



# The Lions Pride

District 24-E

February 2012



**District  
Governor**

**Dallas  
Scott  
2011 – 2012**

## District 24-E Governor's Report

### LCIF Community Partnership Grants

Congratulations to our U.S. grant recipients!

District 24 E, Virginia, and Lions Peggy Smith, Lowell Skelton, and Gloria Guice

I just received notification the grant has been approved. This grant will train teachers in Franklin County and 8 schools in Bedford County. It will also help purchase the training materials for these schools. Congratulations to all who participated. This is a great start!

In your monthly reports I see clubs planting trees, helping with eyeglass screening and purchase, new members and the loss of more members. Please keep sticking your hand out and start the conversation by asking, "What have you done this week to make the world a better place?"

## District 24-E Officers

**Dallas Scott, DG**

**Nelson Leftwich, Jr.  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor**

**Jo Nelson  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor**

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Cabinet Treasurer**

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Reg I Zone II Chair  
Linda All  
Reg I Zone III Chair**

**Eric Mills  
Reg II Zone I Chair  
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Reg II Zone II Chair  
J. S. Brown  
Reg II Zone III Chair**

## District 24-E Cabinet Meeting

District Governor Lion Dallas Scott held an Awards Presentation on behalf of the Council of Governors, and Past International President Sid Scruggs. Immediate Past District Governor Lion Bernice Leftwich received a Resolution Award from the Council for her distinguished service, also a Certificate of Appreciation from Past President Scruggs, for her dedication to Lionism and outstanding performance during her term 2010-2011.

Past District Governor Lion Don Rhinehart was presented a Certificate of Appreciation from the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), signed by Past President Scruggs for his exceptional service during 2010-2011, as LCIF District Coordinator.

**First Vice District Governor Nelson Leftwich**

This Lions Year is half over and it is time to start thinking about the 2012/2013 Lions Year. I have started working on my Cabinet for next year and I hope that you will accept a position on the cabinet if one is offered. I am trying to make changes in some of the positions that I hope will be beneficial to the District.

We are still looking for a candidate for 2nd Vice District Governor. If you have

- served as President of a Lions Club for a full term or major portion thereof, and a member of the board of directors of a Lions Club for no less than 2 additional years and
- served as a zone chairperson or region chairperson or cabinet secretary and/or treasurer for a full term or major portion thereof, then you are eligible to run as 2nd Vice District Governor.

There are many good Lions in our District that meet these requirements. We should have at least one Lion step up to the plate.

The Region I Bland Memorial competition will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 18, 2012, at the Ferrum College Chapel. Thanks to Lion Peggy Smith for making the arrangements for this competition.

The annual Lions of Virginia state convention will be held May 17-20, 2012, at the Norfolk Marriot Hotel in Chesapeake. Convention packages will be going to each club in the next couple of months.

District Governor Dallas Scott has completed all of his Official Visits to Region I Clubs with the exception of the Ferrum Lions Club. I had the pleasure of accompanying Lion Dallas to all of the Region I Clubs and it was great talking to the members and officers and hearing about all the things the clubs are doing to serve our fellow man.

IT IS GREAT TO BE A LION

Lion Nelson Leftwich, PDG, PCC, 1VDG, DG-E, PHOG, CRAZY (but enjoying it)

**International Convention****Busan, Korea****June 22-26, 2012**

**CAMP TOO SWEET:**

We are working with Carilion Clinic on weekend seminars for diabetic children and their families. One is scheduled on March 30-31 for 5 year olds through 5th grade who are diabetic.

2012 Camp Too Sweet will be June 18-22. The cost is \$350.00 per attendee. We have not been able to determine when the Lions Day at Camp Too Sweet will be. As soon as I get the updates, I will send them to all of our District Lions Clubs.

I will do programs for clubs on Camp Too Sweet and secure Diabetes Professionals to do Diabetes programs for clubs. Actually we can do both at the same time. It will take 2 of us.

**LEADERSHIP:**

The dates and places for the Training Seminars for incoming 2012-2013 Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Membership Chairs. As soon as the times and places are determined, all District 24-E Lions Clubs will be notified.

The Regional Lions Leadership Institute will be held on September 21-23, 2012, at Valley View Holiday Inn in Roanoke. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact me for information.

lionbill@jetbroadband.com, Home 540-483-9645, Cell 540-493-9108.

I hope to hear from many Lions who are interested in attending.

**LIONS DISTRICT 24-E CHARITY, INC.**

We have our 501(c)(3) and the Commonwealth of Virginia form 102 approval. It has been decided that we can handle grants for clubs who need a 501(c)(3) approved corporation. This will be something many clubs can enter into. We will be drawing up a legal document which will have to be approved by our Lions District 24-E Charity, Inc. The legal agreement shall be signed by the club board approved representative and the designated Lions District 24-E Charity, Inc., representative. The club will have to assist in the payment due to the Commonwealth of Virginia and a portion of the audit each year. We are very pleased that we have reached this area of success for District 24-E. If you want to send club or personal checks please make them out for Lions District 24-E Charity, Inc., with Camp Too Sweet in the for or memo line. Send the checks to Lion Rob Senoski at 5610 Altice Road, Moneta, VA 24121-6159. All personal donations will be tax exempt for your federal and Virginia filings.

PDG Bill Brammer, Global Leadership Team Chair, Camp Too Sweet Chair and Diabetes Awareness Chair

**Important Dates:**

**Mission of Mercy (MOM)**

March 30-31, 2012 (Friday, Saturday)

Roanoke Civic Center

register now inline at <http://www.roanokemom.org/home/volunteer-information/general/>

General Volunteer - Virginia Lions Multidistrict 24E, (club name)

**RAM (Remote Area Medical) at Wise, Virginia**

July 20-22, 2012 ( Friday, Saturday, Sunday)

Wise County Fairground, Wise, Virginia

registration form will appear in District newsletter

**LAMP (Lions Assisted Medical Programs) at RAM Grundy, Virginia**

October 6-7, 2012 (Saturday, Sunday)

Riverview Elementary/Middle School, Grundy, Virginia

registration form will appear in District newsletter

Lion Linda All LAMP and MOM Chair

**Directory Changes:**

Add: Ethics Committee - Chair PDG Bernice Leftwich

Sight Conservation Chair- Lion Tammie Brightwell replaces Lion Stephen Haight. Lion Stephen has been transferred to North Carolina

Under Past District Governors - change Melvin Chambless's phone number to 540-921-1356 and delete the cell phone number.

**Congratulations to District 24-E first District to have 100% State Dues Paid.**





# LIONS MULTIPLE DISTRICT 24 INTERNATIONAL SHIRT ORDER FORM

Please indicate your preference and size of the shirt on the form below and return, with your payment to Lion Tammie Brightwell (No later than April 9, 2012). Shirts will be delivered at the Virginia Lions State Convention in Chesapeake, VA on May 17 - 20, 2012.

Shirts can be ordered in **White** or **Navy Blue** with or without pockets and please indicate **MENS** or **WOMENS**.

Address:

Lion Tammie Brightwell,  
MD 24 Secretary/Treasurer  
5004 Colonial Avenue, S. W.  
Roanoke, VA 24018-3916  
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VA Lions 2012 International Shirts		NAVY BLUE SHIRTS		WHITE SHIRTS		TOTAL # OF SHIRTS		COST	SUBTOTAL
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NO ORDERS AFTER April 9, 2012						TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED			



## 36th ANNUAL USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

Tampa Bay, Florida

Opening Banquet - Thursday, September 13, 2012 @ 5:30 PM

Closing Banquet - Saturday, September 15, 2012 @ 6:00 PM

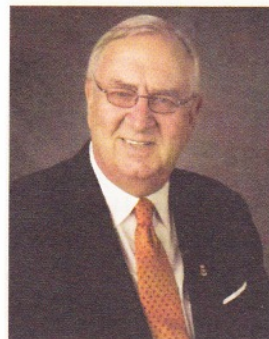
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in a World of Service

**Tampa Bay, Florida**  
**September 13-15, 2012**

### Honorary Chairperson



#### 2012-2013 International President Wayne Madden

It is my pleasure to personally invite you to the 36th USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Tampa, Florida in September 2012.

Located In the heart of Tampa's entertainment district there will be a multitude of things to do when not attending a forum function. You can walk the river walk and enjoy the many sites along the water, take in a relaxing dinner cruise on Tampa Bay or dine in one of the many restaurants located in the immediate area.

In response to feedback for a facelift and new ideas for the forum, under the direction of General Chair PCC Polly Voon, there will be a number of changes incorporated into the program. Rome wasn't built in a day and this Forum will not be totally changed overnight but the "CHANGE" has started and I am sure that you will like it!!

Following the Forum theme of "Leadership in a World of Service", the seminars committee has developed a menu of exciting seminars which will give you new ideas to take back and implement within your club. Many new seminars will be offered - from a lesson in Lions Ethics to how to use Social Media to benefit you and your club. For the first time, our Past International Presidents will be presenting several seminars ranging from giving their interpretation of my Presidential Program to keeping yourself engaged in Lionism - you will enjoy their expertise and insight into Lionism.

The host committee is planning a fun night on Friday evening for all to enjoy - get down and party with your Lions friends.

Come early or stay late. Tampa is located in or near some of the best attractions offered anywhere in the USA. Disney World is just an hour and a half away, BUSCH Gardens is next door, and the Gulf of Mexico is 45 minutes to the west. Needless to say, Florida is a golfer's paradise and the Tampa area is peppered with some of the United States best golf courses.

So plan now to join us In the Sunshine State in September 2012. I will be looking for you!!!

*Wayne A. Madden, Honorary Chairperson*

**REGISTRATION FEE** covers the cost of the seminars and four designated meals (Thursday evening banquet, Friday noon lunch, Saturday noon lunch, Saturday evening banquet). All attendees must pay full registration fee to participate in any of the meals or seminars. **Individual meal function tickets will NOT be available.**

Visit our website at: <http://usacanadalionsforum.org>



# ELBYRNE G. GILL FELLOWSHIP AWARD

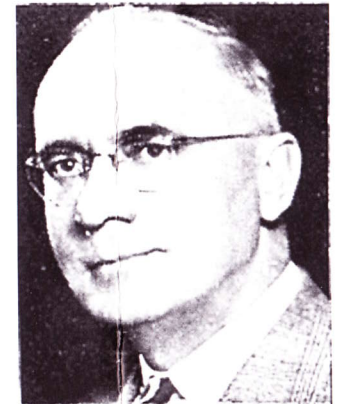
## MISSION OF THE VIRGINIA LIONS HEARING FOUNDATION AND RESEARCH CENTER

- To initiate and support research of deafness and hearing problems in all age groups:
- Basic research on ototoxicity (drug damage), noise damage, electrical stimulation of auditory nerves and regeneration of hair cells.
- Clinical research on ear diseases and hearing disorders, including study of temporal bone anatomy and test of new surgical procedures and implantable hearing devices.
- To conduct informational programs to educate the public on hearing disorders and to encourage hearing protection.
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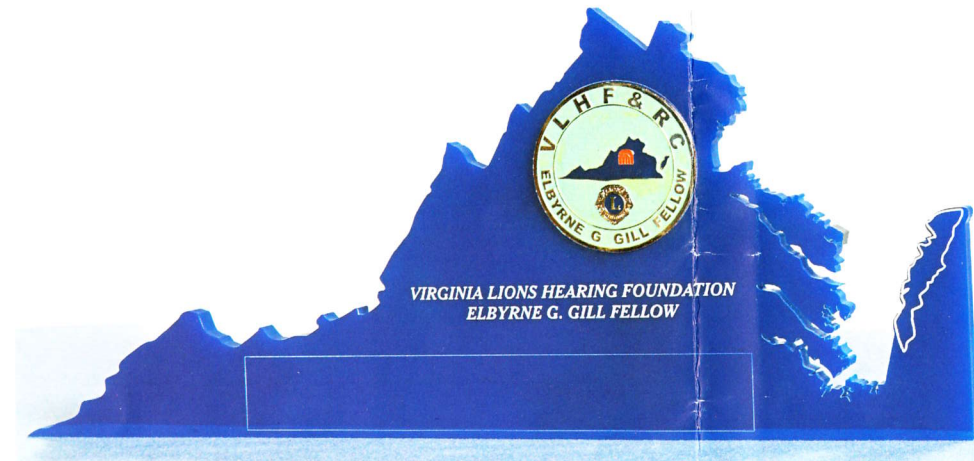
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The Elbyrne G. Gill Fellowship Award is presented by the Virginia Lions Hearing Foundation and Research Center, Inc., in recognition of outstanding and unselfish humanitarian service.

The award is named in honor of Past International President Elbyrne G. Gill of Roanoke to recognize his accomplishments as Virginia's second President of Lions Clubs International and for his tireless efforts in advancing the cause of Lionism and hearing in Virginia and throughout the world.

### Section 1: Recipient Information

☐ Check here if the recipient is to be named later and proceed to section 2

Honoree's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the honoree a Lion? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the honoree deceased? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, name of person to accept award.

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### Section 2: Donor Information

Donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ (\$750.00 Minimum)

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Donor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Representative \_\_\_\_\_

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### Send Form and Payment to:

Virginia Lions Hearing Foundation and Research Center, Inc.  
University of Virginia Health System  
P. O. Box 800477  
Charlottesville, VA 22908-0477



## Peace Poster Contest



Lions Clubs International "Peace Poster Contest" at the Lions of Virginia District 24E level has named Alyssah Hall, sponsored by the Forest Lions Club, eligible to progress to the Multiple District competition, said Lion Kirk Sampson, District Chairperson.

Alyssah, age 13, the daughter of Derrick D. Hall and an 8th grade student at Forest Middle School, has taken yet another step to becoming an internationally recognized artist by winning at both the local and district level, which covers 11 counties with 37 Lions Clubs eligible to sponsor participants.

"I believe peace is a wonderful thing to know. If everyone knew peace there would be no war", said Alyssah while describing her poster.

Honorable mention awards for this year's District Contest were presented to Vera Villanueva, an 8th grade student at Blacksburg Middle School, sponsored by the Blacksburg Host Lions Club and to Elizabeth Hodges, an 8th grade student at Ben Franklin Middle School, sponsored by the Rocky Mount Lions Club.

This year's theme was "Children Know Peace". The District received 23 entries from 18 clubs. Over 375,000 entries are submitted worldwide.

## Forest Lions Club



The Forest Lions Club recently sponsored a local "Peace Poster" competition at the Forest Middle School. In August, Lion Cindy Mohrmann met with art teacher, Amanda Morgan and Principal Scott Simmons, to get their approval for the contest.

At the Forest Middle School some twenty plus children chose to participate and in November their entries were judged by a team consisting of the principal, their art teacher and Lion Cindy. Winners selected were Alyssah Hall, Grace Roh and Noah Coleman. The students did not find out how they had placed until the awards ceremony.

At the November 8th meeting of the Forest Lions

Club, held at the Lynchburg Elk's Lodge, Dr Douglas Schuch, Bedford County Superintendent of Schools and guest speaker, enlightened the group with a presentation of his strategic plan for the Bedford County School System. Upon completion of his remarks Dr. Schuch presented Lions Club International certificates to the respective winners: first place, Alyssah Hall; place, Grace Roh; and third place, Noah Coleman. The Forest Lions presented cash awards to accompany the certificates and hosted the students and their parents at the dinner ceremony.

Submitted by Lion George Mohrmann

### **Blacksburg Host Lions Club**



Blacksburg Host Lions Club has sponsored a Peace Poster contest with Blacksburg Middle School for 15 years. Over 200 students in art classes of Lee Worley, Linda Olin, and Linda Hinson entered our contest in 2011-12 which had a theme of "Children Know Peace". Seventh Grade winners were: first Vera Villanueva, second Fiona Carter-Tod, and third Nathaniel Lester. Vera's poster placed second in the multi-district contest. Sixth Grade winners were: first Kasey Adamo, second Ben Wynn, and third Isabelle de Sturler. These six students received a savings bond and Blacksburg Middle School received a donation for the Art Department. These posters and 5 others will be printed on note cards that can be purchased from the Blacksburg Host Lions Club by contacting Lion Dick Schmidt (540-552-1590, [rschmidt@vt.edu](mailto:rschmidt@vt.edu)).

Submitted by Lion Elaine Cook

### **SML Lions Peace Poster Winners**

Lion Kirk Sampson (left), District 24-E Peace Post Chairman, introduces Paige Haddock (center) and Freda Nichols, Art Teacher from Benjamin Franklin Middle School to the SML Lions at the December 22nd meeting. Paige was the first-place winner for the Lions District 24-E Peace Poster competition. Runners-up were Ilene Hurley, who was unable to attend, and Richard Dross (picture at right). Nichols spoke on the procedures, inspirations and ideas of working with the children to produce the artwork that is required for judging. She





stated that this year's theme, "Children Know Peace", was a very challenging one. Sampson also presented a check from the SML Lions to the winners and a check to Nichols for supplies that were used in the participation of the Peace Poster Contest.

Submitted by Lion Cindy Decker

### Moneta Lions Club



The Moneta Lions Club actively supports the Peace Poster Contest, and encourages elementary school students to take part, helping them become familiar with the rules and strengthen their artistic talents.

Christy Craig, Principal at Body Camp Elementary proudly assists Artist Elizabeth Strickland display the her (local) winning poster selected by the Moneta Lions Club members, which advanced to next round of judging at the district level.

Miss Strickland of Body Camp, Miss Lauren Keane of Moneta, also Paycen Avery of Huddleston each received a US Savings Bond presented by the Moneta Lions Club for their outstanding

artistic efforts, and participation.

### Cave Spring Lions Club



Peace Poster winners Nathan Nguyen from James Madison Middle School with his Art Teacher Janet Curry and Chinweoke (Chi Chi) Ugockukwu from Woodrow Wilson Middle School with her Art Teacher Anne Fournier.

Cave Spring Lions have sponsored the program in the two schools for the past twelve years.

**Rich Creek - Giles Breakfast Branch Club**

Members of Rich Creek-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club and their guests celebrated the holidays together with a dinner at the home of Lion Edna and Brett Malone on Thursday evening December 16. Those attending were: Club Administrator Lion Charlie Herbert and his wife Lion Betty, Club Co-Administrator Lion Al Katz and his wife Mary, Lion Edna Malloy and her husband Brett, Lion Stephen Haight, Lion Lewis Haldren and his wife Sandi, and Lion Bill Anderson and his wife Kate Delaney. A ham was provided by the club. Club members supplied the rest of a very delicious meal and decadent desserts.



On Monday morning, January 2, Rich Creek-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club welcomed its two newest members during a special meeting. Members welcomed Joseph and Lisa Yost to their club. Lions of Virginia District 24E Governor Dallas Scott of Forest, Va. was on hand to install Joseph and Lisa.

Joseph, a Giles County native, is the newly elected representative for the 12th House of Delegates District. He begins his session in Richmond on Tuesday, January 3. Club Coordinator Charlie Herbert says "it was very important to both Joseph and Lisa that they be inducted today to enable Joseph to go to Richmond as a member, not only of RC-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club, but as a member of Lions Clubs International."

Joseph is a graduate of Radford University with both BS and Masters of Arts degrees in Criminal Justice. Since



2008 he has worked at Jail Diversion Coordinator for the Mental Health Association of the New River Valley. Lisa graduated from Bluefield College with a BS degrees in Criminal Justice and Behavioral Science. She earned her Masters degree in Criminal Justice from Radford University and is currently working toward a Masters degree in U.S. History at Louisiana Technical University on line. Lisa is employed by the New River Community Services Board as Veterans Resource Specialist with the Wounded Warrior Program. Both Joseph and Lisa are very active in the community and with community service organizations.



Thursday day morning, January 19, saw a very busy Rich Creek-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club in action. Members of the club met at Pembroke Methodist Church to prepare and serve breakfast to homeless men from throughout the New River Valley who were spending their nights at the church. This effort by the church is a part of the To Our House Ministries. Lions assisting were Club Coordinator Charlie Herbert, Club Assistant Coordinator Al Katz, Lions Edna Malone and Chris Calfee along with Andy Ratcliffe. Breakfast was served at 6 a.m. after which the club held its regular, monthly breakfast meeting.

RC-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club Coordinator reports that the first order of business for the club's regular January meeting was the induction its newest member, Chris Calfee. Chris's hometown is Bluefield, VA.

Chris holds an Associate of Arts degree from New River Community College. For the past 13 years he has been employed by BB&T as a Branch Manager. He now serves as a Financial Center Leader and Bank Officer managing both the Narrows and New River Valley Mall Branches. Chris is married and has two children.

Besides his work and family Calfee says he has followed his grandfather in becoming a member of the Freemasons. He belongs to the McDaniel Lodge in Christiansburg. When asked about his community service involvement, Calfee says "I am happy to serve as both a Lion and a Freemason as my Grandfather did for many years. I grew up knowing both organizations and happily serve with both when and where called." RC-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club is proud to have Chris as its newest member.

The Rich Creek- Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club's next eye screening project will occur in February when they return to Virginia Tech for the 2012 Special Olympics Basketball Tournament when the club joins with Blacksburg Host Lions for this screening. This will be the first time the club will use the SPOT unit for screening.

Submitted by Lion Betty Herbert

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**Salem Host Lions Club**

The Salem Host Lions Club collected Toys for Tots during their annual Christmas banquet at the Salem Civic Center on December 6<sup>th</sup>. The club collected over 40 toys brought by members which were received by Staff Sargent Flores and Private First Class Wilt. Over the past year the club has donated over \$85,000 dollars back to the community through scholarships and donations to schools and various community groups. These funds were earned by members volunteering over 2,680 hours working the concession stand at the Salem High School football stadium. In addition to monetary donations the club has provided food donations to

the Salem Food Pantry and Samaritan Inn. Food donations included 30 dozen hot dog buns, 192 bags/bars of candy, 250 bags of potato chips, 800 hot dogs, and five 39-gallon bags of popcorn.



In October, the Salem Host Lions donated a total of \$12,700 to representatives of local non-profit and community groups during a Community Appreciation Dinner at the Salem Civic Center. Recipients from left to right are: Salem Historical Society representative Linda Miller, Salem Needlework Guild representative Nancy Robertson, Community Christmas Store representative Pat Dew, Community Outreach Program Director Rebecca Parson, First Tee Executive Director Jennifer Blackwood, and the Military Family Support Center Operations Director Jerry Brittain.

During the same meeting the club also presented a plaque of appreciation to the Salem Civic Center and their staff in appreciation of the excellent service that has been provided to the club over the past 20 years.

The club looks forward to another fun year of service.

Submitted by Lion Jenny Poland



## Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club



The SML Lions, in conjunction with the Westlake Library, designed and built sign holders to make it easier for patrons to locate books by category at the Library's semi-annual book sale. Pictured are Rick Carroll, Project Manager, and Sonya Riche, Volunteer Coordinator.

Marty Kulla, of the Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club, presents a check to Joanne Patterson, Director of the Stepping Stone Mission of Franklin County. Through its "soup kitchen", the organization serves Rocky Mount and the region by providing a hot lunch and a limited number of food items 365 days a year to individuals and families in need. In 2010, over 100 volunteers helped prepare and serve 13,944 hot meals to 1,200 individuals.



Lion Janice Payne (2nd from left) introduces Pam Barbour (center) with Franklin County Hospice. Barbour explained the origin and history of hospices from the beginning in medieval times as a resting place for weary travelers to the modern hospice concept that we have today. She explained that the current definition is not a place but a philosophy of how to care for people at a time in their life when they really need someone. Hospice, as we know it today began, in England in the late 1960's and has developed into what we think of as hospice today. Also shown are SML Lion President, Lowell Skelton (left), and Lion Dennis Payne.



SML Lion Tom Smith, Junior Golf Tournament co-sponsorship chair (right), presents a check for \$8,200 to Bill Telford, President of the Smith Mountain Lake Scholarship Trust fund. The money for this donation was raised by one of the primary fund raisers of the SML Lions, the Andrew Haley Memorial Junior Golf Tournament. This was a very successful effort due to the dedicated work of the entire sponsorship team including Gerry Lewis, Tournament Operations (left,) and John Porter, co-sponsorship chair (second from left). The Smith Mountain Lake Scholarship Trust is in its 21st year, and there are currently 23 former Franklin County high school students on scholarship.

Debbie Farthing (right) presents a check to Joyce Sigmon, President of Heavenly Manna Food Bank (HMFB). HMFB in Rocky Mount has been operating and helping to feed families in Franklin County for 20 years and the SML Lions Club has financially supported the organization for a number of those years. HMFB serves 700-800 families each month by providing a box of food that includes canned goods, boxed foods, meats, breads, desserts, frozen foods, and other items



SML Lion Ron Holasek (left) presents a check to Jim Byrnes, Lake Christian Ministries (LCM) Building Projects Manager. The donation will be used to support LCM's Holiday Food Baskets and Children's Toys effort. Byrnes spoke to the SML Lions about the extensive construction effort underway at LCM. A 1,300 foot addition is being added to the facility to improve operations and enable the needs of an ever increasing client base to be met. The project will be especially challenging since LCM will continue to be open on its regular Monday-Wednesday-Friday schedule.

Members of the SML Lions Club gathered at Lake Christian Ministries headquarters on December 16 to prepare Christmas bags of food for the Ministries' clients. The Lions also helped distribute the 450 food bags to LCM's clients on Saturday, December 17th. (See photo on following page.)





SML Lions Club member, Kirk Sampson(right), welcomed guest speaker, Charlie Herbert, Jr. Lions Club District 24-E

Membership Chair, to the SML Lions Club meeting on January 12, 2012. Charlie spoke on the purpose of Lionism and the importance of volunteering. The primary objective of the Lions club is "To Serve" and, as the SML Lions prepare to celebrate their 30th Anniversary of March 8, 2012, he reflected on some of the efforts of the club such as contributing funds to local organizations, cleaning highways, and providing scholarships.

Submitted by Lion Cindy Decker

## Moneta Lions Club



Jo Ann Beachum, left, Moneta, was inducted as the Moneta Lions Club's newest member on November 17th by secretary Lion Pat Bailey, right. She received her Lions Pin from her sponsor, Lion Bart Matthies, center. As part of the ceremony, Lion Tim Haer briefed the inductee on the history of Lions Clubs International and Lion Jim Hunt presented the history of the Moneta Lions Club.

Bob Lohmeyer, left center

and Ed Reynolds, right center, gave a presentation on Good Samaritans to the Moneta Lions Club members at their regular meeting on November 17th. It is composed of local church groups that work on repairing houses, roofs, storm doors, plumbing, electrical and building ramps for the needy. They get projects referred to them by The Agape Center,





Bedford Christian Ministries and Lake Christian Ministries. Thanks for their presentation were given by Lion Jerry Over, left, Program Chair and Glenn Pierce, right, prospective member.



The Southern Virginia Child Advocacy Center recently received a gift of warmth, in the form of SKI CAPS delivered by members of the Moneta Lions Club. Joyce Moran Executive Officer, and Sandra Bullock Director of Victim Services, model and display a sampling of the approximately 250 hats which were presented by Moneta Lions Rob Senoski and Gloria Guice. The Ski Cap project was a joint effort of club members, friends and neighbors either knitting, crocheting, using hat looms, or donating yarn.

On behalf of the members of the Lions Club, (l-r), Lion Rob Senoski presents one of two boxes containing hand made ski caps to Mrs Sue Lipscomb, a director at the Agape Center, as Lion Gloria Guice and Ms Gladys Hoover display recently prepared Christmas gift baskets, with ski caps, for the center's clientele. Ms Hoover, president of the Southside Seniors of Moneta, was instrumental in steering the Lions Ski Cap Project toward the Agape Center. Also attending the presentation was Lion Sarah Hunt, who was behind the camera.



Moneta Lions Club held a "Chili Dog Cook-In" Saturday December 10th at the Shop Rite Great Value Grocery Store located at 14600 Moneta Road. Lion President Gloria Guice and Shop Rite owner Mr. Lewis Creasey display one of the first chili dogs hot off an electric grill, prepared by club chef Lion Tim Haer, left rear.

Nearly half of the club's members took part in the "Cook-In" throughout the day, greeting the public, as well as passing out Lions and health related pamphlets, also selling Lions of Virginia Foundation (LOVF) raffle tickets.

All proceeds raised from the event will in turn be returned to the community as club donations..



Members of the Moneta Lions Club, Lions Gloria Guice, Lynne Philbin, Pat Maddox, and Joan Brackin, recently visited the Moneta Dining center of the Central Virginia Area Agency on Aging (CVAAA). The club members sponsored a mini bingo party, with prizes, helped serve lunch and, and supplied a healthy low calorie, sugar free dessert. Each Senior in attendance received a ten dollar Shop Rite gift card. made possible with money donated by Moneta Club members in lieu of a gift exchange at their Christmas Dinner Meeting.



Huddleston Elementary School Nurse Susan Tuck, center, grins nearly ear to ear after receiving supplies for her upcoming "Basic Hygiene Class". The mini course will be geared toward her fourth and fifth grade students. In support of her endeavor several area Dentists donated tooth brushes and toothpaste. Members of the Moneta Lions Club pitched in with additional male/female body care items, consisting of deodorants, shampoo, hair care products, skin conditioners and cologne. Presenting the items on behalf of the club are Lions Gloria Guice and Rob Senoski.

The Bedford Pregnancy Center (BPC), provides

accurate and essential information regarding the physical, emotional and spiritual consequences of pregnancy. An "Earn While You Learn" program is designed to encourage women to further educate themselves in the role as parents. As an incentive, clients will receive "bucks" for each educational session they attend. These "bucks" may be used to shop at the on site Blankets & Blessings Boutique. Ms Lori Lewis, Executive Director, at the Center accepts a recent donation to the Center's Boutique, from Moneta Lion Gloria Guice. The donated items were all hand crafted by Members and friends of the club.

Membership of Lions Clubs International continues to grow, thanks to three new candidates inducted into the Moneta Lions Club. The club proudly welcomed it's newest members during a recent brief business meeting prior to it's Annual Christmas Dinner Party. Pictured from left are, Lion Del





Bailey, sponsor of Lions Tom and Nancy Robbins, with Lion Pat Bailey, center, presiding over the induction ceremony, also Lion Glenn Pierce with his sponsor Lion Bart Matthies.

The Moneta Lions Club officially began planning for it's Twelfth Annual Golf Outing/Fund

Raiser at it's last regular dinner meeting. Lion Del Bailey, Chairperson for the Clubs biggest fund raiser, discussed the proposed budget, member responsibilities, to do lists, golfer application forms, and sponsorship solicitation. This year's outing, to be held April 23rd, will again take place at Mariners Landing Golf and Country Club, which is an 18 hole championship golf course, located at 2052 Lake Retreat Road, in Huddleston, VA



Spring is still many weeks away, however members of the Moneta Lions Club are planning their first "Kite Fun Day" to be held in March, with hopes of it becoming an annual event. Pictured, Project Development Chair Lion Jim Hunt, along with Club President Lion Gloria Guice, display a blank "Frustrationless Flyer, a sled shaped kite kit, made of tyvek and fiberglass dowels, which comes with bridle, also kite string, and is available on line from [info@kitesinthesky.net](mailto:info@kitesinthesky.net) The kites will be decorated by the individual young fliers attending the event, preferable with pictures pertaining to Lions Clubs International, and their projects, such as Sight, Hearing, Diabetes Awareness, Community Service, Environment, etc.

Submitted by Lions Delmer Bailey and Rob Senoski

## Williamson Road Lions Club

PDG Carl Whitaker works every week at the Virginia Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center. Lion Carl was Director of the Center from 1993 to 1998.





## Fort Lewis Lions Club

## L.O.V.F. DISTINGUISHED HUMANITARIAN AWARD



First VDG Nelson presented Distinguished Humanitarian Awards at Christmas Dinner meeting to Beulah Smith in memory of Lion Oscar W. Smith, Sr., and to Club Sec/Treas Carl J. Stump, Sr

### **In Memory: of Lion Oscar W. Smith, Sr.**

- Joined Fort Lewis Lions Club in 1963.
- Served in all Club Offices.
- Attended many State Conventions
- Several International Conventions
- District Safety Chairman
- Zone Chairman
- Hosted an Exchange Student from Japan, one summer
- Sponsored 8 (eight) members
- Melvin Jones Fellowship 2002
- The Club presented him with a Life Membership in 2007 after 44 years
- 100% Perfect Attendance
- Lion Smith ran a successful Plumbing Business
- Active participant in his Church
- Married: Beulah Gertrude Taylor, 4 children and many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

### **Lion Carl J. Stump, Sr.**

- Lion Carl was 1st. Member sponsored by Lion Oscar Smith October 1965
- Lion Carl has served in all Club Offices.
- 100% Perfect Attendance
- Elected Club President and attended

International Conventions in 1975 and 1985 in Dallas, TX

- Lion Carl has sponsored 5 (five) New Members
- Attended many State Conventions.
- Lion Carl currently serves as Club Sec/Treas
- Awarded Melvin Jones Fellowship in 2002
- Lion Carl is presently serving the District for a third year as Information Technology Chairman, with duties as Webmaster for District 24E web site
- Lion Carl worked as an Auditor/Inspector, for 36 years, before retiring after an Auto Accident in 2001.
- Married: Barbara Anne Edwards, 2 children, 2 grandchildren and 1 great grandson.
- Active in Boy Scout Troop 352 and Catawba District, Blue Ridge Mountains Council for 24 years, Serving as Scoutmaster at this time. Scouting awards: Bachelors, Masters,
- Doctorate, Arrowhead and Distinguished Commissioners Award, District Award of Merit, James E. West Award, Key Three Award, Scouters Training Award, Scoutmasters Key
- Leadership In Service Award, Order of Arrow Vigil Award, Silver Beaver Award and Order of Arrow Founders Award

## Cave Spring Lions Club



Donna Tucker presented program on Ronald McDonald House



Taylor Fix from Va. Tech presented program on Feeding the World



Left: Lions John Arbogast and Dick Decker protect young trees from deer at new Roanoke County Library.

Cave Spring Lions completed 25,000 cumulative volunteer hours at the Eyeglass Recycling Center in November.

We also collected over 200 pounds of food items for the Salem-Roanoke County Food Pantry at our Christmas Social.



Lions Bob Morse and Chuck Jordan at Christmas Social. Anne Kinder, Reba Craighead and Shirley Monger

