



291 PRIDE NEWS

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LIONS EIGHT PILLARS OF SERVICE



This is a series of articles to help Lions learn more about the LCI [Global Causes](#). The articles contain hyperlinks to information to help gain ideas and learn more about LCI initiatives you can bring to your community. Lions International Global Causes are the specific service causes supported by Lions International. Global causes have fully developed programs, service resources, funding opportunities and organizational support. Global causes help



DIABETES is a Global Epidemic

Lions and Leos, with the support of Lions Clubs international Foundation (LCIF), are working to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve the lives of those living with diabetes.

An estimated 537 million adults across the world are living with diabetes, and its prevalence is increasing rapidly. By 2045, the number is expected to reach 783 million. Diabetes is a global epidemic that touches every corner of the globe. Lions Clubs International and LCIF are dedicated to empowering Lions and Leos around the world to fight diabetes by serving their communities one by one. Data Source: International Diabetes Federation (updated annually)

- 537M Adults (20-79 years) living with diabetes
- 1 in 2 Cases undiagnosed (240 million)
- 1.2M Youth with type 1 diabetes, half under age 15
- 6.7M Deaths from diabetes

Programs

Get your club involved in a handful of ongoing diabetes service programs and see how your service will help achieve the [U.N. Sustainable Development Goals](#).

STRIDES FOR DIABETES

Strides events involve fun physical activity to help promote diabetes awareness and management.

TYPE 2 DIABETES SCREENING

Type 2 diabetes screening events are an important way to help your community understand their diabetes risk and take steps toward prevention.

DIABETES PEER SUPPORT GROUPS

Diabetes peer support groups encourage the exchange of support of all types among community members living with diabetes.

DIABETES CAMPS

Diabetes camps are designed to help enhance the quality of life for young people living with diabetes by providing diabetes management skills.

LCIF grants

Several types of foundation grants are available to support diabetes service throughout the world.

DIABETES GRANT

LCIF Diabetes Grants empower Lions to implement large-scale diabetes awareness, prevention and management initiatives in their communities.

MATCHING GRANT

LCIF Matching Grants provide equipment and construction for large-scale projects that address unmet humanitarian needs.

DISTRICT & CLUB COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT

Through the DCG Program, 15 percent of unrestricted contributions to LCIF are transformed into grants that fund local projects on a club and/or district level.

LEO SERVICE GRANT

LCIF Leo Service Grants provide financial assistance to Leo service projects implemented by Leo clubs in a Lions multiple district or district.

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29I & MULTIPLE DISTRICT CALENDAR

The Complete 29I District Calendar for 2025 – 2026 is available on the website [29I LIONS](https://wvlions.org/)

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

- **May 15th through 17th** – **MD29 Lions State Convention**, Canaan Valley Resort, Davis, WV. More information will be sent to everyone soon.
- **July 3rd to 7th** – 108th International Lions Convention, Hong Kong

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

I totally take back all those times I didn't want to nap when I was younger.

Was learning cursive really necessary?

District Governor's Message

By DG Lion Greg Greenwalt

Good Day Fellow Lions.

Hopefully everyone is well and happy winter is about finish. With spring upon us it gives us the opportunity to get outside and enjoy the warmer weather. It's also time for us and our Clubs to think about Spring and Summer service projects. Many people look forward to the Lions to make things a little better for our communities, and while we are doing this it puts smiles on our faces as well.

I will be short this newsletter. I just want to promote the West Virginia 2026 MD 29 Convention to be held on May 15th-17th, 2026 at the beautiful Canaan Valley Resort. This is the 104th WV State Lions Convention. If you have never attended a Convention you have missed a great event. Give it a try this year and enjoy the fellowship and learning offered by our wonderful speakers, the great meals, and activities. If you enjoy golf, Canaan has a great golf course, and plenty of walking trails. The Davis and Thomas area is a great place to explore, do a little shopping or have a meal. Tell your fellow Lions Members and come join us. Please find a copy of the Convention Registration and other information in this news letter.

Looking forward to seeing you and remember what Lions do? WE SERVE!!!

Thank You,
Greg Greenwalt,
District Governor 29-I

2nd Vice District Governor's Message

By SVDG Lion Diana Bedell

Spring Greetings from SVDG Diana

Sunny weather is finally with us and hopefully some warmer temperatures. I am hopeful that we will see many of you at the Multiple District Convention at Canaan Valley on May 15-17. It will be a time of learning and renewing old friendships and a wonderful time to find out what other Lions are doing for service projects and what works in

attracting new Lions to our organization. If you have not already done so, please make your reservation as soon as possible.

The MD convention is also a good time to say thank you to our District Governor Greg Greenwalt for his guidance this past year. As with any organization, there have been challenges and those challenges will continue into the future. DG Greg has done an excellent job and for that we are grateful.

As the old saying goes, "we're looking for a few good men and women" to step up into leadership roles, not only on the local club level but on the district level as well. Times have changed since the beginning of Lions and in Melvin Jones' day, but our motto remains the same, "We Serve" and "Where there is a need, there is a Lion." In order to continue to Serve, we need folks to step up out of their comfort zone.

I have stepped out of my comfort zone, and I know it is not easy. I have heard from many clubs that members do not want to lead. Members are interested in working on service projects and I get it, but we still need leaders and people that are willing to communicate their concerns to zone chairs, cabinet members, and others. Communication is paramount in an organization of this size. We, as members of the district leadership team, have concerns about what lies in the future. While we have seen District 29-I grow with 78 new members, our year-to-date net growth is at -38 or a drop in membership of 2.82% in the past year.



If you have ideas for increasing membership or are willing to be considered for a District level leadership role or cabinet position (including zone chairs), please reach out to me and let us make time for a conversation.

In the meantime, make sure to have your newly elected club officers for 2026-2027 updated on the Lions portal, dues are up to date and service projects for the current year are updated on the portal. I hope to see you at Canaan!

*Yours in service,
SVDG Lion Diana Bedell*

29I -- MULTIPLE DISTRICT -- LCI

“WE SERVE”

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

**Program and Agenda
For MD 29 Convention
May 15-17, 2026**

Friday, May 15, 2026:

- 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Registration is open, certification of delegates, and silent auction drop-off
11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Council of Governors Meeting
12:00 – 1:30 p.m. WV PDGA Luncheon Meeting
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. WVLSCF Meeting and Training

Afternoon is free for all others who do not want to attend the WVLSCF meeting for outdoor recreational activities, sightseeing, shopping in Davis/Thomas, service project participation, etc.

- 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Friday evening banquet (this evening will be dedicated to recognition of PDGs)

Saturday, May 16, 2026:

- 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Breakfast on your own
Registration is open, district secretaries will make themselves available for certification of delegates and silent auction will be open until 6:00 p.m.
10:00 a.m. – 11:30p.m. General Business Session of the Convention
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Luncheon
2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Learning Seminar
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Learning Seminar
4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Teresa Johnson Strides Walk and fun activities
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Reception for ID Debbie Dawson and Lion Don
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Banquet

Sunday, May 17, 2026:

- 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. District Breakfasts and Conventions
9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Necrology Ceremony
10:30 a.m. – 11: 00 a.m. Reconvening of MD Convention for announcement of election results, expressions of gratitude, recognitions, and final announcements and adjournment.
11:15 a.m. COG Meeting
11:45 a.m. WVLSCF Meeting

2026 Multiple District 29 Lions Convention Registration
May 15-17, 2026
Canaan Valley Resort, Davis, West Virginia

Name/Names: _____

Address: _____
City/Zip Code: _____
Email: _____
District Number: _____ Club Name: _____

Registration Fee: \$110.00per person

Make check payable to: MD 29 LCI – Please write: “2026 State Convention” on the memo line.

Please send this form and check by May 1, 2026, to: Lori Roberts
P.O. Box 1372
Parkersburg, WV 26102

For lodging, please call 304-866-4121 and tell them you are attending the 2026 Lions State Convention. All rooms in the Lodge are \$114.00 per night, plus applicable state and local taxes and fees. Cabins are also available for rent.

The cut-off date for booking a room in the Lions block and receiving this rate is April 15, 2026.

If you have any questions regarding the convention or using an alternative payment method, please contact convention chairperson Lori Roberts at 304-481-4159 or CC Dave Roberts at 304-482-2410.

Convention District 29-I Meeting Announcement

There will be District 29 I District meeting on Sunday, May 17, 2026 during the Multidistrict 29 Convention at the Canaan Valley Resort in Canaan Valley, WV. A buffet breakfast will be served at 8:00 am..The business meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. The location of the buffet breakfast and meeting will be announced during the Convention. Make sure you look at the information areas during the convention.

The business meeting will include the voting by delegates for District 29 I approved officers for the fiscal year 2026-2027.

If you have not responded to the April 11th correspondence request of attendance to the District 29I breakfast and meeting, please email me your response of attendance confirmation by Friday, May 1 2026. This will allow me time to communicate the number attending the District breakfast to the convention planners.

If you have questions regarding this communication, you can contact me via email at mrsafetyjmu@gmail.com. or by phone at 304-851-0785.

Yours in Service.

Lion Daryl M. See

Cabinet Secretary/Treasure

WV Lions District 29 I

Multiple District Convention Call

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 of the Multiple District 29 Constitution, the Council of Governors hereby issues the official call for the annual multiple district convention, which will convene at 6:00P.M. on the 15th day of May 2026, in the Balsam/Spruce Rooms at Canaan Valley Resort Lodge.

MD 29 Council of Governors

David Roberts, Council Chairperson

Kim Ebert, 29-L

Lisa Keffer, 29-C

Greg Greenwalt, 29-I

District Convention Calls

In compliance with Article VI, Section 2 of the Standard Form District Constitution and By-Laws, the District 29-L convention will be held on Sunday morning, May 17, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. at the Canaan Valley Resort Lodge, Davis, West Virginia. The purpose of the convention is to elect a district governor, first vice district governor, second vice district governor, trustee to the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation, and other elected positions. If required, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. I hereby issue this call on this 14th day of March 2026.

Kim Ebert

District Governor, 29-L

In compliance with Article VI, Section 2 of the Standard Form District Constitution and By-Laws, the District 29-C convention will be held on Sunday morning, May 17, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. at the Canaan Valley Resort Lodge, Davis, West Virginia. The purpose of the convention is to elect a district governor, first vice district governor, second vice district governor, trustee to the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation, and other elected positions. If required, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. I hereby issue this call on this 14th day of March 2026.

Lisa Keffer

District Governor, 29-C

In compliance with Article VI, Section 2 of the Standard Form District Constitution and By-Laws, the District 29-I convention will be held on Sunday morning, May 17, 2026, at 9:00 A.M. at the Canaan Valley Resort Lodge, Davis, West Virginia. The purpose of the convention is to elect a district governor, first vice district governor, second vice district governor, trustee to the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation, and other elected positions. If required, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. I hereby issue this call on this 14th day of March 2026.

Greg Greenwalt

District Governor, 29-I

Zone 1 Report March 2026

By Zone 1 Chair Lion Cheryl Roberts

Charles Town:

- May 2025 - We participated at the Health & Wellness fair held at the Ranson Civic Center. We did Eye Exams and sold brooms.
- June 2025 - The CT Lions participated in the Ranson Yearly Festival by selling foods (hotdogs chips and candy} and soda and water. Brooms were also sold.
- October 2025 - The Lions participated in the Ranson Civic Center Monster Bash- This was a Halloween event. Candy was given to over 500 kids.
- November 2025 - The Lions sponsored a Kidpreneur Vendor Fair. This is where kids are given the chance to create their own products etc. jewelry, foods, drinks, baked goods, anything they wished to make on their own and sell, This was an opportunity for kids to step into the world of entrepreneurship.
- December 2025 - The CT Lions organized their annual Christmas wagon fundraiser raffling off two toy-filled wagons valued at \$500 and \$300,ve been doing this
- December 2025 - The Club provided 120 lbs. of non-perishable goods to the Jefferson County Community Ministries, a non profit organization that provides assistance and long term support services to residence in need.
- March 2026 - The Lions Club will once again join in with the Ranson 5K Health and Wellness Fair by doing eye exams.

Harpers Ferry-Boliver:

- Continue to sell brooms
- Canned food collections for local churches

- Up-coming –Late Spring thru Late Fall – Barbeque Cookouts – one Saturday/month

Hedgesville:

- Lion Delmar collects eyeglasses from collection box at shopping center in Hedgesville. 2 applicants were sent to Martinsburg Family Eye care for exams and glasses in November. Lion Delmar also collects newspapers monthly and takes them to the Rescue Mission
- Eye Screening at Spring Mills Primary – April 13, 2026
- Presenting two \$1,000 Scholarships in May, 2026.
- The club contributes to the Loaves and Fishes at Hedgesville Methodist church, the Backpack program and to the AARP Blizzard Boxes
- Gave to the Christmas Stars program at the Hedgesville Catholic Church.
- Contributed \$2,100 to parade of checks in September.
- In October... Hedgesville Heritage Day, several members donated baked goods and served food to members of the community at Hedgesville Methodist Church
- And on Nov 10th members from our club donated and delivered 300 pieces of fried chicken to the Martinsburg Rescue Mission for their evening meal.
- Partnering with students, teachers and parents at Hedgesville High School on ways to help with Youth Development & Education, Community Outreach and Support and Special Events and Awareness campaigns
- Our annual Lions Club golf tournament at the Woods Resort will be on May 11, 2026. Last year we had 108 players.

Inwood/Bunker Hill:

The Inwood Bunker Lion's Club are gearing up for their monthly car cruise In, beginning April 25th and the 4th Saturday of each month through September! This is our 20th year, and currently our only fundraiser! Location is at The Mill Creek Intermediate School- Lions Pavilion R11 S. Inwood WV 25428

Martinsburg:

- The Martinsburg Lions Club continues to hold regular monthly meetings with informative programs. Recent programs included Penny Porter with the United Way of the Eastern Panhandle; Rachel Brinkmeier, Director of Operations for Village Caregiving; Sabrinah Reese of Telamon Corporation.
- We collected toys and food at our Christmas Dinner to donate to the Salvation Army. We also volunteered as bell ringers for the Salvation Army.
- We continue to provide eye exams and eyeglasses in cooperation with Martinsburg Family Eyecare. This is largely funded by broom sales with broom racks at 25 locations.
- We are more than halfway toward our 1,000-pound goal of collecting bags and wrap in the NexTrex Recycling Program.
- We have multiple collection boxes for used eyeglasses.
- With our cold winter this year there is a greater need for assistance for those who can't afford their heating bills. The Martinsburg Lions Club, in cooperation with Warming Hands and Hearts is hosting the Rock and Roar fundraiser to help meet this need.
- The Rock and Roar event was held on March 13 at the Martinsburg Holiday Inn. Live music from The Fogg Band, raffles, and a cash bar were part of an evening of entertainment and fun. A suggested cash donation of \$10 was collected at the door. We presented over \$2400 to United Way of the Eastern Panhandle for the benefit of Warming Hands and Hearts.
- Our annual Easter Flower Sales – a 50+ year tradition! – will be April 2, 3, 4 at Hoss's Steak and Sea House and Johnnie's.
- Vidalia Onion Sales begins in Early March and runs through mid-April with Onions delivery in early May.

- May is Vision Health Month. We are contacting some local businesses to set up information tables.
- We will be having food sales at the Martinsburg Heritage Day at the Adam Stephen House located at 309 E. John Street in Martinsburg on May 16. This is partly a fundraiser and also a community service to provide food for the volunteers working the event all day.
- Vision and Hearing Screening at St. Joseph School in April

Pikeside:

- Broom Sales
- Eye Exams & Eyeglasses

Shepherdstown Centennial:

- 40 members (3 new)
- Completed Concession Stand “Assistance” at five Shepherd University Football Games
- Continuing to complete Eye Screenings – Completed hundreds of students since our last report at CW Shipley, North Jefferson, Ranson, and South Jefferson Elementary Schools.
- Spirit Night at King's Pizza - Fundraiser in support of a local family that lost their home to fire.
- “Movie Fundraiser” -Miracle Worker: The Helen Keller Story
- Kidz Power Pacs – Packing and delivering food for children at Shepherdstown Elementary and Middle Schools
- Peace Poster Contest ---3 local winners from Shepherdstown Middle School; 1st Place moved forward to the district
- Volunteer /Service for “Washington Home Tours” – Happy Retreat
- Participation – Annual Shepherdstown Christmas Parade
- Breakfast with Santa & Mrs. Claus –co-sponsored by The Blue Moon Café and donation from two members of our club.
- Holiday Gift Wrap – Service to the community - --not a fundraiser; however, received unsolicited donations.
- On-going – Broom Sales & Eyeglass Hearing Aid Collections

- Up coming March 16, 2026 ---Eye Screening at South Jefferson Elementary - Postponed due to weather ▪ Currently working with the school nurse to reschedule

Upcoming Events

- March 18, 2026 ---Zone 1 Meeting
- March 19, 2026 ---Social Gathering for Brunch & Club Meeting at Charlotte’s Cafe in Berkeley Springs
- April 4, 2026 – Fundraiser: Breakfast with the Easter Bunny – co-sponsored by The Blue Moon Café & 2 members of our club
- April 16, 2026 – Visit from DG Greg Greenwalt – Shepherdstown Library – 146 Higbee Lane; Shepherdstown, WV 25443
- June 2026 ---TBD –End of Year Celebration & New Officer Installation

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Roberts, Chair, Zone 1

Growth, Service & Lionism

By SVDG Lion Diana Bedell

Earlier this year, I spent several days watching the Walk for Peace, as a group of Buddhist monks and their dog, Alonka, walk 2,300 miles from Texas to Washington, DC, not for recognition but to promote one thing, PEACE. During this time, I have reflected on my own life’s journey as a person and as a Lion, and I think this one word sums up what we all want in life and for our world, PEACE.

During today’s difficult times, I think about the various Lion workshops I have attended virtually, and especially an international call in which many of the participants are in lands that are far from peaceful.

Peace is something that is missing even in some of our own clubs in District 29-I. I hear of divided lines among members, across our nine zones and therefore across our district.

I have been attending a multi part workshop entitled “Let’s Grow,” and while some things do not affect us directly, others do. We keep hearing we need to “grow our membership in order to serve more people and communities.” True, we need to

GROW our membership, but it is also important to RETAIN the members we have – both young and old. I encourage each of you, both personally and club wise to INVITE community members and friends to attend a Lions function or service project. Ask that person what interests they have and how they would like to serve their community. Introduce them to others in your club and hopefully you will be able to add them to your club’s membership in quick fashion.

It is true that more members lend themselves to more service projects. Do not discourage service or service projects. Not every project needs to be an “all hands-on deck” project. Perhaps one group wants to serve a meal to the homeless and another wants to build food shelters to be put in various locations and stocked by the community and your members. Maybe another core group wishes to visit a home for the elderly and play bingo a couple of times a month or go grocery shopping for someone in need. All good service projects that can be handled by any club with a desire for service. That is what Lions do, “we serve.”

Some clubs may be content with having a regular meeting with a speaker, while other clubs may choose to meet once a month and have a service project of some type on another meeting night. “Your Club, Your Way!” Do what works for your club and community. I find that members today are more likely to come out and participate in a project than to attend a meeting. Be flexible, serve your communities and do not turn your back on those wanting to cast the net and rally the troops in the name of service. Every member needs to feel included and should never be made to feel as if they are being pushed to the side by a newer club member. Members should be allowed to be mentored, or the newer Lion can shadow a veteran member to “learn the ropes” and at times, I find myself still learning the ropes.

There are less than five months left in the current Lion year. GROW (INVITE), RETAIN and SERVE and above all communicate among yourselves. If you or individual clubs have questions or need guidance, please reach out to your district leadership team. Remember, PEACE.

*Yours in service,
SVDG Lion Diana Bedell*

Leader Dog

Good afternoon!

April's edition of Leading the Way is available at this link: [April 2026](#). The edition focuses on our guide dog program, with a celebration of International Guide Dog Day, common myths and misconceptions about guide dogs, an evaluation for someone who is blind to determine if they are ready for a guide dog, and an introduction to our spring matching campaign, that began in April.

Our Lions team is thrilled to have been invited to so many district and multiple district conventions this spring. We'll be on the road often, so please send requests for speakers, materials, or other support as early as possible.

If I'm not going to be seeing you this convention season, I hope we can find an opportunity for me to visit your district soon, or do a virtual presentation. Thank you for your advocacy for the Leader Dog mission near you!

Lion Claudia Gregory

Manager of Lion Engagement

Leader Dogs for the Blind

P: 248.339.2005 | LeaderDog.org

1039 S. Rochester Rd., Rochester Hills, MI 48307



ensure that he has your correct email address or the email address of another club officer who can provide it to you if you do not use email. Daryl's phone number and email address are as follows:

304-851-0786 and mrsafetyjmu@gmail.com

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

Club Administration

By Lion Steve Glass, District Administrator

To all club officers, especially club secretaries & administrators: I can assist you with Portal issues such as entering new members or making changes to membership information and/or entering service activities. I will be glad to assist you. I can review individual club reports such as rosters, club contact information, club officers, etc. Please use me.

Club treasurers: You will not receive paper copies of per capita dues statements as of January 2026. You must access it online in the Portal. Nor will you be receiving a paper copy from Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer Daryl See. He will be emailing the dues statements to each club treasurer, so please

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

<https://www.lionsuniversity.org/>



NEW MEMBERS

A Compilation From LCI Webste

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

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
 Kevin Bailey – Lumberport, July
 Susie Lehmann – Bridgeport, August
 Carolyn Rodis – Shepherdstown Centennial, August
 Geraldine Pudder – Tennerton, August
 William Pudder, Jr – Tennerton, August
 Brooks Ables – West Milford, August
 Barbara Beckman – Philippi, August
 William Tribett – Kingwood, August
 Jessica Lipscomb – Kingwood, August
 Samuel Gerkin – Grafton, September
 Cherie Queen – West Milford, September
 Deborah O’Callaghan – Fort Ashby, September
 Daniel O’Callaghan – Fort Ashby, September
 Anita Bennett – Romney, September
 Jacob Metheny – Moorefield, September
 Mark Ray – Moorefield, September
 Ray Frum – Lumberport, September
 Tony Campbell – Fort Ashby, October
 Mike Neighbors – Fort Ashby, October
 Dianna See – Moorefield, October
 Michael Cochran – Kingwood, October
 Georgia Meyers – Valley District, October
 Diana Patterson – Shepherdstown Centennial,
 October
 Matthew Patterson – Shepherdstown Centennial,
 October
 Brenda Leonard – Harrison County Hope
 Centennial, October
 Robert Leonard – Harrison County Hope
 Centennial, October
 Sidney Felouzis – Tunnelton, October

Larry Miller – Kingwood, October
 Kathleen Ratliff – Moorefield, October
 Beth Grudi – Philippi, October
 Keeah Ware – Junior, October
 Misty Huston – Clarksburg Adamston, November
 Judy Smith – Jane Lew, November
 David Smith – Jane Lew, November
 Brock Rosier – Junior, October
 Timothy McNeely – Bridgeport, December
 Mikal-Ellen Bennett – East Lewis, December
 Paula Hinzman – East Lewis, December
 Lucyann West – East Lewis, December
 Kristopher Hennig, Tygart Valley, January
 James Liggett, Tygart Valley, February
 Isaac Ramos, Tygart Valley, February
 Kelly Hofe – Berkeley Springs, February
 Dr. Leslie Hiles – Berkeley Springs, February
 Jason Hiles – Berkeley Springs, February
 Robert Sawyer – Berkeley Springs, February
 Andrew Carrico – Shinnston, February
 Greg Shinbur-Copley – Hedgesville, March
 Sheryl Hedyt – Berkeley Springs, March
 Kari Harsh – Mountain, April
 Kristin Baker – Valley District, April
 Evan Thorn – Valley Dsitric, April
 Georgia Daniel- Bridgeport, April

In Memorium to Our Cherished LIONS

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Joel Beane	Kingwood	August
James Garrett Lobb	Kingwood	August
Earl Snyder	Kingwood	August
Robert Hemerick	Rowlseburg	August
Bennie Shifflett	Ireland	August
Nola Edmond	Elkins	August
B. Doug Haller	Phillipi	September
Darlene Miller	Berkeley Springs	September
Tom Freeland	Martinsburg	October
Gary Baker	Wilsonburg	October
Lori Rosamond	Berkeley Springs	October
Eunice Freeland	Martinsburg	November
Evan Bice	Clarksburg	December
Arthur Sewell	Hedgesville	January
Vickie Walton	Tennerton	February
Denise Karlan	Tennerton	March



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: LIONS29newsletter@yahoo.com.

Yours in Service, Lion Jim Mullen

Lion Cheryl Roberts
Shepherdstown Centennial Lions Club

Why Am I a Lion? I have been a Lion since 2017 with the chartering of Shepherdstown Centennial Lions Club.

I enjoy being a Lion because I have always been one to volunteer when asked and/or whenever I have observed or felt a need to share my talents and experiences. In our club, it's easy to serve and I enjoy serving within our club and with its members because any time I have asked someone to join, they have. And whenever I ask a club member for advice, friendship, an opportunity to serve in any capacity, I have receive a resounding, "Yes, I will serve".

Although I did not jump in with both feet initially, I became acquainted with Lion Michael Sholl, President at the time, and was impressed with his leadership and the projects that he and active club members has created. I began asking the question, "What can I do to help?", and became more and more active throughout the years. From 2020-2023, I served as club President and attended local, district, and multi-district meetings whenever I was available. I learned quite a bit from those meetings and at that time, both feet had already been in for a while, so I fell in love with the ways in which our club could make an impact in Shepherdstown and its surrounding area. In 2021, I was grateful and honored to have received the Melvin Jones Fellowship award from District 29-I. From 2024-present, I have served as the club Treasurer and as other Lions serving in this capacity have experienced, it's one of those positions that not many hands are raised to serve. Also during this time period, I have provided training and/or mentorship to incoming Presidents.

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.

The **Berkeley Springs Lions Club** was established in 1945. 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.

"When I was Lion President in the 1990's, we sent a young girl to Camp Kno-Koma, who had type 1 Diabetes. In the past year I found out from her mother that this young lady is a mother of children and has used her knowledge from the camp to get her through college and have a good life. When she came back to our club to thank us for sending her, I had tears in my eyes when she told her story."

"Contributing time to community projects and activities. Comradery of club itself."

"When I first started going to District cabinet activity, I met Lion Billie Nichols. After listening to him speak about Lionism, I realized what being a Lion was."

"Provided an apparatus to help a BSHS student stuttering. Provided retreats for victims of 911 in the pentagon and crash in Pennsylvania."

"The Lions Club sponsored the Toys for Tots. We did the shopping and met at different homes to do gift wrapping and packing family bags. The night Santa came, they received the family bags and other gifts, food, and games. One time a couple came without their kids because this all they could get for Christmas. The Lions gave them extra presents for the family. "

"Cleaning for people and doing their laundry, giving free hotdogs away at the park, and raising money for a handicap swing at the park."

"Working the RAM project in Wise County, Virginia, serving meals to the shut-ins and elderly, and being thanked for providing glasses for a white cane event."

"Delivering meals to homebound seniors and added a cupcake for the senior's 87th birthday. That small act lit his face."

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

Martinsburg Lions Club screened 114 students at Saint Joseph School in Martinsburg received hearing and vision screening on April 23, 2026. 41



students were referred for hearing testing, and 9 students were referred for vision testing. The students were from pre-K

to third grade. At that age children and their parents may not be aware of hearing and vision problems. Finding these problems can make a major difference. Jessica Hasselbach, the St Joseph School Nurse, told Lion President Dave Plume that four students who were screened last year are now wearing glasses thanks to Lions vision screening.

The SPOT vision screening equipment is available through the WV Lions Sight Conservation

Foundation, with PDG Gray Jones as our contact to obtain the equipment. Lion Gray has connections with



Lion Cathy Ettinger of the Edinburg VA Lions Club to borrow their hearing screening equipment. Lion Gray and Lion Dave Plume met with Lion Cathy for a training session on the hearing screening equipment. Lions Gray and Dave were then able to give a quick training to those who helped with the screenings. Thanks also to Lion Michael Sholl of

the Shepherdstown Lions Club for help getting information uploaded to the SPOT vision screeners. A big thank you to the Lions who enjoyed the time with the children: Zone Chair Cheryl Roberts from the Shepherdstown Lions Club, PDG Gray Jones from the Berkeley Springs Lions Club, and Martinsburg Lions Marlyn Kesecker, Marty Kesecker, and Dave Plume.

This is a rewarding service project for the students and the Lions. This also provides good visibility in the community for people to realize that our motto, We Serve, is not just something we say, but more importantly something we do!

Submitted by President Lion Dave Plume

Jane Lew Lions Club member Lion Bill White attends Jane Lew School for First Grade Flag Day. On April 22, the Jane Lew Lions Club visited Jane Lew Elementary School for First Grade Flag Day, an annual tradition. Students learned that flags



symbolize countries and organizations. They learned some history, flag etiquette, how flags should be properly displayed and the proper care

of flags, including the U.S. and West Virginia flags. Each first-grade student received a small U.S. flag, as well as a woven flag label, a fun fact sheet, and coloring sheets with a historical flag theme. The students recited the Pledge of Allegiance, the school pledge and read the book, "You're A Grand Old Flag". Lion Bill was assisted by Lion Debby Walker.

Submitted by Lion Dwayne Brown

Jane Lew Lions Club members Mike and Debbie Walker visited Jane Lew School On Arbor Day, April 17th with Lewis Upshur Forester Danny James. Forester James explained tree importance, management, forester roles, and led a tree identification walk. Students learned about tree species, invasive plants in WV, and how to plant and care for oak



saplings. Every fourth grader received an oak tree sapling to plant, provided by Green Forests Work and the Jane Lew Lions Club. (Pictures taken by Lions Mike & Debbie Walker)

Submitted by Lion Dwayne Brown

East Lewis Lions Club welcomed three new members to their club, with New Membership packets from PDG and GMT Kermit Hawley and a welcome letter from DG Greg Greenwalt. Pictured are: Paula Hinzman;



Mikal-Bennett; and Lion President, Bill Bennett. Lucy West was not present for the photo.

Submitted by Zone 9 Chair Lion Beth White

Jane Lew Lions Club completed a First-Aid and CPR class taught by Lieutenant Walter Knight of the Clarksburg Fire Department on April 17th. Thirteen Jane Lew Lions Club members and one West Milford Lions Club member received training



so that we could provide basic level first-aid and CPR when needed; especially, during our fundraising functions within the community. This is another way we happily serve our community and surrounding area. (Photo Taken by Lion Dwayne Brown 2nd VP)

Submitted by Lion Dwayne Brown

Shepherdstown Centennial Lions Club celebrated Easter, by hosting a “**Breakfast with the Easter Bunny**” at the Blue Moon Cafe on April 4. Kids and their adults enjoyed a hot pancake breakfast with all the trimmings. The Easter Bunny was even on hand for family photos. The Lions wish to thank

everyone at the Blue Moon Cafe for their time, talent, and cheer.



Pictured from left to right are; Lions Cheryl Roberts, Barbara Burger, David Hammer, Pam Boomer, Effie Kallas, The Eastern Bunny, Lions Erin Maloney, Sandy Brown, Velma Green, Blue Moon owner, Tim Smith, and Lion Monroe Burger.

Submitted by Lion Effie Kallas

Jane Lew Lions Club participated in **Make It Shine Day**, held April 11th on Main Street. Lions Dave Cottrill and Pat Casey represented the club. The volunteers conducted a beautification effort to enhance the cleanliness and curb appeal of Jane



Lew. Representing members were Dave Cottrill (Charter member with 52+ years of Lions service) and Pat Casey (Club Administrator Director). Activities included, litter pickup and sidewalk cleaning along Main Street.

Lions Cottrill and Casey participated in the town's beautification and environmental stewardship to create a brighter, safer, and more welcoming town for residents and visitors. The Jane Lew Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International, dedicated to community service and humanitarian efforts worldwide.



Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Jane Lew Lions Club Announces Vera Bradley Bingo Fundraiser Success and Plans for Santa House Holiday Event.

The Jane Lew Lions Club held its annual Vera Bradley Bingo on April 11 at Inn of Plantation in



Jane Lew. Baskets were themed Vera Bradley products with related items, and over \$4,000 worth of merchandise was gifted to lucky winners. The Bingo is chaired each year by Beth White, club membership chairman, who led planning and execution. Over 100 local community supporters attended the event, with baskets sponsored by local businesses. Proceeds were earmarked to purchase a school year's supply of weekly readers for all Jane Lew Elementary students at no cost to parents. Excess funding will fully cover expenses for the annual **Jane Lew Lions Club Santa House** at the local park building at the end of November. The Santa House will offer each child an instant picture with Santa, arts and crafts games, cookies, and hot chocolate for everyone.

Last year, nearly 200 children attended, with parents bringing the event to almost 500 in attendance; all activities were free of charge.

The Lions Club emphasizes that Children's Weekly Readers and the Santa House will remain free for families, with funding stability provided by the Vera Bradley Bingo proceeds and community support.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Bridgeport Lions Club held their annual Beeping Easter Egg Hunt in early April. This is the **Annual Bill Miles Beeping Easter Egg Hunt**, coordinated by Lion Trina Britcher of the Bridgeport Lions for visually impaired students in Harrison, Taylor, Lewis and Marion counties.



Submitted by SVDG Lion Diana Bedell

Nutter Fort, Stonewood, Harrison County Centennial HOPE and Bridgeport Lions Clubs contribute funds to **Friends Feeding Friends** to be used in the purchase of tables for the proposed pavilion to be built next to the Temple United Methodist Church in downtown Clarksburg in the near future. These clubs have been very supportive of the **Friends Feeding Friends** mission of providing meals and services to those in need, through the support of many churches and other organizations in the Harrison County area. The Lions also support this group by offering to prepare a meal or meals on an annual basis. The Lions clubs from Bridgeport, Nutter Fort, Stonewood and Harrison County Centennial HOPE are a part of the Zone 8 Lions and choose a project each year to serve the local community.

Pictured above are Debbie Henderson, Karen Alastanos, Doug Miley (Bridgeport), Tami Lawrence (Stonewood), Katy Wilson, Ken and

Paula Shahan (Nutter Fort), Michelle Freeman, Jay Larry and Diana Bedell (Bridgeport) and Allen Ferree (Harrison County Centennial HOPE).

Submitted by SVDG Lion Diana Bedell

Jane Lew Lions Club Pit Beef Fundraiser Sets Records while funding Community Projects and Global Lions Initiatives. Jane Lew Lions Club hosted a Pit Beef Fundraiser at the community



center on March 15th drawing a record crowd and selling 350 dinners. The event highlighted the strong support of the Jane Lew community and reinforced the Lions Club’s commitment to local service and international charity. The fundraiser attracted a crowd larger than previous years, with 350 meals sold. Proceeds will support a variety of Jane Lew-area projects and organizations that enhance the local quality of life. A portion of funds supports Lions International programs, contributing to service initiatives around the world. Our Lions Club expresses sincere gratitude to volunteers, sponsors, and attendees whose generosity made the event possible. “We are grateful for the amazing support from our community,” said Linda Aman, President of the Jane Lew Lions Club.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Jane Lew Lions Club Supports School Spring Carnival and proudly joined forces with Jane Lew School to host a fantastic Spring Carnival this past Friday, March 20. Our volunteers ran games, supported activities, and helped make the event a success for students, families, and the community. The Lions Club remains a steady partner for Jane Lew School, showing up year after year to enhance school events. This collaboration highlights the

strong ties between the Lions Club and our local school, benefiting students and families.



A big thank-you to Lions Mike Walker, Tim Skinner, Dave Gosa, Beth White, Sheila Folio, Pat Casey, Robin Skinner and Debby Walker (and Keith Kincaid), who volunteered, attended, and supported the carnival. We look forward to more joint events that bring our community together!



Pictured are: front row l to r Dave Gosa, Pat Casey, Keith Kincaid, Mike Walker, Beth White; 2nd row l to r Robin Skinner, Tim Skinner, Debby Walker, and Sheila Folio.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Here is a selfie of Linda Aman. She has submitted them before, but I never included them. But she needs to be showcased for her relentless promotion, diligence and efforts for the **Jane Lew Lions Club**. She has provided so many Jane Lew submissions, which I heartily enjoy. I have always looked forward to her submissions and expansive authorship in promoting her club. She is turning the work over to Lion Dwayne Brown, who I am certain will carry on the great work. So. Let me give Lion Linda A GREAT BIG THANK YOU from your newsletter editor.



Submitted by Lion Jim Mullen

Martinsburg Lions Club held **ROCK ‘N ROAR** in March. Lion Nicole Taggart & Penny Porter of the **United Way** organized this charity concert for **Warming Hands and Hearts**. The Fogg Band



graciously provided their talents and great music for the event. And, although The Fogg Band was the center and highlight of the fundraiser, Nicole and Penny had put together a large number of raffles to the delight of the patrons in attendance.

The **Holiday Inn** on Foxcroft Avenue, set up a convenient cash bar so attendees of the event did not have to traverse the entire hotel to obtain a beverage. They also had hot and freshly popped popcorn available at no charge, so a light snack was always available.



Treasurer Lion Marty Kesecker presents a check to Penny Porter.

The Martinsburg Lions shared the labor with many volunteers. This was a great way for the club to gain visibility in the community while providing the tasks that drive to the heart of our motto – “We Serve”.

Submitted by Lion Jim Mullen



Bridgeport Lions Club members Lions Jay Larry and Doug Miley display donations & contributions for Humane Society by Bridgeport.

Submitted by SVDG Lion Diana Bedell

Bridgeport Lions Club members served dinner at the Clarksburg Mission. Pictured are Lions Cindy Glass, Susie Lehmann, Jordan and Brett Williams, Kelly Maher, Diana Bedell, Steve Glass & Jim Maher.



Submitted by SVDG Lion Diana Bedell

Bridgeport Lions Club provide an afternoon of bowling with four visually impaired young adults. Left photo: Lions Steve Heaster, Diana Bedell, Trina Britcher and Jay Larry had a great afternoon



with Zeke Lane, Tyler Willis, Cierra McNemar and Jacob Coffin. Right photo: Lion Trina Britcher helping Zeke Lane line up on the bowling ramp.

Submitted by SVDG Lion Diana Bedell

Jane Lew Lions Club Proclamation to Lady Lions:
Whereas the Lady Lions of the Jane Lew Lions Club have selflessly dedicated themselves to the betterment of our community, and Whereas their tireless service, compassion, and leadership have touched the lives of many, enriching our town with acts of kindness, outreach, and service, Whereas their partnership with neighbors, families, and organizations reflects the highest ideals of community stewardship, Now, therefore, I, Linda Aman, President, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby commend and honor the Lady Lions of the Jane Lew Lions Club for their outstanding contributions, unwavering generosity, and enduring commitment to improving the quality of life in our community for International Women's Day.

Presented this 8th day of March in 2026 recognition of their exemplary service and lasting impact.

President Linda Aman, Jane Lew Lions Club

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| Ruth Straley | Marissa Aman |
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| Janet Newbrough | Linda Aman |
| Christy Gatian | |

ROAR LADIES

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Jane Lew Lions Club brightened Crestview Nursing Home in Jane Lew On Valentine’s Day, February 14th bringing smiles, and a friendly roar! The event was completed with a special visit from Lewie the Lion. He greeted residents and staff and handed out sweet treats — spreading love one purr and a treat at a time. ❤️



Special thanks to our Lions in attendance:

Debby Walker, Mike Walker, Linda Aman, Dwayne Brown, and Robin Skinner.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Jane Lew Lions Club Pit Beef Dinner receives another year of wood donations from AFP Logs and Lumber Company of Buckhannon. The company



continues its support for the Jane Lew Lions Club Pit Beef Dinner, pledging

another year of wood donations to fuel the pit fire and keep this community fundraiser thriving. AFP has long been a steadfast partner of the Lions Club, reinforcing a shared commitment to the people of Lewis County. The Jane Lew Lions Club Pit Beef Dinner is held twice annually. Key community initiatives supported by the Pit Beef Dinner proceeds include:

- Eye exams and glasses for local children and adults
- Support for local schools and educational activities
- Monetary support for Holiday Dinners provided by Our Neighbor
- Jane Lew Park projects and community improvements
- Annual Children’s Safety Fair Jane Lew Park
- Christmas Santa House in Jane Lew
- Veterans support and assistance for families in need
- Supplies for Homeless and Hospitalized Veterans at Clarksburg VA
- Sponsor a local Veteran for Honor Flight to Washington DC War Memorials
- Winter Wishes for Jane Lew Elementary School

“Continued collaboration with AFP Logs and Lumber Company strengthens our ability to serve the community,” stated Jane Lew Lion Frank Bragg, Spokesperson. “Their ongoing wood donations ensure our pit remains ready to host this important fundraiser, which directly benefits countless families in our area.”

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Jane Lew Lions Club Hits 502-Pound NexTrex Recycling Milestone, Earning Two Prize Entries. The Jane Lew Lions Club, led by Membership Chair, Lion Beth White, announced today that they have submitted 502 pounds of recycled plastic to NexTrex for shipping, earning the Jane Lew Lions Club two entries into NexTrex’s prize drawings.

This milestone follows the club's ongoing commitment to community service through recycling initiatives that support local projects and environmental stewardship.



The NexTrex® Recycling Challenge has evolved into a self-initiated, competition-driven program designed to be more accessible and equitable.

Under the updated structure, participating organizations that collect at least 250 pounds of recycled plastic film within a 12-month period qualify for an entry into various prize drawings. The Jane Lew Lions Club's recent submission surpasses this threshold, demonstrating consistent community engagement and impact. 502 pounds of recycled plastic submitted today to a NexTrex location for shipping.

This submission entitles Jane Lew Lions Club to two prize entries. In November, Beth White reached the 1,000-pound milestone in plastic recycling receiving a park bench. In honor of Lion Leonard Drake, a longtime Lions activist in Jane Lew, the club donated the bench to Jane Lew Park. Current leadership: Lions Beth White, Mike Walker, and Pat Casey pictured together, representing the ongoing dedication of the Jane Lew Lions Club to service and environmental stewardship.

"The NexTrex Recycling Challenge has become a powerful way for our club to mobilize the community around a simple, meaningful act—recycling plastic film for a tangible, local impact," said Lion Beth White, Earning two prize entries is a reflection of our members' hard work and the community's support."

"This milestone not only helps fund community projects but also raises awareness about sustainable practices," added Lion Mike Walker. We're grateful for the opportunity NexTrex provides to turn everyday recycling into real improvements in and near Jane Lew.

The Jane Lew Lions Club is a service organization dedicated to community improvement, youth programs, and humanitarian efforts in Jane Lew and the surrounding area. The club is actively involved in local projects, including providing eye care and

glasses for children and adults, environmental initiatives, support for non profit community organizations, local parks and veterans' services. Pictured are Lions Mike Walker, Pat Casey, and Beth White celebrating the 502-pound NexTrex submission that earned two prize entries.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Jane Lew Lions Club hosted an Emergency Preparedness Workshop on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at the Jane Lew Park Building. The event,



part of Lion District 29I, Zone 9 activities, brought together Lions from multiple clubs and local officials to enhance community readiness for emergencies.

Lion Linda Aman, President of the Jane Lew Lions Club, welcomed attendees and opened the session.

Fire service trainer Captain Walter Knight of the Clarksburg Fire Department led the workshop, focusing on emergency preparedness strategies and best practices.

Lion Beth White, Zone 9 Chair, introduced special guests, including 2nd Vice District Governor Diana Bedell. Lion Lesa Cvechko was recognized with a Chevron for 15 years of service.



Attendees included leaders from area clubs, notably West Milford Lions Club (Hilda Clutter, President; Roy Murphy, Vice President; Bruce Clutter, Treasurer) and Bruceton Community Lions Club (David Ferguson, President).

Invitations were extended to the East Lions Club of Weston, Johnstown Lions Club, and Lost Creek Lions. A total of 40 Lion members and 2 guests participated. Guests Captain Knight and 2nd Vice District Governor Bedell were gifted Jane Lew Lions Club emblem aprons as mementos of the event by Lion President Aman.

"This workshop is a vital step in ensuring our communities are prepared to respond effectively in emergencies," said Lion Zone 9 Chair, Beth White

“Collaboration among clubs and community leaders strengthens our ability to protect neighbors.”

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

Berkeley Springs Lions Club Welcomes New Members. On February 10th, three new Lions were inducted into the Berkeley Springs Lions Club (BSLC). From Left: new Lions Jason and Dr. Leslie Hiles, sponsor Lion Ashley Mason, mascot Jack Mason, BSLC President Kim Mason, new Lion Kelly Hofe, and sponsor Lion Dave Hansen. Lions Clubs International (LCI) has over 1.4 million members in 49,000 clubs in over 200 countries and geographic areas. The mission of LCI is to empower Lions clubs, volunteers and partners to improve health and wellbeing, strengthen communities, and support those in need through



humanitarian service and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding. And we fulfill it every day, everywhere we serve. Global causes of Lions include Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Disaster Relief, Environment, Humanitarian, Hunger Vision, and Youth.

Submitted by PDG Lion Gray Jones

Berkeley Springs Lions Club Awarded the Heart of Service Dawn Beal, Director of the Morgan County Parks & Recreation Board, was awarded a Hearts of Service Coin and Certificate by the Berkeley Springs Lions Club on February 10th. The Lions of West



Virginia award those coins and certificates to those whose lives exemplify service to others. Dawn is the driving force behind the Backpack Program which



provides school supplies to school children throughout Morgan County. She is the Widmeyer Elementary School’s Read Aloud Coordinator and Title I Parent Facilitator, the Band Booster’s financial officer, a member of Berkeley High School’s Local School Improvement Council, a Settlers 4H Club Assistant Leader, and the Apple Butter Parade Coordinator. She’s also the West Virginia Citizen Review Panel’s Coordinator. Her life of service to others shines as a community exemplar.

Dawn Beal awarded Heart of Service Certificate and Coin by Lion Gray Jones

Submitted by PDG Lion Gray Jones

Jane Lew Lions Club supports youth education. What a day at the Lewis County Spelling Bee! Congratulations to all participants at the Lewis County Spelling Bee! Held on February 21st at Lewis County High School. The Lewis County Spelling Bee is complete! Congratulations to all



participants and our top winners. Linda Aman President of Jane Lew Lions Club participated as a judge.

Submitted by President Lion Linda Aman

UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES

A Compilation From 291 Clubs

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Yours In Service, Lion Jim Mullen

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The Hedgesville Lions Club is preparing for their 13th Golf Tournament. This fundraiser will be on May 11, 2026, at The Woods in Hedgesville, WV. Our Golf Tournaments are our main source of funding. We are counting on sponsors and golfers to make our 2026 Golf Tournament a success.

We've enclosed our Tournament Brochure for more information. It can be used by anyone who prefers to register and pay **by mail**. If you want to register online, use this link: www.hedgesvillelions.com. **At the end of your registration, payment can be made using Pay Pal.**

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Contact #

7th Annual
Preston Co.
Lions Clubs
Golf Scramble



June 6, 2026
Alpine Lake Resort
Terra Alta, WV
Tee Time 9:00 a.m.

Registration starts at 7:30 a.m.

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Join the Preston Co.
Lions Clubs Golf Scramble
& Enjoy

Good Golf	Good Fun
Fun Raffles	Team Prizes
Skill Prizes	Friendly Competition

Alpine Lake Resort
Location of Lions Golf Scramble
&
Lions' Communities in Preston Co.



Scan the QR Code to Access and
Download a Golf Scramble
Team Registration Form.

The Registration Form is
Also accessible at
<https://tinyurl.com/3jm8uvad>

Prizes

Golf team registrations will include a lunch at the conclusion of the tournament. Pastries and coffee will be available during team registration.

Prizes, based on scores, will be awarded to the top teams in the tournament.

Skill prizes too will be awarded based on the Longest Drive, the Longest Putt, and the Closest to the Pin. These prizes will be awarded to each of the following categories of golfers: women, men 59 and younger, senior men 60 to 74, and super seniors 75 and older.

The prize for the Hole -in-one at hole Number 10 is \$1,000.

Fundraisers

1. "Red Ball" Limit = 4 per team. \$5.00 each
2. Golfers 75 yrs or older may tee from Red-T free
3. Mulligan: 4 per person. \$5.00 each
4. "Sandie" - Women players only. Limit 4 per team. \$5.00 each
5. 50/50 tickets - \$1.00 each or "arm-length" \$10.00
6. Gift basket drawings. \$10.00 per card - includes 25 tickets.

7th Annual Preston Co. Lions Clubs Golf Scramble



June 6, 2026
Alpine Lake Resort
Terra Alta, WV
Tee Time 9:00 a.m.

Registration starts at 7:30 a.m.

Fundraising Purpose

The Lions Clubs of Preston County organize and sponsor the annual Golf Scramble as a fundraising event. The funds are used to support charitable activities and projects in the local communities where the clubs are chartered. Clubs conduct vision screening for adults and for school-aged children, primarily at the beginning of each school year. Financial assistance for purchasing eyewear for not only Preston County children, but for needy adults is undertaken by the Lions as well. Diabetes screening is an activity recently conducted by Lions.

Members of Lions Clubs in Preston County participate and support many activities in their communities. You will find members participating and financially helping with community activities, whether it be charitable, social, celebratory, or educational.

In general, Lions' programs focus on sight, hunger, youth, the environment, and diabetes. Your support of the Golf Scramble provides the funds to assist the lions in their community activities.

Your Support Requested

As an individual, an organization, or a company, please consider being a hole sponsor, a cart sponsor, or a team sponsor. Hole sponsors have an 18" x 24" sign with a company, an organization, or an individual name and logo at a hole on the golf course. The number of signs depends on the sponsorship level as follows: Bronze - \$50 at one hole, Silver - \$100 at two holes, and Gold - \$200 at four holes. There are also sponsorships at the \$1,000-level and the \$500-level. The \$1,000-level sponsorship includes signs at four holes, a banner at the event, and the registration for 1 team. The \$500-level sponsorship includes signs at four holes, and a banner at the event.

Golf cart sponsorships are \$30 and include an individual, an organization, or a company name on a golf cart.

Team registration for four is \$400. The registration form may be accessed online and downloaded. See instructions on the back of this brochure.

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 291

P. O. Box 594

Moorefield, WV 26836

calendar -

Phone: (c) (304) 703-5310

EMAIL: ggreenwalt@hardynet.com

I will confirm the date after it is scheduled on my

Thank you.