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Dear Lions, Lioness and Leos,

Our Fall Conference was a huge success! Thank you for participating and making it so much fun. The Costume Party was a great kickoff event!

Scarlett and Rhett Butler, Charlie Chaplin, the Wicked Witch, Jimmy Hoffa, Cleopatra, Caesar and a host of others showed up. We gave prizes for the three most unique costumes. Of course, you know Mr. Butts won first place! It shows that we all still have a touch of our teenager days within us! You can see pictures in this issue.

We had some well-chosen classes—International Director Bob Corlew taught “Lions and the Law” covering risk management, use of funds and the need to incorporate our clubs. Past International Director Wayne and Lion Marge Davis spoke on “Why Lions Leave Clubs”. Our guest speaker at lunch was Commander. Paul Galanti, USN-retired, a seven year Vietnam POW, he got a standing “O” for his very stirring presentation.

We thank our military men and women for being there for us. We live in the best country in the whole world and they keep it safe for us! I am humbled to serve you and thank you for all you do—

DG Janis



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1st Vice District Governor

Lion Joey McCaffrey



Well hello everyone. I hope everybody had a great Thanksgiving. I had to work but that is okay because someone had to do it. It has been a very busy November. I still need to get out and visit more Lions

clubs.

I received training on the Spot Vision Screener machine with about eleven other Lions. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Lion Paul Steube for planning and organizing the Spot Vision Screener training. I would also like to extend my thanks and appreciation to PDG Houser Weiler, District 24-D, for making the trip from the beach to conduct the training.

The Spot Vision Screener is going to make such a big impact in the lives of all the young children around the state.

On a campaign note, I am still recruiting Lions for cabinet and committee leadership positions next Lions year. If you would like to serve the District, please give me a call. I would love to hear from you.

This wraps things up for this month. I want to wish each one of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Until next time, be safe and I am looking forward to seeing you again soon.

Yours in Lionism,
1st Vice District Governor Joey McCaffrey

MERRY CHRISTMAS



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Cabinet Secretary's Corner

Lion Peter J. Sizemore



Please remember not to get so caught up in Christmas season that you forget to send in your monthly MMR and Activities Report. It is still a good idea to sending in the MMR

the first of the month and then make changes it as the month goes on. When you do this, the club's report is always in on a timely manner.

STATE PER CAPITA ANNUAL DUES -

Club secretary/treasurers and or club

treasurers the Lions of Virginia State Constitution requires that dues, "...shall be paid by the Clubs to the State Secretary/Treasurer, prior to January 1st. This is most important for many reasons including allowing clubs to earn awards. Please, if you have not sent in the club's dues do so as quickly as possible.

Merry Christmas and may 2012 be your best year yet.

Lion Peter J. Sizemore
Cabinet Secretary

Beacon Editor

Lion Robert J. Pratt



The fall weather has definitely made its appearance in the early morning hours. Daylight Saving Time has given us another hour of daylight in the evening.

For those of you who missed the District 24-B Fall Conference last month, you missed an exceptional event. Credit District Governor Janis and the district staff for a memorable weekend.

The conference had something for everyone. It was not all business considering the costume contest and lively auction on Friday evening. It was a great opportunity to attend



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educational seminars, meet and greet Lions and their spouses and guests from our own district and other districts, and meet current and past international directors. The speakers were inspirational.

As we move into the second quarter of this Lions year there yet remains much to do. We want to hear what is going on in your club or zone. Tell us about your planned activities and events but more importantly tell us about the results of your events. Inquiring minds want to know. Do not forget to send pictures.

The failure of some clubs to submit their monthly membership report continues to be a serious problem. November has been the

worst month this Lions year to date for monthly reporting. Fifteen clubs failed to submit the required report to LCI. Clubs officers you have to do a better job to ensure accurate and timely reporting.

On a lighter note, as the holiday season approaches, the staff of the Beacon wishes you and yours a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy Kwanzaa.

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

Lion Bob Pratt
Beacon Editor/Statistician

Around the District

WOMEN'S AND FAMILY MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE

International President Tam has assembled a Women's and Family Membership Development Task Force to collect ideas for growing women and family membership. The Task Force is comprised of the current female international directors and two female board appointees. Throughout the 2011-2012 fiscal year, these women will be

attending and participating in women's workshop events and symposiums worldwide.

The vision for the task force members is to gain insights for promoting, advancing and developing opportunities for women and family membership in Lions. The Task Force



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will be pulling together and distilling their findings to develop recommendations on next steps.

You can read more about this project at [Family & Women's Newsletter](#).

Annual Lions Thanksgiving Luncheon

The Richmond Host/Tuckahoe Lions Club hosted the 11th Annual Lions Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 18 at 12:00PM at the Westwood Club. Four Richmond metropolitan area Lions Clubs worked together to host a luncheon in a festive atmosphere as their way to celebrate Thanksgiving.

After the introduction of the club presidents and guests at the head table, Lion J. B. Neal, Richmond Host - Tuckahoe Lions Club led the celebrants in two rousing patriotic songs as only he can do.

Lion Mike Oglesby provided the invocation and he commented on the passing of Lion Ed C. Meyer, an active life member of the Tuckahoe Lions Club. He was a Past District Governor and a Melvin Jones Fellowship recipient. Lion Mike asked for a moment of silent reverence in memory of Lion Ed Meyer.

With four clubs represented, it was a target

rich environment for fines, so it was necessary, it was necessary to have two Tail Twisters for the occasion. Lion Jay Overby of the Richmond Host/Tuckahoe Lions Club and Lion Pete Sizemore, Richmond West Breakfast Lions Club shared the responsibilities (aka harassment). Lion Pete announced it was Mickey Mouse's birthday, therefore the group sang the Mickey Mouse song (also the identifying song for the RWBLC).



Lion Pete Sizemore and PDG Lion Joyce Pittman



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It was also PDG Lion Joyce Pittman's birthday, who is a cherished member of the Quiet Club.

The RWBLC President, Lion **Dale Mounce**, was accused of going to the Fall Conference at the Williamsburg Hospitality House, but actually spending the night in the parking lot in his vehicle. Lion Dale admitted to the fact, but explained that the vehicle in question was his recreational camper, fully equipped for such events.



Lion Pete Sizemore and Lion Willard Scott

The Tail Twister fined Lion Willard Scott, Richmond Host – Tuckahoe Lions Club, because he lost his shirt at the Project Homeless Connect event the previous day. He was so involved in the program that keeping up with his own stuff became secondary. There were other questionable accusations that resulted in fines, which

should fatten the coffers rather well.

The Master of Ceremonies, Lion Royce Savelle, related that the four Lions Clubs present that day represented 218 years of service. He also pointed out that:

- The **Richmond Lakeside Lions Club** has nine active members and they have projects of selling fruitcakes and Aunt Sarah's Pancake House coupons as fundraisers.
- The **Richmond West Breakfast Lions Club** has 47 members, and their projects are selling peanuts as well as volunteering for various agencies, including Project: Homes and the Salvation Army.
- The **Glen Allen/Short Pump Lions Club** has 12 members and it collected 855 pairs of recycled eyeglasses. They also help an average of 15-20 applicants for new glasses per year.
- The **Richmond Host/Tuckahoe Lions Club** has 45 members. Their project is providing 30 backpacks to the students at the Virginia Rehabilitation Center for the Blind and Vision Impaired. They also held the Project Homeless Connect event



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on November 17 during which Lions conducted sight and hearing screenings conducted in the Lions of Virginia District 24-D Mobile Sight and hearing Unit. Project Homeless Connect is a unique program which matches clients with volunteers in a one-of-a-kind partnership to assist the chronically homeless adults to connect to as many on-site services as possible in one day.

The guest speaker was Rev. David Berhans, the University of Richmond Chaplain from 1974-2004. He opened with the story of a woman in a New York coffee shop who was catching a quick coffee with a package of cookies and reading her morning paper. A man sat down across from her, as happens in that crowded city.

She heard the crinkling of the cellophane wrapper and realized he had taken a cookie from the package on the table. She was infuriated and grabbed them, taking another one, and plunked them back down. He took another one, which left only one in the package. She was shocked speechless as he then took the last cookie, broke it in two, and ate half before leaving the table—leaving her the other half.

In total disgust, she threw her paper in the other chair and then saw, to her horror, her unopened package of cookies on the table. Despite her obvious anger, he had shared his cookies with her, thinking she was in need. Rev. Berhans stated this man was a Thanksgiving person, sharing even in the presence of a lack of gratitude—responding to a negative with a positive.

Consider our gene pool. We can complain about the inheritance factor we received from our ancestors, or thank them for giving us life and the benefits we did inherit. We can create a spirit of Thanksgiving within ourselves by remembering the gift of wonder, as a child who sees a waterfall for the first time. Another gift is the comic spirit; to laugh in a world like ours is a true gift of God. All of these are the characteristics of a Thanksgiving person; an appropriate concept for the holiday we celebrate at this time of year.

Lion J. B. Neal thanked our speaker for his very fitting commentary, and then led the audience in a final patriotic song. Lion Jan Kessler (transfer from Richmond/Tuckahoe to RWBLC) was the very talented piano accompanist. Everyone enjoyed the festivities.



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District Directory Changes & Corrections

Page #	Club	Change/Correction
28	Farmville	Delete: President Betty Robb Breen
		Add: Lion Kerry Davis Mossler, 113 Appomattox Street, Farmville, Virginia 23901, (H) 434-392-8507, (O) 434-315-2445, Email address: kerry.mosser@centrahealth.com , Spouse: Dan

Club News

30th Annual Holiday Bazaar



Pictured are Debbie Poythress, Dean Marion and Barbara Gallo.

The South Hill Lions Club participated in the 30th Annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday and Sunday, November 19 and 20. The Friends of the R. T. Arnold Library sponsored the bazaar held at the Golden Leaf Warehouse, corner of Country Lane and Raines Street.

The bazaar consisted of two big days of arts, crafts, and gifts for the holidays. Club members worked shifts throughout the two-day event. They sold raffle tickets, brooms and candy bars.



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Kenbridge – Victoria Lions Webpage



Hear ye, Hear ye! The Kenbridge – Victoria Lions Club has a new e-clubhouse webpage. Please take a moment to see what's going on in their club at

[http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/ken](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/kenbridgevictoria/calendar.php)

[bridgevictoria/calendar.php](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/kenbridgevictoria/calendar.php). The Kenbridge

– Victoria Lions Club meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM at Captain's Choice Seafood Restaurant, 513 Main Street, Kenbridge, Virginia on odd months and at Marino's Restaurant, 1401 Main Street, Victoria, Virginia during the even months.

Welcome to the e-clubhouse family!

Richmond Host – Tuckahoe Lions

R.E.B. Awards for Teaching Excellence

There is a star amongst us! The Community Foundation has awarded our very own Jackie Coffey with a 2011 R.E.B Award for Teaching Excellence! She is one of only 15 central Virginia Educators to win this prestigious award. The award includes a \$12,000 grant to enable her to pursue her love of reading and hone her teaching skills as she travels to Australia and New Zealand to attend a literacy conference and observe primary classrooms.

The R.E.B. Awards for Teaching Excellence was established in 1988 to recognize public school teachers who have distinguished themselves by their inspiring performance in the classroom.

The Community Foundation developed the awards program that the R.E.B. Foundation funds. The Foundation program recognizes and celebrates outstanding classroom



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teachers from the area's public schools. R.E.B. Awards present cash grants to teachers to enable them to pursue postgraduate studies, professional training or world travel.

The finalists are among the best in their field. These instructors demonstrate a passion for teaching while continuing to inspire the hearts and minds of their students. In addition to being educators, the selected finalists are also mentors, coaches and encouragers to their students.

This year an eleven-member steering committee selected 33 finalists from

nominations submitted by area students, parents, colleagues, other school personnel and the community at large.

The Community Foundation announced the 2011 winners at the Library of Virginia. It awarded fifteen winners and seventeen finalists from the 127 teachers nominated by students, parents and colleagues. The individual grants ranged from \$4,000 to \$12,000 to support professional development activities.

Congratulations, Jackie! We are very proud of you!

Goochland Lions Club Donates Trees to Goochland High School

On November 23, six Goochland County Lions Club members and four Goochland High School students volunteered a total of fifteen man-hours planting three twelve-foot Sugar Maple trees at the entrance to Goochland High School. The club members planted the trees in front of the high school to enhance the landscaping on campus.





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The four high school seniors helped in the project as part of their community service



Shown are (L-R) Mariah Childress, Justin Moechnig, Hunter King and Travis Thompson.

initiative. They assisted in the tree planting by digging, watering and mulching the newly planted trees.

Preparing to plant 250 pound trees requires planning to be sure the hole is the proper



size prior to planting. Lions Bob Hammond & Bob Jones unload one of the trees.

Watering during planting assures that the new tree will survive the stress of replanting. Seniors water the new planting while Lion Sam Barkley aligns the tree.



Part of the planting crew of Lions and students get ready to set another tree.

Fred Richardson at Spring Hill Nursery in Louisa, provided the trees for the project. Lion Sam Barkley was the club's project leader for the planting. The tree planting is part of a campaign by the International Association of Lions Clubs to plant a million trees worldwide this year.

The Goochland County Lions Club has served the Goochland community for thirty-eight years. The club's primary service is



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sight and hearing preservation, assisting in eye screening and helping needy residents obtain eye exams and glasses. Locally, the club conducts a Lion Santa Program, provides a scholarship to a Goochland High School senior at graduation, supports the Goochland High School All Night Graduation Party, enters a team in the Goochland Relay for Life each year, supports the Goochland Christmas Mother program, and participates in the state's Adopt-A-

Highway campaign to reduce litter on our highways.

The club invites anyone willing to work with us in the community to join us. Please visit our website for further information at <http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/goochlandva/>.

Article provided courtesy Goochland County Lions Club

Richmond Host – Tuckahoe Lions Club

"10 Who Made a Difference in 2011"

Hello Lion Friends,

If you have not seen a copy of the December issue of BOOMER Magazine, I hope you will run out and get one!

Our very own Linda-Broadly-Myers has been bestowed the honor of being on BOOMER Magazine's "It List"! The feature is entitled "10 Who Made a Difference in 2011" and the winners are boomers "who are "inspirational, influential or interesting -- the "It List of Richmond".

The 10 honorees are on the cover of the magazine, and the article about the honorees talks about why they were chosen. Linda is noted for her magnificent advocacy work.

In the cover photo, Linda is the only person sitting and she is in the middle of the group, so it is evident that she is tops on their list. She is the first person featured in the article inside, and with author David Robbins the second person featured; it is evident that the honorees are not in alphabetical order, but according to BOOMER editors' view of the person who has contributed most significantly to our community.



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This is very exciting, and I hope you will pick up a copy of BOOMER Magazine at CVS Pharmacy, Kroger Supermarket, or Wa-Wa.

Additionally, TV Anchor Cheryl Miller will be doing a live interview with Linda on December 21 at 9:00 AM on CBS6's Virginia This Morning, so I hope you can tune in! If you are interested in seeing all the award winners, the first interview was on December 9 with Ray McAllister. As you can tell, Linda was in great company!

The winners and guests also will be feted at an awards dinner at Ruth's Chris Steak House in Midlothian in January, where they will receive prizes provided by local sponsors.

Take care, love to you all and have a super week,

Liza Bruce

Lions of Virginia Foundation

In August 1969, the Lions Clubs of Northern Virginia received calls for help from fellow Lions in Nelson County, Virginia as they tried to help neighbors and relatives who lost food, clothing, and in some cases, everything they owned as Hurricane Camille settled in the mountains west of Charlottesville, Virginia.

The clubs organized drives for contributions of materials, clothing, blankets, food, and medicine, but all this took precious time during which large numbers of people suffered. The inability to respond quickly in

a natural disaster prompted district leaders to lay the groundwork for a statewide foundation operated by all of the Lions Districts in Virginia. By the summer of 1972 the State Corporation Commission had approved the Articles of Incorporation and the Lions of Virginia Foundation (LOVF) was officially born.

Since that time, LOVF has provided humanitarian services statewide. A Board of Directors composed of the Past District Governors that have served in the preceding



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two years; current International Officers; the six elected District LOVF chairpersons; and the Past Presidents of the Foundation administers the Foundation. All board members are active members of Virginia Lions Clubs and serve on a volunteer basis.

method of generating funds for both the foundation and individual Lions Clubs. The LOVF raffle tickets cost \$1.00. The foundation receives one-third of the revenue from sale of the tickets and the club retains two-thirds. It is a time tested, proven method of supporting your Lions club and the foundation that serves Lion clubs statewide. To request tickets send an email to District 24-B Chairman Lion Frank Carlomagno at fjcarlo@comcast.net or give me a call at (804) 794- 6643. Improve your club's fund raising. Try em, you'll like em.



The annual sale of LOVF raffle tickets is one

Lion Frank Carlomagno
Chair, LOVF District 24-B

Welcome New Members

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

ALTAVISTA

Lionel W. Adkins sponsored by Lion Betty Tuck

CHASE CITY

Stanley R. Conner



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William Cary Harris, Jr. sponsored by Lion
Harvey David Keim

HOPEWELL PRINCE GEORGE

Christy M. McLean sponsored by Lion
Hugh J. McCaffrey

Fred A. Roscher sponsored by Lion
Raymond M. Garrett

RICHMOND BATTLEFIELD PARK

Donald H. White

VARINA

Brian K. Thompson sponsored Lion Robert
M. Thompson

IN MEMORY



The District extends its condolences to the family and friends of our deceased Lions and we celebrate their lives and deeds.

CHASE CITY

Jeanne Hollins Trent

RICHMOND HOST – TUCKAHOE

Dr. Ed Meyers



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Edward MEYERS



MEYER, Dr. Edward C., 84, of Richmond, passed away November 4, 2011. Ed leaves behind his wife, Nancy Unger Meyer; her daughter, Ellen Ende and husband, Dr. Fred Ende; and their children,

Rebecca and Scott.

Ed graduated from John Marshall High School in 1944 and graduated from the University of Virginia. After serving in the navy during World War II as an aircraft plane director on the U.S.S. Tarawa, he graduated from the Pennsylvania State School of Optometry. He was a practicing optometrist for 57 years in the Richmond area.

Ed was active in Lionism. He joined the International Association of Lions Clubs in July 1957 and was a life member of the Tuckahoe Lions Club. He served as District Governor from 1969 – 1970 and was a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. He served for many years as the Lions of Virginia Ambassador for the Spinoza Buddy Bear Program for terminally ill children.

He served on the board of directors at the Old Dominion Eye Foundation. Ed was a 32nd degree Mason with Fraternal Lodge #53 AF&AM. He was a member of the ACCA Shriners and the Scottish Rite.

Dr. Meyer was a volunteer at St. Mary's Hospital and was a lifelong member at Temple Beth Ahabah. Lion Ed is interned at Hebrew Cemetery. You may contribute in Ed's honor to The [American Heart Association](#) or the Old Dominion Eye Foundation.

Summary of Club Activities

AltaVista: The club has 34 members. The club recruited one new member. There was a business meeting on November 3. The club raised \$140 through its broom sale fundraiser.

Amelia: The club has 21 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report to LCI. No activity report submitted.

Amherst County: The club has 24 members. On November 1, Lion Dave Thomas gave a



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presentation to the club on Site First, eyeglass recycling, and pin trading. . Greg Tyree and Susan Morris spoke to the club on the Rural Outreach Center on November 15. One Lion volunteered eight man-hours to Girls on the Run on November 19. Christmas tree sales are ongoing. The club donated \$500 to Crime Stoppers. The club provided eleven pair of new eyeglasses to the needy at a cost of \$910. Members collected 50 pair of eyeglasses for recycling.

Appomattox: The club has 36 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report to LCI. No activity report submitted.

Ashland: The club has 14 members. PDG's Pete Taylor and Rich Evans aided in the construction of the Leo Club Float for the Annual Ashland Holiday Parade held on November 20. The Patrick Henry Leo Club had ten Leos involved with the float and 15 Leos participated in the Parade handing out candy canes to the little kids that lined Route 54. The Patrick Henry Leos are working on stocking stuffing Christmas gifts for under privileged children and orphans. Lion Pete submitted a report about Trains Days. There was a total profit of \$546.93, after expenses of \$486.93. The Leos sold 148 tickets on the Christmas Train Raffle and 39 LOVF Tickets.

Blackstone: The club has 14 members. The Blackstone Lion's Club held its regular bi-monthly meeting on November 14. The club has collected 200 pair of used eyeglasses, and one

hearing aid, and will be delivering these to the recycling center in Roanoke.

Bon Air -Manchester-Midlothian: The club has 39 members. Elizabeth King, Manager, Central Virginia American Diabetic Association, gave a presentation on "Diabetes, Prevention, Treatment and Services of the American Diabetics Association on November 3, 2011. On November 17, Corporal Mike Catron, Chesterfield County Police Department, Crime Prevention Unit, spoke on "Home Security." He provided new information on tracking devices used for autism and Alzheimer's patients. The club collected \$3,824 during its White Cane fundraiser. Lenscrafters has agreed to donate 15 pair of eyeglasses and Dr. Bastaich has agreed to donate 15 eye examinations for a one-day event in December. The value of these donations to the club is \$1,275.00. The club approved 15 pairs of glasses and 6 eye examinations during the month of November. Members collected 117 pair of used eyeglasses for November. Bland Memorial Music Scholarship - Lion Jim Williamson announced that Bland Music Competition is scheduled for March 18, 2011 from 2 -6 PM at the Brandermill Community Church. On November 17, three club members volunteered a total of six man-hours participating in Project Homeless Connect.

Bowling Green: The club has 11 members. District 24-B Governor Janis Chenery made the governor's official visit to a joint meeting with the Ashland, Bowling Green, and Mechanicsville Lions Clubs on November 16. The club raised \$112 from selling brooms and raffle tickets at the



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Bowling Green Harvest Festival on November 15. One club member volunteered one man-hour on October 17 and one member volunteered two man-hours on November 9 caring for the VDOT plot.

Bon Air Brandermill & Midlothian (Woodlake): There are 36 members in the club. On November 10, Dr. Ted Bunn presented a program entitled "Thoughts on the expansion of the universe".

Brookneal: The club has 20 members. No activity report submitted.

Brookville-Timberlake: The club has 42 members. In assistance to individuals, three Lions visited the sick for a total of 15 man-hours, one Lions visited a shut-in for 1.5 man-hours, and two Lions provided aid to shut-ins for a total of sixteen man-hours. One Lion donated whole blood and platelets. In community and cultural activities,

Two Lions volunteered with Boy Scouts of America as leaders, one volunteered at Elizabeth Early Learning Center, one volunteered with the Telephone Pioneers, one worked in neighbor's garden and mowed lawn, and one Lion volunteered at church health clinic. Members volunteered a total of forty man-hours for these projects.

In health and wellness awareness and education, two Lions received blood screening certification by attending District 24-D's Fall Conference (6 hours), one presented a diabetes presentation to

Chesterfield Prevent Blindness Morning Lions Club as 24-B Diabetes Chair, and one Lion attended the Chesterfield Prevent Blindness Morning Lions Club with his wife. One Lion volunteered with Lynchburg Telecare (22 hours), one Lion provided "Lionistic" service (5 hours), and two Lions provided mental health support (24 hours).

In community and cultural activities, three Lions volunteered ten man-hours collecting used clothing for Clothing Ministry. One Lion delivered food to Meals on Wheels recipients. One Lion volunteered six man-hours counting Salvation Army Christmas Kettle money. Five Lions volunteered 48 man-hours at the District 24-B Region I Zone I October community health fair assisting exhibitors as needed. Six Lions received sight and hearing training from District 24-C and provided sight & hearing screenings at the Brookville Middle School, Sam's Club, and the October District 24-B Region I Zone I community health fair. (44 hours). Two Lions attended the Lynchburg Host Club's 90th anniversary dinner

Buckingham County: The club has 28 members. The club donated \$25 to the local VFW Post for aid to military families. The club provided eyeglasses to five needy persons. Members continued with recycling efforts and donated \$200 to BSA Troop 6535 Venturing Crew to help pay for camping equipment.

Charlotte: The club has 25 members. The club provided three area citizens with eye exams and glasses.



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Chase City: The club has 15 members. The club gained two new members on November 22. The club raised \$537 at its pancake supper at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall on November 14. Money the sale of calendar is flowing in. The club provided eyeglasses for two persons in October and two additional persons in November. Members are planning a stew for January 21, 2012. Lion Bob Rietzke, the club's point man for the Bland Music Contest is organizing things in the Zone – the club had a fabulous contest last year that produced the second place winner in the vocal category and third place winner in the instrumental category in the 24-B Contest.

Chatham: The club has 20 members. The club has 22 members. On November 1, our club approved membership applications for two new members, Lion Sandra Meadows and Lion Jeannette Wilson. On November 15, visiting DG Lion Janis Chenery inducted the new members, and spoke about Lions International, District 24B and our Club. Lion Bob Chenery, District Global Leadership Chairman, who spoke on leadership and Lion Paul Steube, District Global Membership Chairman, who spoke on membership, accompanied her. Club members collected nineteen pair of used eyeglasses for recycling. Members posted American flags on Main Street in Chatham on November 8 for Election Day and Friday, November 11 for Veterans Day.

Chester: The club has 34 members. No activity report submitted.

Chesterfield Prevent Blindness: The club has 17 members. Lion Helen Mueller presented a program on diabetes on November 10. Club members collected 130 pair of used eyeglasses and ten cell phones for recycling.

Clarksville Lions Club: The club has 17 members. The club did not submit a monthly activity report to LCI. No activity report submitted.

Colonial Heights Lions Club: The club has 29 members. No activity report submitted.

Crewe-Burkeville: The club has 12 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report to LCI. No activity report submitted.

Danville Host: The club has 37 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report to LCI. Betty Marshall presented a program to the club on speech and hearing on November 11.

Danville Morning: The club has 13 members. No monthly activity report submitted.

Dinwiddie: The club has 21 members. The club did not submit a monthly activity report to LCI. No activity report submitted.

Farmville: The club has 72 members. No activity report submitted.

Glen-Allen-Short Pump: The club has 12 members. No activity report submitted.



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Goochland County: The club has 15 members. Six Lions and four students volunteered a total of fifteen man-hours planting three Sugar Maple Trees at Goochland High School. The club member planted the trees in front of the high school to enhance the landscaping on campus.

Gretna: The club has 20 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report or a monthly activity report to LCI.

Hopewell Prince George: The club has 35 members. No activity report submitted.

Kenbridge-Victoria: The club has 17 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report to LCI. Lions picked up salvage food from a local grocery store for distribution to people in need of food. It is a continuing activity. Lions planted a tree in each of the parks of the two towns in the county. The club will dedicate trees to the two remaining charter members of the club. The trees are also a beautification project for the park and the public.

Lawrenceville: The club has 28 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report to LCI. No activity report submitted.

Lawrenceville Lioness: The club has fifteen members. Eight members volunteered twenty-one man-hours assisting the Lawrenceville Lions Club with the preparation, distribution, and sale of Brunswick stew. The club received \$400 for their efforts. The club donated \$100 to each of the following agencies: Leader Dog for the Blind, Virginia Hearing, Burkeville Lodge, Brunswick Crime Solvers, and the Lawrenceville Food Bank.

The club allocated \$200 to a needy family identified by the department of social services. Members collected eighteen pair of eyeglasses and two pair of lenses for recycling.

Lynchburg 7 Hills: The club has 24 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report to LCI. No activity report submitted.

Lynchburg Host: There are 32 members in the club. *October:* The club generated \$729.75 from the sale of brooms, mints, peanuts, and coloring books. The club provided one person with an eye examination and eyeglasses at a cost of \$99. Members volunteered six man-hours at the Lynchburg Museum. One member volunteered one man-hour at the Free Clinic of Central Virginia. The club raised \$931.43 from its White Cane fundraiser.

November: The club generated \$815.40 from the sale of brooms, mints, peanuts, and coloring books. The club provided two persons with eye examinations and eyeglasses at a cost of \$198. Members volunteered six man-hours at the Lynchburg Museum. Greg Curator and Jim Harding gave a presentation on the restoration of old city clock in the city museum. Thirty members and District Governor Janis Chenery attended the club's 90th anniversary celebration. Club members collected 95 pair of used eyeglasses for recycle to date.

Mechanicsville: The club has 16 members. From September 2011 - June 2012, the club will assist veterans at the McGuire Veterans Medical Center with their monthly bingo activity. The



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club will \$200.00 each month for canteen books and provide refreshments to approximately 40 veterans. The average cost for the meals per month is \$100.00. Nine club members volunteer a total of twenty-seven man-hours monthly.

Mecklenburg Lioness: The club has 18 members. District Governor Janis Chenery made the governor's official visit to the Lioness Club. Lion Bob Chenery (Ethics Committee and Global Leadership), Lion Paul Steube (Global Membership Chair), and Lion Zone Chair Otis Thomas were present. Club members are working diligently collecting items for nine raffle baskets and selling raffle tickets to sell them as a fundraiser. Club members plan to finish the project by December 3.

Petersburg: The club has 26 members. No monthly activity report submitted.

Powhatan: The club has 45 members. The club held one meeting this month due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Dianne Blandford, wife of Lion Jim Blandford, spoke to the club about a character-building program started in the Pocahontas Middle School. Club members collected 113 pair of eyeglasses for recycling and provided eye examination and eyeglasses for three individuals.

Richmond Battlefield Park: There are 25 members in the club. The L. Douglas Wilder Middle School Leo club collected canned goods and distributed 27 thanksgiving baskets to the needy. Sixteen club members volunteered 48 man-hours preparing, distributing, and selling

Brunswick Stew and raised approximately \$2,000. Mr. Ogie Shaw gave a presentation on Physical Fitness for Successful People. The club donated \$500 to the Henrico Lodge Charitable Foundation and provided eye examinations for three persons and four pair of eyeglasses for local residents at a cost of \$500. One Lion attended the PediaVision training in Hopewell on November 19.

Richmond Host - Tuckahoe: The club has 45 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report or a monthly activity report to LCI.

Richmond James River: The club has 26 members. Lt. Rodney Duke, Fire Fighters Jason Gillespie, Charley Holland, & Jordan Wilson from Station 5, Chesterfield County Fire & EMS Department gave a program on smoke detectors, portable heaters, Christmas lighting, fireplace safety and the safe use of candles. They also talked about home safety, kitchen fire safety, and they provided members with a home fire prevention checklist. The club made the following donations provided new eyeglasses to the needy at a cost of \$3,460, \$1,000 to the American Diabetes Association, \$1,000 to Shop with a Cop, \$700 to the Hunter Holmes McGuire Veterans Hospital for Christmas gifts, \$500 to Leader Dogs for the Blind, \$800 to purchase bingo books for Bingo with the Vets Program, \$250 to the Alden Aaroe Shoe Fund, \$773 to Jamaica sight mission expenses, \$500 to the Chesterfield Christmas Mother Program, and \$500 to the Central VA Food Bank. The club provided four eye examinations and six pair of eyeglasses to the needy. Members collected 422 pair of used eyeglasses for recycling.



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Richmond Lakeside: The club has nine members. The club raised \$250 selling Aunt Sarah's Pancake House coupons. Ten members attended the Joint Thanksgiving Luncheon.

Richmond West Breakfast Lions Club: The club has 45 members. On November 14, Dr. Bob Bigelow DDS spoke to the club about the technological advances in the dental profession and particularly in the field of dental implants. He discussed the advantages of dental implants and showed illustrations of the implant process. On November 28, Dr. Kinloch Nelson, a board certified urologist on the staff at Bon Secours Richmond Health System, gave a presentation on prostate cancer.

Three Lions volunteered nine man-hours at the Project: Homes warehouse constructing wheelchair components on November 1. One Lion volunteered four man-hours cleaning and inventorying the Project: Homes warehouse on November 2. Three Lions volunteered twelve man-hours installing a wheelchair ramp for a physically handicapped child in the city of Richmond on November 3. One Lion volunteered sixteen man-hours registering clients for the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program from November 7 – 9. Eighteen Lions, spouses, and guests participated in the Annual Lions Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 18. Members collected 335 pair of eyeglasses and one hearing aid for recycling. Twelve members attended the Lions of Virginia District 24-B Fall

Conference. Eight club members attended the Region II Zone I meeting on November 29. Ongoing fundraisers include the annual peanut sale and volunteers working at the Christmas Bizarre Bazaar.

Rustburg: The club has 19 members. The club did not submit a monthly membership report or a monthly activity report to LCI.

South Boston: The club has 26 members. No monthly activity report submitted.

South Hill: The club has 25 members. The club provided eye examinations and eyeglasses to two individuals at a cost of \$190.00. Members sold candy, raffle tickets and brooms at the local Holiday Bazaar. The club president and secretary attended the District 24-B, Region III, Zone II meeting on November 29, 2011

Varina: The club has 38 members. Dr Evan Sisson of the VCU School of Pharmacy and two fourth year students gave a presentation on "Adults Living with Diabetes" on November 11. The Sportsman's Raffle fundraiser netted the club approximately \$8,000. The club provided four pair of new eyeglasses to the needy at a cost of \$345. The club recruited one new member Brian Thompson sponsored by Lion Bob Thompson.



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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>.

Happy Holidays



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Lions of Virginia District 24-B Membership Statistics

CLUB NAME	REPORT	NW	TRF	RT	DP	NOV	OCT	% CNG
ALTAVISTA	11/18/2011	1	0	0	0	34	33	1%
AMELIA	No report	0	0	0	0	21	21	NC
AMHERST COUNTY	11/29/2011	0	0	0	0	24	24	NC
APPOMATTOX	No report	0	0	0	0	36	36	NC
ASHLAND	No report	0	0	0	0	14	14	NC
BLACKSTONE	11/22/2011	0	0	0	0	14	14	NC
BON AIR MANCHESTER MIDLOTHIAN	11/1/2011	0	0	0	0	39	39	NC
BOWLING GREEN	11/21/2011	0	0	0	0	11	11	NC
BRANDERMILL MIDLOTHIAN WOODLAKE	No report	0	0	0	0	36	36	NC
BROOKNEAL	11/7/2011	0	0	0	1	20	21	1%
BROOKVILLE TIMBERLAKE	11/18/2011	0	0	0	3	39	42	NC
BUCKINGHAM COUNTY	11/28/2011	0	0	0	0	28	28	NC
CHARLOTTE L C	11/21/2011	0	0	0	0	25	25	NC
CHASE CITY	11/22/2011	2	0	0	1	15	14	1%
CHATHAM	11/14/2011	0	0	0	0	20	20	NC
CHESTER	No report	0	0	0	0	34	34	NC
CHESTERFIELD PREVENT BLINDNESS	11/27/2011	0	0	0	0	17	17	NC
CLARKSVILLE	No report	0	0	0	0	17	17	NC
COLONIAL HEIGHTS	11/15/2011	0	0	0	0	29	29	NC
CREWE BURKEVILLE	No report	0	0	0	0	12	12	NC
DANVILLE HOST	No report	0	0	0	0	37	37	NC
DANVILLE MORNING	11/1/2011	0	0	0	0	13	13	NC
DINWIDDIE	No report	0	0	0	0	21	21	NC
FARMVILLE	11/21/2011	0	0	0	0	72	72	NC
GLEN ALLEN SHORT PUMP	11/03/2011	0	0	0	0	12	12	NC
GOOCHLAND COUNTY	11/16/2011	0	0	0	0	15	15	NC
GRETNA	No report	0	0	0	0	20	20	NC



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HOPEWELL PRINCE GEORGE	11/15/2011	2	0	0	0	35	35	NC
KENBRIDGE-VICTORIA	No report	0	0	0	0	17	17	NC
LAWRENCEVILLE	No report	0	0	0	0	15	15	NC
LYNCHBURG 7 HILLS	No report	0	0	0	0	24	24	NC
LYNCHBURG HOST	11/23/2011	0	0	0	0	32	32	NC
MECHANICSVILLE	11/04/2011	0	0	0	0	16	16	NC
PETERSBURG	No report	0	0	0	0	26	26	NC
POWHATAN	11/27/2011	0	0	0	0	45	45	NC
RICHMOND BATTLEFIELD PARK	11/02/2011	1	0	0	2	25	24	NC
RICHMOND HOST - TUCKAHOE	No report	0	0	0	0	45	45	NC
RICHMOND JAMES RIVER	11/28/2011	0	0	0	0	26	26	NC
RICHMOND LAKESIDE	11/23/2011	0	0	0	0	9	9	NC
RICHMOND WEST BREAKFAST	11/28/2011	0	0	0	0	47	47	NC
RUSTBURG	11/26/2011	0	0	0	0	19	19	NC
SOUTH BOSTON	11/28/2011	0	0	0	5	26	31	17%
SOUTH HILL	11/26/2011	0	0	0	0	25	25	NC
VARINA	11/15/2011	1	0	0	0	39	38	3%
TOTALS		6	0	0	12	1146	1152	0%

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.

DECEMBER

12	BLACKSTONE	5:30 PM
22	CHARLOTTE	6:30 PM
27	MECKLENBURG LIONESS	7:30 PM





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Lions are an international network of 1.3 million men and women in 202 countries and geographic areas who work together to answer the needs that challenge communities around the world.

Known for working to [end preventable blindness](#), Lions participate in a vast variety of projects important to their communities. These projects range from cleaning up local parks to providing supplies to victims of [natural disasters](#).

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