



The 24-Beacon

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Governor's Message...

Lions, Lioness, and Leos

Well here we are heading into the second half of the Lions Year 2009-2010. The VDGs and I have made visitations to 36 clubs to date and have 14 more to go. I have been amazed and really proud of the things that I'm hearing from clubs about the projects they are doing.

I'm sitting here writing and reading the Lions Magazine after shoveling snow most of the morning. The snow is beautiful but at my age it is not that easy to shovel anymore. So when I got tired I thought I would read awhile and write awhile. One of the articles that really caught my attention was on page 49 entitled "Attention to Retention" and as I read it I saw a lot of comparison to some clubs' that I have visited. Some of the questions that are asked are "Would you join your lions club today if you were asked for the first time? If you were 30-40 years old, would you join your club? 5-10 years from now, what will your club look like?" The point is, don't simply assume your club will retain its members; you need to work at it. I stress at all of my visits for Lions Clubs to conduct exit interviews to find out where the problem lies and to try and find a common ground so the Lion can stay a Lion and be productive. Once a lion leaves its harder to get them back than it is to try and influence then to stay. Membership and Retention go hand in hand. If we bring in 10 new members and lose 10 members we have a net gain of zero. As of the end of December, 24-B is at a plus 11 members for the year. Believe me when I tell you, how proud it makes me feel to know that

we have Lions that are bringing in new Lions and retaining current active lions. Give yourselves a pat on the back for a job well done. We have 5 more months in this Lions Year and I would love to end the year with a plus membership with your help. I believe this can be done.

I would like to remind each Lion in the district about the upcoming cabinet meeting at Sheldon's Restaurant in Keysville on February 27, 2010, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM with lunch after the meeting. I hope to have a record number of Lions in attendance.

In closing I would like to quote PDG Dick Silveira in saying, "Lions will decide the future of Lions." Let's use our passion in ourselves and what we do, and our passion for making a difference and ask others to come onboard. Let us all live up to our responsibilities to leave our clubs better than we found them. Yes we can and yes we must.

Yours in Lionism
DG Clarence Robert Taylor

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Secretary's Notes

Mail your monthly reports to:

Lion Calvin Easter
11423 Hilbington Rd.
Richmond, Va 23238

Or E-mail them to: wmeloncwe@aol.com.

Remember written reports are due to LCI by the 20th of the month. You have to the end of the month to do them on line. Please mail me a copy when you send it to LCI. If you send me an E-mail, it can be free form- it *does not* have to be on a report form.

Spinoza



*"The Bear that
Speaks from the Heart."*

Buddy Bear Project:
Contact: PDG Ed Meyer
122 Melwood Lane
Richmond, Virginia 23228
(804) 282-1466

Cabinet Meeting Notice!!! February 27, 2010

The Mid-Winter Cabinet Meeting will be February 27 from 10:00 a.m. To Noon at Sheldon's Restaurant. Cost is \$15 for lunch and it will be collected at sign-in on the 27th.

The Cabinet Meeting is open to all Lions. Cabinet Members, Club Presidents and Secretaries are expected to be there.

The Dinwiddie Lions Club

Is proud to support
District Governor
Robert Taylor

We Meet 2nd and 4th Mondays – 6:00 p.m.
Brothers Pizza Restaurant
24809 Cox Road – Dinwiddie, Virginia
Lion Evelyn Neace, President
Lion Artelle Spicely, Secretary



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PDG Paul Miksovic
Wishes
District Governor
Robert Taylor and the
Lions of District 24-B
a Safe and Successful
Lions' Year

New address...

for the
Hopewell - Prince George Lions Club

It should be:

2610 W. City Point Road,
Hopewell, Virginia 23860



BURKEVILLE LODGE CELEBRATION

By Lion John Pleasants

This is the 50th anniversary of the Burkeville Lodge. As most of you know, the Lodge is run by the Virginia Association of Workers for the Blind and over the years has been given support mostly by Lion Clubs in District 24B and from members of the VAWB and other interested friends. This support has been both financial and through volunteer hours in maintenance work and meeting other needs such as transportation for those who might need it. We have also gotten support from the Lions of Virginia Foundation and several clubs in District 24D.

The Lodge was started in 1960 and at that time consisted of a brick building which we lovingly call the Brick House, an old two story white farmhouse, an Olympic size swimming pool and a fish pond with a small pier.

If I remember correctly, in those days, you could go and stay for \$2.00 a day which included your meals, fishing, swimming, and card games around a table.

We have seen many changes over the years and of course, prices have changed as well, but the lodge is still the only place in Virginia especially adapted for visually impaired and blind folks to vacation and have much fun and fellowship.

On Saturday May 1, 2010, we will be having a celebration we're calling the Burkeville Lodge Festival in Hooper Park at the Southside Co-op Pavilion from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM to celebrate our 50th Anniversary with several bands, food for sale, and other things.

Tickets for the event will be \$5.00 admission and food will be sold by the Burkeville Crewe Lions Club.

The Richmond Host Lions have agreed to be volunteers and I would like to thank these two clubs for their help and support.

In the next two issues of the Beacon, I will give a brief history of the Burkeville Lodge and the Lions continued involvement in this worthwhile endeavor.

If you as an individual or your Club would like to help with this celebration, please call me at 804-737-4776, home, 804-380-7562 cell or 804-674-3000 work, or by E-mail at jcpleasants@verizon.net.

Thanks again for your continued support for the Burkeville Lodge and for all of the other services our clubs provide for those who need a helping hand.

IPDG Receives District Governor Extension Award

IPDG has received the District Governor Extension Award from Lions International President Al Brandel to recognize her achievement in new club development during her year as District Governor. Each new club introduces Lions activities to new communities and brings fresh new ideas to our association.

There are nearly 1.35 million members in more than 44,000 Lions clubs servicing more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Each was organized because a Lion cared enough to give his or her time and energy to extend the service potential of Lions Clubs. The growth of our organization depends entirely upon the responsibility of Lions Club members to bring other service-minded people together to work on behalf of humanity. This dedication has increased our effectiveness in our communities and enriched the lives of people everywhere.

Congratulations Lottie on a job well done.

New Members

William E. Schmidt - Charlotte Lions
Robert W. Baldwin, Jr. – Charlotte Lions
Andrew W. Sneed, Sr. – Lakeside Lions
Michael Larew – Petersburg Lions
Lisa E. Clary – South Hill Lions
Alison L. Tilley – Dinwiddie Lions

Welcome new Lions to 24-B and a special thank you to their sponsors.

Hopewell – Prince George Lions Golf Tournament

I would like to invite you to participate in The Lions Club of Hopewell/Prince George Golf Tournament. It should be a day of fun and socializing. Joe McCaffrey, President

HOPEWELL - PRINCE GEORGE
LIONS CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT
FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2010
JORDAN POINT COUNTRY CLUB
11:00 REGISTRATION
12:00 LUNCH
1:00 SHOTGUN START

Awards ceremony at conclusion of play
Any Lion who brings a team plays free, 1
free Lion per 4 person team.
HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST CHANCE FOR 1
MILLION \$\$\$\$\$\$

For additional information, call Joey
McCaffrey (804) 300-0100 /if no answer,
leave message and he will get back with
you.

In Memoriam

Edward K. Colbert – Brookeville-Timberlake
Charles R. Shorter, Jr. – Farmville
Gordan N. Cocke - Gretna

Ashland Lion is awarded the AARP Community Service Award

AARP Virginia has awarded James "Buddy" Kelly, Jr. of Ashland, VA., the Andrus Award, the organization's highest award for community service. "Volunteers play a vital role at AARP," said AARP Virginia States Director Bill Kallio. "They are motivated, devoted, and have the best interest of future generations at heart."

Lion Buddy is an active member of the AARP Hanover Chapter and a past president. In addition to his leadership in Hanover County, Lion Buddy currently volunteers as an AARP Advocacy Team Member, has served as an AARP Virginia Legislative Specialist contacting Virginia legislators and members of Congress to support senior citizen and AARP issues, and served on the Board of Directors of the Southeast Virginia Council of AARP Chapters. Buddy is a great motivator and leader in getting volunteers to work on assigned homes and in making improvement such as ramps and home repairs for needy senior citizens. Congratulations go to Lion Buddy Kelly. Well Done!

PDG receives President Obama's Volunteer Service Award

Our own 24-B Lion Pete Taylor has been awarded from President Obama the President's Volunteer Service Award and a hardy thank you for helping to address the most pressing needs in his community and the country.

Obama states that in his Inaugural Address he states that we need a new era of responsibility -a recognition on the part of every American for whom we have duties to ourselves, our Nation, and the world. We should seize these responsibilities gladly in the firm knowledge that there is nothing so satisfying to the spirit than giving our all to a difficult task. He explains further that while government can open more opportunities for us to serve our communities, it is up to each of the citizens of the USA to seize those opportunities. The President thanks Lion Pete for his devotion to service and for doing all he can do to shape a better tomorrow for our great Nation.

CONGRATULATIONS, Lion Pete

Hearing Education Program



I am very pleased to report to you on the progress of the Henrico County Public Schools 4th grade Hearing Conservation Education Program. Since I started teaching the 4th grade students in Henrico County using the Virginia Lions

m"Hearing and You" materials, I have taught 4 classes at Chamberlayne Elementary, 2 at Colonial Trail Elementary, and 3 at Baker Elementary.

Lion Pete Sizemore assisted by teaching 3 classes, Lion Dave Bauer gave the presentation to 2 classes, and 3 members of the Richmond Battlefield Park Lions Club presented the program to 3 classes. Class sizes have ranged from 22 to 25 students each. We have received good references from the principals and teachers of the schools.

Lion Pete has agreed to teach an additional 4 classes at Mayberry Elementary and Lion Dave will give the presentation to the 3 remaining classes at Colonial Trail Elementary School. I have received requests to give the presentation from the lead 4th grade teachers in 2 additional schools, and I have talked to principals at 3 more schools. I requested that they have their lead 4th grade teachers contact me. We have coordinated directly with 9 of 44 Henrico Elementary schools. The second semester starts February 1st.

Medical studies have shown that school children are ruining their hearing for a lifetime by listening to loud sounds for long periods, and about 80% of the Henrico 4th graders are playing their MP3s too loud!

If you want to assist us, please contact me. We would love to have you join the 7 Lions from our club. There are also 3 other Lions from two Henrico Lions Clubs serving these young folks. Give me a call at 883-6050 or send me an e-mail message at jrdeaconpe@worldnet.att.net.

John Deacon
Chairperson, Hearing Conservation Committee

The Peace Poster Project

1st

VDG Lion Susan Evans

Last fall I asked Lion Art Somers to head up the Peace Poster Project for the Lion year 2010-2011. Why did I ask him to do this so soon? By the time a new Lion year starts it is already too late to ask art teachers in school systems to schedule the Peace Poster Project in their art classes. Most teachers I know of have their schedules done by the end of the previous school year in June. The time to start this project in schools is now -contact art teachers to get this project in their schedule.

You do not need to only have this project in schools, however. Church Sunday School classes is another excellent source for this project. And remember Kid's Clubs for students the correct age.

Lion Art and I will be available to answer your questions and how to acquire the Kit needed for each source interested in this project. I am asking each club in this district to start work now to get this project off the ground for next year.

Thank You -"Lions have Pride"

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Lion Susan Evans 804-852-0455
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**LIONS ASSISTED MEDICAL PROJECTS
(LAMP)
REMOTE AREA MEDICAL**

It is time to start thinking about the LAMP-RAM project for 2010. The dates this year are July 23rd - July 25th 2010. The rooms are going fast, already. It will be up to each individual to secure their rooms in Norton and surrounding areas for this project.

If you are planning on attending, it is imperative that you let your District Liaison know you are going to be there so you can be pre-registered. We must have all volunteers pre-registered prior to arrival.

If you have any donations for the LAMP/RAM project, please bring them to the State Convention in Roanoke in May. The items will be picked up, stored and delivered to Wise. Cash donations are always accepted, checks need to be made payable to Lions of Virginia-LAMP Project. These donations need to be sent to your District Liaison.

Remember, our biggest items are water and paper products:

Paper plates (8" size)	Spoons (500 count)
Bowls (4" or 5")	Knives (500 count)
Coffee Cups (8oz)	Napkins
Forks (500 Count)	Storage bags (Quart and gallon)

If you wish to donate food products; these are most needed items:

Salad Dressing (Italian/Ranch) Large
Individual servings (500 counts)
Sugar (Reg. and substitutes)
Relish Salt and pepper
Jellies Coffee creamer
Butter Mayonnaise
Syrup (Reg. & Sugar free)

Mustard
Counts specified are the packaging size.

We serve an average of 700 breakfasts and 1500 lunches. We need the condiments by Thurs. July 22nd morning.

Hotels in the area (within 15 miles):

Area code **276**

The Inn at Norton	679-7000
Days Inn	679-5340
Holiday Inn	679-5000
Super 8	679-0893
Big Stone Gap Comfort Inn	523-5911
Country Inn Motel	523-0374

Your LAMP/RAM Liaison

Lion Joey McCaffrey

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Chester, VA 23836

Local Bland Contests

Mechanicsville - February 16, 7:00pm
Covenant Woods Retirement Center
Contact Lion Jay Baumgardner 804-569-1677

South Boston - February 26, 7:00pm
The Chastain Theater, located at The Prizery
Contact Lion Paul Steube 434-575-7265

Chester - February 28, 2:00pm
Chester Baptist Church
Contact Lion Dr. George Lake 804-748-7731

**Brandermill Midlothian Woodlake Club, Bon Air
Manchester Midlothian Club**
Brandermill Church at Sunday Park March 14, 5:00pm
Contact Lion Alan Manden 804-744-3428

Chase City, South Hill, Clarksville - April 9, 7:00pm
First Baptist Church 206 East Second St.
Contact Lion David Keim 434-372-5677

Hopewell/Prince George
Powers Memorial Baptist Church, Hopewell - March
21 2:00pm
Contact Lion Jerry Skaggs 804-530-2116

Please remember to support the District Contest and the Scholarships awarded at the state contest with a contribution of \$5.00 per member. Send to our District Treasurer.

If anyone knows of any other students who might be interested in competing, have them contact the contest nearest to them.

As always don't hesitate to contact me if questions.

Lion Jerry Skaggs

Lions Happenings

Altavista - The Club earned \$600 on 1/22 with Spaghetti Dinner fund raising event. They provided two pair of glasses at a cost of \$268 to needy individuals. Membership stands at 35.

Amelia – Membership stands at 25

Amherst – The Club held two meeting during the month...The annual Ray Puckett Amherst Lions Club Christmas Parade was a success. The Club responded to LCIF Haiti Relief the \$1,000...and the Club stated that we will do more as time moves forward....The golf Tournament committee is busy already making plans for this year's tournament, which has been set for July 16, 2010...this is almost a month earlier this year due to scheduling conflicts, but it is still a good time for golf and we should do well again this year...The Club is working hard on membership and will have a new member next month. The Club provided a pair of new glasses at a cost of \$95 to a needy individual. Membership stands at 13.

Appomattox – Membership stands at 39
January Meeting Highlights - A donation was presented to the Appomattox County Chamber of Commerce. Representatives from Merrill Lynch in Lynchburg presented an informative program on estate planning.

High School Scholarship program - The club has established a high school scholarship program. It is intended to provide financial support and assistance to any special needs high school senior (with either an IEP or 504 Plan) that deserves assistance. The money awarded is intended to be used by the recipient to cover expenses associated with higher education. The club may award up to two (2) \$500 scholarships in any given year.

Ashland – The Club donated \$50 each to Leader Dog, Virginia Voice, Burkeville Lodge, Bland Memorial, VHF and ODEF. The Club provided 16 pair of glasses and exams at a cost of \$826. The Free Clinic, which Ashland supports, provided 33 eye exams and eyeglass vouchers, so far this year. The Club hosted the Region II Zone Meeting on January 27, 2010. The Club is gearing up for a fund raiser of a Spaghetti Dinner with all the trimmings in

March. We are also trying to plan a joint meeting with Mechanicsville Lions sometime in March. Membership stands at 16.

Blackstone – No Significant actives to report. Membership stands at 14

Bon-Air/Manchester/Midlothian – The program on 1/7 was presented by Lion Mark Bebar on “Joint High Speed Vessel Program”. The Program on 1/21 was presented by Bill Papierniak, General Manager for the Flying Squirrels on the Richmond Flying Squirrels. The Club has earned approximately \$9,000 with their peanut fund raiser. They provided 19 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$665 and 9 eye exams at a cost of \$450 to needy individuals. They are planning to co-sponsor with Chesterfield PB Breakfast LC a Pancake Breakfast on 3/14/2010. They are also planning a Bland Music Competition to be held on 3/14 at the St. David's Episcopal Church. They collected 43 pair of used glasses and 4 used hearing aids. Membership stands at 40.

Bowling Green – The Club earned an additional \$40 from their Brunswick Stew Fund Raiser and \$12 from Broom Sales. One member worked one hour to maintain the VDOT Plot on 1/7. They donated \$28 to the Caroline Library for large print Reader's Digest. They provided one pair of new glasses at a cost of \$100 to a needy individual. They collected 15 pair of used glasses. Membership stands at 14.

Brandermill-Midlothian-Woodlake – Membership stands at 37.

Brookneal – Membership stands at 19.

Brookville-Timberlake - The Program on 1/7 was presented by Carmella Greer, Program Services Manager of Lynchburg Area Center for Independent Living. She spoke on the purpose, goals and services for eligible disabled person in cities of Bedford & Lynchburg, counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford and Campbell. The December 2009 party was cancelled due to snow – clothes and gifts delivered to children before Christmas – cost \$2720. In December, the Club had 12 members work a total of 24 hours with the Heritage Trail Clean-up. Membership stands at 42.

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Buckingham County – Program: Melissa Louis, NCMTB, gave a presentation on the therapeutic benefits of massage therapy and gave chair massages to several members so they could feel the effects of what she had described. The club provided six pair of eyeglasses to needy individual. Membership stands at 30.

Charlotte – The guest speaker on 1/14 was Joe Canfield, Canfield Canine Trainer and Bloodhounds. He presented a very informative program on missing children and the need for a quick response. The Club donated \$500 to Lions International for the Haiti Relief Fund. They provided 4 pair of new glasses and 4 eye exams to needy individuals. Membership stands at 22.

Chase City – Membership stands at 15.

Chatham – Membership stands at 21.

Chester - Membership stands at 51.

Chesterfield Prevent Blindness - The Program on 1/14 was the annual visit by the District Governor-DG Lion Robert Taylor. DG Lion Robert inducted Lion Marty Vik with a Candle Lighting Ceremony. The District Governor presented the Certificate of Demonstrated Outstanding Service to Lion Richard L. Hall. Membership stands at 16.

Clarksville The program of 1/11 was presented by Joe Davidson on Lake County Educ. & Enrich. Center. The Club provided 2 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$278 and 2 eye exams at a cost of \$194 to needy individuals. The Club has collected 180 pair of used glasses. Membership stands at 21.

Colonial Heights – The program on 1/14 was presented by Jon Donnelly on Chesterfield Health Medical Reserve Corp. The Club eared \$900 from their Pancake Presales. The Club provided 2 pair o new glasses at a cost of \$120 and 2 eye exams at a cost of \$120 to needy individuals. They collected 35 pair of used glasses. Membership stands at 29.

Crewe-Burkeville —. Membership stands at 14.

Danville Host The Club had its annual Christmas Party on 12/8. On 12/26 10 members worked 5 hours each feeding 150 homeless people. Membership stands at 36.

Danville Morning – The MMR report received with out an activity report. . Membership stands at 12.

Dinwiddie –Membership stands at 23.

Farmville – Membership stands at 83. In January, Farmville began a program to recognize local businesses and organizations that act as eyeglass collection sites. Representative were invited to a luncheon meeting and presented with a "Recycle for Sight Award". Lions think globally, act locally. Last year Farmville Lions collected over 1,200 eyeglasses, which contributed toward the 11,700,000 eyeglasses that were donated to people in need throughout the world. This year's club goal is 1,350.

Glen-Allen-Short Pump – The Club collected 900 pairs of used glasses, 1 hearing aid and 160 used cell phones. Membership stands at 14.

Goochland County Membership stands at 15. The Goochland County Lions Club conducted it Lions Santa program again this year. Lion Lanny Palmer and his wife Carolyn lined up most of the nearly \$2600 in donations that was used to purchase primarily food and clothing for needy families in Goochland. On the eve of Dec. 23, club members, along with Mr. & Mrs. Clause in their Santa suits, delivered the food and gifts to four appreciative families in the area.

Gretna – Program on 12/10 was presented by Joe Abhor on Mining Uranium Safely. They donated \$250 to the Boy Scouts on 1/14 and \$100 to RGG – Town of Gretna on 1/28. They provided 2 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$275 to needy individuals. They collected 32 pair of used glasses. Lion Gordon N. Cocke, Age 89, past away on 1/21/10. He was the last active Charter Member (1954) in the Gretna Lions Club-An active Lion for 56 years. Membership stands at 22.

Gretna Junction – Membership stands at 14.

Highland Springs-Sandston – The Club earned \$132 from the Tree of Lights fund raising project and \$400 from Aunt Sarah's LLC Project. The Club provided one pair of new glasses at a cost of \$90 and one eye exam at a cost of \$25 to needy individuals. They collected 20 pair of used glasses. Membership stands at 9.

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Hopewell Prince George– Membership stands at 36.

Hurt – The Hurt Lions Club has voted to turn-in its Charter. They only had 5 Members. Two of them dropped out of Lions and the other three will joint other Clubs in the area.

Kenbridge-Victoria – 19 Members.

Lawrenceville Lions – 33 Members.

Lawrenceville Lioness – They donated two pair of new glasses to needy individual during January 2010. Membership stands at 13.

Lynchburg 7 Hills - Membership stands at 23.

Lynchburg-Fort Hill – Membership stands at 12.

Lynchburg Host – The Club earned \$912 from Booms, Peanuts, Mints and Books sales during January 2010. The Club provided three eye exams and four pair of new glasses at a cost \$376 to needy individuals. The Club donated \$25 to Friends of the Lynchburg Community Market. Club's December activities included: 1/16 – Community Market Sales, 1/12 worked at Roanoke Eye Recycling Center and on 1/23 eleven Lions participated for 55 man hours at the Lions in Sight Event. Lions Eyeglass Recycling demonstration and Children's Vision Screening demonstrations were conducted with the public participating. Used eyeglasses were collected and a total of 160 pairs of glasses were recycled. Membership stands at 32.

Madison Heights The program on 12/14 was presented by Lion Bill Hadden on Lions of Virginia Foundation. The Program on 1/11 was presented by Lion Ron White on Little Known Facts of Useless Trivia. The program on 1/25 was presented by Paul Ogden on the Postal Service. They provide 3 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$255 in December and 5 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$415 to needy individuals. They collect 100 pair of used glasses in December and January. They made the following donations at the end of the year: Rebuilding Together-\$750, First Baptist Church Food Bank-\$1000, Va. Association of Workers for the Blind-\$500, Remote Area Medical-\$1000, Hunters for the Hungry-\$500, Leader Dogs-\$200, Campaign Sight First II-\$500, Lancers Athletics-\$500, Dixie Youth Basefall-

\$375 and Dixie Youth Softvall-S375. Membership stands at 24.

Mechanicsville – The Club's community project was a Veteran Bingo Party. A total of 6 members worked 18 hours on this project. They contributed \$200 in canteen books and the Lions members contributed \$100 in food. The Club collected approximately 500 used eyeglasses and 22 hearing aids. Membership stands at 23.

Mecklenburg Lioness – They donated \$25 to a local Rescue Squad in memory of Alice Robertson, a former member-at-large. They contributed 4 boxes of used ink cartridges for recycling to raise funds for the Club. Membership stands at 20.

Petersburg -. Membership stands at 24.

Powhatan The program on 1/8 was on Mesa Vista Therapy. The program on 1/27 was presented by Lion Ray Dewey on Powhatan Chamber of Commerce. They donated \$300 to Mega Vista and \$500 to Prevent Blindness MID. They provided 4 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$735 to needy individuals. They collected 158 pair of used glasses. Membership stands at 45.

Richmond Battlefield Park – The program on 1/28 was presented by PP Lion Bob Wildbore on "Lions Purpose & Code of Ethics". They had 3 Lions on 1/13 to volunteer 7.5 hours for Grade 4 Hearing Training at Baker Elem. and Lion to volunteer 3 hours at Elko Middle School Health Fair on 1/7. Membership stands at 27.

Richmond Host - The program on 1/13 was presented by Luke McCall, Director of Urban Forestry, and City of Richmond on Tree care and disease. The Program on 1/27 was presented by Bethanne Crique and a deaf student that she had taught to speak. Membership stands at 43

Richmond James River - The 1/12 program was the annual visit by the District Governor. VDG Lion Susan Evans was also our guest at the meeting. The program on 1/26 was presented by Randy Atkinson, Director of Group Sales with the Richmond Flying Squirrels Baseball Team. They donated \$2000 to LCIF for the Haiti Relief and \$200 for Bingo coupon books for VETS Bingo. They collected 1,215pair of used glasses. Membership stands at 27.

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Richmond Lakeside - The program on 1/5 was the annual visit by the District Governor Lion Robert Taylor. He installed one new Lion for our Club. The Club provided 2 pair of new glasses at a cost of \$170 to needy individuals. Membership stands at 11.

Richmond West Breakfast – The program on 1/11 was the annual visit by the District Governor, Lion Robert Taylor. He presented Lion John Deacon with an award for all his work with the District Hearing Project. The program has been presented to 17 classes of 22 to 25 students and 12 more are currently scheduled. (If you would like more information on the project, contact Lion John Deacon.). The District Governor also presented Lion Pete Sizemore with a key award for sponsoring his 15th new member. The program on 1/25 was presented by Mr. Scott Cook, the Executive Director of Hallmark Youth. Lions Bob Pratt and Pete Sizemore continue to worked with Elder Homes Corporation to help build wheelchair ramps for the needy. The Club is moving ahead with "Adopt A Highway" project with Henrico County. Membership stands at 48.

Rustburg – Membership stands at 24.

South Boston - Membership stands at 37.

South Hill - They earned \$1,000 from their Spaghetti Dinner fund raiser on 1/13. Membership stands at 24.

Tuckahoe – Lion Cyde Glasco, Jr. is now the Secretary for the Tuckahoe LC. His address is 1900 Lauderdale Drive Apt. B-102, Richmond, VA 23238. Membership stands at 27.

Varina –The Club donated \$1,000 to Sight First II. \$690 to Brenda Wright Memorial and \$400 to Good Neighbor Village. They provided 3 pair of new eyeglasses and 5 eye exam at a cost of \$954 to needy individuals. They collected 156 pair of used glasses.

Membership stands at 31.



Save the Date ***VA Lions State Convention***

May 20-23, 2010 - Roanoke Virginia
at the Hotel Roanoke

Lion Secretaries: Look for an information packet in the mail soon.

Updates in the next "Beacon" and at

www.Lionsofvirginia.org

Link to hotel for reservations below:

<http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/ROASWDT-LOV-20100520/index.jhtml>

LIONS OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT 24

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION SHIRT ORDER FORM
 SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

Please indicate your preferences on the form below and return, with your payment, to Lion Hauser Weiler **(No later than April 1, 2010)**. Shirts will be delivered at the Virginia Lions State Convention in Roanoke, VA on May 20-23, 2010.

Shirts can be ordered in White or Blue; with or without pockets and please indicate **MENS** or **WOMENS**.

Name: Lion _____

Lions Club: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: () _____

VA Lions 2010 International Convention Shirts	White Shirt	White Shirt	Blue Shirt	Blue Shirt	Cost	Total
	With pocket	Without pocket	With pocket	Without pocket		
Size: Small					\$35.00 EA	
Size: Medium					\$35.00 EA	
Size: Large					\$35.00 EA	
Size: X-Large					\$35.00 EA	
Size: XX-Large					\$35.00 EA	
Size: XXX-Large					\$35.00 EA	
Size: XXXX-Large					\$35.00 EA	

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to Lions of Multiple District 24.

Return order form and payment to:

Lion Hauser Weiler
 267 Dawson Lane
 White Stone, VA 22578



*MD 24 Lions of Virginia
International Convention
Sydney, Australia
Day excursion
July 1, 2010*



The Council of Governors has approved a day trip for the Virginia Delegation and guests on July 1, 2010.

Itinerary: 8:00 AM Depart Virginia Hotel
 10:00 AM Arrive at "Blow Hole" - A natural wonder
 11:00 AM Tea with a local Lions Club
 1:00 PM Arrive at Kangaroo park – visit with the animals
 2:00 PM Australian "Barbie" hosted by a local Lions Club
 5:00 PM Return to the hotel in time for the Ginko Awards Banquet

COST: \$65.00 per person – includes meals, transportation and admissions.

Deadline for registration: April 1, 2010

The Council of Governors have asked that all interested have paid registrations submitted by this date. Please complete and mail to:

PCC Lion Hauser Weiler
 267 Dawson Lane
 White Stone, VA 22578

Name(s): _____

Address _____
(Street) PO Box

(City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone Number: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Lions of Virginia

* If required number of reservations are not received by April 1, alternate plans will be made for a Virginia Delegation event and payment will be returned.

Membership Report through 1/31/2010

Club Name	As Of 07/01/2009	Added	Dropped	Deceased	As Of 1/31/2010	Gain or Loss	Last Date of Receipt
Amherst	14		1		13	(1)	28-Jan-10
Appomattox	39	2	2		39	-	1-Feb-10
Brookville-Timberlake	42		3	1	38	(4)	16-Jan-10
Buckingham County	27	4	1		30	3	30-Jan-10
Lynchburg Fort Hill	12	1		1	12	-	30-Nov-09
Lynchburg Host	36	1	3	2	32	(4)	30-Jan-10
Lynchburg 7 Hills	20	3			23	3	27-Nov-09
Madison Heights	26		2		24	(2)	24-Jan-10
Rustburg	24		2		22	(2)	27-Jan-10
Region I Zone I Totals	240	11	14	4	233	(7)	
Altavista	36		1		35	(1)	27-Jan-10
Brookneal	19				19	-	10-Jun-09
Chatham	21	2			23	2	5-Nov-09
Danville Host	32	4			36	4	31-Jan-10
Danville Morning	13		1		12	(1)	14-Jan-10
Gretna	22		1	1	20	(2)	31-Jan-10
Gretna Junction	14				14	-	
Hurt	5		5		-	(5)	31-Jan-10
South Boston	35	2	1		36	1	31-Jan-10
Region I Zone II Totals	197	8	9	1	195	(2)	
Glen Allen-Short Pump	15		1		14	(1)	31-Jan-10
Goochland	16		1		15	(1)	5-Jan-10
Richmond Host	42	1			43	1	26-Jan-10
Richmond West Breakfast	49			1	48	(1)	31-Jan-10
Tuckahoe	29			2	27	(2)	3-Dec-09
Region II Zone I Totals	151	1	2	3	147	(4)	
Ashland	14	2			16	2	31-Jan-10
Bowling Green	12	2			14	2	2-Feb-10
Highland Springs-Sandston	8	1			9	1	5-Feb-10
Mechanicsville	21	2			23	2	19-Jan-10
Richmond Battlefield Park	26	1			27	1	19-Jan-10
Richmond Lakeside	10	1			11	1	25-Jan-10
Varina	33	2	4		32	(1)	31-Jan-10
Region II Zone II Totals	124	11	4	-	132	8	
Amelia	25				25	-	13-Jul-09
Blackstone	14				14	-	31-Dec-09
Charlotte Courthouse	22	2			24	2	27-Jan-10
Crewe-Burkeville	16				16	-	
Farmville	82	3	1	1	83	1	25-Jan-10
Kenbridge-Victoria	19		1		18	(1)	2-Feb-10
Region III Zone I Totals	178	5	2	1	180	2	
Chase City	15				15	-	30-Oct-09
Clarksville	21		1		20	(1)	31-Jan-10
Lawrenceville	31	2			33	2	18-Jan-10
South Hill	23	1			24	1	27-Jan-10
Region III Zone II Totals	90	3	1	-	92	2	
Bon Air-Manchester-Midlothian	41		1		40	(1)	4-Feb-10
Brandermill-Midlothian-Woodlake	37				37	-	14-Jul-09
Chesterfield Prevent Blindness	16	1		1	16	-	27-Jan-10
Powhatan	46	4	3		47	1	5-Jan-10
Richmond James River	27				27	-	27-Jan-10
Region IV Zone I Totals	167	5	4	1	167	-	
Chester	54	1	3	1	51	(3)	28-Dec-09
Colonial Heights	29	1		1	29	-	20-Jan-10
Dinwiddie	23	2			25	2	30-Jan-10
Hopewell Prince George	35	1			36	1	1-Jan-10
Petersburg	25	3	2		26	1	30-Jan-10
Region IV Zone II Totals	166	8	5	2	167	1	
Region I Totals	437	19	23	5	428	(9)	
Region II Totals	275	12	6	3	279	4	
Region III Totals	268	8	3	1	272	4	
Region IV Totals	333	13	9	3	334	1	
District Totals	1,313	52	41	12	1,313	-	
Lawrenceville Lioness	13				13	-	30-Jan-10
Mecklenburg Lioness	21		1		20	(1)	30-Jan-10
Lioness Totals	34	-	1	-	33	(1)	
District Totals	1,347	52	42	12	1,346	(1)	
	Resigned Good Standing	Transfer	Moved	Other	Non-Pay Attend	Deceased	Total Dropped
Drop Reason Totals	21			1	6	9	37
Percentage of Drops	38.35	-	-	2.70	16.22	24.32	
Percentage of Total Membership	3.88	-	-	0.08	0.46	0.69	2.82