

MD 29 L Newsletter

August 2022



Message from DG Jay Houser

How many times have you heard this when it comes to getting things done at your Club: we're too old, there's not enough of us or my favorite, we're too tired? Here is a great idea that came from Lions International Convention in Montreal: consider starting a branch club, a way your club can work smarter not harder. Club branches are a way that a club can diversify their membership by engaging a small group of at least five people who want to make a difference in their community. Club branches allow people to serve as Lions who may not be inclined to join the parent club.

Members of a club branch become part of an existing parent club, but may hold independent meetings and activities. The parent club appoints a branch liaison to serve as the go-between for the parent and the club branch, allowing club branches a high level of autonomy from their parent if that is desired.

What do I need to start a club branch?

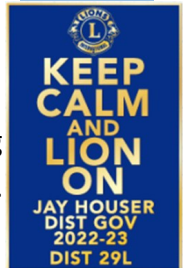
- At least 5 new or existing members
- An existing club willing to engage these members as a branch of their club
- A member of the parent club to serve as branch liaison
- Notification sent to the District Governor

Branch clubs allow parent clubs to target interests and passions of members that may not want to join the parent club but still want to serve their community. DG Daniel Elkins gained 100 new members by focusing on branch clubs that bring people together based on their passions. He has branch clubs drawing on interests in chess, photography, boxing, etc. They meet at the times that suits them yet are still part of the larger parent club and is welcome to participate in service projects, fundraisers, etc.

Would a branch club work for you? Consider interests of folks in your community. What are popular hobbies or activities that could warrant a branch club? Local interests? Retirees? The possibilities of interests that draws us together is endless!

For more information, please reach out to me or refer to Branch Club Guide CB4 EN 5/19 at MyLions.com

Thanks for all you do,



DG Jay's Calendar

September

15th Fairmont DG night

October

6th Mount Olivet DG night

11th new Cumberland DG night

17th Doddridge County DG night

18th Weirton DG night

20th Friendly DG night

24th Saint Mary's DG night



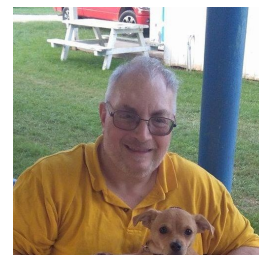
Message from 1st VDG Dan Heintzman

Do you have the proper "koalafications?" We all have the proper "koalafications" to be Lions. The question is do you have the proper "koalafications" to lead your Club or district? Please attend the WV Lions Leadership retreat in Flatwoods and find out. It is August 26-28 and there will be several great presenters on hand to help you hone your leadership skills. The application and information on attending are elsewhere in the newsletter. I hope to see you there. Thanks to Lion Josie Cornish in Australia for the use of the snap of the koala running the TV camera.

I want to thank the Lions of Chester and Fairmont for allowing me to induct their Club officers for this Lions year. Also, thanks to the Sistersville Club for asking me to assist with their recycling event and the Parkersburg Club for allowing me to attend their meeting. All four Clubs are very active and visible in their respective communities and are providing needed service to those areas.

As always, if I can assist any Club, please let me know.

1st VDG Dan





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Nexstep Commercial Products manufactures high-quality Lions Club Com Brooms to the same standards the Lions Club have used for over 75 years. The Lions Club Broom Sale has proven to be a major fundraising event that's a very easy way to generate funds.



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WANTED:

Newsletter Articles

Please submit articles and/or pictures by the 25th of each month to ksyphers@comcast.net

Diabetes Awareness # 48

Diabetes Chair: *Lion Mary Kay Wensyel*



Your skin is a good indicator of health.

Changes in your skin can be a sign that something

Is going on beneath the surface.

As Diabetes develops skin becomes thick and

discolored with dark purple or black spots.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

LCIF Chairperson Lion Tony Vandenberg



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**

International President Brian Sheehan's Theme for this Lions Year is "Together We Can; We Live, We Give, We Serve as One". Donating to Lions Clubs International Foundation is all about that – a donation of any size contributes to the Team effort, to help and Serve many people, in many places, in many ways. District Governor Jay Houser and I are offering a fun, team approach to encouraging donations from us, the individual Lions of 29-L. The "Lion On" LCIF Fun(d)raiser is a simple way to make a donation to LCIF, and show our Team effort as Lions with a 29-L t-shirt. See the donation form elsewhere in this newsletter.

If you have a questions about LCIF, I will provide or seek answers.

Lion Tony Vandenberg, LCIF Chair, 29-L, email:
ajv26170@yahoo.com



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

DISTRICT 29-L "LION ON" 2022-2023 LCIF FUN(D)RAISER

This year we hope to encourage more donations to LCIF by individual Lions of District 29-L – and add a little fun and District Spirit at the same time!

With a donation of \$25 minimum Lions can receive a 29-L Lions T-Shirt.

With a donation of \$50 minimum Lions can receive two 29-L Lions T-Shirts ... and so on.

All profits, after expenses, from this Fun(d)raiser will go to LCIF.

Shirts can be mailed for quicker delivery for \$5.

Otherwise, Shirts will be delivered by District Governor Jay Houser or his minions.

Donation from Lion _____

Lions Club _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Donation: \$ _____

Mailing @ \$5 if desired: \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Make check payable to Lions District 29-L



Shirt Size	Number of Shirts	Shirt Size	Number of Shirts
Small	_____	XL	_____
Medium	_____	XXL	_____
Large	_____	XXXL	_____
		Shirts Total	_____

Mail form and check to

Lion Tony Vandenberg
801 Dewey Avenue
St. Marys, WV 26170

District Use

Received _____

Order ID # _____



Aletta Moffett is the **Fairmont Lions Club's** newest Melvin Jones Fellow and was presented her plaque and pin by PDG Bob Moffett at the club's Installation of Officers meeting July 14, 2022. FVDG Daniel Heintzman was the guest of the club to install the officers. Bob Brummage is the club's president for 2022-2023. The club met at Long John Silver's.

Pictured left to right: PDG Bob Moffett, Aletta Moffett, FVDG Daniel Heintzman, Pres. Bob Brummage

Clubs: Please respond to this email I received. Thank you.

I am looking for information on how to contact area Lions Club applications. I am a social worker assisting individuals thru out West Virginia and one of the largest unmet needs is eye exams and eyeglasses for adults. Do you have information on the different counties that I can obtain an application to forward to the individuals I am trying to assist?

Thank you

Elizabeth Blake

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Associate Director/SHIP Counselor/UniCare CC
Information Helpline
1035 Chapline Street
Wheeling, WV 26003
(304) 233-6300 - Office



Lions of West Virginia Leadership Retreat Seminars – August 27, 2022

“Communication is a Two-Way Street” – Presenter PID Gwen White – Navigating the twists and turns and avoiding the hazards.

“Together We Can...Serve” – Presenter PDG Bernice Pitcock – We will discuss various service projects; how small clubs can serve; partnerships in service; the importance of reporting service activities.

“The Diabetes Belt: Diabetes in West Virginia” – Presenter Lion Brendan Byrne – Once learning about the effects of diabetes within West Virginia, participants will engage in a workshop to create diabetic service projects that they can take back to their communities.

“Recruiting in a New Way: New Approaches to Yield New, Younger Members” – Presenter Lion Matt Rafa – “Are you recruiting the same way you’ve recruited for years? Are you struggling to get new, younger members? It’s time to change the approach to change your results! Lion Matt will discuss recruiting techniques his club used to grow to 65 members in less than (2) years.

“Developing the Leaders of the Future”- Presenter DG Daniel Marney Elkins – Join an interactive session that focuses on how to develop future leaders within Lions International. Learn how to recruit, engage and empower Lions to take on leadership positions by focusing on the need to develop new perspectives, remove barriers to service and by highlighting professional development opportunities and ways to increase our association’s capacity to serve the world and meet humanitarian needs.

“Leading in Real Time: How to Drive Success in a Radically Changing World” – Presenter PDG Wendy Cain – Inspired by the message of Michelle Ray at the 2021 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Lion Wendy will share key ideas and valuable lessons for today’s and tomorrow’s leaders from Michelle’s book of the same title.

“Zone Chair in Nine Easy Steps” – Presenter Lion Jim Slamick – Being a Zone Chair takes planning, execution and follow up of District Goals with Teamwork.

“What Lies Just Beyond Your Comfort Zone” – Presenter PID Steve Glass – Overcoming the fears and anxieties associated with being a leader. In this seminar you will learn about the joys and rewards associated with being a Lion leader at every level of Lionism and how to get comfortable in various leadership roles. We will also discuss things which prevent you from taking on leadership roles and hear practical suggestions for overcoming those issues.

“Branding” – Presenter Eric Minor – How to bring the corporate concept of branding into your Lions Club.

“Future of Lionism” – Presenter Lion Eli Hughes - Outlining the development and success of the University of Charleston Campus Lions Club.



LIONS OF WEST VIRGINIA LEADERSHIP RETREAT

August 26-28, 2022

Flatwoods Days Inn & Suites and Conference Center

Registration Deadline: July 31, 2022

Registration Fee: \$80.00 Friday & Saturday – Three banquet meals, seminars & materials
 \$55.00 Saturday only – Two banquet meals, seminars & materials

Rooms: Contact Days Inn at 866-700-7284 (Tell them you are with the Lions Club)

Rate: \$94.00 (up to 4 guests in a room) Deadline to Reserve: 8/16/2022
Breakfast box is included for individuals staying at the hotel.

Retreat activities include: Seminars to improve your Lions experience, motivational speakers, informational displays, Lions merchandise, Silent Auction, hospitality room, door prizes, great meals, and plenty of fun and fellowship. Information on specific seminars will be provided in District newsletters, a brochure, and website: <http://wvlions.org/LeadershipSchool/home.html>

NAME: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CLUB NAME: _____ DISTRICT: _____

FIRST-TIME ATTENDEE: _____ Special Dietary Requirements: _____

Amount Enclosed: Full \$80 _____ Saturday Only \$55 _____

Make checks payable to: Lions of West Virginia Leadership Retreat or LWVLR and send with form to:

Lion Mary Jane Bright, 86 Crescent View Drive, Fort Ashby, WV 26719

Contact Lion Mary Jane for more information at brights@atlanticbb.net or 304-813-2567/304-298-4304.

“LEADERSHIP and LEARNING are INDISPENSABLE to each other”



Pleasants Area Lions Club flew 72 American Flags at a site along WV Route 2 in St. Marys from June 28 - July 5. The Flags for Heroes event honors fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, daughters and sons. They are veterans, current military, fire fighters, EMT's, first responders, teachers, and mentors. They are brave, loyal, and loved.

990-N Non-Profit Tax Filing

July 1st - November 15th

It is very important that all tax-exempt organizations complete their annual tax filings with the IRS in a timely manner. If your organization's exemption status is automatically revoked by the IRS it will be necessary to apply for reinstatement. Such a process can be very time consuming and expensive in terms of both accounting and legal fees as a new Form 1023 [must be filed](#) with the applicable application fee.

If you need assistance, please contact PDG Ramona Sago @ 304-662-6265 or rsago1959@gmail.com.



WELLSBURG LIONS CLUB

2nd ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

Where: Highland Springs Golf Course in Wellsburg, WV

When: Saturday, August 6, 2022: Shotgun start 8:30am

Cost: \$240 per team/\$60 per person

- * Cash Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd based on number of teams
- * Entry fee includes golf, steak dinner, door prizes
- * Hole sponsorships \$100 per hole

Reservation limited to 30 teams!

To register your team please contact: Cody Rice 304-374-0623

James Kolb 304-670-7181

Joe Mullenbach 304-670-2750





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Clubs more than two years old															
10996	BARBOURSVILLE	12/18/1942	Active	40	1	16	-15	-27.27%	55	8	0	2	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$600.00
10877	BARRACKVILLE	12/10/1957	Active	11	0	0	0	0.00%	11		0	6	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$100.00
10878	BOAZ	03/11/1971	Active	11	1	0	1	10.00%	10		0	3	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
10879	BROOKHAVEN	10/23/1973	Cancelled(6*)	0	0	11	-11	-100.00%	11	17	0	None	P,S,T,M,VP SC	1	\$50.00
51222	CHEAT LAKE	01/23/1991	Cancelled(6*)	0	0	5	-5	-100.00%	5	17	0	1	P,S,T,M,VP SC	1	
Exc Award (06/30/2016)															
10880	CHESTER	09/18/1947	Active	35	3	3	0	0.00%	35	29	0	9	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
10881	CLAY BATTLE DISTRICT L C	03/16/1969	Active	6	0	0	0	0.00%	6		1	5	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
35997	DALLAS	08/14/1978	Active	17	0	1	-1	-5.56%	18	10	0		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
10883	DODDRIDGE COUNTY L C	03/26/1968	Active	41	3	1	2	5.13%	39	1	0	3	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$300.00
10886	ELM GROVE	10/26/1943	Active	19	3	7	-4	-17.39%	23	16	0		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$350.00
10887	FAIRMONT	04/20/1923	Active	17	0	2	-2	-10.53%	19	7	0		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$1,500.00
10891	FOLLANSBEE	01/10/1940	Active(1)	11	12	14	-2	-15.38%	13	32	0	3	P,S,T,M,VP SC	1	
10892	FRIENDLY	09/03/1959	Active	24	5	9	-4	-14.29%	28	7	0		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$1,000.00
Exc Award (06/30/2017, 06/30/2018, 06/30/2020)															
10894	GLENVILLE	09/30/1957	Active	34	6	2	4	13.33%	30	21	0		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
10896	GRANTSVILLE	05/14/1947	Active	22	1	2	-1	-4.35%	23	2	0		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$100.00
10898	HARRISVILLE	05/28/1930	Active	14	1	6	-5	-26.32%	19	11	0	3	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
11019	HUNTINGTON DOWNTOWN	03/09/1922	Active	5	0	0	0	0.00%	5		0	5	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
11024	LESAGE	08/07/1972	Active	32	3	1	2	6.67%	30	10	0	2	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$150.00
31251	LIBERTY	10/09/1975	Active	29	0	4	-4	-12.12%	33	6	0	4	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
11029	MILTON	01/16/1930	Active	17	1	0	1	6.25%	16		0		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	
10907	MORGANTOWN	05/11/1923	Active	17	0	1	-1	-5.56%	18	5	0	3	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$250.00
10908	MOUNDSVILLE	09/11/1941	Active	48	3	4	-1	-2.04%	49	4	0	2	P,S,T,M,VP SC	0	\$1,200.00

Club Service Reporting

Service Reports <https://myapps.lionsclubs.org/>

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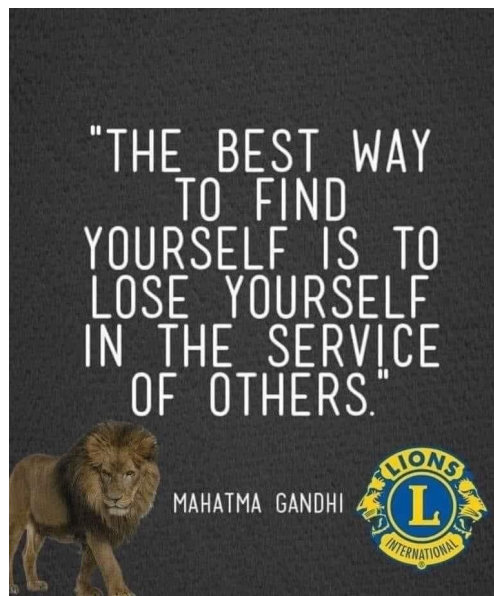
Club Reporting Form sent to PDG Linda Leasure or DG Jay Houser. It can be found District 29 L webpage-Resources

<https://lions29l.org/> OR [PDF](#)



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29361	MT OLIVET	05/29/1974	Active	24	6	3	3	14.29%	21	7	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$2,100.00
Exc Award (06/30/2017, 06/30/2018, 06/30/2020)																		
10910	NEW CUMBERLAND	04/09/1946	Active	44	1	5	-4	-8.33%	48	28	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$100.00
10912	NEW MARTINSVILLE	01/30/1946	Active	16	2	3	-1	-5.88%	17	20	0		None		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$300.00
Exc Award (06/30/2018)																		
10911	NEWELL	12/06/1946	Active	17	2	8	-6	-26.09%	23	12	0		2		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		
140734	Ohio County Virtual	01/29/2020	Active	45	7	29	-22	-32.84%	67	2	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$1,000.00
Exc Award (06/30/2021)																		
10913	PADEN CITY	11/14/1927	Cancelled(5*)	0	0	10	-10	-100.00%	10	33	5		None		P,S,T,M,VP SC	24+		
10914	PARKERSBURG	02/24/1922	Active	29	2	2	0	0.00%	29	25	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$15,000.00
44959	FINE GROVE SHORTLINE	05/13/1985	Active	12	1	4	-3	-20.00%	15	12	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		
101913	PLEASANTS AREA	05/21/2008	Active	16	0	3	-3	-15.79%	19	5	0		4		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$150.00
Exc Award (06/30/2018, 06/30/2019)																		
62401	POINT PLEASANT	10/01/1999	Active	7	0	0	0	0.00%	7		0		5		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$50.00
11036	RAVENSWOOD	10/29/1929	Active	18	0	0	0	0.00%	18		0		4		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		
10918	RIVESVILLE	09/28/1942	Active(1)	4	0	0	0	0.00%	4		1		6		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		
43617	SCOTT DEPOT SCOTT TEAYS	03/05/1984	Active	22	1	0	1	4.76%	21		0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$500.00
10919	SISTERSVILLE	06/27/1947	Active	17	1	0	1	6.25%	16		0		3		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$100.00
Exc Award (06/30/2017)																		
10921	SOUTH PARKERSBURG	11/18/1941	Active	10	3	1	2	25.00%	8	29	0		8		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		
11020	SOUTHEAST HUNTINGTON	01/25/1955	Active	23	5	1	4	21.05%	19	44	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$5.00
11043	SPENCER	04/19/1928	Active	10	0	0	0	0.00%	10		3		7		P,S,T,M,VP SC	N/R		
10924	VALLEY GROVE	05/08/1956	Cancelled(5*)	0	0	4	-4	-100.00%	4	33	7		None		P,S,T,M,VP SC	7		
10926	VIENNA	10/24/1941	Active	2	0	8	-8	-80.00%	10	3	2		7		P,S,T,M,VP SC	3		\$100.00
Exc Award (06/30/2016, 06/30/2018)																		
10928	WASHINGTON	03/19/1964	Active	25	1	3	-2	-7.41%	27	9	0		9		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		
10929	WAVERLY	11/12/1951	Active	7	0	0	0	0.00%	7		0		6		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		





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10930	WERTON	08/03/1936	Active	15	3	4	-1	-6.25%	16	7	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$150.00
Exc Award (06/30/2019, 06/30/2020)																		
10932	WELLSBURG	07/23/1936	Active	32	3	0	3	10.34%	29		0		3		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$1,000.00
10933	WEST LIBERTY	02/08/1972	Active	15	0	1	-1	-6.25%	16	13	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$50.00
87844	WESTERN MONONGALIA COUNTY AREA	05/24/2005	Active	8	0	0	0	0.00%	8		0		12		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$850.00
Exc Award (06/30/2020)																		
10934	WESTOVER	08/18/1950	Active	8	2	7	-5	-38.46%	13	5	0		9		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		
10935	WHEELING	01/06/1922	Active	61	1	3	-2	-3.17%	63	29	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$20,070.00
44289	WHEELING ISLAND	10/29/1984	Active	13	1	1	0	0.00%	13	25	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$790.00
Exc Award (06/30/2019, 06/30/2020)																		
10937	WHEELING WARWOOD	11/08/1944	Active	37	3	2	1	2.78%	36	2	0				P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$775.00
Exc Award (06/30/2016, 06/30/2018)																		
10938	WILLIAMSTOWN	08/30/1946	Active	39	2	1	1	2.63%	38	2	0		6		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$1,100.00
11050	WINFIELD	01/09/1947	Active	13	0	1	-1	-7.14%	14	13	0		5		P,S,T,M,VP SC	0		\$500.00

Clubs Cancelled Previous Fiscal Year – Clubs Cancelled within last 12 months may be reinstated

Club Number	Club Name	Charter Date	Current Status*	Cancellation Date
119444	MARSHALL UNIVERSITY	06/03/2013	Cancelled(8*)	02/28/2021

Current Total Clubs Count	YTD New Clubs Count	YTD Cancelled Clubs Count	YTD Net Club Gain	Current Total Members Count	YTD Add	YTD Drop	YTD Net Growth	YTD Net Growth %	Member Count 12 Months Ago	Average Member Count Per Club	% of Clubs with less than 20 members	% No MMR In 3 Months	% No Officer Report in 12 Months	% of Clubs with balance 90+ days	Number of Clubs in Status Quo	% Status Quo Clubs In Financial Suspension	Number of Cancelled Clubs	Average Cancelled Club Age	Members Lost Due to Cancellation	% of Clubs Cancelled Due to Non-Financial Reasons
49	0	4	-4	1,039	90	193	-103	-9.02%	1,142	21	59%	2%	0%	0%	0	0%	4	62	30	75%

* - P - Priority Club. Cancellation Reasons: 1-Objectives/conduct, 2-Non-active club, 5-Non-existing club, 6-Disbanding, 7-Merger, 8-Financial Suspension, 9-District/Multiple District Dues.
 ** - Abbreviation: P-President, S-Secretary, T-Treasurer, M-Member Chairperson, VP-First Vice President, MC-Communications Chairperson, SC-Service Chairperson
 *** - Abbreviation: N/R - Never reported using the Lions Clubs website, N/A - Not applicable, No password registered for the Lions Clubs website.
 **** - Abbreviation: N - New, IP - Immediate Past, R - Repeat.



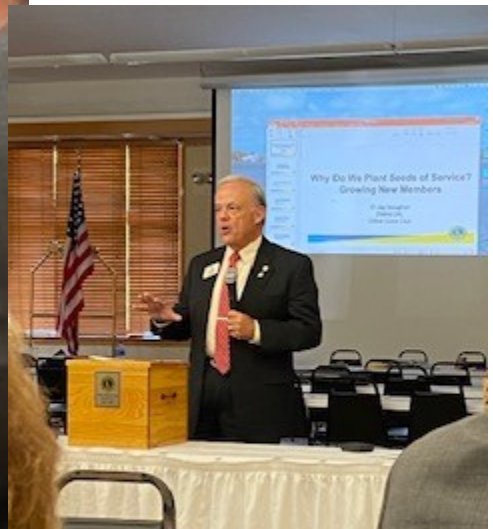
Due: August 30, 2022

[Club Excellence Award Form](#)

West Virginia MD 29

Past District Governors Association
Appreciation Banquet

Awards received by
PDG Gary Pitcock
PDG Ramona Sago



Lions International Calendar 2022-23



July	Lions and Leos provided humanitarian service to over 500M people last year through more than 1.3M service activities worldwide. Lions' new International President Brian Sheehan tells us together we can think big and change the world.
August	Through Campaign 100 , Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) raised over US\$324M to improve health and well-being through humanitarian services and grants. This year, LCIF continues to magnify the global service of Lions and Leos.
September	Lions celebrate the 61 st anniversary of our Youth Camps & Exchange program. Through this program, Lions help youth initiate, grow and maintain international relationships, which promote cultural education and international peace.
October	Helen Keller inspired Lions at our 1925 convention to take a leadership role in serving and advocating for the blind and visually impaired. Lions' Vision webpage includes service ideas and planning tools for World Sight Day on October 13.
November	Lions serve in the cause of diabetes, which afflicts over 463M people worldwide and causes more than 4.2M deaths annually. Lions' Diabetes webpage includes service ideas and planning tools for World Diabetes Day on November 14.
December	Lions sponsor more than 7200 Leo clubs in 150 countries to empower young leaders and foster a commitment to community service. Lions and Leos celebrate International Leo Day on December 5 with a video contest of Leo service impact.
January	January 24 is the International Day of Education . Through the Lions Quest program, children in more than 100 countries learn social and emotional knowledge, attitudes and skills. More than 16M young people have benefited over the past 30 years.
February	Childhood Cancer Day on February 15 brings awareness to the 300,000 children who are diagnosed with cancer each year. Lions' Childhood Cancer webpage includes service ideas and planning tools to support affected children and families.
March	Lions were one of the first NGOs invited to assist in drafting the United Nations Charter in 1945. This year, we will host Lions Day with the United Nations in New York City, USA, as well as Nairobi, Kenya, and Geneva, Switzerland.
April	Lions and Leos are committed to sustainably protecting and restoring our environment for the well-being of all communities. Our Environment webpage includes service ideas and planning tools for Earth Day on April 22.
May	Nearly one billion people experience food insecurity worldwide. Lions and Leos serve worldwide to provide access to nutritious foods. Lions' Hunger webpage includes service ideas and planning tools for World Hunger Day on May 28.
June	June 7 marks the 106 th anniversary of the founding of Lions Clubs International. Today, our vision of global leadership in humanitarian service is being realized around the world by more than 1.4M members in over 50,000 Lion and Leo clubs.



*"Lions live to make this world better, not only for this generation, but for the next."
— Lions Clubs International Founder, Melvin Jones*

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**Lions Fact of
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All monies raised from the
public goes to charitable
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costs are paid by Lions
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