



### Dates to Remember

**Sept 15-17**

**USA/Canada Forum  
(Calgary)**

**Oct 1 - 12N**

**Cabinet Meeting**

**Nov 5 – MD12**

**Cabinet Meeting**

**Dec 6 - 12N**

**Food Packing Event**

**Dec 9—Tennessee**

**School for the  
Blind Christmas  
Party**

### DG RICH'S POST- "Between the Lions"

What better time than now to gauge how our clubs are performing as we near the end of the first quarter of our Lions year? Are you progressing toward your club's annual goals? Are your clubs meeting regularly with satisfactory attendance? Are all your committees meeting and reporting? Have you checked 'MyLion' to be sure your club has submitted ALL your reports? Are you submitting articles and pictures of your club's activities to the District's Facebook and web site?

Remember to register for the Noon September 23, 2022 Webinar - "Plan for your Club's Success".

[Presidential Awards Initiatives | Lions Clubs International](#) is the link to reward your club member's challenging work! <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/presidential-awards-initiatives>

Remember to use the current artwork and theme when printing agendas, newsletters, and other club communications: [Presidential Theme | Lions Clubs International](#). Go to the bottom right of the page to find all the necessary information - <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-clubs/presidential-theme>

Please remember to file your Form 990 with the IRS. Do NOT wait until the last minute as the Lions year ended on June 30, 2022. Most clubs can file Form 990EZ but ask if you need assistance to avoid any unnecessary fines or penalties.

Remember to share your Club's Fall activities with your fellow 12N Lions. Whether it be a car show, golf tourney, pancake breakfast, etc., spread the word both before and after your special event. Let us know what [you are](#) doing for Halloween and the holiday season, too ! DG Rich

# Vice Governor Frank's Musings



## Independence through Employment

Close your eyes and imagine. How would your world be if you could not see or had trouble adapting to today's environment? It would be very dark and very scary. But it really does not have to be. What if there was a way to make this better?

In October of 1951, a need was recognized by Lions club members, The State of Tennessee and The National Industries for The Blind. This led to the formation of Lions Volunteer Blind Industries. Their mission was "Providing blind people with the dignity of independence through employment". The main operation was to be in Morristown with another organization in Johnson City. We also now have an operation in Chattanooga.

How do the blind or vision impaired benefit? LVBI offers a work environment where the individual can step up to the challenge and feel good about the product(s) that they are making. They serve a wide variety of customers.

LVBI makes mattresses, box springs and mattress pads to contract customers or universities. Retail customers can purchase the bed products at the factory outlet. They also make military wear such as helmet covers and pants.

LVBI is also one of the District 12N charities that we support.

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Frank McCall

## DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

### Harriman Lions Club teams with the Babahatchie Band for "Music and Melons" Concert.



Harriman Lions - Watermelon Experts

The Babahatchie Band also recognized Dr. Julian Ahler for his many years of band support. He played baritone up until this concert when he officially "retired" at 89 years of age. Dr. Ahler is also the longest serving member of the Harriman Lions Club having begun his service in October of 1960...almost 62 years of service!

The Babahatchie Band is comprised of "volunteer musicians" of all ages from the local area, to include Knox County. On August 21<sup>st</sup> the band teamed with the Harriman Lions Club for their annual "Music and Melons" Concert. The event took place at Riverfront Park in Harri-man. During the band intermission, the Harriman Lions Club provided watermelon to all in attendance.



Harriman Lions prepare for intermission.

Dr. Julian Ahler speaks at the concert. Lions Club President, Carie Gecelosky stands at the far right.





# DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

## Pack-a-Backpack!

### Inskip Lions Club helping Inskip Elementary

It was Friday before the new school year began, and a buzz of anticipation was in the air! All around were smiles, happy greetings and gestures of appreciation from more than 200 **Inskip Elementary School** students and their families as they formed a long snaking line to meet their principals and teachers, select their new backpacks and fill them with needed supplies of pencils, scissors, glue sticks, erasers, crayons, headphones, notebooks, and more, including new shoes – all donated and distributed by *Friends of Inskip Elementary* (FIE).



The Inskip Lions Club has a long standing and close connection to this K-5 Title I school with a 63% minority enrollment of several ethnicities; and the school shares a ***lion*** as its mascot. Even their school colors are akin to those of Lions International. In an effort to mutually support and

enhance the services being offered by individual Inskip community organizations, Inskip Lions Club members recently led the formation of *Friends of Inskip Elementary* (FIE). Members of four Inskip churches, the Community Association and the Inskip Lions Club jointly planned, pooled their resources and sought additional funding for this year's **Pack-a-Backpack** event.

For their part, the **INSKIP LIONS CLUB** contributed 200 pink erasers, 500 pairs of scissors and 10,000 (!) pencils – tangible wishes for their young sibling lions to have a happy, successful and safe school year! ***Go, Lions!***

## DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

### Knoxville Tri-County Serves the Children in their Community



After their August 8, 2022 monthly meeting, Knoxville Tri-County Lions stayed a while to sort a huge collection of donated children's supplies to be delivered to several local agencies.

It was great to see such a large turnout of members participating, and the donations primarily came from these Lions.

In addition to hundreds of dollars worth of pens, pencils, markers, colored pencils, and paper, there were coloring and activity books, puzzles, clothes, and more.

Over the next several days Tri-County Lions worked to meet the needs of area children by delivering the donated supplies to East Tennessee Childrens Hospital, Niswonger Childrens Hospital, Tennessee School for the Deaf, and the Isaiah House in Sevier County. Thanks to Lions Bill Barnes and his wife, Rita, as well as Lions Richard and Peggy Russell, for taking the time to deliver the items.

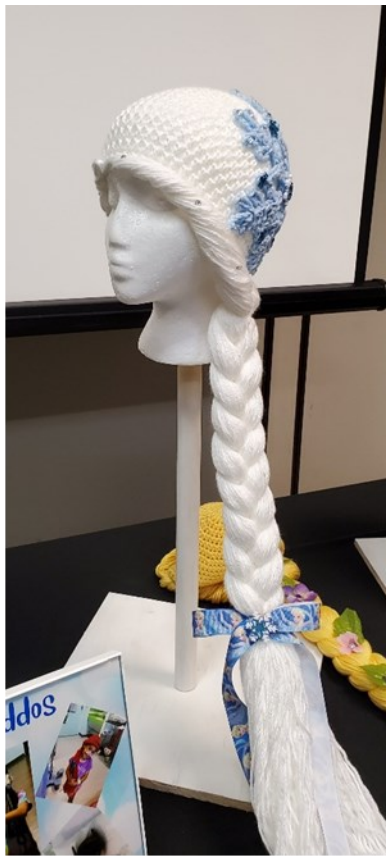
The donations were especially timely for ETCH, as staff there said they were ready to prepare a purchase order for the very kinds of activities included among the donated items.



# DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

## DISTRICT 12N CHILDHOOD CANCER PROJECT

On behalf of the Maryville Lions Club and District 12N, a donation of 40 character beanies was made to East TN Children's Hospital during the month of August. There was not a good place for a photo at this time but here are a couple of the character beanies and wigs for your enjoyment.



Interested in helping - Contact Paulette Bailey at [ladipee@gmail.com](mailto:ladipee@gmail.com)

# DISTRICT CLUBS SERVING FROM THE HEART

## SEVIER COUNTY COOKOUT FOR WEARS VALLEY RANCH



On Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, the Sevier County Lions Club sponsored a cookout for the students and staff of the Wears Valley Ranch with additional volunteers from the Smoky Mountain Christian Church helping with this event.

Lunch included hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, watermelon, drinks, and desserts. In addition to lunch, the Lions and the Church members donated school supplies for the students and staff. A fun day was had by all.



On left - Lions Frank and Terry with a volunteer.

On right - Lion President Brian with a volunteer.





## OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

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

**OCTOBER 1, 2022**

**District 12N  
Fall Cabinet  
Meeting**

**University of Tennessee  
Culinary Institute Building  
2712 Neyland Drive  
Knoxville, TN  
Rooms 128-129  
Free on-site parking**

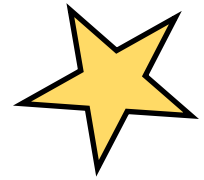
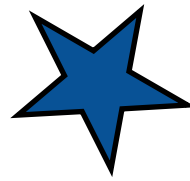
**LUNCH provided  
at 11:30 AM**



**SAVE  
THE DATE**



## OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS



CONGRATULATIONS

David Douthat

Kingsport Lions

3rd Place - \$500 winner  
of the District 12N 2022  
Reverse Raffle



## 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.**

## OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS

DG 12N Rich Wilson reminds all Lion Leaders to follow the Global Membership Approach for their Clubs:

### Global Membership Approach for Clubs



- 1 Build a Team of club leaders
- 2 Build a Vision, Assess Needs and Set Goals
- 3 Build a Plan to Achieve our Goals
- 4 Build Success



Lions Clubs International

### REQUEST FOR AID - KENTUCKY FLOODS

District 12N has received a request for donations to help individuals who lost everything during the floods be able to get eyeglasses. Donations can be sent to:

**Jackson Lions Club  
c/o Bobby Thorpe, President  
Old Quick Sand Rd  
Breathitt, KY 41339  
District 43Y - Club #14117**



## OTHER DISTRICT RELATED ITEMS



### **DANDRIDGE LIONS CLUB**

43rd Annual David DeZan

Charity Golf Tournament

Saturday, September 10, 2022

Tee off 1:30 PM

Dandridge Golf & Country Club

You are invited to join in the day of fun and fellowship while supporting the Dandridge Lions Club in helping us make a difference in the lives of many children and adults in our community.

**Entry fee:** \$75.00 per player - includes lunch, green fees and cart.

All teams will be handicapped, based on your HONEST report of your average score. You may enter individually or as a team, individuals will be assigned to a team.

Lunch will be served from 12:00 until 1:00 with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided on the course throughout the afternoon.

The Lions Motto is **"WE SERVE"**

If you would like to learn more about our organization or how to become a Lions Club member, just ask any of our members or visit our website at:

[www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Dandridge.tn](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Dandridge.tn)

For more information about the golf tournament or the Lions, please contact Carolyn Rinehart at [rinehartcarolyn34@gmail.com](mailto:rinehartcarolyn34@gmail.com)

## 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.



**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



# OTTO Cruise In

**Oldies to the Oldies – Cruise In at the Maryville Nursing Homes**

**Oct 1, 2022 – 1:00 PM – 5:15 PM**

**Rain Date: Oct 8, 2022**



**Life Care 1:00 - 1:45 PM**

**Brookdale 2:15 – 3:00 PM**

**Foothills 3:05 – 3:50 PM**

**Morningview 4:15 – 5:00 PM**

**The Hops 50's Drive-In 5:05 PM**

**Pre 70's Cars only**

**\$20 Registration Fee**

**Commemorative Magnets for all registrants**

**Prize Drawing by registration #**

## TO REGISTER:

**Complete this form and email to:**

**[mmcastle@aol.com](mailto:mmcastle@aol.com)**

**Dean or Karen Fontaine**

**(865) 406-3887 or (865) 599-4936**



**NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_**

**EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ CAR/YEAR \_\_\_\_\_**

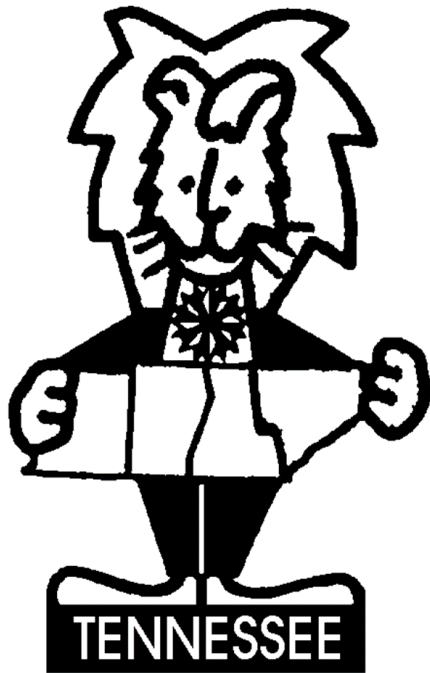
**CAR MAKE: \_\_\_\_\_ CAR MODEL \_\_\_\_\_**

**SPONSORED BY THE MARYVILLE LIONS CLUB**

**All proceeds are returned to the community in donations and service**



# TRADING PINS - DESIGN CONTEST



## Would you like to win a \$50 Gift Card?

**Get your creative juices flowing!** You could win a \$50 gift card if your pin design is chosen to become the next MD12 Tennessee Lions state trading pin.

Your pin design **MUST** --

- be based on the convention location --

- 2023 -- Boston, Massachusetts

- 2024 -- Australia

- include the traditional "TENNESSEE CAT" (Mr. Tennessee Lion)

Your design does **NOT** need to include --

- words or dates

- the Lions logo

- the shape of the state of Tennessee

These things will be added before submitting for bids from approved pin companies for quotes on making the pins.

Please submit your designs in **COLOR**. Keep in mind that large blocks of solid color are preferable to colors that have shading or "bleed" into each other. This makes a more distinctive looking pin and sometimes it is cheaper to produce. The designs can be as easy as simple sketches

Designs must be sent to PDG CLARE CRAWFORD electronically at lion-clare@gmail by **OCTOBER 15th** to be considered. Include your contact details with your submission. Contact me if you have any questions.



# **YOUR CLUB NAME HERE**

## **Essay Contest**

### **“Lead with Compassion”**

## **Participant Application**

The **YOUR CLUB’S NAME HERE** is sponsoring an Essay Contest, which is open to all YOUR COUNTY students ages 11, 12 and 13, and involves the creating of a poster with the theme “Lead with Compassion”. This contest presents a wonderful opportunity for your child to research, understand and display in art a way to promote compassion, kindness, and international understanding.

A panel of judges from the **YOUR CLUB’S NAME HERE** will review all entries and will select the First, Second and Third Place winning Essays. The winning students will be notified prior to November 15<sup>th</sup>. Prizes will be: **YOUR CLUB DECIDES WHAT YOU WANT TO AWARD – GIFTS OR MONEY.**

By signing this form, I hereby grant permission to my son/daughter to participate in the contest. I also give permission to the **YOUR CLUB’S NAME HERE** to take photos of my son/daughter with his/her award-winning Essay and to publish the picture with his/her name in local media (i.e., local newspaper, social media).

### **LET YOUR TALENT SHINE FOR COMPASSION!!!!**

**Please return this form with the Essay**

**Contest Deadline: October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_







# **YOUR CLUB NAME HERE**

## **Peace Poster Contest**

### **“Lead with Compassion”**

## **Participant Application**

The **YOUR CLUB NAME HERE** is sponsoring a Peace Poster Contest, which is open to all **YOUR COUNTY** students ages 11, 12 and 13, and involves the creating of a poster with the theme “Lead with Compassion”. This contest presents a wonderful opportunity for your child to research, understand and display in art a way to promote peace, tolerance, and international understanding.

A panel of judges from the **YOUR CLUB NAME HERE** will review all entries and will select the First, Second and Third Place winning poster. The winning students will be notified prior to November 15<sup>th</sup>. Prizes will be: **YOUR CLUB DECIDES WHAT YOU WANT TO AWARD – GIFTS OR MONEY.**

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### **LET YOUR TALENT SHINE FOR COMPASSION!!!!**

**Please return this form with the Poster**

**Contest Deadline: October 20<sup>th</sup>,2022**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_



# VISION SCREENING EQUIPMENT



## Is your club in need of a Vision Screening Instrument

such as the PlusOptix or Spot screening device to help you serve your communities with Vision Screenings?

We are in the process of writing a Multiple-District matching funds Grant for several devices! There are already 13 clubs interested in being included in this grant and they are working on fundraising the 50% of the matching funds that the club must contribute. The screening devices cost **approximately** \$7500 and the club match would be **approximately** \$3,750.

The **deadline** to participate in this grant is **September 15th**. The LCI Executive Board does not meet until January but grant documents are due 90 days in advance of their meeting.

If you are interested in participating or hearing more, please reach out to Chuck Bailey at 423-371-9737 or email at [chuck-yegg001@gmail.com](mailto:chuck-yegg001@gmail.com)



# Lions Learning Retreat

## January 20-22, 2023

Manchester Coffee County Conference Center  
Manchester, Tennessee

Name #1 \_\_\_\_\_

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, 2022 \$120.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Late registration -- post-marked by January 5, 2023 \$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, 2022 \$90.00 \_\_\_\_\_

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



## **Lions Learning Retreat (cont)**

The Host Hotel is the Holiday Inn Express, 111 Hospitality BLVD, in Manchester

**Please call today** for room reservations. **931-728-9383** and ask for Lions Rate of \$114.00 plus taxes

Additional Important Information: **This rate is good till NOVEMBER 16. Reservations made after that date will pay a higher room rate.**

**The tradition of a Basket Auction continues.** This helps keep the cost of the LLR registration as low as possible. If every club would bring a gift basket to be auctioned on Saturday night much more fun. Can we count on you to bring a gift basket? Yes \_\_\_\_\_

**Another tradition is the first-timer seminar at 5 PM on Friday night.** This is valuable time spent if this is your first LLR. Learn what to expect from the LLR and meet other Lions that have not attended an LLR.

I would like to attend! \_\_\_\_\_ It'll be worth getting there early!

### **Return on Investment of time and finances by attending the LLR.**

Have fun learning to be a better Lion, increase your education on all things Lions, hone your leadership skills and help your club become the club you wished it was. **If it is to be, it is up to me.**

Another NEW TRADITION this year!!!

We will be selling ads in the proceeding's booklet ....

FULL PAGE	\$100
½ PAGE	\$ 50
¼ PAGE	\$ 25
PATRON	\$ 10 -- one line listing with all the patrons (NAME & CLUB)



## 2023 TLLI

### 2023 Tennessee Lions Learning Institute Thurs. evening - Noon Sunday, Feb 16-29, 2023



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:** 2023 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, Feb. 16 (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

<u>Fri, Feb. 17</u>	<u>Sat, Feb. 18</u>	<u>Sun, Feb 19</u>
7:30 AM Breakfast@ Motel	7:30 AM Breakfast @ motel	7:30 AM Breakfast @ mote
8:30 AM Morning Sessions	8:30 AM Morning Sessions	8:30 AM Morning Session
Noon Lunch	Noon Lunch	10:30 AM Closing Session
1:00 PM Afternoon Sessions	1:00 PM Afternoon Sessions	and Graduation
6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Group Activity (TBA)	6:00 PM Dinner 7:00 PM Homework assign-	Noon Completion of TLLI



## 2023 TLLI Enrollment Registration



Mail this Registration form along with a check of \$150.00 per registrant made payable to:  
2023 TLLI and mail to:

Lions District 12N Charities, Inc.

c/o CA Bailey For more info or questions call

709 Shannondale Way Chuck Bailey at 423.371.9737

Maryville, TN 37922

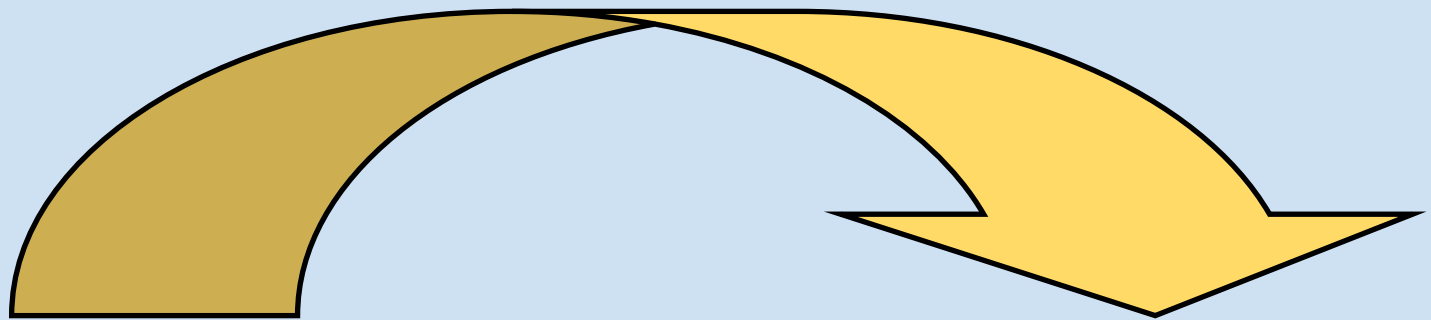
### First Student:

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? <hr/>			
Mobility Issues? <hr/>			
Roommate Preference? <hr/>			

### 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? <hr/>			
Mobility Issues? <hr/>			
Roommate Preference? <hr/>			





## **WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS**

Lani O'Connor - Dandridge  
John Klaboe - Tellico Village

*WELCOME NEW  
MEMBERS*

## **IN MEMORY OF**

Robert Phillips - Clinton  
Don Tittsworth - Dandridge  
Claude Adams - Harriman  
Pam Maples - Knoxville Diversified  
David Wyatt - Knox East  
Gerald Knepp - Tellico Village





**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

Michele Love at 423-586-3922 ext 123, or by email at: [Michele.Love@volblind.org](mailto:Michele.Love@volblind.org).



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