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DG Millie's Memo....

Dear District 12N Lions,

I hope all of you have had Happy Holidays and are looking forward to 2021. We have now completed the first half of the 2020-2021 Lions year and the Lions in District 12N have exemplified "We Serve" to their communities. You have gone from emerging from a lockdown that has never been experienced before, to carefully testing and finding ways to

Safely Serve in this new environment, to coming together as a District Team to participate in an Operation Inasmuch food packing event. A huge Thank-you for doing what you felt safe doing to make this project a success by providing thirty-eight thousand meals to area residents. I am truly inspired by the manner in which the Clubs of District 12 N have rallied and not allowed outside influences to hold them back from helping those in need. You have shown how Helen Keller's quote

UPCOMING EVENTS

Melvin Jones BirthdayJanuary 13

Early Bird MD Convention deadline Save \$20 1/15/2021

March—Nominating Committees for Club Officers

April—Club Officer Elections

April 9-10 2021 District 12N Convention Best Western Plus, Morristown, TN Registration Form page 21

TN State Convention 4/29 - 5/1/2021 Nashville, TN pp.24 -25 "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much" can still work when we all help each other accomplish a common goal. Congratulations to all of you for persevering through a difficult and challenging situation. As you have been seen in your communities helping others you have also gained members.

Looking towards the second half of this Lions year, we have decided to postpone the District Convention until April 9-10, 2021 in the hopes that by then it will be safer to gather. We will be offering some of the Convention virtually for those who do not feel they can safely attend. We really could use some help with this, so if you know people with IT knowledge to help us accomplish this have them contact us. The updated Convention Registration is included in this issue of News & Views and will be posted on the District 12 N website as well. The location is still Best Western Plus in Morristown, TN only the dates and speaker have changed.

Sincerely, DG Millie



Paulette's Post

Happy New Year! With the ending of 2020 and ringing in of 2021, I would like to thank all of you for your kindness and service in Lionism. We have forged through a very tough year with the

Coronavirus pandemic and yet many of our Lions clubs have continued to serve their communities – a heartfelt thank you! The new year is here with new adventures and new responsibilities – let's continue doing what we do best – serving our communities! As always, please remember to report your Service activities on the LCI website under MyLion. If you need help reporting, please refer to the District 12N Website Member Resources page at www.tnlions.org or contact Chuck Bailey at chuckyegg001@gmail.com or myself at ladipee@gmail.com.

I found this little quote from Helen Keller that I would like to share with you: "Resolve to keep happy, and your joy and you shall form an invincible host against difficulties."

On a separate note, PLEASE consider being part of the 2021-2022 District 12N DG team by submitting your name to serve as 2nd Vice District Governor. **The submission deadline is March 1, 2021.** Please contact PDG Mike Vudragovich for more information at mvudragovich@gmail.com or 412-304-5863. Your submission must be endorsed by your Lions Club. May joy, peace, and success follow you everywhere you go and whatever you do. Happy New Year to you and your family!

Yours in Lionism,

Paulette Bailey



Rich's Reviews

My first column for 2021 is bittersweet. Many Clubs have not been able to meet in person; much needed funds for Lions, civic and charity projects have been placed on hold; COVID has

restricted personal contact for Lion's vision clinics and many of our closest friends have had to quarantine.

With this in mind, Lion Jim McFarland of the West Knoxville Lions Club, Chaired the District 12N 'A Day with the Lions' ZOOM meeting on December 10,2020. The committee voted to proceed with the Reverse Raffle sales and tentatively schedule June 19, 2021 for 'A Day with the Lions' pending CDC guidelines.

This is good news for the White Cane Days projects and the District 12N Clubs as there will be a commission incentive program in place to encourage club participation. Please join us for our next (ZOOM) meeting on Friday, January 8, 2021 @ 8:00 PM. We will be discussing advertising, flyers and club visit 'talking points'. It is not too early to be thinking of additional raffle prizes. Be creative!!! Put a Club package together for donation.

My final thoughts for 2021: Imagine what District 12N can accomplish in 2021 if we can get 39 of 41 Clubs working together to pack 38,000 meals during a pandemic!

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Wilson, 2nd VDG

CHANGE IN DATE

Due to Covid concerns, the District Convention date has been changed to April 9 - 10 2021. Location is the same as last year's convention in Morristown, TN. The convention registration form may be found on page 21.

MYLION SERVICE REPORTING (Additional information)

The DG Team has recently been made aware of a document on the LCI website titled "*Measuring Service Impact for Lions*". This document goes into great detail to explain:

What service means to Lions and Leos

How our service impact is measured/metrics

How to properly account for the people served

What is and what is not reportable service

Determining whether your activity is one-time or recurring

Please avail yourself of this very useful information. To make it easier for our clubs we have put this document on our District Website http://tnlions.org under the Member Resource tab, Officer Training, Service Reporting, and then LCI Resource. Just click on the link and the article should open up.

CALLING ALL DISTRICT 12N LEADERS Deadline for candidate qualifications is March 1, 2021

For more information and details, please contact PDG Mike Vudragovich at 412 304 5863 or mvudragovich@gmail.com

ARE YOU QUALIFIED TO BECOME 2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR NEXT YEAR?

- Are you an active member of your club?
- Have you been club president?
- Have you been a board member of a club for two or more years?
- Have you been a zone chair, region chair, district secretary or treasurer?
- Are you willing to accept the challenge and become our District Governor in July 2023?

The deadline for articles and photos to the **News & Views** newsletter is the **20th** of the month. **Please submit articles in WORD** and limit number of words to **200.** In the event that you need to submit a time sensitive event after the 20th of the month, please contact Pam Maples, Editor at 770-548 -1690 or pmaples803@gmail.com.





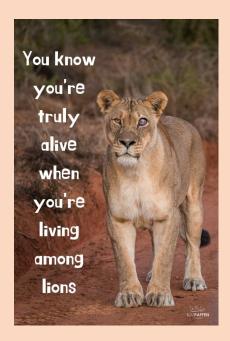
District 12N Charities Board of Directors Openings



Each Year four of the Charities Board of Directors 3-year terms expire. The nominating committee is seeking candidates to replace those members leaving the board. If you would like to serve on the Charities Board of Directors please submit your interest to Chair of the Nominating Committee, PDG J. W. (Jim) McFarland, either by phone 865-556-9091 or email tnlionjim@gmail.com.

Candidates for the Charities Board of Directors will have their names placed in nomination at the District 12N Convention, Best Western Plus Morristown Conference Center on April 9-10, 2021 for election to fill four positions. Deadline for submission is March 1, 2021.





Report of Lions District 12N Charities, Inc.

The Board of Directors of Lions District 12N Charities, Inc. met at LVBI on Dec. 6, 2020 for the purpose of allocating the available White Cane resources of \$33,812.47 to the Designated Charities Projects as provided for in the Bylaws of Lions District 12N Charities, Inc. The following proposed allocation is the result of the Board of Directors meeting and will be presented at the Charities Annual Meeting of Members for ratification during the District 12N Convention on April 10, 2021.

Braille Slate	\$0
Childhood Cancer	\$300
Diabetes Awareness	\$1,000
East Tennessee Lions Eye Bank	\$1,000
Leader Dogs for the Blind	\$3,000
Learning Ally	\$500
Lions Quest	\$0
Lions Volunteer Blind Industries	\$18,000
Speech and Hearing Foundation, Inc. of Maryville	\$2,000
Tennessee School for the Blind	\$2,500
Tennessee School for the Deaf	\$2,500
World Services for the Blind	\$0
District Governors Fund	\$1,000
District Discretionary Fund	\$1,000
Operating Expenses	\$1,000

Total

\$33,800

12N Charities 2020 Reverse Raffle MARK THE DATE

The Reverse Raffle Committee IS working on the 2021 Raffle so please mark June 19, 2021, 10-5 on your calendar. It is planned to not only be a fundraiser for the District 12N charities but also a fundraiser for the participating clubs as well.

The Reverse Raffle tickets may be sold starting February 19, 2021 with the drawing to be held June 19, 2021 at the Fountain City Lions Club House beginning at Noon. Tickets may be sold up until 9AM the day of the drawing.

Your club will be eligible for profit sharing of ticket sales as listed below, **so this can be a fundraiser for you as well!!!** In order to be eligible, your club must sell 25 tickets or more 1-24tickets \$0; 25-299 \$1.25; 300-499 \$1.50; 500-749 \$1.75; 750-999 \$2.00; over 1K \$2.50.

These incentives will be on all tickets sold, so if you sell 299 tickets your Club will earn \$1.25 per ticket, but if you sell 300 tickets you earn \$1.50 for each. Clubs collected \$1,877 from the 2019 Reverse Raffle.!!!

Additionally the three clubs who sell the most tickets will have a donation made to LCIF for their Club which can go toward a Melvin Jones Fellow. 1st Prize is \$300, 2nd Prize is \$200 and 3rd Prize is \$100.

Tickets may be sold to anyone except to a member or officer of the board of directors of District 12N Lions Charities, Inc and their immediate family members residing in the same household of the board of directors or an officer of the organization.

For further information call or email PDG Jim McFarland, tnlionjim@gmail.com phone 865-556-9091

AROUND THE DISTRICT

Diabetes Awareness

Prevent Blindness: Prevent Diabetes

Lions Learning a New Way to Save Sight - Begin with Scoring the Prediabetes Risk Test

The American Diabetes Association (ADA) has a one-page questionnaire to find people that are likely to have PREDIABETES. In these winter weeks before the vaccine is available, let's examine that more closely - and learn about a new way to Save Sight!

Each club is asked to have its members take and score their own ADA Prediabetes Risk Test. The sheet and score do not need to be shared, but we will ask club officers in early January to:

- 1. Determine the number of members that have completed the test
- 2. Report the % of membership that has completed it.

People a score of 5 or higher on the ADA test (that are not diabetic) are encouraged to take the Diabetes Prevention Program. The next Virtual *Lifestyle Change Course* to prevent Type 2 Diabetes will start January 19 at 10:30AM. Call the number below and LEAVE A MESSAGE to get specifics about the information session. DG Millie will have special awards for Clubs with the highest % completion at the District Convention.

Why are we doing this? Because there is "Good News" for those with *Prediabetes*: they can often *reverse* their path towards Diabetes, which is the leading cause of Blindness. A nationwide preventive task force has shown that a *Lifestyle Change Course* that focuses on diet and exercise habits will often reverse that path to Diabetes; and can prevent major health problems like Blindness. Take the ADA test on the next page to learn what clubs can use in their communities. We'll learn about two other dimensions that can be added to a Screening process in the months that follow. For questions concerning the self assessment or the Diabetes Assessment Program, contact Doug Haseltine at 423-239-9178.

Are you at risk for

type 2 diabetes?

		WRITE YOUR SCORE IN THE BOX.	Height	,	Weight (lbs.)	,	
•	u?		4′ 10″	119-142	143-190	191+	
Less than 40 years (0 points) 40-49 years (1 point)		4' 11"	124-147	148-197	198+		
50-59 years (2 points)			5′0″	128-152	153-203	204+	
60 years or older	(3 points)		5′ 1″	132-157	158-210	211+	
2. Are you a man	or a woman?		5′ 2″	136-163	164-217	218+	
Man (1 point)	Woman (O points)		5′ 3″	141-168	169-224	225+	
•	nan, have you ever been		5′ 4″	145-173	174-231	232+	
diagnosed with Yes (1 point)	gestational diabetes? No (0 points)		5′ 5″	150-179	180-239	240+	
			5′ 6″	155-185	186-246	247+	
•	nother, father, sister or abetes?		5′ 7″	159-190	191-254	255+	
Yes (1 point)	No (O points)		5′ 8″	164-196	197-261	262+	
5. Have vou ever b	peen diagnosed with high		5′ 9″	169-202	203-269	270+	
•	?		5' 10"	174-208	209-277	278+	
Yes (1 point)	No (0 points)		5′ 11″	179-214	215-285	286+	
6. Are you physica	ally active?		6′0″	184-220	221-293	294+	
Yes (O points)	No (1 point)		6′ 1″	189-226	227-301	302+	
7. What is your weight category?			6′ 2″	194-232	233-310	311+	
See chart at right.			6′ 3″	200-239	240-318	319+	
If you scored !	5 or higher:	ADD UP	6′ 4″	205-245	246-327	328+	
You are at increased risk for having type 2				1 point	2 points	3 points	
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Adapted from Bang et al., Ann Intern Med 151:775-783, 2009.

Original algorithm was validated without gestational diabetes as part of the model.

Type 2 diabetes is more common in African Americans, Hispanics/Latinos, Native Americans, Asian Americans, and Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders.

levels are higher than normal but not yet high

doctor to see if additional testing is needed.

enough to be diagnosed as diabetes. Talk to your

Higher body weight increases diabetes risk for everyone. Asian Americans are at increased diabetes risk at lower body weight than the rest of the general public (about 15 pounds lower). The good news is you can manage your risk for type 2 diabetes. Small steps make a big difference in helping you live a longer, healthier life.

For more information, visit us at diabetes.org/alertday or call 1-800-DIABETES (800-342-2383).



INSKIP LIONS CLUB FORMS FRIENDS OF INSKIP ELEMENTARY WITH AREA CHURCHES

Suzanne Matheny of the Inskip Lions Club took the initiative to gather several churches and community organizations to form Friends of Inskip Elementary consisting of Inskip Lions Club, Inskip Community Association, Inskip Baptist Church, Cedar Lane United Methodist Church and Bookwalter United Methodist Church. The first project Friends of Inskip undertook was to provide Thanksgiving meals to Inskip Elementary School families.

In previous years Inskip Lions Club and the community had provided 100 to 120 buckets of food at Thanksgiving; however due to the partnership and the generosity of City Council, we were able to provide 200 buckets of food! Each family received a \$15 gift card to purchase meat along with canned goods, sugar, dressing, gravy, instant potatoes, apples, oranges, pudding cups, applesauce, and Little Debbie cakes. Home Depot and Lowes provided buckets to carry the goodies home in. This support was much needed by the families in our community during the uncertain time of the Covid-19



Food buckets ready to be given



Inskip Elementary school teachers giving out Thanksgiving food buckets.

THE SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGERS



Since its beginnings in San Francisco in 1891, the red kettle Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign has volunteer become one of the most visible community holiday fundraisers nationwide. Bell ringing helps people remember that there are people in their

neighborhoods who won't have a Christmas without their help."

A Salvation Army cadet (Salvation Army officer in training) in 1900 from New York bought a 10-cent bell to ring. The bell was a huge success and drew attention and donations from those who passed by. Not long after that, all cadets had bells.

That 10-cent bell quickly became associated with The Salvation Army kettle and the Christmas season. It had such a profound impáct on people who walked by that the writer Jay Livingston accredited the classic Christmas song, "Silver Bells" to The Salvation Army bell ringing in the streets of New York. Today a bell accompanies each Salvation Army Kettle.

According to the Salvation Army, the Red Kettle Campaign helps raise money for those who need it most in communities nationwide - providing toys for kids, coats for the homeless, food for the hungry and countless social service programs year-round.

Below are photos of the Knox North, Knoxville East and Farragut Lions Clubs members ringing the bells for the Salvation Army





West Knox Club's Christmas Activities

Lions on the Move

The Wesley House has a program for seniors that live in the surrounding communities; Lonsdale, Beaumont, Mechanicsville, and East Knoxville. There are 26 members in this Senior Group ranging from ages 63 to 97 years old. The West Knox Lions has adopted them as one of their service mission.

On December 12, 2020 from 8:30 A.M. until 12:30 P.M., Members of the West Knox Lions Club bagged toiletries, Christmas mugs, trash bags, throws, homemade mini loafs, coasters decorative and personalized, activity book, personalized sticker and an ornament.

All items were donated by West Knox Lions Club members as the call went from the chairman they roared back and the pride did what it does best showing these seniors just how special they are serving the community. Each packaged was special delivered by Club members.

Vision Screening

The West Knox Lions Club members screened 106 children in Kindergarten thru 12th grade and 13 KidSight at the Apostolic School in Knoxville and spent 10 hours doing so. Those Lions that worked were: Ron Riehn, Jayne Raparelli, Jim McFarland and Laura Horn.









Norris Lions Club Celebrates Christmas



Greens Party

The Norris Lions Club's annual Greens Party was conducted with safety guidelines in place. Usually a community event that gathers over 100 members of the community, this year no more than 25 participants at a time gathered in the City Community buildings and completed 48 wreaths to adorn the City buildings and some commercial buildings in the area. Homemade cookies were individually wrapped by our Lions Club "bakers" to be passed out as a thank you to those who helped out.

Christmas lights

The Project committee of the Norris Lions Club erected Christmas lights in the City again this year.





DISTRICT 12N FOOD PACKING EVENT

Operation Inasmuch District 12N Food
Packing Event was held on December 8, 2020

at the Smokies Stadium in Kodak, TN. Almost all of the 41 Lions Clubs in the 12N District sent representatives to help package the food, seal the bags, and pack the boxes for clubs to pick-up and distribute to needy families in their communities. Food items were macaroni and cheese and rice and beans. Each of these food products were fortified with the necessary vitamins and minerals to promote good health.

The event started at 12 noon and continued to 5:30pm. Not only were there Lions Club members working the event but also a group of Combat Veterans came to assist. There was good camaraderie among all the people in the large indoor stadium room as the packing process ensued. At intervals, a loud GONG was heard with the announcement of the number of food bags which were ready for pick-up completed with the goal of 38,000 bags. The goal was reached at 5:20pm. Each participant received a Certificate of Appreciation and Achievement along with a small "goody bag" to take home.

Operation Inasmuch is a compassion ministry which focuses on serving the needs of those less fortunate in our society. The Lions Clubs commitment to service matches well with this organization as both exist to serve in their communities in various ways. While Operation Inasmuch focuses mainly on hunger, the Lions Club has 5 main focal areas: Vision, Hunger, Environment, Diabetes Awareness, and Childhood Cancer.

Photos of the event held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 follows.

OPERATION INASMUCH FOOD PACKING EVENT













MORE PHOTOS FROM OPERATION INASMUCH FOOD PACKING EVENT 12/8/2020











Knoxville Diversified Lions"Adopt" Burn Victim

Knoxville Diversified Lions Club was contacted by the International Office about a request they received from the sister of a person living in our area, which is a neighborhood off Central Ave. in North Knoxville. It seems her brother had been a victim of a house fire. He was taken to University of Tennessee Medical Center Emergency Department whereby he was flown by helicopter to Vanderbilt Medical Center Burn Unit Intensive Care. He suffered massive body burns and severe smoke inhalation in the fire.

His sister's request was for our club to see if a replacement pair of eyeglasses could be made and sent to her brother as he lost everything in the fire including his eyeglasses. He had been fitted for the eyeglasses by an appointment with the Lions Club Vision Van in the past.

Speaking with Jim McFarland regarding this request, he indicated if we had more information about her brother then he would try to see if this gentleman's files could be found. Pam Maples, President of the Knoxville Diversified Lions Club, called the burn victim's sister more than once to get all the pertnent information needed.

Jim was able to find her brother's records and the Knoxville Diversified Lions Club members voted on accepting the cost associated with remaking the eyeglasses and mailing them to Nashville where his sister lives. The gift of clear sight was restored to the victim with the replacement eyeglasses.

The club voted unanimously to adopted the gentleman as he recovers. Club members have begun sending him cards of encouragement and support. When he returns to Knoxville, the club will help him set up a new place to live with the help of Community Links Thrift store.

DANDRIDGE LIONS CLUB ACTIVITIES IN DECEMBER



The Dandridge Club delivered Christmas Boxes to 22 families consisting of 53 adults and 21 children on December 19, 2020. Bush Brothers and Company donated 24 cases of canned foods for the Christmas Boxes and the club purchased \$1,729.97 in groceries from Food City. In addition to the packing of the Christmas Boxes, club members took 21 children shopping for their Christmas spending \$50.00 per child.

The picture below shows the Christmas boxes before the frozen and cold foods were added. Each family received 2 boxes each which should last for at least 2 weeks. Twenty-one members of the Dandridge Lions Club worked diligently to obtain the donations from the various food vendors.



Tellico Village Lions Club Raises \$51,000 for Our PLACE

As befitting its motto of "We Serve," the Tellico Village Lions launched and successfully executed a campaign to support the construction and initial operation of *Our PLACE*. The facility, when completed, will provide programs of therapeutic activities for senior residents suffering from Alzheimer's or Dementia. Its programs will also provide respite care to these individual's caregivers. Given the aging population of Loudon & Monroe Counties, this much needed facility will add greatly to the quality of life.

The effort had two parts, one funded internally by the club and its members and the other by the club and residents of the community. Taken together they raised \$51,000 for *Our PLACE*. How were the funds raised?

In its initial service budget for the year the club budgeted \$10,000 for a donation to *Our PLACE*. Internally the club members were asked to make donations in order to match the amount provided by the club. Members responded by donating \$8,000. Before the club could use its funds to match that amount, an anonymous donor stepped forwarded and personally matched the \$8,000 thus obviating any need for club funds.

With the \$10,000 in club funds still available, the Board of Directors decided in August to reach out into the community to raise funds to match its \$10,000. A flyer was distributed to all Tellico Village homes in September describing the matching fund efforts. In effect, the community was told that its donations to *Our PLACE*, given thru the Tellico Village Lions Club, would be matched dollar-for dollar by the club up to \$10,000.

185 Village residents responded to the appeal with donations of \$25,000. That amount along with the \$10,000 match from the club and the previously \$16,000 raised by Lion members means that the Tellico Village Lions have raised \$51,000 in support of *Our PLACE*.

KNOXVILLE EAST LIONS CLUB HAS BUSY DECEMBER 2020

The Knoxville East Lions Club was active during the month of December 2020. We began with club plans to volunteer and support the District 12N Lions Project Food Packing event taking place on 12/8/20 at the Smokies Stadium Restaurant. Members; Derek Tate, Cynthia Finch and Eric Kimbrough volunteered from KELC to pack and load bags. KELC took a portion of the meals for distribution to The Connect Ministries and New Direction medical services. Both community groups are headed by members of the KELC and serve elderly and economically disadvantaged families in the East Knoxville community.

KELC members finished the plans for our community holiday event, "Winter Wonderland". This KELC sponsored event provides a festive holiday celebration with community members who don't have family to share the Christmas spirit consisting of; food, song and entertainment from area churches and their praise dancers. This year covid-19 significantly disrupted this event, but the Tree Decorating contest took place as planned. Of 4 entries, a first, second and third place winner was announced with trophies given to each winner. The attendees were limited but the holiday spirit was great. First place went to Knox County Democratic Women, second place went to The Suffrage Coalition and third place went Eastport Tenants Association (formerly Walter P. Taylor).

The third event that occurred was the volunteers from KELC who served as Bell Ringers for the Salvation on Saturday, 12/12/20 at Sam's Club at East Mall. The members serving included; Derek Tate, Jerry Gnoose, Terrell and Angela Patrick, Keno Carlos and president, Albert Nelson. The volunteer event was shared by members of the North Knoxville Lion Club and KELC. All participants expressed pride and enjoyment at helping in this effort. The public responded very well to our "Lion Ringers".

The KELC made an abundant contribution of eyeglasses to be recycled and/or used for vision aide. On Friday, December 11, 2020 approximately 1200 pairs of glasses were given to Jim McFarland from the KELC. This contribution comes from the collective efforts of our members including; James and Sherry Lane, Lula Williams, Marilyn Davison, Brenda Harrison and others. Special thanks to Cynthia Finch and her sorority- AKA for donating boxes of glasses in "LION" labeled containers that will be re-used to collect other glasses from select site locations by KELC members.

The KELC is experienced a most joyful and challenged holiday season. The events that gave us joy were our successful fundraising for the purchase of our Plusoptix camera along with the financial resources to serve our clients. The coronavirus challenged us to find creative ways to sustain our club's cohesive bond and we did find ways to meet and work together until change comes.

Rescheduled LIONS DISTRICT 12-N CONVENTION

EAST TENNESSEE LIONS EYE BANK ANNUAL MEETING DISTRICT 12-N CHARITIES ANNUAL MEETING

New Date April 9-10, 2021



Lion Daniel Marney Elkins Club Development Workshop

Best Western Plus 130 Cracker Road Morristown, Tn 37813 423-587-2400

Room Reservation Deadline — March 22, 2021 Please call the Best Western Plus directly for room reservations. Ask for the Lions Rate: \$93.00 Includes Tax and Breakfast

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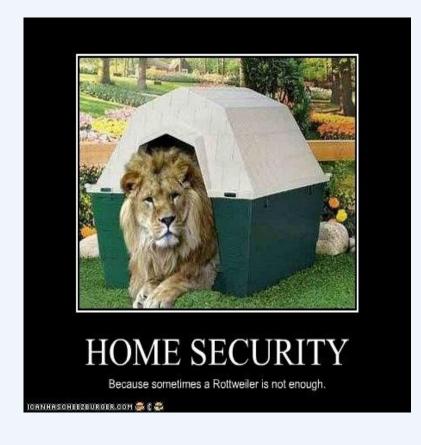
Mail registration form by March 22, 2021 and make checks payable to LIONS DISTRICT 12-N

Mail to: PDG Tim Hilliker, Convention Chair 6134 Burlwood Road Knoxville, TN 37921

Did You Know.....

- The Emancipation Proclamation was signed January 1st, 1863 by President Abraham Lincoln
- January is usually the coldest month of the year
- January starts on the same day of the week as October and ends on the same day of the week as February and October in common years.
- January is National Soup month

The winner of the December 2020 Find Tartan contest is Wendy Cain of the Oak Ridge Lions Club. Way to go Wendy!!



January 2021



January's Gem: Garnet January's Flower: Carnation

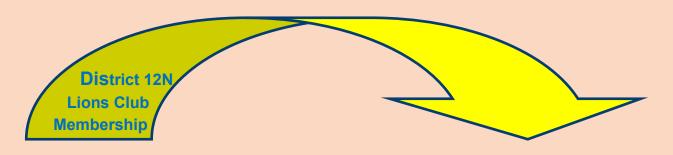


Happy Birthday

Lions born in January







WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Chaitra Bommegowda – Johnson City Noon
Cynthia Bridges - Karns
Amber Cook – Karns
Marie French – Sevier County
Michael Grimes - Karns
Erik Hofstad – Sevier County
Kathi Hofstad – Sevier County
Tim Jones – Morristown Morris
Blvd.

Jimmy Matlock – Karns
Bob McDougal – Tellico Village
John McMahan – Sevier County
Nola Plumb – Sevier County
Richard Plumb – Sevier County
Izabella Simcox – Karns
Christopher Smith – Karns
Laura Whitehouse – Karns
Norma West – Morristown
Hamblen



James Hudson – Knoxville East James Allen - Knoxville East Claude Wallace Ketron – Kingsport John Sanders – Oak Ridge







2021 Tennessee Lions State Convention

Hilton Nashville Airport 2200 Elm Hill Pike Nashville, TN 37214

615-883-9770 (Room Reservations-Lions of Tennessee Rate) April 29-May 1, 2021

Keynote Address at the Grand Banquet — Past International President Jimmy Ross Friday Evening Entertainment —Steve and Annie Chapman Saturday Luncheon-Comedian/Motivational Speaker Rik Roberts

Please put the name you want to be called by as	well as PCC, PDG, ZC, or Lion	
Name	Club	
Address		
Email Address	Phone #	
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Email Address	Phone #	
Full Convention Early Registration w/meals	@ \$110.00	
Or Separately Registration Fee	@ 20.00 =	
Friday Night Dinner & Entertainment	@ 45.00 =	
Saturday Luncheon	@ 35.00 =	
Saturday Evening Grand Banquet	@ 45.00 =	
DVD with Pictures of Convention Additional Cost	@ 15.00 =	
Lion Cub Program for Children Ages 5-12	@30.00=	
TOTAL Enclosed Thank You for your support	\$	

Special Dietary Needs -- Please circle if applicable Vegetarian Gluten Free Diabetic

Early Registration ends 1/15/2021 Regular Full Registration will be \$130 and the form must be received by April 18, 2020 if you wish to have meals.

Make payment to Lions MD12 State Convention and mail to: Lion Jerry Fagg, 1991 Bellwood CT, Greenbrier, TN 37073 jfagg@comcast.net

There will be a reception for our guests on Thursday Evening from 6 PM-9 PM. There will be no cost with your Convention Badge.

We are selling full page ads in our Proceedings Book for \$100 if your club or you are interested in supporting the convention.

Or you may have a local business that would like to advertise. Thank you for any support you can provide.

We wanted to include children ages 5-12 this year in hopes that we can attract younger couples and Grandchildren teaching them about the Lions and we

will be using some of the Lion Cub materials. Lion Karen Brooks will be in charge and the Lion Cubs will receive their Lions Cub Patches at the Grand Banquet.

The \$30 registration includes 3 meals and snacks. They will also attend the Friday entertainment with us.

There will be Seminars on Friday starting at 10 AM

There will be many outstanding speakers that will inspire and educate you throughout the convention.

Please contact Lion Ed Lantz if you have any questions. 407-376-3188 or edlantz2001@yahoo.com

"It's Great to Be a Lion"

Lions Volunteer Blind Industries

Since June 4, 2012, Lions Volunteer Blind Industries, Inc. has maintained an Annual Employment Scholarship Giving Program: called: **PROJECT PAYCHECK.**

While many of our blind workers meet or exceed expected job standards, there are others who strive daily to meet those goals in spite of disabilities. LVBI's "Project Paycheck" giving program helps those workers through an Employment Scholarship, which pays each worker A competitive wage as they learn to earn.

Lions Volunteer Blind Industries must remain competitive in the market place. However, we have accepted the added challenge of providing equality in employment opportunities for our blind citizens.

The cost of the Employment Scholarship program continues to rise. The cost of supporting this program is \$300,000. - \$500,000, depending on levels of blind employment. Approximately 25% annually coming from sponsoring Lions Clubs and the balance of donations and our own operating income.

As a business partner with LVBI, you can take advantage of an opportunity to strengthen our relationship, and at the same time, take advantage of tax benefits through your contribution. Lions Volunteer Blind Industries is a 501 (C) 3 not-for-profit organization, and as such, all donations are tax-deductible. All donations into this fund go directly to eligible blind workers in the form of scholarship wages.

To Support this Mission please Call Monday-Friday between 8 AM and 4:30 PM 423-586-3922









Fun & Games

The points for reading News and Views will be tracked monthly if you submit your response by the 15th of the month. Find Tartan respond to DG Millie Burke at gebgem@snet.net and for the Crossword Puzzle respond to ladipee@gmail.com 1st VDG Paulette Bailey at ladipee@gmail.com . Some of the other points will be tracked by attendance lists for the respective participation.



December 2020 Cross-word Answer Key



Why did Frosty the snowman want a divorce? Because he thought his wife was a flake.

What is it called when a snowman has a temper tantrum? A meltdown!

What do you call a snowman with a six pack? An abdominal snowman.

Fun & Games

January 2021 Word Search Puzzle

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