**May 2018** 



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# District 12-N Dates to Remember 2018

#### **Officer Training Sessions:**

- First Baptist Church, Lenoir City
  - May 12 from 10:00 12:00
- Watauga Insurance Office,
   Johnson City
   May 17 from 6:30 8:30
- 3. Powell PresbyterianChurch, PowellMay 19 from 1:00 3:00
- First Baptist Church,
   Sevierville
   June 2 from 10:00 12:00

#### Reverse Raffle

Fountain City Lions Clubhouse June 16

Lions 101st Int'l Convention MGM Grand, Las Vegas NV June 29 – July 3, 2018

## **DG Adam's Post**



Well, Spring has finally arrived and the landscapes are greener than ever. Hope you and yours take time out to enjoy the mild weather and beautiful scenery here in Tennessee. Thank you, Mother Nature!

Carol and I travelled to Murfreesboro to the 2018 Multi-District 12 Convention. We met with all five of our Districts where we shared the latest Lions news and conducted District 12-N's last Cabinet Meeting of the fiscal year 2017-2018. Thank you to those Lions who also attended the meetings.

Recapping the District Cabinet Meeting: We made available for review and approval of the Secretary (Carol) Report and the

Treasurer (Kathy) Report. We approved the Clinton/Norris Clubs' joint grant proposal for a new inclusive playground in Clinton, TN. We discussed the remaining funds available to help Sevier County fire victims. It was agreed to transfer remaining funds to the Sevier County Lions Club with stipulations for dispersal. Tri-County Lions Club President Connie Emmons agreed to call the Club and help with the transfer. Thank you Connie! We discussed recognition and awards and announced names of fifteen individuals who really helped with our goals this past year. Those individual Lions present received special boxes of truffles and a thank-you note from the District Governor. For those on the list but not present, we will forward your box of chocolates. We also announced names of the three recipients of International President's Certificates for outstanding service to the Association and to District 12-N. Those individuals are District Treasurer Lion Kathy Burrow (Farragut), District Convention Chair PDG Diane Wilkerson (Powell), and next-year-Zone-Chair Lion Carolyn Broyles (Greeneville). Please congratulate these Lions and thank them for their contributions to East Tennessee.

District 12-N has been blessed. Just a few results are: 1) Tiny House sales/contributions to LCIF donations to date have exceeded \$4,000. 2) Membership currently is in a positive position of five over July 01, 2017 numbers. 3) Female Lions membership percentage is at 35% versus 33% on July 01, 2017.

We saved a going-away recognition until last. Past International Director Bill and Nora Watkins are moving out of state to be near family but will be keeping their Tennessee membership at the Loudon Lions Club. District Treasurer Lion Kathy was kind enough to procure meaningful gifts for Bill and Nora and she presented them during the Cabinet Meeting. We hope to have Bill and Nora as visitors even after they move. Thank you for your service!

In the MD-12 General Business Meeting, we elected Multi-District 12 Committee Coordinators with the exception of one position, the MD-12 Constitution and By-Laws Chair, which had no willing nominees. Since that time, the Council of Governors has elected PDG Leila Gibson of District 12-O to fill this position. Thank you, Chuck Bailey, for your past service in this valuable area of administration.

Again, thank you for your hard work and the hospitality shown to Carol and me throughout this Lions Year. District 12-N continues to be in good hands and moving forward. Please thank your fellow Lions for what they do. I have been very proud to serve as your Governor.

Adam Bowling
District Governor 12-N
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and

# **Brandon's Share**

**Fellow Lions**,

It's been a busy past month! Training has been underway, and your incoming Governors from across Tennessee have been preparing to take office in just a few short months. Vegas - here we come!

I've enjoyed being with many clubs over the past several weeks. I joined the Powell Club as they honored one of their charter members by naming their new service award after him. The West Knox Club put on a DELICIOUS low country boil fundraiser. The

North and East Knoxville Clubs teamed up to put on a wonderful carnival that attracted hundreds of patrons. And, most recently, I had the honor of installing the new Sevier County Lions Club officers.

My year as Governor is already up to a GREAT start - and I still have several weeks to go before I am officially installed! I look forward to seeing lots of Lions at the Organizational Meeting on July 28th.

In Lionism,

#### -DGE Brandon









# CAROL CALLING!

ROAR LIONS! The time for the White Cane Reverse Raffle drawing is almost here!

I'm looking forward to a banner year this year with White Cane.





Several Clubs have raised more than usual and several Clubs have sold all the raffle tickets they requested and asked for more. I'm excited to learn how everything works out at the end of the year. The drawing will be held June 16th at the Fountain City Clubhouse. 5 to 8 pm. (See you there!)

It will be wonderful to be able to donate more to our charities, thereby helping more members of our communities.

Thank you for all your time spent and be sure to thank your communities for their donations. We could do nothing without their support.

Carol McDonald, 1st VDGE District 12-N

#### CENTENNIAL SERVICE CHALLENGE UPDATE



In District 12-N we have 33/42 or 79% of our clubs participating in at least one of the core service challenge areas and 9/42 or 21% of our clubs have or are participating in 4 or more of the service challenge areas. Way to go District 12-N!

#### CENTENNIAL LEGACY PROJECTS

In District 12-N we have 15/42 clubs or 36% that have reported a Legacy Project for their community on the MyLCI reporting site, 11 Level 1 and 4 Level 2. There is still time left for the rest of you clubs to submit your project on line. And what a great thing to share with the District with a photo for our News & Views Newsletter!

### **DISTRICT 12-N GLOBAL LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Submitted by: Paulette Bailey, District 12N GLT Coordinator

Three (3) training sessions down and one (1) to go. The remaining New Officer Training sessions is scheduled for Saturday, June 2nd from 10AM – Noon at First Baptist Church of Sevierville (GN Bldg. next to the Thrift Shop) 441 Parkway, Sevierville. Hope to see you all there!

TRAINING ASSESSMENT SURVEY – In the days to come, be on the look out for a Training Assessment Survey asking you for your input ideas for the Fall Forum in October.



#### 2018-2019 CLUB OFFICER REPORTING

REMINDER – Please make sure your New Club Officers for the 2018-2019 Lions Year are reported through MyLCI as soon as possible so that the correct information shows up in the Directory issued in July. It is important to make sure that any information reported to LCI is current and correct – especially e-mail addresses as a lot of people changed this year.

## **Lions Clubs Help Beautify Tweetsie Trail**

The Tweetsie Trail just got a little prettier, thanks to two Upper East Tennessee Lions Clubs. Lions from both clubs and officials from both cities dedicated new landscaping at the Trail's Milligan Depot. This joint project came about as a Lions challenge from Elizabethton Lions to Johnson City Lions. Johnson City Forester Pat Walding made sure to keep all of the plantings low-growing so as to not obstruct the mountain views. The Tweetsie Trail is a 10-mile "rails to trail" project built on an old ET&WNC railroad bed and was conceived as a way to link the two towns. Lion Ken Gough stated that "Milligan Depot overlooks Happy Valley, with a great view of the mountains beyond. It's the prettiest spot on the trail, as well as one of the most historic, and now will be even better."



**Club Presidents Nathanael Hughes and Dr. Gayle Cox** 

Dedication ceremony crowd of Lions and city officials from Elizabethton and Johnson City





Landscape beds were created and planted by Johnson City Public Works crews

### **District Governor's Proposed Visit Schedule**

Union County
Coalfield
May 21
Johnson County
May 25
Kingston
May 28
Halls
June 11
Rutledge
June 19

# **Lions District 12N Charities White Cane Reverse Raffle** To Be Held on June 16TH, 2018 5 - 8 DM

Fountain City Lions Club Dark, Knoxyille

**Grand Drize** \$2000 2nd \$1000 3rd \$500 Need not be present to win Tickets to be sold up to start of raffle at 5 DM

> Game Booths, **Informational Displays**



Food

Car Show Music



Clubs get \$1 per **Ticket** Sold

Monies Raised Will be Used to Support the Following Lions District 12N White Cane Charities:

**Leaderdogs for the Blind** Tennessee School for the Blind **Tennessee School for the Deaf Lions Volunteer Blind Industries Learning Ally Lions Quest World Services for the Blind East Tennessee Lions Eve Bank Braille Slate** 

Sponsored by Lions District 12N Charities. Inc (EIN 62-170917)

For More Information: Call PDG Bill McDonald@ 423-907-2429 Or PDG Jim McFarland 865-556-9091



#### CONVENTION AND HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

### LIONS CLUBS 101ST INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



Las Vegas, Nevada USA • Friday, June 29 — Tuesday, July 3, 2018

| <b>DEADLINES MAT 1, 2018:</b> Deadline for davance registration and notel reservation. Deadline to subtr   | ar a retuna request for registration, nousing ana/or ticketea event cancellation.   |
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| REGISTRANT INFORMATION: Please type or print name as it appears on passport/photo ID.  |   |
| First Name/ Family (Last) Name   | Badge/Call Name   |
| Address  |   |
| City State Postal Code   | Country   |
| Daytime Phone E-mail   |   |
| Lion Lioness Alpha Leo Omega Leo Adult Guest   | Club No. Membership No. District Title  |
| COMPANION: First Name/ Family (Last) Name  | Badge/Call Name   |
| Lion Lioness Alpha Leo Omega Leo Adult Guest   | Club No. Membership No. District Title  |
| CHILD: First Name/ Family (Last) Name  | Age Alpha Leo   |
| Departure Day/Date  Arrival Day/Date  No. of Guests in Room No. of Beds Needed12 (a fee applies for a guaranteed bed type)  Special Requirements: Wheelchair Accessible Other  US\$200 Hotel Deposit is per room and credited to your hotel bill at check out. | OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS  I/we plan to attend the following event(s): (Must be registered to attend)  EVENT: MELVIN JONES FELLOW LUNCHEON  DATE/TIME FEE QUANTITY AMOUNT DUE  July 2/ 13:00-14:30 US \$75 \$  EVENT: DISTRICT GOVERNOR/PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR BANQUET  DATE/TIME FEE QUANTITY AMOUNT DUE                      |
| All rooms are non-smoking.   | July 2/ 20:00-22:00 US \$135 \$   |
| SERVICE PROJECTS IN LAS VEGAS  I am interested in participating in a hands-on community service project during the Las Vegas Internati   | ional Convention. Further details on registering for service projects will be sent to you in the coming months.   |
| EARLY         (Before January 12, 2018)         US\$150         US\$20         US\$20           REGULAR         (January 13 through March 31, 2018)         US\$200         US\$20         US\$20  | Omega Leo         PACKAGE A:         PACKAGE B:           JS\$100         Registrations:         US\$         Registrations:         US\$           JS\$100         Ticketed Events:         US\$         Ticketed Events:         US\$           JS\$100         Hotel Deposit:         US\$         Total Due:         US\$ |
| Name as it appears on card   | Credit card must be in the name of the registrant.  |
| Card Number  | Expires Month/Year Security code (3 digits)   |
| X<br>Cordholder Cinneture  |   |
| Cardholder Signature   |   |

Mail form and payment to: Lions Clubs International Attn: Convention Division • 300 West 22nd Street Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA • Allow 4 weeks for processing.

- Credit Card and Wire Transfer Payments can be faxed to: (630) 571-1689
- LCI will email your Official Registration Confirmation. Please print and bring with you to Las Vegas.
- NEW THIS YEAR! All registrants will pick up their name badge onsite in Las Vegas. Badge printing stations will be available at all LCI hotels. LCI will not mail badges in advance.
- Questions? Email us: registration@lionsclubs.org.

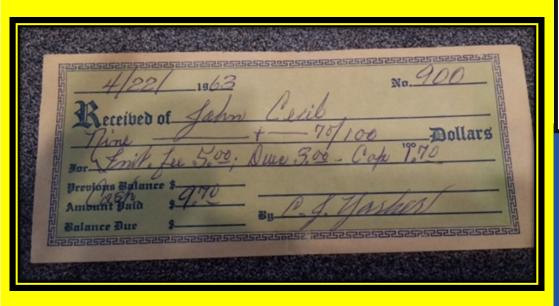


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#### Here is a Blast from the Past!

Johnny Cecil, a long-time member of Inskip Lions Club, shared this piece of history from April 1963. Initiation fee \$5.00, Dues \$3.00, Cap \$1.70. Fifty-five years? Thank you, Johnny!



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