



District 12-N News & Views

"In a World of Service"



November 2013

District 12-N, Tennessee (USA)

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From the District Governor:

There's a lot happening!

A lot of great things are taking place in District 12N. Here are some examples:

Blue Star Award: The Farragut Lions Club has already inducted seven new members this year. They have met the Membership Growth Challenge and have earned the Blue Star Award. Let's all get tough and get growing.

Green Star Award: The Campbell County Lions Club has already contributed \$200 more than their average contribution for the past three years to White Cane. They have met the Charities Donation Challenge and have earned the Green Star Award. Let's all get tough and contribute more.

Gold Star Award: The District Information Forum will be held Saturday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a free Chili Lunch at the Best Western near Morristown (Exit 8 off of Interstate 81). The morning session will cover Club Membership Growth and the afternoon session will cover Club Membership Orientation. Both are very important topics for all clubs. Clubs need to send two members to this event and to the District Convention to earn the Gold Star Award. Let's all get tough and develop our leaders.

New ETSU Lions Club: A wonderful Charter Night Ceremony was held on Monday, Oct. 28, for the East Tennessee State University Lions Club. Thanks to Club Guiding Lion First Vice-District Governor Lion Ed Gibbons, Club Advisor Lion Michelle Byrd and Club President Lion Brandon Johnson for getting this club off to a good start. Let's all help this new club.

Mobile Vision Van: The District Mobile Vision Van (Owned by the Smoky Mountain Lions Charities) successfully completed its first remote operation on Wednesday, Oct. 23, in Fountain City. Many people in need received a new pair of glasses paid for by the participating Lions Club for a cost of only \$20 a pair. Special thanks to PDG Lion Jim McFarland and his Van Team members for all of their hard work. Let's all try to utilize this van.

Vote for Bob Campaign: Past International Director Lion Bob Corlew and his wife, Lion Dianne, from Tennessee have been traveling and campaigning for the position of Second Vice-President of Lions Clubs International. He now has been endorsed by 29 states and 15 overseas multiple districts while his opponent has only been endorsed by two states – his home state of Texas and Arkansas. Things are looking good but there is still work to accomplish. We presently have 16 Lions

representing 10 clubs from District 12N planning to help Bob in Toronto. We need more. Let's support Bob.

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR LIONISM.
-DG Mike



12-N Diabetes Chair, Chuck Bailey, presents \$1,500 check from Tellico Village Lions Club at "Step Out Walk to Stop Diabetes" in Worlds Fair Park on October 20. Also Pictured, left to right are Wendi Mullins, Associate Director American Diabetes Association, Megan Bradley, Step Out Event Chair and Rick Russo, Channel 8 News. PDG Chuck explained that for almost 100 years, Lions have had prevention of blindness and care of the blind as a focus of their service to humanity. With Diabetes being the #1 cause of blindness in America, it is important that Lions assist the ADA in their cause to stop diabetes and, therefore, the #1 cause of blindness.

District Meetings/Training - Nov. 16

The District will conduct a Charities Meeting, Cabinet Meeting and Fall Information Forum on Saturday, November 16, 2013 at the Best Western Hotel in Morristown (I-81, at Exit 8).

- 8:30-9:00 a.m.—District 12-N Charities Board
- 9:00-10:00 a.m.—District Cabinet Meeting
- 10:00-3:00—Fall Information Forum and Lunch

The Fall Information Forum will include topics such as:

- Membership Growth Success Strategies
- How to Conduct Member Orientation
- Member Satisfaction and Retention
- Conducting Effective Meetings
- Member Motivation

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**LIONS LEARNING RETREAT 2014
JANUARY 10-12**

Manchester–Coffee County Conference Center, Manchester, TN

“Catch and Follow Your Dream”

Name: _____
 Badge Name (if different) _____
 Lion Leo Lioness Non-member
 District: _____ Club name _____
 Highest office held _____ Current Office (if any) _____
 First time attendee at LLR Yes No
 Mailing Address _____
 Phone: Home _____ Business _____ Cell _____
 e-mail address: _____

Type of registration: Saturday only () Full ()

REGISTRATION FEES

Saturday only: Available up until December 15, 2013 \$ 65.00

Includes Saturday seminars, lunch and banquet
Does NOT include any Friday or Sunday activities

Full registration: Early (Post marked by 11/15/2013) \$ 95.00

 Regular (After 11/15/2013) \$105.00
 On-site \$120.00

Includes all seminars, Friday dinner, Saturday lunch, Saturday banquet, Sunday brunch

Amount included \$ _____

All reservations are on a first-come-first-served basis
Individual seminar or meal tickets will NOT be available

*Make checks payable to LIONS LEARNING RETREAT. Mail to :
 LLR, PDG Dave Crawford, 6812 Hunters Trail, Knoxville, TN 37921-1073*

**Note: As an added incentive for attendance, door prizes will be given away on Friday and Sunday after the meal.
You must be registered and be present to win.*

Special Conditions: (Check all that apply)

- I will not arrive for Friday dinner (7p.m.) I will not stay for Sunday brunch
 Diabetic diet Vegetarian diet Other
 I will be bringing an entry for the Club Basket Contest
 I would like to participate in the LLR chorus

Rooms are on hold at the adjoining **Holiday Inn Express**, 111 Hospitality Blvd, Manchester Tennessee 37355 until December 29, 2013. Rates are **\$85.99/night** standard (not including taxes) based upon one or two people per room. Room reservation can be made at:

1-931-728-9383. Be sure to ask for the Lions’ rate.

ETSU Lions Club Charter Night!

On Monday, October 28, 2013 District Governor Mike McDonough presided over the Charter ceremony of the new East Tennessee State University Lions Club. District 12N welcomes our latest club and their new members!



Congratulations to the Charter members of the newest Lions Club in District 12-N--The East Tennessee State University Campus Lions Club! Charter Officers are President--Lion Brandon Johnson, First Vice-President--Lion Ryan Berkley, Second Vice-President--Nikki Bare, Secretary--Destiny Walden, Membership Chair--Jacob Lopez, and Treasurer and Faculty Advisor--Michelle Byrd.



District 12N Welcomes New Members!



FARRAGUT: Left to right, District Governor Mike McDonough, Farragut Club President and sponsor Fletcher Stephens, new members Lion Eleanor Threet and Lion Tom Nietz, and his sponsor, Lion Jack Miller. Welcome to Lionism, Eleanor and Tom! Congratulations to the Farragut Lions Club for inducting seven new members this year and earning the Blue Star Award!



Harriman Lions Club welcomes two new members. Pictured left to right: sponsors Lion Jerry Turbyville, Club Treasurer, Lion Derek Kidwell, and new Lions Arlene Howell and Frank Mee with District Governor Mike McDonough.

Lions Learning Retreat Announcements!

Join Lions from around the state of Tennessee, as well as speakers from other states for a weekend of leadership, development, and service!

January 10-12, 2014

The registration form is included on page 2. Please note the reduced cost by registering early (post-marked by November 15).

Additional information is available on the district website, including:

- Seminar topics and speakers
- Rules for the gift basket contest
- Multiple lodging options

<http://tnlions.org/2014-lions-learning-retreat/>

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**November 25—Oak Ridge Lions Celebrate
PDG John Sanders**

Please join the Oak Ridge Lions Club in celebrating PDG John Sanders' recent acceptance into the Tennessee Lions Hall of Fame! A special dinner will be held Monday, November 25. Contact PDG Wendy Cain at Lion.Wendy@att.net for additional details.

Correction!

In the October *News & Views*, the captions for pictures of Kingsport Lion President Neil Smith and Dandridge Lion President Travis Hurdle with DG Mike accepting their club donations to White Cane and LVBI, respectively, were switched. The *News & Views* apologizes for the error.

District Governor's Club visit schedule:

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| Nov. 5 Rutledge | Nov. 18 Coalfield |
| Nov. 6 Morristown Cherokee | Nov. 21 Loudon |
| Nov. 11 Kingston | Nov. 25 Knox Tri-County |

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District 12N Events Calendar

- Nov. 9** – District 12-N Fall Eyeglass Recycling Day, Roanoke, VA
- Nov. 15** (8 p.m. EST) – Free LCI Webinar Leadership Resources on the Web
- Nov. 16** – District 12-N Cabinet Meeting and Fall Information Forum, Best Western Morristown
- Nov. 16** – Powell Lions Club Yule Tide Greetings and Craft Fair
- Nov. 25**—Oak Ridge Lions Celebration of PDG John Sanders Acceptance into Tennessee Lions Hall of Fame
- Nov. 30** – Lions Environmental Photo Contest Deadline for Club Winners
- Dec. 7** – Powell Lions Club Christmas Parade → Line up to be in parade begins at 3:00 in the Food City parking lot. The parade begins sharply at 5:00 p.m. No fee or registration form to be in the parade.
- Jan. 8** (1 p.m. EST) – Free LCI Webinar Effective Club Meetings
- Jan. 10-12, 2014** – Tennessee Lions Learning Retreat, Manchester, TN
- Jan. 15** (1 p.m. EST) – Free LCI Webinar Leadership Lessons from the Angry Birds

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

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