

# 29I PRIDE NEWS

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## ADDED VALUE

I perused the Lions magazine summer edition this past week. I hope you have taken the opportunity to do the same. I enjoy receiving the magazine and having in hand the wonderful company of LIONS' worldwide fellowship. It just

feels more real than clicking

through the website for some reason, even though information there is as enlightening. I have done this for several years, exploring our great efforts and measuring ideas. particularly enjoyed the club showcases, one being a small town in Minnesota. This kinda hits home for us here in West Virginia. This is also in Multiple District 5M. Before my move here into District 29I, I was a member in that multiple. (But I digress). However, on this reading, I realized something that had not occurred to me on previous occasions. And that is - the added value of LIONS serving LIONS.

"Where there's a need; There's a LION." We often look to supplementing those needs with efforts toward fundraising. I think, like most of us, it gets a bit frustrating trying to gain the attention of community members in supporting these ideas of service and fundraising to join us. We see our added value quite clearly. Where the haze tends to dim our vision, is when we consider helping ourselves. How do we add value to helping Lions be. well. LIONS? Where and/or when

do we place our efforts and attention on ourselves? For the most part we join to serve the community. But without then. club officers, we have no organization from which to launch the community service.

At some point, we must don the mantle of club officer to add value to those services and drive into

fundraising. This is certainly not an easy task, nor

We focus a lot on service to those in need. After all –

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Lead to Serve,

vision for Lions.

A.P. Singh has a growing

one that comes to mind in our nascent years of service.

The clubs are organized through the district. What is the added value the district and cabinet members provide? Each July we install a new set of cabinet members, sometimes these individuals are new to that level of service. These are Fellow LIONS stretching their service to serve LIONS. Here we truly demonstrate our strength. In so doing, we have another tool with which to draw in new members.

Keep in mind these administrative needs as you consider prospective members. Indicate to them the many tools your club enjoys through strong leadership in club officers and cabinet members. Use information from LIONS Magazine and the District 29I newsletter to help a prospective member measure how they also can provide added value to their community.

Yours in Service, Lion Jim Mullen

# 29I & MULTIPLE DISTRICT CALENDAR

The Complete 29I District Calendar for 2025 – 2026 is avilable on the website 29I LIONS

Multiple District 29 Link = https://wvlions.org/

DGE Lion Greg Greenwalt has suggested that for club visits he would rather attend a club activity rather than a meeting and lend a supportive hand to that activity. As we move into Lion Greg's governing year, consider this as you schedule to have him visit your club. The visitation form is at the end of the newsletter and it is tailored more toward this request.

- September 18<sup>th</sup> thru 20<sup>th</sup> USA/Canada Leadership Forum: Atlantic City, NJ. Information and registration link: Lions Forum Link

  October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> – 29I District Conference:

CLUB OFFICERS: LCI WILL NO LONGER SEND PAPER INVOICES AS OF 15JUL2025. CLUBS CAN REQUEST PAPER BILLING BY CALLING LCI ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AT 630-203-3810

#### **District Governor's Message**

By DG Lion Greg Greenwalt

#### Good day LIONS!!!

My name is Greg Greenwalt from the Moorefield, WV Lions Club. As the new 25-26 year District Governor I have big boots to fill. Many great District Governors who I have the pleasure to follow have shown me the importance of all of us working together as a team. Please feel free to reach out to the District Council Team or myself anytime we can be of service. I'm so lucky to have a great group of Lions who have stepped forward to serve on the Council and Clubs.

Congratulations to Lions who are entering their new roles in clubs and those Lions who are continuing in their current positions. We appreciate your volunteerism and dedication to the Lions mission. I look forward to working with and meeting you as we all begin our year of service.

With "WE SERVE" as our motto, we will focus on bringing kindness to our communities and each other. This is our chance to continue working together every day to make a difference and a brighter future for the people we serve.

We still have the need to fill the positions of the First and Second Vice District Governors. If you or another Lion you know may be interested, Please let me know. My cell number is 304-703-5310, email ggreenwalt@hardynet.com.

We had a great international convention. I had a great time meeting with Lions from all over the world. We all have the same goal, to Serve and make a difference.

Thanks you all for all you do, be careful and stay safe.

Yours in Lionism DG Greg Greenwalt

# 29I -- MULTIPLE DISTRICT -- LCI

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# **DISTRICT 29 I CONFERENCE**

OCTOBER 3-4, 2025 CANAAN VALLEY RESORT Tentative Schedule for 29I 2025 Conference



# Friday – October 3<sup>rd</sup>

3:00-6:00	Registration
3:00-6:00	Auction Dropoff
4:00-5:30	Parade of Checks Collection
6:00-7:30	Dinner
8:00 - 9:30	Games, Entertainment, Prizes
9:30-11:00	Hospitality

### Saturday - October 4<sup>th</sup>

#### Breakfast on your own

7:00 - 8:15	Registration
8:30-10:30	District Cabinet Meeting
11:00 - 12:30	Brunch
1:00-2:00	Seminar
2:15-3:15	Seminar
3:30-4:00	Service Project; Welcome Bags for Schools
4:15 – 4:45	Diabetes Walk
4:45-6:00	Enjoy the Beautiful Fall Foliage
6:00-6:30	reception for ID
6:30-8:00	Dinner



#### DISTRICT 29 I CONFERENCE OCTOBER 3-4, 2025 CANAAN VALLEY RESORT

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Name:	
Address:	
	District
Saturday	day evening, Saturday all day-includes: dinner Friday, Brunch and dinner turday all day includes: Brunch and dinner.
Saturday	iday – evening- games, entertainment, prizes  – Silent auction, lunch entertainment, seminars, service projects, special ions, parade of checks
*If anyone has	special dietary needs please list them:
Rooms: \$149 a	night. Call for reservations. Make reservations ASAP
	nd dial 0 for reservations. Just mention the October Lions Club Group to receive r Booking Link: https://www.canaanresort.com/book-now?pid=20828
Group ID code:	1076GE KS PAYABLE TO: <b>THE LIONS DISTRICT 29I CONFERENCE</b>

Register by September 25. Send registrations to:

PCC Sue Long P.O. Box 988 Fort Ashby, WV 26719

# PARADE OF CHECKS DISTRICT 29-I CONFERENCE OCTOBER 3- 4, 2025

Please complete this form and return it to Lion Daryl See (at the address below) or via e-mail by Monday October 1, 2025. <u>Individual checks should be made out to each program as listed.</u>

Checks may also be presented to the people manning the Registration desk on Friday evening or Saturday morning. Clubs not attending the conference should mail checks to Lion Daryl See at 109 Caledonia Drive, Moorefield, WV 26836. Please email him the donation amounts at: (mrsafetyjmu@gmail.com). Each club will be recognized at the banquet and the amounts donated will be acknowledged provided this procedure is followed.

#### **PROGRAMS**

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (LCIF)	\$
WV LIONS SIGHT CONSERVATION FOUNDATION (WVLSCF)	\$
YOUTH EXCHANGE	\$
MD – DEAF & BLIND RECREATION & SKI PROGRAM	\$
ROMNEY DEAF & BLIND STUDENT WORK PROGRAM	\$
LEADER DOGS	\$
PILOT DOGS	\$
DISASTER RELIEF	\$
QUEST	\$
DIABETES	\$
OTHER	\$
Club Name	
TOTAL DONATIONS:	\$

Lion Daryl See. District 29I Secretary/Treasurer

109 Caledonia Drive Moorefield, WV 26836

# CABINET OFFICERS, ZONE AND PROGRAM CHAIRS

Please submit information regarding your activities as we continue to build a robust District Activities Section. This includes any services, fundraisers or even outlines of duties to relate to club members. Submit to:

LIONS29Inewsletter@yahoo.com Yours In Service, Lion Jim Mullen

#### **KidSight**

By Lion Daniel Berry, Chairperson

Watch this Powerful Video below about some Lions who really made a difference in a little girl's life.



Click here for Video

#### Start your screening program today

**Contact Lion Daniel Berry at R-B Instruments for more information:** 

800-533-7234 or daniel@r-binstruments.com

## **Leader Dog**

By Lion Robin Faris, Chairperson

#### In Every Leader Dog Lies the Heart of a Lion

LCIF and Leader Dogs for the Blind go as far back as 1939. Since then, the Lions have been ambassadors and loyal supporters of the mission to help the visually impaired find their independence and freedom while living in a sightless world. It all started on a small farm in Rochester Hills, Michigan. Fifty dollars a month rented a farmhouse for the clients and staff, a barn for the dogs, and a garage. On October 8, 1939, the first class of the official Lions Leader Dog Foundation graduated. The cost to graduate a client/dog team was \$600. Today, that price has skyrocketed to a whopping

\$45,744/ team. The training is still in Rochester Hills Michigan.

Today, the Lions Club supports guide dog programs through fundraising, volunteer efforts. advocacy. Many local Lions Clubs sponsor individual guide dogs, covering the substantial costs of breeding, training, and lifelong care. The club also supports research into new training techniques, such as harnesses that improve communication between dogs and their handlers. In addition to guide dog programs, the Lions Club has also embraced the use of service dogs for other disabilities, expanding their mission to assist more people in need. Lions have stepped forward to support the people WE SERVE as puppy raisers and hosts for our breeding stock dogs.

The Lions club has played a crucial role in creating a world where visually impaired individuals can lead fulfilling lives. As we look to the future, we must remain dedicated to this cause, continuing to innovate and support the guide dog movement globally.



#### **Disaster Relief & Recovery**

#### By Lion Wayne Worth, Chairperson

Comment on Disaster Relief trailer and general organization. SEP2025. Any Lion that can aid this conversation is welcome to do so, either by contacting Lion Wayne or responding to the newsletter editor at LIONS29Inewsletter@yahoo.com

DG Greg Greenwalt,

Probably five years or more ago West Milford Lion Jeff Barnhart came up with the idea for our district to purchase a disaster relief trailer to store flood relief tools and supplies. At that time I believed the idea was a good one and supported it. The district proceeded by vote to purchase the trailer.

However, in those five years or more, I have had difficulty finding a secure location to store the trailer. As a result the trailer has been sitting at the edge of the parking lot of the West Milford United Methodist Church, which is not a secure location to have a trailer with tools and other flood relief supplies. The trailer is currently empty due to my fear that if I store tools in the trailer at that location, there is a chance of theft. This is why have not come to the district to request additional funding from the disaster relief account to purchase additional tools and supplies for the trailer, or requested funding to put our Lions Club District 29-I logo on it.

Additionally, I have not found anyone who would be willing to store this trailer on their property, even if it was a secure location. Furthermore, with the price of storage, paying to store a trailer that will store flood relief supplies and tools at a storage facility, would not be a good use of disaster relief funds.

With that said, I am requesting one of two things: 1) That you and/or the cabinet reach out (via a mass email would suffice) to local lions in the Bridgeport, Clarksburg, Grafton, and Weston/Jane Lew areas to see if anyone has a secure place to store this trailer, or 2) At the next cabinet meeting discuss selling the trailer.

At this juncture, we have been able to effectively respond to floods in West Virginia (10 floods in the

past 10 years) with the current system I have in place. That system comprises of me storing all the current flood relief tools and supplies in my garage and the garage of Clarksburg Lion Polly Malick. That system is not sustainable though, especially if something would happen to one of us. That is why it is important to have a neutral location (close to the disaster relief chairman) where all flood tools and supplies could be located. My recommendation is that if we cannot find a secure location to store the disaster relief trailer, that we sell it, put the proceeds of the sale back into the disaster relief account, and then rent a climate controlled storage unit where we can house all of the flood relief tools and supplies.

If you have any further questions, ideas, or solutions feel free to contact me via email at wayneoworth@hotmail.com or phone at 304-476-1710.

Lion Wayne Worth



FLOOD RELIEF CREWS VOLUNTEERS AND LIONS

# **MEET THE LIONS DISTRICT 29I CABINET**

#### Submitted By District Governor Lion Greg Greenwalt

Gregory Greenwalt	District Governor
VACANT	1st Vice District Governor
VACANT	2nd Vice District Governor
Kim Ann Mason	Immediate Past District Governor
Daryl M. See	Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer
Robert Bright	District Information Technology Chairperson
Brendan Byrne	District Leo Chairperson
Brendan Byrne	District Peace Poster Contest Chairperson
Patricia A Byrne	District Diabetes Chairperson
Wilford Graham Jones	District Lions Quest Chairperson
Mrs. Susan P. Long	District Convention Chairperson
Mr. James P Mullen	District Marketing Chairperson
Suzanne Park	District Public Relations & Lions Information Chairperson
Richard Thorn Jr	District Vision Chairperson
Mr. Wayne B Worth	District Environment Chairperson
Mrs. Renee Suzette Douthitt	District GST Coordinator
Kermit Hawley	District GMT Coordinator
John Mason	District GLT Coordinator
Kim Ann Mason	District Global Extension Team Coordinator
Richard Thorn Jr	LCIF District Coordinator
Cheryl Roberts	Zone 1 Chairperson
Paul Douglas Long	Zone 2 Chairperson
Michael Funkhouser	Zone 3 Chairperson
Mr. Paul Nestor	Zone 4 Chairperson
Frank A Becker	Zone 5 Chairperson
Danny Miller	Zone 6 Chairperson
Kenneth C Shahan	Zone 7 Chairperson
Diana L. Bedell	Zone 8 Chairperson
Mrs. Beth L White	Zone 9 Chairperson
Additional District Chairs	
Michelle Harshbarger (29L)	Youth Exchange
VACANT	Council Chair
VACANT	Council Secretary/Treasurer
VACANT	Blind Ski/Recreation
VACANT	Service Dog
VACANT	Reading Action Program

DG Lion Greg Greenwalt is growing our cabinet. Here is a list of officers that are extending their services to the Clubs in the District. This is a valuable set of information for clubs to reach out and expand their services. Note there a few postions that remain vacant. Key to success is filling the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG positions. Doing so will ensure a strong Cabinet for years to come. Are you ready to contribute to that foundation?

# **Youth Exchange Reflections**

By Kaydence Cain

#### **My LYE Experience in Germany**

My LYE Experience in Germany, June 27, 2025<sup>th</sup> through July 19, 2025 was the best and fastest three

weeks of my life. It feels like I was just on the airplane on my way to Germany thinking about all the possibilities of what could happen. Will the people be nice? Will I have fun? Will I be home sick? Will this be the best experience of my life?

When I arrived at the Frankfurt airport my host family as well as two other exchange students were waiting for me. Little did I know one of the exchange students standing there would be one of my best friends after leaving the

country. My host family was very nice and welcoming. During the week I spent with them I experienced the German family culture. They prepared a delicious dinner every day and we mostly sat outside where the gorgeous view of the village was to eat. I also got the opportunity to go to school one day with my host sister Paula. It was very interesting to see how different it was compared to my school. One thing that stood out was how small their classes were and that they all knew English well. While I was there, I was able to attend her school's prom because she was volunteering for it. It was so much bigger compared to my school because families, teachers, and the students attend for the graduating class. During that week some of the other exchange students and I explored the country with our host families. I am so happy we did that because it made camp 100 times better because we all already knew each other. I am grateful for the host family I stayed with because we now carry a special bond. I am so excited to go back and visit them one day.

After one week it was time to go to the camp, I was sad to leave my host family, but also excited for what the camp would bring. When we all arrived at the hostel, we put our stuff in our rooms and all the girls talked until dinner. At dinner we told something about ourselves and what country we were from to show how diverse our group was. We did many things over the two weeks that made it go by in a blink of an eye.

One of the first places we visited was Kassel where we explored the nature part of the city. There were flowers from all over the world planted there and sceneries that were breath taking. Something we did a lot was bob riding. We did so many that I lost

> track of how many we actually did. We also went to a Par 3 golf course which was fun because I was the only one who had played before.

One day we explored the city

we were staying in, Korbach. We learned about the history of the city and walked around during the day. In the evening, we climbed the church tower with a spiral staircase that had over 200 steps. I thought up would be the hard part but

going down was worse because it makes you very dizzy. On another day we went to a wildlife park. It stood out to me that they had racoons there because I have never seen a racoon in a zoo before. The brown bear was my favorite part that day because it was very cute. We got to watch the workers feed the animals as well.

The next day we went on a Swiss bridge. Let's just say that bridge felt a million miles long and it was the slowest 10 minutes of my life walking across it. That same day we saw where a ski jump competition takes place. The tour guide said not many accidents happen, but it looked scary to me. When we left that place walking back to the bus, I saw the most motorcycles I have ever seen at once. We stopped for a minute to watch them drive by.

We visited the Wartburg castle. This was my favorite castle that we saw there. The history was great and the castle itself was beautiful. One of my favorite days was going to Marburg. We did a city tour, ate lunch, and explored the city. It was very pretty, and I had a lot of fun with everyone. On one of the last days, we went to the Eder Dam. We walked around and saw the gorgeous view. Due to weather that was supposed to happen we couldn't do what we previously planned, so we went on another bob. That same day a member from a Lions

Club invited us to go eat dinner. He brought his two red Porsche tractors to show us as a surprise.

On the second to last day, we went to a mine. It was cool to see how everything was set up, the machines, and how hard they had to work there. On the very last day we all started to get sad, and it was starting to hit us that we had to leave each other. That day we spent every minute with each other. We signed our shirts, wrote to each other in our own languages, and just enjoyed our last day together. We all went and got Turkish Kebab for the last time there for lunch. There was a farewell party where the host families came to, and we had a barbeque. We took lots of pictures and shared our favorite memories.

Suddenly it was 5am and my stuff was all packed up. It was time to say goodbye to everyone and to the hostel that holds two weeks of memories. This goodbye was so hard that I cried a lot on the way home. All I could think about was the times we shared together. I won't ever forget the endless laughs we had or all the inside jokes we made along the way.

This experience made me learn a lot about myself, but also gave me friendships that will last a lifetime. I learned so much about different cultures and all the people at the camp that it feels like I've known them my whole life. I hope in the future our paths cross again and I can visit them. Especially a girl from Romania named Eva. We clicked instantly and we haven't gone a day without talking since we left. I wish I had one more day at this camp with these people. I can't even explain how much I miss everyone there.

All I know now is that I have so many memories that I will carry with me for the rest of my life, new friends from across the world, and many inside jokes that no one will understand except us. I will forever be grateful for the Lions Youth Camp & Exchange. I was able to follow my dreams of traveling and experience a new culture. However, I learned in the end the place means nothing when the people mean everything.

# Youth Camps & Exchange

By Lion Henry Krautwurst, Chairperson '24-'25

One Final Note: Upon her return from Germany,

Kaydence called and told me she was directed to me about starting a Leo Club at her school. As you can see from her reflections, she came home super excited about her experience and that is what guided her to ask about forming a Leo Club. I directed her to Lion Eva



Dague, MD Leo Chair, who will be working with her. Knowing Kaydence she will tell her story and inspire other students to seek the opportunity to participate in the WV Lions Youth Exchange program next year.

ditor's Note: Lion Henry has passe

Editor's Note: Lion Henry has passed the baton in operating the Youth Exchange Program. I would like to extend my thanks and on the behalf of all the Lions of West Virginia in his dedication to the program. Lion Michelle Harshbarger in District L will be leading us into this year. Let's welcome Lion Michelle to this wonderful program by extending every opportunity provide an opportunity for exchange students to explore the Wild and Wonderful state of West Virginia that we call home. To support Lion Michelle's efforts you can contact her at jasonharsh@aol.com.

Training available for all Lions through
USA-Canada Leadership
Forum at
Lions University

https://www.lionsuniversity.org/

#### **In Memorium to Our Cherished LIONS**

A Compilation From 29I Clubs



August '24 March

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

By DG Lion Kim Mason

The 29I District Cabinet Welcomes our NEW LIONS & is looking forward to shared camaraderie & service to the communities of West Virginia:

Bruno Alvarez – Charles Town, April Romelda Puller – Charles Town, April Joseph Contic - Kingwood, May Jeffrey Hartley - Kingwood, May Rosalita Tribett – Kingwood, May Abigail Hubbard - Mountain, July Amie Neighbors – Fort Ashby, July Ward Yaider - Fort Ashby, July Janet Newbrough - Jane Lew Lions, July Ken Frazier – Jane Lew Lions, July Mary Frazier – Jane Lew Lions, July Dave Gosa – Jane Lew Lions, July Darrell Kincaid – Jane Lew Lions, July Julia Currey – Shinnston, July Susie Lehmann – Bridgeport, August Carolyn Rodis - Shepherdstown Centennial, August Geraldine Pudder – Tennerton, August William Pudder, Jr – Tennerton, August Brooks Ables - West Milford, August

#### WHY AM I A LION?

Testimonials Compiled From 29I Club Members

#### **CLUB MEMBERS**

Got a story about how/why you became a LION? All 29I members are welcome to share their story. Submit to: LIONS29Inewsletter@yahoo.com

Yours in Service, Lion Jim Mullen

#### Lion Theresa Gain, Bridgeport Lions

- I see tangible results in my local community thru fundraising for our service projects that make life better—whether it's collecting eyeglasses, helping with food drives, contributing to our local Inclusive Playground, attending Challenger League Games, supporting Healthy Grandfamilies and supporting students at our local high school, Bridgeport High School.
- Vision and hearing programs is one of my favorite initiatives
- Disaster relief
- Hunger and environmental initiatives, causes very close to my heart
- I appreciate being part of a group that is likeminded, service-oriented people.

In kindness and with smiles, Lion Theresa Gain, Bridgeport WV

PDG Lion Sue Long published A Journey Of Service during her tenure as District Governor in the Lions Year 2021 – 2022. This section of our Newsletter will continue to give life to those stories. The individual Lions Names are not included. Each story is titled for the club. This section will include stories submitted to the publication in future issues.

The **Ireland Lions Club** was established in 2002. Members related those moments when serving as a LION had special rewards or incidents that drove them to service. Here are some of those stories.

"As a military spouse for over 25 years, my heart is drawn to serving others. During our time in the Army, we found so many opportunities to serve young families of fallen soldiers. In the same way, we found a purpose in the Lions Club through serving our community. WE SERVE!!!!!"

"My wife and I returned to my hometown after 30 years and wanted to make a difference in our community. We are members of several different organizations but the Lion's Club is a community difference maker. While only a lion for a little over 2 years (Covid years) we have seen the impact that our club has on the community and the people in it. We are proud to be lion's and look forward to what we will do in the future."

"Shortly before the Ireland Club was chartered, I was married and moved to this area, knowing very few people. When my husband attended an organizational meeting, he returned home saying they needed more people in order to charter. So, I became a member. In doing so, I became acquainted with some of the nicest, hard working and honest people ever. Through working on projects with them, I became part of this community, helping where we could and enjoying doing it."

The **Nutter Fort Lions Club** was established in 2011. Members related those moments when serving as a LION had special rewards or incidents that drove them to service. Here are some of those stories.

"Last Year I helped with the eye exams at our local schools. Being able to help a child who may not have been taken to the eye doctor was very reminiscent of what happened to me. When I was in the fourth grade, the Lions Club came to my school and did eye exams. My parents did not have insurance so we hardly ever went to the Doctor and I had never been to the eye Doctor. It was determined I needed glasses. Thanks to the Lions club coming to my school, I was able to get glasses. Something so small as giving up my time for a few hours can make such a big difference in a child's life. "

"My best friend in the world has stage 4 metastatic Breast cancer, with 3 small children. The Nutter Fort Lions club helped her out with Christmas. She is now sitting here with us as a Lion."

"Help with health access and eye sight clinic. Helped get glasses. One lady could not see to pick out glasses. Had to help with her selection. Makes you realize how lucky we are."

The **Lost Creek Lions Club** was established in 1940. Members related those moments when serving as a LION had special rewards or incidents that drove them to service. Here are some of those stories.

"Our Lions Club sponsors the Wreaths across America program. We place wreaths on the graves

of all veterans on the Seventh Day Baptist Cemetery. We are 3 years into the recognition of Veterans and so proud that local veterans are remembered each year."

"Shortly after my wife and I moved to West Virginia we had no friends and lived on a rural road with our closest neighbor ½ mile away. There was a knock at the door and who was there, Lion Bill and Lion Dan May selling brooms and inviting us to become Lions. We are still Lions and have the brooms we bought."

"Lost Creek Lions received money from LCIF for a flood in Lost Creek. We also started a fund for a boy who lost his leg from a coal truck I n Lost Creek. The boy ran out in front of the truck."

#### RECENT CLUB ACTIVITIES

A Compilation From 29I Clubs

#### **CLUB OFFICERS**

Please submit material for the club sections of most recent community service and your upcoming fundraisers. Submit pictures, flyers or text. Submit to: LIONS29Inewsletter@yahoo.com

Submit items as Word Documents, pictures as JPG or PNG formats. (PDF is difficult to adjust and does not import into the newsletter) Caption pictures with descriptions and Lions pictured.

Yours in Service, Lion Jim Mullen

Jane Lew Lions Club extends a heartfelt thank you to all the Dice Run Riders and Lion Volunteers for making another successful Ride for Site Fundraiser possible. Your dedication, teamwork, and spirit of giving drove this event to new heights. To the Dice



Run Riders: your enthusiasm, endurance, and camaraderie inspired everyone and kept the momentum going from start to finish. To the Lion Volunteers: your organization, hospitality, and relentless support ensured every detail was covered and every participant had a great experience. To all sponsors, partners, and supporters: your generosity and belief in our cause made this impact possible. Together, we've made a meaningful difference for Sight. We're grateful for each and every one of you. Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman (Sep)

Johnstown Lion Club Makes Local News. For 71 years, Johnstown, WV has been celebrating the Johnstown Fall Festival, the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in September. The Lions Club of Johnstown participates every year raising funds for all their service activities. Larry Smith, Lions club president, was delighted with the turn out again this year and expressed his gratitude for all the Lions and volunteers that made this annual event such a



success. Adults and children participated in all the fun filled activities, which included a flea market and bake sale; a car show; cornhole tournament; face painting and games for the little ones; as well as a 35' obstacle course; 22' Caustic Screamer Slide; a Jump Dino Bounce House; and a rock-climbing wall. The air was filled with live music from four live bands throughout the event. Even the local news made a trip to check it out! If you have never attended, mark your calendar for next year (2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of September) and make sure to pack

your folding chair and stay awhile. You'll be glad vou did!

Submitted by Zone Chair Lion Beth White (Sep)

Jane Lew Lions Club provided funding to Jane Lew School for the purchase and application of a graphic window film at the main entrance doorway. It's a privacy window film (see-through window graphic) that is applied to glass. During the day, it

creates privacy from the outside (appears like a mirror) while allowing people inside to see out. It can improve safety and security by limiting outside



visibility into the entrance and hallways when spaces are unoccupied or during certain activities. Artwork on door displays the school mascot "Redskins." Visibility and safety: ensure high contrast, large enough to be seen from a distance, and not obstructing vision as students move through doors.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman (Aug)

Jane Lew Lions Club inducts new member Janet

Newbrough (left) and is presented with a Certificate of Membership by Sponsor, Linda Aman. Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman (Aug)



Jane Lew Lions Club, led by Lion Beth White, is excited to participate in the Trex NexTrex Recycling Challenge. Our goal is to collect 1,000 pounds of clean, dry plastic film within 12 months



to earn a durable Trex bench for Jane Lew Park. Collecting 1,000 pounds will not only beautify our park but also support a sustainable, greener community. For details on eligible plastics, dropoff locations, and how to track progress, visit or

contact Beth White at the Jane Lew Lions Club

(lewielion74@gmail.com). Our Club is deeply grateful to her for making a lasting impact in Jane Lew! Beth serves as the Membership Chair in Jane Lew Lions Club and is Lions Club District 29I Zone 9 Chair. Pictured is Beth White with a collection of plastics.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman (Aug)

Bridgeport Lions Club held its 3rd annual golf ball drop fundraiser. The effort is accompanied with Bridgeport Lions Mark Bronsak, Steve Heaster, Estelle Rice, Pam Heaster and Annie Bronsak are shown preparing meal for Friends Feeding Friends (Picture 1). Working together with the Harrison









County Hope Lions members of the two clubs facilitated the Friends Feeding Friends event shown in Picture. Members of the Harrison County Hope Lions that provided labor in the effort are Lions Allen and Marla Ferree along with Lion Lois Childers (Picture 4).

Submitted by Lion Diana Bedell (Aug)

Jane Lew Lions Club generously supplemented funding to support the Annual Donation for the Jane Lew Elementary School Monthly Book Program,



ensuring every student receives a free book during the school year. The Lions Club's steadfast support for education in the community empowers children to read. Putting books in the hands of kids is rewarding. The Jane Lew Lions Club covered the difference to sustain the whole year's program. The students were **THRILLED** to learn that they could keep their books.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman (Aug)

The NEW LIONS PORTAL has launched. District 29I has recorded the portal training and a link provided on the 29I Website. The portal is a nice archive of information containing a member's history. Navigate your web browser to LCI (Click here) and get started.

Jane Lew Lions Club hosted its Annual Safety Fair at Jane Lew Park on August 23, 2025, drawing more than 100 children along with their parents for a day of education and fun. Dozens of local businesses and non-profit organizations participated, providing engaging activities and resources to attendees including free eye exams for children and adults. The event offered a variety of goodies for the children, including popcorn, balloons, stickers, toothpaste with toothbrushes, snow cones, and ice cream cones.









Kids enjoyed bounce houses and a magic show, while the Jane Lew Fire Department shared safety tips and demonstrated the department's original fire truck, which still pumps. The highlight of the

afternoon was a water sprinkler demonstration from the fire truck, cooling attendees on a hot day.

Lion Debby Walker has chaired and coordinated the Safety Fair for 10 years, guiding its growth into a major community event. Congratulations to Lion Debby Walker and her dedicated team for another successful Lions Club community event, and to all volunteers and partners who contributed to its outstanding turnout and impact.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman (Aug)

Jane Lew Lions Club continued their tradition of service by tidying and maintaining our Adopt A Spot area on the town's entrance. Their tireless efforts help present Jane Lew in its best light as we approach the Labor Day Weekend, which will bring many visitors for holiday events hosted by the Jane Lew Fire Department. We're grateful for the dedication of our volunteers





and the support of the community that makes these activities possible.

Pictured from left to right Lions Tim Skinner, Mike Walker, Frank Bragg, Dave Cottrill, Charlie Allen, Dave Gosa, Keith Kincaid, and Pat Casey.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman (Aug)

Jane Lew Lions Club celebrates service. Ruth Straley, Lions District 29I Governor Emeritus, was honored with a lovely gesture of appreciation—

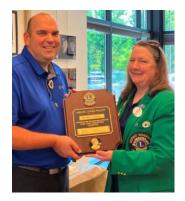


being presented with a flower vase filled with a blue and yellow rose for her dedication and efforts in installing officers. Such recognition highlights her valuable contributions and leadership within the Lions Club community. Pictured left to right Sheila Folio-Treasurer, Ruth Straley, Linda Aman-President, and Suzie Gatian-

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

**Shepherdstown Centennial Lions Club** honored club member Michael Sholl with the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award on, June 25<sup>th</sup>. During the special ceremony, Michael was recognized for his service and continued support of the club and its mission. The Melvin Jones Fellowship Award was

established in 1973 to honor Melvin Jones. founder of Lions club International. Since its founding in Chicago in 1917, Lions Clubs International is the largest service club organization in the world with more than million members in over



200 countries. Focused on supporting vision, youth, the environment, humanitarian and disaster relief as well as individuals with diabetes, childhood cancer, and food insecurity, the Shepherdstown Lions Club is proud to recognize Michael for his tireless work to make our community healthier and stronger. Pictured with Michael is District Governor Lion Kim Mason who presented the award.

Submitted by Lion Effie Kallas

#### **UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES**

A Compilation From 29I Clubs

Shepherdstown Centennial Lions Club presents an evening at the movies! On Sunday, September 28, 2025, at 1:00 pm the Shepherdstown Centennial Lions Club will host a 'Movie Fundraiser' at the Shepherdstown Opera House (131 W. German Street). The Lions Club welcomes you to a screening of the classic film about the woman who inspired the Lions Club to make vision wellness a major priority in their humanitarian efforts. Encounter a theatrical portrayal of Helen Keller as an adult and join the conversation to learn more about the work of the Lions Club and its efforts to

serve communities across the globe. Come see the movie of her life (rated pg-13), and enjoy door prizes, raffles, popcorn, special guest, and more! Donations \$25.00. Enjoy the entertainment and help a worthy organization help our community! Tickets are available at sheplionsclub@gmail.com

Submitted by Lion Effie Kallas

What a great day to be a LION! Lion Joseph Owens of the **Tygart Valley Lions Club** as well as my cohort Jonathan Kyle (Treasurer) are proud to announce our **First Annual Roar on the Green Golf Tournament**. This fundraiser was designed to help finish a commitment the Tygart Valley Lions Club has made to our community. We are replacing outdated outhouses with a modern new bathroom facility located at the Ed Heineman (A Former Member of the Tygart Valley Lions Club) Park. As a club we have maintained this park and presented a safe space for public to use for over 20 years. Join us for a swingin' good time as we grow our service for our community.

Submitted by Lion Joseph Owens



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# **NEXSTEP BROOM SALES CLUBS Does your club sell NexStep Brooms?**

Let me know club and contact information so we can build an outreach advertising program.

Martinsburg Lions Club West Milford Lions Club

Bridgeport Lions Club (see Lion Ben Sandy-304-476-4994)

Bruceton Community Lions Club available at: Clear Mountain Bank in Bruceton Mills

Nutter Fort Lions Club Stonewood Lions Club Shinnston Lions Club Salem Lions Club Jane Lew Lions Club Lewis County Lions Club Phillipi Lions Club

Send information to:

LIONS29Inewsletter@yahoo.com Yours In Service Lion Jim Mullen

**Tennerton Lions Club** sells "Skilcraft" mops and brooms from Greensboro, North Carolina

#### Hey 29I Clubs!!! Gotta Facebook Page? Let's add YOUR link HERE.

LIONS International President Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/LionsPresident/

#### **Bridgeport Lions Club**

https://www.facebook.com/BridgeportWVLions

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#### Jane Lew Lions Club

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See what we're up to!

#### Mario's Fishbowl, Morgantown, WV





# Maybe if we start telling people their brain is an app, they'll want to use it.

#### NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

# **Complacency and Passion**

There are aspects of life that appear as a game best viewed complacently from the sidelines. We are provided ample opportunities to sit upon the sidelines, watching the developments of change move past us as we nearly participate in the changing situations. Or we can jump into the activities that abound in the game and feel the passion of potentials as they move across the time-scape.

As Lions we take the time to apply our passions of building a society that has care for others and makes every effort to raise community members from their difficulties. We discard our complacency and look into our passions at the potential successes of those around us should there simply be a small opportunity to get them to re-enter the game.

As Lions we seek individuals of similar passion so that they participate with us in building a comfortable society. To remove their complacency and join in the game of supporting other members can be difficult and sometimes, seemingly, painful.

So I ask each Lion to seek opportunities to release yourself from the complacency within and guide others by applying passion in a service to those experiencing difficulty. Apply your passion to find situations that can generate income so that the result can be applied to your passion of service. Share your passion with others around you and convince them that they can also release themselves from the bonds of their complacency.

Stop watching and get in the game.

Yours in Service Lion Jim Mullen



# Tygart Valley Lions Club Presents FIRST ANNUAL

# ROAR ON THE GREEN

# CORPORATE TEAM REGISTRATION

Corporate Team (4) \$1,200.00

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	TEAM CONTACT		
Name:		Email:	

# **DEADLINE TO REGISTER: SEPTEMBER 15, 2025**

Please make checks payable to: Tygart Valley Lions Club | 3154 Seneca Trail, Beverly, WV 26253

Questions? jonathankyle1982@gmail.com





For just \$50 per player, our Mulligan Package gives you the tools to dominate the course, have a blast, and support our local community in southern Randolph County - all while getting a shot at a \$50,000.00 prize!

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#### 2 MULLIGANS

Redo two shots to keep your score low and your game long

#### 1 PIECE OF STRING

(3-5 Feet) Move your bell closer to the holeperfect for tricky lies or clutch putts!

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Choose any hole to hit from a closer tee for a game-changing advantage

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Only package buyers can compete for this massive cash prize!

### WHY DO YOU NEED THE MULLIGAN PACKAGE?

- PLAY YOUR WAY> Use your Red Tee Power Shot on any hole you choose to maximize your strategy.
- SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY All proceeds stay local, funding the Tygart Valley Lions Club's initiatives in Southern Randolph County.
- MORE FUN, LESS STRESS → Enjoy the game with do-overs and perks that keep the good times rolling.
- EXCLUSIVE ACCESS The Hole-in-One Contest is only for Mulligan Package buyers.



MISS OUT? NO WAY!

Without the Mulligan Package, you'll lose these game-changing advantages and your shot at the \$50,000.00 Hole-in-one prize,

# **Club Request for District Governor Greg's Visit** Club name: **Setting up an Activity Visit:** Name and location of activity place: Time Activity begins \_\_\_\_\_ ends\_\_\_\_\_ (Indicate am or pm) Requested Time DG Greg to be on site\_\_\_\_\_\_ to\_\_\_\_\_ (Indicate am or pm) **Setting up a Meeting Visit:** Meeting Dates in order of preference: 1st 2nd Time Lions meeting begins \_\_\_\_\_\_ a.m. or p.m. (Circle one) When does social time begin if you have one? Will you have a meal? Yes No Are there other clubs involved? Yes/No If yes, who Would you like the governor to? DG Dress: Formal Casual Install officers? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Suit Install new members? Yes No Present special awards? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_ Do you need a microphone system? YES NO Do you need a projector/computer?? YES NO (NOTE: You may set up either an Activity Visit a Meeting Visit or both and DG Lion Greg will contact the club which event he is able to attend) Lion requesting the visit Phone # E-mail Please mail request form or email information to me ASAP. Thank you. **Lion Greg Greenwalt District Governor 29I** P. O. Box 594 Moorefield, WV 26836 I will confirm the date after it is scheduled on my calendar -

**EMAIL:** ggreenwalt@hardynet.com

Phone: (c) (304) 703-5310

Thank you.