



# THE BEACON



## The Official Newsletter of Lions of Virginia District 24-B

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### Office of the Governor

Dear Lions, Lioness and Leos,



It is beginning to look and feel like fall.... it's getting chilly, breezy and the leaves are turning into little palettes of color. What does that mean?

#### IT IS TIME FOR THE FALL CONFERENCE!!!

We have been hard at work putting together this Fall Conference that you will enjoy and remember for a long time! It will kick off Friday, Oct. 28 at the Williamsburg Hospitality House with a Halloween Party for everyone. So--- **PLEASE BRING YOUR COSTUME!!**

Friday evening will also feature an auction of many little treasures and treats... may have a trick or two also... and then close the evening at our Hospitality Suite with fun, fellowship and greeting old and new friends.

Saturday will be filled with classes, information, great speakers and a special opportunity to learn about and operate a PediaVision.

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#### District 24-B Cabinet

**District Governor**  
Janis Chenery

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor**  
Joey McCaffrey

**District Secretary**  
Peter J. Sizemore

**District Treasurer**  
Carolyn Messimer



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Our International Director Robert E. Corlew, who is a judge in Tennessee, will present a "Lions and the Law... You be the Judge?" class beginning at 9am. A cabinet meeting will follow that which will flow, into a District meeting.

Next is lunch and we are so fortunate to have Cdr. Paul Galanti, USN-Ret. for our speaker. Paul is a former POW and his message is powerful! You do not want to miss his address!!

The afternoon will offer more classes: PID Wayne and Marge Davis will present their USA Canada Forum class "Why Lion leave Clubs," and Lion Bob Chenery will lead a discussion on Leadership and Ethics.

Our conference concludes with the Banquet, where ID Bob will be our speaker and the Hospitality Suite will then open up for more fellowship. I look forward to greeting every one of you!!

Thank each one of you for all that you do for Lionism! It is YOU who make things happen and improves life in our communities. We have many service projects going on and it come from your great big hearts and you wanting to help those less fortunate.

IT'S NOT ABOUT ME  
IT'S NOT ABOUT YOU  
IT'S ABOUT THOSE WE SERVE!!

District Governor Janis

## *1st Vice District Governor*

Lion Joey McCaffrey



It was a very busy September for me personally. It started with a trip to the MD-24 Lions Leadership School. What a great time I had. I got a chance to meet many

great Lions from all over our state, and not to mention, all of the great instructors that we had. It was a very busy weekend. The days were long but it was well worth the time. I would recommend that if you get a chance to go; take it; you would not be sorry. I had a



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very informative yet memorable time and you will too.

I also had the opportunity to attend three zone meetings and attended a couple of club visits with the district governor.

I participated in a planning meeting for the District 24-B LAMP Project that we are undertaking at Virginia State University on June 8 and 9 in 2012. If you would like me to give a presentation to your club about this project, I would be happy to come to your club. I can talk about what we are trying to accomplish with the project and I hope to recruit some devoted Lions to volunteer.

That just leaves one more thing that I need to discuss. The District 24B Fall Conference will be at The Williamsburg Hospitality House on October 28-29, 2011. I hope to see you all there. We have a lot of great things planned for the weekend so come on out and join DG Janis, myself, and 2nd VDG Norma. I am sure we will have a great time.

That is all for now, be safe and remember, "It's not about me and It's not about you, It is all about the people we serve".

Yours in Lionism,  
1st VDG Lion Joey

## *Cabinet Secretary's Corner*

**Lion Peter J. Sizemore**



Club secretaries please remember that every club must file a Monthly Membership Report with LCI each month. Many secretaries file their membership report on the first day of the month. That way, they always have their report submitted on time. They can then change the report as necessary

during the month and there is never any concern over filing the report on time.

Please also remember that there will be an important District meeting at the Fall Conference that will be on October 28 and 29, in Williamsburg. Presidents and secretaries need to be there. If for whatever reason you cannot attend, send a proxy. Along with the district meeting there will be a cabinet meeting where cabinet members need to attend.



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As you will see elsewhere in the Beacon and flyers, we are fortunate to have two outstanding speakers. The luncheon speaker will be Commander Paul Galanti, who was a POW for almost seven years in the infamous Hanoi Hilton. The banquet speaker will be Judge Bob Corlew a sitting International Director from Milton, Tennessee.

Don't miss this and don't let your spouse miss a delightful fall weekend in Williamsburg.

**MAKE YOUR HOTEL RESERVATIONS IN BY OCTOBER 12.**

Lion Peter J. Sizemore  
Cabinet Secretary

## *Beacon Editor*



As we close out another month, the Beacon staff has completed a final scrub of the distribution database. We have identified everyone by club or Lions affiliation so we no longer have duplicate or unidentified entries.

I continue to receive articles and information on district, zone, and club activities and events. I hope they are a source of information and enlightenment for you.

Based upon the feedback I am receiving, the weekly District 24-B Calendar of Events is a big hit. Information is knowledge. When we know what is going on around us, we can make informed decisions and plan to support one another's events and activities.

Because we have so many clubs with less than twenty members, it becomes even more important for clubs to support one another by attending each other's events or conducting joint events.

We still need to do a better job of announcing events. Many of the events on the calendar are the result of browsing the Internet and review activity reports, and club meeting minutes. As any businessperson will tell you, it pays to advertise. In our case, that advertisement is free! Let us hear from you.

Thank you for your continued support and assistance. Yours in Service,

Lion Bob Pratt  
Beacon Editor/Statistician



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## Around the District



## Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion:

Join your fellow Lions from across the nation and call your U.S. Senator(s) asking them co-sponsor the [Lions Clubs International Century of Service Commemorative Coin Act!](#) This bill would authorize the US Treasury to mint 400,000 silver coins in honor of Lions 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017 and raise \$8 million to aid the visually impaired, disabled, youth and those affected by major disaster. To pass this legislation we need 290 co-sponsors in the House of Representatives and 67 in the Senate. To date and thanks to your efforts, we currently have 103 co-sponsors in the House of Representatives and 17 in the Senate.

This week Lions Clubs International is focusing on securing the additional 50 co-sponsors in the Senate and we need your help.

Call your Senator(s) now!

Below please find the name of your Senator(s) and phone number(s) along with a phone script to help you facilitate a successful call.

Thank you,  
Government and Partnership Relations  
Department  
Lions Clubs International  
[governmentrelations@lionsclubs.org](mailto:governmentrelations@lionsclubs.org)

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Sen. Mark Warner 202-224-2023  
Sen. Jim Webb 202-224-4024

Phone script:

Hello my name is Lion *[Insert First and Last Name]* from the *[Insert Name]* Lions Club. As a constituent, I am requesting that you co-sponsor the Lions Clubs International Commemorative Coin Bill S. 1299,



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celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lions Clubs International in 2017.

Passage of the legislation would raise critical resources for ongoing Lions programs for the visually impaired, disabled, youth and those affected by a major disaster.

Thank you.

[You may be asked to leave your full name, address and phone]

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\*LCI sent this message to all Lions in the United States.

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## Global Leadership

Dear GLT Multiple District Coordinators and GLT District Coordinators,

Are you interested in identifying ways to strengthen your clubs? Learn how to nourish your club's family tree by participating in an upcoming My Club, My Family webinar!

International President Tam believes it is important that we value our club members as family. By keeping members involved, instilling pride and treating them with mutual respect as we would our own family members, our clubs can achieve greater success. Join this webinar to learn and discuss ways clubs can be more

successful. Visit the Leadership Development Webinars page for dates/times and links to register, via the link provided below. Do you know a fellow Lion that would be interested? Feel free to pass this information along! We hope to have you, and a fellow Lion, participate in one of the three sessions being offered.

<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/leadership-development/development-programs/webinars.php>



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## White Cane Days

How many Lions know the real story behind White Cane? Do you? If not, now is the time to brush up on your history as many clubs gear up for their fundraising campaigns.

### *History*

In 1921, James Biggs, a photographer from Bristol, England, became blind following an accident. Because he was feeling uncomfortable with the amount of traffic around his home, he painted his walking stick white to be more easily visible.



In 1930, Gilly d'Herbement, a French citizen, wrote a letter to the director of the national daily newspaper [\*L'Écho de Paris\*](#). The newspaper

published the letter causing much consternation. In February 1931, Guilly d'Herbement launched a scheme for a national white stick movement for blind people in France.

The British Newspapers reported the campaign, which led to a similar scheme sponsored by Rotary Clubs throughout the United Kingdom.

In May 1931, the BBC suggested in its radio broadcasts that blind individuals might be provided with a white stick, which would become universally recognized as a symbol indicating that somebody was blind or visually impaired.

On February 7, 1931, d'Herbement symbolically presented, in the presence of several French ministers, the first two white canes to a blind soldier and a blind civilian. She later distributed 5,000 white canes to blind citizens of France.

In 1930, the late George A. Bonham, President of the Peoria Lions Club (Illinois) introduced the idea of using the white cane with a red band as a means of assisting the blind in independent mobility.

The Peoria Lions approved the idea, made and distributed the white canes. The Peoria City Council adopted an ordinance giving the bearers the right-of way to cross the street. News of the club's activity spread quickly to other Lions clubs throughout the United States, and their visually handicapped friends experimented with the white canes. Overwhelming acceptance of the white cane idea by the blind and sighted alike quickly gave cane users a unique method of



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identifying their special need for travel consideration among their sighted counterparts.

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Source: Health & Children's Services Department, Lions Clubs International, <http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad413.pdf>

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## Region II Zone II Meeting



Left to Right: 1st VDG Lion Joey McCaffrey, Lion Bob Chenery, District Governor Lion Janis Chenery, Lion Faye Pleasants, Lion John Pleasants, and President Lion Don Samuels. Photographer: Lion Sandy Small

I would first like to thank the Ashland Lions Club for Hosting our zone meeting and PDG Lion Rich Evans for all his assistance with the check-in, minutes and coordinating this meeting for us and for all the Ashland Club Members that attended.

What a wonderful time we had socializing, a beautiful location, a delicious meal and a good meeting with 38 attendances. What more could anyone ask for!

We were honored to have IPDG Lion Susan and PDG Lion Rich Evans, PDG Lion Pete Taylor, PDG Lion Earl and Lion Lydia Wilson, DG Lion Janis and Lion Bob Chenery, 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion Joey McCaffrey, and Lion Pete Sizemore with us. Lions Helen and Ray Mueller came from Lynchburg so Lion Helen could talk about Diabetes Awareness.

Lion Bob Chenery talked about PediaVision, Lion Paul Steube talked about Global Membership, Lion John Deacon talked about Hearing and Testing, PDG Lion Earle Wilson Lion Sandy Small talked about LEO Club. Lion John Pleasants talked about Awards.

I want to thank those of you that came to speak and the spouses that came with you.



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Thank you Lion Sandy Small for all the great pictures you take everywhere you go. I also, have to give my thanks to Lion Coleman Jones; without him, it would not have been as much fun without all his One Minute, Zero Minutes, and Stop warnings. He kept our guest speakers and me on time. You all did a great job!

We had 100% club attendance and I want to thank all five club presidents and secretaries

Lion Faye Pleasants  
Zone Chairman

for coming and all the Lions that attended from all their clubs.

The Lions that attend all three (3) Zone Meetings will have their names put in the pot and one lucky Lion will leave with a gift.

Without each one of you our Zone Meeting would not have been what it was and that was simply Enjoyable!!!

Thanks for all you do!!!

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## Region IV Zone I Meeting

Lion Lee Winder, Chair Region IV Zone I held his second meeting on September 13, 2011. Each of the five clubs in the zone had an officer present at the meeting.

Lion Lee thanked all five Clubs for filing their Monthly Membership Reports with District 24-B and Lions International. The zone has shown excellent performance year to date.

He requested each club include him on its newsletter distribution. He also requested that club secretaries coordinate with Beacon editor Lion Bob Pratt to add their members to Beacon distribution list.

Lion Lee told members that the zone focus this year would be *"Strength in Service by Zone Support."* He said zone members must encourage more joint support for events, fundraisers and projects in order to expand the efforts of each club. Improved communications can accomplish this goal.



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Lion Lee stated he would send club presidents and secretaries an e-mail message monthly to improve communication among clubs.

The members exchanged information with each other related to club meetings, events, charities supported, community support, and fundraisers. Topics covered were, Bland Competition, peanut sales, bowling, family socials, regular meeting events, raffles, crab feast, barbecue's, bingo, eye glass collections and providing eye examinations.

Lion Dick Hall recommended that the Zone consider a vision-screening project by use of the new Pedia Vision unit. Lion Dick Hall,

also, recommended that the zone consider participation in a local eyeglass-recycling project.

Lion Frank Carlomagno distributed information about the Lions of Virginia Foundation (LOVF) and the fundraising opportunities through selling LOVF raffle tickets.

Lion Bob Rendez, President of Brandermill-Woodlake-Midlothian Lions Club extended an invitation to the zone or to any club to bring a team on October 24, Bowling Night.

Lion Lee thanked everyone who attended and the clubs for their support.

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## Region I Zone I Community Health Fair

During the last Region I Zone I meeting, Zone Chairman Ray Mueller asked and received support from six of the clubs in the zone to host a community health fair in October. This is an extraordinary example of what Lions can do when they work together!

The Community Health Fair is Wednesday, October 26 at The Templeton Senior Center, 225 Wigginton Road, Lynchburg, Virginia between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. The doors will open at 8:00 am for exhibitors who wish

to setup displays and screening areas prior to public admission.

At this time, we have ten 10 screenings/evaluations that will address blood pressure, blood sugar, bone density, cholesterol-glucose (\$12 charge), diabetic foot examinations, fall prevention evaluations, flu shots, PSA (prostrate) if 50 persons register in advance (possible \$20 charge), pulmonary function, sight & hearing, and skin analysis. In addition to the screenings, there will be an



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additional 20-25 exhibits providing information addressing over 30 health issues.

Publicity has begun - posters are being displayed wherever possible, and approximately 200 or more are expected to attend the event between 10 am--2 pm.

Volunteers will be needed to address traffic issues and exhibitor's needs. If you're available, please call me at (434) 239-5569 or send me an e-mail message at

[hem301B@gmail.com](mailto:hem301B@gmail.com).

With permission from District Governor Janis, I have re-worded her excellent slogan by asking you to consider that . . .

It **IS** about you (what you and other Lions can do together)

It **IS** about me (what I can do to help you) **BECAUSE** it is about those we serve.

**We're Lions, and THIS is what we do!**

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Article submitted by Lion Helen Mueller, Zone Health Fair Coordinator



## *Committee of the Month*

Each month we will highlight the duties and responsibilities of one of the district committees. We hope that this will provide greater incite and education to our Lions and inform you of what goes on behind the scenes. This month we will focus on the Extension committee.



## Extension Committee

The organization of new Lions clubs, termed extension, gives more people the chance to make a difference, assist those in need and introduce new projects to local communities. Our world is changing, and today's volunteers are looking for new ways to become involved in issues that are relevant and serve in a way that fits their ever-

changing lifestyle. While community-based clubs are our tradition, one size does not fit all.

Have you asked yourself or your Club: how do you start a new Lions Club? One question to resolve – what type of club would best meet the needs of our community? That's why Lions



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Clubs International offers several club formats to choose from:

**Traditional Lions clubs** are ideal for bringing together a group of community-minded people to serve the needs of their community in any way. It offers flexibility to reach new groups of people and serve a variety of communities.

**Campus Lions clubs** are designed for college and university students, administrators, faculty, alumni and other community-minded individuals. Members serve the campus community while developing valuable leadership and business skills. Additionally, students are eligible to receive a special dues discount to make membership more affordable.

**Lioness Lions clubs** offer current and former Lionesses an opportunity to honor their history as a Lioness while enjoying the benefits and privileges of being a Lion. Current and former Lionesses receive credit for their years of service as a Lioness and are recognized with a special Lioness pin.

**Leo Lions clubs** provide an easy transition from a Leo club to a Lions club by offering a special dues discount to graduating Leos and their peers.

To charter a Leo Lions club, a minimum of 10 graduating Leos under the *age* of 30 is required.

**Club branches** enable a small group of people to form a Lions club and start making a difference in their community sooner. Members become a part of an existing "parent" Lions club, but select their own projects and activities.

Your club could consider traditional club, branch club, campus club or Leo club. Our district was fortunate to form a new Leo club thanks to the leadership of Lion Sandra Small with the assistance of Lions Earl and Lydia Wilson.

Traditional community-based Lions clubs continue to be our largest source of new club development. This club option offers flexibility to reach new groups of people and serve a variety of communities. So bring a community together. Give them the opportunity to make a difference and enable them to see great things happen by chartering a new Lions club. There are still people to reach and new challenges to conquer.

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**Article submitted by Lion John D. Farmer, Chair,  
District 24-B Extension Committee, Richmond Host  
– Tuckahoe Lions Club**



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## Club News

### Bowling Green Lions Club

#### Planting a Million Trees – Do You Believe it Can Be Done?

An important part of our extension of service this year is caring for our environment. Our



goal this year is to plant a million trees around the world. That’s less than one tree for each member. If we can accomplish this goal, it proves once again that we can accomplish anything – just like we did when we exceeded our goal for Campaign SightFirst II. Just like we did when we prevented over 1 million cases of river blindness. And just like we are going to do by helping eradicate measles.

Lions Eric and Karin Nason, Bowling Green



Lions Club, planting a tree.

The club has planted nine trees to date, and may be planting a 10th one in the future.

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Story submitted by Lion Eric Nason, Bowling Green Lions Club.



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## Richmond Host – Tuckahoe Lions Club



Lion Norman Dwight Graham, 91, a Richmond Host Lions Club member since February 1967, passed away on September 29, 2011. He is survived by his wife, Christine Kornegay Graham;

two sons, Dwight Graham (Michelle) and Glenn Graham; one daughter, Dianne Graham; and one granddaughter, Meredith Graham, all of Richmond; one sister, Helen Downey of Springfield, Tennessee; one brother, Irvin Graham (Patricia) of Wallace, North Carolina; and one brother-in-law, DeWitt Kornegay of Raleigh, North Carolina.

Lion Norman was a U. S. Navy veteran who served in World War II from 1944 to 1946. He worked for Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Coast Line and CSX Railroads from 1943 to 1981. He was a devoted member of First Baptist Church for 45 years and had been involved in various community service organizations, such as Richmond Host Lions Club, Navy League and Meals on Wheels.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church in Richmond.

## Charlotte Lions Club

### Kids Fishing Day



For the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, the Charlotte Lions Club has been one of the sponsors for “Kids Fishing Day”.

The tournament was on Saturday, September 17

at the John H. Kerr Reservoir, also known as Bugg's Island Lake. It was a cool, damp morning but that did not stop the kids from registering for the tournament beginning at 7:00 a.m. Two hundred and twenty-five kids registered for the tournament and they caught 83



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fish. Parker Cothell sets a Kids Fishing Day tournament record with a huge 30.12-pound Blue catfish, and he was the overall winner in his class. The tournament fed over 500 people and every kid received a welcome bag and took home one or more gifts. Through the support of gracious sponsors, the event is free of charge. It is the only program of its kind in the Commonwealth of Virginia. We encourage Lions Clubs in the

surrounding areas to join us as a sponsor since the event is open to the public.

If you would like more details on this event, go to [www.thecatfishshowdown.com](http://www.thecatfishshowdown.com) and click on Kids Fishing Day. I urge each of you to visit this website!

Article submitted by Lion Stuart B. Fallen, President, Charlotte Lions Club

## District *Directory Changes & Corrections*

Page #	Club or Lion	Change/Correction
25	Chase City	New mailing address: Chase City Lions Club, P. O. Box 562, Chase City, VA 23924

## Human Interest Stories

### Salvation Army Christmas Volunteer Opportunities

Many of the Lions of Virginia have had a long-standing cooperative relationship with The Salvation Army. This is especially true of the clubs in the greater Richmond Metropolitan area.

The Salvation Army needs volunteers for daily and half-day shifts to assist its staff during the four weeks that clients can submit applications for Christmas assistance. It needs volunteers for the following Monday through Friday shifts:



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DATES	SHIFT
October 10 - 14	8:30 AM to 12:30 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
October 24 - 28	8:30 AM to 12:30 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
November 7 – 11	8:30 AM to 12:30 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
November 28 - Dec 2	8:30 AM to 12:30 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM

**(Registration for Spanish speaking clients)**

The volunteer duties involve reviewing clients' applications to ensure that it is complete and that the documentation presented (e.g. social security cards, birth certificates, custody papers, etc.) matches the information shown in the application. The Salvation Army staff will screen each client to ensure that he or she has the required documentation for the interview prior to admission to the building.

Volunteers should feel comfortable asking clients questions and providing instructions

when required information for the application is incomplete or inaccurate.

The Salvation Army staff will provide training and orientation for volunteers before the start of the morning and afternoon shifts. Salvation Army staff will also be available to answer questions and provide assistance as needed. You must be 18 years and older to assist with client registration.

This year, Christmas registration will be at the Salvation Army's Boys & Girls Club in Church Hill at 3701 R Street, Richmond 23223.

Please call or email Bryan Davis if you are interested in volunteering to help with registration.

Thanks

Bryan Davis  
 Volunteer Coordinator  
 The Salvation Army  
 (804) 591-3826  
 Cell: (804) 305-2362





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# Welcome New Members

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District Governor Janis Chenery and all the members of District 24-B extends a hearty welcome to the following new Lions:

**CLARKSVILLE LIONS CLUB**

Brent K. Toone

**GOOCHLAND COUNTY LIONS CLUB**

Robert P. Leach sponsored by Lion Robert Hammond

**KENBRIDGE – VICTORIA LIONS CLUB**

Mariana L Speights sponsored by Lion Richard L. Speights

**MECHANICSVILLE LIONS CLUB**

Karen M Cooke sponsored by Lion J Frank Cooke, Jr.

**SOUTH BOSTON LIONS CLUB**

Lion George Emory Lansing sponsored by Lion Robert McCullough

Ratia L. Kirby sponsored by Lion Paul Steube

Richard Anthony Quitquit sponsored by Lion Paul Steube

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## In Memory

There were no deaths reported this month.



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## *Summary of Club Activities*

**AltaVista: The club has 33 members.** The club held a cookout on September 1 and a YMCA aquatics class on September 15. Members held a salvage auction on September 6 that raised \$300. The club provided three eye examinations and three pair of eyeglasses at a cost of \$348.

**Amelia:** The club has 21 members. No report submitted to LCI.

**Amherst County: The club has 24 members.** The club held a family picnic on September 20 with PDG Lion Dave Thomas presiding over the induction of club officers. Club members participated in the restoration of the clock in the old courthouse in Lynchburg. The club generated another \$1,300 from the gold tournament. The club donated \$500 to the Amherst County High School Booster Club and \$446 to Prevent Blindness for a construction site. The club provided two eye exams at cost of \$80 and 8 pairs of eyeglasses at a cost of \$700. Members collected 50 pair of eyeglasses for recycling.

**Appomattox:** The club has 36 members. No report submitted to LCI.

**Ashland: The club has 14 members.** On September 28, 1ST VDG Joey McCaffrey gave a report on the upcoming LAMP Project scheduled for July 2012 at Virginia State University. The

club provided three pair of eyeglasses for the needy and club members collected over 300 pair of used eyeglasses for recycling.

**Blackstone: The club has 14 members.** The Blackstone Lion's Club sold funnel cakes at the Arts & Crafts Festival on Sep 10 – 11. Members mixed dough, cooked funnel cakes, sold drinks, and made more than a thousand dollars (after expenses). The club collected twenty-six eyeglasses for the recycling center.

**Bon Air -Manchester-Midlothian: The club has 39 members.** On September 1, Virginia House of Representative G. Manoli Loupassi spoke to the club on "The State of the State of Virginia" and the guest speaker on September 15 was Virginia Senator John Watkins who spoke about "What is Going on in Virginia and What We Can Expect". The club provided three eye examinations at a cost of \$150 and four pair of eyeglasses at a cost of \$140. Members collected 220 pair of used eyeglasses for recycle.

**Bowling Green: The club has 11 members.** Two club members volunteered two and one half hours maintaining the Virginia Department of Transportation flower plot. Members collected 10 pair used eyeglasses for recycle.

**Brandermill & Midlothian (Woodlake): The club has 37 members.** On September 8, Monica



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Hughes gave a presentation on "Chesterfield Long Life Learning Center" and Dr. Katherine Bettin gave a presentation on "Sexuality for the Older and Wiser (over 50!)". Club members collected 50 pair of used eyeglasses for recycle.

**Brookneal:** The club has 19 members. No report submitted to LCI.

**Brookville-Timberlake:** The club has 41 members. Club members provided support to churches at funerals, picnics, visited the sick and shut-ins, and volunteered with Boy Scout troops. Other members assisted at resident bingo games at The Carrington House Retirement Center, met with the Corvette Planning Committee, and volunteered at the Elizabeth Early Learning Center and Virginia Baptist Hospital.

**Buckingham County:** The club has 28 members. One member transferred to another club out of state. On September 22, the club held its annual family picnic. During the picnic, the club dispersed proceeds from its Buckingham County Day fundraiser. The club donated a total of \$1,700 to the Buckingham County Volunteer Rescue Squad; and the Arvonnia, Dillwyn, Glenmore and Toga companies of the Buckingham County Volunteer Fire Department.

**Charlotte:** The club has 26 members. On September 22, Lion Tom Young gave a presentation on "Camp Loud and Clear". The club sponsored "Kids Fishing Day" on September 17. Two hundred and twenty-five kids registered and they caught eighty-three fish. The

club fed over 500 people free of charge. The club provided eye examinations and eyeglasses for three area residents.

**Chase City:** No Monthly Membership report submitted to LCI. **The club has 15 members.** Lion Tom Young presented a program on Camp Loud and Clear. The club provided eyeglasses for two needy persons. The club submitted its birthday calendar order. A former Lion and potential new member was one of our guests at the meeting.

**Chatham:** The club has 20 members. On September 6, a representative of Olde Dominion Agricultural Foundation presented a program on the Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex; its present usage and plans for future usage and on September 20, the club did a guided tour of the Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex. The club provided eyeglasses for one person.

**Chester:** The club has 34 members. No report submitted to LCI.

**Chesterfield Prevent Blindness:** The club has 17 members. Club members collected 140 pair of used eyeglasses and 7 cell phones for recycling.

**Clarksville Lions Club:** The club has 17 members. It recruited one new member.

**Colonial Heights Lions Club:** The club has 29 members.



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**Crewe-Burkeville:** The club has 12 members. No report submitted to LCI.

**Danville Host:** The club has 37 members.

**Danville Morning:** The club has 13 members.

**Dinwiddie:** The club has 21 members. No report submitted to LCI.

**Farmville:** The club has 72 members.

**Glen-Allen-Short Pump:** The club has 12 members. No report submitted to LCI.

**Goochland County:** The club has 15 members. It recruited one new member.

**Gretna:** The club has 20 members. The club has twenty members. Members provided one pair of eyeglasses at a cost of \$150. Members collected 10 pair eyeglasses and one hearing aid for recycle.

**Hopewell Prince George:** The club has 33 members.

**Kenbridge-Victoria:** The club has 17 members. It recruited one new member. The club provided transportation to a doctor's office for a blind person. Club members volunteered time to church and to provide tours to the public of the historic local Courthouse.

Other members picked up salvage food from a local grocery store for the local Salvation Army unit food pantry. The club also donated 24 dozen chicken eggs to the local Salvation Army Unit to be distributed to people in need. The

club donated money to put wreaths on veterans' graves to honor them during the Christmas holiday. The club provided eyeglasses for one needy person.

**Lawrenceville:** No report submitted to LCI. The club has 28 members.

**Lawrenceville Lioness:** The club has fifteen members. Three members attended the Region III Zone I meeting in South Hill.

**Lynchburg 7 Hills:** The club has 24 members.

**Lynchburg Host:** There are 32 members in the club. The club generated \$722.02 from the sale of brooms, mints, peanuts, and coloring books. On September 1, Mark Davis, author of the book "Rejection" spoke to the club and Dr. Landon Colling, ophthalmologist, spoke to the club on September 15. Four members volunteered 20 man-hours to recycle 350 pair of eyeglasses at the Roanoke Eyeglass Recycling Center. The club has volunteered 50 man-hours and recycled 750 pair of eyeglasses to date. Other members have volunteered six man-hours at the Lynchburg Museum.

**Mechanicsville:** The club has 13 members. The club recruited one new member, Karen Cooke. The club continued with its McGuire Veterans Hospital Project to support our military service personnel by hosting a monthly bingo activity. Twelve members volunteered thirty-six man-hours providing refreshments and prizes for 35 veterans. The club contributed a total of \$363 for



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food and prizes. The club has a new project with the Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind to help them obtain outdoor furniture for the Center. The club also contributed funds to purchase several picnic tables, benches, umbrellas, etc. On September 28, Deputy Sheriff McLaughlin, Hanover County Sheriff's Department presented a program on "Senior Safety". There were ten Lions and three guests at the program. Club members collected 80 pair of used eyeglasses for recycle.

**Mecklenburg Lioness:** The club has 18 members. Lion Dr. Randall Suslick spoke at length about diabetes and the effects of this disease on blindness. One member attended the September 28 zone meeting.

**Petersburg:** No report submitted to LCI. The club has 26 members.

**Powhatan:** The club has 45 members. Twenty-one club members volunteered eighty-two man-hours providing vision screening for approximately 900 students in the Powhatan County School System. The club donated \$500 to the Powhatan Free clinic and \$500 to the Richmond Blind Bowling League and provided glasses and exams for three people at a cost of \$435. Club members collected ninety pair of used eyeglasses for recycling. The club held a joint club meeting with the James River Lion

Club where members exchanged ideas and fellowship.

**Richmond Battlefield Park:** There are 25 members in the club. Lion Bob Petres gave a presentation on eye structure, diseases, and opportunities to serve to nineteen club members. The club provided one pair eyeglasses at a cost of \$100.

**Richmond Host - Tuckahoe:** The club has 45 members.

**Richmond James River:** The club has 26 members. Lion Bill Timberman represented the club at the September 13 zone meeting. The club held a joint meeting on September 28 with the Powhatan Lions Club. Jimmy Barrett, WRVA radio, was the guest speaker. The club had two guests at the meeting. The club continues with its weekly bingo game fundraiser. The club donated \$1,105 for New Eyeglasses, \$1,756 for the Jamaica Sight Mission, and \$300 for bingo books for veteran's bingo coupon book prizes. Club members collected 357 pair of eyeglasses for recycling. The club provided six eye examinations and six pair of eyeglasses to the needy.

**Richmond Lakeside:** The club has 9 members. The club provided one pair of eyeglasses at a cost of \$50. Club members collected 306 pairs of eyeglasses and one hearing aid for recycle.

**Richmond West Breakfast Lions Club:** The club has 45 members. Governor Janis Cherney made the governor's official visit to the club on September 12. Lion Paul Steube, Chair, Global



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Membership and Lion Robert Chenery, Chair Global Leadership accompanied her. On September 25, Candi Shelton, Virginia War Memorial gave a presentation on "See Freedom Speak". Seven members volunteered 14 man-hours in the Henrico County Voluntary Litter Control Program. On September 15, twenty-four members and guests attended the Goochland County Lions Club Annual BBQ and Raffle. On September 6 and 20, two club members built components for wheelchair ramps at the ElderHomes warehouse. On September 8 and 22, members volunteered 14 man-hours installing two ramps for elderly citizens in the City of Richmond.

**Rustburg: The club has 18 members.**

**South Boston: The club has 30 members.** The club recruited three new members. On September 4, Sheriff Stanley Noblin spoke to the club on the sheriff's election and candidate Fred Clark spoke on the same subject on September 20. The club provided two pair of eyeglasses to the needy at a cost of \$351.20.

**South Hill: The club has 25 members.** The club provided eye examinations and eyeglasses for five needy persons at a cost of \$715. Club members collected 299 pair of used eyeglasses and shipped them to the Eyeglass Recycling Center in Roanoke.

**Varina: The club has 35 members.** District Governor Janis Chenery made the governor's official visit to the club. The club donated \$1,343.40 to Prevent Blindness Mid Atlantic.

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## *Calendar of Events*

*The Calendar of Events lists activities and events for the current and next month. For a complete listing of district activities and events, see the attached District 24-B Calendar of Events and on the District 24-B web page at <http://www.lions24b.org/index.htm>.*

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## Lions of Virginia District 24-B Membership Statistics

CLUB NAME	REPORT	NW	TRF	RT	DP	SEP	YTD	% CNG
ALTAVISTA	9/19/2011	0	0	0	0	33	33	NC
AMELIA	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	21	21	NC
AMHERST COUNTY	9/14/2011	0	0	0	0	24	24	NC
APPOMATTOX	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	36	36	NC
ASHLAND	9/28/2011	0	0	0	0	14	14	NC
BLACKSTONE	9/17/2011	0	0	0	0	14	14	NC
BON AIR MANCHESTER MIDLOTHIAN	9/15/2011	0	0	0	0	39	39	NC
BOWLING GREEN	9/20/2011	0	0	0	0	11	11	NC
BRANDERMILL MIDLOTHIAN WOODLAKE	9/19/2011	0	0	0	1	38	37	<b>3%</b>
BROOKNEAL	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	19	19	NC
BROOKVILLE TIMBERLAKE	9/30/2011	0	0	0	0	41	41	NC
BUCKINGHAM COUNTY	9/15/2011	0	0	0	1	29	28	<b>3%</b>
CHARLOTTE L C	9/20/2011	0	0	0	0	26	26	NC
CHASE CITY	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	15	15	NC
CHATHAM	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	20	20	NC
CHESTER	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	34	34	NC
CHESTERFIELD PREVENT BLINDNESS	9/30/2011	0	0	0	0	17	17	NC
CLARKSVILLE	9/3/2011	1	0	0	0	16	17	<b>6%</b>
COLONIAL HEIGHTS	9/12/2011	0	0	0	0	29	29	NC
CREWE BURKEVILLE	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	12	12	NC
DANVILLE HOST	9/7/2011	0	0	0	0	37	37	NC
DANVILLE MORNING	9/2/2011	0	0	0	0	13	13	NC
DINWIDDIE	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	21	21	NC
FARMVILLE	9/15/2011	0	0	0	0	72	72	NC
GLEN ALLEN SHORT PUMP	<b>No Rpt</b>	0	0	0	0	12	12	NC
GOOCHLAND COUNTY	9/19/2011	1	0	0	0	14	15	<b>7%</b>
GRETNA	9/20/2011	0	0	0	0	20	20	NC



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CLUB NAME	REPORT	NW	TRF	RT	DP	SEP	YTD	% CNG
HOPEWELL PRINCE GEORGE	9/23/2011	0	0	0	0	33	33	NC
KENBRIDGE-VICTORIA	9/29/2011	1	0	0	0	17	17	NC
LAWRENCEVILLE	No Rpt	0	0	0	0	28	28	NC
LYNCHBURG 7 HILLS	9/1/2011	0	0	0	0	24	24	NC
LYNCHBURG HOST	9/26/2011	0	0	0	0	32	32	NC
MECHANICSVILLE	9/26/2011	1	0	0	0	12	13	8%
PETERSBURG	No Rpt	0	0	0	0	26	26	NC
POWHATAN	9/29/2011	0	0	0	0	45	45	NC
RICHMOND BATTLEFIELD PARK	9/27/2011	0	0	0	1	26	25	4%
RICHMOND HOST - TUCKAHOE	9/30/2011	0	0	0	0	45	45	NC
RICHMOND JAMES RIVER	9/27/2011	0	0	0	0	26	26	NC
RICHMOND LAKESIDE	9/27/2011	0	0	0	0	9	9	NC
RICHMOND WEST BREAKFAST	9/28/2011	0	0	0	0	45	45	NC
RUSTBURG	9/30/2011	0	0	0	0	18	18	NC
SOUTH BOSTON	9/15/2011	3	0	0	1	28	30	3%
SOUTH HILL	9/15/2011	0	0	0	0	25	25	NC
VARINA	9/28/2011	0	0	0	0	35	35	NC
TOTALS		7	0	0	4	1151	1153	0%

\*The clubs highlighted in yellow did not submit a Monthly Membership Report to Lions International for the month of September. Membership totals for these clubs is the end of month totals from the last submitted report.

## District 24-B Governor's Club Visit Schedule

Governor Janis is very excited about being able to visit your club and to getting to know the club's members. She is also very interested in being of assistance in helping your club in its service. If you have the need to discuss the schedule, please contact Lion Paul Steube who is coordinating the visitation schedule.



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Best wishes on a successful and enjoyable 2011-2012 Club year.

## OCTOBER

12	HOPEWELL-PRINCE GEORGE	7:00 PM
13	CHESTERFIELD PREVENT BLINDNESS	7:00AM
	DANVILLE HOST	1:00 PM
18	FARMVILLE	NOON
	AMHERST	6:00 PM
20	BON AIR-MANCHESTER-MIDLOTHIAN	6:30 PM
26	POWHATAN	6:00 PM
27	BUCKINGHAM	7:00 PM

## NOVEMBER

1	KENBRIDGE-VICTORIA	6:30 PM
10	APPOMATTOX	6:45 PM
14	CREWE-BURKEVILLE	6:30 PM
15	CHATHAM	6:30 PM
16	(JOINT MEETING) ASHLAND, BOWLING GREEN & MECHANICSVILLE (Hanover Country Club, 14214 Country Club Drive, Ashland, VA	6:30 PM
28	CLARKSVILLE	6:30 PM

## DECEMBER

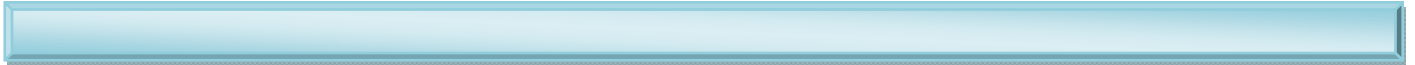


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8	LYNCHBURG 7 HILLS	NOON
12	BLACKSTONE	5:30 PM
22	CHARLOTTE	6:30 PM
27	MECKLENBURG LIONESS	7:30 PM

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