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TOGETHER WE ARE TEAM LIONS

Hello, Lions!

Boy, am I excited to be addressing you for the first time as your new International President. If you know me, you know I like making everything just a *little* bit fun. And if you don't know me, well, I hope you will come to know and love my approach to service which is to do everything with a whole lot of energy and a smile.

People say I have a lot of energy, and they're right. And you know what, I intend on using every bit of it to lift you up and cheer you on this year. I know Lions have a lot of energy, too, and I know that together we can make big changes.

One person may look at all that needs to be done in this world and feel overwhelmed. But when you are a Lion, you are never just *one* person. You have a whole team of Lions behind you!



I want you to know that throughout my year as your president—and beyond—I will always be on your team. I will always be here to cheer you on. So I say, Let's be each other's biggest fans. Let's make it clear that when Lions put their energy into a project, they do it with a world of support behind them. We are one team—Team Lions.

You want to make big changes, you say? So do I. And together we can.

Yours in service,

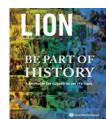
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International President, Lions Clubs International

LIONS INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR

July 2022



Read the Lions International current edition of "Lion Magazine" here. https://www.lionmagazine.org/

July 15 Last day to enter Lion and Leo service activities for the 2021-2022 year

August 2022

- August 10-12 LCIF Board of Trustees Meeting
- August 31
 Club Excellence Award Applications for the 2021-2022 are due

 District Excellence Award Applications for 2021-2022 are due

MD 32 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Ongoing	SC CYBER LIONS CLUB Purchase Nuts, Snacks, and Chocolates on line LINK TO FLYER
Ongoing	SENECA LIONS CLUB RADA CUTLERY Fundraising Store https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=4648528.97a3e19
July 23—30	ROCKY BOTTOM CHILDREN AND TEEN CAMP OF THE BLIND See page 6 of the PL or contact: Jennifer.h.bazer@gmail.com
July 17—23	CAMP LEO DOWNLOAD

LINK TO: <u>POLICY MANUAL</u> SOUTH CAROLINA LIONS <u>MULTIPLE DISTRICT 32</u>

FROM THE DESK OF ID DR. DIANNE PITTS



June was a dynamic month for South Carolina Lions! Two more clubs celebrated their 100th anniversaries, the Anderson Lions Club and the Orangeburg Lions Club. PIP Frank Moore was the keynote speaker in Anderson, while PID Kembra Smith was the special gust in

Orangeburg.

The 2022 Lions International Convention was held in late June in Montreal. There was great excitement about having an in-person convention after the Covid shutdown. The attendance was lighter than usual (about 11,000), but the energy and joy was apparent at all gatherings. Both of the MD32 District Governors (32S, Randy Culbertson, and 32C, Lew Taylor) attended training days and a grand celebration banquet!

South Carolina Lions made a great showing at the Southeastern Breakfast and the International Parade.

President Douglas X. Alexander finished a very successful year including surpassing the goal for LCIF's Campaign 100. The incoming International President Brian Sheehan of Minnesota increased the energy and joy for all Lions. The newly-elected International Vice President AP Singh of India .assures us of a bright future.

As Second Year Directors retired from their duties on the Board. five



Dr. Dianne J. Pitts International Director 2021—2023

Greenwood Lions Club

new Directors from the US were seated: Jay Moughon of Virginia, Ben Apeland of Montana, Ron Keller of Ohio, Lee Vrieze of Wisconsin, and Robert Lee of Hawaii. -----

For Joe and me, our second year on the Board is looking pretty busy. Our first district presentation will be the third week in July in the Bay area of California. Other scheduled conventions include Calgary, Utah, Texas, Nova Scotia and New York City. Keep us in your thoughts, as travel is becoming more challenging.

TOGETHER WE CAN; TOGETHER WE WILL!



South Carolina Lions at the Southeastern Breakfast, including three successive years of Council Chairpersons.





Spouses of the CA1 and CA2 2021-2023 Directors. Joe represents South Carolina with everyone!

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Camp Leo 2021
YES! I would personally like to donate to the 2022 Camp Leo summer camp for SC sight-impaired youth. Name:
Address:
City, State, Zip Code:
Mail to: Lion Dale Larow, President Camp Leo Council 30 Larkspur Lane Bluffton, SC 29909 Make checks payable to Camp Leo Council. Thank you for your tax-deductible gift.
Camp Leo Dates - July 17-23, 2022. St. Andrews By The Sea, United Methodist Church Hilton Head Island



Dear Lions,

Diabetes can be a difficult and sometimes discouraging condition to manage, but you don't have



to do it alone! Whether you have Diabetes or take care of someone who does, support groups and communities who care are an integral part of your health plan and can help you navigate medication, eating habits, exercise routines, and lifestyle choices that can improve your quality of life. Join us for our next virtual event where we'll hear from the leader of one of these support groups to help you learn more.

Joyce Linnen is the Executive Director of the Georgetown Diabetes CORE Group, a nonprofit organization in Georgetown County that provides under insured diabetics in the community with supplies and resources to help with the day-to-day management of conditions associated with the disease. Utilizing a network of local churches, businesses, and health care providers, the Diabetes CORE Group has reached over 200,000 peo-

ple in the last 25 years and was recently named 1 of 18 Centers of Excellence in America.

Diabetes frequently contributes to and exacerbates vision loss, especially in rural, low-income communities where making healthy lifestyle choices is difficult due to limited access to resources. Join LVS in promoting awareness, prevention, and management of Diabetes in our 2022 Virtual Event Series! This event is the second in our 2022 event lineup.

We are grateful for our partnership with Georgetown Diabetes CORE Group and hope you can join us live for this virtual event:

What: Virtual Event on Diabetes Support Groups

When: Wednesday, August 17, 2022, from 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Where: Zoom

How: Register online at <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0rcu-pqj4uHdZ8UGKty1ixw-glbxIEkXkK</u>

I look forward to seeing you at this event as we start the new fiscal year.

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A Message from MD32 CC Henry Harrison

Congratulations to Past Council Chair Pat Friday for leading us to a great year and finishing strong.

Thank you, Past District Governor Jay McCleary and Past District Governor Jim Barbare, for serving from the heart and excellent leadership.

Our new year has begun, and the possibilities are endless. So, who is your new Council Chair?

Born in New Mexico, grew up in New Jersey, served 20 Years active duty in the US Airforce, lives in Conway South Carolina. Member of the Myrtle Beach Lions Club. Taught Avionics, BA in Organizational Management, Masters in Business Management. Last 17 years worked for Computer Sciences last assignment IT director for several hundred hospitals. Lion for 30 years, held most club level positions, Zone Chair, Region Chair, 2nd VDG, 1st VDG, DG.

LCICON 2022, 18 Lions and one guest attended from MD32. Our DGEs finished their training and were commissioned by our International President to lead us in service. We rekindled old relationships and made new friends as we spent a glorious week among Lions from all over the world. We were inspired and energized; ready for a great year to come. We had training offered to us in almost anything that a Lion could need or want to know. Montreal opened its doors and made our celebration a great one.



Henry Harrison MD 32 Council Chair 2022—2023 Myrtle Beach Lions Club

We finished this year with 3,080 Lions a gain of 50 Lions for MD 32. Our MD theme is Kindness in action and that is why we must think of our membership as 3,080 Lions not just a number we count but lions who have the potential to serve and who also need to be served. Kindness must start at home. We as lions need to treat our Lions family with kindness and be helpful. With so many areas of the world needing our help being a strong supportive family is step one in making a difference.

We have many challenges ahead. One is the cost of most things including travel, which is why we are planning less in-person meetings and making use or platforms such as Zoom to allow us to conduct business. The Multiple District will have one in-person meeting in addition to the normal meetings at each convention and then one or more Zoom meetings to be more efficient in the use of our resources and our impact on our climate. Additional meetings will be considered as needed.

Lions it is an honor to serve you as your Council Chair and I pledge to do my very best to demonstrate leadership, kindness, and overall helpfulness and to lift up our members and support our Governors it what will be a great year.

International President Sheehan's theme: Together We Can

Each of us can do so much good on our own, but Together We Can make the impossible, possible. Because to accomplish big things, we all need to roll up our sleeves and do our part. And together, we can make our communities—and the world—a better place for all people.

FROM THE DESK OF PCC PAUL DOVE, GST

Fiscal 2021-2022 Service in Retrospect

As we end of this Lions' fiscal year, our service metrics prove that we are a service-minded multiple district. While Constitutional Area 1 shows that 55% of clubs in our CA 1 have reported service activities, we are posting 81%. If we exclude Leos, we are even higher than that, 87% at the end of May.

As of this writing in mid-June, Lions worldwide have served 31,485,432 people this fiscal year. Here is South Carolina our numbers attest to our having served 415,629 people thus far, with two weeks to go.

From the heart, we have helped almost four hundred and sixteen thousand South Carolinians improve their lot in life, addressing hunger, vision, the environment, diabetes, and childhood cancer. We have held meetings, raised funds, and contributed to a wide variety of worthy causes.

Our multiple district and both districts have identified and elected promising leaders for the next two years for the MD and three years for the districts, which certainly bodes well for our continuing levels of successful leadership, meaningful service, and membership retention and growth.

Almost all our one hundred and twenty clubs are now in recovery mode from pandemic status and getting back into the swing of Lion things.

And this year we are celebrating five of our clubs which are commemorating their one hundredth anniversaries.

Next year's officers are already setting the pace for a fulfilling tenure as they strive to continue the progress current leaders have posted. A heartfelt "thank you" to our 2021-2022 leaders for their records of achievements. And our pledges of support to our new teams and their goals and ambitions. Indeed, we are blessed here in MD 32.

---Lion Paul Dove

LINK TO: SERVICE REPORTING TEMPLATE

FROM THE DESK OF HOPE BARBARE, GMT

We've just celebrated our nation's 246th birthday of freedom. We can also celebrate the freedom Lions provide to individuals in our communities and around the world through our service: freedom to "see" a life free of blindness, freedom to live a healthy life, freedom to save our environment, freedom from hunger, and so many other causes we support through our local clubs. Celebrate and be proud of what you've done.

Let's celebrate the year that we've just finished. We've had service reporting that surpasses almost every other MD in the U.S. We've finished the Lions year with positive net membership growth for the MD. Many clubs are eligible for Club Excellence and our districts are eligible for District Excellence. We've given and loved and served more than ever before.

What if your club dropped members? What if you didn't achieve Club Excellence? Always remember that YOUR club has something to celebrate. Did you serve this year? Did you contribute to your community monetarily? Did you help a person see better? Did you sell brooms or raise money to pay for services? Did you have a meeting either in person or online? Your community is better because you are there. Celebrate that!

Thank you for all you have done this year. I am looking forward to this new Lions year and continuing to work for more to celebrate next July 4.

PICTURES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



MORE PICTURES FROM THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION



FROM THE DESK OF DG LES TAYLOR of SC DISTRICT 32 C

First and foremost, I want to congratulate you, District 32C Lions, for all you have accomplished:

Membership Growth, Service Reporting, donations to LCIF, LVS and the Sight for Mozambique District project plus all the service projects you conducted providing valuable service to your community. None of this could have been accomplished without the valuable leadership and tutelage from PDG Jay McClary. The momentum is still going strong; now is not the time to coast down the hill but instead it is time to kick in the turbocharger to achieve even more. We have a lot to do so we need to think outside the box using innovation and creative thinking to continue moving on the path we have started. This year the opportunity to build on the hard work, endeavors, and accomplishments of PDG Jay McClary is before us.

Your District Governor Team for 2022-2023 consists of DG Les Taylor, 1st VDG Tony Bell, 2nd VDG Cindy Taylor, and Secretary/ Treasurer Lion Susan Barnwell. I have assembled a great team for the upcoming year. Our District Global Action Team members are PDG Randy Croom-GMA (Global Membership Approach Lead), PDG Louis Drucker-GST, Lion Dr Carol Luetzow-GLT, and Lion Bill Arnold-GMT. The Zone Chair team for the upcoming year with their corresponding clubs are as follows:

Zone 1-Lion Pam Ofsanik: Pawleys Island, Andrews, Aynor, Conway, Myrtle Beach, North Myrtle Beach, Georgetown, and Little River

Zone 2-Lion Joe McNeil: Manning, Florence, Florence Evening, Greater Lake City, Olanta, Summerton, Darlington, Sumter, Camden, and Lee County

Zone 3-Lion Dr Janice Gamble: Kingstree, Johnsonville, Surfside Beach/ South Strand, Mullins, Hartsville, Hartsville Branch, Dillon, and Marion

Zone 4-Bill Arnold: Lancaster, Pageland, Chesterfield, Cheraw, Kershaw, McBee, Society Hill, and Bethune

Zone 5-Lion George "TJ: Sharpe: Aiken, Aiken Midday, Jackson, Midland Valley, and North Augusta

Zone 6-Lion David Washington: Bamberg, Barnwell, Brunson, Denmark, Ehrhardt, Elloree, and Orangeburg

Zone 7-Lion Joe Travis: Charleston, North Charleston, St George, Edisto Island, Goose Creek, Moncks Corner, Summerville Noon, and Summerville Evening

Zone 8-Lion Dr Carol Luetzow: Beaufort, Hardeeville, Estill, Sun City/Okatie, Fairfax, Walterboro, and Hilton Head Island Noon

We look forward to visiting all the clubs and meeting the lions in our district.

"Together We Can – Together We Will"



Les Taylor District Governor 32C 2022-2023

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District 32-C Club News

BEAUFORT LIONS CLUB



Club held an installation ceremony for officers elected for the 2022-23 year. Lion Carol Luetzow will serve as president of the club with Lion Dianne Sunman as vice president, Lion Lou Beale as Secretary, and Lion Sam Cowan as Treasurer. (Lion Sam was unavailable for the photo) Lion Jim Palmer and Lion Tim Hagins will also entertain club members as Tail Twister and Lion Tamer

FLORENCE EVENING LIONS CLUB



Vision Screening Pee Dee Pride Camp



Emergency Items Community Shelter



Lion Harry receiving president pin



Appreciation Plaque Lion Audrey



Appreciation Plaque Lion Deborah



Appreciation Plaque Lions Harry & Shirley

GEORGETOWN LIONS CLUB

Club honored the Scholarship Recipients for 2021 and 2022. This year's scholarship recipients are Kennedi Collins from Carver's Bay High who will be attending Winthrop University and Audra Nesbit (unable to attend due to a previous commitment) from Georgetown High who will be attending NC A&T University. Last year's recipients Jalen Armstrong from Georgetown High who is attending SC State University and Shemar Wright (unable to attend due to a previous commitment) from Carver's Bay who is attending Winthrop University were invited to update the group on their first year of college. Thank you to the Scholarship Committee for their hard work and good luck to the Class of 2022 and 2021 recipients.



L-R Lion President Ernie Burns, Scholarship Recipient Kennedi Collins; Lion Jean Brown-Williams. Scholarship Committee Chairman.



L-R Lion President Ernie Burns; last year's scholarship recipient Jalen Arm-strong.

Club hosted our monthly Food Drive, collecting for the Salvation Army Food Pantry. Special thanks to Lion Gary Stroud who coordinates the Food Drives each month.



Pictured are: L-R Lions Freddie Hill and PDG Bill Hahn, Lions Larry Sheehan and DG Jay McClary, and Lions Natosha Haywood (new member) and DG Jay McClary. Not pictured Lion Cary Farrow.

HARTSVILLE LIONS CLUB



Club members, along with members of 10 other area clubs, sold 2800 bags of onions. Club raised over \$10,000 from this event.

LANCASTER LIONS CLUB

LANCASTER LIONS CLUB WELCOMES NEW MEMBER



Lion Earl Gainey (c), sponsored by Lion Dan Stuart (r), is welcomed into the Lancaster Lions Club by President Charlie Jordan (I).

After serving 20 years in the military, Earl returned to Lancaster several years ago to begin a second career in the civilian world.

"Several of my assignments in the US Navy involved leading and counseling young men and women. Now that I'm home I am active in my church and other non-proft organizations." Earl said. "It is just a natural progression for me to join the Lions Club, a civic organization whose mission is to help others."

The Lancaster Lions Club meets at 12:00 PM, the first and third Thursdays of the month at Seagull's Grill, 1305 Hwy. 9 Bypass W., Lancaster, SC. For information about the club or Lions Clubs International please contact Dan Stuart at 803.431.7804 or danstuart43@gmail.com.

LITTLE RIVER LIONS CLUB



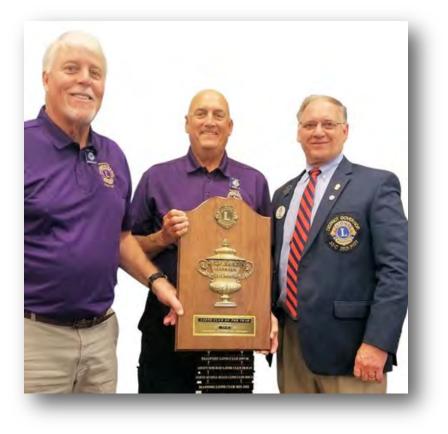
Waving Old Glory on the bridge over Highway 17 on Flag Day 2022. Patriotism remains strong and sincere among our club members!



Quarterly provision of soda and water to local First Responders in appreciation of their services in our community.

MANNING LIONS CLUB

Club Of The Year 2021 - 2022



MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB

COMMEMORATING 70 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE



President Lion Renaldo Angelini with Mayor Brenda Bethune presenting a proclamation for the Myrtle Beach Lions Club for the 70 years of service to the community.



The official Proclamation for the club.



Cake to celebrate 70 years of service



Past President Jim Bernaski with our guest speaker, Tim Hyman, MB Int'l Airport Fire Dept.



President-elect Liz Bernaski giving President Renaldo Angelini his award for his 2 years of service as President.



President-elect Liz Bernaski giving Lion Brian P'Pool appreciation award for years of service to the Club and District.



2022 - 2023 Club Board of Directors

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB



Lion President Nils Regnell awarding a \$1000 Scholarship to Kayla Kaufman who will attend HGTC in pursuit of a degree in graphic art. (Absent for picture is \$1000 recipient Dylan Hajjar.)

Lion President Nils awarded \$1000 Lion Jackie McNutt Memorial Scholarship to Camden Gasque. This is awarded to the student whose leadership and academic success exemplifies Lion Jackie's spirt of volunteering, and giving willingly of time and effort to her community.





Lion President Nils Regnell and Lion Jack Bambach shown at right presenting a donation to the Sea Haven Youth Crisis Center. Left to right:Sea Haven staff: Isha Chestnut, Program Director, Laura Von Herrmann, Development Director,Curtis Joe, Executive Director and Melissa Ogle, Crisis Counselor.

73rd Charter Anniversary Celebration Guest: DG Jay McClary



Lion President Nils Regnell, sponsor of new Lion John Racz, District Governor McClary, new Lion Palma Harbin and Lion Suzanne Werner representing sponsor Vicki Haynes.



District Governor installing officers: President Nils Regnell, Secretary Suzanne Werner, Membership Chair Jane Panarella, Treasurer Debbie Yocum, Directors Jim McNutt and Jack Bambach, and First Vice President Mike Walters.

ORANGEBURG LIONS CLUB

Centennial Celebration Guest: PID Kembra Smith - Decatur, GA



The leadership from both District 32S and 32C presented Club President Dwight Summers with plaques congratulating the club on our 100 years of service.



Lion Mike Pooser was presented with a Melvin Jones Award for his outstanding work as our club membership chairperson.



Lions Gina and Darryl Kennerly were presented with Dr. Franklin Mason Awards for their leadership in our fundraising projects.



PID Kembra Smith

PAWLEYS ISLAND LIONS CLUB



Club held another sold-out Don Graham Memorial Golf Tournament at Wachesaw Country Club on June 13! The weather was perfect. The golfers were great. And our sponsors were rewarded! All proceeds from the tournament are returned to the Pawleys Island community throughout the year through Lions support of worthy local organizations.

SOUTH STRAND LIONS CLUB



Lion Milton Beneke was presented with a Franklin G Mason Fellowship for his many years of service to his club and the community. Lion Sandra Barbour, who was not able to attend, will receive a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship.



New officers were inducted on June 16th at the home of Lions Steve and Liz Griswold. A Low Country boil was enjoyed by all.

SUMMERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB

Club Officers Training



Grace Lutheran Church

PCC Dan, DGE Les, PDG John

MORE SUMMERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB

Club Officers Induction - PCC George, Presiding Officer



PCC George, Officiator



Lion Thionna, VP



Lion Marilyn, Treasurer



PDG Ned, Tail Twister



Lion Marvin, President



PCC George and Lion Dianne delivered a check to Jean Gross for Meals on Wheels

FROM THE DESK OF DG RANDY CULBERTSON—DISTRICT 32 S

As we begin a new Lions year, I hope you are excited about the positive possibilities and opportunities that are before us! We will begin the new year on a positive trend and a net gain of 50 members as of May 31, 2022. Club service reporting is at an all time high with 88% of clubs in the district reporting some service activity!

To keep the momentum going, IPDG Jim Barbare has accepted the newly created position of Club Development Specialist.

We are working with VisionSC to maximize our resources to we can increase the number of vision screenings we do. LCI recently approved for our district to be used to purchase new cameras in the district. In addition, we are asking every club to appoint a Lions Vision Services Ambassador. If your club does not currently conduct vision screenings, we may be able to help you get started! Cameras and training are available.

Many things have changed in recent years, so it is a good time for your club to conduct a community needs assessment.

Your District Governor Team will be attentive and always on the lookout for ways to assist clubs. I am really looking forward to working with 1VDG Linda Rumsey and 2VDG Earlene Corrothers this year!

My theme for the district this year is "Together!" I hope this will be a conversation starter for you, and your conversations will encourage and strengthen each other.

Thank you for the trust and confidence you have placed in me. I will do my best to make you proud to be a South Carolina Lion.

I hope to see you at our first cabinet meeting for this year on July 30, 2022 at 9:30 at St. Mark United Methodist Church, River Street Campus, 1633 Rivers St., in Greenwood. Registration begins at 9:00 am and light refreshments will be provided. Bring a friend!

Mark your calendars for upcoming District training events!

Certified Guiding Lion—TBD

New Member Orientation- TBD



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District 32-S Club News

ABBEVILLE LIONS CLUB

Abbeville Lions Club Plastic Recycling!

Example of one weeks recycled plastic for July 2021 to June 2022. Club collected plastic from local US Post Office, Highway 28 Farm and Garden, and the primary donation was from the local Pro Towel factory in Abbeville. Club collected 7,024 pounds of plastic that was then transported to our local Ingles Store for transportation and recycling. Club has obtained two of the pictured benches from Trex Corp. and is currently working on the next bench for donation.

For information regarding Trex Corp., please contact Lion Rick Pressly, ripressly@wctel.net.





Bench donated to Pro Towel with CEO Jeromy Hudson and Lion Rick Pressly

BREA LIONS CLUB

Newly installed officers for Berea Lions Club 2022-2023 are pictured above (left to right). District Governor Jim Barbare installed the following officers: James Freeman, Immediate Past President and Membership Chair; Patsy Swygert, First Vice President; Guy Carter, Second Vice President; Jim Connor, Director; Jim Harrill, Tail Twister; Kathie Burgess, Secretary and Third Vice President; and Steve Burgess, President. Not pictured are Ann Coleman, Treasurer and Neil Duncan, Lion Tamer and Director.



BLUE RIDGE LIONS CLUB



Blue Ridge Lions Club awarded the first annual James Blackwell Memorial Scholarship to Lacey Stuber a recent Blue Ridge High School graduate. Lacey will attend NGU in the fall and major in animal science. James' parents, Lions Jud and Sheila Blackwell, presented the scholarship in their son's memory who was killed in a motorcycle accident by a drunk driver in 2016, Lions are proud to support young people in our community. Blue Ridge Lions Club plans to award a scholarship each year in James' memory.

GREER CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB

Greer Centennial took the Lions Club motto "We Serve" quite literally when they served a Sunday meal at the Greer Soup Kitchen. The group says this was a wonderful service project that allowed us to fulfill the needs of the community and team build as a club



PIEDMONT LIONS CLUB



Left to right Lion Ed Betterley sponsored Lion Mack Eubanks, new member of the Piedmont Lions Club. Lion President Rick Owings looks on



The Piedmont Lions Club recently donated \$700.00 to Camp Lions Den at Clemson, SC. This money will sponsor one vision impaired camper to attend the camp that will last for one week. The camp will be held in July. Camp Lions Den is sponsored by the Anderson Lions Club.

Left Lion President Rick Owings, Lion Phil Marett, Past Council Chairman accepts the check for \$700.00 from Lion Rick Hankinson, Treasurer of the Piedmont Lions Club.



President Lion Rick Owings presents the Lions Gavel to incoming President, Lion Margie Hankinson. Lion Phil Marett, Past Council Chairman looks on.

Lion Margie will take office as President on July 1, 2022.



Connie Brown named Piedmont Lions Club Citizen of the Year.

Left to right Lion Dr. David Ledbetter presents Connie Brown the Citizen of the Year Award. Lion President Rick Owings looks on.

WINNSBORO LIONS CLUB



Fairfield Central graduating senior Donterious Seibles received the Winnsboro Lions scholarship for 2022. Mr. Seibles plans to attend USC Beaufort.

SALEM LIONS CLUB

2022-2023 Salem Lions Board of Directors Installed



Senate President, State Senator and Lion Thomas Alexander was on hand to install the 2022-2023 fiscal year Board of Directors for the Salem Lions Club on at the Club's June 13th meeting. Pictured are, from left: State Senator and Lion Alexander; Carl & Cathy Halverson - Treasurer; Sammy Alward-Bury -2nd Vice President; Carolyn Maddox - Director/Community Outreach; Don Pomeroy - Lion tamer; Jan Espey-Steffan - 1st Vice President; Ted Brewer - President; Cindy Shuman - Membership Chairperson; Dan Treffert -Service Chairperson; Craig Shuman - Vision Services; (not pictured) Ernie Mayberry - Secretary; George Blanchard - Tail Twister.

SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB

Iconic Spartanburg,

Iconic Spartanburg is the latest fundraising effort by the Spartanburg Lion's Club. This project seeks to preserve and document iconic Spartanburg locations past and present through art. Our goal is to commission one piece per year over the next 5 years. Limited edition prints will be created for pur-



chase and the original will be sold at auction.

Spartanburg has deep roots in the racing community with names like Cotton Owens, Bud Moore, David Pearson, James Hilton and many others all claiming Spartanburg to be their hometown. Couple those names with our clubs deep history with the Spartanburg Fair Grounds it only seemed natural for our first piece to honor the communities racing roots.

Last week Spartanburg Lion's Club President Jason Seay commissioned the clubs' first piece commemorating the Fairground Speedway at the Piedmont Interstate Fair. For years Spartanburg Lions

have sold concessions during the week of the Fair with our booth located under the grandstand of the old racetrack. Many in the younger generations and persons new to the area have no idea the speedway ever existed.

Leading up to this project Jason traced racing back to 1908 when the facility hosted motorcycle races, followed by Indy cars in the 1920's, mixed with horse racing, and finally nascar sanctioned events from 1930's through the 1970's.

One hundred numbered and signed prints will be available for purchase starting the week of October 11th while the fair is in town. Prints are expected to be very popular and Lions may preorder starting now through September 30th. The cost to pre order is \$45.00. The price is expected to increase after printing. Reserve your limited edition piece by emailing Lion Jason Seay at <u>Jloseay@yahoo.com</u>.

Jason Seay.

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THE WINNING EDISTO BEACH RAFFLE TICKET

Well, well, well look who won. Don't know if you can read it, but I won !!!! RITA SPIESS !!!

Lisa caters our Monday lunch meetings, and they asked her to draw the winning ticket. Gene and I are really looking forward to a fantastic week at Edisto Beach sometime within the upcoming year !!!!! Thanks to everyone who bought a ticket because you're all winners!!! All of these proceeds go to support the Spartanburg Lions Club's many projects.

MORE SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB



On Monday, June 20, Spartanburg Lions Club welcomed DG Jim Barbare as he inducted their new Board of Directors who are set to begin the club's 101st year of service on July 1st.

Top row L to R – Art Hartzog, Tailtwister; Tammy Painter, Director; Weslie Higdon, 2nd VP; Dr. Mark Bound, 1st VP Bottom row L to R -DG Jim Barbare; Jason Seay, President; Mike White, PP; Paul Lundberg, Secretary; Randy Thomas, Treasurer; Gary Kirkland, Lion Tamer; Jan Benjamin, Membership; Mary Reven, Leo Advisor; Ron Evans, Director

Not pictured are Directors Stephanie Haje and Janie Salley

Dorman HS Leo Club

On Friday, May 13, 2022, the Dorman HS Leo Club held their final meeting of the school year with a celebration inducting new Leos and recognizing those Leos who were inducted at the beginning of the year, having already completed many hours of service. In total, 152 Leos were inducted into the club for the '21-'22 school year and all in attendance were honored to have PIP Sid L. Scruggs conduct this induction. PIP Scruggs also presented his Beacon of Hope banner to outgoing Leo President Erin Vander Ploeg as well as the Presidential Certificate of Appreciation to Leo Advisor, Lion Stephan Vernet. Spartanburg Lions Club was able to award 6 scholarships to Leo Seniors ranging from \$250 to \$500.

In more Leo news, Leo Advisor Lion Vernet is retiring from teaching. He successfully led the Dorman Leo Club to become the largest and one of the most active campus clubs. The new advisor for the Dorman Leo Club will be Mary Reven, assisted by Torrey Ballenger.



TAYLORS LIONS CLUB

The Taylors Lions Club had its annual flower sale in May and it was a huge success and complete sellout. 379 plants were sold and over 142 total volunteer hours. Thanks so much to our community who supported us!



TEGA CAY LIONS CLUB

Tega Cay Citizen of the Year



Congratulations to <u>Betsey O'Brien</u>, who received the Tega Cay Citizen of the Year award from the Tega Cay Lions. Mrs. O'Brien was recognized largely for her work with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) since 2004. Recently retiring as executive director, she stepped into the board president role at <u>NAMI Piedmont Tri-County</u>. This regional organization has impacted thousands of people in York, Lancaster, and Chester Counties.

Betsey has been a huge asset since moving to our community 1999. You may have heard her speak at a 2021 Tega Cay city council meeting about NAMI support groups, programs, presentations, panel discussions, and webinars available at no cost to individuals, families, schools, and community partners. Or you may recognize her from the 3-4 miles she walks daily on the Tega Cay walking paths. Betsey has served as an inspiration to families, individuals with a mental health condition, and the general public through her leadership of NAMI programs, and as a parent of a son who lives with a mental health condition, an intellectual disability, and autism spectrum disorder - all diagnosed at various times during his elementary school years.

The Lions were thrilled to receive the donation of the civil-war-era sword that Lion Buz Stebbins used to cut the cake at the city's annual 4th of July celebration that the Lions have hosted for 47 years! Thanks to the Stebbins family, the Lions are continuing with this tradition! You can see the sword displayed at the Glennon Center.



MORE TEGA CAY LIONS CLUB

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FISH FRY

Tega Cay Lions Club held their 47th annual Fish Fry at the City of Tega Cay's birthday party on the 4th of July. Always a lot of fun. Thank you to all Lions, non-Lions, and future Lions that gave their time to make this a successful event.



THE MATHEWS LIONS CLUB

The Mathews Lions Club Purchases Shoes for Children

In 1952, when The Mathews Lions Club was chartered, the first community service was buying shoes for children with needs. As our club celebrated our 70th anniversary this year, we voted to renew the original service and buy shoes for children at Connie Maxwell Children's Ministries. The process involves working with one home cottage at a time and purchasing shoes for each child in the cottage. The goal is to supply shoes for all the children that are living at Connie Maxwell.



Some of the children after selecting their own shoes. They had so much fun, they wanted to carry their own shoes with them, rather than putting them in bags

The Mathews Lions Club Packs Food Boxes

This month, members of The Mathews Lions Club worked with the Salvation Army to fill food boxes for people in the Greenwood community with grocery needs. Each box contained the equivalent of three bags of food that the club normally fills when packing food for the Salvation Army. The club members had to assemble the boxes, fill and close the boxes, and stack them on pallets.



Boxes Packed for Distribution



Club members that packed food boxes. (Left to Right) Lions Pat Abercrombie, Jerry Cramer, Cathy Cramer, Claudia and David Dority.

The Mathews and Abbeville Lions Club Work Together

This month, The Mathews Lions Club worked with the Abbeville Lions Club to place three Trex benches in the Greenwood community. These benches were placed in the Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Prayer Garden, where many people visit to pray and meditate in the beautiful and well maintained peaceful setting. Currently, nine benches have been placed in five different locations in the Greenwood community.

(Left to Right) Seated: Lions Pat Abercrombie and Claudia Dority Standing: Rev. Timothy Tebalt, Deborah Powell, Lions Robert Abercrombie, Jerry Cramer, David Dority, and Cathy Cramer.



Thank You for Reading the July Edition of the Palmetto Lion We hope you ENJOYED !



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We want to hear from everyone!!

Have your articles and pictures to me by Sunday July 31, 2022 for inclusion in the August edition of the Palmetto Lion

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