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THE BEACON

SERVING CENTRAL VIRGINIA

WELCOME LIONS - - - - to a new year. There is an air of excitement about starting something new. I know many of your projects will be the same but hopefully a different twist on some of these projects will come about to make things more interesting.

Last minute and unforeseen health issues kept Lion Ric and me from attending the International Convention in Sydney, but we were able to follow it online on the lionsclubs.org website. Even though I was not able to attend District Governor School, my worthy fellow Governors from Virginia took notes for me and will be getting the information to me soon. I will still be your District Governor this year and will do my best to lead you with your issues and into a better standing with membership in your club.

Thank You to all who took positions on the cabinet. I know we can work together and have a fun and knowledgeable year. Let us all take pride in what we do and remember – there is no “I” in teamwork.

Before International President Lion Wirf gave the oath of office to the new President, he reminded us that at some time we need to reflect on the past year – the Move to Grow motto. When procuring new members, let them know of some of your successes with projects and how you gave back to the community. Also, instill the Pride you feel being a Lion Member.

Our new International President has asked us to look at some of our projects in a new light with association to our calendar, or, as he puts it, Action Days. For instance, next April when the US celebrates Earth Day, shine a light on an environmental project and activities in support of Earth Day. Include the youth in your community and/or some of the people who have received help from your Lions Club in the past. August includes International Day and October is World Sight Day. Do Plan programs in conjunction with these Action Days. This is a good time for your club members to put their heads together and come up with something that will excite the community with what the Lions are doing.

As always, our 24-Beacon is your tool for letting the district know what is going on with your club and what projects you have coming. Stay tuned each month for when Zone Meetings will take place and where. Please be timely with your Activity Reports so the Kudos will reflect what everybody has done. And, of course, your MMR can be done online with little effort. If you need help, ask somebody. The first Cabinet Meeting will be July 31st in Keysville. Do Plan on attending so we can get this year off to a grand start with schedules and dates.

The Fall Conference will be October 15th and 16th at the Koger Center in Richmond. There are plenty of close shopping town centers and lots to do and see there in Richmond. A registration form will be coming your way soon so you can get your club together and attend.

My schedule of club visits is on our district website - lions24b.org. This schedule will also be in the Beacon. Contact me or Cabinet Secretary Lion Norma Taylor if your date needs to be changed.

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Have Pride, Lions. Our motto for this year is “A Beacon of Hope.” Let your light shine as we make our way through this very exciting year.

“We Serve”
Susan L. Evans, DG



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24-B DISTRICT GOVERNOR SUSAN L. EVANS

MEET THE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

The International President for the 2010-2011 Lions year is a person most Lions are familiar with in MD24. He has been an International Guest many times over the past several years. We have included his bio.



Sid Scruggs, of Vass, North Carolina, USA, was elected as the International President of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 93rd International Convention, held in Sydney, Australia, June 27 – July 2, 2010.

President Scruggs is a retired commercial airline pilot.

A member of the Vass Lions Club, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, multiple district extension chairperson and district governor. In addition, President Scruggs has been a presenter at the USA/Canada and Europa Leadership forums and an instructor for the Lions Clubs International Leadership Institute and the District Governors-elect School. He is actively involved with dog guides for the blind.

In recognition of his service to the association, Vice President Scruggs has received four Lion of the Year awards, the 100% Club President Award, eight New Club Extension Awards, the Governor of Excellence Award, the Key of Nations Award, an International President's Leadership Award, eight International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association gives to its members. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Scruggs is chairperson of the board of directors of the Governor Morehead School, a member of the board of the Raleigh Lions Clinic for the Blind, Inc., and a life member of the American Airlines Grey Eagles Association and the Naval Academy Alumni Association. He was presented with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the highest award given by the State of North Carolina. He has also received an Honorary Doctorate of Humanities from World University.

President Scruggs and his wife, Judy, also a Lion and Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have four children and 15 grandchildren.

SECRETARY'S CORNER

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Yes, this is a changing of the guards. Lion Norma is the new District 24-B Secretary. If you are still mailing in your report, please mail them by 20th of the Month – By E-mail, you have to the end of the Month.

I extend a big THANK YOU to all Club Secretaries who sent me their reports each month. I have enjoyed being Dist. 24-B Secretary.

Lion Calvin Easter

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Lions, Lioness, and Leos

Announcement: The first official District 24-B Cabinet Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 31, 2010 at Sheldon's Restaurant 1450 Four Locus Hwy, Keysville, VA. The Cabinet Meeting will start promptly at 10:30 AM.

The cabinet meetings are open to all Lions, Lioness, and Leo Members however, as an elected officer of your club (president, secretary, treasurer) you are required to be present to qualify for the 100% Lions of Virginia Club Award.

There will be an optional buffet luncheon following the meeting. The cost is \$15.00 per person payable to LOV 24-B which will be collected upon arrival on site.

Reminders: Please notify me of any changes to addresses and telephone numbers ASAP. I will have many correspondences throughout the year and need the correct information. The best way to contact me is by email at LionNorma@Prodigy.net but feel free to call H: 804-730-9078 or C: 804-512-9613.

Monthly Reports: My personal goal is to have 24-B be recognized as the first in the state to have all clubs receiving a 100% Secretary Achievement Award this year. I am willing to work with any secretary that is having difficulty to achieve this goal. If you are unsure what to do, feel free to contact me anytime. I am willing to work with all of you who need assistance and training.

Lion Norma Taylor

Please submit your club news, fundraisers, ads, articles of interest, etc. into the editor's hands by the 10th of the month for publication. aBeaconForYou@yahoo.com

MD24 LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The scheduled date for the Leadership Institute is October 1-3, 2010 (Friday through Sunday) and will more than likely take place at the Holiday Inn Valley View in Roanoke.

Just a reminder, the cost to each individual is \$100, payable to MD24. The district is going to pick up the additional cost (\$125) for those that want to attend. With your payment of \$100, you receive two nights at the hotel, four meals, and all the materials available from the Leadership Institute.

If you have a desire to attend please let DG Susan Evans know you want to attend and she will get your name into the mix. Each District is allowed to have five individual spots. The earlier you get your reservations to DG Susan, the better chance you will have a spot in the Leadership Institute. If we have more than five requesting attendance, the first five are guaranteed a slot, the remaining will be placed on a waiting list. In the event not all 5 slots are filled for each District, then the waiting list is then used to fill the open slots.

As soon as we have the registration form's we will let those individuals know and get the form to you. Money must accompany the registration form.

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District Leadership Chair
PDG Lion Richard Evans

MERL TEAM TIDBITS



New members are the lifeblood of your Lions club. Membership attrition is inevitable, new members are the renewable resource that must constantly be replenished in order to keep the club viable. Building membership has always been a challenge. Attracting the new men and

women (people who are vital, capable, enthusiastic, and committed) that your activities demand is fundamental to your future.

Today, the membership challenge has become an opportunity, something very different from what it was in the past, because its focus is upon recruiting and retaining a very different group of individuals: those who grew up during that unprecedented era known as the Baby Boom. For the next 2-3 decades, this will be the generation that in large part will have the time and resources for significant contributions to Lions activities. It will provide the people upon whom we will depend to survive and to thrive. They are the ones we need to reach, and we need to begin doing it right now.

Basically recruitment is about persuasion. It is about helping prospective members understand why they should choose to devote many hours of their time and a great deal of their energy, not to the many other pursuits that await them, but to volunteer service as a Lion through membership in your club. It is generally accepted that to persuade them successfully, you will need to do much more than convey your own message. You will also need to do it in a way that truly engages your Baby Boomer audience, a way that captures their attention and speaks directly to their wants, their interests, and their aspirations. In short, you will need to help them recognize the connection between your actions and their passions.

Recruiting the "Baby Boom Generation" is an LCI program designed to help clubs accomplish this goal by providing 3 recruitment tools:

1. A summary of recent research about the Baby Boom generation and especially about the attitudes and habits that drive its volunteer affiliations.
2. A series of communications materials that have been specifically created to address these attitudes and habits, demonstrating that what Baby Boomers want to accomplish as volunteers they can achieve as Lions.
3. Suggested techniques for using these materials, for approaching Baby Boomers and, more generally, for aligning your club's practices and procedures with their aspirations and expectations.

It has been recognized for decades that wherever the Baby Boomers go, change follows. In the final analysis, the purpose of this Resource Guide and the recruitment program it describes is to help clubs make changes of their own, the kind that will enable clubs to gain and retain the people who will shape their future.

http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/recruiting_guide.pdf

Lion Ann Harris

JAMES RIVER LIONS CLUB DONATES
TO BURKEVILLE LODGE

Last October, Faye and I had the pleasure of presenting a program about the Burkeville Lodge to the James River Lions Club. As most of you know, we're passionate about the Lodge because of the recreational activities and fellowship the Lodge provides to the blind and visually impaired folks and their sighted friends.

The pleasure for me was doubled because President Robert Poland and I used to work together thirty-or-so years ago at the VCU Police department, and I hadn't seen him and his wife Margaret in quite a few years.

After an enjoyable dinner, Bob, Margaret and I talked about old memories. He introduced Faye and me as the guest speakers. I gave my little speech and we showed the DVD that the Virginia Association of Workers for the Blind has about the Burkeville Lodge. Then I opened the floor for questions.

After several of the usual questions about cost and when the Lodge is open, Secretary Bill Bergman asked if we thought that the folks who attend the lodge and like to fish would be interested in having some of the Popiel Pocket Fisherman fishing poles. Faye and I said that they certainly would, and he said he'd see if it was possible to get them.

As was reported in an earlier Beacon, the club donated the money and Bill managed to find some.

Last Friday Night, we attended the Richmond Blind Bowling League banquet and Bill was there representing the James River Club. He told us that he had the fishing poles, and we made arrangements for him to bring them to me at work.

He called me this past Monday morning, and we agreed that he would bring them that afternoon. At 2:20 Monday afternoon, Bill showed up with the donation and a camera for some shots of him presenting them to me.

I had called Betty Meredith Monday morning and told her about the donation and she said that was wonderful.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Virginia Association of Workers for the Blind and the folks who attend the Burkeville Lodge to thank Bill and the James River Lions Club for their generous donation of six pocket Fishermen and know that they will be put to good use and are greatly appreciated.

Finally, let me say again that I know our Lions Clubs have many projects to donate to, and all of them are very worthy, but if you have some room in your budgets, please consider

donating to the Virginia Association of Workers for the Blind for the operation of the Burkeville Lodge. If you would like a program about the Lodge, you can contact Betty Meredith at the VAWB office at 804-275-7300 or call me at the following numbers: home, 804-737-4776, Cell: 804-380-7562, or work: 804-674-3000.

We need your support if the lodge is to continue running and providing the much needed recreational activities that blind and visually impaired folks in this State have come to enjoy.

Thank you for your consideration and for those who have been donating, we appreciate your continued support. For those who haven't donated in some time or haven't donated at all for some reason, I encourage you to come to the lodge and see what fun we all have. I'm sure you will agree that this is a worthwhile project to support (or find a blind or visually impaired person, and sponsor a trip to the lodge for them). Also, remember that the lodge can be very reasonably rented for church retreats, Lions Club functions, or family reunions, etc.

Lion John Pleasants

THE MEMBERSHIP CORNER

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Kudos goes out to Lion Richard M. Yates for expanding the Colonial Heights Lions Club by sponsoring two new members.

Lion James J Smith

Lion Diana H Yates

DECEASED LION MEMBERS

Condolences go out to the Brookville Timberlake Lions Club for their loss.

Lion Alfonse Stroobants

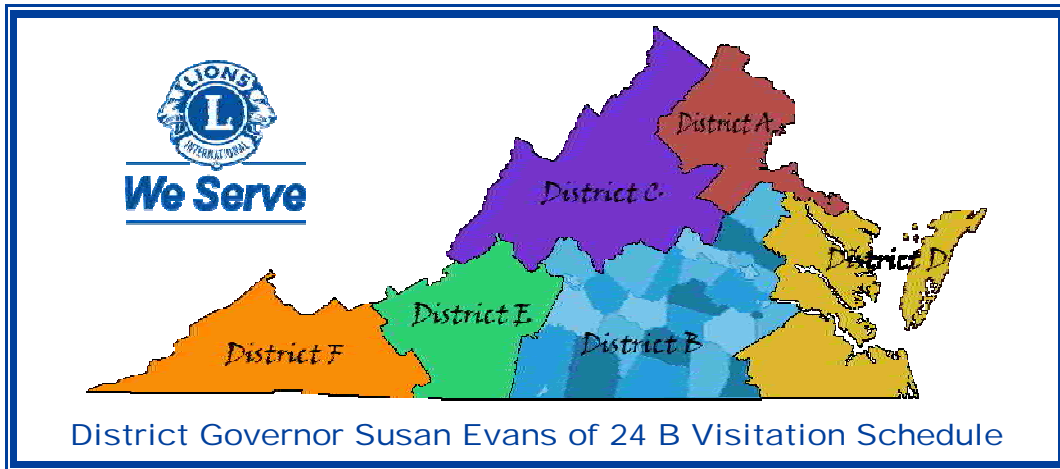
ADVERTISING IN THE BEACON

Advertising helps support the District and shows your support.

Business Card	\$ 25.00	Half Page	\$ 75.00
Quarter Page	\$ 50.00	Full Page	\$ 150.00

Make Checks payable to: Lions of Virginia 24-B
10906 Newlands Court
Richmond, VA. 23233

Send Ad Idea or Print to: aBeaconForYou@yahoo.com



7/14/2010	Richmond Host/Lakeside/Tuckahoe	9/23/2010	Buckingham County
7/17/2010	VLHF Annual Meeting	9/23/2010	Danville Host
7/31/2010	Cabinet Meeting	9/27/2010	Crewe-Burkeville
8/5/2010	Brookville-Timberlake	9/28/2010	Mechanicsville
8/05/2010	Lynchburg Host	10/5/2010	Petersburg
8/09/2010	Clarksville	10/8/2010	24-E Fall Conference
8/12/2010	Appomattox	10/11/2010	Amelia
8/12/2010	Lynchburg 7 Hills	10/13/2010	Hopewell-Prince George
8/16/2010	Lawrenceville	10/14/2010	Charlotte
8/16/2010	Lawrenceville Lioness	10/15/2010	24-B Fall Conference
8/17/2010	Amherst	10/25/2010	Blackstone
8/17/2010	South Boston	10/26/2010	Chase City
8/18/2010	Altavista	10/26/2010	Mecklenburg Lioness
8/21/2010	PTCV Board Meeting	10/28/2010	Colonial Heights
8/23/2010	Madison Heights	10/29/2010	24-A Fall Conference
8/23/2010	Richmond West Breakfast	11/3/2010	Powhatan
8/24/2010	Rustburg	11/5/2010	24-D Fall Conference
8/26/2010	Brookneal	11/8/2010	Dinwiddie
8/27/2010	24-F Fall Conference	11/10/2010	PTCV Pin Swap
9/7/2010	Farmville	11/23/2010	Ashland
TBA	Kenbridge-Victoria	12/1/2010	Goochland County
9/8/2010	Brandermill-Midlothian-Woodlake	12/3/2010	Danville Morning
9/9/2010	Chesterfield Prevent Blindness Morning	12/6/2010	Richmond Battlefield Park
9/9/2010	Gretna	12/7/2010	Varina
9/9/2010	Gretna Junction	1/6/2011	Glen Allen-Short Pump
9/13/2010	South Hill	1/21/2011	Pre State Convention Walk Thru
9/14/2010	Tuckahoe	1/25/2011	Chester
9/16/2010	Bon Air-Manchester-Midlothian	1/27/2011	Bowling Green
9/17/2010	24-C Fall Conference	2/4/2011	24-C Winter Social
9/21/2010	Chatham	2/8/2011	Richmond James River
9/21/2010	Richmond Lakeside	2/26/2011	3rd Cabinet Meeting
9/22/2010	Richmond Host	3/4/2011	VDG Training
		TBA	Lynchburg Fort Hill

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT

Do not have any other program during the Governor's Official Visit.
 The Board of Directors will be required to meet immediately following the Governor's Meeting.
 Do not hesitate to discuss problems with the governor and give new ideas.

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White Cane *State Chair*	PDG Lion Richard A. Evans 10205 Navarre Court Henrico, Virginia 23238 804-304-4354 LionRichE@yahoo.com		

KLUB KUDOS for July 2010

Altavista – The Club earned \$700 on 6/5 from the profits from a yard sale. The Club collected 3 pair of used glasses. The Membership stands at 38.

Amelia – Membership stands at 25

Amherst – The Club is very busy working on the upcoming golf tournament (7/16) at Poplar Grove Golf Club. Membership stands at 13.

Appomattox – The pavilion project for the Appomattox Community Park is almost complete. A 30x52 structure, donated by the Appomattox Lions Club, will be available for community use this month. The pavilion is the latest addition to the park and will be a lasting reminder of the contributions of the Lions Club to the Appomattox community. More than 1,500 people enjoyed good food, beverages and entertainment at the Lions Club Food Festival on June 18th in Appomattox. The goal of the festival was to raise sufficient funds to complete the pavilion at the Community Park and the goal was met. Membership stands at 39.

Ashland – The Club held the Officers Installation program on 6/9, the spouses were in attendance. The Club had a total of 18 individuals present. The installation officer was DG-Elect Lion Susan Evans. Membership stands at 16.

Blackstone – Membership stands at 13.

Bon-Air/Manchester – The Club provided 12 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$420 and 4 eye exams at a cost of \$200. The Club donated \$500 to Vol Council VRC, \$500 to VA Voice, \$500 to RAM, \$500 to LCIF, \$300 to Canine Companion, \$300 to Crossover Ministries, \$300 to Bainbridge Ministries, \$250 Midlothian Fire Dept, \$250 to Forest View Vol Resc Sq \$250 Bon Air Fire Dept. The Club collected 242 used eyeglasses. Lions Jane & Lee Winder attended the Blind Bowling League 50th Anniversary. Membership stands at 42.

Bowling Green – They had 4 members spend a total of 4 hours caring for the VDOT Plot on 4 different days during June. They collected 10 pairs of used glasses. Membership stands at 14.

Brandermill-Midlothian-Woodlake – Membership stands at 40.

Brookneal – Membership stands at 19.

Brookville-Timberlake – The Program on 6/3 was the Club presenting a \$1000 Scholarship to Andrea Robinson, Senior at Brookville High School. The program on 6/26 was presented

by PDG Lion Joyce Pittman on Purpose & Responsibilities of Lions and Installation of 5011-11 Officers. The Club donated \$60 for 3 baskets of food for 3 Evington families. They also donated \$100 for 4 \$25 Kroger gift cards for The Hillcat's Baseball Night. The Club provided 2 pair of new glasse at a cost of \$241 for needy individuals. They collected 32 pair of used glasses. Membership stands at 39.

Buckingham County – The Club provided 5 pair of eyeglasses to Buckingham residents. The Club donated \$800 to the local Boy Scout Troop. Membership stands at 31.

Charlotte – On 6/18 the Club had a booth where they sold hot dogs and B-B-Q at the 3rd Friday, a newly organized family event at Charlotte C.H. sponsored by Charlotte County Chamber of Commerce. The Club plans to have a food booth on 7/4 at Patrick Henry's Home, Red Hill. They are also selling tickets for the "Duck Race" to be held on 7/10. Membership stands at 24.

Chase City – Membership stands at 13.

Chatham –. Membership stands at 21.

Chester – Membership stands at 50.

Chesterfield Prevent Blindness – Lion Bill Daniels of the BMM Lions Club installed new officer on 6/8. The Club collected 164 pair of used glasses for the month. Membership stands at 17.

Clarksville Lions Club – The Club earned \$2846 from selling Birthday Calendar. They earned \$1200 from White Cane Project. They had 6 members work 16 hours with the Clarksville Blood Drive. The Club donated \$600 to Mecklenburg Rescue Squad, \$100 to Brenda Ferris (Ballo for Community flea Market), \$500 to Clarksville Fire Department (New Truck Fund), \$300 to Salvation Army (Camp Happy Land), \$200 to Dixie Youth Baseball, Clarksville's Public Library, \$100 to Clarksville YMCA, \$200 to Burkesville Lodge, \$100 Lions of VA Eyeglass Recycling and \$1000 to Sight First II. Membership stands at 19.

Colonial Heights – The program on 5/27 was presented by Delegate Kirk Cox on Update last General Assembly Session. The 6/9 meeting was a Joint Meeting with the Hopewell The Club donated \$100 to the Red Cross, \$100 to Bland Memorial, \$100 to Spinoza Bear, \$100 to C.H. Fire & Re e, \$100 to Alter Prom, \$200 to Ram Project, \$600 to Hearing Foundation, \$600 to Old Dominion Eye Bank, \$600 to Leader Dog, \$200 To Prevent Blindness, and \$200 to LCIF. The Club provided 3 pair of eyeglasses at a cost of \$150, three ye exams at a cost of \$150 and one hearing at a cost of \$400 to

needy individuals. The Club collected 85 pair of used glasses and 2 used hearing aids. Membership stands at 30.

Crewe-Burkeville -- Membership stands at 13.

Danville Host – Membership stands at 36.

Danville Morning – Membership stands at 12.

Dinwiddie – Membership stands at 24.

Farmville – The program on 6/1 was presented by Lion Tom McBride with a slide presentation on hearing. In June we had 7 members to work 35 hours as drivers with Meals on Wheels. The Club provided one eyes exam at a cost of \$70. The Club collected 105 pair of used glasses and 15 used hearing aids. Membership stands at 78.

Glen-Allen-Short Pump – The Club provided one pair of new glasses and one eye exam at a cost of \$75 to needy individuals. They collected 275 pair of used glasses, 1 hearing aid and 64 used cell phones. Membership stands at 14.

Goochland County – Membership stands at 15.

Gretna –. Membership stands at 22.

Gretna Junction – Membership stands at 14.

Highland Springs-Sandston – The Club earned a total of \$1579 from their Nuts & Candy Sales. They earned a total of \$500 from the Aunt Sarah's sales. They donated \$300 to LCIF, \$200 to the Bland scholarship Foundation and \$00 to the Burkeville Lodge. Membership stands at 6.

Hopewell Prince George – Membership stands at 34.

Kenbridge-Victoria – Membership stands at 17.

Lawrenceville Lions – Membership stands at 34.

Lawrenceville Lioness – New Officers were installed by Lion Harold Parrish, President of Lawrenceville LC. The Club earned \$600 from helping the Lawrenceville Lions Club with their Seafood Festival in May. Membership stands at 13.

Lynchburg 7 Hills – Membership stands at 27

Lynchburg-Fort Hill – Membership stands at 12.

Lynchburg Host – PID Lion Richard Chaffin installed new Officers on 6/3. The Club earned \$2306 from the Club Sales (Brooms, Mints, & Peanuts). They earned additional \$9 from White Cane. They provided 9 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$990 to needy individuals. The Club donated \$0 to

Leader Dog, \$300 to ODE Foundation, \$300 to Hearing Foundation, \$500 to Eyeglass Recycling Center, \$100 to YMCA Youth Camp, \$100 To Diabetes Awareness, \$100 to Special Olympics, \$100 to Kum ba Yah, \$100 to Daily Bread-Lynchburg, \$165 to Bland Music Scholarship and \$200 to L.A.M.P. On 5/3, three Lions went to the Recycling Center in Roanoke and worked 10 hours recycling 230 pairs of glasses. Membership stands at 36.

Madison Heights – During June the Club had new officer installation and dinner. The Club provided new glasses at a cost of \$255. Membership stands at 20.

Mechanicsville – For Community Projects, 10 members worked the Veteran Bingo Party for a total of 30 hours. The Club donated \$200 in canteen books and the members donated \$199 in food. The Club collected approximately 500 pair of used glasses and 22 hearing aids. Membership stands at 22.

Mecklenburg Lioness – The only activity reported was that they had Lion/Lioness Installation of Officers. Membership stands at 20.

Petersburg – Membership stands at 28.

Powhatan – Membership stands at 48.

Richmond Battlefield Park – PDG Lion Jay Overbey installed new officers on 6/21. The Club donated \$104 to Leader Dog. Membership stands at 27.

Richmond Host – The program on 6/9 was presented by Chris Semtner the Curator of the Poe Museum. Club denotations for 2009-10 year were: \$5218 for eye glasses for the needy, \$490 Christmas Party for the Blind –VAWB and \$120 to Lions 24-D Sight and Hearing Van (Homeless Screening-Richmond - \$120). The Memorial Trust Fund total Donations were: \$1500 to Lenscrafters for Eyeglass Volunteers for the Club, \$500 to VA Lion Hearing Foundation, \$500 to Central VA Lions Hearing Aid Bank, \$1000 to Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, \$1500 VA Assoc of Workers for the Blind, \$2000 to VA Rehab Center for the Blind Volunteer Council, \$2000 to Scottish Rite, \$500 to Prevent Blindness, \$2000 to Leader Dogs, \$2000 to The VA Voice and \$1000 to Bethanne Criqui for the teaching deaf students speech. Membership stands at 40.

Richmond James River – Their fundraising is through hosting bingo every Friday night at the Bishop Ireton Center (ights of Columbus). This effort requires a total of 30+ work hours weekly. The Club donated \$2100 to Fisher House, \$2000 – Lions of VA Hearing Bank, \$1000 – SVOSH (Student Volunteers in Optometry Services to Humanity), \$500 – Lions of VA Hearing Fund, \$500 Lions Project for Canine

Companions, \$100 Children's Hospital, \$100 – Special Olympics, \$100 Manchester Rescue Squad, \$100 Junior Diabetes and \$100 Kathy Carfrey. The Club provided 12 pair of new eyeglasses and 4 eye exams. The Club collected 307 pair of used eyeglasses. Membership stands at 28.

Richmond Lakeside – The program on 6/1 was presented by D. Fleener on the Rescue Dog. The program on 6/15 was their Annual Charter Luncheon. The Club provided 2 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$160. Membership stands at 11.

Richmond West Breakfast – The program on 6/14 was presented by Mr. Doug Burford, President of Burford Company Advertising. Mr. Burford is leading a one-man Campaign to get the Richmond area to be known as America Most Historic City. On 6/14 nine members worked 14 hours on Keep Henrico Beautiful Project by picking up trash on Skipwith Road. Three members worked two days each on the Wheelchair Ramp Installation Project. On Saturday 6/2 nine members worked 30 hours for Virginia Victory Games at St. Christopher's School. The purpose of these games is to give young VA residents ages 6-21 with physical, visual and/or hearing impairments the challenge of athletic competition similar to their non-disable peers. Membership stands at 48.

Rustburg – Membership stands at 20.

South Boston – The 6/1 program was presented by Donnell Corelle on Halifax. The program on 6/15 was new officer installation by PID Lion Richard Chaffin, Orientation y Lion Pete Sizemore and Gill Fellowship to VDG Chenery by VLHF Director Lion Tom Young. The Club earned \$100 from Halifax ice cream sales on 6/5. They donated \$1000 to Fallon on 6/15. Membership stands at 33.

South Hill – On 6/16 the Club presented patches to local Boy Scout Troop members for collecting glasses for Sight-Night project last fall. The Club sent 200 pairs of eyeglasses to the Lions Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA and donated 85 eyeglass cases to Goodwill in South Hill, VA. The Club provided one pair of eyeglasses at a cost of \$85 to a needy individual. Membership stands at 25.

Tuckahoe – Membership stands at 17

Varina – The Club earned \$1703 working White Cane on 4/30 & 5/1. The income from the Annual Canoe-A-Thon on 5/6 will be reported later. The Club provided 3 pair of new glasses and 3 eye exams at a cost of \$255. The Club donated \$1,000 to the Chickahominy. Membership stands at 32.



34th Annual USA/Canada Forum
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Whether you are a district or club officer or just a Lion who wants to improve their leadership skills, the 2010 USA-Canada Lions Leadership Forum has training opportunities that will educate and motivate members.

There are more than 70 seminars and workshops planned for the Forum, which will be held Sept. 23-25, 2010 at the Midwest Airlines Center in Milwaukee.

The Forum gives Lions the tools necessary to develop a strong club; motivate members and transform a good leader into a more effective leader.

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Come prepared to learn; the Forum will come prepared to teach.

Lion Norma Taylor

Lions of Virginia District 24-B
Cabinet Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2010
Roanoke, Virginia

The fourth District Governor's called Cabinet Meeting for 2009-2010 Lion's year was held on Friday, May 21, 2010 at the Hotel Roanoke in Roanoke, Virginia, in conjunction with the MD-24 State Convention with 27 members in attendance as recorded on the attached attendance log.

District Governor Lion Robert Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:06 A.M.-he gave people a few extra minutes to get to the meeting due to a last minute room change.

The opening song was led by Cabinet Treasurer PDG Lion Carolyn Messimer, the pledge was lead by Lion Frank Carlomagno, and Lion Pete Sizemore gave the invocation. District Governor Lion Robert Taylor welcomed everyone to the Cabinet Meeting.

District Governor Lion Robert called on the Cabinet Secretary for the minutes from the February 27 2010 Cabinet Meeting.

A motion was made by PDG Lion Rich Evans to forego the reading of the minutes from the February Cabinet Meeting and accept them as printed. VDG Lion Susan Evan s seconded the motion. The motion carried and was accepted. Cabinet Treasurer, PDG Carolyn Messimer presented the Treasurers report (See Attached.) and made a motion that it be accepted. The motion was seconded by PDG Lion Joyce Pittman. Motion was accepted.

Region II Zone II Chair, Lion Ann Harris reported that her Zone had gained 12 new members and lost 8 for a net gain of 4. She taught the Zone Chair School at the District Leadership Schools in April. She held her third Zone Meeting in conjunction with the Bland Contest (Varina, Mechanicsville, Richmond Battlefield Park and HS Sandston). The rumor that HS Sandston is turning in their Charter-She proposed that DG Robert and VDG Susan hold a special meeting with Mechanicsville, Varina and Richmond Battlefield Park to redistribute the service area to maintain coverage for vision/hearing impaired, etc. While she was up she reported on Retention. She has written several articles for the Beacon and Merl Team.

Dist. Governor Robert remarked that everyone in the HSS Club do not want to turn-in their Charter. He stated that we will work with the members to get the best results possible.

Region III Zone I Co-Chair, Lion Tom Young reported that he had some good news and some bad news. His Zone will be down in membership for the year. His Club has lost 6 members by death-one of them had 57 years of service to the Lions-for the year they will be down by 2. His Clubs are working hard toward earning the State Achievement Award his year. Charlotte LC should finish the year with a +2. He recommends this Club as the top Club in his Region.

International Convention Chair PDG Lion Dave Thomas reported that the Lions 93rd International Convention will be held in Sydney, Australia on June 28-July 2, 2010. The Virginia Marching Band has been canceled. The Conventi Shirts are here-if you ordered one, please pick it up. The Parade is at noon. The dress requirements are blue shirts, white pants and black shoes for men (white shoes for women).

PDG Lion Rich Evans, Leadership Development Chair reported that they had 50 people at the April 24th Incoming Officer's School. He thanked the four instructors (Lion Ann Harris-Zone School, PDG Lion Pete Taylor-President School, Lion Norma Taylor-Secretary/Treasurer School, PDG Lion Jay Overbey-Tail Twister School).

PDG Lion Rich reported that the Lions of Virginia Leadership Institute will be held October 15 and 16, 2010 at the Holiday Inn-Airport, Roanoke. District 24-B has 5 slots. The cost is \$100 for 2 full days of training. (The Dist. Governor corrected this to \$125, but the Dist. may pick-up the extra \$25.) Lions of Virginia Foundation Director, Lion Frank Carlomagno reported that all LOVF tickets were out. LOVF did not have any requests for grants during this year. They did give two Humanitarian Awards. LOVF is happy to do programs-just give one of them a call.

He reported on another item. Project Construction Sight was started six years ago with the aim to reach all children in the state with eye and hearing screenings. They have screened 400,000 children per year with approximately of them have some type of problem.

Lion Norma Taylor, Chair of White Cane and Leader Dog, was not present.

DG Lion Robert encouraged everyone to turn-in their White Cane numbers to Lion Norma as soon as possible. He reported that Lion Norma had arranged one Leader Dog program since the last Cabinet Meeting.

VDG Lion Susan reported that she have received an E-mail from Lion Lewis Adams, Trading Pins Chairs-he was down to 12 State Pins.

Virginia Spinoza Ambassador - PDG Lion Dr. Edward Meyer was not at the State Convention, but he mailed in a written report. As of today 23 Spinoza Bears have been placed. Spinoza Company is in trouble. He recommends putting the Spinoza Buddy Program on hold for now-hospitals have cooled off too.

Lion John Deacon, Hearing Conservation Chair was not present, but he had mailed-in a written report. He presented a program on noise induced hearing loss to Region I, Zone II, on March 16, 2010. He has made numerous telephone calls 24-B Lions concerning VLHF&RC program on hearing conservation to 4th graders. He reported on the program to VLHF&RC on 4/17. He recommends that all Clubs have hearing chairs appointed and for them to start the hearing conservation program..

PDG Lion S. David Thomas reported on Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center. He thanked all Clubs for collecting used eyeglasses and getting them to the recycling center. He reported that the center has a lot of glasses on hand. The Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center appreciates all donati and asks that you keep them coming.

Vice District Governor's remarks were next. VDG Lion Susan Evans said that she had put together most of her Cabinet for next year. She thanked everyone for their support and stated that we were going to have a good year next year. DG Robert asked that if called, please consider serving. We need more Lions to step forward.

District Governor's remarks were next on the agenda. DG Lion Robert started by awarding Special Appreciation Awards to Treasurer, PDG Lion Carolyn Messimer, CS Lion Calvin Easter, Region IV Chair Lion Joey McCaffery, Lion Ann ris and VDG Lion Susan Evans. He stated that he had others to aware. He ended his remarks by thanking all the Lions present for their hard work and support during the year.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Lions of Virginia District 24-B Meeting
Sunday, May 23, 2010

DG Lion Robert Taylor called the District 24-B Meeting to order at 8:45 AM on Sunday, May 23, 2010.

The song was led by Lion Helen Muller, pledge was led by Lion Coleman Jones and PDG Lion Pete Taylor gave the invocation.

DG Robert Taylor welcomes all the attendees and thanked them for being present. He stated that it has been great working with all the Lions this year.

Cabinet Secretary – Calvin Easter took the clubs roll call. We had representation from 12 of our 48 Clubs with a total individual count of 36 members.

A motion was made by PDG Lion Rich Evans to forego the reading of the minutes from the May 2009 District Meeting and to accept them as printed. Lion Pete Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried and was accepted.

Nominations Chair Lion Mike Olgesby was then given control of the meeting to handle the nominations. Lion Mike stated that we had candidates for all three positions. They had all their paper work in and had been certified.

He called for the nomination of the 2nd Vice District Governor.

PDG Lion Joe McCaffery came forward and nominated his son, Lion Joey McCaffery for the office of 2nd VDG. Lion Frank Carlomagno seconded the nomination.

Next, Lion Mike called for the nomination of the 1st Vice District Governor.

Lion Paul Steube came forward and nominated Lion Janis Chenery for the office of 1st VDG. Lion Mike Olgesby seconded the nomination.

Next, Lion Mike called for the nomination of the District Governor.

PDG Lion Pete Taylor nominated Lion Susan Evans for District Governor for 2010-2011 Lion's Year. Lion John Pleasant seconded the motion.

A motion was made by PDG Lion Rich Evans to close nominations. The motion carried.

DG Lion Robert called PDG Lion Jay Overbey forward and awarded him a MD-24 Council of Governors Award for his good work on the District Newsletter, The Beacon.

Next, DG Robert turned the meeting over to PDG Lion Jay Overbey for the elections. PDG Jay held the elections and left the room with the ballots.

In the DG's remarks DG Robert thanked everyone for working hard to help to keep membership up. We had 24 deaths during the year and we were still only down 13. We had tried to get two new Clubs up and running, but failed short that

mark. He did recognize Lion Joey McCaffery and Lion Nat Hutchenson for the work that they had done in this area.

The District Governor awarded the Membership Award to Lynchburg 7 Hills LC and Buckingham LC. Both Clubs had a plus 6 for the year.

He awarded the MD-24 Council of Governors Award to Lion Frank Carlomagno, PDG Lion Carolyn Messimer, Lion Calvin Easter and Lion Norma Taylor. He awarded the International President Certificate of Appreciation Award to Lion John Deacon for his work in the area of hearing conservation.

The DG presented Special Appreciation Awards to 1st VDG Lion Susan Evans, 2nd VDG Lion Janis Chenery, R III Chair Lion Joey McCaffery, RII ZI Chair Lion Ann Harris, RI Chair Lion Robert Chenery, RIII Co Chair Lion Tom Young and RIII Chair Lion Nat Hutchenson. He gave International President's Pins to Lion Ray Muller, VDG Lion Susan Evans and Lion Ann Johnson.

He gave one of the Annual Gold Lions Script Pins to 1st VDG Lion Susan Evans, 2nd VDG Lion Janis Chenery, RIII Chair Lion Joey McCaffery, Lion Ann Harris, Lion Betty Tuck and Lion Bob Pratt.

He next called on CS Lion Calvin Easter for a presentation. CS Lion Calvin on behalf of the Cabinet Members and Clubs in District 24B presented DG Lion Robert Taylor with the Progressive LOVF Humanitarian Award for his hard work in District 24-B during the year.

During the Open Discussion/Club Reports, Lion John Deacon reported on his work with the hearing conservation. He has presented the program to 4 out of 44 schools in Henrico County. Some Zones have taken the program on as a project. After Lion John's Report, we took a 15-minute break to await for the elections results.

When PDG-Lion Jay returned with the election results, DG Robert called the meeting back to order. "33 registered, 30 voted. DGE Susan Evans: 29 yes 4 no - 1st VDG Elect Janis Chenery: 32 yes 1 no - 2nd VDG Elect Joey McCaffery: 32 yes 1 no" according to PDG Lion Jay Overbey. All of District 24-B's nominated candidates were elected.

DG Robert introduced 2nd VDG Joey McCaffery –Elect and ask him to say a few words. He thanked his father for all his support and help. He stated that he look forward to working with everyone in the coming years.

Next DG Robert introduced 1st VDG Janis Chenery-Elect and asked her to say a few words. She thanked everyone for their help and support and promised to do her best.

Next DG Robert introduced DG Susan Evans-Elect and asked her for a few remarks. She thanked everyone for their support and stated that she looks forward to working with everyone and visiting all the Clubs.

District Governor Robert Taylor presented DG Susan Evans-Elect with a 3" X 5" plat with her name on it to go on the Governor's Banner.

Next, District Governor Robert Taylor presented DG Susan Evans-Elect with the District Governor's Banner.

There being no further business, DG Lion Robert Taylor adjourned the meeting.

Respectively Submitted
Lion Calvin Easter
24-B Cabinet Secretary

PID ROY WILSON IN THE LOO



The VA Group visited a kangaroo farm in Australia. They were informed that kangaroos are nocturnal and do not come out during the daytime so they saw nothing. Feeling disappointed, Good Sport PID Roy posed for this photo to liven things up.



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