



**DISTRICT 29-L  
(WV/USA)  
July 2024 Newsletter**

**David Roberts  
District Governor**



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**A word from DGE David Roberts**

As Lion Lori and I sit here in the Charlotte airport beginning the next phase of our trip, I am contemplating the new journey that lies before us; a new year to serve, new ways to assist our communities, new ways to assist each other and new adventures to share.

We stand ready for this new adventure as do many amazing Lions who have stepped up to serve on District 29L Cabinet. Together we will learn and share new information from Lions Clubs International, share service project ideas and advocate the value of lionism throughout the district and the state. The support you have given is appreciated so very much.

We look forward to bringing home lots of information from the International Convention and sharing it with you all. Lion Lori and I are ready to help when and where we can because as I have shared many times and will share many more...

***We made a difference for “that one”.***

Roar Lions,

District Governor-Elect, Dave Roberts



**PDG BERNICE PITCOCK, LEADERSHIP**



**Welcome to the new Lions Year!!**

Incoming club officers and Zone Chairs – I will be sending you dates/times for trainings as soon as I firm up locations. My plan is to have in person trainings in 4 areas around the District for the club officers, plus 1 zoom meeting for those who cannot attend in person. Zone Chairs will have 1 in person training and 1 zoom meeting option. When I contact you about dates and times, please RSVP for the training you will attend.

The Lions Portal continues to be a project in construction. Lion Tony Vandenburg has suggested that we have a section in the newsletter for “Portal Pointers”. We agree that this is an excellent idea and you will be seeing that in the newsletter in the future. On Facebook, there is a page entitled “Lions Portal Forum” that you can join to keep track of questions posed by global membership to the portal team at Lions International..

Please let me know of any questions/concerns you may have regarding leadership opportunities. I am available to present information at your club or zone meetings. I can be reached at 304-670-7216 or [bpit@comcast.net](mailto:bpit@comcast.net).

Let’s have a great, fun 2024-25 Lions Year!!

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The official Facebook page for District 29L will be changing with the new Lions year. Please be on the lookout for more information regarding this as well.



**PDG Gary Pitcock**

Hello everyone – it’s the start of a new Lions year and we are “roaring” to get started. I have the pleasure of serving as Global Membership Chair for 29L, and I thank Lion DG Dave for asking me. We are working on a plan to bring in new members to all our 29L clubs and with YOUR HELP we can get our numbers up. You will be hearing from me in the near future to discuss a membership plan.

If you need something, please feel free to contact me at [gary.pitcock1@comcast.net](mailto:gary.pitcock1@comcast.net).

Yours in Lionism,  
PDG Gary Pitcock



Amy Houser, District Environment Chair

“The Environment” is one of Lions Clubs International’s focus areas with the goal “to help establish a sustainable future for generations to come.” For myself, not only is this an important goal, but it’s also easy and fun! I’ve learned from personal experience that a lot of non-Lions are passionate about our environment whether it’s about recycling, clean drinking water or gardens with a purpose. There are so many opportunities to get Lions involved and invite prospective new Lions to join in on the project! My club did a highway cleanup a couple years ago, opened it to the public and gained a wonderful, active new member!

As your 29L Environment District Chairperson, I will focus on projects that your club may want to adopt. My goal is to get your creative juices flowing and inspire you to adopt one or two of these ideas. An additional goal this year is to recognize those clubs who have gone above and beyond in caring for our environment with special recognition at the end of the year in June 2025! To be eligible, all you need to do is make sure the projects are **reported each month on MyLion.**

So remember:

- ⇒ **Plan** a service project that focuses on the environment
- ⇒ **Report** your project on MyLion!

If you have any questions or would like me to attend one of your meetings, please contact me at 304-200-0146.

Yours in Lionism,  
Amy Houser





During the last Cabinet Meeting of the year, DG Dan was presented with his Banner Patch, as well as Progressive Melvin Jones and Leonard Jarrett Fellowships. Pictured above are (L to R) Lions Charlotte Heintzman, DG Dan, Kim McIntyre, Scott Beaver, Nocha Brewer, and Betsy George.

### **Follansbee Lions Club**

DG Dan recently installed the officers of the Follansbee Lions Club for the 2024-25 Lions year. Pictured below are DG Dan, Lions Bill Snyder and incoming President Carl Martino. Terry Snyder was installed as Club Secretary.



### **Friendly Lions Club**



DG Dan and Lion Jim McIntyre placed a new US Flag on the Friendly Community Center in time for Flag Day and Friendly Shilo Days. The club purchased two flags: one for the flag pole and one for inside the community center.



**WELCOME** to the 29-L Monthly Newsletter! My name is Phyllis Amrhein and I am your Newsletter Editor. I am pleased to have the opportunity to share the amazing good deeds, service projects, and accomplishments of our District and Clubs with you. It is my hope that you will share your stories, too.

When submitting articles, please consider these few items:

1—Photos are always welcome. However, please send close up shots with a description and names of those in the photo.

2—I will only accept info through my email ([pamrhein25@att.net](mailto:pamrhein25@att.net)) before the 20th of each month. Articles received after this date will be considered for the following issue.

Due to the high cost of postage and expense of printing, it is necessary to ask a fee of \$12/year for copies mailed to your home. Clubs can help by making copies for their members who do not have internet access and have a hardship with this payment. This will begin with the next issue. Checks should be made payable to: Dist. 29-L Newsletter and sent to Secy/Treas Bill Syphers at 77 Raven Ave., Whg, WV 26003. Thank you for understanding.

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-  Childhood Cancer
-  Vision
-  Hunger
-  Environment
-  Diabetes

## Mt Olivet Lions Club



The Mt Olivet Lions recently celebrated fifty years of service to the Hilltop Community! We loved having almost 70 folks who joined us for a great night of remembrance, great food, and great company. We are so thankful for all the support we have been given over these many years by our hilltop community, and are proud to have served our fellow citizens of Marshall County.  
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### **THE BEST IS YET TO COME!**

Pictured above are PDG Wendy Cain, Guest Speaker and 1st Lady Lion of the Mt Olivet Lions Club, and International President Patti Hill delivering an anniversary greeting to the group.

## Parkersburg Lions Club

Members of the Parkersburg Lions Club recently held their **“BINGO FOR SIGHT”** fundraiser. Proceeds from this event are used to purchase Apple Pads for visually impaired individuals at the WVU Eye Institute.

Pictured preparing for the event to begin are DGE Dave Roberts, Lion Secy/Treas Tracy Hively, and club President Vincent Price.



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Please send articles for publication to Lion Phyllis Amrhein @ **pamrhein25@att.net** by the 20th of the month. Remember to identify individuals on photos and supply a brief description of the event.

THANK YOU!



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