

**Organizational Planning**

As I sit here and reflect upon this past year, then it should be one of gratitude. There were things that went right, things that did not go as planned and some things that happened in a positive way. I would like to start 2024 and encourage all clubs to start planning and setting goals that match their intentions.

**Dates to Remember****Jan 9, 2024****Nat'l Law Enforcement  
Appreciation Day****Jan 26-28****Lions Learning Retreat  
Manchester****Feb 16-18, 2024****District 12N Convention  
Meadow View Resort****April 11-14, 2024****TLLI - TN Lions Learning  
Institute  
Cumberland University  
Lebanon**

This is the time we must form committees to help set up service projects, fundraisers, membership, or elections. A better portion of clubs already have people serving on committees. If there is a new member, now is the time to get them involved. Remember, new members mean innovative ideas. This is a valuable benefit.

Seek out new or different service projects or fundraisers to better serve your community. Change up the service projects by going in another direction. You will be amazed at the positive reaction from the community, and it also shows something else your club can do when recruiting new members.

Elections of officers are approaching. Clubs go with the same officers and there is absolutely nothing wrong with this. Depending on the size of the club, there may not be a choice. But again, we can also have different officers. Our district does have a Global Leadership chair who offers new officer training. This gives your club another benefit.

In 2024 your club can make major accomplishments, but it is up to you to make the difference.

Yours in Lionism, *DG Frank*

# Vice Governor's Musings



## VOLUNTEERS AS ADVOCATES AND LEADERS

Below is a laconic summary of volunteers as advocates and leaders. This is borrowed from Joan Garry, Founder Non Profit Leadership Labs.

This is an exceptional description of volunteers and especially Lions who Serve in so many different ways.

We are a community of advocates, caregivers and changemakers.

We are the safety net when the system fails, and we have the power to make our voices heard. So let's use that power wisely and strategically.

Let's not just be reactive; let's be proactive.

Let's not just be service providers; let's be storytellers.

Let's not just be organizations; let's be a movement.

Because when we come together, we don't just change the narrative, we change lives.

Let's make 2024 and beyond exceptional as we Serve together

***Serving with you, 1st VDG Keltie***



Lions I hope you have enjoyed the holiday season with family, friends, and through all the hustle and bustle found time for yourself. With 2024 starting, it is important to strive to reach our goals for the new year, setting the bar high, , and not hoping off the proverbial treadmill come March. I came across an exercise that I plan to participate in daily that will take 3-5 minutes. I would encourage you all to try this exercise.

Make a list each morning. List are effective and efficient because they capture the key elements from science for goal

seeking, emotional health and promote motivation. In this list you can use one word if needed. We have much to be thankful for.

1. 5 Gratitudes
2. Plans for the day
3. Fears or Resentments
4. Things to watch out for
5. Things to strive for

2nd VDG Nathanael



# DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

## Kingsport Activities



1st VDG Keltie invites Bucee to attend a Lions Club meeting.



Kingsport Lions Club members packed 200 lunches, December 12 to support the Shades of Grace Ministry.

Members participating were Kathy and PDG Bill Moore, Don and Val Abernathy, Bill Murdoch, Neil Smith and Wayne Garland. This service project is a monthly club service project.

Kingsport Lions present a generous \$1000 to Weber City Elementary School for their playground project. Pictured are 1st VDG Keltie's grandson, Teague, daughter Suzanne, 1st VDG Keltie and school Principal, Laura.





# DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

## Kingsport Salvation Army Bellringers



PDG Bill Moore in the red Santa cap and Lion Bill Murdoch wearing the white Lions cap and holding the larger, louder bell.

Below, 1st VDG Keltie Kerney delivers toys donated by the Kingsport Lions to the staff at Indian Path

Kingsport Lions Club members Lion Wayne Garland and PDG Bill Moore ringing the Salvation Army Bells. Kingsport Lions Club members ring the bells for the Salvation Army.



Community Hospital Pediatric Emergency Dept. (part of Niswonger Children's Hospital).





# DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

## Knoxville Tri-County Activities



Knoxville Tri-County Lions delivered a dozen Christmas cookies to 81 elderly residents in Seymour on Dec. 17

On behalf of the Knoxville Tri-County Lions Club and other clubs of District 12N, District Service Chair Connie Emmons delivered 695 signed Christmas cards for Holidays for Hero's to Erin. These will be distributed to Veterans in East Tennessee.





# OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

## Farragut Christmas Party



Lion Dave Crawford waiting for fun. Lions Ed Mee and Wayne Stormer enjoying appetizers. Lion Tyler Hunsaker and Charley set up Karaoke. Lions Tyler Sun-saker, Ed Mee and Jim Hart sing.





# OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

## Farragut 50th Anniversary Invitation



*50th Anniversary Celebration*

*Farragut Lions Club*

*Proudly held at*

*Fox Den Country Club  
12284 North Fox Den Dr  
Farragut, Tennessee*

*Friday, February 23, 2024  
at 6:30 in the evening*

*RSVP to Kathy Burrow by 2/12/24  
[burrow@bellsouth.net](mailto:burrow@bellsouth.net) 865-771-4221*

*Please select between  
Poached Atlantic Salmon  
or  
Fox Den Beef Tenderloin*

*\$50.00 a plate*

*Please make checks to Farragut Lions Club  
Mail to Kathy Burrow  
700 Sedgley Dr  
Knoxville TN 37922*

## OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

### Kingsport Christmas Party



15 Lions Club Members and 8 guests joined together for an excellent Christmas Social and a fun gift exchange on December 19 at Crown Colony Club House. Lion Val receives a windchime made of kettle parts and cups.



President Shannon presents Server Carmen with a card of appreciation for many years of service during their meetings.



## OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

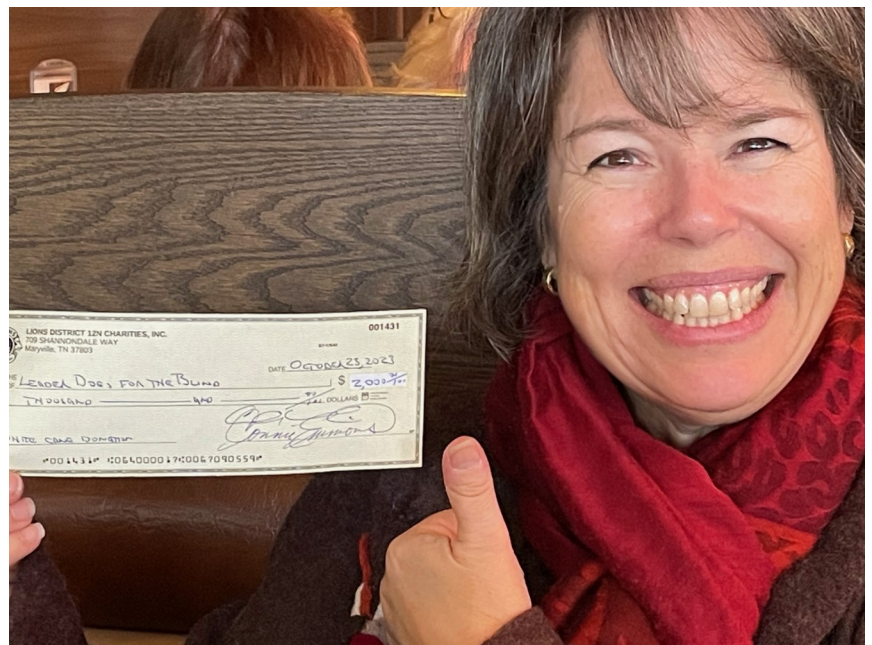
### KAPA Check Presentation



PDG Dave Crawford presents the check to Danielle Sims of Knoxville Area Project Access securing another year of partnership providing free eye surgery to qualified residents of upper East Tennessee. Thank you to the Clubs and individuals who contributed to ensure our continued success.

### Leader Dogs for the Blind Donation

Leader Dog Rep Beth Slade cheerfully accepts the District 12N donation of \$2000.





## OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

### 12N Charities Nominating Committee

Each year the Lions of our District elect four Lions to serve on the Charities Board to serve for a three-year term. During last year's convention a Lion suggested that we need term limits on the different committees in the District to ensure that new ideas and eyes help the District move forward into the future. I agree wholeheartedly with this idea. However, I can only speak for the Charities Board. But for this to happen, we must have Lions throughout the District accept leadership roles and be willing to serve on the different committees within our District.

I am asking **YOU**, members of the District, to be willing to commit to serve on this Board. We need new Lions to step up and serve. As we all know, if a Lion is now serving on this Board, they have the option to serve another three-year term if they chose to do so and are elected by the membership. However, sometimes they will serve again only because we do not have any new Lions step up and serve. We **MUST** start having new Lions willing to **STEP UP AND SERVE!**

**ALL** District 12N Lions are encouraged to consider helping the District and serving on this Board.

Thank you.

PDG Bill Slover

Nominating Committee Chairman

District 12N Charities Board





# OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

## Proposed 2024-2025 Lions District 12N Charities Budget

Trustees/Directors of Lions District 12N Charities, Inc. met on December 10, 2023 for the purpose of allocating available funds for the Charities Projects to be presented to the membership at the Charities Meeting for consideration in conjunction with the District 12N Convention on February 16-17, 2024.

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>Final</b>
Childhood Cancer	\$0.00
Diabetes Awareness	\$2,000.00
ETLEB	\$1,000.00
Hearing & Speech Foundation	\$2,000.00
Leader Dogs for the Blind	\$3,000.00
Learning Ally	\$500.00
Lions Quest	\$0.00
LVBI (Volunteer Blind Ind)	\$20,256.00
TSB (TN School for the Blind)	\$1,000.00
TSD (TN School for the Deaf)	\$0.00
World Services for the Blind	\$0.00
Braille Slate	\$0.00
KAPA	\$0.00
District Emergency Fund	\$1,000.00
District Discretionary Fund	\$500.00
District Operating Expense	\$2,000.00
<b>Total Proposed 2024-2025 Charities Budget</b>	<b>\$33,256.00</b>



**PROPOSED CHANGES TO DISTRICT 12N CHARITIES BYLAWS  
TO BE VOTED ON AT THE CHARITIES ANNUAL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 17, 2024**

**Article V Section 3:**

Line four: Insert "without voting rights," after "The 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor will serve as an Ex-officio Director,"

**Article V Section 4:**

Line two: Delete "ex-officio" and insert "a". This will read as: "There shall be a Registered Agent of the Corporation appointed by the Charities Board of Directors who shall be a non-voting member...."

**Article V Section 5(c):**

Line two delete "who might be interested...." To the end of the paragraph. Insert:

"a candidate willing to serve as Vice President of the Corporation for the next fiscal year. To solicit from the membership of the Corporation candidates willing to serve in the offices of Secretary and Treasurer for the next fiscal year. To place the names of the candidates for Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer into nomination at the first regular Board meeting (Organization Meeting) of the Corporation."

**Article VI Section 1:**

Line three delete "shall" and insert "may". This will then read as "The Treasurer of District 12-N may serve as the Treasurer of the Corporation."

**Article VII Section 2:**

Line ten delete "audited" and insert "reviewed". This will read as "These funds will be reviewed by the District Audit Committee..."

**Article VIII Section 5:**

Line one, delete "individual". This will then read "To provide for prompt response to humanitarian needs within District 12-N..."

**Article VIII Section 9:**

Add a final paragraph to read:

Any acceptance of or application for a grant or gift requires the annual approval of the Charities Board of Directors. Such approval is valid for only the current Lions year.

# Summary of Changes to District Constitution and By-Laws Enacted at LCI 2023 International Convention

Amendments were made to the District Constitution and By-Laws at the LCI International Convention held in Boston in July 2023. Based on the Supremacy Clause these are mandatory changes to the District 12N Constitution and By-Laws and will be presented at District Convention to be held on February 16-17, 2024.

## References: Constitution:

Article V Supremacy Clause

Article IX, Section 2. Automatic Updates

## By-Laws:

Article XI Amendments, Section 2. Automatic Updates

## CHANGES:

### Constitution:

**Article VI Section 2.** Inserted "district" before global membership coordinator, global leadership team coordinator, and global service team coordinator. Added the positions of global extension team coordinator and district marketing chairperson.

### By-Laws:

**Article III.** Duties of District Officers/Cabinet. Sections 1,2,3,6,7,8,11,13,14. Deleted the possessive pronouns/adjectives "his/her" in these sections and inserted "their". Updated the duties and responsibilities of these sections. (District Governor, First Vice District Governor, Second Vice District Governor, Global Service Team District Coordinator, Global Membership Team District Coordinator, Global Leadership Team District Coordinator, LCIF District Coordinator, Region Chairperson, Zone Chairperson.) Added positions of Global Extension Team Coordinator and District Marketing Chairperson.

**Article III. Sections 9 and 10.** Added positions of Global Extension Team Coordinator and District Marketing chairperson.

**Article V Section 4.** Revised to change the composition of regions and zones in a district.

## **PROPOSED CHANGE TO DISTRICT 12N BYLAWS TO BE VOTED ON AT THE DISTRICT CONVENTION ON FEBRUARY 17, 2024**

**Article III Section 5(d)** Insert the word "May" so the section reads:

May serve as Treasurer of District 12-N Charities, Inc. during his/her term as Cabinet Treasurer.



# VOTING AT DISTRICT 12N CONVENTION



Below are a couple of items to be aware of prior to attending and expecting to vote at the upcoming District 12N Convention in Feb 2024.

**Dues Payment** – For club delegates to be able to vote, your club dues **MUST BE PAID** up by 12/31/23 – this includes International dues and District dues.

**Discounted Members** – Per the recent 2023 International Convention, a new category was created called “Discounted Member”. This incorporates Family members, Leo-Lion members, student members and young adult members. They are **NOT** considered part of your club’s delegate entitlement; i.e., if your club has 16 members and two of those are “discounted members” then your entitlement count is 14 members. So rather than 2 delegates you are only entitled to 1. The **delegate formula is**: One delegate/alternate for every 10 members or major fraction thereof i.e., over 5. The “discounted member” could be your club voting delegate if they are attending the convention and your club selects them as the delegate. The point is, you may have less members available to vote this year due to the new LCI ruling. However, ALL PDGs are allowed to vote regardless of their club standing.

If you have any questions about these two items, please reach out to your District Constitution & By-Laws Chair, Mike Vudragovich at [mvudragovich@gmail.com](mailto:mvudragovich@gmail.com) or Treasurer, Chuck Bailey at [chuck-yegg001@gmail.com](mailto:chuck-yegg001@gmail.com).

## **OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS**

### **CALL FOR DISTRICT 12N LEADERSHIP 2ND VDG CANDIDATES Deadline for Candidate Qualification is FEBRUARY 1, 2024**

#### **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 your club for two or more years?**

**Have you been a Zone Chair, Region Chair, District Secretary or District Treasurer?**

**Are you willing to accept the challenge and become our District Governor in 2026?**

**For more information and details, please contact PDG Chuck Bailey at 423/371-9737 or email at [chuck-yegg001@gmail.com](mailto:chuck-yegg001@gmail.com)**



# OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

## Service Awards



To all Club Service Chairs:

This year I would like each club to nominate someone to be considered for recognition in the service category. The individual can be nominated for innovation, time spent or any other service related criteria each club deems worthy.

Please have your club submit their recommendation to the District GST (Lion Connie Emmons) for a final submission to the MD GST (Lion Connie Emmons). Please submit your candidate to me by January 25, 2024 to be considered. Please provide their name and why you nominated them.

I will be giving recognition in each District as well as one from the State. I can't do this without your help and input. Please start thinking now.

Let's lift each other up and be supportive in any way that we can.

Thank you for your service as well,

Lion Connie Emmons  
Global Service Team Chair  
[conniemay2017@outlook.com](mailto:conniemay2017@outlook.com)



**MULTIPLE DISTRICT 12 TENNESSEE LIONS**  
**“LION OF THE YEAR CONTEST – 2023-2024”**

**CONTEST PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023**

NOTE: Club must be “In Good Standing” with District and International dues paid up to date for candidate to be considered. (See MD-12 Constitution By Laws Article III, Section 1 and Lions International Constitution and By-Laws Article XI, Section 1(a).)

Use the following format to submit your Club’s “LION OF THE YEAR” for competition in the District and Multiple District contests.

Complete your club’s entry form in detail and mail it to your District Contest and Awards Chairman **POST-MARKED NO LATER THAN February 28, 2024**. Include a small picture of your candidate (color print is acceptable) if at all possible.

Attach additional pages (**no more than 6**) with the information specified in items 1-3 below. No additional pictures or letters or recommendation will be considered.

NAME OF YOUR LIONS CLUB \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF YOUR “LION OF THE YEAR” \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS OF YOU “LION OF THE YEAR” \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE’S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

How many years has this Lion been a member of your club? \_\_\_\_\_.

**NO 1. SERVICE RENDERED TO YOUR LOCAL LIONS CLUB BY YOUR CANDIDATE DURING THE PAST YEAR.** Include offices held and other responsibilities assumed by your candidate during the past twelve (12) months: projects chaired, accomplishments, awards received, meetings attended, perfect attendance, members sponsored, etc. **(Counts as 50 points.)**

**NO 2. SERVICE RENDERED TO YOUR COMMUNITY BY YOUR CANDIDATE DURING THE PAST YEAR.** Include local community service outside Lionism; such as Church, youth recreation, volunteer health drives and various other humanitarian services. **(Counts as 40 Points.)**

**NO 3. WHY, IN THE OPINION OF YOUR CLUB, SHOULD YOUR CANDIDATE BE CONSIDERED AN OUTSTANDING LION BY OUR DISTRICT?** A good detailed recommendation from the Club’s Lion of the Year Chairman or Secretary will be quite helpful. **(Counts as 10 Points.)**

Respectfully submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Secretary or Lion of the Year Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_



Rules and regulations governing the “Lion of the Year” contest in the District and Multiple District.

1. The committee selecting the “Lion of the Year” shall consider the following points with regard to the importance of the three items in the contest.

Item No. 1 = 50 Points Item No. 2 = 40 Points Item No.3 = 10 Points

2. Only one (1) nominee from a club may be entered each year in the District Contest, only one (1) nominee from a District may be entered each year in the Multiple District Contest and only one (1) Multiple District “Lion of the Year” shall be selected each year.

3. The candidate shall have been “In Good Standing” in his/her local club during the entire contest period. (See MD-12 Constitution and By Laws Article III, Section 1 and Lions International Constitution and By-Laws Article XI, Section 1(a).)

4. Contest begins **January 1, 2023** and ends **December 31, 2023**

5. The District Contest & Awards Chairman **must** receive the local club’s completed entry form **postmarked or emailed no later than February 28, 2024** for the entry to be considered.

6. The District selection committee shall be chaired by the District Contest & Awards Chairman and shall be composed of Lions appointed by the District Governor.

7. Those ineligible to be entered in the **District** competition are: District Governor, Vice District Governors, District Contest & Awards Chairmen.

8. The District winner will be announced at the State Convention, with appropriate awards and publicity being given.

9. The District Contest & Awards Chairman will submit the District winner to the Multiple District 12 Tennessee Lions Contest & Awards Chairman on or before a date specified by the MD-12 Contest & Awards Chairman. **Only one (1) nominee shall be submitted to the Multiple District.**

10. The State Contest & Awards Committee shall review the District entries sufficiently in advance of the State Convention in order to select a winner and have a suitable award prepared for presentation before the close of the State Convention.

11. Once a Lion has won the District or MD level award of Lion of the Year, he/she must not be nominated again for the same award for a period of 5 years.

**12. Please include a copy of the application with your entry.**

NOTE: A club nominating a candidate for “Lion of the Year” must be “In Good Standing” with the District and International dues paid up to date.

## MULTIPLE DISTRICT 12 TENNESSEE LIONS

### “LION OF THE DECADE CONTEST – 2023”

**CONTEST PERIOD: JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023**

NOTE: Club must be “In Good Standing” with District and International dues paid up to date for candidate to be considered. (See MD-12 Constitution By Laws Article III, Section 1 and Lions International Constitution and By-Laws Article XI, Section 1(a).)

Use the following format to submit your Club’s “LION OF THE DECADE” for competition in the District and Multiple District contests.

Complete your club’s entry form in detail and mail it to your District Contest and Awards Chairman **POST-MARKED OR EMAILED NO LATER THAN February 28, 2024**. Include a small picture of your candidate (color print is acceptable) if at all possible.

Attach additional pages (**no more than 8**) with the information specified in items 1-4 below. No additional pictures or letters or recommendation will be considered.

NAME OF YOUR LIONS CLUB \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF YOUR “LION OF THE DECADE” \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS OF YOU “LION OF THE DECADE” \_\_\_\_\_

AGE \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE’S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

**NO 1. SERVICE RENDERED TO YOUR LOCAL LIONS CLUB BY YOUR CANDIDATE DURING THE PAST TEN-YEAR PERIOD.** Include offices held and other responsibilities assumed by your candidate during the past ten (10) years: projects chaired, awards received, accomplishments, meetings attended, perfect attendance, members sponsored, etc. **(Counts as 40 Points.)**

**NO. 2. SERVICE RENDERED TO LIONISM BEYOND THE LOCAL CLUB LEVEL BY YOUR CANDIDATE DURING THE PAST TEN-YEAR PERIOD.** List all offices, committees served on, committees chaired, etc., in the District and beyond. List dates served in these capacities. List all awards received for service to Lionism. **(Counts as 25 Points.)**

**NO 3. SERVICE RENDERED TO YOUR COMMUNITY BY YOUR CANDIDATE DURING THE PAST TEN-YEAR PERIOD.** Include local community service outside Lionism; such as Church, youth recreation, volunteer health drives and various other humanitarian services. **(Counts as 25 Points.)**

**NO 4. WHY, IN THE OPINION OF YOUR CLUB, SHOULD YOUR CANDIDATE BE CONSIDERED AN OUTSTANDING LION BY OUR DISTRICT?** A good detailed recommendation from the Club’s Lion of the Year Chairman or Secretary will be quite helpful. **(Counts as 10 Points.)**

Respectfully submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Secretary or Lion of the Decade Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_



Rules and regulations governing the “Lion of the Decade” contest in the District and Multiple District.

1. The committee selecting the “Lion of the Decade” shall consider the following points with regard to the importance of the three items in the contest.

No. 1 = 40 Points No. 2 = 25 Points No.3 = 25 Points No. 4 = 10 Points

2. Only one (1) nominee from a club may be entered each year in the District Contest, only one (1) nominee from a District may be entered each year in the Multiple District Contest and only one (1) Multiple District “Lion of the Decade” shall be selected each year.

3. The candidate shall have been “In Good Standing” in his/her local club during the entire contest period. (See MD-12 Constitution and By Laws Article III, Section 1 and Lions International Constitution and By-Laws Article XI, Section 1(a).)

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10. The State Contest & Awards Committee shall review the District entries sufficiently in advance of the State Convention in order to select a winner and have a suitable award prepared for presentation before the close of the State Convention.

11. A Lion who has been nominated for the award of Lion of the Decade and wins at the district level may not be nominated again for the same award for a period of 5 years and cannot use nominating activity information previously used for the prior 5 years.

**12. Please include a copy of the application with your entry.**

NOTE: A club nominating a candidate for “Lion of the Year” must be “In Good Standing” with the District and International dues paid up to date.





# **DISTRICT 12N CONVENTION SILENT AUCTION ITEMS**

Please bring a Silent  
Auction donation  
to the District  
Convention



**Lions are ready  
whenever & however  
our communitites  
need us.**

Join a Lions Club, help make a difference.



# Lions Learning Retreat

## January 26-28, 2024

Manchester Coffee County Conference Center  
Manchester, Tennessee

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name to be used on name tag \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Lion \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

First Time Attendee: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Meals: Diabetic \_\_\_\_\_ Low Sodium \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_ Other? \_\_\_\_\_

Name#2 \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Leo \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Lion \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

First Time Attender: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Meals: Diabetic \_\_\_\_\_ Low Sodium \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_ Other? \_\_\_\_\_

Early registration - MUST be Postmarked by November 1, 2023 \$130.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Late registration - post-marked by January 5, 2024 \$140.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Includes all seminars. Friday Dinner, Saturday Lunch and Banquet & Sunday Brunch

On-site registration - May NOT receive meals \$150.00 \_\_\_\_\_

includes all seminars but NO MEALS

Saturday only Registration available until December 20, 2023 \$80.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Includes seminars, Lunch & Banquet for Saturday

Mark if appropriate - Will NOT attend--

Friday meal \_\_\_\_\_ Saturday dinner \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday brunch \_\_\_\_\_

Check# \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ made payable to **Lions Learning Retreat**

Credit Card# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. Code \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize the LLR to charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my credit card. **Add Convenience Fee of \$5 per Reg.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Send all registrations and payments to:**

**Lion Jim McFarland, 8030 Whitestone RD, Knoxville, TN 37938**





## 2024 TLLI

### 2024 Tennessee Lions Learning Institute Thurs. evening - Sun noon, April 11-14, 2024



A 3-day institute designed for Tennessee Lions with less than 5 years as members in Lions Clubs International. All Lions are welcome.



**Cumberland**  
UNIVERSITY

One Cumberland Square, Lebanon, TN 37087  
Lodging at Comfort Suites, 904 Murfreesboro Rd.  
Lebanon, TN 37090 (Exit 238 off I-40)

**WHAT:** Interactive participation with your peers and faculty in a casual environment dealing with what Lions are all about. While all Lions who have not attended a Regional Institute are welcome to register, this Institute is Intended to arm newer Lions with skills and experiences needed to navigate the challenges of modern-day Lions. Issues such as "Diversity" "Working in Teams" "Lions Fundamentals" "Who do I ask?" "How do I break through in a club with outdated ideas?" are addressed.

This is your opportunity to get your questions answered by a faculty of LCI Certified Trainers from outside Tennessee.

**DRESS:** Casual attire, no vests, no name badges, just your Lions pin and an open mind.

**COST:** 2024 TLLI is subsidized by a grant from LCI and your Multidistrict 12 Council of Governors as an investment in your future as a Tennessee Lion. However, the subsidies don't cover the full cost. Therefore, the cost to each student is \$150.00 (double occupancy), for 3 nights lodging, Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner on Friday and Saturday and Breakfast on Sunday. If you would rather not share a room, the rate will be slightly higher. See the registration page to contact Chuck Bailey. (If you desire to be a student but find the cost to be beyond your means, contact your District Governor Team, scholarships may be available to you.)

#### **SCHEDULE:**

##### Thurs, Apr. 11 (at Comfort Suites)

3 – 6:00 PM Check-in, room assignments, receive schedules and materials, meet the faculty

6 – 8:00 PM Dinner on your own

8 - 9:30 PM Opening Session

##### Fri, Apr. 12

7:30 AM Breakfast @ Motel

8:30 AM Morning Sessions

Noon Lunch

1:00 PM Afternoon Sessions

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Group Activity (TBA)

##### Sat, Apr. 13

7:30 AM Breakfast @ motel

8:30 AM Morning Sessions

Noon Lunch

1:00 PM Afternoon Sessions

6:00 PM Dinner

7:00 PM Homework assignment

##### Sun, Apr. 14

7:30 AM Breakfast @ motel

8:30 AM Morning Session

10:30 AM Closing Session  
and Graduation

Noon Completion of TLLI



2024 TLLI  
Enrollment Registration



Mail this Registration form along with a check of \$150.00 per registrant made payable to: 2024 TLLI and mail to:

Lions District 12N Charities, Inc.  
c/o CA Bailey  
709 Shannondale Way  
Maryville, TN 37922

For more info or questions call  
Chuck Bailey at 423.371.9737

**First Student:**

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Lions Club
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Street Address	City	State	zip
<hr/>			
Cell Phone	Home Phone	Email	
<hr/>			
Dietary Restrictions? _____			
Mobility Issues? _____			
Roommate Preference? _____			

**Second Student:**

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Lions Club
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Street Address	City	State	zip
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Cell Phone	Home Phone	Email	
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Dietary Restrictions? _____			
Mobility Issues? _____			
Roommate Preference? _____			





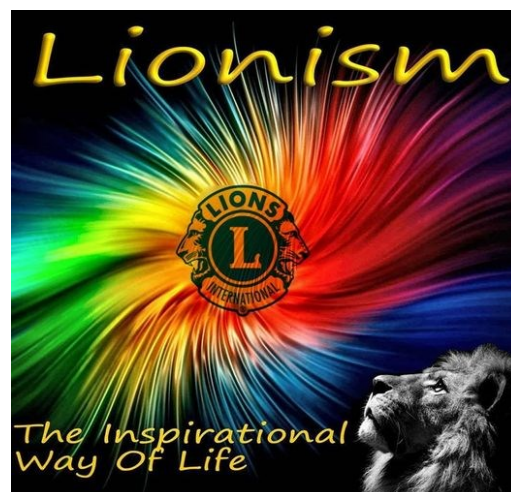
## **REMINDER Of 12N SCHOLARSHIPS**

Your District is offering reimbursement Scholarships for the following upcoming events:

Lions Learning Retreat  
January 26-28, 2024  
Manchester Coffee County Conference Center  
Manchester, Tennessee

DG Frank gets one free registration to distribute but the District has also approved offering 10 registration scholarships for the first individuals to sign-up.

Scholarships are also offered for TLLI (TN Lions Learning Institute April 11-14—Cumberland University in Lebanon)



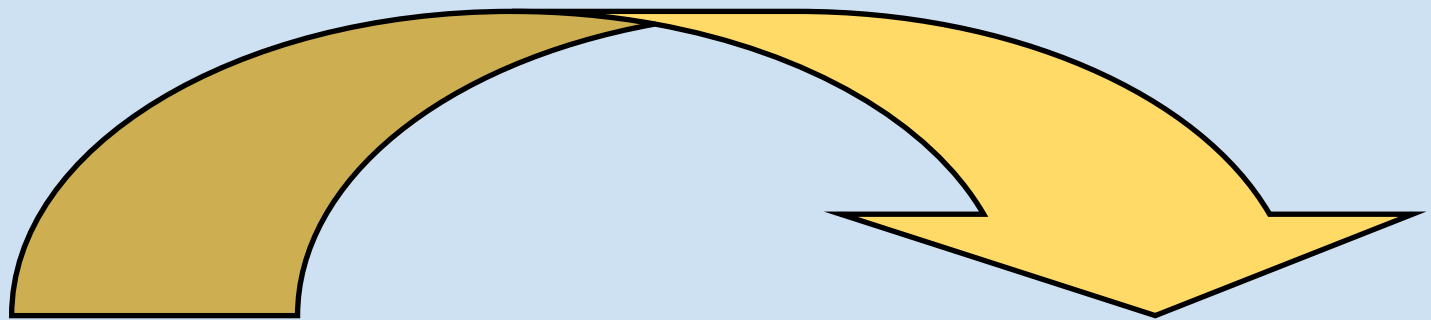


## **NEWS & VIEWS ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS**

**We NEED your stories and photos. We know you are serving your communities. Whether it is a service project, a fundraiser, Officer Installations, New Member Inductions or thanking a member for a job well done - let us know what you are doing. We can all learn off each other!**

**Articles for the News & Views should be in WORD or JPEG formats and NOT PDF formats. Font size should be at least 16 and 200 words is the maximum limit for articles. If photos are submitted (encouraged) the articles should be no longer than 110 words and please name the people in the photo(s) if possible.**

**Submit all articles and photos to Paulette Bailey at [ladipee@gmail.com](mailto:ladipee@gmail.com) by the 20th of the month.**



## **WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS**

**Gene LeToile Sr. - Clinton**  
**Deborah Wengert - Dandridge**  
**Maria Esther Livingston - Harriman**  
**Mike Livingston—Harriman**

***WELCOME NEW  
MEMBERS***

## **IN MEMORY OF** **None Noted**







**Did you know that Lions Volunteer Blind Industries in Morristown and Johnson City employs over 100 disabled individuals, some of whom have been with us over 30 years?**

This team of highly-skilled employees produce mattresses, foundations, mattress pads, army and navy physical-fitness pants, helmet covers for the military, and industrial paper towels. The products made by our blind and visually-impaired employees can be found in homes, colleges and universities, hotels and resorts, and on military bases both at home and abroad.

Begun in 1951 by the combined efforts of Lions Club Members, the National Industries for the Blind, the State of Tennessee, and other interested individuals, **Lions Volunteer Blind Industries** began our mission of providing blind people with **"The dignity of independence through employment."** Our goal is to help people who are blind to help themselves by achieving personal and economic independence.

***We are always hiring blind and visually-impaired people, and offer a very competitive compensation and benefit package. We can use your help to recruit visually-impaired applicants! How? Get the word out in your community and refer interested applicants to us by sharing this link: <https://www.facebook.com/ComfortCraftersMorristown/videos/186130468965042/>***

**How can we help YOU? Please consider us for a fundraiser with our Comfort Crafters® mattresses!**



For more information about employment opportunities, please contact

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