



## Where There's a Need, There's a Lion

98

Years

Of Serving Humanity in  
South Carolina

3,259

Lions

In South Carolina

128

Lions Clubs

In South Carolina

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People Served

In South Carolina

### *MD32 Council Chair Lion Paul Dove*

#### **Who Loses What When a Club Folds?**

Recently a Lion asked me what happens when a Lions Club ceases to exist. He was especially interested in what services the club had been providing suddenly evaporated into thin air. Who was affected by our losing a once-healthy, established, and member-driven club? How extensive were the effects?

The question painted an interesting and thought-provoking scenario. Given that Multiple District 32 ---us---has dropped too many old and once productive clubs, just how extensive have the discontinued services been?

My challenge to you and your club is simple. In your own neck of the woods, what services you render would no longer be delivered were your club to fold? What would no longer be done in your community? Who would feel the effects the most? What difference, if any, would it make if your club died?

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So, club presidents and boards, give this some thought and email me the results of how your club folding would handicap your community. How many and which citizens would no longer receive the benefits of having a local, effective, active Lions Club? And, for Lions who have experienced that life-altering “Ah Ha” moment, how would they now serve the society that has blessed us in so many ways, not unlike Melvin Jones must have felt when he realized he owed something back to the society that had given him so much.

Please give this request some consideration. Be creative. Let me know what your community would lose should your club die. I am positive your/our good works in our locales do have an impact on the quality of life for many, many brothers and sisters and their children. Please enumerate what your club does, whether you actually report your service activities or not. And, if you really feel that your community would be no worse off without your club, then please look for ways and means to have a greater impact on the manifold needs throughout our multiple district.

At least half of our one-hundred twenty-eight Lions Clubs around South Carolina currently post less than twenty members. Too many clubs list less than fifteen Lions, and some have less than ten members. Lions International maintains that each new Lions we recruit enables our club to serve ninety more needy neighbors each year. Imagine how many needy people would be impacted with each new club we charter.



**Paul Dove**  
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**LIONS INTERNATIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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

December, 2019

- December 5—International Leo’s Day

January, 2020—Hunger Awareness Month

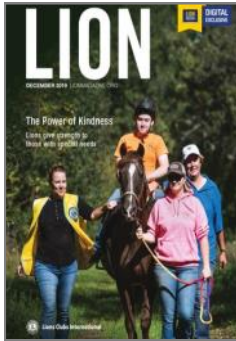
- January 11—Last day for early discount on convention registration fees
- January 13—Melvin Jones’ birthday
- January 13-17—LCIF Week
- January 15—Peace Poster Kits go on sale from Club Supplies Sales

## MD 32 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ASAP	<a href="#">2020 MD32 PIN ORDER FORM</a>
Saturday January 11, 2020 9:00 AM—1:00 PM	<b>MD 32 Lions Learning Academy</b> First Baptist Church / Family Life Center, 2875 Columbia Rd., Orangeburg, SC
Friday and Saturday January 31—February 1, 2020	<b>DISTRICT C CONVENTION</b> Crowne Plaza Charleston Airport-Convention Center 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd, North Charleston, SC 29418 <a href="#">Link to Registration</a> <a href="#">Link to Club Ad Order Form</a> <a href="#">Link to Business Ad Order Form</a>
Saturday February 22, 2020 8:30 am—3:30 pm	<b>GREER CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB</b> Fellowship Retreat Follow us on Facebook for registration information. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/greercentennialionsclub/">https://www.facebook.com/greercentennialionsclub/</a>
Saturday May, 2 2020 9:00 am—1:00 pm	<b>Presenter's Workshop</b> First Baptist Church Family Life Center 2875 Columbia Road, Orangeburg, SC 29118 <a href="#">Link to Registration</a>

## FUNDRAISING EVENTS & SERVICE PROJECTS FROM AROUND THE STATE

Monday February 3, 2020 5:30 pm—7:70 pm	<b>WINNSBORO LIONS CLUB</b> Annual Rann Foster Pancake Supper Fairfield Elementary School <a href="#">Link to Flyer</a>
Saturday February 15, 2020 Check In: 8:30—9:30 am Shotgun Start 10:00 am	<b>THE SOUTH STRAND LIONS CLUB</b> 13th Annual "Carl Blake Memorial" Charity Golf Tournament <a href="#">Link to Registration</a>
April, 2020	<b>SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB</b> Raffle—Week at Edisto Island <a href="#">Link to Flyer</a>
Friday May 1—2	<b>SUMMERVILLE EVENING LIONS CLUB</b> Santee Blind and VIP Fishing Weekend <a href="#">Link to flyer</a>



Read the Lions International Magazine December, 2019 edition of “Lion Magazine” here.

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## ***A MESSAGE FROM PCC DR. DIANNE PITTS***

### **Congratulations to The Mathews Lions Club of Greenwood!**

The Mathews Lions Club is now a LCIF Campaign 100 Model Club. South Carolina now has three Model Clubs. As the new year begins, two new grant applications are being readied to purchase sight screening equipment and braille printers for the School for the Blind in Spartanburg. Lions are serving all over South Carolina. Each of these new grants, as well as the current grant providing vision research equipment at MUSC Storm Eye Institute, are LCIF Matching Grants. MD32 Lions receive much more back from LCIF than is donated. If you are not yet part of the LCIF Campaign 100 Capital Campaign, consider sending a personal donation or a club donation. The possibilities of service abound. For information, contact PCC Dr. Dianne Pitts, Lions Pat Abercrombie, or PID Jay Patel.

### **Has Your Club Supported the SC School for the Deaf and the Blind This Year?**



Every county in South Carolina has students served by the South Carolina School for the Deaf and the Blind—some as residential students in Spartanburg and others in their home districts through outreach services. Individual donations of \$100 or more will be acknowledged at the Lions State Convention. Club donations of \$500 or more will receive a patch for their club banner. Be part of the Lions community that support students with visual challenges. Checks should be made out to the SCSDb Foundation.

## ORDER YOUR ASTRONAUT PINS NOW

[Link to Order Form](#)

We are again having a Regular and a Mini pin as last year and it is our 2nd Astronaut pins. The pins have arrived and we are ready to start the process of ordering.

- Completed the below form with the number of pins needed.
- Do not send any payment until I can process the order.
- I will process order and send instructions as to how they need to pay for the pins so that I can fill the orders.
- If anyone has any questions they can contact me.

Thanks for your help.

PDG Bob Walker  
Landrum Lions Club  
P O Box 367  
Landrum, SC 29356  
864-457-3328-Work  
864-590-0409-Cell  
[bwalker@landrumins.com](mailto:bwalker@landrumins.com)



Regular Pin



Mini Pin

### 2020 MD 32 PIN ORDER FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ Lions Club.

Regular Pin	\$2.50 each	# of pins _____
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Mini Pin	\$1.50 each	# of pins _____
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Shipping and Handling Cost Not Included

This is an order form only – Do not send payment until notified

Send your order to: PDG Bob Walker  
PO Box 367  
Landrum, SC 29356

OR

Call or Email PDG Bob Walker to place your orders.

Work-864-457-3328

Cell-864-590-0409

Fax: 864-457-4882

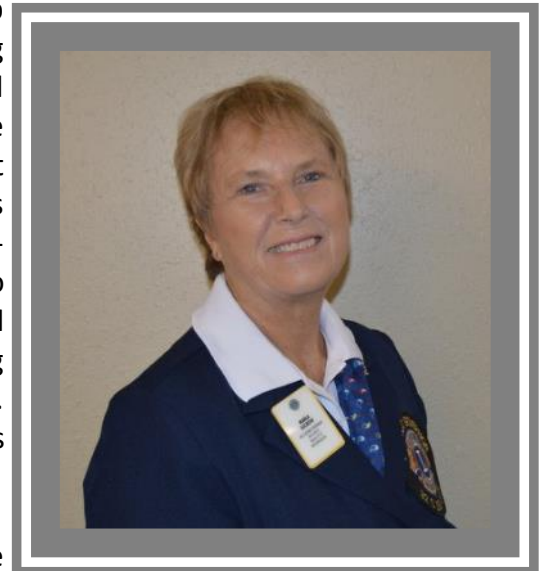
Email: [bobwalker2014@charter.net](mailto:bobwalker2014@charter.net)

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

## HUNGER AWARENESS MONTH

January 2020 is Hunger Awareness Month on our Lions Club International calendar. Just imagine being hungry and having no food. Think about that for a few minutes. It is doubtful that many of us have ever experienced true hunger. Do we think hunger only happens in third-world countries? Could it possibly happen in your own community? Absolutely!! As Lions, is there something we can do to alleviate hunger locally? Absolutely again!! Let's all make a commitment to do food drives for our local food pantries. If there isn't a food pantry in our community start one. Invite members to bring non-perishable food items to every club meeting this year. Invite community members to bring items to you at farmer's markets or wherever you are set up in your community.

Have you seen Blessing Boxes? They are similar to the Little Free Library boxes most communities have, only these are for food donations. It would seem that they would be fairly easy to build. Here's a photo:



*Marla J. Suckow  
District Governor 32-C  
2019-2020*

*Hilton Head Island Noon Lions Club  
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today\_isa\_present@hotmail.com*

Let's make this commitment for not only January but this whole new year.

**CONGRATULATIONS to the following clubs for earning the Club Excellence Award for 2018-19: Georgetown, Hartsville, Society Hill and Summerville Evening!!**

January dates to note are: January 13 – Melvin Jones' Birthday; January 13-17 – LCIF week; January 15 - Peace Poster Kits go on sale from LCI Club Supplies; and District Convention January 31-February 1.

**I hope to see all of you at our convention. Have a Happy New Year 2020!**



# Lions District 32-C Convention News

by Convention Chair Mark Suckow

Soon it will be Lions District 32-C Convention time. The convention is the weekend of Friday, January 31 and Saturday, February 1, 2020 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in North Charleston, SC. At the convention, we come together to show who we are, what we do and to be proud of our accomplishments. It is also a time to hear about “what’s the latest” going on in the district and to meet and make old and new Lions friends.

If you’re thinking of attending, we encourage you to “get on board” now. There is a first time ever convention website at <https://www.lions32c-convention.org>. Convention information and updates will be posted periodically on the website. There is a link to the Registration Form which can be filled out on-line, printed and mailed in. There are links to the [club](#) ad and [business](#) ad order sheets. Also, you will find Hotel, Itinerary, Speaker and Contacts information. Check it out. It’s easy to use.

- ⇒ ID Mark Lyon, a second-year International Director from Brookfield, Connecticut, will be the Convention’s honored guest and speaker at the Saturday Banquet.
- ⇒ Lion Willie Jeffries, a member of the Elloree Lions Club and College Football Hall of Fame inductee will be the Tailgate Party featured speaker.
- ⇒ At the Awards Luncheon, Lion Dr. Mary Sedgwick, will relate her experiences with the challenges of going from sighted to profoundly visually impaired, her introduction to the break-through eSight technology and her return to an active, fulfilled life.
- ⇒ Saturday’s Opening Session will include “what’s going on” in South Carolina Lions with presentations on LCFI 100, New Voices, Ambassador Program, Blind Fishing, Camp Leo, and more.
- ⇒ As always, the Silent Auction and Hospitality Room will be an enjoyable feature. Each Club in the District is encouraged to submit items for the Silent Auction and treats for the Hospitality Room.

A great convention is being planned and we hope to have a Super Bowl level of attendance. For those who cannot attend all the activities, perhaps participating in the Saturday events which are the real “meat and potatoes” of the convention would fit the schedule. We hope to see you there.

# District 32C Convention

## January 31 - February 1, 2020

**Crowne Plaza Charleston Airport-Convention Center**

**4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd**

**North Charleston, SC 29418**

Let's join together at your 2020 District Convention for fellowship, education district business and fun. It's Super Bowl weekend and we'll be celebrating with a Tailgate Party on Friday evening so dress to show your team pride. Bring something for the silent auction or bid on that special item you just HAVE to take home when you leave.

Snack contributions to keep the hospitality suite stocked will be welcomed.

### Registration Form

(Click Icon To Open Form)

Please complete the registration form and mail with payment to the registrar by January 10, 2020:

Cindy Taylor

11 Fishermans Bend Court

Hilton Head Island, SC 29926-2652

### Registration Order Form

[\(Click To Open Form\)](#)

### Club Ad Order Form

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### Business Ad Order Form

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# District 32-C Club News

## ***AIKEN LIONS CLUB***



“Charles Goodman uses a screener to check the vision of a student at Millbrook Elementary School. With him are from left to right, Christy Collins, school nurse; PDG Pat Friday and Lion Susan Selden, Aiken Lions club members; and Melanie Royster, teacher. Club members did screenings.”

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## ***BEAUFORT LIONS CLUB***

The proceeds from our spaghetti dinner held in May benefitted treatment for patients with diabetic retinopathy at VIM Bluffton because the MUSC grant provided for diagnosis but not treatment. Beaufort, Hilton Head Island Noon and Sun City Okatie Lions clubs contributed funds as well as several private donors. PDG Dr. Jim Kondor researched and completed a grant application from LCIF for matching funds to provide treatment services to those diagnosed with diabetic retinopathy. He has still not heard from LCIF about the grant, however, a benefactor on Hilton Head Island matched those funds and a \$10,000 check to VIM for treatment services was given to Dr. Kondor of Hilton Head Island Lions Club who presented it to Pam Toney, the executive director of VIM Bluffton. Also pictured are Bill Teeter, president of the Sun City Lions Club; Les Taylor, president of the Hilton Head Island Noon Lions Club and Zone Chairperson; Lions Charlie and Carol Luetzow of the Beaufort Lions Club. Photo was taken by Cindy Taylor.



Club leads the Christmas Parade

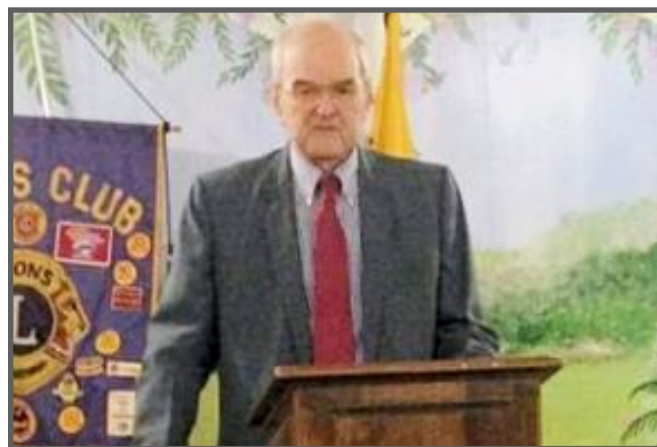
## ***FLORENCE EVENING LIONS CLUB***



Club Members, West Florence High School Leos Clubs and Academic Year in **America (AYA) students combined** in making Christmas very special for 15 underprivileged and special needs children. Breakfast was provided by Walmart Supercenter, South Irby Street. Afterwards each child was provided a gift from Santa Claus. Then each child went on a \$100 shopping spree for items of clothing.

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## ***HARTSVILLE LIONS CLUB***



Lion Ellis Parsons completes 70 years as a club member. WOW!!



## MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB



Induction of newest member Lion Pam Dalton



Elementary school Vision screening



Pancake Supper fundraiser – VDG Bill Hahn, PDG Henry Harrison



Club ringing bells for the Salvation Army fundraiser



Club delivering gifts to the Bucksport Senior Center



Club Christmas Party



## ***NORTH MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB***



Lion Suzanne Werner delivered 6 turkeys, trimmings and a variety of desserts on behalf of the club to First responders working on Thanksgiving Day.



Club decorated a very special tree at the NMB Historical Museum Festival of Festive Trees. Done in Lions purple and gold, it had "I love you" in sign language ornaments, mini white cane ornaments, Lions emblems and other special Lions symbols.

Club members participated in the annual Christmas Parade. Lion mascot Leonardo was joined by Lion Grinch and several Lion helpers to distribute candy along the parade route.



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## ***PAWLEYS ISLAND LIONS CLUB***



John Campbell, Chairperson for Marketing and Public Relations for the Pawleys Island Lions Club, has been chosen as that club's Lion of The Year for 2019. John is seen here with the award, presented to him by Pawleys Island Lions President, Pam Ofsanik, right.



## ***SOUTH STRAND LIONS CLUB***



Lions celebrated the Holidays by collecting socks for the home-less at their annual dinner party.



Club participated in the Surfside Beach Christmas Parade

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## ***SUMMERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB***



Summerville Christmas Parade. They include Summerville Noon and Summerville Evening Lions, Friends and Volunteers



Club Christmas Party. The Church Choir led all of us in Christmas Carols. A GREAT time with good food was enjoyed by all.



## **SUMERVILLE EVENING LIONS CLUB**

# *Please Save the Date.*

## *Santee Blind and VIP Fishing Weekend*

We are busy planning the 29<sup>th</sup> annual "Blind and VIP Fishing Weekend for the visually impaired in South Carolina. Our participants will arrive by bus, car or van on Friday May 1, where they will check into a hotel, after which they will be taken to a dinner of "Low Country Boil", then return to their hotel for a good night's rest. On Saturday morning they will be served a full breakfast at the local Cracker Barrel; then transported to Polly's Landing in Summerton, where they will board boats and be taken out on the lake for a morning of fishing. Lions will accompany them. After several hours of fishing they are treated to lunch, followed by a trophy presentation in several different categories that will be awarded. Following lunch, they will be returned to their homes. All of this at no cost to them. The excitement and joy expressed in their faces and with their comments is amazing to see and hear.

With the closing of the Santee Lions Club in 2018, the Summerville Evening Lions Club assumed the leadership role for this event and in 2019, had their first and very successful weekend. It is exciting to work with this group of folks and witness the excitement they exhibit. To attain this success in the 2020 weekend, we will still need the great support of our fellow Lions in South Carolina. Today, there is a lot of emphasis on physically handicapped persons, but for those persons whose vision is impaired, their disability robs them of a lot of things that other disabled persons can still enjoy. Being able to provide each of them with a two-day outing from their normal routine brings them much excitement and pleasure. Please consider again adding the Blind Fishing event to your Club's budget to help fund this very worthwhile project. The 2020 tournament will be held the 1 & 2 of May, and we covet your financial, as well as your physical support during this weekend, all of which will be greatly appreciated. As we have participants from all over the state, we seek support from both districts. Letters have been mailed to all presidents in MD 32. If you do not have a letter, my Contact information is: By phone, 843/693-5522 or by email [dsullivan@weber-usa.com](mailto:dsullivan@weber-usa.com).

Thank you for your support.

Summerville Evening Lions Club





**The South Strand Lions Club  
13th Annual  
"Carl Blake Memorial"  
Charity Golf Tournament**

Held At

The Heritage Plantation Club (Pawleys Island)

Saturday February 15, 2020

10:00 am Shotgun Start/Texas Scramble

3 Flights

Check in 8:30 to 9:30

*Buffet Breakfast & Lunch/2 Drinks/Range Access/Awards*

The field is limited. Register ASAP (Individuals Welcome)

**\$75.00 per person due by 1/31, \$80.00 Thereafter**

Make Checks to South Strand Lions Club and mail to:

Ed Wallace

309 Goddard Lane

Murrels Inlet, SC 29576

(Tax ID # 47-525 4932)

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer Name \_\_\_\_\_

Captain \_\_\_\_\_

Avg. Score/Handicap \_\_\_\_\_

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Contact Ed Wallace

(484) 919 9904

Email [Edwallace11@gmail.com](mailto:Edwallace11@gmail.com)

[Link to South Strand Lions Club Golf Tournament](#)



**Have you ever considered presenting at Lions  
meeting, workshop, or training session?**

**Learn how to give effective, interesting  
presentations at the Presenter's Workshop  
to be held at the First Baptist Church Family Life  
Center  
2875 Columbia Road, Orangeburg, SC 29118**

**On May 2, 2020, from 9 AM – 1 PM  
See attached registration form**



**Are you a committee chair or club officer who needs  
improved presentation skills?**

**Register for the Presenter's Workshop**

May 2, 2020

9 AM to 1 PM

First Baptist Church

Family Life Center

2855 Columbia Road

Orangeburg, SC 29116

This workshop is necessary for any Lion who presents reports in front of the club. You will learn to deliver focused presentations, involve the audience, and conclude the presentation with the audience wanting more.

Any Lion wishing to present for Lions Learning Academy or other State or District Lions Workshops are invited to attend.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Best Way to contact you \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_

The cost is \$15.00 (includes meeting room rental and materials)

Mail checks to PCC Eddie Marshall, 2688 HWY 308, Clinton, SC 29325

Last day to register is April 18, 2020

[Link to Presenters Workshop](#)

# FROM THE DESK OF STACEY BEELER of SC DISTRICT 32 S

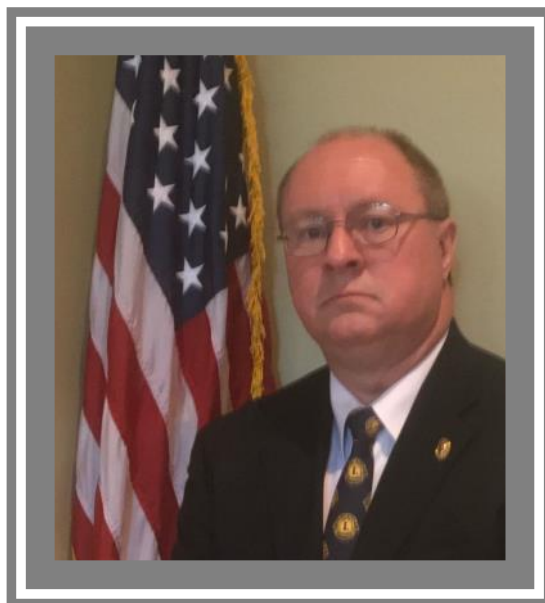
Happy New Year!

They say that hind site is 20/20, but I say that 2020 is right in front of us! No need to look in the rear-view mirror. Let's look in front of us, out the proverbial windshield, and continue moving in the right direction. The direction of making 2020 one of the greatest in Lions history. It starts now! The past is behind us and our future in front of us.

Continuing our theme of Unity in Diversity we have a lot to accomplish in the next six months. As we move forward please consider being MORE of a part of this great organization.

I think of two great Lions that were buried less than 24 hours apart in December. Lions International 1<sup>st</sup> VP Haynes Townsend and SC MD32S PCC Tom Wood. Both great men in their own respect. Great men of integrity with a great desire to serve. Respected by many and gave selflessly to their communities and all they encountered. These men left a legacy and carried a torch that each of us Lions have the honor of carrying forward. Kindness was woven into the very fabric of their being and was evident in how they interacted with and treated others. A legacy we all should covet.

In closing, I want to share these traits of successful and unsuccessful people and challenge each of us to be the BEST Lion version of you in 2020.



**Stacey Beeler**  
District Governor 32-S  
2019 - 2020

Spartanburg Lions Cub  
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[Stacey.beeler@charter.net](mailto:Stacey.beeler@charter.net)

## **Successful People**

- Read Every Day
- Compliment
- Embrace Change
- Forgive Others
- Talk About Ideas
- Continually Learn
- Accept Responsibility For Their Failures
- Have A Sense Of Gratitude
- Set Goals And Develop Life Plans

## **Unsuccessful People**

- Watch TV Every Day
- Criticize
- Fear Change
- Hold A Grudge
- Talk About People
- Think They Know It All
- Blame Others For Their Failures
- Have A Sense Of Entitlement
- Never Set Goals

Let's have perfect vision in 2020!

DG Beeler  
MD32S  
Roar Lions!

## The Greenwood Lions Club Endorses a VDG Candidate



On December 19, the Greenwood Lions Club proudly endorsed Lion Randy Culbertson for the office of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor for District 32S.

# District 32-S Club News

### ***CALHOUN FALLS, DUE WEST AND ABBEVILLE LIONS CLUBS***

Calhoun Falls, Due West and Abbeville Lions Clubs celebrate the 71<sup>st</sup> Christmas Gathering to support John de la Howe School on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The three Clubs were able to raise \$1200.00 to be donated to the New Governor's School for Agriculture opening in August 2020. The donation was matched by West Carolina Telephone, Coop.



**ABBEVILLE LIONS CLUB**  
**THE MATHEWS LIONS CLUB**



Abbeville Lions Club (with help from The Mathews Lions Club) celebrating Arbor Day, December 6<sup>th</sup>, with the Westwood Elementary Fourth Graders. We planted another tree and provided each student with a Red Maple sapling.

**GREER CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB**

The Greer Centennial Lions had a busy December. Here are a few things we've been up to.



We had a very successful first poinsettia fundraiser selling more than 120 plants. We feel this is a fundraiser we can build on in the coming years.

The Greer Centennial Lions Club was recognized with the 2018- 2019 Club Excellence award. Pictured is past club president Becky Pickett, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Mia Wade and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Jim Barbare. Out of 68 clubs in the district, the Greer Centennial Lions Club was one of 10 to receive the award.



The Greer Centennial Lions participated in the Greer Chamber's non profit showcase lunch. This was a great opportunity to highlight the Lions Club and our mission.



## ***LEXINGTON LIONS CLUB***



On Sunday, December 8, The Lexington Lions Club participated in their annual free hot-chocolate giveaway at the City of Lexington Christmas parade. The club provides this service as a thank you to the community for their support throughout the year.

## ***LEXINGTON LATINO LIONS BRANCH CLUB***

On Sunday, December 22, The Lexington Latino Lions Branch Club hosted their first annual Christmas celebration. Toy and clothing donations were collected and a pizza lunch provided for 100 children in the community. A motivational speaker addressed the families to provide an uplifting holiday message.



## ***MCCORMICK LIONS CLUB***

At the McCormick Lions Clubs Christmas gathering on December 12<sup>th</sup>, two of their members were presented Melvin Jones Fellow awards by IPCC Lion Rick Pressly. Tom Westgate was dressed for the occasion. MJF recipients are Lion Brad Petersen and Lion Rich Lewis.



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## ***PIEDMONT LIONS CLUB***

### **Piedmont Lions Club Names Lion of the Year 2019**



The Piedmont Lions Club named PDG Lion Lanny W. Balentine as its 2019 Lion of the Year at the Annual Christmas Banquet on Dec. 3. Lion District Governor Stacey Beeler made the presentation and commended Balentine on his work both locally and statewide on Lions' humanitarian projects. Lion Balentine served as a District Governor and as a President and Board Member of what is now SC Lions Vision Services. This organization at that time named SCLSCA (South Carolina Sight Conservation Association). He served on the Steering Committee for the Lions of MD-32. This was a successful venture by adding three floors onto the Storm Eye Institute at MUSC. This institution is dedicated to sight conservation research. He is a mentor for new Lions and leaders. He served as the club secretary for 15 years and continues to support all activities the Piedmont Lions Club and surrounding clubs sponsor. Balentine joined the Piedmont Lions Club in 1976 and has achieved perfect attendance since joining. He proudly exemplifies the Lions motto "We Serve!"



## ***PIEDMONT LIONS CLUB***



Left District Governor, 32-S Lion Stacey Beeler, Lion Jack Wilder, Lion Jackie Wilder. The Wilder's were presented Grill Master Awards by the Piedmont Lions Club. They have been cooking at our Lions Picnic for many years. We thought it was time to say thank you for all of their Great Work.

### **Piedmont Lions Club Donate to Leader Dogs for the Blind**

The Piedmont Lions Club recently donated \$1000.00 to Leader Dogs for the Blind. Leader Dogs for the Blind is located at Rochester MI and was founded in 1939. The money was raised from a very successful spaghetti supper held in October.

Left Lion Stacey Beeler, District Governor of District 32-S, Lion Lynne Balentine, President, Piedmont Lions Club and Lion Marvin Carter who was the Chairman of the Spaghetti Supper.



### **Piedmont Lions Club Donate to Lions Vision Services**

The Piedmont Lions Club recently donated \$1000.00 to Lions Vision Services. Lions Vision Services helps needy citizens of SC with vision problems. The money was raised from a very successful Candy Day and Broom Sale held in October.

Left Lion Stacey Beeler, District Governor of District 32-S, Lion Lynne Balentine, President, Piedmont Lions Club and Lion Rick Hankinson, Treasurer of the Piedmont Lions Club.



## ***SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB***



### ***LION OF THE YEAR***

The Spartanburg Lions Club is proud to announce that Immediate Past President Mark Barry was selected as the Lion of the Year! Last year's LOTY, Lion Leah Caldwell, presented the plaque to Lion Mark. Congratulations Lion Mark!

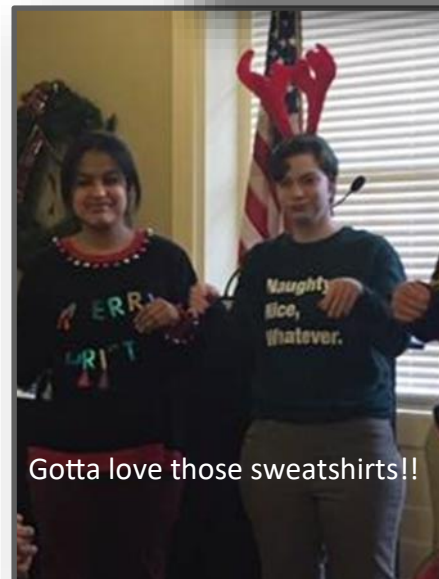
Club President Rita Spiess shares time with Santa



On December 9<sup>th</sup>, members of the Spartanburg Lions Club were invited to SCSDB for their Annual Christmas Luncheon. The school hosts our club and members of the Board as way to say thank you. The Spartanburg Lions Club has been working with SCSDB for over 75 years!



Members of the SCSDB chorus entertained the Spartanburg Lions with their beautiful renditions of Christmas music. These young people are incredibly talented!



Gotta love those sweatshirts!!



## SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB

After a few years of giving to the children at SCSDb in another way other than toys, the members of the Spartanburg Lions Club went back to their tradition of over 75 years of giving toys to the children at the school – and this time gifts were given to every student – all 207 of them! What a delight it was to take time to wrap all of the gifts (even though some members are better ‘wrappers’ than others.....) and fellowship with each other in the season of giving.



Lion Steve Cannon tries his hand at wrapping... He might be a better secretary than wrapper (tee hee)!



(l to r) Lions Pete Aylor, Grady Stewart and Art Hartzog. Lion Grady has the distinction of being the most senior member of the Spartanburg Lions Club! We love Lion Grady!



Lions Doug King and Weslie Higdon try their hand at wrapping a baby doll and stuffed animal together – that is not an easy task!!

Members of the Spartanburg Lions Club and Dorman High LEOS at the Pizza Party sponsored by the Spartanburg Lions Club and gift giving at SCSDb on December 12<sup>th</sup>. We had a blast, and the students were so excited to receive their gift and enjoy pizza. Spartanburg Lions had a great time distributing pizza, salad, drinks and cupcakes at SCSDb! Nine of the Dorman High LEOS helped distribute gifts. All of the LEOS donated presents and money to help provide gifts for the SCSDb students. Thank you Dorman High LEOS!!





## WINNSBORO LIONS CLUB

### **ANNUAL RANN FOSTER PANCAKE SUPPER**

**Monday, February 3, 2020**

**5:30 — 7:30 PM**

**Fairfield Elementary School**

**Tickets: Adults \$5, Children \$4**

**See Any Winnsboro Lion for Tickets or Buy At the Door**

**Dine In or Take Out**



A WEEK AT  
EDISTO ISLAND !!!

The Spartanburg Lions Club will once again be raffling a week at Edisto Island!!!

- For just \$10.00/ticket, enjoy a week at "Family Tides", a beautiful 4 bedroom 2 ½ bath home that sleeps 10 at Edisto Island, SC.
- It is available for any week between January-April or November-December (except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's).
- The drawing will be held at the Banquet at the 325 District Convention on March 7, 2020.
- Please contact any member of the Spartanburg Lions Club to purchase a ticket, and they will also be available for sale at the District Convention.

It's a win-win....you get a week in a beautiful house at the beach, and the Spartanburg Lions Club can better serve their community with the monies raised!

Proceeds benefit the Spartanburg Lions Club Foundation to provide eye exams and glasses to those that can't afford them.



**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT !!**

*Excuses will always be there,  
Opportunity won't.*

Greer Centennial Lions Fellowship Retreat  
Saturday, February 22, 2020  
8:30 PM - 3:30 PM

# GREER

### **Join us.**

This **February 22nd** in the beautiful Upstate of South Carolina the Greer Centennial Lions Club will be hosting a special fellowship retreat. This is your opportunity to join fellow Lions for a time of fellowship and renewal. You will have the chance to meet with Lions with various years of service and experience in a relaxed setting for a variety of sessions to help our Lions grow. This is your chance to come learn and laugh together. Follow us on

Facebook for registration information. <https://www.facebook.com/greercentennialionsclub/>

### **We Serve.**

By Lion Caroline Robertson

### **Schedule:**

**8:30 AM - 3:30 PM**

Welcome

Session I: Identifying Strengths & Challenges

Session II: Using Teams to Address Challenges

Session III: Navigating Change

~Lunch~

Session IV: Beyond the Horizon

Session V: Creating a Vision

Wrap-Up

THANKS FOR READING  
WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED THE PALMETTO LION!

**Deadline for submissions to the February Palmetto Lion is**  
**January 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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