

Pictured - Principal Scott Graham presents Moneta Club VP Lion Bart Matthies and Pres. Lion Rob Senoski with a Certificate of Appreciation and fun filled "Goodie Bag" for the club's continued support.

Mrs. Melanie Simmons, center, Principal of Moneta Elementary School, with Moneta Lions Club members Lions Bart Matthies, Rob Senoski, Gloria Guice, and Mary Davis following a recent "Volunteer Appreciation Tea" catered entirely by the school's staff. The "Tea" was held at 3pm Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup> in the school cafeteria, as a means to express thanks to the many civic groups and individuals



who had generously donated their time and knowledge throughout this past school year.



Rosey Clark, Librarian at the Moneta Branch of the Bedford County Library, accepts a donation from Moneta Lions Club Treasurer Lion Del Bailey and Lion Rob Senoski. The donation was made possible thanks to the generosity of many local residents during the Club's many fund raisers. The check was accompanied with a cover letter, that it be used to purchase additional large print reading material for the local library.

Miss Julia Robertson, center, displays her Certification of Appreciation presented by Moneta Lions Club Second Vice President Lion Bart Matthies, and Club President Lion Rob Senoski, following the annual Staunton River High School (SRHS) Senior Awards Ceremony held May 19 in the school auditorium. Miss Robertson was presented the Certificate along with a monetary grant to



help further her education as a double major in French and Art. During her Senior Year, Julia maintained high scholastic standards, participated in various extra curricular activities, and still found time to do volunteer work within her community, qualifying her for the "Lions Young Leaders In Service Award". Julia truly demonstrates the Lions Clubs International Motto of "We Serve". Submitted by Lion Rob Senoski

### Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club

June 2014

At its meeting on May 18, 2014, Jim Pilversack (right), the chair of the Smith Mountain Lake Buffer Landscape Committee gave a talk on ways property owners around the Lake can protect water quality by slowing and filtering the flow of water across their property. The committee provides education regarding the need and benefits of buffer landscaping on lake front property and also works to recognize those property owners that install buffer landscaping on their property.



The Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club Scholarship Trust announced six four-year scholarships at its May 22nd meeting. Each of the scholarships will support



study at a Virginia four-year college or university. The generosity of individuals, major donors' support, the Trust's investment income, and donations from the SML Lions Charitable Corp. fund all six scholarships. The 2014 recipients (left to right) are Dalton Ruggieri will attend William and Mary to study physics and mathematics; Kristen Irons who will attend the University of Virginia and

plans to earn both an MD and PhD; Kendra Washington, who will attend Virginia Tech and plans to major in political and science and communications to prepare for law school; Sage Wright who will attend James Madison University and will major in music and finance; and Crystal Wright who will attend Ferrum College and study history to prepare to be a paralegal.

Submitted by Lion Cindy Decker

## Salem Host Lions Club

The Salem Host Lions hosted a Community Appreciation Dinner on April 1, 2014, at the Salem Civic Center. The club donated \$27,100 to the following: Salem High School (SHS) Activities Fund, Andrew Lewis Middle School (ALMS) Activities Fund, SHS and ALMS Band Programs, Salem Police Dare Program, SHS After Prom Committee, Glenvar High School After Prom Committee, Virginia Special Olympics Torch Run, Salem Rescue Squad and Fort Lewis Rescue Squad. Funds donated by the Salem Host Lions were raised through operation of the concession stand at the Salem Stadium. Thanks to the support of the Salem Community and various activities at the stadium the Salem Host Lions have donated over \$354,000 over the past three years back to the community to help local schools and those in need. Donations have been used to buy equipment for the Salem Police Department, help fund the Salem DARE program annual picnic, buy glasses and hearing aids for people in need and much more.



Pictured from left to right: Officer Hephner (Salem PD), Officer Robertson (Salem PD), Glen Gray (Salem Rescue Squad), Kanisha Wiley (GHS After Prom Party), Asst. Chief Donnie Rickman (Fort Lewis Rescue Squad), Melissa Gray (Salem Rescue Squad), Chief Woody Henderson (Fort Lewis Rescue Squad), Officer Dillon (Salem PD), Chris Wilkes (SHS Band), Scott Habeeb (SHS), Sergeant Mike Crawley (Salem PD), Jamie Garst (ALMS), and Lisa Wiley (GHS After Prom).

The Salem Host Lions had a couple of concession events this spring. A new event held at the Salem Civic Center was an Easter Egg Drop sponsored by Fellowship Community Church held on April 18th. The club set-up a remote concession stand and served assorted pastries, hotdogs and drinks to the egg hunt participants. We also manned the concession stands at the Salem Football Stadium for the Blue Ridge Music Festival on May 31, 2014. Salem Host Lions members and friends volunteered over 300 hours between the two events and raised over \$13,000 which will all go back into the community.

On June 3 the Salem Host Lions had their annual summer picnic at Longwood Park where Lion Jim Robertson presented a total of \$18,000 in scholarships to 10 high school students (6 students from Salem High School and 4 students from Glenvar High School). Zone Chair Lion Marian Bullard also installed next year's club officers. A fun time was had by all (picture to follow during a later newsletter).

We are looking forward to our Habitat for Humanity Project which should be gearing up for this summer.

Submitted by Lion Jenny Poland

## **Forest Lions Club**

On the evening of May 2nd, the Forest Lions Club held its Annual \$10,000 Raffle at the Forest Recreation Center. Two hundred and fifty supporters of the club gathered for a first rate buffet dinner, good drink, fellowship and a chance to win \$10,000. In the end, ten lucky people decided to split the pot and left with \$1,000 each. Others left with winnings from 50/50 and side pot drawings. Still others left with their treasures from an elaborate silent auction. With many return attendees, it is safe to say that a good time was had by all.







At a May 14th Senior Awards Ceremony at Jefferson Forest High School, the Forest Lions Club presented \$1,200 scholarships to three deserving seniors. All recipients had outstanding academic records, participated in athletic and extra-curricular activities and had a history of community service.

Eric Abowd excelled in cross country and indoor and outdoor track. Eric will attend Kent State University to major in sports management. He plans to obtain post graduate degrees and has a goal of being the General

Manager of a professional sports team. Eric also had a solid record of volunteering, most notable being church related.

Casey Davis not only graduated from Jefferson Forest but also graduated with an Associate Degree from CVCC. She excelled athletically as a pole vaulter. Casey plans to attend Virginia Tech majoring in human development hoping to complete her undergraduate degree in two years and then to move on to achieve an MS in speech therapy at Radford University. Notable service activities included volunteering in a kindergarten class at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School 2 days per week for 3 years.

Megan Enneking captained three Jefferson Forest sports teams and was named Female Athlete of the year. Megan will attend James Madison University to major in nursing with a specialization in radiation oncology. Her goal is to work at St. Jude's Children's Hospital and later help children in the third world. Megan's most notable service activity was helping with a fundraiser for a young girl with cancer. In so doing, she wrote a letter to Taylor Swift and obtained back stage passes and VIP seats for this girl at a Taylor Swift concert.

On Friday, April 4 and Saturday, April 5, eleven Lions worked a total of 47 hours to raise funds to support our "vision programs". Those programs include providing funds for eye exams and glasses for those in need, support for the leader dog and canine companion programs and support for the Mid-Atlantic Eye Foundation.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of over 500 donors, the Forest Lions Club raised over \$900 for these purposes. In addition, many used eye-glasses were turned in for recycling.

Submitted by Lion George Mohrmann

# **Cave Spring Lions Club**



Lion Pres. Dharam thanks Lion Linda All, Chairman of M.O.M. and Reading Across America



Park Partners with Roanoke County



Joint Meeting with Boones Mill Club



Clubs Pres.Lions Tom Webster and Dharam Sawh



LOVF Raffle Chairman Lion Tressa Camidge



Yard Sale

#### CONGRATULATIONS Lion Jim!!



We take this opportunity to extend sincere congratulations on your Election as District Governor. Being a member of the Cave Spring Lions Club and being a Member of Cave Spring Lions Club and being elected District Governor has made us very proud. Your willingness to adhere to the Lions Motto "We Serve" has always been an inspiration to us. You lead by example; you lead by commitment; you lead with the desire to serve your fellowman; you lead with humility. We are all the more proud to know you are a dedicated member of Cave Spring Lions Club.

Please be assured of our fullest co-operation and support as you embark on this rewarding and wonderful journey.

Club Pres. Lion Dharam Sawh

### IN MEMORIAM

### **Thomas William Ruble**

Thomas William Ruble, 76, entered into the joy of the Lord on Wednesday, May 28,2014. He was born in Canton, Ohio, August 19,1937, and has lived in the Roanoke Valley since 1968.

Tom is survived by his loving wife of 44 years, Norma Snider Ruble, four children and nine grandchildren.

Tom retired from AEP after 42 years of service. He was a member of the Edgewood Lions Club since October of 1975, where he served in many capacities including two terms as District Governor of Multiple District 24-E. He served his country faithfully for two years in the United States Navy.

Our sincere sympathy to his family.