experiences with Lions from all over North America.

Adam Bowling, DGE

Multidistrict 12 Constitution and By-Laws Report

This report addresses a resolution initiated by the 2016-17 Council of Governors for the purpose of using a portion of the State Reserve Fund, specifically the State Project Fund, for the purpose of funding a charitable gift to a charitable cause to be designated by Chancellor Bob Corlew at the completion of his term as LCIF Chairman. This matter is to be brought before delegates to the 2017 MD-12 Tennessee State Convention on May 6, 2017. In order for the Resolution to be considered at the State Convention it must be published in each Sub-District Newsletter at least 30 days prior to the State Convention. The language of the Resolution is as follows:

Resolution

WHEREAS, It has been the custom in Tennessee to present the retiring Lions Clubs International President from Tennessee with a gift for service at the completion of his term as Chair of Lions Clubs International Foundation; and

WHEREAS, The sitting Lions Clubs International President has expressed his preference to not receive a personal gift for his service to Lionism; and

WHEREAS, The Lions of Tennessee desire to honor their Lions Clubs International President with a gift of humanitarian nature to be identified closer to the end of his term; therefore be it

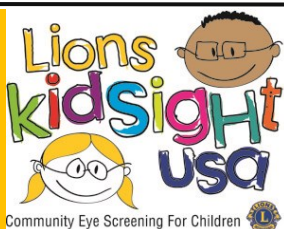
RESOLVED, That Lions of Tennessee authorize transfer of 50% of money from the State Project Fund into the Corlew Campaign Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, That such transferred money be reserved specifically for utilization as a humanitarian Donation / Scholarship, in his name, to a charitable organization of his choice.

REMINDER

Election of 2017-2018 officers should occur during March - April Timeframe and reported on MYLCI Web Page

New Officer Training Schedule will appear in the April News & Views and will be offered several different days and locations to accommodate all clubs



West Knox KidSight Screening

KidSight - We have had two

screening sessions reported since my last report in which 166 children were screened and 12.5 hours were spent in the screenings.

This brings our totals for the school year to 1456 children screened and 158.25 hours spent in the screenings. Those participating in the screenings were Lions Ron Riehn, Jim McFarland, Sharon McFarland and Laura Horn. This report includes time spent in setting up the screenings with the child care facility, travel time, preparation time and time actually doing the screenings



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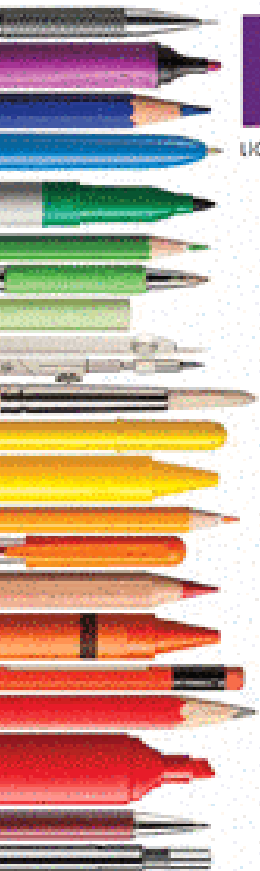
Pres Cert to Harry Ennis



Pres Cert to Kathy Burrow



Member Award to Diane W



12N Peace Poster Contest Winner



Protect the Environment in Your Community



Invite your friends and neighbors to help you protect the environment in your community during the Worldwide Week of Service to Protect our Planet this April 17-23. Clean up a park or beach, plant trees in your community or start a recycling program. No matter how you choose to serve this International event is a great opportunity to showcase your club's activities to your community. Visit the World week of Service webpage today and start planning your project.

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Farragut Lions Club to take 8th annual trip to the Keeneland

The Farragut Lions Club will be taking their 8th annual bus trip to the Keeneland Race Track in Lexington, KY, on April 22. Tickets include your transportation, refreshments on the bus, entry into the park, and lunch in the Phoenix Room. Come join us! It is always a great day.

April 22, 2017 Tickets: \$125.00

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