DISTRICT 12N 2026-2027
CONTEST & AWARDS CRITERIA
CLUB OF THE YEAR

Club of the Year (July 1 – June 30) – Submittal deadline June 30, 2027
Lion of the Year (January – December) – Submittal Deadline February 28, 2027
Lion of the Decade (January – December) – Submittal deadline February 28, 2027

Lion of the Year/Decade criteria will be mailed separately

Club of the Year Criteria/Points:

• Service projects reported on the Portal (Minimum of 12/year)	20 pts
• At least 3 Club Officers participate in District and/or Int'l Officer training (This includes on-line Learn Center Officer training)	15 pts
• 1 or more Club members attending at least 2 District meetings plus the District Convention (District Cabinet members excluded)	15 pts
• Clubs with reported increased membership as of June 30, 2027	10 pts
• Clubs donating a minimum of $50 to LCIF	10 pts
• Clubs donating a minimum of $50 to White Cane Charities or White Cane Org. directly	10 pts
• Clubs sending information to the News & Views Editor at least 6x/yr.	10 pts
• At least 10% of the Club members take training courses in the Portal Learn section	10 pts
	100 pts

Bonus Points:

• Clubs naming a Melvin Jones Fellow	5 pts
• Clubs naming a Lindsey Jennings or Virginia Lindsey candidate	5 pts
• Clubs participating in Peace Poster or Essay Contest	5 pts
• Clubs sponsoring a new Lion or Leo Club	5 pts
• Clubs submitting a Lion of the Year and/or Lion of the Decade candidates	5 pts
• Clubs with updated social media presence (Facebook, website, Instagram	5 pts
• Clubs holding monthly programs w/guest speakers	5 pts
	35 pts

The contest will be comprised of 3 tiers based on club size (small, medium and large) as follows:

Small Clubs: 1-15
Medium Clubs: 16 – 25
Large Clubs: 26+

Note: The clubs will receive a listing of their individual size along with the information contained in this packet. Once the club is entered into a category size (S/M/L) as of July 1st, they will remain in that category the remainder of the contest year even though the club may have pluses or minuses in membership through the year.

The clubs with the most cumulative points will be recognized as winners in the three categories small, medium and large with a further breakdown of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each of those categories. Chart below should explain this concept.

PLACE	AWARD AMOUNT
First Place	$100
Second Place	$60
Third Place	$40

The basic total cumulative points a club can earn is 100 but with the bonus points a club could earn 35 Points for a total of up to 135 points.

The cumulative point tally will come from several sources, the Lions Portal, the GLT Coordinator, the White Cane Chair, the News & Views Editor, the Cabinet Secretary, the Cabinet Treasurer and the Club President.

The awards will be distributed at the District Governor's Organizational meeting usually held in July of the NEW Lions year.

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