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Campaign 100 Ends Successfully!

Receiving Credit for Melvin Jones/Progressive Melvin Jones

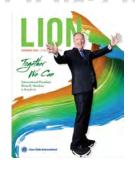
South Carolina met our goal for this capital campaign! \$325 million was raised world-wide!

Many clubs and some individual Lions donated enough to receive recognition from LCIF. If the donation was \$1000.00 or more, it qualifies for a Melvin Jones Fellowship or a Progressive Jones Fellowship. A club or individual donation in this amount can be assigned to a recipient. It is not always given to the donor. Therefore, a form must be filled out before recognition is assigned by LCIF. The application for a Melvin Jones can be found on the LCIF site and downloaded. On the line where it asks for the donation note that the donation has already been made and is a credit.

There have been questions about the draft for donations. Depending on when your draft was submitted, it may or may not have ended with Campaign 100. The easiest way to check is to cross-check with your bank statement.

If you have further questions or concerns, contact LCIF Donor Assistance at 630-203 -3836 or email Denise Whistler at denise.whistler@lionsclubs.org

LIONS INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR



Read the Lions International current edition of "Lion Magazine" here.

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August 2022

August 31

<u>Club Excellence Award</u> Applications for the 2021-2022 are due <u>District Excellence Award</u> Applications for 2021-2022 are due <u>Zone and Region Award</u> applications are due for the 2021-2022 Lions Year

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
Saturday August 20, 2022 9:00 am—1:00 pm	ANNUAL GAT SUMMETT Contact peedeejr41@gmail.com for Zoom link LINK TO FLYER
Friday September 30,2022	SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT LINK TO FLYER

LINK TO: POLICY MANUAL
SOUTH CAROLINA LIONS

FROM THE DESK OF ID DR. DIANNE PITTS

Kick-Off Celebration

Lions...Your Way! Recently PCC Joe and I had the opportunity to participate in a 4C6 District Meeting (near San Jose, CA). The tradition in several districts in that area is to have a weekend to formally install the whole cabinet and the Lions club officers. Friday was a morning tour of a district service project, the Vista Blind Center. Beginning at 5:00 is a formal Installation Banquet. Installations include the District Governor, Club Presidents and Secretaries, District Officers, and concludes with a Gavel Turnover Ceremony. The evening ends with the District Governor's remarks and vision for the year.

Saturday morning is the first Cabinet Meeting with business and awards.

Setting the tone and goals for the Lions year is important in bonding the district as they move forward. Many of these events include hula dancing, a luau, a cookout and competitive games. The year of service then becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy.

International President Brian Sheehan's enthusiasm and theme ("Together We Can!) was stressed. The atmosphere was positive and charged! It was a joyful gathering



Dr. Dianne J. Pitts
International Director
2021—2023

Greenwood Lions Club





LCIF CAMPAIGN 100

MD32 Lions,



Thank you, thank you for doing your part in making LCIF Campaign 100 a huge success. Campaign 100 raised \$330 million from donors throughout the world. Campaign 100 is now the most successful capital fund raiser in LCIF history.

MD32 2021-2022 participation is as follows:

MD32 Clubs donating—67

32C - 32 Clubs

32S - 35 Clubs

MD32 donations—\$107,365.00

32C - \$43,960.00

32S - \$63,405.00

As a District, MD32 exceeded its Campaign 100 goal.

The \$107,365.00 is the largest amount ever, which Lions of MD32 have donated in a single year.

A special thanks to ID Dianne, who got the Campaign off to such a great start. Also, thank you to IPDG Jay, IPDG Jim and Lion Kathy Carroll for their efforts in the promotion and support of Campaign 100.

PDG John Enright
MD32 LCIF Chairperson



Dear Lions,

We have a busy month of events, programs, and services. We hope you will join us!



Due to staff schedules the LVS office will be temporarily **closed on Friday, August 12, 2022**. For emergency program requests, please call (803) 796-1305. We will reopen on Monday, August 15th.

Vision Screening Event for Dorchester County Seniors



In partnership with Dorchester Seniors, Inc., LVS will be providing free vision screenings from 11:00am – 12:00pm on Monday, August 15th at Dorchester Seniors (312 N Laurel St, Summerville, SC 29483). No appointment is necessary.



Diabetes Support Groups Virtual Event on Zoom with Joyce Linnen of the Georgetown Diabetes CORE Group. Registration is free but you must register to receive the link to the event.

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

How: Register online at https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0rcu-pqj4uHdZ8UGKty1ixw-glbxlEkXkK



Save the Date!

The 2023 Santee Blind Fishing Event will take place on Lake Marion on **April 21**st **and 22**nd, **2023**. Sponsorships, donations, and volunteers are needed! Please check our website and social media regularly for updates, forms, and applications. We have a cap of 50 visually-impaired guests this year, plus their caregivers.

It costs \$250 to sponsor one guest.

https://lionsvisionservices.org/blindfishing/

Together In Service,

Lion Daniel J. Prohaska, MA, CFRE

Lions Vision Services President & CEO (803) 796-1305

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A Message from MD32 CC Henry Harrison

South Carolina Lions in action.

We had our first in-person Council meeting In Orangeburg, the venue was great and thanks to DG Les providing technical expertise and equipment we had a great meeting. With 17 Lions in attendance Including our International Director Dr. Diane Pitts the room was full of spirit and interaction. It is so nice to be able to meet in person once again. DG Les recorded the meeting for our Treasurer/Secretary to transcribe later.

We reviewed some of the activities from the International Convention and realized how amazingly our Lions family is linked together, borderless and endless. At the convention I was able to introduce my VCC Jim Barbare to PCC Mahesh Chitnes, and his family, who was a DG with me in NJ in 2014 to 2015. I visited with several of my old Lions family including ID Jeff Gance whom you all will met at this years District C Convention. At the Council Meeting PCC Rhett Hair commented that he taught Ojas Chitnes son of Mahesh Chitnes at one of the Leadership courses that he teaches for LCI. Mahesh, Rhett, Joe Pitts and I all attended the Senior Leadership academy together in around 2013.

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

In August we will celebrate the Blue Ridge History Lions club getting

their charter, congratulations job well done Blue Ridge lions. Lion Cynthia and I look forward to attending. By this reading we hope to have attended the District S Cabinet meeting. We had to Zoom the District C Cabinet meeting in July due to aftereffects of Covid. Even over zoom the meeting was very exciting and enjoyable with great presenters and well run by DG Lester. I am looking forward to our GAT meeting August 20th, this is really where the Multiple District puts Lionism in action with our GLT PCC Rhett Hair, GMT Lion Hope Barbare, GST PCC Paul Dove presenting the latest and greatest in Leadership, Service and Membership. I have attended these in the past and always learn something new each time I come. Don't miss out this is good for all Lions. We do this so the Lions in the clubs will have the tools they need to grow Lionism at a grass roots level.

PDG Bill Hahn and his committee have been busy putting together our best Vision program ever and it will soon include hand out literature that is informative and eye-catching. This tool will make it easy for our Lions to get involved and make a difference in so many lives.

From our Lions International Calendar 2022 - 2023;

Through Campaign 100, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) raised over US\$324M to improve health and well-being through humanitarian services and grants. This year, continues to magnify the global service of Lions and Leos.

PDG Brian P'Pool is working had to put together a great MD Convention this year. Mark your calendars for April 28 to 30th 2023 at the Florence Center. Our guest speaker is tentatively International Third Vice President A.P. Singh. A great Lion and a great speaker.

Together We Can CC Henry

FROM THE DESK OF PCC PAUL DOVE, GST

MD Global Services Team (GST) Coordinator Update

Can we improve on FY 2021-2022 services activities reporting? Surely, we can.

LINK TO: SERVICE REPORTING TEMPLATE

Our percentage of reporting clubs posted enviable metrics, so, where do we go from here? Can we top 444,000 people served? Can we improve on the 4200 service activities reported? How about the 80,500 volunteer hours we claimed last FY?

One of the areas we can certainly focus on bettering is how many service activities we provide this year, for example.

Towards this end, your GAT coordinators are planning a "Summit" program for Saturday, August 20, from 9 AM to 1 PM. While this will be an eye-opening opportunity, you will need to register so that we can send you the ZOOM link --yep, another virtual session you can attend from your own digital device right in the comfort of your own home and in your pajamas or other appropriate attire.

Please see the poster in this issue of your "Palmetto Lion" and let me <u>peedeejr41@gmail.com</u> know that you plan to sit in on this synergetic presentation. The poster lists the approximate times for each session if you prefer to attend the one most applicable to your interest/position/ responsibility. But all are welcomed to participate in all three guaranteed -to-be informative sessions. Or double your money back!

By the way, your vital district GST coordinators are PDG Louis Drucker for C and Lion Alison Rauch for S. We Palmetto Lions are all about leadership, membership, and service! I hope to see you online on August 20. Please join us for this free seminar. And please provide your own refreshments.

---Lion Paul



FROM THE DESK OF HOPE BARBARE, GMT

Ready, Set, Go

I congratulate Multiple District32 on a great year last year with a positive net growth of 43. Now we are entering a new year, a new race. My runner friends are always looking for the next marathon, half-marathon or 5K. When they finish one race, it's on to the next challenge. Let's be like my runner friends. We are eager to start the next race, to accept the next challenge.

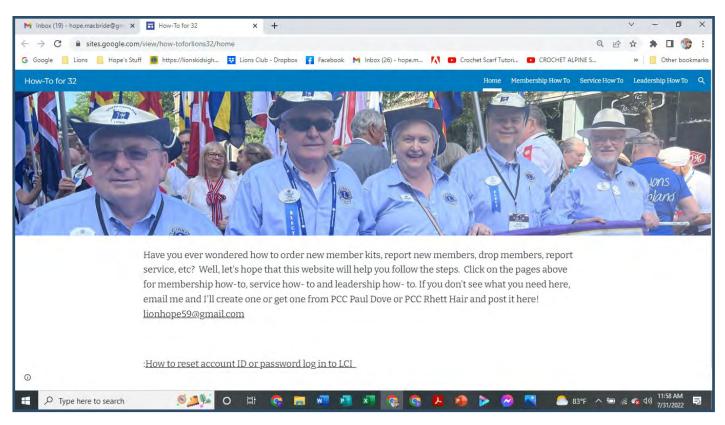
As we begin this race together, be encouraged that we are all at the starting line together. It doesn't matter what place we finished last year. Every club begins at 0 starting point for membership this year. Excitement is high so let's be encouraged that we can move forward, we can all run the race, we can all finish the race.

We do have to train though for the race. Check out the Club Excellence application for the 2022-2023 year and review it frequently to see the progress your club is making toward the finish line. Go ahead and order your new member kits. Carry business cards and new member applications with you. Attend trainings. Network with other clubs. Consider forming a branch club.

If you don't know HOW TO order new member kits or recover your password on LCI or enter officers, etc. your MDGAT is proud to launch a new GOOGLE SITE for "how to" instructions. We are calling it "How to for 32." Currently there are several "how-to" instructions posted but there are more coming. Check it out and let us know what you'd like to see posted. Here is a link: https://sites.google.com/view/how-toforlions32/home

Let us lay aside every weight and run with patience and endurance the race before us.

Together we can. Together we will.



VISION '22

HAS UPDATED THEIR NAME TO: VISION—SC

A little over a year ago a group of Lions came together under the leadership of PDG Bill Hahn to make a presentation to the SC School Nurses Association regarding SC Lions vision screening in SC schools. We were well accepted and have gained their support. Since then SC Vision '22 has been incorporated into the folds of SC MD32 Council with PDG Bill Hahn as our MD 32 Chair, Lion Hope MacBride as District S Coordinator and Lion Melinda Hagins as our District C Coordinator.

We quickly realized that Vision '22 was not a sustainable name for our group and updated the name to **Vision-SC**. Nothing else has changed. We still embrace our original goals and objectives to increase: **AWARNESS** * **COMMUNICATION** * **EDUCATION** * **COLLABORATION** through:

- Our website: https://lionsvisionscreening.com/
- Our Quarterly Newsletter
- Club visits by your District Governor Team
- Use of the Lions KidSight USA database for metrics tracking
- A dedicated team to answer your questions:

MD Vision Chair PDG Bill Hahn billhahncn@aol.com
District 32 C Vision Chair Lion Melinda Hagins melindahagins@yahoo.com
District 32 S Vision Chair Lion Hope MacBride hope.macbride@gmail.com
Your District Governor team

HELPFUL LINKS

Vision-SC web site: https://lionsvisionscreening.com/

- ⇒ Lions International
- ⇒ Lions KidSight USA
- ⇒ InfantSEE website
- ⇒ Links to Club Screening Information

https://lionsvisionscreening.com/introduction-to-vision-screening/getting-started/

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

Bonjour fellow Lions. Lion's year 2021-2022 ended with a bang at the international convention in Montreal, Quebec Canada. International President Brian Sheehan has the most energy and enthusiasm we have ever seen. It was without a doubt an extravaganza that had to be seen in person to really enjoy the atmosphere. This year brings new opportunities to nurture and train new leaders. As Lions, we should always be looking for new leaders with the skills to take us into the future. Our future is only as bright as the new leaders we choose. Training is available for leadership positions; you do not have to be a club officer to attend one of the classes. Please consider attending some of our training so you are ready to step into a club or district leadership position in the upcoming year.

I want to thank everyone who made our district better and stronger during PDG Jay's tenure. Nine clubs were recognized at our Cabinet meeting on July 23rd for the Best New Hands-On Service Project and Membership growth. We congratulate our Best New Hands -On Service Project winners for the second half of 2021-2022: First Place - Hartsville Branch Lions Club (Fulfilling Childhood Cancer Wish List), Second Place - Little River Lions Club (Household Goods for Disaster Preparedness) and Third Place - Kingstree Lions Club (Household Supplies for 36 Families). For those clubs that are Growing the Pride, our Membership Award winners for the second half of 2021-2022 are: Small Clubs (1-19 Lions) First Place - St George Lions Club, Second Place - North Charleston Lions Club; Midsize Clubs (20-39 Lions) First Place - Camden Lions Club, Second Place - Summerville Evening Lions Club; Large Clubs (40+ Lions) First Place - Hilton Head Island Noon Lions Club, Second Place - Myrtle Beach Lions Club.

Moving forward, we will continue the semi-annual awards for both membership growth in the 3 club size categories as described above and for the Best New Hands-On Service Project. The service

Les Taylor District Governor 32C 2022-2023

Hilton Head Island Noon

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project just needs to be new to your club, and you only need to complete and submit a short form to be considered for this award. Club winners for both awards will be recognized with a \$50 donation made by the district in the club's name to either LCIF or LVS. Not only will your club be growing the Pride or finding new ways to serve, you will also be supporting two outstanding Lions charities.

Coming off our first Cabinet Meeting on July 23rd, we do have a long way to go and a short time to get there. Look for a need in your community and develop a way to provide service to help meet that need. Explain what Lions do and why it is a great organization. JUST ASK people who show interest to come to a meeting or better still, to come help while your club is providing service.

"Together We Can – Together We Will"

DG Les Taylor

District 32-C Club News

AIKEN LIONS CLUB



Lions Mary Woolhiser, Phil Woolhiser, Jeff Parker, PCC Bill Finley, Vivian Clark and Charles Goodman. Photo taken by Lion Pat. Not pictured but present Mike Power.

BEAUFORT LIONS CLUB



Club held their annual Water Festival Pancake Breakfast. Photos to the left showing

1) those making pancakes and grits in the kitchen



2) some happy breakfast attendees



3) Lion's informational table containing applications and membership information.

GEORGETOWN LIONS CLUB



DG Jay McClary initiates New Member Bruce Mallick, Jr. sponsored by IPDG Bill Hahn. We also welcomed transfer Lion Randal Seyler (not pictured) from Russellville, AR.



Lion Skippy Branham awards the Franklin Mason Fellowship to Lion Secretary Jean Brown-Williams. Also pictured Lion President Ernie Burns.



New Officers 2022-2023 inducted by DG Jay McClary. L-R Lion Robert Ray, Tail Twister; Lion Freddie Hill, Treasurer; IPDG Bill Hahn, 1st Vice President; Lion Jean Brown Williams, Secretary; Lion Dwight Frazier, President; DG Jay McClary; outgoing President Lion Ernie Burns; Lion Linda Bradley, 2nd Vice President; Lion Andy Friedman, 3rd Vice President; and Lion Lew Williams, Lion Tamer.

KINGSTREE LIONS CLUB









Installation of Water goat, an anti-litter device on Black River in partnership with Palmetto Pride. PDG's Louis and Bob, Lion Tiffany

MORE KINGSTREE LIONS CLUB

MEMBERS BUILD HANDICAP RAMP





CLUB AWARDS NIGHT



Induction of 3 members



Judy Cherinko, wife of PDG Bob Cherinko, awarded FMF



PDG Ed Johnson inducted into LVS Knights of the Blind





LANCASTER LIONS CLUB



Lion David Steagall (r), sponsored by Lion Robert Mungo (I), is officially inducted into the Lancaster Lions Club.



Passing The Gavel - Lion Dan Stuart (r) is officially inducted as President of the Lancaster Lions Club by Past President Charlie Jordan (I).



Khaleek Chapman, Director of Development of HOPE in Lancaster, visits the Lancaster Lions Club to share HOPE's mission and update the Club on HOPE's current activities, resources, and needs. Chapman (c) is pictured with Club President Dan Stuart (r) and Past President Charlie Jordan (I).

LITTLE RIVER LIONS CLUB



The Little River Lions Club held its annual Officer Installation and Awards Meeting on June 21st at Mulligans Restaurant in Little River. Past District Governor Randy Edwards installed the following the club Officers for Lions year 2022-2023: President David Fausset; 1st Vice President George O'Neill; 2nd Vice President Gary Szentmiklosy; Secretary Terri Azar;

Treasurer Bruno Stepanski; Membership Chair Bill Sullivan; Directors Mary Moore, Nick Lopano, and BJ Burrows; Service Chair Al Cremen; LCIF & Program Coordinator Randy Edwards; Marketing Communications Chair Bill Sullivan; Immediate Past President Richard Hawks; Tail Twister Judy Wallace; and Lion Tamer Tom Starnick. Immediate Past President Richard Hawks presented the club's Lion of the Year award to Lion Bill Sullivan for outstanding service, loyalty and devotion to Lionism during 2021-22. IPP Richard also presented special recognition awards to Lions Billy Barnhardt and Bruno Stepanski for outstanding club service. Incoming President David Fausset presented a Club President's Plaque to outgoing President Richard Hawks in appreciation for 2 years of outstanding leadership and service to the Little River Lions Club.

MANNING LIONS CLUB



Lion Ed Jernigan and crew completed another wheelchair ramp for a local resident in need.



Club regularly and routinely hauls a trailer full of aluminum cans from the Davis Station recycling site to a metal recycling company in Sumter. The recent haul was 740 pounds in cans which equated to over \$400. All money received is donated to A Second Chance Animal Shelter.



Twice each month, the Club works with United Ministries in making food runs to the Harvest Hope facilities in Florence monthly. When the bulk food is brought back to Manning, it is repackaged for distribution and then given to dozens of families in need. The most recent run required two trips to Florence to transfer over 2000 pounds of food to United Ministries.



Club participated in the local Walmart's yard sale in support of the Children's Miracle Network hospitals. Our Lions sold brooms and provided information about Lions International.

MORE MANNING LIONS CLUB

CLUB AWARDS EVENING



Recognizing our new members and sponsors inducted by DG Les Taylor.



Club received Club of the Year honors from DG Les Taylor.



ZC Joe presents Lion Jim Boykin a Melvin Jones Fellowship.



Lion Nancy Fix presented Dr. Franklin Mason Fellowship.



Lion Joe McNeil got an encore presentation for his selection to the South Carolina Lions Hall of Fame.



Lion Ed Jernigan was selected as the Club's Lion of the Year for spearheading our wheelchair ramp building projects.

MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB



'Lion of the Year' recipient Lion Tina Lewandowski.





Orangeburg 100th Anniversary attended by Council Chairperson Henry Harrison and his wife, Lion Cynthia Harrison.

Club 'welcomed home' a soldier arriving at the Myrtle Beach International Airport along with the Blue Star Mothers and other groups.



A happy reunion for mom and son!

Club members with the banner.

Large gathering to 'welcome home' this soldier.







This young man went to every person there and thanked them.

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB



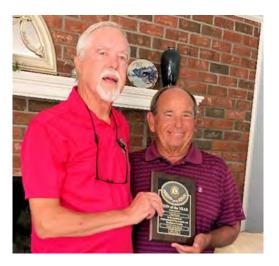
Club answered the call for children in need by collecting a variety of school supplies. They will be given to the Sea Haven for Youth program in Little River. Pictured Left to right: Lions Sandy Boggs, Jim McNutt, Palma Harbin, Jeanette Lyons, Suzanne Werner, President Nils Regnell, Jack Bambach, Sally Felker, Kathleen Renzi, Jane Panarella, and John Racz.



Lion President Nils Regnell presenting Melvin Jones Fellowship Award to Lion Jeanette Lyon.



Lion President Nils presenting Dr. Franklin Mason Award to Lion Mike Walters.



Tom Haynes accepting NMB Lion of the Year award for his wife, Lion Vicki, who was unavailable.



Lion Sandy Boggs accepting Certificate of Appreciation for her service.

ORANGEBURG LIONS CLUB

"The Ride to Remember"

For the past several years, approximately 350 bicyclists ride bicycles from Fountain Inn to Charleston to raise monies for Alzheimer's research. This project is called "The Ride to Remember." On Friday they ride from Simpsonville to Newberry, on Saturday from Newberry to Orangeburg, and on Sunday from Orangeburg to Charleston. They normally have another 150 support staff and family. On Saturday evening, the Orangeburg Lions Club, along with the Orangeburg Rotary Club, provide the group with a dinner of BBQ chicken, perlo rice, vegetables, and desert at the First Baptist Family Life Center.



Lions Sandra, Patsy, Lee, Gina, Katrina, & Nilsa making the desert.



Lions Richard, Shawn, Jamie, & Dwight cooking the BBQ chicken.



The riders and others in the serving line.



The riders and others enjoying dinner.

SUMMERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB



Lions Karen, Bob, Sandy G. and George getting into the Spirit of "Christmas in July" at the Market.

NEW MEMBERS INDUCTION



Lions Tawnya, George and John.



PCC George is Lion Linda's Sponsor



PCC George is Lion Tawnya's Sponsor



Linda,

Lions Marvin, Tawnya, Linda and George after the Induction.

FROM THE DESK OF DG RANDY CULBERTSON—DISTRICT 32 S

Your District Governor Team is doing what you expect a team to do. We are busy. We are working together. We are forming new relationships and renewing old relationships. We are building on the foundation that was given to us and we are getting positive results. We have begun our District Governor Team club visits, and I appreciate the warm welcome that we have received at every visit. We are encouraged by the enthusiasm we are seeing.

We are also encouraged by the level of support and participation at our events. Our Training session for new officers facilitated by our GLT Dr. Shirley Ballard was well attended and I believe the participants found the sessions relevant and beneficial. In Greenwood, we had a good time and a good turnout at our first district cabinet meeting of the year.

We have received a grant from LCIF to be used to help clubs purchase vision screening devices. Three clubs supplied matching funds along with monies from the grant to update their screening capability. The three clubs receiving a portion of the grant are: Spartanburg Southside, Berea and Salem.

Please continue to use TOGETHER! - our district theme - as a positive conversation starter. How would you use the word 'together' in a phrase or in a sentence?



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Mark your calendars!

Zoom Training for Zone Chairs August 18 & 25

GAT Summit (Zoom) Saturday August 20, 2022

District Cabinet Meeting Saturday November 5, 2022 Anderson, SC



We Serve!

District 32-S Club News

DUE WEST LIONS CLUB



District Governor Randy Culbertson presenting the Lions Club Excellence Award to Due West club President Mark Fulghum at the club's July picnic meeting. Photo by Zone Chair Gloria Eaves.

EASLEY LIONS CLUB



The Easley Lions Club 30^{th} annual Firecracker Frolic 5k was held July 4^{th} , 2022 and the Easley Lions Club proudly presented it for the 10^{th} year "running" counting the Covid year cancellation.

There were 199 on the road to start the event. This is the largest crowd since the Easley Lions Club took the race on as a fund-raising event in 2012. All funds raised after expenses of the race go to the Lions Club Sight Conservation programs in the Easley Community.

The top three men finishers were Ronan O'niel, Brett Morley, and Reden Reeder. Ronan O'Niel blistered the certified 3.1 mile course in 16:00 minutes. The women were led by Acie Vincent, Emma Bright, and Callie Mills. Note that times for all participants can be found

at itsabouttime.run. After awards there was a drawing for unusual prizes, which is a tradition with this event, such as a tub of Double Bubble Gum, a large jar of Starburst etc. and lots of Moon Pies and RC Cola...We will be back next year so come on out to join the fun.







GREER CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB

The Greer Centennial Lions were excited to hear from Dr. Mas Kono with the MUSC Health Storm Eye Institute. Dr. Kono spoke to the group about the strides being taken to prevent blindness due to glaucoma and how the Research Center acts as a statewide hub to keep all ages healthy.

Some Greer Centennial Lions took part in the Greer Chamber's appreciation lunch for Public Safety Leaders. This annual event is a way to thank Police, Fire, EMS and Lake Wardens for their willingness to keep Greer safe.











UNION LIONS CLUB

The Union Lions Club was honored to have Leo Elijah Gregory and his Grandmother Mamie Gore attend our meeting. Leo Elijah was valedictorian at the SCSDB this year and will be attending USC -U this fall. Pictured are Lions Barbara Holley, PDG George Goings, Frances Adams, Sue Keith, Leo Elijah Gregory, his Grandmother Mamie Gore, Judy Caston, Dean Allen and Julie Allen. Seated Lion Barbara Rippy.



RIVER HILLS/LAKE WYLIE LIONS CLUB

One of the most fun events sponsored by the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions is the Children's Outing, an annual boating, fishing and swimming event for underserved children held by America's Boating Clubs of the Charlotte and Catawba US Power Squadrons. Held this year on May 21, the outing served 300 children from the Charlotte area and York, Chester and Lancaster counties in South Carolina. Starting at the Fez Club on Lake Wylie, the event included fishing, swimming, games, a bounce house, face painting, a barbecue and of course boat rides on the lake.

Starting almost 60 years ago, the event has never been rained out! It has continued each year to grow in size, with only a minor setback in 2020 and 2021 when it was cancelled due to COVID. This year the Children's Outing included fourteen boats and over 100 volunteer participants from several organizations, including our Lions Club. Our own president Ray Williams is executive officer of the ABC Club of Catawba's Power Squadron.

This year the Charlotte and Catawba America's Boating Clubs partnered with Steele Creek Fire Department for EMT support, the Charlotte Fire Boat Station #37 who put on a show for the kids with their water cannons, the North Carolina Wildlife Commission who loaned 20 fishing poles, the Sportsman Club who taught the kids to fish and Marine Max who provided gas for the boats.

A second Children's Outing will be held on September 24 at Camp Thunderbird, the premier summer camp in the area. Another 300 underserved children and their families from 16 local welfare agencies and the Clover School District will be able to enjoy the day.

We at the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club are proud to be one of the platinum sponsors of this event. It offers educational and hands-on fun for the children, but also a wonderful opportunity for our members to interact and give back.











SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB



Spartanburg Lions Club member, Lion Jan Benjamin, received the Membership Key award from Club President Jason Seay for "opening the door of Lionism to at least two individuals and demonstrating active commitment to the growth and strength of the association". Lion Jan has added numerous new members to the Spartanburg Lions Club over the last several years and is a great mentor to her new members. Thank you Lion Jan!!!!



Immediate Past President of the Spartanburg Lions Club, Lion Mike White, receives his plaque of appreciation from Club President Jason Seay. Lion Mike displayed remarkable leadership for the Spartanburg Lions by participating in every service project and club activity last year. He was a true inspration! Thank you Lion Mike!!!



Once again members of the Spartanburg Lions Club gathered to pack 50 school bags with school supplies to donate to PS I Love You, a faith-based non-profit that supports families who foster children. This wonderful organization was founded over 10 years ago by Kay Kirby whose family had fostered (and then adopted) two children. She realized that there were no resources in Spartanburg County to assist families with the additional expense to provide for foster children - so she founded this non-profit to help other families. They provide clothing, shoes, school supplies, diapers, underclothes, toys, etc. for these foster children and families. Spartanburg Lions are so proud to be a small part of assisting this incredible non-profit. Please go to their web-

site, www.psiloveyouministries.com, if you'd like to help them

Ready to play some golf??!!

The Spartanburg Lions Club will be hosting their **Annual Golf Tournament** at beautiful Links 'o Tryon golf course on *Friday, September 30th*.

You can click on the link to get more information in the brochure regarding registering and cost.

We hope you'll join us for a very fun day!!

All monies raised will go to the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind.

Link to golf tournament

TAYLORS LIONS CLUB



The Taylors Lions Club recently attended a Greenville Drive Minor League game to spread the word about Lions and have a little fun! The club was seated high atop the Big Green Monster Scoreboard in left field. Unfortunately, the Drive lost and the highlight of the night was watching Lion Jerry Hatley try to get through security! We did see an awesome fireworks display after the game.







TEGA CAY LIONS CLUB



At our July 23rd meeting, the Tega Cay Lions were pleased to honor these young people for their volunteerism with our club during our July 4th fish fry. Thank you to: Charlie Duda; Josie Duda; Josh Fuqua; Elizabeth Patete; Jacob Patete; and Lauren Pincus.

<u>WINNSBORO LIONS CLUB</u>



L to R, Lion James ("Jimmie") Stephenson, III, PCC Paul Dove, and Winnsboro Lions President Bobbie Dove.

The Winnsboro Lions Club added a new Melvin Jones Fellow at its July meeting by presenting the Melvin Jones Fellowship plaque and lapel pin to Lion James ("Jimmie") Stephenson, III. Lion Jimmie joined the Winnsboro Lions Club in February, 1968, making him a fifty-four year Lion. During his tenure he has served in a variety of roles, including club offices, pancake supper fundraiser pancake chef, and broom inventory warehouse manager. For many years, he and his family hosted the annual June club outing at their Lake Wateree second home. He was named to the South Carolina Lions Hall of Fame in 2022, and he received a Lions International Presidential Citation several years ago.

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