



# District 12-N News & Views

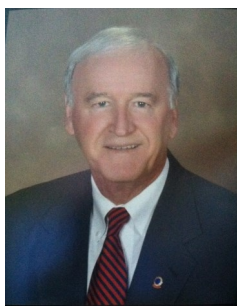
## "In a World of Service"



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District 12-N, East Tennessee (USA)

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Fellow Lions,

I have just returned from the USA/ Canada Lions Leadership Forum in San Juan, Puerto Rico. I am bursting with pride over two of our District 12N Lions. They are PDG Wendy Cain and Lion Brandon Johnson. They both were presenters at the Forum. PDG

Wendy's topic was "Lions University: Understanding It and Using It In Your District". Lion Brandon's was "Young Adult Recruiting Strategies", involving and retaining younger members. Lion Brandon was on a panel for discussion on "Lions Institute Programs". Both Lions did a fantastic job and I am so proud that we have them in our District. It was a very successful Forum; and, as I said before, put it on your bucket list to attend. Next year the Forum is in Grand Rapids, Michigan, September 17-19, 2015.

I have visited quite a few clubs and will be coming to yours in the near future. See page 3 for my revised schedule of visits. If your club has a conflict with my schedule, please let me know as soon as possible. I do have some open dates for you to review; perhaps those dates will work for my visit. I would like to publish a weekly or bi-monthly e-mail to all clubs, notifying everyone of all happenings in our District. To make this possible, I am asking all clubs to e-mail me information regarding your club events. For example, Dandridge Lions Club has contacted me that they are having their White Cane Days on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> and November 8<sup>th</sup> near the downtown courthouse. Also, they are requesting used eyeglasses at the same time. This information lets everyone know that your Club is not alone in serving others.

International President Joe Preston mentioned in his newsletter that during Membership months of October and April, your club can earn special recognition by adding new members. October is New Membership Month. He and I would like your club to set a goal of adding new members. All it takes is asking one person to join your club.

President Preston will award Lions Clubs members a Membership Growth Awards consisting of a Silver Pin for any Lion that sponsors a new member in October 2014, a Gold Pin for Lions that sponsor a member in October and April 2015 and a Banner Patch for Clubs that

add new members in October and April 2015. So District 12N, let's make sure that October and April next year are our biggest growth months in new members. However, please keep in mind we can ask and recruit members every month of the year!! It starts by asking a friend, a neighbor or a family member to join. President Preston has also asked clubs to host a vision-related service project to support our Centennial Service Challenge goal of serving 100 million people. Let's all work together to grow our clubs and meet our Centennial Service goal.

Thank you for your service to your communities. That's what Lions Clubs do and we are proud to do it. I look forward to visiting your Club.

District Governor Ed Gibbons



DG Ed Gibbons with Intl. 2VP Bob Corlew at the USA/ Canada Forum this past week with members of the Ties for the Blind Foundation, Lions Willie Diggs, Jerry Lonon, DG Ed, Int. 2VP Bob, Gayle Cox and Dr. George Winton

### Lions Eye Glass Recycling Work Day – Roanoke, VA

**DATE CORRECTION – NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup>**

Lions will meet at the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (501 Elm Ave) around 8:30 AM. We'll work, have lunch, work some more and leave about 3:00 PM. For more information contact Lion Harry Ennis at [hrennis@chartertn.net](mailto:hrennis@chartertn.net) or 423/239-7681.





### **Sunday, November 2 - 2014 Knoxville Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes®**

**UT Gardens – Ellington Plant Sciences Bldg., 2431 Joe Johnson Dr. - Knoxville** Registration opens at 1:00pm • Walk begins at 2:00pm Join the **Lions of East Team** – Register at <http://main.diabetes.org/goto/lionsofeasttn> - Paulette Bailey is your Team Captain or feel free to donate to the team

1 in 3 adults in America is at risk for developing diabetes. Join us in the fight to Stop Diabetes. The walk is 3 miles long and is stroller, wheelchair and dog friendly. There will be vendors with information and giveaways, as well as music, refreshments, contests and fun.

### **LCIF Meets Humanitarian Needs in Many Ways**

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## HELP WANTED

### District 12-N Centennial Coordinator

This 3 year position will work closely with PDG Wendy Caine, Multidistrict Centennial Coordinator, to:

- Support and motivate region, zone and club leaders to participate in Centennial service projects and membership initiatives
- Collaborate with the district and multiple district on:
  - Centennial service and membership development needs in the district
  - Centennial service and membership goals and action plans for the district
- Ensure Centennial membership development is encouraged throughout the district
- Work with GMT and GLT counterparts
- Promote Centennial service and membership to region, zone and club leaders
- Compare Centennial service and membership achievements to expectations and goals on a monthly or quarterly basis and adjusts strategies where necessary
- Present a budget to the district cabinet to fund Centennial service and membership development plans

Develop and promote a plan of recognition for the district and individual Lions where significant contributions to Centennial service and membership development have been made. Contact 2nd VDG Paulette Bailey or DG Ed Gibbons if you can assume this important role.

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***It's that time of year again***

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In keeping with our tradition over the years, it is suggested that your club hold a fundraising event to collect funds for our 12-N Charities. "Help the Lions Help the Blind"

This year your club can request generic White Cane flyers from your zone chair or your club can customize the flyer with your club information on it. During that event help promote your club for membership as well as White Cane collections. If you choose to customize your flyers, contact White Cane Chair, 2nd VDG Paulette Bailey at (865) 458-3088 or by email at [ladipee@aol.com](mailto:ladipee@aol.com). She will email you the materials that allow you to customize the flyer for reproduction

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## District Governor's Club Visitation Schedule

September 24	Morristown Cherokee Lions Club
September 25	Greeneville Lions Club (at noon) and Johnson County Lions Club at 6pm
October 1	Knox County North Lions Club
October 6	Clinton Lions Club
October 15	Morristown Morris Blvd. Lions Club
October 16	Newport Lions Club
October 20	Union County Lions Club
October 21	Kingsport Lions Club
October 27	Morristown Lions Club
October 28	South Knoxville Lions Club
November 3	West Knox Lions Club
November 4 and 5	Open
November 10	Knox Tri-County Lions Club
November 11	Sevierville Lions Club
November 20	White Pine Lions Club
November 24	Campbell County Lions Club
November 25	Rutledge Lions Club
December 1	Karns Lions Club
December 2	Open
December 8	Jellico Lions Club
December 9	Farragut Lions Club
December 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 29, 30	are all open dates
January 26	Inskip Lions Club

January and February dates are open. Please let me know a good time for your Club to have me.

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### **DISTRICT 12N EVENTS CALENDAR**

November 1, 8:30 AM - Roanoke, VA Eye Glass Recycling work day for District 12-N

November 6, 6:30 PM Zone Meeting hosted by Kingston Lions Club at Shoneys in Harriman

November 15, 8:30 AM - Noon, District 12-N Cabinet Meeting at LVBI in Morristown TN. All are welcome, but at least Presidents and Secretaries from each club are expected to attend.

January 16-18, 2015, Lions Learning Retreat at Coffee County Convention Center in Manchester, TN

Feb. 20-21, 2015, District 12-N Convention in Johnson City, TN

May 8 -- 10 2015, Tennessee State, MD-12 Convention at the Riverview Inn, Clarksville, TN

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**To access up-to-date District 12N events, and additional details for above events, go to: <http://tnlions.org/calendar/>**

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### **District 12N Welcomes New Lions!!**

Lion PAUL S. WALDROOP, Clinton Lions Club  
Lion CHARLOTTE M. MOSER, Dandridge Lions Club  
Lion KIMBERLY HARKLEROAD, Greeneville Lions Club  
Lion SONYA ROGERS, Knox Tri-County Lions Club  
Lion ROBERT A WEBB, Knox Tri-County Lions Club  
Lion DENNIS LOY, Morristown Lions Club  
Lion DON HUGHES, Oak Ridge Lions Club



**Just imagine if every Lion, 1.36 Million, asked one person to join their club.....**

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