



# The Lions Pride

District 24-E

November 2010



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Leftwich  
2010 – 2011**

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Fellow Lions,

Fall is in the air! It is my favorite time of the year. I love the warm days and the cool nights. Everywhere you look you see beautiful shades of red, orange and gold. We are very blessed to live in a land where we have so much. October is the month for hunger awareness. We as Lions can step up and do so much for our fellowmen in the fight against hunger. I strongly urge each and every one of you to find ways as Lions in your clubs to answer the call of so many. Many of our Food Banks and Organizations are finding it very hard to keep up with the demand for food. If your club is looking for ways to work with hunger projects go to the LCI website and look for Lions Children First and you will find ways to help feed the hungry and make a difference in the life of a fellowman. Also check in your communities and find the organizations that need your help as Lions.

Our Fall Conference was a huge success. I believe that every Lion that attended had a great time. I think that it was one of the best that I have attended in a long time. We had as our guest International Director, Dan O'Reilly and his wife, Lion, Maryanne for the weekend. Some of the highlights of the Conference were the auction on Friday night, wonderful lunch on Saturday and great dinner on Saturday night with music presentation from the Salem High School. I am so appreciative of your support at the Fall Conference. A special thanks to Lion Tammie Brightwell and PDG Jo Nelson for pulling it all together. Thanks also to my good lion friends, Lion Betty Johnson and Lion Margaret Anderson for all their time and help. I had the best team in the world. It was truly wonderful.

In my travels around our District 24E I have heard so many things that your clubs are doing. The service projects and fundraisers are endless. Our Lions are really making a difference in their communities. It is very exciting to see you so hard at work. No matter how small or large a club is there is great work going on. Please let me know if there is anything that I can help you with. I believe that we have to work together to make our district strong and devoted to service.

I look forward to seeing each of you in the near future as I come to visit your clubs. I encourage each Lion in District 24E to go out into your community and make a difference, Shine your Light and be a "Beacon of Hope" You can do it! Keep up the good work.

Lion Bernice Leftwich, District Governor

## Fall Conference



**Second VDG Lion JJ Johnson, Lion Gloria Guice**



**Lions Del and Pat Bailey**



**International Director Daniel O'Reilly and  
Lion Maryanne O'Reilly**



**Lion Editor Noel Cosby receives International  
President's Letter of Commendation**



**Lions Betty  
Johnson and Rob  
Senoski receive  
International  
President's Letter  
of Commendation**





## Fall Conference



**“HOGs” at tea**



**Lion Anne and PDG Lion Bates Killinger**



**PID Lion Richard Chaffin, Lion Marge Davis and  
PID Lion Wayne Davis**



**PCC Lion Shirley and PID Lion Roy  
Wilson**



**Conference Chair Lion Tammie Brightwell  
with DG Lion Bernice Leftwich**



**First Vice-DG Lion Dallas Scott**

## **Second VDG's Corner**

Hello Fellow Lions,

Hope all is well with you and your club.

We had a great Fall Conference. All of the functions, seminars, and meals were well attended. International Director Daniel O'Reilly and his wife Maryanne from Stickney, Illinois were our special guests. A good time was had by all who attended.

Membership continues to be one of the main concerns throughout District 24-E with no clear cut solution(s) in sight. However your District Leadership Team is ready to assist your club with any membership concerns. Please contact District Membership-Chair PDG Jo Nelson, DG Bernice Leftwich, First VDG Dallas Scott, and Second VDG JJ Johnson for help. We will assist your club in developing a sound and effective membership program.

The Bland Music program is up and running. By the time you read this newsletter I will have contacted all of the clubs concerning their Bland contest participation. I encourage all clubs to sponsor or co-sponsor a club level Bland Music contest.

Please log on to our District web-site. From there you can click on to the link to the Bland Foundation's web-site. All of the information that is needed to start a club level Bland contest is located on the web-site. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Listed below are the dates for the upcoming Bland Music events.

Region II Bland Contest: Sunday, March 20, 2011/Cave Spring United Methodist Church. Start time 2:00 PM

District Bland Contest: Sunday, May 1, 2011/Cave Spring United Methodist Church  
Start time 2:00 PM

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

Yours in Lionism  
Lion JJ Johnson  
Second VDG





## Lions Clubs International

### International Convention

I am delighted to invite you and your families to the Lions Clubs 94th International Convention – from July 4-8, 2011 – being held for the first time in the dynamic city of Seattle, Washington, USA.

July is a wonderful time to be in Seattle. The cosmopolitan "Emerald City," surrounded by mountains and water, is the quintessential destination where visitors can enjoy abundant sightseeing attractions, cultural activities, shopping and international cuisine in the heart of a scenic and vibrant city. Seattle's "Essential Hits," which include the Space Needle, Puget Sound, and Pike Place Market, are among the many favorites not to be missed.



Our convention week will be packed with lively business sessions, special events, and get-togethers that are sure to energize and entertain attendees of all ages. The rousing International Parade of Nations, a gala international show, and the installation of LCI's 2011-2012 International President are but a few.

In our ever-changing world, Lions from all walks of life represent a Beacon of Hope in their commitment to touch the lives of those in need. And that is what we are all about. Why not sign up today and join us in Seattle as we gather together to celebrate yesterday's achievements and plan for an even better tomorrow.

It's Great To Be A Lion!

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Wroblewski  
Past International President  
Chairperson, Convention Committee

[Register Now](#)

Fellow Lions, I encourage you to start thinking about attending our 94th International Convention in Seattle, Washington. You can now go on line and register. If you Lions that have never attended an International Convention, now is the time to go to Seattle and mingle with Lions from all over the world. International President Sid L. Scruggs III from North Carolina would love to see you Virginia Lions. If anyone has any question about the Convention, please feel free to contact the District Chairman.

**International Convention**  
District Chairman  
J. D. Arnold, PDG

Questions? E-mail us at: [convention@lionsclubs.org](mailto:convention@lionsclubs.org)



**94th Annual Lions Clubs International Convention  
July 4 – 8, 2011 • Seattle, Washington, USA  
Convention Registration and Hotel Reservation Form**

**Deadlines**

- **May 1, 2011:** Deadline for advance registration and hotel reservation. Registrations after this date will be processed in Seattle.
- **May 1, 2011:** Deadline to receive a refund for a registration cancellation. • **May 27, 2011:** Deadline to receive a refund for a hotel room cancellation.

**REGISTRANT INFORMATION** Please type or print name as it appears on passport/photo ID.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Badge/Call Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_  
 Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Lion: Club No.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Membership No.** \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Leo ☐ Lioness

SPOUSE/COMPANION: First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Badge/Call Name \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Lion: Club No.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Membership No.** \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Lioness ☐ Guest

CHILD: First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
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**PACKAGE A:** Includes convention registration for each registrant listed above plus one (1) hotel room serviced by shuttle buses during convention.

☐ Before December 31: Reservation in delegation hotel  
☐ After December 31: ☐ I prefer my delegation hotel  
☐ Prefer hotel based on: ☐ room rate of \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ location near convention center

Arrival date \_\_\_\_\_ Departure date \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Guests in Room: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Beds Needed ☐ 1 ☐ 2

Special Requirements: ☐ Non-smoking ☐ Wheelchair Accessible ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

• The Hotel deposit is US\$200 for a standard room and US\$350 for a suite. The hotel deposit is not the rate but reserves the room. Your deposit will be credited to your hotel bill at checkout.

**PACKAGE B:** ☐ NO ROOM REQUIRED (Registration only for each person listed above.)

**OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS** I/we plan to attend the following event(s): (Must be registered to attend)

EVENT	DATE/TIME	FEE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT DUE
Membership Key Award Ice Cream Social (Key holders only)	July 5/ 14:00-16:00	US \$20	_____	\$ _____
Melvin Jones Fellow Luncheon	July 6/ 13:00-15:00	US \$60	_____	\$ _____
District Governor/Past District Governor Banquet	July 7/18:30- 21:30	US \$100	_____	\$ _____

Meal Preference: ☐ None ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Indian Vegetarian ☐ Diabetic ☐ Gluten Free

**PAYMENT:** Full payment is required with this form. • US currency only. Checks and money orders must be drawn on US banks.  
 • Only Visa and MasterCard accepted. • Contact LCI for wire transfer instructions.

**REGISTRATION FEES**

		<u>Adult</u>	<u>Child (17 and under)</u>
Early	(before 31/Dec/2010)	US\$100	US\$10
Regular	(1/January through 31/March/2011)	US\$130	US\$10
Late	(1/April/2011 – onsite)	US\$150	US\$10

**Package A:**

Registrations: US\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ticketed Events: US\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hotel Deposit: US\$ 200.00

OR

**Package B:**

Registrations: US\$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ticketed Events: US\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Due:** US\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Due:** US\$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check ☐ Bank transfer/deposit (copy must be attached to this form) ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

Your name as it appears on the card \_\_\_\_\_ Credit card **must** be in the name of the registrant.

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Security code (3 digits) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail form and payment to:** Lions Clubs International Attn: Convention Division • 300 West 22nd Street • Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA

**Credit Card and Bank Transfer Payments can be faxed to:** (1-630) 571-1689 (If you fax, please do not mail original)

**Questions?** email us: [registration@lionsclubs.org](mailto:registration@lionsclubs.org)

• Allow 4 weeks for processing and mail delivery of your confirmation.

**Please note:** Lions Clubs International will be documenting the international convention for promotional purposes. Your participation may be filmed or photographed at this event. Your registration is your consent for use of these images by Lions Clubs International.

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*After the Seattle Convention...Join your fellow Lions for a Weeklong Cruise to*  
**Alaska**

Sailing roundtrip from Seattle - 7 days and nights aboard the Golden Princess  
**July 9, 2011 – July 16, 2011**



**Itinerary:**

**Date Port Duration**

7/9 Seattle, WA 4 PM Departure  
 7/10 At Sea  
 7/11 Juneau Arr. @t noon; Depart @ 10 PM  
 7/12 Skagway Arr. 6 AM; Depart 8:15 PM  
 7/13 Glacier Bay National Park, Scenic Cruising  
 Arr. 6 AM; Depart 3 PM  
 7/14 Ketchikan Half Arr. 7 AM; Depart 12:30 PM  
 7/15 Victoria, B.C. Arr. 7 PM; Depart 11:50 PM  
 7/16 Seattle, WA Arr. 7 AM - Disembark Morning

**Accommodations:**

**Category/Type of Cabin Group Rates**

J/Inside \$1099.00  
 JJ/Inside \$1149.00  
 F/Obstructed Ocean View \$1399.00  
 EE/ Un-Obstructed Ocean View \$1749.00  
 BD/Balcony \$1999.00  
 BC/Balcony \$1999.00

**All rates are per person, based on double occupancy, cruise only and are subject to availability at the time of booking.**

**\*You will receive a \$50 (per cabin) shipboard credit\***

**\*\*EXTRA BONUS\*\***

**Cruise and Action Travel Agents will reimburse 10% of their commission, for each cabin booked, directly to the traveler's Lions Club.**

**Additional Costs:** Taxes and Fees of \$109.19 per person and are subject to change. Transfers between hotel/pier/airport/etc. are the traveler's responsibility.

**\*\*Please call us for quotes on Single Occupancy and 3rd and/or 4th person rates.**

***Inside Passage - 7 Days Roundtrip Seattle - Explore the majestic beauty of Alaska, "The Great Land," with your fellow Lions!***

*Sail the gorgeous waterways of the Inside Passage, home to whales, seals and more. You'll visit Skagway, Juneau, Ketchikan and Victoria, B.C. plus glacier-viewing in Glacier Bay National Park or Tracy Arm Fjord, depending on your itinerary. Enjoy 7 days and nights filled with spectacular views, exciting shore adventures, great food & service, dazzling entertainment and fun shipboard activities. What a great way to unwind after the Convention in Seattle (July 4-8, 2011). The beautiful Golden Princess will be your "floating resort" for this amazing travel adventure. Luxury and comfort abound on this world-class Princess Cruise Lines vessel.*



**Book Now! Don't miss the boat!**

**DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT:** 20% of the cruise fare is due at the time of booking. Final payment is due on or before April 25, 2011. Payment may be made by credit card or check. Make checks payable to Cruise Brothers and mail to TF Reyes, 5301 Jessup Lane, Woodbridge, VA 22193-3153. Final Payment is due on or before April 25, 2011.

**CANCELLATION PENALTIES:**

Prior to 75 days No Penalty  
75-57 days Amount of Deposit  
56-29 days 50% of Gross Fare  
28-15 days 75% of Gross Fare  
14 days or less 100% of Gross Fare

**TRIP INSURANCE:** Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance is available and recommended. *Call us for insurance quotes.*

**PRE-REGISTRATION FOR YOUR CRUISE:** After you have made final payment, you are required to complete the On-line Guest Check-in at [www.princess.com](http://www.princess.com). You will need your booking number, passport info, emergency contact info and credit card info. After this is completed, at approximately 6 weeks prior to sailing, you will be able to download and print your boarding pass and your luggage tags.

**PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS:** Although US and Canadian passport holders are not currently required to sail with a passport on most domestic itineraries (including Alaska, Bermuda, Canada, Caribbean, Hawaii, and Mexico and Panama Canal), Princess highly recommends they are carried. Proper documentation must be presented upon check-in at the pier or you may be denied boarding and cancellation penalties will apply.

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** Please let us know about any dietary needs or medical conditions you may have. Also, will you be celebrating any special occasions on board?

***This is a Private Event and may only be booked through:***

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**35th Annual  
USA/Canada Lions  
Leadership Forum**  
September 22-24, 2011  
Anchorage, Alaska



We encourage Lions to attend the 35th Annual USA/CANDA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM to be held in Anchorage, Alaska on September 22-24, 2011.

Lions Club & Suzi Davis Travel has Amazing Alaskan Tours for 2011, you can go on the web site of the Leadership Forum and obtain the literature on these tours.

Let me remind each one of you, they have an Early Bird Registration & Housing Reservations Form available on line. Hotel Rates: Highest \$135.00 and Lowest \$59.00.

Registration Fee: \$260.00 per person. Hotel Deposit: \$125.00 per room.

Lions if you have any questions about the Forum , please contact the District Chair.

**USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM**

District Chairman

J. D. Arnold, PDG

## Virginia Lions Hearing Foundation

Hello Dear Fellow Lions,

Many years ago a young woman told us how a touch of her hand by another “soul” changed the darkness of her mind. This touch changed her whole world. This touch gave her the world. She said, “ she found herself, the world, and God.” After this she was able to made a difference in the world to others, thru her touch. She reached out in 1925 at the Lions International Convention when she posed a challenge to us Lions, then and now to reach out and help the blind and the **deaf**.

If some one who could not see nor hear make a difference that is still going on in our world today. Surely, we who are blessed with sight, hearing or both can do our best not to let those around us down. As your president of VLHF and Research Center, I’m requesting that you help this year like you never have before with your generous contributions. You are giving **the world** to those who need it most . In turn the money going from your hand, to help open their world to sound, will help them to make a difference for years to come just like, (you guessed it) Helen Keller.

Yours in Service,

*Jessie*

Lion Jessie Garrett, PDG

President, VLHF

**Grundy RAM 2010**

Mother and daughter with new glasses at Grundy 2010

The Remote Area Medical (RAM) event at Grundy, Virginia, took place on October 2 and 3. The event was held at Riverview Elementary School.

A total of 809 patients were registered; 3.8% of them were children. There were 650 volunteers including medical personnel. Services offered at Grundy this year included dental, vision screening, general medicine, and pharmacy. In the dental area, which always sees a high volume of patients, 1,409 teeth were pulled and 628 teeth were filled. 571 patients received general medical care. The total value of care that was provided free at the Grundy RAM this year was \$808,400.

There were numerous Lions Clubs members volunteering at Grundy in October, predominantly from Districts 24-E and F. Most of the Lions worked in the vision area, named this year in memory of Lion Paul McKee, longtime Sight Conservation Chair in District 24-F who worked tirelessly for so many years providing vision assistance to residents in southwest Virginia. This year, the Lions provided vision screening for 439 patients. Of that number, 385 patients required glasses, some for the first time. 20 children received glasses, most of them for the first time.

**2011 SCHEDULE FOR RAM AND MOM EVENTS**

The 2011 dates now have been set for the Roanoke-MOM and the Wise and Grundy RAM events. More information will be provided in 2011 nearer to each event.

Roanoke Mission of Mercy (MOM) – free dental clinic  
April 1-2, 2011                      Roanoke Civic Center

Wise-RAM – free dental, medical and vision care  
July 22-24, 2011                      Wise County Fairgrounds

Grundy-RAM – free dental, medical and vision care  
October 1-2, 2011                      Riverview Elementary School

Submitted by Lion Linda E. All  
District 24-E LAMP Chair



## BEDFORD HOST LIONS

It is hard to believe another quarter has passed! Boy how time flies...The Bedford Host club has held two fund raisers already this year, and have more planned over the upcoming quarter.

We started out the fund raising with our annual Cow/Pony Patty Bingo. Our winner this year resides in Roanoke. Over the years he has purchased bingo tickets, pancake breakfast tickets and spaghetti dinner tickets. We were all very happy when the horse made a deposit in his plot of land. Lions Dean Travis and Jeff Persinger presented the check to this lucky winner. We thank him for his support!!!!

Our second fund raiser was the fall pancake breakfast. Again this year, we had 'em lined up to get a taste of Lion Dennis Gibbs' fluffy pancakes. The folks really seemed to enjoy the variety we had to choose from, and many came back for seconds. Keep up the good work Lion Dennis!

Coming up for the club, we have the Ladies Craft show the first weekend in November. Our club sells Corn Chowder and White Chicken Chili at this event. These items can be purchased for consumption at the event or taken home by the quart. And what would fall be without the Bedford Host Lions Christmas tree sales. We will be setting up on the farmers market in Bedford the Friday after Thanksgiving. Please come and check out our great selection of fresh cut trees. But you better come early, last year we sold out in two week!

As for our community service projects, Lions Susan and Jim McSlarrow helped the school nurses by performing hundreds of vision screening tests. They worked in Bedford Elementary, Bedford Middle and Liberty High School and had a wonderful time with the kids. We provided funding to the foster care program in Bedford County. The funds have been earmarked for Christmas clothes for the kids in foster care. November 22<sup>nd</sup> we will be sponsoring an American Red Cross blood drive. Hopefully, we can raise a record number of pints for the Red Cross as the area is always in need.

On behalf of the Bedford Host Lions Club, I would like to wish all the Lions of District 24E Happy Holidays!

Submitted by Lion Jennifer Persinger



President Jeff Hogan tries to coax the horse into making a deposit



Lion Dean Travis has an alternate solution if the horse doesn't produce soon

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**RICH CREEK – GILES BREAKFAST BRANCH CLUB****PLANS CLUB SPONSOR NIGHT**

Rich Creek-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club plans to hold its first Club Sponsor Night on Saturday, November 13 at Pembroke United Methodist Church. The club is planning a Dessert Reception to be followed by short talks about the rewards of being a part of Lions Clubs. This will be followed by a question and answer period using a panel of Lions from all levels within District 24E.

Members of the panel will include Lions District 24E Governor Lion Bernice Leftwich, Lion Bill Hadden and his Guide Dog, RC-GBBLC Assistant Coordinator Lion Al Katz and RC-GBBLC member Stephan Haight.

Exhibits and information available to prospective members will include: Sight Conservation, Eye glasses recycling, Leader Dog, Diabetes Awareness, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), cell phone recycling, and RC-GBBLC's food drive efforts as well as other plans for the club.

The Rich Creek-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7 a.m. at Pembroke United Methodist Church.

Submitted by Lion Betty Herbert

**Dublin Lions Club**

Dublin continues with it's food drive, collecting canned goods and non-perishables for Pulaski's Daily Bread. This organization served over 3,900 meals to those in need in Pulaski county in 2009. We have also made this a line item in our budget for a yearly contribution. Several members are also volunteering to prepare and serve meals.

Our next bloodmobile will be held at Dublin's clubhouse on November 29th. Our last bloodmobile collected 65 pints.

Our annual Christmas Craft Show will be held November 6, 2010 at the New River Valley Fairgrounds, from 9am - 5pm.

Submitted by Lion Burl Bowman

The Dublin Lions Club turned out in their red vests for DG Lion Bernice's official visit.





## Salem Host Club,

In commemoration of its 75th Anniversary, the Salem Host Lions Club held a banquet on October 17, 2010 at Hidden Valley Country Club. Included among 61 who attended were Salem City Officials, Salem Host Lions members, and spouses. Lion President Jenny Poland's presentation on "Why it's great to be a Salem Host Lion" included a brief history of the club since October 11, 1935, organizations and groups receiving donations, and total amount given to the community in 2010.

A limited number of 75th Anniversary Pins 1 1/8" high X 1 1/2" wide (see copy of pin) are offered for sale at \$2.50 per pin (\$3.15 mailed). Email [jennypoland@hotmail.com](mailto:jennypoland@hotmail.com) if interested.

As a proud sponsor of the Sandlot Super Bowl on November 6, 2010, the Salem Host Lions Club will hang a 75th Anniversary commemorative banner listing both events across Main Street, Salem.

Submitted by Jim Arnold, Assistant Secretary



**TROUTVILLE LIONS CLUB****COMPLETES ANNUAL APPLE BUTTER PRODUCTION**

The Troutville Lions Club completed three days of production of their gourmet apple butter on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Each day began at 5 a.m. in the morning and ended at 5 p.m. in the afternoon. The work took place at Billings farm on Coaling Road. This year the club used electric stirrers for the second year. The stirrers save on manpower and provide even stirring for the entire production cycle. This year's production was 710 quarts bottled in both pint and quart jars. Both sizes are ideal for those wanting to give the apple butter as gifts. Troutville Lions President Helen Tippie said "Club members enjoy making the apple butter. It is a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and to be outside with nature. We had good weather this year which added to the experience". Revenue from apple butter sales is used for site, hearing, and local community projects". The Troutville Lions Club was chartered in 1942 and has been making apple butter for over 30 years.

Submitted by Lion Stan Diez



Apple butter is moved from copper kettle to filler to jar for final bottling



Daniel Humbert, Henry Amos, and Phil Argabright with electric stirrer and copper kettle



## Moneta Lions Club



Moneta Lion, Delmer Bailey, right, recently received a Grant Check from Sam's Club, Roanoke and Margaret Brown, Community Relations for the Moneta Lions 2010 Golf Outing Fund Raiser. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Ms. Brown. The Grant will be used for the purchase of eye exams and eyeglasses for the needy in S.W. Bedford County.

The 20th Annual Antique and Classic Boat Festival/Show was held at Mariners Landing Resort and Conference Center, Huddleston, Va, on Saturday September 18th. Many Antique Boats were on display both in water, and on shore for the general public to view and judge.

Numerous vendors were also on hand offering fine food, and crafts. Also present were members of the Moneta Lions Club, who had two tents set up, one as a shaded rest area with camping chairs and "FREE" bottled water for the weary guests. The second was used for issuing Lions Literature concerning the Leader Dog Program, and Sight Preservation to name a few. The Moneta Lions, who worked in shifts throughout the day were also busy selling Lions Brooms made by Industries for the Blind, in Greensboro NC, reusable canvas grocery bags, and Lions of Virginia (LOV) raffle tickets. Miss Victoria Jordan, 2010 Miss Smith Mountain Lake, pictured left, was also present and took time to talk with Lions Rob Senoski, Tim Haer, and Gloria Guice.



Members of the Moneta Lions Club recently planted a Ginkgo Tree at the new Bedford County Park in Moneta located on Rucker Road just off of Route 122. The tree was planted near the newly constructed Lion Jim Agnew Picnic Pavilion as a symbol of the Lions steadfast growth and strength within the community and around the world. The Ginkgo Tree can live as long as 3,000 years, and has a medium growth rate, which is approximately 13-24 inches per year until it reaches it's full height of about 50 feet, with a spread of 25 to 35 feet. Pictured, L-R, are club members Lions Rob Senoski, Chuck Dideon, Joan Brackin, Lynne Philbin, Pat Bailey, Jim Smith, Tim Haer, Gloria Guice, Del Bailey, Jerry Over, and George Just.



The Moneta Lions Club held their annual "Fall Treasures Sale" on Saturday September 11<sup>th</sup> at the former Craghead's Antique Store Located on Route 122 in Moneta. Shortly after 9 AM, Lion President Jerry Over (left foreground) asked all in attendance to assemble as a group to recite the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silent prayer, in remembrance of that tragic day nine years ago. The Moneta Lions wish to thank all who donated time, services and merchandise to the cause, and especially to all the loyal customers who purchased the many pre-owned "Treasures". All funds raised will eventually be returned to the community, mainly in the form of eye exams, and eye glasses.



Several members of the Moneta Lions club were sporting their best work clothes Thursday morning September 9<sup>th</sup> when they assembled at the Village Square Shopping Center for a morning of "Community Service", collecting litter along route 655 from State Route 122 to Route 654. Pictured, l-r, are Lions Rob Senoski, Lynne Philbin, Joan Brackin, Jim Hunt, George Just, Tim Haer, Gloria Guice, Jerry Over, and Farris Maddox

The Moneta Lions Club Board of Directors recently voted to donate to the District 24-E Special Needs Program. Lion President, Jerry Over presented a check to Lion Frances Scott at the October 20 Zone Meeting. Lion Frances is the wife of 1st Vice District Governor, Lion Dallas Scott (Forest Club), Special Needs Chair.





## **Bedford Breakfast Club**

The Bedford Breakfast Lions Club is having a great year so far this year. We started our funding raising with our annual Bar-B-Que which was a big success! We made more this year than we have in the past several years and had many compliments on the change of caters to the Liberty Station.

With the proceeds from this year's BBQ we plan on supporting the District 24E projects plus following local charities are already budgeted for this year.

Liberty HS After Prom	2 - \$1,000.00 Scholarships
Society of St. Andrews	Hunters for the Hungry
Astride with Pride	Camp Too Sweet
Bedford Ride	Bedford Domestic Violence Shelter

Partnering with the Host Club we are continuing our ongoing project to provide eye exams and glasses to those in need for our area. Some of our special projects for this year include The Bedford County Group Home and giving quarterly gift baskets to local nursing homes.

The Bedford County Group Home is a special project we have undertaken this year to help them with several projects they need to improve the homes for the kids. Several members are looking into what training they need to be able to help at the home with extra activities to help mentor the kids.

Another special project started this year is our quarterly gift baskets to the local Rest Homes, to help those forgotten seniors with little personal items like socks, tissues, toiletries and other small items that may brighten up their day a little.

Finally, we are talking with a local organization about starting an annual event at the field that will also benefit some of the other local charities not mentioned earlier.

All in all the Bedford Breakfast Lions Club is looking forward to having a great 2010/2011 year!

Submitted by Lion Cindy Watson

## **Region I, Zone I Meeting**



The Lions of Virginia, District 24-E, Region I, Zone I, held their semi annual meeting, directed by Chairperson Lion Fred von Bechmann, on Wednesday October 20th at the Liberty Station, located in Bedford. Representatives from all five Lions Clubs within the Zone were present to discuss their recent events and future projects. In conclusion, the guest speaker of the evening, District 24-E Governor Lion Bernice Leftwich addressed the group, listing the accomplishments and goals of the District. Lion Bernice also offered her continued support to all clubs in the District, as well as their individual members.

## Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club



The Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club hosted the annual boat cruise for individuals afflicted with Multiple Sclerosis and their families on September 11. The cruise was one of the many functions conducted during a three day Respite Camp held at the 4-H Center by the Blue Ridge Chapter of the MS Society. Each year, members of the SML Lions Club volunteer their boats and time to carry the camp-goers on a trip around the lake. This year, there were over 150 passengers, a record number. Seventeen boats participated and picked up their passengers at Bridgewater Plaza and the 4-H Center. This year members from the community, other than Lions Club

members, responded to a request for boats because of the record number of passengers. Coordinator Bill Telford commented that it was a true community effort which was the highlight of the weekend for a very appreciative group of citizens with severe disabilities and their families. Pictured is the boat with Lion Bill Gruchow at the helm. Other SML Lions providing boats were Ralph Long, Tom Sanders, John Carlson, Tom Scott, George Huggins, Ron Holasek, Len Bryant, Jim Dinwiddie, Don Jakob, Tom Smith, and Jim Miller. Non-Lions who participated are R. Manton, Keith Brown, Bob Phipps, Clay & Lynne Johnston, and Larry Rehak."

Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club members continue efforts to keep our roadsides free of unwanted trash. Pictured from left to right are Lions Bob Carter, Don Abell, and George Sterling after cleaning trash from Scruggs Road. SML Lions are responsible for cleaning major sections of Scruggs Road and Burnt Chimney Road.



Members of the Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club were briefed about two important Lions-sponsored programs at the October 14 meeting. District 24E 1st Vice District Governor and State Special Needs Chair Dallas Scott (center) explained the benefits and services provided through the District 24E Special Needs program. The program's purpose is to provide special computers and other special equipment so visually, hearing and mobility impaired individuals can achieve their maximum potential. Scott indicated the program has recently



provided, with assistance from local Lions Clubs and Lions of Virginia Foundation, a digital cochlear implant for a Franklin County boy (also supported by SML Lions Club), orthopedic shoes for a mobility impaired woman, multiple sets of contact lenses for a young person with a severe vision problem, a replacement prosthetic eye for a girl, and a computer with special software for a visually impaired person.

SML Lions Past President, Zone Chair, and District 24E Leader Dog Chair Kirk Sampson (right) provided an update on the Leader Dog program. Leader Dog, founded by Lions in 1938, provides seeing eye dogs to visually impaired individuals. Sampson described the process for raising, training, and assigning the dogs to their qualified recipients. He indicated the cost for the entire process is now \$41,000 for the dog-recipient partnership; Leader Dog covers the full cost. To date, 14,200 individuals have received Leader Dogs. The Leader Dog program also helps visually impaired people develop employable skills. Sampson explained that candidate puppies are raised in a foster home for one year, followed by 4 months of training. The dog and its recipient then live together in an onsite dormitory for 26 days to learn to work together.

Program Chair Lion Phil Hager (left) introduced and thanked both speakers.



Members of the Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club have begun the annual vision screening program in Franklin County schools. The Lions' screening program measures acuity and checks for "lazy eye". Pictured from right to left are Teresa Brown, School Nurse Coordinator for the FC School District, Lions Bill Timmins, Co-Chair of the program, Frank Steckline, Gene Singer, Carmen Singer, Ralph Long, Tom Fansler, and Jim Miller.

Over 3000 students will be screened during the fall. Early detection and correction of vision problems can make a huge difference in a student's academic achievements.

### Cave Spring Lions Club



**Lion "Doc" Bartlett receives 55-year award**



**Lion Secretary Jane Nash presents 40-year award to Lion Dharam Sawh**



**Lion Bill Moser receives 15 year chevron**



**Shirley and Lion Dewey Monger are honored on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary**



**Lion Lynn Slonaker receives a Certificate of Appreciation for his many contributions to eyeglass recycling and Lions' service**



**Lions Dharam Sawh, Jim Newman and Dick Decker collect for White Cane**

**Happy Holidays from Lion Noel, editor of The Lions Pride !!**