



The Lions Pride

District 24-E

June 2014



District Governor

**Kirk Sampson
2013–2014**

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**Kirk Sampson
District Governor**

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1st Vice District Governor**

**Lowell Skelton
2nd Vice District Governor**

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Final Message from your District Governor

It has been my great pleasure to serve as your District Governor for 2013-2014. I have truly enjoyed meeting and spending time in fellowship with the Lions across the District. We are doing great work in 24-E !

Serving on the Council of Governors has been both a learning and a rewarding experience. When we had a difference of opinion, by having debate and respecting each others views, we were able to come to agreement and support the decisions of the Council.

Some of the items the Council accomplished were

1. Agreeing to submit a bid for the U.S./Canada Forum to be hosted in Virginia Beach in 2018.
2. The Council rewrote the criteria for the State Achievement Award, 100% Secretary, 100% Treasurer and Leo Awards.
3. In January, the State Budget Committee proposed an assessment of \$4.00 per member to be presented to the delegates at the State Convention. After much thought and discussion, the Council decided not to put this amendment on the floor and to look for ways to decrease costs starting with the State Budget.

The first step was to move the State Office to the Lions of Virginia Sight Foundation on Elm Street. The Foundation Board has agreed to allow the State Office to occupy their empty offices free of charge in lieu of paying rent in the Cave Spring location.

The next step was to form a committee, composed of one representative from each district, to study other ways to alleviate costs at the state level. The Committee will also work on an updated job description for the State Secretary/Treasurer. The Committee will make recommendations to the new Council at their first meeting in September. PCC and Cabinet Secretary Clark Vandergrift will be District 24-E's representative on this Committee.

4. The Council awarded the next 5 State Conventions to:

2015	24-A	Tysons Corner
2016	24-E	Hotel Roanoke
2017	24-E	Hotel Roanoke (100 th Anniversary)

2018 24-B Richmond
2019 TBA

5. The Council elected to allow the 1st and 2nd VDG's to attend all of the Council Meetings in order to see how the Council functions and to know what has taken place in the present year. It is hoped that this will give them a chance to bond and be better able to work together in their term in office.

In the next issue of The Lions Pride, I will give a more detailed summary of our year, not all the results are in yet. I will also list the Lions and Clubs that were recognized for their outstanding contributions during the year. I want to make these awards personally before they are announced in the "Pride".

I hope my team and I have made a positive impact on the District this year!

Thanks for all you do!

DG Kirk

The Governor's Thoughts for the Quarter:

Life is short Break the rules Forgive quickly Kiss slowly Love truly Laugh uncontrollably
And never-ever regret anything that made you laugh!

Final Cabinet Meeting

DG Lion Kirk Sampson held his final District Cabinet Meeting for 2013-2014, June 1st at the Eyeglass Recycling Center in Roanoke. 1st VDG Elect Lion Lowell Skelton gave a State Convention Report and also an update on the US/Canada Forum Bid. State Secretary/Treasurer Lion Tammie Brightwell discussed the relocation of her office from Colonial Ave, to the Eyeglass Recycling Center. Reports were also given by the Zone Chairs, and District Cabinet Chairs. DG Kirk gave a report of awards that he had presented at the recent State Convention, and presented additional awards to Cabinet Members who were unable to attend the festivities at Tysons Corner.



Having just completed a round of Award Presentations, DG Lion Kirk, right, was surprised when 1st VDG Elect Lion Lowell Skelton, honored him a much deserved award of his own, reading in part..."in recognition of outstanding leadership and devoted service..."

Lions of Virginia State Convention

The Lions of Virginia (LOV) joined together at their 91st Annual State Convention May 15-18 at the Sheraton Premiere Hotel, Tysons Corner, in Vienna, VA. The event was a huge success thanks to Bailey's Crossroads Host Lions Club, especially Lion Harry F. Parker, State Convention Committee General Chairperson, and Lion Rosanne Snider Host Club Chairperson.

The four day event started Thursday afternoon with general registration and verification of credentials, followed with entertainment by The Rockin' Rebels-Fairfax Fame.

Friday featured a full day of activities which included a Spouse/Guest Hospitality Room, District Cabinet Meetings, and various Board Meetings, also the Opening General Session. An Address of Welcome was given by Congressman Gerry Connolly, 11th Congressional District. The main event of the day was the introduction of the Convention's Guest of Honor, Second Vice President of Lions Clubs International (LCI) Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada of Minokamo, Gifu, Japan. The evening's entertainment featured twelve finalist, six vocalist and six instrumentalist, who had advanced at different levels of competition throughout state over the past the year in The Bland Memorial Scholarship Contest.

Saturday morning was dedicated to absorbing knowledge with various Lions Schools and Seminars which were open to all Lions, Lionesses, and Leos. The afternoon was devoted to the Second General Session. The evening was devoted to a formal Banquet and Awards Ceremony.

Prior to the conclusion of the convention on Sunday, Multiple District 24 held elections for it's incoming Governor, followed by the Final General Session.



Pictured are 2nd VP of LCI Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada
Lionessa Jessa King, Pres. of the Ferrum College Branch
Club and District Governor Lion Kirk Sampson



Pictured are District 24-E Governor Lion Kirk Sampson
(SML Lions Club), First Lady to Be Lionessa Babette
Newman, with her husband Governor Elect Lion Jim
Newman (Cave Springs District Lions Club).

_Submitted by Lion Rob Senoski



DG Kirk with appreciation certificate for District 24-E providing first place Bland prize winner



Lion Secretary/Treasurer Tammie Brightwell



Lion DG's Kirk 24-E and Donnie Johnson 24-D



1st VDG Elect Lowell Skelton and his wife Kathy



Moneta voting delegates- Lions Del and Pat Bailey and Rob Senoski



DG Lion Kirk of SML Lions and Moneta Lion Pres. Rob Senoski with 2nd and 1st place Scrapbook Awards

Camp Too Sweet**Help Needed.**

June 16, 2014 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Volunteers to direct campers to their locations. Nurse Lynne will give you directions. No lunch.

June 20, 2014 3:00 p.m. to finish Set up for eye screening using the old machines. Also man tables to give out information on Lions and what we do. Leave or stay for dinner. We need the number staying for dinner.

If you can help please contact Lion Gloria Guice at (540) 297-1407 or email boodleg@peoplepc.com.

RAM at Wise County, Virginia 2014

Remote Area Medical's (RAM) expedition in Wise County this year will be held on July 18-20 at the Wise County Fairgrounds. Dental, medical, vision, and women's health services will be provided. Lions throughout Virginia are encouraged to volunteer and support this event.

The Registration Form for volunteers is found on the next page of this newsletter. Please note that your completed registration form is to be mailed or faxed to Lion Tammi Brightwell, State Secretary-Treasurer, at the NEW ADDRESS: 501 Elm Avenue, SW, Roanoke, VA 24016, 540-342-0013 (fax).

Please write the name of your Lions Club in the space provided at the top of the form.

Lodging in the Wise area is booking up fast. As of May 31, the Inn at Norton (Quality Inns and Suites) still had rooms available. 276 679-7000. Be sure to ask for the Lions room rate.

If you have any questions regarding the Wise event, please do not hesitate to contact me.

ROANOKE "MOM" EVENT NOT SCHEDULED

There will be no MOM (Mission of Mercy) event in Roanoke in September this year. Thus far, Roanoke is not on the schedule for 2015. If I receive information that a MOM event is scheduled for Roanoke at some point, I will put a notice in the District newsletter.

Lion Linda E. All
District Chair, RAM/LAMP/MOM

LION VOLUNTEERS District 24-E Club _____

LIONS Please fax or mail to Lion Tammie Brightwell 501 Elm Ave., Roanoke, VA 24016 540-342-0013 (fax)
Remote Area Medical-Wise, VA Volunteer Registration Form

Your role in program: ☐ Professional Volunteer (profession/medical license) ☐ General Volunteer

Name _____ Organization (if applicable) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day Telephone _____ Mobile Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Days you are volunteering, check all that apply:

Clinic Days: _____ Thur. (7/17) patient registration only _____ Friday (7/18) _____ Saturday (7/19) _____ Sunday (7/20)

Past RAM Wise Volunteer: ☐ Yes ☐ No Past Job Assignment: _____

Are you coming to participate in this event through: Lions Club? ☐ Yes ☐ No Student? ☐ Yes ☐ No If student, which college/university? _____ Name of preceptor attending? _____

Compliance Statement: I hereby attest that my license/certificate is not suspended or revoked pursuant to disciplinary proceedings in any jurisdiction. A COPY OF MY CURRENT STATE LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE AND DEA# (where applicable) ARE ATTACHED HERETO. If functioning as a Nurse Practitioner you are required to have a separate practice agreement for this event. Please attach a copy of this agreement.

Confidentiality Statement: I as a professional or general volunteers working at the RAM event shall maintain the privacy and confidentiality of all information relating to participants in the RAM; shall not disclose participant information to any third party other than RAM Headquarters and the Health Wagon, including a volunteer participating in RAM who does not have a need to know the participant information; shall not use participant information for any purpose except for those related to RAM event, participant follow-up, and evaluation; and after complying with the obligations set out, shall not retain any participant information, except that RAM/Health Wagon may retain the names and addresses of participants only to contact them about RAM/Health Wagon activities. This confidentiality obligation applies even if some or all of the participant information may be available from public sources. This pertains to all present and future written and verbal communications referring to any RAM patient. I also understand that unless I am obtaining information strictly for patient registration or for follow-up care, I will not ask a patient any question regarding medical insurance coverage, Medicare and Medicaid.

Release and Indemnification Statement: I hereby release and indemnify Remote Area Medical® and the Health Wagon, non-profit organizations, and all its respective officers, directors, agents, contractors, heirs, successors and assigns, from prosecution or presentation of any claim for bodily injury or death or for property loss or damage incurred in connection with this Remote Area Medical® expedition or related activities.

Profession _____ License Number _____ State(s) _____

If returning volunteer: Describe your specific job assignment performed in the past and what area you worked _____

Potential Exposure to Blood Borne Pathogen: I fully understand that I am volunteering at my own risk and that due to my occupational/other possible exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials, I may be at risk of acquiring Hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection or other blood borne pathogens I agree that if exposed to blood borne pathogens or other potentially infectious materials during the event conducted pursuant to the RAM event, I will follow the guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control regarding post exposure treatment. I understand that failure to follow the guidelines in the event of percutaneous exposure with a potentially contaminated needle or instrument, or a splash of blood or other potentially contaminated material to non-intact skin, mucous membranes, etc. during the course of work significantly increases chances of infection.

Professional volunteers please check one below:

_____ I have received the vaccination for Hepatitis B.

_____ I have not received the vaccination for Hepatitis B and I am hereby wave to have this vaccination of my own free will. I understand if I do not have the HBV vaccine, I continue to be at risk of acquiring Hepatitis B, a serious disease. If, in the future, I want to be vaccinated with Hepatitis B vaccine, I can acquire the vaccination at my own expense and understand that my immunization series should be completed at least 6 months before I plan to volunteer.

Blood Borne Pathogen Training: Blood borne training is required for all medical and dental volunteers. I hereby certify that I have completed a training/educational program on the risk of exposure to blood borne pathogens and methods to prevent exposure.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return form and copy of current license (if applicable) to:

OFFICE USE ONLY: Copy of License Received ☐ Yes Date: _____

Copy of License Verified ☐ Yes

Out of State Temporary License: Copy of License received ☐ Yes

Nurse Practitioner: Practice Agreement received ☐ Yes

Verified By: _____

SAVE THE DATE

24-E 2014 FALL CONFERENCE

October 3-4, 2014

HOLIDAY INN - AIRPORT

Lions Project for Canine Companions for Independence

The East Coast Peanuts Collectors event to benefit Canine Companions for Independence will be held this summer, just north of Richmond. East Coast Peanuts Collectors is a group of enthusiasts who collect Peanuts/Charlie Brown memorabilia, pins, clothing, etc. Below is their web site with details about the July 31 – Aug. 4, 2014 event, which will be held at Kings Dominion Camp Snoopy and the Wyndham Virginia Crossings Hotel/Resort.

All proceeds raised by this event are donated to Canine Companions for Independence.

<http://eastcoastcollectors.com/>

This will be exciting for pin collectors and fans of Snoopy to attend. There will be lots to do, as you can see on the web page.

There will be a booth there to spread the word about Lions Project for Canine Companions for Independence. There will be puppies in training as well as Canine Companions for Independence service dog teams.

Lion Jim Purton, from 24-A is the 2014 – 2015 President, Lions Project for Canine Companions for Independence

Submitted by Lion Jim Newman

LOV Raffle

Go to LOVF.org to see who won the LOVF raffle. 1st place prize was \$10,000, 2nd place and 3rd place prizes were \$500. A Lion from Roanoke Valley Breakfast Lions Club sold the 2nd place ticket.

For your info, 24-E clubs got 3 LOVF grants this year. Troutville got a matching grant for a roof to the stage in the Troutville park, Christianburg got a grant for a scoreboard at the rec center and Smith Mountain Lake got a grant at the State Convention for an eye screening machine. Hopefully this will encourage 24-E clubs to continue their support of LOVF.

Submitted by Lion Don Rhinehart

Lion Tammie's NEW ADDRESS and PHONE:

Lion Tammie Brightwell's new business address is:

501 Elm Avenue, SW
Roanoke, Virginia 24016-3921
(540) 342-5466

Fax (540) 342-0013
Cell (540) 314-0312
lionva@verizon.net

Zone Meeting

Moneta Lion Gloria Guice, Lions of Virginia District 24 E, Region I, Zone I Chairperson with District Governor Lion Kirk Sampson, a member of the Smith Mountain Lake Lions, following their final Zone meeting for fiscal year 2013-2014. The meeting hosted by Lion Gloria, was held at Casa D Amici's Celebration Room, located in Downtown Moneta.

Region I Zone I is comprised of six Lions Clubs: Bedford Breakfast, Bedford Host, Forest, Moneta, Stewartsville-Chamblissburg, and Mount Pleasant. After a festive buffet dinner, representatives of each club gave reports on activities to date, as well as upcoming events.

Lion Gloria, and Governor Sampson thanked everyone for the continued service of all Lions Club members to the local communities also for their extended devotion to the Lions of Virginia and Lions Clubs International Foundations.

Submitted by Lion Rob Senoski



Rich Creek-Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club



Eastern Elementary/Middle School in Pembroke seems to have adopted the Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club. And the club has likewise adopted the school. As has become tradition, on Arbor Day members of the club visit the school to read to the 2nd grade classes and to plant trees. This Arbor Day six members, along with two Giles Lions Club “groupies”, visited to read a book about the history of Arbor Day around the world. Six Kousa dogwood trees were then planted near the bus drop off area of the school.

The children each took turns with shovels and rakes to be sure each tree was properly planted.



Lion Sherri Nipper reading the story of Arbor Day



New club member Alesia Meredith(right) was inducted into the club by 1st Vice District Governor Jim Newman at our April meeting. Alesia works as a Certified PO at Pearisburg Eye Associates. She’s already jumped in with both feet to help out with the projects we’ve undertaken since she was inducted.

The 2nd Annual Night for Sight fundraiser was held on Saturday, May 3. This year’s event had both silent and live auction elements. Food was again catered by The Palisades Restaurant in Eggleston, VA. Music was provided by the jazz group Ratatouille. Retired Virginia Extension Agent and local author Charles Lytton served as a very capable, if untrained and somewhat unorthodox, auctioneer.





(Left) Lions Sherri Nipper, Stephen Haight, Charlie Herbert, volunteer Brett Malone, and Lion Edna Malone gather to prepare extra trays of food at the 2nd Annual Night For Sight.

(Right) Lion Nick Clark models one of the items up for auction at the Night For Sight event



Lions Charlie and Betty Herbert attended the State Convention in Tysons Corner over the weekend of May 16-18 as delegates for our host club, Rich Creek Lions Club. It was a wonderful opportunity to catch up with Lions from all over the state whom we only see perhaps once a year and to make new acquaintances and friendships that will continue for many years to come. Lion Charlie was awarded the Lions Script pin by Gov. Kirk at the District 24E meeting on Sunday.

(Left) PID Wayne Davis, Lion Marge Davis and Lions Charlie and Betty Herbert at Lions of VA State Convention in Tysons Corner.

At the suggestion of Lion Nick Clark Giles Breakfast Lions began looking for a partner for the planting of a Community Garden. There are many underserved individuals in Giles County and we could help meet some of their nutritional needs with a garden. Christ Episcopal Church in Pearisburg offered space behind the church. Plowing was donated. All the vegetable plants and seeds were donated by the Farm

Bureau Store in Pearisburg. On April 18 several members were on hand to plant potatoes. Giles County grows rocks very well and several had to be pulled out by truck before planting could begin.



Lion Nick Clark preparing ground to plant. His helper is our official "Lion Cub" Aiden Clark

On Friday, April 30 the church and the Giles Breakfast Lions hosted a Community Garden kick off picnic for the neighborhood. Hamburgers and hotdogs were provided by the church and Lions Club members provided the rest of the picnic food. Needy families from throughout Giles County were invited to attend and sign up to assist with the garden, to help harvest as the vegetables begin coming in, and to eat fresh, nutritious food from the garden. The picnic was well attended by members of Giles Breakfast Lions, Christ Episcopal Church and the community, including 17 hikers down from the Appalachian Trail to restock provisions.



(Left) Lion Charlie Herbert welcomes one of our “neighbors” to the Community Garden Kick-off Picnic at the Christ Episcopal Church garden spot.



(Above) Some of the Lions, Christ Episcopal Church members, and visiting “neighbors” enjoy a lovely evening picnic.



(Left) Lions Dave Zai, Betty Herbert and Charlie Herbert hosts of the picnic. Not pictured: hosts Lions Alesia Meredith and Nick Clark.

A grant request was submitted to Carilion Clinic in April requesting assistance with the purchase of a SPOT unit to be housed and used in Giles County. We’re happy to announce that we have been granted \$2000 toward that cause. With monies put aside from the 2013 and 2014 Night For Sight fund raisers, plus a donation from Rich Creek Lions Club we now have the funds necessary for the purchase.

At the end of year District 24E Cabinet meeting on Sunday June 1st RC- Giles Breakfast Branch Lions Club was honored to received one of Governor Kirk’s Top 6 Club Awards for 2013-2014.

With our partnership with Virginia Blood Services we will be conducting blood drives at each of the four county festivals over the summer. The first will be at Pearisburg’s Festival in the Park on June 21. Giles County is served by Carilion Giles Community Hospital and all the blood collected at our local blood drives remains in Giles County for use at the hospital here because of the partnership Virginia Blood Services has with Carilion. Each unit of blood donated can save up to three lives. So we keep it local – give local, save lives local.

Submitted by Lion Betty Herbert

Ferrum College Branch Club

The 2 young ladies from the Ferrum College Branch Club are Jessa King club President and Racheal Belcher, club VP and Secretary. Jessa recieved the International President's Leadership Medal and Racheal recieved a 2013/2014 Script Pin from the District Governor. Also pictured is Lion Peggy Smith from the Host Ferrum Lions Club.

Picture by Lion Clark Vandergrift

Christiansburg Lions Club

Christiansburg Lions Club will be holding its Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, June 20, 2014, 1PM at Auburn Hills Golf and Country Club in Riner, VA. The format will be Captain's Choice with a Shotgun Start. Dinner will be provided to all participants as well as door prizes and raffles. Contact Lion George Rust at 540 230-1051 or e-mail at georgerust@verizon.net.

Submitted by Lion Joseph Wade

Blacksburg Breakfast Lions Club

The Blacksburg Breakfast Lions Club is hosting the third annual Lions on the Lake at Claytor Lake State Park.. The event is for all blind and visually impaired persons (and their families). The event is June 28 from noon to three p.m.. Boat rides on the lake, snacks and fellowship . Bring anything you like, games, musical instruments, chairs, blankets etc.

If any Lions are interested in coming and providing transport from his/her area, please let us know so we can connect rides and riders.

For further info contact Lion Suzanne Ament 540-381-0963.

Moneta Lions Club



Moneta Elementary School Principal Mrs. Melanie Simmons, center, was all smiles when Lions Gloria Guice, and Rob Senoski, members of the Moneta Lions Club stopped by her school recently. Lions Gloria and Rob delivered over three dozen used home printer ink cartridges, along with "Labels for Education" and "Box Tops for Education" which were collected by the club's membership.

The Moneta Lions Club held it's 14th Annual Golf Outing on Monday, April 14th at Mariners Landing Golf and Country Club. The outing is the club's major fund raiser and received the full support of all club members, as well as over 160 businesses and private sponsors from the surrounding areas. Following a fun filled morning of competition, a buffet lunch prepared by Adell's Catering was held at the Saunders Fire House social hall. Pictured are members of the winning team Steve Kendrick, Mary Lou McDonald, Floyd Bryant, teammate David Gray was unavailable at photo time, who finished their round of play with a score of 50 net. The winning team members received a prize of four tickets covering greens fees and carts, donated by the Ivy Hill Golf Club.



Bobby Daniel accepts his Grand Raffle Prize from Moneta Lions Club Golf Outing Chairperson Lion Del Bailey. The presentation was made following a fun filled morning of golf at Mariners Landing Golf Club, and a luncheon sponsored by the club. The prize package valued at \$700, which was purchased by the club, consisted of 4 Taylor Made-Speed Blade PW Iron Set with Steel Shafts.

Not clouds, nor breeze, nor occasional showers could halt Moneta Lions Club members Jim Hunt, Tim Haer, George Just and Gloria Guice (behind the camera), form their assigned task of beautifying the Moneta area prior to the upcoming tourist season. The quartet set out on an unpredictable Monday morning, May 5th, to collect litter along the entire length of Hendricks Store Road, between Routes 122 and Radford Church Road.





Lion Jim Newman, an avid Lions Pin Collector and Trader with the Cave Springs Lions Club, accepts a gracious thank you from Moneta Lion Jerry Over, following his very informative talk on "Pin Collecting / Trading". Lion Jim noted that Lions Pins started coming to life during the 60's and 70's, and their popularity continues to grow. Each year between three and four thousand new Lions Pins are authorized making it virtually impossible to collect each and every one. Supply and demand generally sets the price as time passes, over produced pins can be had for fifty cents at a swap meet, yet a rare pin can bring the holder over a thousand dollars.

The Moneta Lions Club hosted a pre lunch Bingo Party for the clients of the Central Virginia Area Agency on Aging (CVAAA) at their Dining Center in Moneta on Monday May 12th. Lions Bart Matthies, Mary Davis, Chuck Dideon, Denny Heenan, JoAnn Beachum and Gloria Guice, were on hand to assist the Seniors. The lucky winners were awarded toiletry items, pens, pencils, notepads, and various large print puzzle books. At the conclusion of Bingo, Lion Mary Davis (standing foreground) received a "Surprise Birthday Card" signed by each of the seniors as Lions Denny and JoAnn look on.



Moneta Lions Sarah Hunt, Rob Senoski and Pat Bailey (not pictured), filled the first shift to greet the public who visited their booth at the Smith Mountain Lake Business Expo in Downtown Moneta, along with more than 120 lake-area businesses. Nearly a dozen Lions took turns throughout the day boasting the Moneta Lions involvement within the community and surrounding area. During its past twenty five years of service. A few items on display were: the Club's Awards Banner, one of their new V2 Vision Screening Machines and an Eye Glass Recycling Collection box.

Body Camp Elementary School hosted an "End of the (school) Year Blast" picnic dinner Friday May 2nd. The event was a combination PTA meeting and social get together for the staff, students, parents, along with the many volunteers who contributed their time and resources throughout the year.