



UPCOMING EVENTS

July 16 - 12N
Organizational
Mtg

July 16 - Child-
hood Cancer
Beanie Cap
Workshop

September 15-
17 USA/Canada
Lions Forum

DG RICH'S POST 'BETWEEN THE LIONS'

It is 100 degrees outside with 125% humidity. Everyone is at the lake or at the pool grilling or enjoying fresh corn, cucumbers, tomatoes, or peppers from the garden. It is 9:00 PM and it is still daylight! There is only one thing to say:

'Happy Lions New Year!' I returned from LCIcon 104 in Montreal last week having taken the DG oath for 2022-2023 (see pix elsewhere). It was great to share this occasion with 4 of the 5 Tennessee DGs in person. Yes, in person, something that we take for granted but has not happened due to COVID.

I had the honor of riding on the Ober Gatlinburg float that stepped off at midnight (being the first in the country) last night celebrating our nation's independence on July 4th!

I look forward to visiting everyone in District 12N along with attending your meetings and special projects during the year. Please contact me personally (865-321-0903) to schedule. Trust me – I am not shy - so I might just show up without an invite.

Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with International President Brian Sheehan's info that I forwarded in the email blast July 4th. Please think of projects and how your club will exemplify our theme this year:

'Together We Can.' - til later...

**A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR
RICH WILSON**

A VERY HAPPY NEW

Lionistic Year

2022-23



Vice Governor Frank's Musings



My name is Frank McCall and I am the newly elected 1st Vice District Governor for 12-N. My host club is The Loudon Lions Club where I have been a member for more than 10 years. I am looking forward to meeting members on club visits and promoting how we can serve our communities.

On June 18th, 2022, there was a gathering of Lions club members at Fountain City Park outside of Knoxville. The whole purpose was to show the community how the Lions Clubs are serving them. The great thing about this event is that several Lions Clubs contributed to the success of this day. There were representatives from Clinton, Dandridge, Farragut, Fountain City, Inskip, Kingston, Knox County North, Knox East, Loudon, Maryville, Norris, Sevier County and West Knox. Excuse me if I missed a club.

The day was not as hot as previous days and there was a little breeze. This brought a lot of parents with children to the park to play and just let them be kids. The big attraction for the kids was The Ghostbusters Ecto-2 and Kona ice truck to sell snow cones.

Several Lions set up Tents with tables full of arts and crafts. If you got hungry, then there were hotdogs and hamburgers sold by the Clinton Lions Club. Music was provided by Aaron T to bring a good mood to everything happening. Eye screening was made available to those who wanted to participate as well as hearing and Diabetes A1C screenings. The day ended with the Reverse Raffle.

Thanks to all that made this event happen. "Where there is a need, there is a Lion".

1st VDG Frank McCall

DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

ACTIVITIES OF THE HARRIMAN LIONS CLUB



Cornstalk Heights Historical Community Organization President, Bruce Knobloch, receives a check from Harriman Club President, Carie Gecelosky. The \$1000 check, along with a previous \$500 check, will purchase a stained-glass window for Harriman Hall. Harriman Hall was originally built in 1891, the first church to be built in the new "town of temperance." It was originally the First Christian Church (aptly named) and is in the process of renovation as a community meeting and events location. The Harriman Club is part of the work crew that meets monthly to help with the renovation.

The Harriman Lions Club held their annual "World's Greatest Pancake Breakfast" on Saturday, June 4th at the Roane Street Grill.

Well attended, it was their biggest fund raiser for the year.



DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

WEST KNOX LIONS ANSWERING THE CALL

A request for 50 cupcakes was made by Sharon Earls for the Cerebral Palsy Center. The cupcakes were for all the June Birthdays. So the West Knox Lions Members who answered the call were Lion Nancy Hall, Lion Sue Hilliker and Lion Beverly Gilmer.

A text message sent from Ms. Earls informed us that the sweets were enjoyed by all, especially the clients.



Pictured from left to right - Lions Sue Hilliker and Nancy Hall, Sharon Earls and Lion Beverly Gilmore

DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART



Operation Inasmuch Executive Director, Gene Whaley; DG Rich Wilson and Operation Inasmuch Founder David Cocker.

DG Rich was one of the Team Leaders in the recent Operation Inasmuch Food packing event held at the Knoxville Expo Center to aid the Ukrainian Refugees.

Over 250,000 meals were packed by over 1,000 volunteers.

The entire community came out to SERVE for this event.

FAMILIES IN CRISIS NEED YOU!

Feed Ukrainian Refugees

Join Operation Inasmuch to pack
250,000 nutritional meals for
Ukrainian refugees in Poland!

Saturday, June 11 8AM - 5PM
Knoxville Expo Center
OperationInasmuch.org/Ukraine

OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

Meet & Greet 9:00 AM
Meeting Begins 9:30 AM

JULY 16, 2022

Lions Volunteer Blind
Industries,
758 W Morris Blvd,
Morristown, TN, 37813

District 12N Organizational Meeting

with newly elected
DG Rich Wilson



**SAVE
THE DATE**

OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

BEANIE WIG WORKSHOP AFTER JULY ORG MEETING

LVBI - 758 W. Morris Blvd - Morristown - Approx 1 PM

Calling all crochet enthusiasts. I am trying to find a group of people who enjoy crocheting to make these amazing beanie wigs for children who experience hair loss. The plan is to donate them to East TN Children's and Niswonger Children's hospitals. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Paulette Bailey ladpee@gmail.com or 423-371-9738. I would be willing to put on a workshop for a group in your area as well. This is NOT for a club fundraiser!



Princess Elsa from "Frozen"



Captain Jack Sparrow from
"Pirates of the Caribbean"

OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

LION OF THE YEAR AND LION OF THE DECADE



District Governor Paulette Bailey had the honor of presenting Joshua Bolling of the Karns Lions Club with both the District and State Lion of the Year Award. With the state having almost 5,000 Lions this is an awesome recognition for Joshua.

District Governor Paulette also had the honor of presenting Larry Elder of the Tellico Village Lions Club with both the District and State Lion of the Decade Award. Again, with the state having almost 5,000 Lions this is an awesome recognition for Larry.



OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

Miscellaneous Recognitions and Officer installations



Zone Chair Nathanael Hughes presenting long-time service chevrons to Johnson City Don Raines and Jerry Lonon.

Below - PCC Brandon Johnson installed Sevier County 2022-2023 Officers - Brian Powell, Ranee King, Terry Aparicio, Frank Aparicio, Chuck Osborne and Kim Osborne.



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PDG Ed Gibbons installed the 2022-2023 Officers for the Dan-dridge Lions Club. Left to right—Doug Goddard, 1VP; Richard Walker, Past Pres.; Carolyn Rinehart, President and Mike Johnson, 2nd VP. Back Row - Charles Crosby, Membership Chair; Ben Wilbur, Lion Tamer; Doug Dykstra, Secretary

and Bill O'Connell, Director. PDG Ed also installed two new members - Cecilia Crosby and Lana Pounders and gave two Melvin Jones Fellowship Awards to Lions Jim Everett and Eldon Mitchell.



District Governor Paulette had the honor of installing the 2022-2023 Officers of the Johnson City Lions Club with a "Fruit Cocktail" celebration. Each officer was given a different piece of fruit and Paulette described the significance of each piece of fruit in relation to their specific jobs. President Doris Kaifa is the first African-American female for the club.

OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

Miscellaneous Officer installations and Member Inductions



PCC Mike McDonough installed the 2022-2023 Maryville Lions Club Officers. From left to right - PCC Mike, President, Jamie Holland; Secretary, Chuck Bailey and Tail Twister and Membership Chair Reese Wills. PCC Mike also had the pleasure of inducting two new members into the club - Linda and Jose Cortes.



OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS



1st Ticket Drawn - **Ashlee Smith** - \$200
(sold by Dandridge)

3rd from Last - **David Douthat** - \$500
(sold by Kingsport)

2nd from Last - **Ruth Jacobs** - \$1,000
(sold by West Knox)

Last Ticket Drawn - **Wendy Hancock** - \$2,000
(sold by Dandridge)

OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

Miscellaneous photos from Day with the Lions



A great time was had by all! Several clubs put up arts and crafts booths, Lion Paws paid a visit, the Ghost Busters and Kona Ice were there and Clinton Lions made sure no one went hungry!



More photos from Day with the Lions



OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

KARNS SHRIMP BOIL



Karns Lions Club held a two-night Shrimp Boil event featuring standard shrimp boil offerings along with gumbo and coleslaw. Club President Scott Gross had way too much fun cooking up "Apple Pie Moonshine" soaked donut holes which were topped with ice cream and all the fixins! They also featured a silent auction and live entertainment.



OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

SEVIER COUNTY LIONS YARD SALE



As their major fund raiser, the Sevier County Lions hold a yard sale once or twice a year and help serve the needs of their community at the same time.



Yard Sale Crew left to right—Ranee King, Kim Osborne, Terry Aparacio, Welby Stayton, Deanna Banks, Erik Hofstad. Back Row - Rich Wilson and Miriam Alvarez.

OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS



WEST KNOX LIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT

We are proud to announce our 27th annual golf tournament. It will be on Monday, September 19, 2022 at the Egwani Farms Golf Course, 3920 Singleton Station Rd, Rockford, TN. It's a 4 person team best ball tournament. Registration begins at 7:30. Tee time is 8:30am

Entry fee is \$100.00 which includes; green fees, a cart, & a barbecue lunch. There will be prizes for first and second place teams, the Longest Drive, the Over 65 Longest Drive, & four closest to the pin contests. In addition, there's a chipping contest. Door prize drawings will be held.

Proceeds from the tournament go to finance many West Knox Lions charities, including our KidSight OutReach Program. We are part of the Smoky Mountain Lions Charities, which owns and operates the Mobile Eye Lab. The lab provides eye exams and eyeglasses at a very low cost for all the East Tennessee Lions Club sight programs.

Put together a team and join us. Or come on your own and we will assign you to a team. For information call Ron Riehn 865 773 -3795 or Ron Welch 865 690-6317.

OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

6TH ANNUAL

Farragut Lions Club
CAR SHOW



**OPEN TO
VEHICLES OF
ALL AGES!**

**SEPTEMBER 24, 2022
8:00AM TO 1PM**

AT JC PENNY'S TURKEY CREEK
CONTACT (865) 679-4779 FOR MORE DETAILS

Miscellaneous Photos From Lions Clubs International Convention Montreal, Canada



International President Brian and wife Lori Sheehan. They are from Bird Island, Minnesota.



MD12 TN District Governors - John Hughey, District L, Patrick Scott, District I, Fred Mundt, District O and Rich Wilson, District N. Missing is Linda Maggart, District S



Above - Some of the Tennessee attendees for the International parade. The District Governor elects are holding the banner.

To the left - District Governor Elect Rich is having his ribbon pulled by PID BJ Blankenship which makes him the official new DG for District 12N!

More photos from LCI Convention



Above - DG Rich with PIP (Past Int'l President)/LCIF Chairman, Douglas Alexander.

Right - DG Rich talking about the 12N "Operation Inasmuch Food Packing program.



Presidential Theme and Pin



TN Delegation at Convention: Front - Diane Mundt, Di-anne Corlew, PIP Bob Corlew, PDG Carolyn Blankenship, PDG Frank Young, PDG Ann Young; Back DG Rich Wilson, DG Fred Mundt, DG John Hughey, Frances Scott and PID BJ Blankenship.

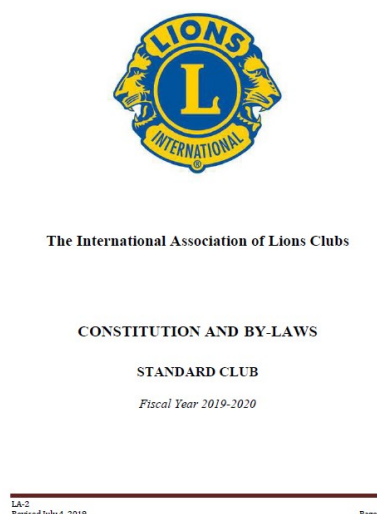
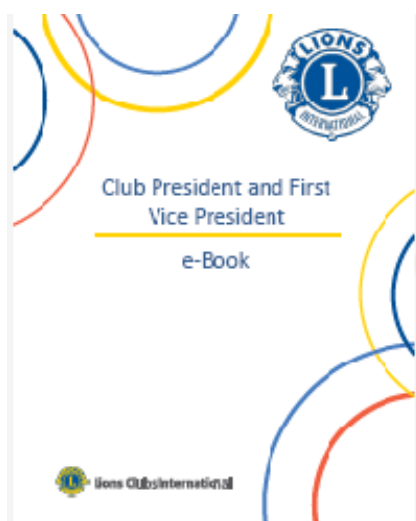


DID YOU MISS OUT ON THE DISTRICT 12 N OFFICER TRAINING ?

If you missed out on the two sessions held for the 2022-2023 District 12N Officer training, please feel free to watch the sessions for President/Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer on the District 12N website at www.tnlions.org under the Member Resources tab. Several resources can also be found there, especially the Officer E-books. It is worth placing the e-book on your desktop as they provide a myriad of hot-links to various documents and forms that you might find useful in your Officer role.

Lions Clubs International also offers on-line classes under the “Learn” icon as well as specific website pages for the individual officers of a club. The web pages contain information about officer responsibilities and, again, various links to make your job easier. Just go to www.lionsclubs.org and type in the search menu what you are looking for; i.e., President, Secretary, Membership Chair, etc.

Here are just a couple pics of some of the documents you might see:



Club Excellence Awards



The Club Excellence Award is more than an award ... it is proof that your club is STRONG!

Clubs that excel in community service, membership growth, communications and organizational operations may qualify for the prestigious Excellence Awards.

Please use the qualifications outlined in the club excellence award application as your road map to excellence.

Did your club finish the year with a net growth in membership? Did your club participate in at least three service projects? Did you promote your club's events or activities to the community? If you answered yes to these questions, you may be eligible for the Club Excellence Award.

The Club Excellence Award for 2021-2022 is due August 31, 2022. The application form can be found at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/resource-center/club-excellence-awards>.

For questions, inquiries or to submit your Club Excellence Award Application you may contact us by email clubexcellenceaward@lionsclubs.org or by phone (630)468-6828.

Make it your Club's tradition to excel every year! You can begin now to work towards achieving the Club Excellence award for 2022-2023—you basically have the entire Lions year to work towards achieving the qualifications outlined in the application.

Good Luck to everyone! Meanwhile - thank you for what you do for your communities whether you achieve this award or not! All Lions and Lion-clubs are important and can make a difference!



DON'T FORGET
ORDER YOUR 2022-2023
NEW MEMBER KITS—#NM10EN

clubsupplies@lionsclubs.org
(they are free)

Club Secretaries please be sure to order your “free” new member kits from LCI. The Membership and Sponsor Certificates have the signature of the International President and as of July 1st that will be International President Brian Sheehan.

Something you might want to include in your new member kits might be your club roster including the new member’s name and contact info so the club membership can reach out to each other - your call - just a thought.

NEWS & VIEWS ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

We NEED your stories and photos. We know you are serving your communities. Whether it is a service project, a fund raiser, 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 by the 20th of the month.



To develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International.

Over 70 seminars will be offered with several motivational speakers, service projects, a strides walk, great meals and entertainment and countless opportunities to network with other partner programs and like-minded Lions members.

Please join us in Calgary - Registration form follows on next page.

46th ANNUAL USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM*Calgary, Alberta Canada***Thursday, September 15, 2022 - Saturday, September 17, 2022****The Forum begins on Thursday morning and ends after the closing banquet on Saturday evening.****Please book your hotel stay accordingly.****Registrant A****SUB-DISTRICT**☐ **LION**☐ **LIONESS**☐ **LEO**☐ **NON-MEMBER****Name**

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Initial

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State/Prov

Zip/PC

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Alternative Phone

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This is my First Time Attending a Forum

I was invited to the Forum by

(name of mentor must be listed to receive credit for your attendance)

Forums attended

Highest Office Held

☐ Past☐ Present**Please check all that apply:**Special Meals: ☐ Diabetic ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Hindu Vegetarian ☐ Other

(Please specify needs and include any allergies. It may not be possible to accommodate all special meal requests)

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Hearing Challenged

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Visually Challenged

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Physically Challenged

Specific needs

(Please let us know how we can help with your specific challenge, i.e.: hearing device, Braille, signer, wheelchair access...?)

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I am a Pin Trader

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I will need a table for pin trading

Number of tables needed

(Pin trading tables will be available at \$60 each)

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I would like to participate in the Strides Stampede on Thursday afternoon, September 15, 2022. (Cost is \$25 per person)

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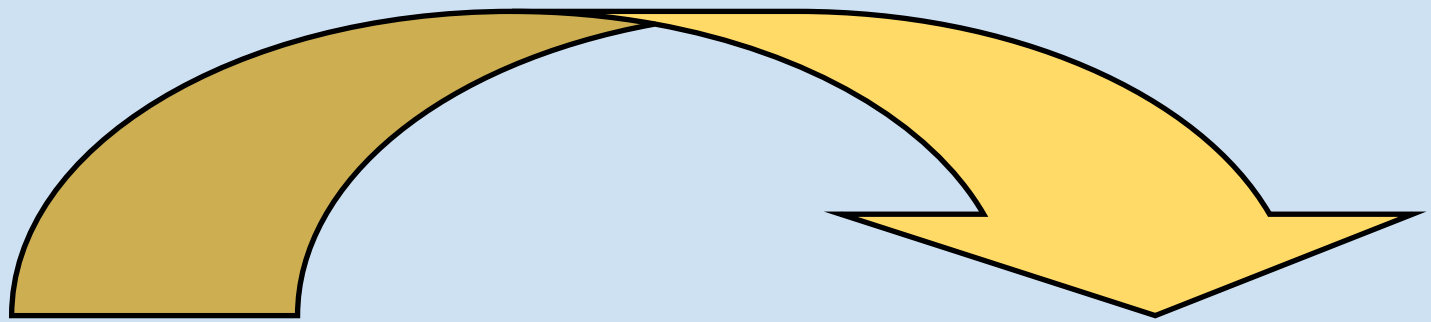
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WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Lana Pounders - Dandridge

Andjelka Francis - ETSU

Haley Webster - ETSU

Chris Kresky - Karns

Jill Kresky - Karns

James Douglas Edsell - Knoxville Diversified

Jose Cortes - Maryville

Linda Cortes - Maryville

Andrew Miller - West Knox

Khoa Pham - West Knox

*WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS*

IN MEMORY OF

Creed McCoy - Knoxville Tri-County





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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