

**MD 24 C Lions
of Virginia**



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Lions Roaring Pride

Greetings Lions of District 24-C,

As the daffodils begin to sprout, it gives me hope that warmer weather is on the way. With that thought, I start to want to be more active, getting outside and doing chores and projects. I hope this is also urging us to be more active in our Lions' Clubs, meeting, planning, and performing service.

As most of you know, there will be no in person or virtual State Convention this year, but some activities need to be performed each year in some format. The process for voting for our District

Delegates will be as described. As of March 8, I trust that all clubs have electronically received the official MD 24 Lions of Virginia 2021 Elections Delegates form. Please fill this out as directed on the

form and return either by email, fax, or by mail post marked by March 25, 2021, to the State Secretary, Tammie Brightwell. Ballots will be mailed to all certified delegates with instructions on Monday, April 12, 2021. All ballots are to be returned to the state office P.O. Box post marked no later than May 10. The election will take place on May 15.

Also, now is the time to be getting your nominations for club officers in order to be ready for your elections in April, 2021. Your secretary will report the newly elected list of club officers to the International office within 15 days of the election. This notification to International each year is crucial in facilitating your club receiving your mail directly from International.

The LOVF drawing will be held April 25, 2021, at the State Office. It is imperative that you have your ticket stubs and money to the State Office by April 22 for the drawing.

I am glad to report that the HOPE to WALK Project purchase of "legs" continue to steadily grow. At present, the District has purchased 43 legs from the participation of 14 clubs. I sincerely appreciate your support of this worthwhile project.

Do NOT forget the District Service Award and the New Voices Initiative Certificates that I am looking to announce the winners at the May 23, 2021, District Cabinet Meeting in Roanoke because of the

cancellation of the State Convention.

I continue to develop my visitation schedule and am looking for opportunities for club visits. If I have not contacted your club, please let me know if you are meeting and I will make every effort to arrange a visit.

In service together,

Jean Cook, District Governor

District 24-C Lions



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



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at [https://
www.md24clions.org/](https://www.md24clions.org/)**

"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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MD 24 C Cabinet Meeting Announcement



When: Sunday March 14, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

**Where: Dublin Lions Club Building adjacent to the
Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery on Bagging Plant Rd.
Dublin, VA**

This Sunday we will have our MD 24 C Cabinet Meeting. The meeting will be in person so bring a mask. If you are not comfortable meeting in person you can attend via ZOOM. District Governor Jean Cook will send out the link via email later this week.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Meeting

Lions of Virginia



**Vote For
PDG Jay Moughon**
as Virginia's Endorsed Candidate
for International Director
Unanimously endorsed by the
Virginia Past District Governors'
Association

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Boys Scouts Need Lions Brooms

The Local Boy Scout Council, the Blue Ridge Mountains Council of BSA is planning for a full camp season this year and collecting tools and items needed for the camps. One of the things we need is Brooms for the camp sites and program buildings and areas. I am 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 I heard they needed brooms I knew that Lions could help. I have asked those clubs in my Zone to help and I am reaching out to the other Zones in the district to get brooms donated for this cause. I have a goal of 90 brooms and I have received 42 so far. I have had many individuals who were Boy Scouts donate as well. So the campaign goes on. I would appreciate any help for our Scouts and I will pick the brooms up where ever they are. In fact I can call up Scouts in your area to pick them up.

Thank you for your help.

Lion Andre' Peery,
Region 1, Zone 1 Chair

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James A. Bland Memorial Music Scholarship Contest



Instrumentalist



Vocalist



The James A. Bland Memorial Music Scholarship Contest for the winners of local contests in Regions 3 & 4 will be held on May 16th, beginning 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 this level will advance to the state contest, where the prizes total thousands of dollars in scholarship money.

The contests are open to students who attend public or private schools or who are home-schooled. There are two categories: vocal and instrumental. Potential contestants must contact their local sponsoring Lions Club and fill out an application. Each local contest has its own additional rules and regulations, in addition to the state-wide rules and regulations, which can be found online at bland-foundation.org.

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Cave Spring District Lions Club

Here is all the news from Cave Spring Lions.



On December 10th, Cave Spring Lions had a Christmas Party, that was not a party. Canned goods were collected for the Roanoke Salem Food Pantry, shown here with Lion President Babs Newman.



Lion Babs and Lion Santa Jim prepared presents and presented them to all Lions (naughty and nice). Here Lion Dee Harrison picks up her gift.



Santa Jim was helped by Lion Chuck Patrick.



Lions Kay Patrick, President Babs, Santa Jim and Enneke Moser, (picture 4). And a good time was had by all!

Submitted by Lion Noel

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Daleville Fincastle Lions Club



The Botetourt Food Pantry is located in the lower level of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Fincastle, VA. A group of Lions representing the Daleville/Fincastle Lions Club goes to the pantry on the 4th Saturday of the month to help bag food, move food for distribution, and help load cars for families who come to receive food. This is one of the service projects adopted by the Club that is able to proceed during the pandemic.

Pictured Left to Right: Lions Lowell Skelton, Jim Reynolds, Karen Sledd, Betty Reynolds, and Teresa Fridley.

Forty years ago, Reedie Waid started the Botetourt Food Pantry. It has grown continuously and is currently serving approximately 185 families/600 people monthly. The pantry includes USDA food which is distributed through Feeding America on a monthly basis. Clients are required to fill out paperwork. This paperwork is provided to Feeding America. The food pantry does a monthly report as well as a semi-annual report indicating totals of those provided with food and an inventory of the USDA food. The Food Pantry is open from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturdays, and by appointment in case of emergencies.

The Pantry includes non-perishable canned goods, frozen meats, breads and baked goods as available. The variety of food is dependent on the donations of groups, individuals, and the items available to purchase through Feeding America and local grocery stores. The food is given from the lower level of the St. Mark's Ministry Center which has its own entrance. A "Prayer Request" box is always available in the Food Pantry, and the volunteers for that day take the needs of those to their home church on Sundays.

The Food Pantry does assist families with electric and gas bills. This is done on a case by case basis. Please call St. Mark's for more information.



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Dublin Lions Club

Due to the pandemic, Dublin Lions have not met in person since October of 2020. Our November general membership meeting was cancelled when the Governor of Virginia placed meeting size restrictions in place. Even with the restrictions Dublin Lions continue to perform our service projects.



On January 22, 2021, Lions Jim Cook, Jay Jackson, and Keaton Hanks volunteered at Daily Bread to help prepare and distribute 80 lunches to depend on these free meals daily. Daily Bread Food Ministry feeds around 80 to 120 individuals each day. For some, this is the only meal that they will get.



Lions Jim Cook, Dave Connor, and Don Wheeler performed vision testing at Pulaski Elementary School on February 23rd and screened approximately 99 students and went to Pulaski County High School on February 26th and screen 78 students. Dublin Lions screen all the schools in Pulaski County and help the Radford Host Lions screen the Radford City Schools. A big thank you to Lions Dave, Don, and Jim for all their work.



Our January BloodMobile yielded 49 pints of life saving blood. Our final tally on the March 8, 2021 Bloodmobile has not been reported.

Our monthly board meetings are continuing via Zoom on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. If wish to attend the meeting, the details to connect are mailed and emailed to all members. Our Board voted to waive the 3rd quarter (January – March) dues for all members since we are not meeting. Our Lions paid the dues anyway. Thank you to those that went ahead and paid this quarter's dues.

The Regional Lions Leadership Institute (RLLI) is moved to April 30th – May 2nd.

PCC Marty still has LOVF tickets sell. Ticket stubs and money must be turned in to PCC Marty by March 31st.

April 11th is LCIF Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon. The goal is for every Lion to donate \$20 or more. Let's do this!



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MD 24 C Region/Zone Chair and Club Officer Training

May 15, 2021 09:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Deadline is April 30, 2021

MD 24 C Lions of Virginia



Region/Zone Chair and Club Officer Training

May 15, 2021 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Dublin Lions Club Building

Name: _____ **Member #** _____

Club: _____ **Office** _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Do you require an accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act?
_____ **Yes** _____ **No.**

If yes, what accommodation do you require? _____

Do you have any food allergies or sensitivities? If so let us know _____

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Roanoke Valley Breakfast Lions Club



Roanoke Valley Breakfast Lions Club had a quiet Holiday Season without the fun of a Christmas Dinner together to bond, to show enthusiasm, support for our new members, to do normal fund raising for our special projects and to practice our Kazoo! We struggled during the beginning of this fiscal year 2020-2021 with questions where we had no answers as this was all new to all of us-a pandemic! "What do we do"? "Do we meet in person, do we teach all to use an app called Zoom, or conference calls, etc."

We chose a slow and easy path of only conference line, then added Zoom (teaching as we went on how to use it), some meetings having only a handful of members join. Then we tried to hold in person meetings safely, following the COVID outline of procedures to be safe with still only a handful of members to attend. A resurge of the numbers of folks becoming ill from COVID and we decided to go back to virtual meetings only. This required a learning curve for our members to be taught how to use the Zoom app, conference call, etc. but our core group kept moving forward. We had enthusiasm on the meetings, we began to encourage our members on joining us for the virtual meetings, began to have guest speakers, and slowly we began to have more than a handful of members attend.

I am happy to report that at this past meeting, February 17, we had 24 folks in our Zoom/Conference call virtual meeting. This would be close to our previous in person meetings before the pandemic. We even had two guests that are potential new members.

Kudos to our President, Lion Jeremy Blewett, for his technical expertise and "let's do it" attitude to find a way for our club to meet virtually. He obtained an annual membership for Zoom and Conference call for the club to utilize. This membership allowed up to 100 participants and meetings could be over an hour. Ensuring that he spent time on the mechanics of the app in an effort to be able to train the members to use the app for our morning meetings. Thank you Lion Jeremy for guiding us through 2020-2021 Pandemic conditions and keeping our club viable and our members involved.

Hats off to Lion Jeremy.



Hats off to RVBLC members that brought in new members this year!

Also Kudos to our members during this pandemic for encouraging their friends to join RVBLC, we have had six (6) new members join our club since July 1, 2010: Carroll Carter, Fredia Carter, Marilyn Heckstall, Sandi Jones, Carole McCormick, and Dr. Leopold Campbell. We are so excited to have these new members and they have jumped right in to our virtual meetings and volunteer activities that our club has continued to perform during the pandemic. We can't wait to have an in person meeting to have them initiated with our Kazoo ritual to wake all our members up at 7:00 a.m. in the morning! Reminder, LCI has waived the \$35 fee for new members till the end of June 2021. So never a better time to invite your family, friends and neighbors to join us for a visit at the next volunteer activity or Wednesday morning meeting. We have a Kazoo waiting for all new members at our next in person meeting!

"Angels" Among Us Story-For several weeks delivering meals on wheels Lion Wanda Dalton noticed one of the recipients only had a chair and TV in view from the door. This concerned her very much. Because she had access to some used furniture she called LOA to see if it would be ok to check if he would like some furniture. They were delighted about her offer and said they would pick it up and deliver. Lion Wanda asked the gentleman if he would like some furniture and he was excited at the prospect to get some much needed furniture.

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Roanoke Valley Breakfast Lions Club (Continued)

She asked what he needed and if he had a bed. He told her he did have a bed and for her to take a look at it. She was taken aback when she saw that the bed had no sheets, blankets or pillows. She immediately checked on the furniture availability. She was able to get a dresser, chairs, tables, lamps, bed linens, pillows, towels and wash clothes. Lion Wanda, and a member of her Church and two people from LOA secured, delivered, set it up the furniture and even made up the bed! Those of us that know Lion Wanda know that she is always attuned to someone else's need and makes it a priority to help with that need, if possible. She has a true Lion's heart of GOLD!

Thanks to those members who have kept certain volunteer activities underway during the pandemic:

Meals on Wheels-our club members have not missed a route for this activity during the pandemic, our members have risked themselves to perform this service for folks in our area who need a meal and a smile every day. Our participating volunteers include Lions: Linda Long, Manuel Dotson, Curtis Lynch, Jim Dalton, Wanda Dalton, Mary Ann DeMars, Cliff DeMars, Barbara Richmond, Regenia Beatty, Ernie Hubble, Mary Jo Hubble, Nina Wright, George Ferguson, Fredia Carter, Marilyn Heckstall and Brenda Cooper (first time participant-if you've never volunteered for this activity, it will warm your heart to see the waves, smiles and appreciation for the meal you deliver!).

Vision Screening-volunteers performed Vision Screening at three local schools: Woodrow Wilson Middle, Lucy Addison Middle and Patrick Henry High School. Volunteers included Lions: Andre Peery, Jean Broyles, Wanda Dalton, Fredia Carter, Carroll Carter, Suzanne Ross and Nina Wright.

Coloring Book Fund Raiser-we are happy to report we have sold all the available coloring books, what a great fund raiser this was for our club for the last two years. Thanks to Lion Pat Carr for this suggestion and for the 100 hours spent in drawing these pages to make the book a treasure to own! Thank you to the RVBLC members who purchased or sold these coloring books. A great fund raiser!

LOVF Ticket Books Fund Raiser-our goal is for RVBLC members to sell 100 books this season by April 1. We are well underway and expect to meet this goal to continue our support of other organizations to meet the needs of our community during this pandemic.

Socks-Lion Jim Dalton has been busy during the pandemic in asking for additional pairs of socks from Bombas. He added 600 pairs of adult socks to his request for this year to donate to the Rescue Mission. These along with the 3000 pairs of children's' socks should arrive in late fall for distribution in time for colder weather here in Virginia.

Even in this pandemic time the RVBLC continues to meet our Club motto:

We serve, because we care!

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:

Issue 6 May 5, 2020

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. (Sept 1, 2020, November 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, March 1, 2021, and May 1, 2021).
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.
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 .

Yours in Service

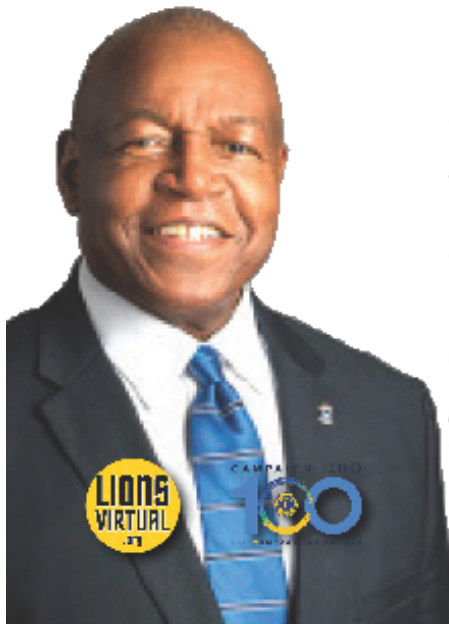
PCC Marty Alford
Lions Roaring Pride Editor

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LET'S DO THIS!!!

1. **Donate \$20 or more to Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon**
2. **Create/Implement a plan** to get 100% of your Lions to donate to the **Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon**
3. **Spread the word** far & wide for Lions, family/friends & prospective Lions to watch the live **Campaign 100 Tell-A-Thon** on [YouTube](#), Sunday, April 11th from 5-9 pm EDT (*New York*)



4. **Share your success stories** to pdg10jen@hotmail.com & you might see them in pre-event promotion or during the live event

5. **Download Team App & join the Lions Virtual Team** for all the latest news & links (*instructions attached*)

TELL-A-THON OVERVIEW

Sunday, April 11, 2021

5-9 pm EDT

View on YouTube Live

<https://youtu.be/hC-s5yXPgeo>

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Emcee: LCI VP Doug Alexander
- Music & Entertainment
- Special Guests
- Inspiring stories

GOAL

- Raise awareness among Lions & prospective Lions about the impact LCIF has across the US & Canada
- Raise funds for Campaign 100 to further our service
- Challenge every Lion to donate \$20 in support of LCIF Campaign 100

DONATE NOW

- 100% of donations go to LCIF Campaign 100



United States:

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QUESTIONS

PID Jenny Ware, Campaign 100 Vice Chair -CA1

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Christiansburg, VA 24073.6099

Call or text 540-392-1453

Email = marty.alford1960@gmail.com

Send your club donations directly to

Leader Dogs for the Blind 1039 S. Rochester Rd., Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115.

MD 24 Delegate Voting Registration

Form must be postmarked by March 25, 2021 and mailed to the state office

Due to the cancellation of the 2021 MDD4 state convention, every Club will have an opportunity to register voting Delegates. Please complete form and return to State Secretary Tammie Brightwell post marked by March 25, 2021. Forms may be returned by email - lionvra@verizon.net / fax - 540-342-0013 or mail 501 Elm Ave. SW, Roanoke, VA 24016. Ballots will be mailed to all certified Delegates with instructions Monday, April 12, 2021. Please list Delegates in order of preference, when numbers are certified by Lions Clubs International, each Club list will be used to mail ballots to allowed number of Delegates. Alternates may be listed. Every Club is allowed one voting Delegate for every 10 members or majority fraction thereof, who have been enrolled for atleast one year and one day of day report is generated.

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Newsletter Schedule 2020—2021

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**Reminder: Please submit
news as text file and
photographs in jpg for-
mat. Do not embed them
in the article.**



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. Please remember to complete the delegate registration form for voting on our district officers and a potential international director endorsement. Deadline for submitting your delegate registration form is it has to be postmarked by March 25, 2021.

Yours in Service

Lion Marty Alford PCC

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