29I DISTRICT NEWSLETTER MAY 2024





Kindness is the only service that will stand the storm of life and not wash out.

It will wear well and will be remembered long after the prism of politeness or the complexion of courtesy has faded away. (Abraham Lincoln)

May flower, Lilly of the valley, Birthstone Emerald. Important dates, May 12th, Mother's Day and May 30th Memorial Day, and oh yes, May 11th, Eat What You Want Day.

Two of the major events for Lions happened in April, the Multiple Distract Convention for District 29I. Lion Kim Mason was elected our new District Governor and Lion Greg Greenwalt was elected our new 1st Vice District Governor. Lion Rick Thorn was elected our new WV Site Foundation Trustee. A vacancy exists in the 2nd Vice District Governor's position. If interested, contact me or Lion Kim.

The second big item was the inauguration of the new Portal. What can I say about it? Not much at this time, as I have not had a chance to work with the new system. I will be spending time trying to figure out how to obtain the wanted information. You might want to type in Lions Club New Portal Training on your browser page. This should bring up Lions Portal International Lions Club. Click on this and it should bring up a list of training videos. I will be spending some time learning what is in there and how to get the information I want out of the system. The timing of the implementation of the new portal was not the best, but we will work through it. I am sure there are other ways to find information on the new portal.

After a 6-month delay, we finally have the Satisfaction Survey results available. Out of a membership of around 1400 members approximately 500 responses were received. Most responses were positive with some concerns expressed. A copy of the survey is a part of this newsletter. April was a busy month with the following Clubs welcoming the DG Governor: Charlestown and Harpers Ferry Lions Clubs, Clarksburg Adamson Lion Club, Rowlesburg and Valley District Lions Clubs, Salem Lion Club, Tunnelton Lion Club, Buckhannon, Buckhannon Kesling Mill and Hodgesville Lions clubs, and last, but not least, Mount Storm Lions Club. Along with the MD State Convention. Each club is special to me, and each club is a unique club.

Some interesting facts: Current Club membership (subject to change if you add new members). Members:

8 to 10 11 to 15 16 to 20 2i to 30 31 to 40 41 to 50 51 to 60 61 to 70 71 to 81 and 81 to 90

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Club Structure:

President 1st Vp 2nd Vp Secretary Treasurer Membership Chair Servicing Chair Marketing chair

No e-mail 8 15 12 1 5 7 7 10 Vacancies 0 5 21 0 0 12 26 30

Enjoy the flowers of May and God Bless! DG Kermit Hawley Ph 681-270-0211 valleylionsclub@gmail.com BE KIND WHENEVER POSSIBLE. IT IS ALWAYS POSSIBLE (Dalai Lama)



District Governor-Elect Lion Kim Mason



1st Vice District Governor Elect Greg Greenwalt



During the MD29 Convention, we were honored to have Past International President Joe Preston, sing the following song that he composed:

Lions Lead the Way

Lions are Leaders ... we come from many lands,

A global movement catching on ... united in our stance,

We're out to aid humanity ... it's all because we care,

Love, Peace, and Understanding ... there's so much we can share,

Some people dream of Changing the World, we Lions know we can,

We open our hearts, put on a smile, reach out a helping hand,

Lions feed the hungry ... give substance to the weak,

While serving our community ... a better place is what we seek,

We treasure our environment ... and value what it's worth,

We do our best ... but need your help ... to save this planet earth,

Some people dream of Changing the World, we Lions know we can,

We open our hearts, put on a smile, reach out a helping hand,

We are men and women ... our hearts are on display,

If you want to make a difference ... let the Lions Lead the Way,

You can think about tomorrow ... but work your plan today,

If you want to make a difference ... let the Lions Lead the Way,





Pictured from left to right are Lions who were presented International Awards by Past International President Joe Preston: Dave Roberts, Henry Krautwurst, Judy Harder, PIP Joe Preston, Kathy Syphers, Fred Rickman and Pete Johnson.



Lion Rick Thorn of Valley District Lions Club with the awesome Lion at the MD 29 Convention.

Lions Greg Greenwalt, Rob Bright, Mary Jane Bright, Chris Douthitt and Gray Jones at MD29 Convention.



	DISTRICT 29-I SATISFACTION SURVEY	′		PAGE 1		
	All The time	0		High School only		
	Take it or leave it	0		No	<u> </u>	
1			OTC	NO	<u> </u>	
1	RAISING FUNDS VARIOUS CHARITABL	E PROJE	LIS			
	VERY IMPORTANT	37 5	74%	IMPORTANT	121	24 %
	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	9	2%	NOT IMPORTANT	0	0
	TOTAL 505					
2	PROVIDING VALUABLE SERVICES	THAT DI	RECTLY H	ELP OTHERS		
	VERY INPORTANT	43	83%	IMPORTANT	79	16
	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	8	2%	NOT IMPORTANT	0	0
	TOTAL 517					
3	ENSUREING THAT THE ACTIVITIES HEL	P THE LO	CAL			
	COMMUITY /AREA WHERE I LIVE					
	VERY IMPORTANT	41	83%	IMPORTANT	78	16
	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	5 8	2%	NOT IMPORTANT	0	% 0%
	TOTAL 503				<u> </u>	
4	GIVES ME A SENSE OF PRIDE:				-	
	VERY SATISFIED	32	66%	SATISFIED	140	28
		8				%
	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	32	6%	NOT SATISFIED	0	
	TOTAL 500					
5	GIVES ME A REAL SENSE OF ACCOMPL	ISHMENT	IN THE S	ERVICE THAT WE PROV	'IDE	
	VERY SATISFIED	29 7	60%	SATISFIED	167	33 %
	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	34	7%	NOT SATISFIED	0%	70
	TOTAL 499				+	

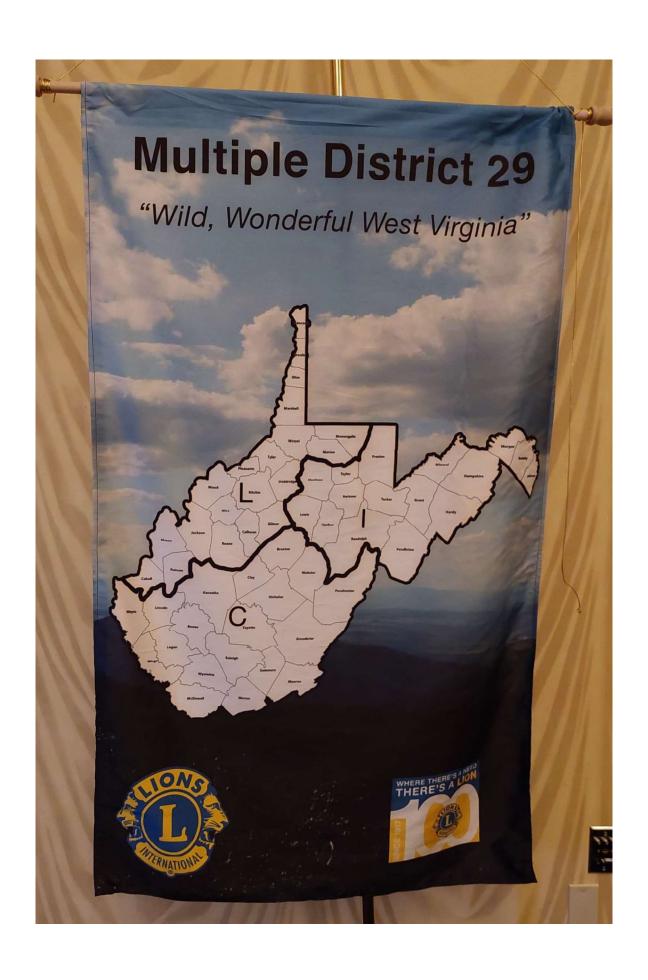
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	POSITIVE TO HELP OTHERS;					
	VERY SATISFIED	35 7	72%	SATISFIED	118	24 %
	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	20	4%	NOT SATISFIED		1
	TOTAL 495					
7	MEETING START AND END ON TIME	?				
	YES	46 5	95%			
	NO	24	5%			
	TOTAL 489					
8	THE CLUB PROVIDES INTERESTI	NG AND	VARIED PR	ROGRAMS?		
	YES	37 1	71%			
	NO	10 6	22%			
	TOTAL 477					
9	THE MINUTES OF THE PREV	VIOUS ME	ETING AN	ID THE		
	BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS A	ARE DISTR	RIBUTED A	ND APPROVED		
	YES	40 1	83%			
	NO	85	17%			
	TOTAL 486					
1 0	THE TREASURE GIVES MONTH	LY REPAR	TS REGAR	DING THE		
	CLUBS FINANCIAL STANDING					
	YES	46	95%			
	NO	23	5%			
	TOTAL 486					
1 1	MY TIME IS RESPECTED AND USED WI	SELY				

	YES	46	94%			
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	NO	27	6%			
	TOTAL 490					
1	HOW OFTEN WOULD YOU	LKE TO ME	ET EACH	MONTH		
2						
	AND HAVE MEETING?					
	1	24 6	49%	2	246	49 %
	3	5	1%	4	2	0%
	TOTAL 499					
1	WHAT TIME OF DAY WOULD	IDEALLY LIK	E TO HAV	/E MEETING		
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	NOT TOO WELL	23	5%	NOT WELL AT ALL	4	1%
	TOTAL 441					
1 7	ENSURE THAT THE ACTIVITY HELP THE LOCAL					
	COMMUNITY WHERE I LIVE:	35 2	71%	WELL	137	28 %
	VERY WELL	9	2%	NOT WELL AT ALL	0	
	NOT SO WELL					
	TOTAL 498					
1 8	INFUSE A SENSE OF FORMALTY AND :	17 0	34%	WELL	229	46 %
	DOCORUM					
	VERY WELL	52	11%	NOT WELL AT ALL	43	9%
	NOT SO WELL					
	TOTAL 494					
1 9	HOW SATISFIED ARE YOU WITH MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMEMT?	13 5	27%	SATISFIED	214	43 %
	VERY SATISFIED	11 0	22%	NOT SATISFIED	43	9%
	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED					
	TOTAL 503					
2 0	HOW SATISFIED ARE YOU WITH	27 4	60%	WELL	157	34 %
	THE OVERALL OPERATIONOPM OF YOUR CLUB					
\Box	VERY WELL	24	5%	NOT WELL AT ALL	4	1%
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	TOTAL 459	LESS THAN	N 2		
		YEARS			
		YE S	170	97%	
1	DO YOU ENJOY BEING A LION?	NO	6	3%	
	TOTAL 176				
2	ARE YOU ENCOURAGED TO SET	YE S	98	72%	
	PERSONAL GOALS?	NO	38	28%	
	TOTAL 136				
3	ARE YOU CHALLANGED TO TRY NEW THINGS?	YE S	134	85%	
	NEW THINGS?	NO	23	15%	
	TOTAL 157				
4	DO YOU ENJOY CLUB MEETINGS?	YE S	126	94%	
		NO	8	6%	
	TOTAL 134				
5	DO YOU ENJOY YOUR CLUB'S	YE S	138	94%	
	FUNDRAISING ACTIVITES?	NO	9	6%	
	TOTAL 147				
6	DO YOU ENJOY YOUR CLUB'S	YE S	148	96%	
	COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS?	NO	6	4%	

	TOTAL 154				
7	HAVE YOU BEEN GIVEN RESPONSIBILITIESN YOUR COMMITTEE?	YE S	128	83%	
	LITIES IN YOUR COMMUNITIES?	NO	26	17%	
	TOTAL 154				
8	ARE YOU INFORMED ABOUT ALL	YE S	146	92%	
	ASPECTS OF YOUR CLUB?	NO	12	8%	
	TOTAL 158				
9	DO YOU FEEL LIKE AN IMPORTANT	YE S	141	92%	
	PART OF YOUR CLUB?	NO	12	8%	
	TOTAL 153				
1 0	ARE YOU GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN LEADERSHIP SKILLS	YE S	128	87%	
		NO	19	13%	
	TOTAL 147				
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Pictured are recent new members to the Adamston Lions Club. L to R: Crystal Brady, Danny Crippen, Melodie Nichols, DG Kermit, and William Hamner.



DG Kermit was welcomed to the Adamston Lions Club.



Recent new members of the Salem Lions Club received Membership Welcome letters & informational packets from DG Kermit. L to R is: CJ Luzader, DG Kermit and Nathan Ritchie.



Officers of the Salem Lions Club presented DG Kermit with a \$250 check made out to his favorite charity LCIF. Pictured L to R are: Penny Ash (Treasurer), DG Kermit, Mike Davis (President), Chad Luzader (1st VP) and Traci Davis (Secretary).



DG Kermit with new member of the Buckhannon Lions Club, Shawn Gilmore. Shawn received a Governors letter with a new member orientation packet.



Leonard Jarret awards for outstanding service were given to members of the Hodgesville Lions Club. Left to right are: Sharon Stackpole, Clarence Chapman, Mark Newbrough, Rosemary Simons and Ed Gower with DG Kermit.



Melvin Jones awards for outstanding service was awarded to Hodgesville Lions Club members: Pictured left to right are: Edward Gower, Quentin Simon, Joe Gower, Mark Newbrough, and Tony Newman with DG Kermit.

DG Kermit awarded chevron awards for years of service from International President Patti Hill to members of the Hodgesville Lions Club. Pictured are: Rosemary Simon (25 years) and Mark Newbrough (35 years) with DG Kermit.





DG Kermit noticed that the Rowlesburg Lions Club was very active in acquiring 15 new members in the past two years. Thus, he awarded "You Make a Difference" pins to the Sponsors. Pictured left to right are: Nancy Cramer, Joann Sisler, Patricia Wotring, Phillip Wotring, Delores Riggs and DG Kermit. Missing Sponsors from this picture was: Bonnie Hemerick and Catherine Burke.



Shelia Riley of the Tunnelton Lions Club received a New Membership packet and letter from DG Kermit.

DG Kermit presented a "You Make a Difference" pin to Danny Miller of the Tunnelton Lions Club for his help at the Governors conference last October. Danny and his sidekick, Connie Tayor also received a pin but was not present to receive it. They both performed music as the DC Duo at the conference.





Lions from Adamston, Doddridge County, Bridgeport and Clarksburg assisted with flood cleanup at the Apple Butter Store in Salem on April 13.

On April 13, 2024, Lions Robinson Faris (Bridgeport), Jay Larry (Bridgeport), Doug Miley (Bridgeport), Hunter Miley (Bridgeport), John Malin (Bridgeport), Brad Riffee (Clarksburg), and Jim and Rose Musgrave (Doddridge County) teamed up with District 29-I Disaster Relief and Recovery Chairman Wayne Worth (Adamston) to assist in the cleanup effort of the Apple Butter Shop in Salem, WV. The small creek beside the Apple Butter Shop overflowed its banks from a torrential rainstorm that struck the Salem area on the evening of April 11, 2024. Unfortunately, the shop took on a little over a foot of water causing some flood damage to shelving units and merchandise.

Through a coordinated effort between Lions and members of the Salem community we were able to squeegee all the mud out of the shop.

The Apple Butter Shop is cherished in Salem. All proceeds made from the shop go directly to the town's Apple Butter Festival, which is their biggest event of the year, and an event that brings this great community together.

Yours in Service,

Wayne Worth

District 29-I Disaster Relief and Recovery







Youth Exchange Reflections

Eddie Sorah

From June 7th to July 2nd, 2023, I experienced Germany. From towering gothic cathedrals of an ancient era to sprawling cityscapes designed with utility and efficiency in mind. From forested bike trails booming with deafening silence to the backyard gardens vibrant with every color of the rainbow. I experienced Germany, and it changed the world.

My interests have always been different from those of my peers, where I would rather read books than play games or watch TV. I felt

Eddie Sorah as if I couldn't relate to those around me; our understandings and views of the world were different, and even now, those differences make it difficult to relate to others. I wasn't sure where, but I knew in my mind that there had to be someplace else where I could find a sense of belonging. That was something I hoped to find by going abroad.

Japan, South Korea, and Taiwan. I wrote my application essay for the Lions International Youth Exchange with those destinations in mind and prepared for the program's interview the same way. When I arrived at the interview, I was informed that all three of my chosen candidates were unavailable. I won the contest and this great opportunity but was left unsure of what would come of my experience traveling abroad.

I decided to look through books and documentaries. I became more and more excited about traveling. I didn't want to spoil myself beforehand, so I stopped researching and came to an answer shrouded in the unknown; one location, rich with history, literature, culture, and language: Germany.

After months of preparation, correspondence, and anticipation, my family and I made the trip to Charlotte, North Carolina, where I flew for the first time. From Charlotte to Atlanta, and Atlanta to Dusseldorf. Early on a rainy morning, I was sucked into Europe and Germany, into a fusion of the imperial old and the socially robust, into a situation I was thoroughly unprepared for, and into a world that I would absorb as much as it did me.

First, my new hometown. I stayed in the small town of Werne in the German state of Northrhine-Westphalia. There were five members of the family I stayed with; the father, mother, daughter, the eldest son, and the youngest son, but there would soon be seven. The day after my arrival I met my host brother, an eighteen-year-old from Turkey. Initially, I was unsure of him but after no more than a day I found that he shared the same interests I have in history, politics, and art. Out of everyone I met in Germany, there was no one I shared a tighter bond with than him.

I spent time with my host siblings playing soccer and Viking's chess in the garden; I played video games with them, and we watched movies with English subtitles late at night on the weekends. I sat with my host father and exchange brother from dinner till midnight, talking

politics, sharing stories, and enjoying one another's company. The passage of time wasn't noticeable. The next morning, my host father and I would walk to the local bakery. At the bakery we would choose what breads to have for the morning's breakfast. Every time, I would choose something I hadn't had before and the croissants and laugen rolls I had fallen in love with. Going to the supermarket and buying food fresh without any preservatives changed my tastes, and the idea that food is an artform materialized. We would return with the breads and eat breakfast in the garden with the early sun blazing down. A freshly brewed espresso made every meal feel complete.

Other families hosted exchange students in the town of Werne, giving me a group of Germans and other foreign nationals to explore this country alongside. Walking the brick streets to attend barbecues where people talk about everything, it was something I hadn't experienced before. We would meet up with the other exchange students in town for a fun time, whether it be lunch in the town square, going for ice cream, walking around town, or participating in local events. We joined the Leo's Club, the youth Lion's Club, and participated in games and meetings.

My host brother and I would often leave town during the workdays, traveling to one of the many cities in the region. From the beautifully constructed streets and halls of Munster to the calm shores of the Rhine. We traveled by train everywhere; although always delayed, Germany's public transit system was shocking in its utility. A rural farmer could reach an urban sprawl within twenty minutes' time. After arriving, we would walk slowly without aim, making our way to shops and cafes and extremely important historical sites that blended into the scenery. We visited museums and saw things that most Americans could only dream of seeing.

Standing before an exhibition of Picasso's work left an impression of deep significance I hadn't felt before. Time would march on, and by our return to the station, the day had passed.

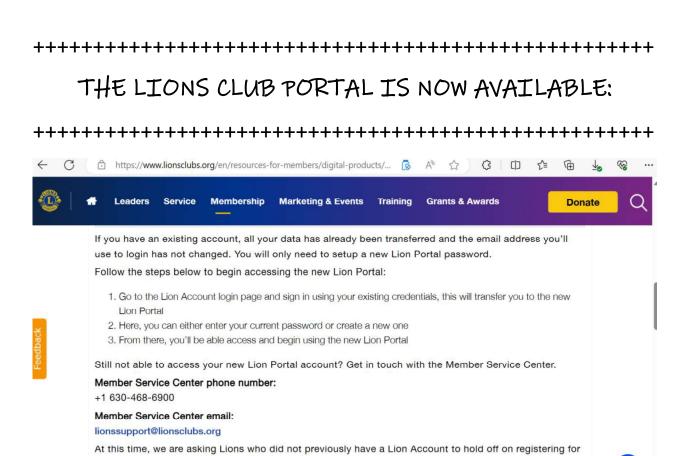
Throughout Germany there are many cathedrals, but none are grander than the Cologne Cathedral. After leaving the train station, one sees only a city until they turn their head left; before them stands a building so old and haunting that it belongs in a dark fantasy novel, as if a dragon would fly out from behind its towers to spit fire on the thousands of people standing beneath it. Yet, despite its appearance, the feeling one gets when they enter the cathedral is the exact opposite The moment one steps inside, the world stops. It's cold. It's quiet. Whether one is religious or not, that feeling of absolute tranquility consumes you.

The memory that stands out most in my mind is not a party, or tourist attractions, or the amazing people I met. It is an early Tuesday morning. I decided to travel on my own to the city of Dortmund. I took the train alone and walked the city streets, desolate of society's inhabitants. Most shops were closed, so I walked aimlessly through the streets. In an empty shopping mall, I bought Soccer souvenirs. I bought a coffee and sat alone outside in the morning sun. I went back to the station, waited quietly, and took the train back to Werne. While standing at the train platform I realized something; I am now an adult. I have no concrete support system here, I am acting alone, and I am doing the things that everyone else does. I was like everyone else.

I left my host family and the town in which I stayed for a youth camp lasting ten days. There, I met individuals from across Europe and North America who I would normally never befriend. We traveled around the region together, visiting museums, amusement parks, and small towns. These were things that I wouldn't have done before. We had fun without the worries of everyday life. We were strangers at first, but boarding my flight home, we were comrades and compatriots bound together by an experience too important to forget.

I have kept in contact with my host family, my German friends, and the other exchange students I met. Before I would have disconnected, but these relationships are important to me, so I will continue to foster them into the future.

Flying over the Atlantic for the second time, I thought back on everything that occurred in Germany. The world is bigger than it once was. I won't know what will happen in the future, if life will go as planned or not; but if I can't find that ideal place, there will be one place for me to return to. Somewhere along the calm shores of the Rhine or a small town south of Munster. It is my new home. That is Germany.



the new Lion Portal. Please check back for more registration information in the coming months. To ensure you receive the best service, we encourage new users to wait on registering for a new account until all previous Lion Account holders have been transferred. We appreciate your understanding as we work

through this transition and look forward to introducing you to the new experience at a later date.

? Help



LCIF COORDINATOR DISTRICT 29-I February 10, 2024

Through December 31, 2023, our members and clubs in our District have contributed \$26,486.50, which is 67% of our goal. Out of 55 clubs, we have had 44 clubs donate, which is 80%. We have had 20 members make a donation, which is 1%.

I have started a new LCIF fundraiser: Helen Keller Centennial Commemorative Ornament. If you would like to participate, please let me know.



District 29 I and Wendell August Forge Are honored to present a <u>limited edition</u> ornament

At the 1925 Lions International Convention at Cedar Point, Ohio, Helen Keller presented her challenge to the Lions to be her "Knights of the Blind"

Her cause lives on as today's Lions provide vision services worldwide as one of eight global initiatives.

For a suggested minimum donation of \$36 for the bronze version, with all proceeds benefiting Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), you will receive a one of a kind memento, with Helen Keller's digital signature.

District 29 I LCIF Leadership will have these to offer in person.

WAF and the District 29 I Lions thank you in advance for your donation and sharing in a piece of Lions International history.

This fundraising project is brought to you by the LCIF Leadership team of District 29 I.

PCC John L. Mason
District 29-I LCIF Coordinator





REGISTER
Golfers & sponsors
sign up at



hedgesvillelions.com



Leader Dogs for the Blind

TEEN ORIENTATION AND MOBILITY





- TEEN GOAL: Build independent travel skills by working one on one with a Certified O&M Specialist (COMS).
- ADULT SUPPORTER GOAL: Build knowledge with experiences to support teen with independent travel skills.
- Teen travels with adult supporter to Rochester Hills, MI. All public transportation for both teen and adult, and a room at a local hotel are covered by Leader Dog.
- Both teen and adult supporters learn new skills, build empathy and gain resources.
- 2024 dates available: June 9-15 | July 14-20 | August 4-10
- Teens must have completed at least one year of high school.

TEEN SUMMER CAMP





- TEEN GOAL: Explore mobility options, build leadership skills and make friendships with peers in a group setting.
- Teen travels to to Rochester Hills, MI independently and meets our team at the Detroit Airport (information and what to expect will be clearly communicated).
 All public transportation and a private room on Leader Dog's campus are covered.
- · Experience guide dogs, night travel, accessible GPS and more.
- · Participate in fun camp activities—rock wall, zip line and team building
- 2024 dates available: June 23-29
- · Applicants must be 16 or 17 during the week of camp.

Let's break barriers, defy expectations, and create a world where every teen, regardless of visual impairment, can thrive! Their journey begins now!



"I thought camp would be really fun, and I wanted to meet more blind people my age. I really liked all of the new things I got to do, and I liked meeting all of the other campers. My favorite part of camp was either zip lining or dog day when I got to walk with Penny under blindfold:" -LDB Camper

"The Teen O&M program requires a parent or guardian to be there with the student; this was super valuable for me as his dad to learn everything

super valuable for me as his dad to learn everything they were teaching him." -Parent of O&M Teen	Teen O&M	Teen Summer Camp
Teen Only Program		
Teen and Adult Supporter Program	\square	
Adult supporter has opportunity to learn, build empathy and network	\square	
FREE Program (including room, board and travel)		$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$
Explore guide dogs	\checkmark	\square
Work one-on-one with a COMS		
Learn in a group setting		
Stay on the Leader Dog campus		\square
Stay in a nearby hotel (expense covered by Leader Dog)	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	
Meet other teens going through similar experiences		
Must be 16 or 17 during week of program		\square
Must have completed one year of high school		
Must be legally blind		

If you have questions about our offerings, call Leader Dog at 888.777.5332 and ask to speak with a client services representative or visit LeaderDog.org

Please see the attached documents regarding the Council Appreciation Luncheon to be held on July 27th at the University of Charleston. I also attached a couple pictures of the venue where we will have lunch. We will provide a nice classroom for the Council meeting ahead of the luncheon, the meeting classroom 123 will also be in Riggleman Hall. We plan to have one of our UC Campus Club officers speak at this event.

I also included the buffet menu; we will be selecting hamburgers and grilled chicken breast along with a garden salad and chips. The drinks will be iced tea and water with cookies or brownies for dessert.

Thanks,

Lion Gary Boyd



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- 2 THE BOATHOUSE (OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTER)
- **3 MORRISON FITNESS CENTER**
- 4 THE RUSSELL & MARTHA WEHRLE INNOVATION CENTER & SPORTS COMPLEX
 - GORMAN PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING ATHLETIC OFFICES
- 5 CLAY TOWER BUILDING (CTB)
 SCHOENBAUM LIBRARY
- GEARY STUDENT UNION (GSU)

- APPALACHIAN ROOM BALLROOM BOOKSTORE COFFEETAVERN (STARBUCKS)
- DINING HALL FRANKENBERGER ART GALLERY

RIGGLEMAN HALL (RGH)

- ADMISSIONS ERICKSON ALUMNI CENTER
- ERMA BYRD GALLERY -FINANCIAL AID
- PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM
- ROTUNDA/AUDITORIUM STUDENT SOLUTIONS
- 8 SCHOOL OF PHARMACY
- 9 EASTAPARTMENTS
- 10 RATRIE HALL
- 11 MIDDLE HALL
- 12 BROTHERTON HALL
- 13 WELCH ATHLETIC COMPLEX
- 14 UC STADIUM AT LAIDLEY FIELD LOCATED AT 1549 PIEDMONT RD









Council Appreciation Luncheon July 27, 2024 12:00 p.m.

University of Charleston
Erma Byrd Art Gallery
Riggleman Hall
Charleston, WV
LUNCHEON RSVP
Cost: \$15.00
Name:
Spouse or Guest:
Dietary Restrictions:
Make checks payable to: Alum Creek Lions Club
Return no later than June 30 th to:
Alum Creek Lions Club
PO Box 224
Alum Creek, WV 25003

DISTRICT GOVERNOR CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2023-2024

MAY

MAY 1 ZONE 6 GOLF MEETING

MAY 6 PETERSBURG & MOOREFIELD LIONS CLUBS PICNIC, PETERSBURG CITY PARK

MAY 7 EAST PRESTON LIONS CLUB (NOT CONFIRMED)

MAY 8 WARDENSVILLE 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

MAY 14 WILSONBURG LIONS CLUB, WILSONBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

MAY 15 CLARKSBURG MAIN STREET (WAITING CONFIRMATION)

May 16@11:30am Shepherdstown Centennial Lions Club, Library

MAY 22-26 RAPID CITY, SD (GRANDDAUGHTER'S GRADUTION)

JUNE

OPEN AS OF THIS DATE



DECEASED MEMBER	CLUB
Wallace Ott	Harpers Ferry
Rick Barnhart	Lumberport
David Burton	Petersburg



New Member	Club	Sponsor
Joseph Williams	Kingwood	Randy Huggins
James Oliverio	Lost Creek	Gregory Wriston
Roy Murphy	West Milford	Hilda Cutter

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