

Seminars for 2027 LWVLR

1. **Basic Roles and Responsibilities of the Big 4 (president, secretary, treasurer, membership chairperson)** *You keep asking me to take one of these roles. Before I do, I want to know what is expected of them and what their duties are.* This seminar is designed to inform prospective and aspiring club officers of their duties and responsibilities and to encourage them to take on leadership roles at the club level. Target audience: All attendees

Facilitator: **PDG Micheal Gibbs, District OH-1 Rushsylvania Lions Club, Rushsylvania, OH**

2. **Understanding Diversity: A zebra is not a horse!**

This seminar will involve an inward focus for individual Lions as well as an outward focus. It will explore ways that we can look at ourselves and what we do to make our clubs attractive to diverse groups of prospective Lions as well as newer members. Utilizing an analogy that she discovered during LCIP Training in Toronto, Dawn has developed an innovative way to examine our likenesses and differences to better appreciate diversity. Target audience: All Lions

Facilitator: **PDG Dawn Rice Norton, Medford Lions Club, Medford, MA and DGE Seminar Group Leader**

3. **AI is the roadmap to achieving our Mission**

Artificial Intelligence – what are you talking about? What is this new thing that everyone is talking about? Should I be afraid of it? A renowned leader will provide the answers to these and many other questions and show you how to harness the opportunity to utilize AI to increase your leadership skills and enhance your club and district.

Facilitator: **ID Daniel Elkins**, Bellefonte Lions Club, District 22-D, Wilmington, DE and past International Board appointee.

4. **Effective Public Speaking**

This seminar will discuss the steps in planning for and preparing for any type of public speaking engagement that one might face as a leader. It will provide tips on overcoming anxiety associated with having to deliver a speech to a group of any size and practice techniques you can use to become comfortable. Target audience: All attendees

Facilitator: **Lion Kelton Boblits, past president of the University of Charleston Lions Club, District 29-C**

5. **Ethical Leadership: the real key to retention and membership engagement**

Leading and serving with integrity and compassion is a key necessity to building, strengthening, and growing our ability to serve effectively. This seminar will deal with self-examination and the culture within our clubs. We will look at key ethics policies that are designed to strengthen our CORE Values.

Target audience: All attendees

Facilitator: **PID Steve Glass, Shinnston Lions Club and PCC of Multiple District 29.**

6. **Lionism in West Virginia: Past, Present, and Future!**

This seminar is intended to be an orientation for all Lions as it examines the origins of our existence in West Virginia and tracks our history as well as examines our future hopes.

Target audience: All attendees

Facilitator: **Lion Rick Thorn, Valley District Lions Club, District 29-I**

7. The Roles and Responsibilities of Being a Zone Chairperson

Incoming district governors and other district leaders keep asking me to become a zone chairperson. Before I say yes, tell me what my obligations are. What does a zone chairperson do? What is expected of them? Do I have the personality traits to make an effective zone chairperson? Are there any rewards involved in performing this role? Tell me more. This seminar is designed to discuss the basic duties of this position and the resources available to assist the zone chairperson. You will learn of the very valuable role that the zone chairperson plays in the success of the clubs and the district and the many rewards that it brings.

Facilitators: **FVDG Diana Bedell, past president of the Bridgeport Lions Club, District 29-I and three-time zone chairperson of Zone 8 of District 29-I**

8. Delegate, Don't Dominate!

My plate is too full. Why can't I get everything done that I need to do? I'm suffering burn out! Are these questions that you ask yourself? Perhaps it's time that you start trusting others to help you. This seminar is designed to equip you to learn the skills and competencies needed to help you learn how to delegate tasks to others with confidence and to build a team and succession planning in the process.

Target audience: All attendees

Facilitator: **PDG Chris Wooters, District 22-C, Waldorf Lions Club, Prince Frederick, MD**

9. Time Management

Time is a precious commodity for all of us, especially those who are in leadership roles. PDG Wendy is an expert on time management and personal planning, and she will impart her vast knowledge of the subject with those who want to eliminate procrastination in their lives and learn how to manage unnecessary stress. Many tips will be shared with those who want to improve their time management skills.

Target audience: All attendees

Facilitator: **PDG Wendy Cain, Five-time DGE Seminar Group Leader and facilitator at several past Lions of West Virginia Leadership Retreats**

10. Servant Leadership

Lead to serve, Serve to Lead. Where have we heard that phrase before? Being a servant leader is the epitome of this phrase. In this seminar you will learn about the five practices of highly effective leaders and how serving is leading and leading is serving – you can't be one without the other!

Facilitator: **Past International Director Jay Moughon, Clifton Lions Club, Clifton, VA**

11. The rewards of being a district governor: the positives far outweigh any negatives!

What keeps most qualified Lions from stepping in to this vital role? Is it fear of the unknown? Is it fear of failure? Is it the perceived time commitment? This seminar will recount the positive experiences of three highly successful district governors who will share their best experiences from their respective journeys. They will emphasize how the team approach helped them to be successful and enjoy the journey!

Facilitators: **PDG Kim Ebert, PDG Lisa Keffer, PCC Cindy Glass**

12. Successful Project Management Through Effective Team Management

"Teamwork makes the dreamwork" goes the old saying. This seminar will explore strategies to build an effective team that will ensure that your club projects are successful and incorporate all points of view. It blends project management strategies and key concepts of team building. From a project team to a district cabinet, this facilitator will provide practical tips on how to build and maintain a high performing dynamic team.

Target audience: All attendees

Facilitator: **PCC Gary Boyd, Jr., Alum Creek Lions Club and Guiding Lion of the University of Charleston Lions Club**