

**MD 24 C Lions  
of Virginia**



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# Lions Roaring Pride

Greetings Lions of District 24-C,

It is hard to believe that my Lion year is ending in about a month. With all the Covid-19 restrictions, we look at the many services the Lions in the District have performed for their communities. To date, 725 projects, serving 89,604 people. This statistic is only reporting approximately 50% of our clubs. Again, I will stress the need for our clubs to enter their service in LCI. Now, that we are beginning “to see the light at the end of the tunnel,” I am looking forward to having all clubs back to meeting, working to increase membership, doing service projects, and engaging in fundraising.

Our membership growth has lagged this year, but I am appreciative of your efforts in continuing to recruit 97 new Lions to date and increased gender parity to almost 35%. The NAMI Committee will continue under a new name, Global Membership Approach, next year. The members of our District committee, under the leadership of NAMI Champion, IPDG John Seaborn, have worked to evaluate and make plans to strengthen our clubs and to plan development of new clubs in our district. The work of this Committee will be continued next year by DGE Eric Mills. If you have an interest and want to make a difference in growing Lionism, please contact me.

Our District support of the LCIF Campaign 100 has been slow this year. In spite of many club fundraisers having to be cancelled this year, we have collected to date \$11,010 from 41 donors with 25 clubs represented. The Campaign 100 Collection Boxes have been distributed to the clubs and I encourage you to drop your spare pocket or pocketbook change into them at each meeting. Each donation, no matter how small will help someone who is in need.

I want to thank you all for the wonderful support of my Hope to Walk project. The purchase of a “leg” for \$250 can truly transform the life of an amputee in a developing country. Reported in May, we have collected \$14,750 for 59 legs with 21 clubs represented. At present, the Smith Mountain Lake club leads the District in the number of “legs” purchased with 24 and the Wytheville club follows with 6. I am honored that the Lions have played a part in this great service.

Over this “different” and challenging year, my visits to your clubs were in all formats; zoom, conference call, and in person. I really enjoyed being with you and appreciated all of your support in keeping a strong leonine presence alive. Again, Lions THANK YOU for all of your help and support during this most unusual and challenging year and to celebrate the success we have achieved. As my slogan has been this year, “TOGETHER” we SERVE, we GROW, and we SHARE!

I am looking forward to continued service in our District and to support DGE Eric Mills in achieving a year of many successes.

In service together,

Jean Cook, District Governor

District 24-C Lions



**Jean Cook  
District Governor MD 24-C**



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**“TOGETHER”**

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**DISTRICT GOVERNOR - MD24-C (2020-2021)**



**LION JEAN E. COOK**

**THEME: "TOGETHER - WE SERVE, GROW, AND SHARE!"**

**District Governor, Jean is a native of Pennsylvania who has lived in Wytheville, VA for over 40 years. She retired as Director of Materials Management in 2011 from Wythe County Community Hospital after 33 years of service. Her hobbies include gardening, jigsaw puzzles, family ancestry, and many sports, especially, the Tennessee Volunteers. She is a member of Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church in Wytheville and serves as Treasurer, Finance Committee Chair, member of the United Methodist Women, maintains the church landscape, and sings in the choir. She is a VFW Lifetime Member and a member of the Wythe County Historical Society.**

**Since joining the Wytheville Lions in 2009 from the encouragement of a close Lion friend, she found the work of the Lions to be very rewarding and beneficial to the local community; as well, as the world. Highlight of her service to the community was the development of the Memorial Day Flag Placement Project in 2012. At present, the Wytheville Lions Club is providing over 900 flags in 34 cemeteries in Wythe County each Memorial Day.**

**During 2016-2017, Lion Jean served as the first female President of the Wytheville Club in its 75 Years of existence. Her leadership brought different perspectives to the club; especially in being instrumental in increasing the female membership of the club.**

**Her work in Lions continued to the District holding the positions of Zone chair, various District chairs, and the VDGs. During that time she started the first Leo Club in the Wythe County Schools, continues as the Club Advisor, and the District Leo Club Chair promoting the involvement of youth in Lions.**

**The Corona pandemic has changed the way we live our lives and the way we SERVE, but the District Governor Jean is challenging Lions to continue their service safely because our service is needed NOW more than ever.**

**\* Veterans of Foreign Wars**

**DS - District Governor Lion Jean Cook - MD24-C**

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## 2020-21 Lions International President



Jung Yul Choi

United in Kindness and Diversity

Greetings Lions,

Where your service goes, kindness grows. Because you do more than make a difference in people's lives—you inspire them to do the same for others. And the more your community knows about how much your club has accomplished, the greater impact you'll be able to make.

Sharing your club's stories is the best way to promote your club and service activities. We are now already more connected than ever before through virtual meetings, social media and even traditional media. So share your success, inspire your community, and let people know how they can be a part of your service.

Sincerely,

*Jung-Yul Choi*

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President

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## 2021 Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)

**April 30, 2021 through May 2, 2021**

Even with a global pandemic Lions from all corners of Virginia masked up and gathered in a socially distant manner to participate in the 2021 RLLI in Roanoke, VA April 30th through May 2nd 2021. Here are some highlights of our MD 24 Lion Leaders.

**Group 1**



**Group 2**



**Group 3**



**Group 4**



**Group 5**



**Group 6**



Attendees from MD 24 C are shown receiving their pins and certificates for participating in the leadership event from PCC Marty Alford MD 24 GLT Coordinator and PID Richard Chaffin.

Pictured below (left to right) are: Top Row: Lion Josh Barrett, Honaker Lions Club, Lion Mandy Barrett, Honaker Lions Club, Lion Kelly Berry, Buchanan Lions Club, Lion Jeanne Clark, Buchanan Lions Club.

Bottom Row (left to right): Lion Tearesa Clifton, Tazewell Lions Club, Lion Andre' Peery, Roanoke Valley Breakfast Lions Club, Lion Craig Price, Forest Lions Club, Lion Theresa Price, Forest Lions Club, and 2nd Vice District Governor Lion Connie Saunders, Bluefield, VA Lions Club



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## 2021 Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI)

April 30, 2021 through May 2, 2021

Lions spent the weekend listening to presentations and participating in both individual and group exercises.



Lions participated in role plays of the Three Oaks Lions Club about the danger in doing things the same way just because “That’s the way we’ve always done it.”



Lions were paired up with other Lions from across the state to network and make new acquaintances that led to discussions and information and idea exchanges from other Lions.

The last order of business was presenting our faculty their certificates of appreciation for helping to facilitate a very successful weekend of fun and fellowship. The 2022 RLLI will be March 4-6, 2022. The location will be announced later.



Pictured above (left to right) PID Richard Chaffin, PCC Chet Kramer, PDG Heather Jones Lancto, and PDG Jay Moughon were presented with Certificates of Appreciation for their individual contributions to the institute.

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MD 24 C Region Chair / Zone Chair and Club Officer Training

May 15, 2021

Dublin Lions Club hosted the district wide training for our current and new Region and Zone Chairs as well as doing our Club Officer Training on Saturday May 15, 2021. There were 34 Lions in attendance for the event which was conducted with a district grant from LCI. Lunch was provided and a lot of information was passed along regarding the responsibilities of the various offices.



The training covered topics concerning Roles and Responsibilities, Planning and Goal Setting, Problem Solving and Assessing Club Health were covered in the morning session and Club Officer Training for President and Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership were also covered in the afternoon



District Governor Jean Cook sat in and provided her comments on the importance of club reporting.



Those presenting for the day were (left to right) PCC Marty Alford, MD 24 and 24 C GLT, Lion James Dalton Region 1 Chair, Lion President Babette Newman, Cave Springs Lions Club, PDG James Newman, MD 24 C Cabinet Treasurer and Lion Judy Alford, Region 2 Zone 2 Chairperson and Dublin Lions Club Secretary.

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## Cave Spring District Lions Club News

### DG Jean Cook's visit to Cave Spring District Lions Club

Once the doors were opened, Cave Spring Lions hosted a visit by our District Governor Jean Cook. See pictures below



Group Picture with Cave Spring Lions and District Gov. Jean Cook



Pictured left to right: Lion Joane Miller, Wytheville Lions Club, Lion Babs Newman, and District Governor Jean Cook.



Pictured left to right Lion Dharamdeo Sawh, District Governor Jean Cook, PDG Jim Newman, and 1st Vice District Governor Eric Mills



Cave Spring Lions gathered, masked and socially distanced for the Governor's Visit



Pictured left to right:  
President Lion Babs Newman, District Governor Jean Cook, and Secretary Lion Kay Patrick



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## Cave Spring District Lions Club

### **Cave Spring Lions remembers Lion Geneva Belcher**

It is with much sorrow that we report to you the passing of long-time Lion, Geneva Belcher. Geneva initially became a Lion in 1990 with the Roanoke Valley Breakfast Lions Club. In 2007 she transferred her membership to Cave Spring.

Lion Geneva served as State Secretary-Treasurer for the Lions of Virginia until her retirement in 2008.

Club President Lion Babs Newman had the opportunity to talk with Lion Geneva this past fall. At that time, though she was unable to get out, she enjoyed hearing about all the club was doing and wanted our club to continue to do so.

The Club will be making a memorial gift of \$50.00 to Mountain Valley Hospice as requested in her obituary.

Below is a photo and a picture of the Lions pin that was made in her honor at her retirement from the State Office.



Geneva Wood Belcher



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## Daleville Fincastle Lions Club News

### 2021 Bland Music Contest

The 2021 Daleville Fincastle Lions Club Bland Music Contest was held at The Glebe Retirement Home on Saturday, May 1st. The Bland Music Contest is named for James A. Bland, the greatest African American writer of American Folk Song, who composed over seven hundred songs. His most famous song is “Carry Me Back to Ole Virginy”. This song was the Virginia State Song from 1940 to 1997. The Annual Bland Music Scholarship Program was established in 1948 by Lions of Virginia to recognize James Bland and to assist and promote cultural and educational opportunities for the musically talented youth of Virginia. Over \$25,000 is awarded annually in state, regional, district and local clubs.



The first place vocalist at the local contest was Emery Maxson, shown on the left, who sang “Talk to the Animals” and the first place instrumentalist was Preston Pauley, shown on the right, who performed “October” on the piano. Both are pictured with Lion Lowell Skelton, Secretary of the Daleville Fincastle Club and Lion Jim Reynolds, who was the emcee for this event.

Both Emery and Preston will advance to the Semi-District Competition which will be held on Sunday, May 16th at Community Church in Salem.

Other contestants who competed in this contest were: Sullins Johnston, Beau Lee, Maverick Johnston, Kaeli Berry, and Eliza Johnston.



Daleville Fincastle Lions who assisted with this event, from the left, were Linda All, Lowell Skelton, Club President Scott Johnson, Jim Reynolds and in-coming President, Teresa Fridley. Not pictured is Lion Robin Ward.

### Adopt-a-Highway-Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

On Saturday, April 17th, the Daleville Fincastle Lions picked up trash on their 2.6 mile assigned Adopt-a-Highway portion of Catawba Road in Daleville. Pictured above from left to right are the newest member, Rich Boone, Secretary Lowell Skelton and President Scott Johnson. Also participating (not pictured) were Lions Karen Sledd, Jim Reynolds and Forest Wagner.



The Daleville Fincastle Lions Club was chartered in January 2019 and has become active in serving the communities of both Daleville and Fincastle with service projects such as volunteering at the Botetourt Food Pantry in Fincastle, Vision Screening in schools and day care centers in Botetourt and Craig County, assisting with Blood Drives in Daleville, volunteering for the Troutville Fire Dept, supporting the League for Animal Protection in Fincastle and volunteering for the Daleville Town Center Music Events. We are currently meeting at the Troutville Fire Dept. on the 4th Tuesday of each month. On May 25th, we will be returning to the Glebe for our May meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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## Daleville Fincastle Lions Club News (continued)

### Daleville Fincastle Lions Induct New Member



On March 23rd, at their monthly meeting, the Daleville Fincastle Lions inducted a new member, Rich Boone. Shown in the picture starting at the left, President Scott Johnston, Sponsor Kathy Boone and new member Rich Boone. Rich previously served as a Lion for the Purcellville, VA Lions Club.

We are plus three(3) in membership for the year.

### Melvin Jones Fellow Presentation

At their monthly meeting on May 25th, the Daleville Fincastle Lions Club presented the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellow Award to Lions Mary S. McCormack and Carole C. Smith. The Melvin Jones Award is named for Melvin Jones, the founder of Lions Club International. This award is the most distinguished award that can be awarded to a Lion and represents dedication to humanitarian service to the highest degree.



Pictured from the left are: Current Club President, Scott Johnston, Lion Mary S. McCormack, Lion Carole C. Smith, Incoming Club President, Teresa Fridley and Lions District 24-C 1st Vice District Governor, Eric Mills.



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## Dublin Lions Club News

Dublin Lions have had a hard blow during the pandemic. Like most other clubs, fund raising has been albeit eliminated due to COVID. Dublin has traditionally held two major fundraisers in the form of a Flea Market. These two Flea Markets generally net the club around \$65,000.00 in revenue that allows the club to support a wide array of community needs through our fiscal support.

COVID did not stop the Dublin Lions in their service to the community.



In March and May of 2021, Dublin Lions hosted their Bloodmobiles at the clubhouse. The March Blood-drive netted about 34 units of blood. The Bloodmobile in May collected 38 units of blood. Combined we collected 72 units. American Red Cross reports that for every unit of blood collected three lives are impacted.



At the April membership meeting 5 Lions were presented their gold Centennial Sponsor Pins. Pictured left to right are Lion Harold Ward, Lion Carl Lindstrom, Lion Larry Clevenger Sr., Lion Ellen Crouch-Hullender, and Lion James Cook. Dublin Lions is +5 for the year.



While Dublin Lions have not been able to do a lot of fundraising, the membership has stepped up at every meeting since August by digging deep into their own pockets to help ensure that Daily Bread of Pulaski VA would receive a portion of our usual support. From August 2020 to May 2021, Dublin Lions collected \$1,250.00 in cash donations.



Starting at our May meeting Dublin Lions have committed to collecting 1 ton of canned food for Daily Bread. At the May membership meeting members collected 45 large cans of food for the Daily Bread. Approximately 250 lbs. of food. Daily Bread feeds approximately 125 people daily. Most of the people they serve suffer from mental illness.



Nine Lions gathered at the Pulaski County Fairgrounds on May 1, 2021 to work on our stretch of Route 100 for our Adapt-a Highway program. Sixteen bags of trash were picked up by our members.



Additionally, Dublin Lions collected over 453 pairs of eyeglasses which was taken to the Eye-glass Recycling Center in Roanoke, VA.

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## Region 2 Zones 2 and 3 combine for joint Zone Meeting in Dublin

On May 23, 2021, Lions in Region 2 Zones 2 and 3 met at the Dublin Lions Club Building for a combined Zone Meeting. Below are some of the pictures from this meeting.



## **MD 24 C Lions Roaring Pride Newsletter**

### **Hope to Walk Foundation Thanks MD 24 Lions**



All of us at Hope to Walk thank you from the bottoms of our collective hearts for the very generous checks from the Lions of Southwest Virginia and for your efforts to encourage these donations. As District Governor Jean said, 59 amputees will walk because of you and the lives of the patients and their families will be improved because of you. Also our kitchen in the Guatemala City HOPE-CENTER now has a refrigerator, stove, microwave oven and water purifier thanks to the Lions.

We're looking forward to the day that some of you will join us on a trip to see for yourself this miracle and feel the joy in your own hearts that we do at these times.

Sue Beatty

Chair HTW.

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## MD 24 C Cabinet Meeting

May 23, 2021



Aside from being Cabinet Meeting day, MD 24 C Lions gathered at the Eyeglass Recycling Center in Roanoke to conduct the last cabinet meeting of the Lion's year. As soon as District Governor Jean Cook called the meeting to order, the cabinet broke into song and sang Happy Birthday to District Governor Jean. District Governor Jean reflected on the fact that exactly one year ago she was elected as District Governor and today represents the end of a most difficult year.



The first order of business was the presentation of two checks to Hope to Walk. Through the advocacy of District Governor Jean, PCC Rick Carroll, and Lion Jay Furick, our district solicited \$250.00 donations from individuals and clubs and the result yielded 59 prosthetic legs for a total of \$14,750.00 for the first check. Secondly, District Governor Jean performed budget magic and provided Hope to Walk a second check for \$1,500.00 to purchase kitchen appliances for their clinic that will be built in Guatemala.



After the presentation, everyone came together for a photo opportunity to memorialize the moment. Pictured left to right are: Kristi Staples, Marketing Director for Hope to Walk, PCC Rick Carroll Hope to Walk Project Volunteer, District Governor Jean Cook, Dr. Sue Beatty, HTW Chair, and Lion Jay Furick, Smith Mountain Lake Lions Club and HTW Volunteer. Currently an effort to obtain funding from LCIF, Bethlehem United Methodist Church, and individual donors, a goal to raise \$100,000.00 to build a clinic in Guatemala is in the works.



District Governor Jean took time to recognize PCC Marty Alford, 1st Vice District Governor Eric Mills (not pictured) and 2nd Vice District Governor Connie Saunders and Lion Mandy Barrett with an International President's Certificate of Appreciation. Also recognized was PDG Jon Seaborn with an International President's Leadership Metal as well as Lion Andre Peery with an International President's Leadership Metal.

After the presentations, PCC Clark Vandergrift announced that the cabinet had collected money to be donated to Hope to Walk in Honor of District Governor Jean's outstanding work during a most trying year.

District Governor Jean was formally nominated by the cabinet to fill the vacant position of 2nd Vice District Governor for DGE Eric Mills. While she ran a successful write in campaign, a formal endorsement of the district had to be made part of the minutes for her nomination to succeed.

Stay tuned for the official minutes.

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### Boys Scouts Need Lions Brooms Goal Achieved



With the global pandemic seeing an end to its' horrible grip, the Local Boy Scout Council, the Blue Ridge Mountains Council of BSA is planning for a full camp season this upcoming year and they are collecting tools and items needed for the camps. One of the things they needed was Booms for the camp sites and program buildings and areas. Lion Andre' is the Council Training Chair and a member of the Order of the Arrow who is doing the drive to get these items donated from the community.

When Lion Andre' heard they needed brooms he knew that Lions could help. Lion Andre' asked the clubs in his Zone to help and he reached out to the other Zones in the district to get brooms donated for this cause. Lion Andre' has met his Goal on his Broom Collection of 72 and 18 mops for the Scouts. Thank you Lions for your support of this great project supporting our youth!

Lion Andre' Peery,

Region 1, Zone 1 Chair

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## Moneta Lions Club News

### Lions' Dist. Governor Visits Moneta Lions



Lions of Virginia, Multiple District 24 C Governor Lion Jean Cook (Wytheville Club) and 1st Vice District Governor Lion Eric Mills (Vinton Breakfast Club) were the guests of honor at a recent Moneta Lions Club meeting.

It has been customary for a District Governor to visit every club within their District during their year in office. With the recent consolidation from six to three districts, each area has doubled in size. Adding to the task, it has been a difficult year filled with COVID-19 uncertainty and lockdowns.

Governor Cook addressed the Moneta Club on various subjects mainly membership, recruiting and retention, which has been a very difficult chore in the recent past.

Prior to her closing, on behalf of Lions Clubs International President, Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, Governor Cook presented Club Members Gloria Guice and Rob Senoski with a Milestone Chevron Award, for 20 and 15 years of service respectively. Pictured above left to right are Moneta Lions Club President Lion Del Bailey with visiting Dignitaries of Multiple District 24 C, Governor Jean Cook and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Eric Mills, following a recent club meeting.

### Lions Young Leaders in Service Award

During a recent, “mini / private” Award Presentation, on behalf of Lions Clubs International, and the Moneta Lions Clubs, Youth Services Chairperson Lion Gloria Guice recognized two Staunton River High School (SRHS) graduates for their outstanding volunteer accomplishments.

Lion Gloria presented SRHS Graduates, Laci Walker and Jacob Perdue with Certificates of Appreciation, along with monetary grants to further their educations based on their volunteer efforts over the past twelve months. Through the very trying times of the Covid 19 epidemic, both students maintained excellent course grades, plus found time to support their neighbors. Miss Walker and Mr. Perdue each stockpiled well over one hundred volunteer service hours each aiding the homeless, assisting with area youth projects, and worked toward community improvement. Young people who volunteer mature into adults who serve. Through the Lions Youth Leaders in Service Awards, Lions Clubs encourage youth in the philosophy and habit of service to the community. This recognition opportunity benefits youth by developing life skills, providing an acknowledgement from an international association that can be used for college and job applications, and increasing visibility and awareness of Lions Clubs International and its various youth programs. The benefits of Lions include opportunities to share their love for service, build community relationships, encourage young people to effect change and invite youth to partner on hands-on projects.



Laci Walker, graduating senior of Staunton River High School proudly displays her “Certificate of Appreciation” presented by the Moneta Lions Club. Laci will be continuing her education at Sweet Briar College.



Staunton River High School Graduate, Jacob Perdue displays his Moneta Lions Club “Certificate of Appreciation”. Jacob has been accepted at the University of Northwestern Ohio.

Submitted by Lion Rob Senoski

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## Wytheville Lions Club

### Memorial Day Project



Wytheville Club Lion Richard Johnson is placing one of the over 900 flags in 34 cemeteries in Wythe County for Memorial Day to honor our veterans.

Since 2012, the Wytheville Lions have provided and placed the flags with the help of a Rural Retreat Lion and some community volunteers.

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### James A. Bland Memorial Music Scholarship Contest



The James A. Bland Memorial Music Scholarship Contest for the winners of local contests in Regions 3 & 4 was held on May 16th, 2021 at 3 p.m., at the Emory & Henry Chapel.

Begun in 1948 by the Lions of Virginia, the contest honors the memory of the composer of Carry Me Back to Old Virginia, once the state song of Virginia. Winners at the local level advance to the district level. District 24 - C has two contests, one for Regions 1 & 2 and the other for Regions 3 & 4. Winners at the district level will advance to the state contest, where the prizes total thousands of dollars in scholarship money. For this year, winners of the regional Virginia Lions Club James A. Bland Memorial Music Scholarship are Joshua Tomiak and Oliva Brewer. Regions 3 and 4 of Lions District 24 - C covers far Southwest Virginia. Both winning contestants are seniors at George Wythe High School and both were sponsored by the Rural Retreat and Wytheville Lions Clubs. Olivia is the daughter of Morgan Davis of Wytheville. She sang "I Know Where I've Been," and sang a cappella. Joshua is the son of William and Julia Tomiak of Wytheville. He performed his own composition, "Potentiality" on piano.

Other participants were Jaycie Pemberton, daughter of Arthur and Wendi Pemberton of Galax, who played piano, sponsored by the Galax Lions Club; and vocalist Hadassah White, daughter of Brandon and Lynn White, of Coeburn, who was sponsored by the Pound Lions Club.

Brewer and Tomiak will advance to the state level, which will be held in Salem in June. Winners at the state level receive scholarships to assist them in further music studies.



From left to right are: Hadassah White, Jaycie Pemberton, Olivia Brewer, and Joshua Tomiak

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**MD 24 C Officers Elected for 2021-2022**

**Congratulations to our incoming officers**

**District Governor**



**Lion Eric Mills, Vinton Breakfast Lions Club**

**First Vice District Governor**



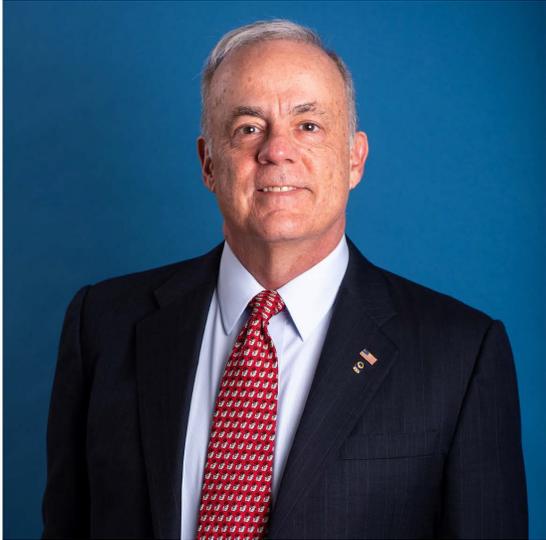
**Lion Connie Saunders, Bluefield VA Lions Club**

**Second Vice District Governor**



**PDG Lion Jean Cook, Wytheville Lions Club**

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**Congratulations to PDG Jay Moughon for receiving the MD-24 endorsement for International Director**



**MD 24 C Lions Roaring Pride Newsletter**  
**Lions Roaring Pride revisions and publication schedule**  
**2020-2021**

Greetings Fellow Lions:

The upcoming year, we are going to institute a different approach on our newsletter. I have listened to your feedback and I hear you. The old newsletter was too big and had way too much to make it a valid source of information. As such, you will notice starting with this edition, fewer pages and pictures and more publication dates.

**Below is the publication schedule:**

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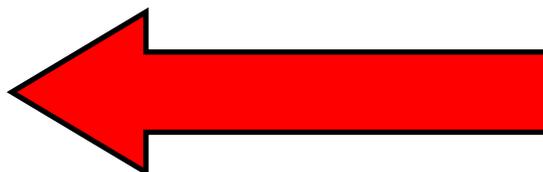
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**Submission guide lines:**

1. Submit your club news in an email format highlighting your service or special occasions **1 page maximum of text and photos.**
2. All news will be due to the editor (that's me) by the 1st day of the month for each of the publication dates. You can submit news to me up to the publication date. For 2021-2022 the release dates are July 11, 2021, Sept 12, 2021, November 7, 2021, January 9, 2022, March 13, 2022, and May 8, 2022.
3. Let us know about service projects and fundraisers so that we can broadcast this not only in the newsletter, but on our district website and FaceBook Page.
4. Forward the newsletter to your membership and print it out for the Lions that are not online or have email.

It is my hope that the new format will be more accessible to everyone and keep our district informed .

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## Leader Dogs for the Deaf and Blind



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**Reminder: Please submit  
news as text file and**



## Greetings Fellow Lions,

With the increase of vaccine availability becoming a reality, we are looking forward to getting back to in-person meetings, service projects, and fellowship.

COVID has taken so much from us during the last year. Our district is down 7 clubs and our membership numbers are dangerously low. LCI has waived the initiation fees until June 30, 2021 so let's get out and introduce our communities to the greatest of all service organizations. This is the last newsletter for our current Lion's year. What a year it has been. As we start a new Lion's year in July, let us be committed to growing not only our numbers in membership, but also in service to our communities

Yours in Service

Lion Marty Alford PCC

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