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CONGRATULATIONS ID DIANNE PITTS



On June 29th in Chicago, PCC Dianne Pitts was sworn in as the 14th International Director from MD32, South Carolina. The term of a Director is two year, 2021 – 2023.

DOUGLAS X. ALEXANDER

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT



Douglas X. Alexander, from Brooklyn, New York, USA, was elected to serve as international president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 103rd International Convention, June 25 through June 29, 2021.

President Alexander is a retired vice president for J.P. Morgan Chase Bank.

A member of the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club since 1984, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, region chair, vice district governor, district governor, cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer and DGE group leader. He also served as a Lions Eye Bank transporter, a member of the District and Multiple District

PDG Association, a trustee of the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation, and was appointed as the Lions representative to UNICEF-New York from 2012-2014. He has served on the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Planning and Host Committees and has been a presenter at several USA/Canada Forums.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the club Lion of the Year, Club President's Award, the Robert J. Uplinger Service Award, several District Governor Appreciation Awards, and the Multiple District Membership Growth Award. He is also the recipient of numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation, seven International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is a Dr. Franklin G. Mason Fellow, a W. P. Woods Fellow and a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, President Alexander is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as chairperson of the advisory board for the New York Urban League and as a board member of the St. Francis DeSales School for the Deaf. He is also a recipient of the Congressional Record Award.

President Alexander has two daughters, and his partner in service, Shabiki Cazabon, is a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

SERVE FROM THE HEART

SC Lions Kick Off a New Century of Service

Submitted by ID Dianne Pitts and Lion Rita Spiess

PID Dr. Eugene Spiess congratulating PCC C. David Lloyd on receiving the Ambassador of Goodwill and Lion Mary Jean Lloyd.



On Saturday, June 19, 2021, PCC C. David Lloyd was awarded Lions Club International's highest award – the *Ambassador of Goodwill* – by PID Dr. Eugene Spiess at the Lions Vision Services/Team Building event in Columbia. PCC David has been one of Florida's and SC's hardest working Lions since 2001.

PCC David held numerous offices and received many awards while in Florida, and he was also a candidate for International Director. When he moved to Greenville and later to Spartanburg several years ago, PCC David worked very diligently in three Lions

Clubs in the Upstate – the Taylors Lions Club, Simpsonville Centennial Lions Club, and currently as Secretary of the Spartanburg Lions Club. For the last three years, PCC David has been the Global Action Team Area Leader for Constitutional Area 1M in the USA, a very prestigious position relating to membership.

But more than all of the positions and awards, PCC David has the heart of a Lion. He works hard in whatever position he holds, and he and Mary Jean always participate in the fundraisers and service projects.

It is only in very distinguished circumstances that a Lion who is not an outgoing International Director receives the Ambassador of Goodwill. It is the highest honor that Lions Clubs International awards, and PCC David is certainly a deserving recipient !! Congratulations PCC David !!!

ID Dr. Dianne Pitts, PID Dr. Eugene Spiess, newest recipient of the Ambassador of Goodwill PCC C. David Lloyd, and PDG Bob Walker who received the Ambassador of Goodwill in 2019. Some of South Carolina's finest Lions!!



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June 19 hosted an LVS/Team Building event at the Cayce West Columbia Chamber of Commerce which concluded with a kick-off celebration for the second century of service by Lions in South Carolina. Almost all of the leadership for the next three Lions Councils of Governors were present as well as Council Chairperson Rhett Hair, Council Chairperson Elect Pat Friday, and Vice Council Chairperson Elect Henry Harrison plus assorted MD32 leadership. Looking forward with joy and great expectation was celebrated with awards and refreshments.



Fiona, granddaughter of PCCs Joe and Dianne Pitts and daughter of Lions Chip and Stacy Oncken, helped the celebration by passing out a treat to all in attendance.



PCC Dianne Pitts proudly pinned a one-diamond Melvin Jones Fellow pin on DGE Jay McClary making him a Progressive Melvin Jones. PCC Joe Pitts was presented a one sapphire Progressive Melvin Jones pin; PID Eugene Spiess was presented a ten-emerald Melvin Jones pin. Loyal support of the Lions International Foundation enables the Foundation to continue its humanitarian work.



Daniel Prohaska was presented an International President's Certificate of Appreciation. Lion Daniel has contributed greatly to South Carolina Lions, especially through his work with Lions Vision Services. His talents, knowledge, and skills will enhance MD32 service for many years to come.



Acknowledging a new frontier as SC Lions begin a new century of service, we salute the leadership teams which work in conjunction to optimize the service impact clubs and individuals make in their communities and in our state and beyond. Pictured are VDGE Randy Culbertson, 2nd VDGE Linda Sherriff Rumsey, and DGE Jim Barbare, all representing District 32S.

MD 32 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2921 Blind Fishing Tournament	UPSTATE LIONS BLIND FISHING TOURNAMENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED FOR 2021
Saturday July 17, 2021 9:30 am—1:30 pm	NEW OFFICER TRAINING—32C Grace Lutheran Church Hall 1600 Old Trolley Road Summerville, SC
Saturday July 17, 2017 Time: TBD	NEW OFFICER TRAINING –32S ZOOM CALL
Monday July 19, 2021 Check In 9:00am Shot Gun 11:00 am	CAMDEN LIONS CLUB 2nd Golf Scramble Camden Country Club 111 Knights Hill Rd Camden, SC 29020 LINK TO FLYER
July 18—July 24	CAMP LEO Hilton Head Island LINK TO FLYER
Saturday July 24, 2021 9:30 am—1:30 pm	NEW OFFICER TRAINING—32C TBD Murrells Inlet, SC
Saturday July 24, 2021 Registration—9:00 am Meeting—9:45 am	DISTRICT 32-S CABINET MEETING Hurricane Baptist Church 2719 Hurricane Church Road Clinton, SC 29325
Saturday August 7, 2021 9:30 am—3:30 pm	GAT SUMMIT III TBD LINK TO APPLICATION
Saturday August 14, 2021 9:30 am—3:30 pm	GAT SUMMIT III TBD LINK TO APPLICATION
Saturday August 21, 2021 Time TBD	NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION ZOOM CALL
Sunday August 22, 2021 4:00 pm—8:00 pm	NIGHT FOR SIGHT AND HEARING GOSPEL CONCERT 171 Langford Road Blythwood, SC LINK TO FLYER
Saturday, August 28 Saturday, October 23 10:00 am —3:30 pm	LIONS LEARNING ACADAMY First Baptist Church Family Life Center 2875 Columbia Road, Orangeburg, SC 29118 LINK TO FLYER
Friday September 10, 2021 Lunch—12:00 Noon Tee-off 1:30 pm	SPARTANBURG LIONS CLUB CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC Links O Tryon Campobello, SC 29322 LINK TO FLYER

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION (LCIF)

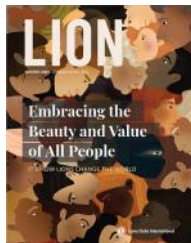
Submitted by: PDG JOHN ENRIGHT

Donations from MD32 are presently totaling around \$65,000. This is just short of last year's total just short of \$69,000. That is amazing in this Covid-restricted year. Thank you for your generosity!

A new Emergency Preparedness Grant for \$10,000.00 has just been approved for District 32S. This grant will cover the purchase of an emergency trailer for Lions to use in the event of natural disasters. The program will also include training for volunteers prior to disasters to prepare to assist communities in recovery. Supplies which will be included in the Lions disaster van such as blankets, safety vests, a generator, tools, coolers, tables and chairs, and more. Clubs and individual Lions can commit to donate \$50.00 annually to the 32S Alert Fund to restock and supplement the Alert van's needs. For more information, contact PDG Judy Scott, 32S Alert Chairperson.

Where there is a need, there is a Lion!

[🔗 PLEDGE DONATION](#)



Read the Lions International current edition of "Lion Magazine" here.

https://www.lionmagazine.org/#_ga=2.155063355.261899181.1612449857-490308295.1580835683



Dear Lions,

The month of June has been a productive and exciting time at LVS.

As part of our ongoing efforts to maintain a strong presence in our community, LVS has taken up the task of meeting with each member of South Carolina's Congressional Delegation. The purpose of these meetings is to: (1) establish a reliable point of contact and open lines of communication with our elected officials; (2) ask each Senator and Congressman to make a public statement on the importance of vision health by joining the [Congressional Vision Caucus](#); and (3) make funding for LVS a priority in their community.





I am pleased to report that I have had productive meetings with representatives from Senator Tim Scott, Congressman Jeff Duncan, Congressman William Timmons, and Congressman Ralph Norman. Incoming District Governor, Jim Barbare, and LVS Board member, Dr. Nick McLane, were able to join me for our meeting with Congressman Timmons (left).

These connections are vital to maintain effective partnerships across SC. We look forward to increasing our presence with and impact through our Congressional Delegation in the coming year.

On June 24, 2021, LVS celebrated our 52nd anniversary with a virtual event. The program included an introduction to our County Needs Assessment that will be shared in our Annual Report in a few weeks, an overview of our capacity-building initiative known as the Catalyst Campaign, and an interview with our newest International Director, ID Dr. Dianne Pitts. If you missed it, I encourage you to [watch the recording on our YouTube channel](#) and stay on the lookout for our Annual Report – you won't want to miss it!



Beyond these exciting milestones, we rounded out our fiscal year with two additional emergency eye surgeries in June: a shunt operation for Mary of Myrtle Beach and a retina detachment fix for Sonya of Charleston. Both procedures underscore the urgency of our work and its profound impact on the lives we touch. Together, we will achieve even more in the coming year as we increase our capacity and improve vision health for all South Carolinians!

<p>Together In Service,</p>  <p>Lion Daniel J. Prohaska, MA, CFRE Lions Vision Services President & CEO (803) 796-1305 Daniel@sightfirst.org</p>	<p><u>Give Now:</u></p> <p>Text "sightfirst" to 44321</p> <p>Give online at: lionsvisionservices.org</p> <p>Mail checks to: 234-C Outlet Pointe Blvd. Columbia, SC 29210</p>	
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Do you love to fish?

Would you like to help with the Blind Fishing Program?



The Blind Fishing Program is in need of new Lions on their Board of Directors. Duties will include helping arrange night sleepover at Rocky Bottom Conference Center of the Blind including assigning rooms for VIP's and Lions that plan to stay. Help with the fishing Saturday on Lake Keowee or the lake near Rocky Bottom. Help with the meal on Saturday at lunch. Assist with securing pontoons with Captains for Saturday and working with NFB clubs to get fisherman. Schedule supper for Friday night to include food and cooks, breakfast Saturday morning and lunch for Saturday afternoon.

As you can see there is much work and organization need to help those who cannot see enjoy a day at the lake simply fishing. Please contact PCC Phil Marrett at lionmarrett@gmail.com for more information.

CAMP LEO COUNCIL

OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC.



CAMP LEO 2021 IS COMING TO HILTON HEAD ISLAND 7/18 – 7/24

DID YOU KNOW?

- - HILTON HEAD ISLAND CLUBS STARTED CAMP LEO IN 1974. NOW SUN CITY IS ALSO A HOST CLUB.
- - CAMP LEO IS MANAGED BY A COUNCIL OF 11 MEMBERS FROM HILTON HEAD AND SUN CITY.
- - IT COST \$23-\$25K TO HAVE CAMP LEO EACH SUMMER.
- - CLUBS AND LIONS, FROM ALL OVER SOUTH CAROLINA, SUPPORT CAMP LEO EACH YEAR..... CAN WE COUNT ON YOUR SUPPORT AGAIN?
- - 40–50 SIGHT-IMPAIRED YOUTH, AGES 7-17, COME FROM ALL OVER SOUTH CAROLINA BY CHARTER BUS FOR A OCEAN-ORIENTED EXPERIENCE.
- - CAMP STAFF INCLUDE A CAMP DIRECTOR, ASST. CAMP DIRECTOR, CAMP COUNSELORS FOR THE CAMPERS, A COOK AND NURSE AND VOLUNTEERS.
- - QUITE OFTEN CAMPERS BECOME COUNSELORS WHEN THEY REACH SEVENTEEN – THEY LOVE CAMP LEO AND WANT TO CONTINUE TO BE A PART OF THE CAMP.
- - ACTIVITIES INCLUDE MINATURE GOLF, BEACH AND POOL, TIME, MOVIE NIGHTS, SAILING, CRAFTS, KAYAKING, ZIPLINE, FISHING, YOGA, MUSIC BY DJ'S, A TALENT SHOW FOR VISITORS, MID-WEEK..... COME ON DOWN AND JOIN THE FUN!! AND LOTS OF PEANUT BUTTER, ICE CREAM AND PIZZA.....

WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT AGAIN THIS YEAR!!!

LION DALE LAROW, PRESIDENT

CAMP LEO COUNCIL

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Camp Leo 2020



**YES! I would personally like to donate to the
2021 Camp Leo summer camp for
SC sight-impaired youth.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Mail to:

**Dale Larow
30 Larkspur Lane
Bluffton, SC 29909**

**Make checks payable to Camp Leo Council.
Thank you for your tax-deductible gift.**

2021/2022 PEACE POSTER CONTEST



Good morning Lion Presidents. Hopefully you have been able to have a busy year in spite of covid. Before you leave office the end of June, I want to ask you to please consider asking one of your club members if they would be willing to be Chair of the Peace Poster Contest for your club. It's a simple matter of asking the art teacher in your local (usually) Middle School if they would like to have their art students between the ages of 11-13 to participate in an international art contest whose theme is always peace related. I love this contest because it gives your club the opportunity to work with your local school, and it gives the opportunity for some of the art students at these schools to be recognized for their talent. This year's beautiful theme is "**We Are All Connected**". A perfect theme for all that we have been through since covid attacked our world. The Peace Poster kits are only \$11.95 - quite the bargain for such a great

opportunity for your club!! The kits should be ordered through LCI's Club Supplies. The only additional cost for your club for this opportunity is for whatever prize you want to award the artist who wins the contest (or maybe for the top 2 artists, like \$75 for 1st prize and \$50 for 2nd prize - or whatever you want to award). It's just such a great opportunity to work with your local school and get some publicity for your club. If you have any questions, please contact me at 864-316-5134 or reply to this email. I do hope that you'll take this opportunity to involve your club in this fantastic contest!!!

Rita Spiess

32S Peace Poster Co-Chair

MD32 Council Chair Pat Friday

This was a very emotional moment when Council Chair Rhett Hair handed off the mallet to me. I will have some very “big shoes” to fill but know that he will have my back. Being the Vice Council Chair during his year even during one of the worst times in Lionism he has taught me a lot.

Our first Council Meeting will be held on Saturday, July 10, 1 pm at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Orangeburg. We have a great team ready to go to work.

I can't imagine being busier than I have been during this past year. I enjoyed all of the different activities I participated in as your VCC, going to great anniversary parties and being supportive of the training that has been offered via Webinars and in person. I participated in the Vision 22 Committee organized by DG Bill Hahn which was a collaboration with the State Department of Education to enable a higher acceptance of vision screening being done statewide by Lions.

We are very proud of the work that was accomplished during this very tough time. We have brought in new members and came up with service projects that could be done safely. More clubs are reporting their service hours to LCI which is a very good thing. They need to know what we are doing when they are so willing to help us during a disaster.

I want everyone to realize that we have a big job in front of us, five clubs will be 100 years old in 2022. There will be individual club celebrations and the State Convention which will be held in Florence on April 27-29, 2022 which will be a “Grand Centennial Celebration” theme. I will be contacting lots of Lions to help make this a special occasion that will feature all five clubs, Anderson, Spartanburg, Greenville, Orangeburg and Columbia.

Of course, we will be welcoming our new International Director, Dr. Dianne Pitts who has worked very hard to arrive at this level of Lionism. SC should be very proud to add another to the list of those who came before her.

Kindness Matter in Service,

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MD 32 Council Chair
2021—2022
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FROM THE DESK OF PCC LION JOE PITTS

We have a hundred years on Lionism in South Carolina. Our next hundred years is full of potential growth by meeting the needs of our communities, our clubs, and our members. We do this by service to our communities, new members for our clubs, and leadership for our members. Please, take advantage of training and programs we already have in place. The benefit is that as we as Lions take advantage of opportunities presented to us by our Multiple District and District leaders the better we become as an organization. Our growth depends on the Lions of South Carolina stepping up and taking advantage of all opportunities offered. We have a great group of leaders coming up and they will be, and are, planning great opportunities for us to grow. Let's support them in their efforts to grow in service, membership, and leadership. The first opportunity is to sign up for the Lions Learning Academy or the New Members Symposium. In our planning the Academy it was decided that if a Lion missed one session, he or she would have to complete four courses from either the Lions Learning Center or the Lions University. If you are willing to do that, and pay the thirty dollars for registration, you can still be a part of the Academy. Please contact me for more information if you want to join us.

Please keep PCC Lion Dianne and me in your prayers and thoughts as we go on our next adventure. We want to do all we can to help our leaders grow Lionism in South Carolina. Stay safe and have a great Lion's day.

SAVE THE DATES !

GAT SUMMIT III

Saturday, August 7, 2021

9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Maybe Summerville, SC (???)

Or

Saturday, August 14, 2021

9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Maybe Hurricane Baptist Church, Joanna, SC (???)

These Summits are open to all Lions and will be especially applicable to

club service chairs,

club membership chairs,

and club leadership chairs

as well as all club and district officers.

Each of the Summits is scheduled for respective Districts C and S, but if you cannot attend the Summit in your district, please register for the other district's Summit.

The MD 32 GAT (Global Action Team) is comprised of MD 32 GLT, GMT, and GST Coordinators and Executive Officers ("Council")

Each district should also have district GAT with same officers as above but on district level. And each club should have corresponding chairs for leadership, membership, and service.

The "Summit" is an interactive workshop/training/collaborative session to benefit all Lions throughout MD 32.

[***Link to Application***](#)

FROM THE DESK OF DG BILL HAHN of SC DISTRICT 32 C

IT'S TIME TO PREPARE FOR A NEW YEAR

This year there is an opportunity to continue to build on the hard work accomplished by our Governor's team lead by IPDG Bill Hahn. We had a tremendous year with many first time events during one of the greatest challenges of our lives, the COVID 19 pandemic. Even with the pandemic we managed to keep almost everything together. Although we lost one club we did gain one club. It is not time to relax but to keep the momentum going forward.

This year's District Governor team consist of myself, Jay McClary, Georgetown, Les Taylor, Head Island Noon and Tony Bell, Camden. We have seven very qualified zone chairs to work with us. They are Zone 1 Cynthia Harrison, Zone 2 Joe McNeil, Zone 3 Tony Bell, Zone 4 Annette Hart, Zone 5 David Washington, Zone 6 Joe Travis and Zone 7 Bill Teeter. This year we have the challenge of building our clubs back up to meet the needs of our communities. To accomplish this we must first instill within ourselves and all lions "a heart for service."

To start we can build our story of what made us a Lion. When was the first time you had that "a-ha" moment that you realized you were a Lion. Wasn't it when you saw a need and fulfilled it with your service from your heart. You realized that being a Lion meant more than a title, it meant service to your fellow man. It meant fulfilling a need in your community. This is what it means to be a Lion. A selfless act of compassion that sent chills down your spine.

We have a great past; think of all those who sacrificed their time, assets and talents to grow LCI with their service to others. We have a great present; think of all the Lions we are surrounded with that give their service from their hearts every day. AND we have a great future; the needs will always be there giving us and those who come after us wonderful opportunities to serve our communities.

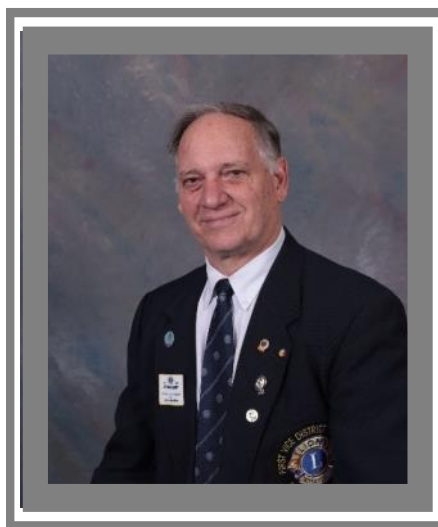
This year we want to encourage all clubs to start their year with a new service project and have their officers trained; at least the president and the secretary. Each club should put into practice some retention actions, such as a buddy system or making sure each lion has a service to do. Plan your budget early to include donating to LCIF and LVS. Helping with "Sight for Mozambique". Most importantly, please report your service and service projects on MyLion.

This year we have a great opportunity to go back into our schools. Our vision screening can help so many children who have vision issues. These children can have a brighter future because of our service. Please work with our district team this year to make it the best year ever for vision screening. Our SC Vision '22 is alive and well. We have tremendous work that we can do. Please join us and instill within yourself

"A HEART FOR SERVICE."

Yours in Lionism,

DG Jay McClary



Jay McClary
District Governor 32-C
2021—2022

Georgetown Lions Club
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NEW OFFICER TRAINING—32C



New Officer training for 32C is as follows:

Saturday, July 17

0930 am -1:30 pm

Grace Lutheran Church Hall

1600 Old Trolley Road, Summerville.

Or

Saturday, July 24

0930 am-1:30 pm

Murrells Inlet

site TBD.

If you have already received information about this training from DGE Jay, please use the information he provided.

District 32-C Club News

KINGSTREE LIONS CLUB

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – FRIENDSHIP CLUB



Friendship Clubs Meet and Greet

At the end of June 2020, Finnish Lions Club, Oulu/Avain received guest from Friendship Club, Kingstree. Communication between these clubs has been going on for over 30 years. PDG Ed Johnson came in the early 80's to find Finnish roots and to meet second cousin Maila Jarvela. In visiting PDG ED saw a Lions club banner on the bookshelf and informed cousin Maila he was a Lion.

He suggested that Lions could also be contacted in the autumn of 1986. Both clubs confirmed their friendship at their meetings. PDG ED has been actively involved in the Lions Club International Annual Convention. Whether or not someone from Lions Club Oulu/Avain attends, the convention was used to send greetings. DG Seppo Saareia was able to act as a carrier. PDG Ed and his wife, Judy, DG Seppo and his wife, Leena participated in annual meeting. Communication between clubs continues through email and other platforms.

LITTLE RIVER LIONS CLUB



"The Little River Lions Club held its annual Officer Installation and Awards Dinner on June 15th. District Governor Elect Jay McClary installed the officers for 2021-22 as shown above. Lion of the Year was awarded to PDG Randy Edwards for his outstanding service, loyalty, and devotion to the club and to Lionism. The club also presented a Dr. Franklin Mason Fellowship to Mr. Phil Annie, Owner of Mulligans Restaurant, for his generous support through the years. Lion Arleen Lopano received a progressive Mason Fellowship for here outstanding service as a Little River Lion."

MANNING LIONS CLUB



DGE Jay inducing new member Lions Jim Pfister, Rick Kump, and Larry Smith.



Lion President Jimmie Boykin receiving Dr. Franklin Mason Fellowship.



Lion ZC Joe McNeil receiving email the Master Key for sponsoring 20 Lions in the 46 years he has been a member.



DGE Jay inducing Lion George Fix being inducted as President with outgoing President Jimmie Boykin.

MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB



Lion Sam Gortney receiving the Franklin Mason Award from President Lion Renlido Angelini



Lion Sam Gortney with his wife, Lion Susan Gortney and President Lion Renaldo Angelini



Lion Jim Bernaski receiving the Lion of the Year.



Recognition and award to Lion Thomas Nelson for 37 years of Lion service presented by Lion Brian P'Pool and President Lion Renaldo Angelini



2021-22 Club Board of Directors

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH LIONS CLUB



Club awarded a \$1000 college scholarship to Jordan Mabry, a recent graduate of the North Myrtle Beach Christian School. Ms. Mabry plans to attend UNC Wilmington in pursuit of a degree in Exercise Science with future goal of a medical career. Jordan Mabry, left, accepting the award from Club president Nils Regnell.



In response to an invitation to observe Healthy Vision Month, nine local churches answered the call. The NMB Lions had requested that the churches display a special collection box for their members to donate used eyeglasses and hearing aids during the month of May. Lions collected the boxes and were thrilled with the results. Participating churches included: Lakeside Baptist, King of Glory Lutheran, NMB First Baptist, St. Stephen's Episcopal, OD Presbyterian, Trinity Methodist, Living Waters Baptist, Renovation Vineyard, and Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic church. A total of 449 Pairs of glasses and 14 hearing aids were received. The donations will be taken to the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center for sorting and will be dispensed to those in need.

Picture: Left to right, Lions Sandy Boggs, Dorothy and Jack Bambach counting donated eyeglasses.

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ORANGEBURG LIONS CLUB

The Orangeburg Lions Club has just completed a major fundraiser. Each May the club participates in the Orangeburg Rose Festival with our concession trailer and each October we have a perlo rice fundraiser. The festival was cancelled in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID virus. In early spring our club voted to have a Perlo rice fundraiser since the festival was cancelled. Over 700 plates were sold. This has always been a major fundraiser for our club.



Lion Charlie Pace and Lion Matt Martin putting the finishing touches on a batch of perlo rice. We cooked 11 batches.



Students from the Interact Club of Orangeburg Preparatory School preparing the plates of Perlo rice, green beans, cold slaw, and bread.



Club President George Brooks presenting a check for \$250 to Tanner Garrick, President of the Interact Club, in appreciation of them helping with our fundraiser. Looking on is School Resource Officer Lion Jamie Kennerly and members of the Interact Club.

Club President George Brooks presenting a donation of \$1,000 to Karen Hay of the "Unto the Mouths of Babes/The Filling Station". This nonprofit provides backpacks of snacks to hungry students each Friday to make sure that they have food for the weekend.



PAWLEYS ISLAND LIONS CLUB

It was SOLD OUT! Another HUGE success!!

The Pawleys Island Lions held their 24th Annual Don Graham Memorial Charity Golf Tournament on June 7... And it was a sold out record-breaker! More golfers, more income... and more help for those in our community than ever before!



LEFT: Club held their annual golf tournament at the historic, and very exclusive, Wachesaw Plantation Club.



RIGHT: A cadre of Pawleys Lions not only registered players but sold Mulligans and prize drawing entries at the outdoor registration tent.



This is just half of the golf cart fleet that took tournament players off to their start. The event was sold out at 120 golfers!



Pawleys Lions President Pam Ofsanik announced the lucky prize winners at lunch after the tournament,. Thousands of dollars in prizes were graciously donated by local businesses.

Club honored these high-achieving local students with generous checks to help further their education. Seen here, from left to right, are Anna Bird, Leira Anderson, Emma Parler, Emma Grace, and Taemaisha Collins.



SOUTH STRAND LIONS CLUB



Lion Gloria Faford attended the Memorial Day services at Florence National Cemetery. Flags were placed at each grave site



Lions sold brooms on at the Hudson Flea Market. A great way to talk about Lions.

Club made a donation to Quilts of Valor. Presenting the check are Lions Rose Bartolomeo and Gloria Faford.



SUMMERVILLE NOON LIONS CLUB



Club put flags up on Federal Holidays.



Lion Marilyn receiving the Dr. Franklin Mason Fellowship. Congratulations!



Lion Sandy R. receiving the Melvin Jones Fellowship. Congratulations!



Lion Martha Sue receiving Melvin Jones Fellowship. Congratulations!



CC Rhett installed new Officers.



Lion Marvin, new President, receiving the gavel from PDG John with IPCC Rhett.

Camden Lions Club



2nd Golf Scramble



Check-In 9am {{{ Shot Gun 11am

MONDAY 2021
JULY 19

Camden Country Club
111 Knights Hill Rd
Camden SC 29020

\$75
Per Player

Foursome
\$300

Hole
Sponsor
\$100

For More Information, contact any of the following: Lion Anthony Bell (803)707-5535,
Lion Brad Martin (404)593-1123, or Lion Kesha Hayes (803)262-3946

All proceeds will be donated to the Camden Lions Club

FROM THE DESK OF DG JIM BARBARE

DISTRICT 32 S

On your mark. Get set. GO!

As we assess the last year with its confines and challenges, our district is in good shape. Some clubs have added 5%, 10%, and more in the last months as their service opportunities have increased as well. Being able to regather and reminisce about the recent years reminds us of our first love - service to our communities. If your club does not have a spot camera but would like to use one of the district spot cameras, we are ready, willing, and able to train club members and help seek opportunities to get into local schools.

Let us run the race with a new vigor. Let us serve and encourage other clubs in their service so that as many as can or are willing to run will cross the finish line at the same time. In all that we do let us be mindful of International President Douglas Alexander's theme, "Service from the Heart."

Reminder: District 32S Cabinet meeting July 24th in Clinton, SC at the FLC of Hurricane Baptist Church, 9:45 AM with registration starting at 9:00 AM. Light breakfast fare provided. Plan to come and bring a friend.



Jim Barbare
District Governor 32-S
2021 - 2022

Blueridge Lions Club

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS—UPCOMING TRAINING FOR DISTRICT 32-S

New Officer Training—July 17, 2021 via Zoom

Certified Guided Lion—October 16, 2021-Zoom
January 29, 2022- TBD

New Member Orientation—August 21, 2021- Zoom
February 26, 2021 -TBD

FROM THE DESK OF DGE JIM BARBARE

DISTRICT 32 S

The Heat is ON! 90+ degrees HOT!!
Let us fan the flames of our heartfelt desires to serve.

GRAB YOUR CALENDAR



Join the TRIO for food, fun, fellowship,
and a little bit of business
Hurricane Baptist Church
2719 Hurricane Church Road Clinton, SC 29325
July 24, 2021 9:45 AM

Please note: Grab Your Calendar, mark **July 24, Clinton, SC 9:45 AM district Cabinet meeting**. We are looking for **100** percent club participation. We need representatives from 64 District 32S clubs: no less than one, but preferably three or more.

Breakfast items served so come as hungry as Lions.

Our District Team is anxious to start. Time is of the essence to get our 64 clubs reenergized, reinvigorated and ready for service to our communities. Plan to come see what is being planned. Come give your input on areas that we need to focus on. JOIN THE TEAM by coming to Clinton. Every Lion in District 32S (1680 members) should be willing and interested to help get this District back up to speed. We have some lost time to make up. Can we count on YOU?

Where: Hurricane Baptist Church, Clinton, SC 29325

Registration starts at 9:00 am

PDG JUDY SCOTT —A Lions Emergency Response Team (ALERT), Chair 2021-2022



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RE: ALERT TEAM

Dear Fellow Lions,

It seems like every day we hear about a disaster somewhere in the world. When the tornado hit Seneca in our District, we realized that an ALERT Committee and being prepared for a disaster is more important than ever. My name is Judy Scott, and I am our District ALERT TEAM (**A Lions Emergency Response Team**) Chairperson beginning July 1st.

First, I wanted to introduce myself and give you my contact information in case you have any questions or would like me to come and do a program for your club to discuss our District ALERT Plan. Also, I would be happy to hear your ideas on this subject as well.

Next, I intend to schedule a Disaster Preparedness Training session for Lions and other community-based organizations. I want to get as many Lions as possible and other organizations and individuals in our District trained to be prepared. I will notify you of the training dates once they are scheduled. I hope you will have at least two members from your Club in attendance. Also, if your club has a building (club house) I would like to know if you would be willing to allow it to be used as a Command Center in the event of a disaster nearby your area.

Another of my goals is to establish a District Disaster Relief Fund. If a disaster strikes again, we will have immediate funds available to help our District or other Lions Districts that have been affected. I would like for our District to be able to help others like we were helped during our disasters in the past. If you commit to donate \$50.00 annually to the fund your club name will be listed on our ALERT Trailer. You may send your donation to me. Be sure to add ALERT FUND on the Memo line of your check. Make payable to District 32S/ALERT FUND. Thank you.

I look forward to speaking with you and answering any questions you may have.

In Service,

Judy Scott, DG

ALERT Chair



ALERT TEAM

District 32S has received a \$10,000 Disaster Preparedness Grant to provide training emergency relief to areas effected by a disaster. Our primary focus area is within our district, however, "where there's a need there's a Lion" whether in the district, the state, or out-of-state.

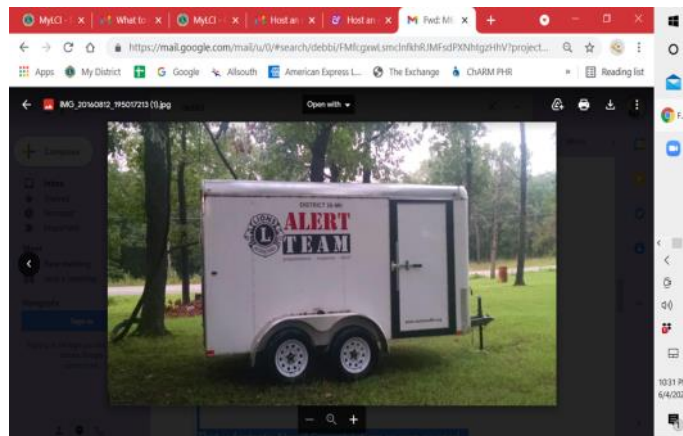
A white 6 X 12-foot enclosed trailer is being purchased. It will be stocked with emergency supplies.

There is a Team of 7 volunteers who have agreed to assist in making this project effective.

Should your club have a clubhouse and your members are willing to allow us to use the building as a Command Center, call or email me.

Additionally, we would like to bring the trailer and participate in any community activities in your area to show off the trailer and bring community awareness to preparing for disaster. We love parades so let us know when your town is having one so the ALERT TEAM can participate.

ALERT TRAILER A LION EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM



AS A SPONSOR, YOUR CLUBS NAME CAN BE ON THIS TRAILER.

ASK ME HOW!

IPDG Judy Scott, ALERT Chair

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District 32-S Club News

GREER CENTENIAL LIONS CLUB

The Greer Centennial Lions have been busy! I will try to recap some of the things that we have going on.

The Greer Centennial Lions hosted Congressman William Timmons for our June luncheon. Attendees from other clubs included the Blue Ridge, Greer, Taylors and representatives from Lions Vision Services. Lions took the opportunity to show off the glaucoma and vision screening systems to Congressman Timmons to reiterate the value of Lions Clubs in South Carolina.



We hosted a blood drive at Benson Automotive on May 21 which resulted in approximately 25 donors. The blood supply has been greatly impacted by COVID and consistent donors



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MORE GREER CENTENIAL LIONS CLUB



Welcome to new member Mandi Barrick! Mandi joins us from MDE w/ R&R Pest Control.

We closed out the fiscal year with a party at Lake Robinson to celebrate the year's accomplishments and recognize this year's Melvin Jones Fellow Eugenia Bentley. Eugenia has served on the board as secretary for 2 years and will serve as the 2VP next year. Eugenia has been an essential member of our club, providing unique fundraising ideas and spearheading the blood drives in the community. Eugenia truly embodies what it means to be a Lion.



GREER LIONS CLUB

Awards Night



Past President Linda Rumsey (I was president two years in a row) from Lion John Holland



Membership Chair, Hope Barbare presenting the Award of Excellence to the Club President, Linda Rumsey



Lion Don Owens received his 45 years of Service Chevron presented by Lion President Linda Rumsey



Lion of the Year – 2nd Vice District Governor Elect – Linda Rumsey Presented by Lion Karen Kenyon



Citizen of the Year – Russ Mason representing Allegra Printing, Presented by Lion Ken Holliday

MORE GREER LIONS CLUB

Awards Night Continued



2021 Melvin Jones Fellow – Lion David
O'Shields
Presented by Lion Vicki Kennedy



Franklin Mason Fellow – Li-
on Ken Holliday—Presented
by Lion Roger Rainey



Donation of \$3074.00 to Greer Commu-
nity Ministries received By Lion Donny
Kauffman Presented by Lion President
Linda Rumsey

The Greer Lions Club at work for Greer Community Ministries Car Show on May 29, 2021

Greer Community Ministries provides
Meals on Wheels, Senior Action, Food
Panty and Sharon's Closet for those in
need. All funds from our hot dog sales go
directly to this ministry.



PIEDMONT LIONS CLUB



Piedmont Lions Club Citizen-of-the Year for 2021

Pictured left to right First Vice President Lion Rick Owings congratulates our Citizen of the Year Mrs. Mary Bridges. As noted in the attachment Mrs. Bridges is 100 Years Old!!

What a remarkable lady—

[Click here to read the entire article](#)



President Lion Marvin Carter presents the Lions Gavel to incoming President, Lion Rick Owings.



Left Lion Phil Marett, Past Council Chairman presents the Past Presidents Plaque to Lion Marvin Carter outgoing President of the Piedmont Lions Club. This award was presented for outstanding leadership as President of the club for the Lions year 2020-2021.



Piedmont Lions Club Donate to Camp Lions Den

The Piedmont Lions Club recently donated \$635.00 to Camp Lions Den at Clemson, SC. This money will sponsor one vision impaired camper to attend the camp that will last for one week. The camp will be held in July. Camp Lions Den is sponsored by the Anderson Lions Club.

LAURENS LIONS CLUB

Laurens Lions Club is a participant in the District 55 'Reading Buddies' program [Click here for a link](#) to the GoLaurens.com article dated June 15, 2021. Members of the Laurens Lions Club helped to build bear buddies for the District 55 reading program

SC LIONS CYBER LIONS CLUB

SC Lions Cyber Club in Columbia, Lion Beverly Brooks on the left, delivering 24/25 cards for Memorial Day to patients at William Dorn Va Hospital Nursing Home or to any Veteran that was inpatient. Voluntary Support Assistant Sherwin Baxter on the right, was happy to be able to assist to ensure that they are delivered to the patients....



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SPARTANBURG SOUTHSIDE LIONS CLUB



The Spartanburg Southside Lions Club celebrated their 10 Year Anniversary on May 27, 2021. The day started with a luncheon at the 1881 Event Center hosted by the City of Spartanburg. The speaker, International Vice President Doug Alexander was presented with a Proclamation from the Mayor of the City of Spartanburg, Junie White. Later that evening a Banquet was held at The Piedmont Club where the Club received a Resolution from House Representative Rosalyn Henderson-Myers. Also, following that presentation, the Club was presented a Proclamation by Spartanburg City Councilman Jerome

Rice. Our Citizen-of-the-Year Award was presented to Assistant City Manager Mitch Kennedy. Later that evening, after hearing about all of the work that our club is doing in the city, Mitch decided to join the Club. The Lion of the Year Award was presented to Earlene Corrothers as she received a standing ovation for her dedication and commitment to the club. Following the awards and recognitions part of the program, the Speaker IVP Doug Alexander delivered a powerful heart-felt message that touched us all. After his inspiring speech, several members were motivated to go out and bring in eight additional new members to our club. Due to our enthusiasm and excitement, I am happy to announce that in a span of two months, we have added 31 new members to our club. We want to thank all of the visiting Lions from District 32S who came out to support us in the celebration of this momentous occasion.



TEGA CAY LIONS CLUB

Tega Cay Lions Club End of Year Brunch



Lion Sue Gulasky was awarded the Presidential Award by PCC Bob McCarthy



Lion Jerry Church is awarded Lion of the Year by Lion Janet Pritchard



Left To Right: Lion Bob Constantine, our Ron Kazel scholarship winner –Shannon Mahla and her parents Christine and Lion Mike



Lion Hope MacBride recognizing the 2019 Cul-len Scholarship winner, Ms. Lauren Pincus.



Past President Christine Lekich and her outgoing board. From Left: Incoming President-Ed Best, Lions Gene Esarove, Sarah Matchunis, Janet Pritchard, Outgoing President Christine Lekich, PCC Bob McCarthy and Bob Constantine



Past President Christine Lekich recognized Lions for outstanding service during the year. From left: Lions Liz Duda, Jerry Church, Tony Lekich, Past President Christine Lekich, Gayle Esarove, Hope MacBride, Sue Gulasky, and Jim MacBride

THE MATHEWS LIONS CLUB

At the May meeting of The Mathews Lions Club, **Lion Jerry Cramer** was presented a **Melvin Jones Fellowship**.

Lion Jerry serves as a club director, heads up the project to recycle plastic for benches to be placed in the Greenwood community, spearheads broom sales, and manages the Lions Clubs coin collection cannisters.



The Mathews Lions Club President Pat Abercrombie presents Lion Jerry Cramer with the Melvin Jones plaque.

Member of The Salvation Army Fan Club

The Mathews Lions Club is definitely a fan of The Salvation Army. On July 1, 2021, members of The Mathews Lions Club delivered twenty fans to The Salvation Army. This year the club doubled their normal annual donation to help "those in our community - elderly citizens and households with young children - with no air conditioning and no ventilation."



In addition, The Mathews Lions Club packed over nine hundred bags of food at The Salvation Army on June 23, 2021. The club tries to replenish the food bags and containers every other month. Club members serve in the soup kitchen, collect and donate food to local food banks, make personal checks to World Hunger, and pack food bags locally. All of these efforts help in some ways to meet local and world wide hunger.

District 32-S Fundraisers



Tickets available through your local Lions. For more information call: 803-718-0701

Night for Sight and Hearing Gospel Concert

Doko Manor
171 Langford Road, Blythewood, SC
Sunday, August 22nd, 2021
From 4:00-8:00pm

Tickets: \$8.00

**Proudly presenting: God's Toolbox Quartet,
Award-winning fiddler Jim Graddick, and
multi-talented Doug Hudson with sax.**



***Come join us for some good ole
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door prizes
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hearing services.***

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Team Information

Team Captain _____

Phone _____

Player Name

Handicap

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or by mail with check payable to:

The Spartanburg Lions Club Charity Golf Classic
Attn: SCsDB Foundation
355 Cedar Springs Road
Spartanburg, SC 29302

For more information, contact
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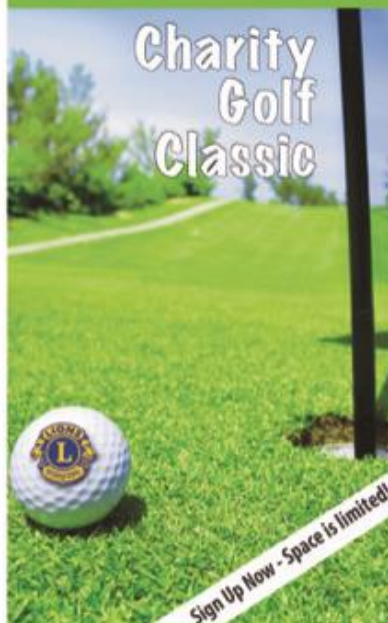
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*All proceeds to benefit
the SC School for the Deaf and the Blind
in Spartanburg, SC and are tax deductible.*

Spartanburg Lions Club

Charity Golf Classic



Friday, September 10, 2021
Lunch: 12 Noon • Tee-off: 1:30 pm
Links o' Tryon
Campobello, SC 29322

SC School for the Deaf and the Blind Foundation

provides critical resources to help the
SC School for the Deaf and the Blind keep pace with the specific educational needs
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The Foundation supports programs such as:



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for our students using state-of-the-art technology

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Individual Teams:

\$60.00 per golfer **\$240.00** per team

Links o' Tryon

11250 New Cut Road
Campobello, SC 29322

Registration, Range Balls and Lunch
12:00 Noon

Tournament begins at 1:30 p.m.
Shotgun start

Awards Presentation to follow
Captain and Crew Format

THANKS FOR READING OUR PALMETTO LION
WE HOPE YOU ENJOYED !



Thank you for reading the July edition of the Palmetto Lion. The next edition will be published in August.

We want to hear from everyone!! Because of the July 4th holiday, please have your articles and pictures to your reps by July 30, 2021 for inclusion in the June edition.

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