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Christmas in July

Lion Charles Watford has the Christmas spirit all year long while he is making 12 to 15 of these wooden trains each year to give away to less fortunate children. Lion Charles became a Lion in 1966 joining the Lancaster Lions Club. He transferred to the Greer Club in 1979. Lion Charles took up a hobby of making furniture for his wife and family. One day he was looking through a magazine and saw a wooden train. He told his wife I think I can make a better train. So the story begins, Charles has been making trains for family and friends for years. He has never sold one, these works of love are to only be given away as acts of kindness.

Each of the 12 to 15 sets Lion Charles makes contain an engine and 5 cars as an average set, but his wife has many more cars in her set. While living in the Lancaster area he made a larger set and it was donated to the Children Hospital in Rock Hill, S. C. Now Lion Charles donate these sets to Greer Community Ministries, Greer Relief, and The Greer Soup Kitchen.

A set of trains takes approximately 15 to 20 hours each to make with a value of \$75 to \$100 each. Lion Charles at 84 years young is hard at work in his workshop making this year's batch for 2019 Christmas. **The Greer Lion Club** is honored to recognize one of our hard working unsung heroes with the spirit of Christmas flowing through him during each month of the year.

LIONS INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<http://members.lionsclubs.org/EN/events/calendar.php#april>

July, 2019

- July 5 thru 9 - 102nd International Convention (Milan, Italy)

August, 2019

- August 12 -International Youth Day
- August 15-
Leo Club Excellence Award applications due
Top Ten Youth Camp and Exchange Chairperson Award applications (YCE-110) due
Deadline for the Club and District Team Excellence Awards
Deadline for Presidential Zone and Region Chairperson Awards

MD 32 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| July 13—July 27 Host Families July 27—August 9 Camp Experience | SC LIONS YOUTH EXCHANGE 2019 Youth Exchange Update Letter From Lion Jim Varn |
| Saturday July 27, 2019 October 5, 2019 March 7, 2020 9:00 AM—1:00 PM | MD 32 Lions Learning Academy First Baptist Church / Family Life Center, 2875 Columbia Rd., Orangeburg, SC Link to Registration |
| Saturday August 17 8:00 AM—4:00 PM | New Voices Symposium First Church of the Nazarene, 901 St. Andrews Rd, Columbia, SC Link to Registration Link to Vendor Registration Web site |

SAVE THE DATE FUNDRAISING EVENTS FROM AROUND THE STATE

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| Saturday, August 17, 2019 7:30 AM Registration 9:00 Shotgun Start | <u><i>North Myrtle Beach Lions Club</i></u> Golf Tournament Eagle Nest Golf Club Link to Flyer |
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**From the Desk of: PIP Kajit Habanananda, GAT Chairperson for LCI.
Restructuring of the GAT format**

Dear Global Action Team,
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After accepting the role of GAT chairperson, I initiated a thorough review of the GAT in its current framework, and I have proposed several recommendations to the international board of directors. I believe that these recommendations will better position the GAT to support the goals of our districts. And if districts are successful in reaching their goals, this will have a positive effect on our clubs as well. These recommendations were taken up at the most recent meeting of the board in April, and I am happy to report that the 2019-2020 GAT operational plan and recommended changes were approved and will be effective July 1, 2019.

With that being said, this plan has a few significant changes for next fiscal year that I would like to go over with you now.

1. It was approved to discontinue the current three-year term and positions for vice chairpersons, CA leaders, vice CA leaders, and area leaders. I appreciate the current leaders in these positions and hope their support will continue.
2. Additionally, the board approved the creation of the following new positions: GAT constitutional area leader, GAT regional area leader (OSEAL), and GAT area leaders, all of which will be annual appointments. To emphasize the one-team approach, GST, GMT and GLT positions will no longer exist at the CA and area level. Instead, there will be one GAT leader in this role.

In consultation with the executive officers, GAT constitutional and regional area leaders were identified, and appointments were made in April. These Lion leaders have demonstrated the ability to empower Lions to achieve personal and collective goals. [Link to the leaders who have accepted these roles for the 2019-2020 year:](#)

Since their appointments, I have been working directly with each leader as they envision and plan out their action plans and goals for the coming year. A major part of these plans were the selection and appointment of the GAT area leaders for their CAs. GAT area leaders will work closely with the multiple district and district coordinators in providing support and resources to support the goals set forth by the districts.

GAT Focus and Approach for 2019-2020

We will all work as one and focus on empowering the district governors in achieving their goals. We will accomplish this by creating a unified approach to all key areas of Lions. With the governors' goals at the forefront, the GAT is uniquely positioned from constitutional area to club level to help foster positive membership growth in clubs, increase Lions' visibility in the community through impactful service, and build strong and innovative leaders in the districts. The GAT network of leaders directly supports district governors in inspiring action at the club level. We will achieve this by focusing on the following four areas:

1. **Support our districts in an effort to achieve their annual goals and monitor progress towards these goals.** The district governor is the chairperson of the GAT. And the district GAT coordinators will work closely with their chairperson to ensure that these annual goals are reached.
2. **Reinforce club-level communications through the zone chairs.** Zone chairs will provide initiatives, resources and suggested activities for clubs to grow in membership to serve more people in their communities. The zone chairs are our direct connections to the clubs. Time to empower them!
3. **Inform LCI divisions by providing information to and from Lions in the field.** We have a real opportunity to support the development and roll out of effective tools and resources.
4. **Collect and share club and district success stories.** The Global Action Team message is best shared through storytelling—stories that focus on a one-team approach and highlight how each pillar of the team contributes to the others. These stories will inform and inspire Lions to engage their local Global Action Team as they plan and implement activities.

As I told the district governor-elects when I addressed them in February, and will be reinforcing when I speak to them again at convention in Milan, the GAT exists when the clubs are in motion. And like gears in a machine, clubs that are active and in motion turn the gears of our districts. And active districts drive our organization.

Speaking of convention, I hope to see you there. Make sure to attend the GAT Seminar on July 8, 2019 at 1:30 p.m., and stop by the GAT Booth. I will be spending time there meeting with Lions to discuss how they can get involved with their local GAT, and help clubs activate the gears that turn our great organization!

Keep up the outstanding work and let's finish this year strong!

Best Wishes,

Kajit "KJ" Habanananda, Past International President
Chairperson, Global Action Team

A MESSAGE FROM PCC DR. DIANNE PITTS

Candidacy for the International Board

13 Candidates from CA1 (USA and Islands) for 6 Board Seats

I have received a phone call from the International Leadership requesting that I “step back” in Milan and come again as an endorsed candidate in 2020 in Singapore. (An endorsement is valid for three years.) Joe and I will be attending special sessions and events in Milan to keep a high profile. Picture Joe and in white coat tuxedo and Dianne in evening dress.

In lieu of campaigning for a seat this year, SC Lions will be campaigning for Past International Director Dr. Patti Hill for Third International Vice President.

[Link to listing of Speakers Available to Lions Clubs](#)

LCIF

Be Part of the Help for Distressed Areas through LCIF

After receiving \$50,000 in South Carolina over the last five years as LCIF Disaster Grants for flooding and hurricanes, it is time for us to reach out to others in their time of need. Here is information about disaster relief needs after a terrible Memorial Day weekend in Ohio.

The Lion Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) Campaign 100 Leadership Team Members have informed me of the serious [tornados that have hit Ohio over Memorial Day Weekend](#). Many homes and businesses have been destroyed in the record breaking 18 tornados that touched down over the weekend. **Your foundation**, LCIF has already provided \$20,000 in emergency grants at this time to Lions in this area to help with the recovery.

Disasters are now happening back to back, PLEASE help **your foundation** help those in distress by making a donation now. If you have not made a donation to **your LCIF** this year, this is the time to do it. All donations are tax deductible and may count towards naming a Melvin Jones Fellow and toward your Campaign 100 pledge. A donation of only \$100 goes a long way. (one time or only \$10 a month). **It's easy**, go onto lcif.org/donate or see your club LCIF Coordinator.]

Other flooding and fire disasters have also been in the news this Spring and early Summer. Many have resulted in grant requests. Have you stepped forward to help those in need?

MATERIALS FOR CAMPAIGN 100

[Campaign 100 Pledge Form](#)



[Campaign 100 Brochure](#)



[Campaign 100 Pocket](#)



[Campaign 100 Handout](#)

MD32 Council Chair Lion Paul Dove

Council Chair's Update

Never having been privileged to follow a leader whose performance left me with few easy areas in which to improve outcomes, I again find myself tailing a model leader and effective mover and shaker. Thus, much appreciation goes out to now Past Council Chair Rick Pressly and the progressive Multiple District 32 he led this past year. And the system he inherited and built on from a long list of dynamic and highly dedicated Council Chairs. The pressure exists to keep up the progress; such appears to be an uphill challenge.

How do we as a statewide team meet this challenge and again post a spectacular South Carolina Lions fiscal year? To me the answer is simple. Our team continues to work together to advance our cause---serving others in our community and world.

Will there be tough challenges? Sure. They always are. But, together, as a cohesive team of dedicated volunteers, we have the potential to meet any challenge, be it leadership, membership, service, fundraising, or whatever pops up to impede our growth and development and overall successes. You know we are the world's largest (and, in my opinion, best) volunteer service organization.

Already there are multiple training opportunities on the drawing board. And we have a strong slate of proven leaders and innovators for our coaches and key players this year. But, in my again humble opinion, every Lion in MD 32 is a key player, you included.

So, the question is, how can you serve our team? That service starts at the club level where competent and committed leaders are tantamount to building a successful, service-oriented club. That's where our new leaders emerge and progress to zone, district, multiple district, and even international roles. But it all begins at the club level, where, actually, we all are. It has been pointed out that we are not members of Lions International—there is no such thing. We are all members of a local Lions club. That is where the action begins.

As we jump start a new Lions year, with many new club leaders and new team members on every level, there are some changes I want to point out.

This year we are embellishing club development—building new clubs and revitalizing older and too often struggling clubs. PDG Edwina Otto has graciously accepted an invitation to serve as our **Multiple District Club Development Team Coordinator** this year. As such, she and her team will focus on identifying unserved or underserved areas in our state where it would be ideal to found a new club. Her team will also interface with District C First Vice District Governor Bill Hahn as he and his team develop an ambassador program to provide leadership assistance to struggling clubs, especially clubs with declining membership which have dropped to less than 15 to 20 active members. **Lion Bill has dubbed this developing idea as THUD**, an acronym for his highly potential concept of club development. Stay tuned for more on this as it progresses over the next year or two. Also, PCC Joe Pitts and VCC Rhett Hair recently conducted a useful session on club development which was well-attended and well-received.

This is all to illustrate that we have ongoing opportunities to address the challenges we face. And we certainly have the resources to help us remedy our needs. Furthermore, we have plans in place to continue the myriad services our MD 32 Lions Clubs have fostered since our Columbia Lions Club was chartered in 1922.

What's your job? Serve where you are. Seek out new opportunities to grow as a Lion, as an integral member of the world's largest volunteer service organization. Follow Lion Bill Hahn's example and think outside the box. Or follow Lion Edwina's example to step up to a new challenge. Identify an area which needs a Lions Club, and contact Lion Edwina so our team can assist. Follow THUD developments and see where you might collaborate. Bring a friend, relative, colleague to your next local Lions Club's meeting or, better yet, next service activity. That's how we build our clubs.

Thanks for all you are doing and will be doing. **We have giant footprints to follow.**

---CC Paul



Paul Dove
Council Chairperson Elect
2019-2020

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YOUTH EXCHANGE NEWS YOU CAN USE

AS YOU KNOW, THE TIME IS GETTING CLOSE AND OUR YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENTS WILL BE ARRIVING AT THE COLUMBIA AIRPORT ON SATURDAY, JULY 13TH. THIS YEAR WE WILL HAVE 12 STUDENTS FROM 11 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES. THEY WILL RANGE IN AGE FROM 15 TO 18 YEARS. WE HAVE 9 GIRLS AND 3 BOYS. YOU ARE INVITED TO COME TO THE AIRPORT TO GREET SOME OR ALL OF OUR INCOMING CHARGES. MOST WILL BE ARRIVING BETWEEN 2 AND 8 PM. I AND OUR HOST FAMILIES WILL MEET ALL OF THE STUDENTS AS THEY ARRIVE. THEY WILL BE TIRED BUT HAPPY. THEY SPEND THE NEXT TWO WEEKS WITH THEIR HOST FAMILIES GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER AND LEARNING ABOUT LIFE IN OUR STATE.

ON JULY 27TH ALL OF OUR STUDENTS AND HOST FAMILIES WILL MEET AT THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND TO "KICK-OFF" THE TWO WEEK TOURING PORTION OF OUR CAMP.

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS "KICK-OFF" AFFAIR SO THAT YOU CAN MEET OUR STUDENTS AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THEM AND THE YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM. IT'S GOING TO BE LOT'S OF FUN. THE MEAL THIS YEAR IS BEING CATERED BY THE CHEF FOR THE SCHOOL OF THE DEAF AND BLIND. THE MENU WILL CONSIST OF: LASAGNA, TOSSED SALAD, CORN-ON-THE-COB, FRUIT DESSERT, AND LEMON-ADE AND TEA. TO ME IT SOUNDS LIKE A VERY NICE MEAL, HOWEVER IT IS A LITTLE PRICIER THAT WE HAVE HAD IN THE PAST SO WE ARE ASKING THOSE WHO ATTEND TO MAKE A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION TO THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THE MEAL. IT IS IMPORTANT TO LET ME KNOW WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND. THE "OFFICIAL INVITATION" IS BELOW:

IT'S TIME

THE LIONS YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENTS HAVE ARRIVED AND SO
WE ARE INVITING YOU TO MEET THEM AT THE OPENING
CELEBRATION OF OUR TOURING CAMP.

WHERE: THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND
355 CEDAR SPRINGS ROAD
SPARTANBURG, SC

WHEN: SATURDAY JULY 27th 2019

TIME: 4:30 PM TO 6:30PM

YES, THERE WILL BE FOOD! WE ARE LIONS!
PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND. — WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

ALSO

PLAN TO ATTEND OUR CLOSING CEREMONY

WHERE: THE FOREST LAKES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6500 N. TRENHOLM ROAD
COLUMBIA, SC

WHEN: FRIDAY AUGUST 9th 2019

TIME: 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

WHAT CAN I SAY? - YOU WILL BE FED
LET ME KNOW HOW MANY WILL BE ATTENDING FROM YOUR GROUP
PLEASE RSVP TO LION JIM VARN BY JULY 22TH 2019
WE NEED TO KNOW WHICH EVENTS AND NUMBER ATTENDING
EMAIL TO: jimvarn@varnhaus.net

you will have fun

SINCERELY, IN FRIENDSHIP AND
LIONS SERVICE,

LION JIM VARN

SOUTH CAROLINA LIONS YOUTH
EXCHANGE CHAIRMAN

FROM THE DESK OF DG MARLA J. SUCKOW of SC DISTRICT 32 C

TOUCHING LIVES – SECURING FUTURES

We Serve Through Diversity

These are exciting times. There is so much to do. I can't wait to get started on my year as your 32-C District Governor. I have been visiting clubs as part of my "year in preparation" for District Governor, attending training sessions and conventions. As you read this, Mark and I are attending the International Convention in Milan, Italy. But all this activity means nothing if I can't help the Lions of District 32 grow in new ways. So here we go . . . hang on.

At DGE training, each day, we met with Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, our new International President. I found Dr. Choi to be a sincere, dedicated and compassionate person. His motto for the year is 'We Serve Through Diversity.' We serve all people in all places. Think about Lions Clubs for a minute, we all know they are in more than 210 countries and include 1.45 million members. That means that most are not like us. Now that is diversity and something to really build on.

Lions are a shining example to the world of the good that can be accomplished by uniting in harmony. We're known for our strength and ability to help others – and this is only accomplished through valuing diversity.

Building off Dr. Choi's words, my theme this year will be 'Touching Lives – Securing Futures' by focusing on children's issues. This means an additional level of helping beyond the normal. It means affecting the lives of children for the better. Impacting them and securing their futures. After all, they are the future.

I'm asking every club in 32C to come up with a new activity or fundraiser to help a child or children. Especially think about Childhood Cancer. Look up children's hospitals near you and ask them how you can help. Start a Family/Cub Club or Leo Club at a school near you. Brainstorm ideas in your club. Let's all make a difference in the lives of children. Let's touch lives and secure futures in 2019-20. Please be sure to let me know what your club is going to do!

Thank you

DG Marla J. Suckow



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District Governor 32-C
2019-2020*

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District 32-C News

AIKEN LIONS CLUB



Zone Chairperson PDG Pat Friday visiting Jackson Lions Club.

GOOSE CREEK LIONS CLUB



IPDG John Enright inducting club officers

KINGSTREE

Fourth annual Kingstree Lions Black River Cleanup



A group of intrepid volunteers gathered in Kingstree for the Fourth Annual Kingstree Lions Black River Cleanup. Volunteers from local paddling groups, conservation organizations, charitable entities, and civic leaders made the 7.2 mile trip directly below Kingstree from Mill Street Landing downriver to Bub's Landing on SC Hwy 377. With the recent drought conditions the water level was dropping quickly, but paddlers and motor boats were able to complete the entire trip in less than six hours. Volunteers came from Columbia, Bishopville, Sumter, Florence, Hartsville, and the Grand Strand area.

LITTLE RIVER LIONS CLUB



Flag waving on Memorial Day



Lions waving "Old Glory" on Flag Day, June 14th. Front L-R are Club President Verne Cappell, PDG Randy Edwards, and Lion Gary Szentmiklosy. Rear L-R are Lions Larry Braham and Bruno Stepanski.



Members participating in the 2019 Annual Blue Crab Festival.



Club donated materials and constructed a new porch at the home of a deserving resident-in-need. Pictured L-R: Lions Bruno, Gary, Randy, Verne and George.

MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB



Club at the SunFun Festival. Promoting the Club - President Lion Jim Bernaski and Lion Sherrie Neely in the parade car; members of the Club selling raffle tickets for the Southport Lions Club Boat raffle.



SOUTH STRAND LIONS CLUB



Club celebrated a successful year of service at the annual Awards Dinner with guest, Vice Governor Bill Hahn. New member, Wanda Beneke and 2019 Officers were installed by VDG Bill assisted by Past District Governor Kathy Morse. Dr. Franklin G. Mason Fellowships presented to Lions Anne Marie Brigido and Annie Cutway and a Melvin Jones Fellowship presented to Steve Brigido.

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB

North Myrtle Beach Lions Celebrate 70th Anniversary



The members of the North Myrtle Beach Lions had much to celebrate at their annual Charter Night held recently at the Tidewater Amenities Center. In addition to installing officers, the group observed the celebration of 70 years of service to our local, state, national and international communities.

Originally called the Ocean Drive Beach Lions Club, it received

its charter on April 19, 1949, making it the oldest service organization in North Myrtle Beach. The club is 19 years older than the city itself! During its early decades the members made important contributions to the city including procuring the town's first ambulance and providing the tennis courts at McLean Park.



SUMMERVILLE EVENING LIONS CLUB



PDG Jim Strobel inducting club officers. Pictured are Lions Marvin & Dianne.

District "C" Fundraisers



Saturday August 17, 2019



Putting for the Blind

North Myrtle Beach LIONS Club

Golf Tournament

Eagle Nest Golf Club, 3820 Fairway Drive, Little River 29566

18 Hole Captains Choice 4 man scramble

**\$70.00 per player, \$280.00 per team includes golf, golf glove, cart,
breakfast, lunch and goody bag**

7:30 Registration 9:00 shotgun start.

Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams

Mulligans available, silent auction, 50-50 raffle

- **Hole sponsorships \$100.00, email logo and sign information**

***All proceeds benefit local LIONS programs including: Vision screenings
and eyeglasses, NMBHS scholarships, North Strand Helping Hand,
Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts.***

****Deadline to register is Wednesday August 14, 2019***

Make checks payable to North Myrtle Beach LIONS and mail with entry form to:

Lion Nils Regnell 124 Retreat Place, Little River, SC 29566

H (843)-399-7923 C (603)-769-9363 Email: nregnell@sccoast.net

FROM THE DESK OF STACEY BEELER of SC DISTRICT 32 S

District Governor is attending the International Convention in Milan. Next month we will hear all about his adventures in Milan and his plans for District S for 2019/2020.

PICTURE
TBD

Stacey Beeler
District Governor 32-S
2019 - 2020

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District 32-S News

OFFICER TRAINING



32-S completed New Officer Training on 6/8/19. The members also collected \$100 to be donated to Leader Dog.

Camp Porcupine, Greenwood, SC, June 10-14, 2019

Thirteen children participated in Camp Porcupine for diabetic children June 10-14 at the Greenwood YMCA. Mara Schwartz (Self Regional Certified Diabetes Educator, SRH staff members, pharmacy students from Presbyterian College, and the Lions Clubs of Greenwood, Mathews and Abbeville partnered in a week filled with educational and fun activities and ending with a family picnic. Each camper was presented with a medical equipment travel bag by the Greenwood Lions Club.



COLUMBIA NORTHWEST LIONS CLUB (CNWLC) AND COLUMBIA VETERANS LIONS CLUB (CVLC)

President Matthew Gooden served 300 BBQ lunches to homeless clients at Christ Central Ministries. Also serving were Lions Sheila Campbell, Kathy Evans, Peggy Boyle, Marline Bingley from CNWLC and Lions Kimberly Gooden and Laverne Robinson from CVLC.



GREENWOOD LIONS CLUB



A \$2000 WalMart Grant has been awarded to Greenwood Lions to kick-off a Backpack Buddy program. This new program will provide food supplies to feed students over weekends and holidays. Presenting the check from WalMart to Lion Jerry Chastain is Manager Nadia Kadhmiri. Accompanying Ms. Kashmiri for the presentation was WalMart Associate Arianna Reese. Thank you, Lion Phyllis Zuehlke for writing the grant!

Greenwood Lions inducted three new members! Welcome, Henry Herron, Courtney Herron and Ansel (Sonny) Meadors! More members means more service to our community.



GREENWOOD LIONS CLUB

2019-2020 Greenwood Lions officers installed. With pride President Randy Culbertson hands over the gavel to Incoming President Rutledge Martin. In return, Rutledge gives Randy a Past President pin! Thank you for your service!



GREER LIONS CLUB



June 18, 2019, **2nd DGE Jim Barbare** inducted the new officers and Board of Directors for the **Greer Lions Club** at Laurenda's Family Restaurant in Greer.

The following Officers and Board of Directors were inducted: Past President – John Holland; Jack Atkins, Troy Taylor, Chuck Barnes, Vicki Kennedy and Jim Brown. Local club officers were inducted: David O'Shields as LCIF Chair, Lions Tail Editor and Webmaster; Bob Earley as Lion Tamer; Robert Phillips as Tail Twister; Joel Waddell as Chaplain and Song Leader; Karen Kenyon and Lin-

da Rumsey as Service Chairs; Lamar Sudduth as Membership Chairman; Ken Holliday as Treasurer; Karen Kenyon as Secretary, Buddy Waters as 2nd Vice President; Don Coggins as 1st Vice President, and Linda Rumsey as President. Congratulations to all who willing serve our Club!

2nd DGE Jim Barbare inducted 2019-2020 President for the Greer Lions Club, Linda Rumsey who has big shoes to fill from the Past President John Holland who has done an outstanding job leading the Club in 2018-2019.



GREER CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB

The Greer Centennial Lions celebrated the 2018-2019 fiscal year with a summer party at Lake Robinson.



We recognized our Melvin Jones Fellow. Brooke Lathrop (center) is pictured with Club President Becky Pickett and 2nd VP Mia Wade.



We recognized outgoing Club President Becky Pickett and past the gavel to incoming Club President Caroline Robertson

The Greer Centennial Lions Club presented the first "Making a Difference" Community Service Award to Pierce Williams for his contributions to the Greer community.



MATHEWS LIONS CLUB



ALEXS GILBERT | INDEX-JOURNAL
From left are Gage Timmerman, Consuela Parks, Jerry Cramer and Barbara Reese. At the March meeting of the Mathews Lions Club, Cramer's heart began to fail. Parks and Reese performed CPR until Timmerman and his partner, Aspen Butler, arrived.

[Link to article](#) published in the Wednesday, May 2019 edition of the **Index-Journal**.

PICKENS LIONS CLUB



The Pickens Lions Club has had a busy spring and early summer. Our booth at the annual **Pickens Azalea Festival** was a success despite the cold, wet weather. Lions Brooms are always a popular item and our giveaway basket valued at \$400 was a huge hit. The kids (of all ages) loved the balloons, too.



The Pickens Lions Club held its first annual **Rose Day fundraiser**. We pre-sold tickets for dozen and half-dozen roses and partnered with a local florist. We wrapped the roses and then hand-delivered them. It was a great event and we are already looking forward to expanding next year.



PIEDMONT LIONS CLUB



Kindness defines who we are as Lions, and why we serve. An act of kindness may be small and personal, or large and profound. Lions serve. It's that simple. Each year, 200 "Leader Dogs" are matched with clients who would otherwise lose their independence. The Leader Dog Program is the answer for thousands of people in critical need of our services.

We honor an individual who exemplifies every definition of KINDNESS. A Lion showing others, one act of service, one encouraging word, one gift of generosity is often all it takes to bring hope where it's needed most. It gives me great pleasure to present The Leader Dog, Founders Award to my wonderful husband, Lion Marvin Carter.



Lion Lanny W. Balentine, PDG inducts Lion Rick Ravani as a new member of the Piedmont Lions Club. Also pictured is Lion Ricks sponsor Lion Brett Harnesberger.



PCC Lion Joe Cocke installed The Piedmont Lions Club Officers and Directors on June 4th. Left to right, Lion Bonnie Carter, President, Incoming President Lion Lynne W. Balentine and PCC Lion Joe Cocke.



Lion Bonnie Carter congratulates Lion Lynne W. Balentine incoming President of the Piedmont Lions Club. Lion Lynne also presented Lion Bonnie the Presidents Appreciation Award for outstanding leadership during her year as President of the Piedmont Lions Club

Spartanburg Lions Club



Spartanburg Lions Club President Mark Barry presents a Franklin Mason Award to Lion Tim Satterfield for his longstanding service to our club and the Spartanburg community.

Spartanburg Evening Lions Club

Celebrates their 50th Anniversary on June 1st, 2019

At Bethel United Methodist Church

Pictured from L to R

Lions – David Mercer, Dwane Broyles, 1st VP Faron Geigley, Pres. Jim Reilly, Sec. Janie Trnavsky, Treas. PCC Terry Trnavsky, Carolyn Eigel, Chaplain Harvey Hendley, Not pictured – Allen Senn and Larry Weaver



SALEM LIONS CLUB

LOOKING FOR 2 ADDITIONAL CLUBS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING SPOT VISION SCREENER

The Salem Club has put together information regarding Spot Vision Screeners. They are looking for two other Clubs in District S to also purchase a Spot Vision Screener to be able to apply for a grant for a portion of the cost of the screener. If any clubs are interested please contact Ken Luce, 416 Long Reach Drive, Salem, S. C. 29676. His phones are 864-719-0225 (home) and 770-335-4389 (cell) and email is kenyonluce@gmail.com.

[Link to Study](#)

SALEM LIONS CLUB

WORK CONTINUES AT ROCKY BOTTOM

Salem Lions Mayberry, Halvorsen, Duciewicz, Steffen, and Brewer ventured up to Rocky Bottom Tuesday, June 25th to continue working on three projects. The ceiling in the chapel needed to have acoustical tiles replaced due to water leaks when the roof was damaged in the winter storm. Also the pool needed cleaning, and the computers in the media center needed upgrading to access the internet.



CAN YOU HELP? If you are able to help financially or by doing some of the work it would be greatly appreciated and directly benefit the visually impaired citizens of our state. If you can help, make your donation directly to the Salem Lions Charities and send it to PO Box 210, Salem SC. 100% of the funds will be spent on Rocky Bottom.

President, Salem Lions Club (tedbrewer@gmail.com)

UNION LIONS CLUB

Union Lions Club Received Grant to buy Portable Vision Scanner

Pictured above is Union Lions Club President and Past District Governor George Goings and his wife, Lion Linda, with Brenda James of the Spartanburg Regional Foundation with a check for \$7000.00 that will be used to purchase a Spot Vision Scanner.

With a grant from the Spartanburg Regional Foundation and a personal donation from a couple with ties to Union, the Union Lions Club will soon have new equipment to help preserve the sight of both children and adults in the surrounding Union area.

On June 5, 2019, the Union Club received a \$7000 grant to purchase a Spot Vision Screener. Brenda James, a member of the Spartanburg Regional Foundation Grants and Allocations Committee, presented the grant check to the Lions Club.



Lion George stated that Mrs. James and her husband, Dr. Bill James, also presented the club with a generous personal donation to purchase a printer to be used with the screening device in honor and memory of Dr. James' father, the late Frank James, a Union business-man and former Union Lions Club President. Dr. James, a Spartanburg gynecologist, is a Union native who serves as chief of staff at Spartanburg Medical Center.

Lion George said that the gift from Bill and Brenda James was added bonus. The club was planning on purchasing the printer with its own money if the grant was approved.



Read the Lions International, June, 2019 edition of "Lion Magazine" here.

http://mydigimag.rrd.com/publication/?m=6639&l=1#{%22issue_id%22:590251,%22view%22:%22contentsBrowser%22}

Well, that's all folks!

THANKS FOR READING

WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED THE PALMETTO LION!

AND

WE'LL SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!

Deadline for submissions to the July Palmetto Lion is

JULY 31

We want to hear from everyone!! Make sure to send in your pictures and short articles to your District Palmetto Lion Rep.

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