

Host Lions Club Tappahannock

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99th Lions of Virginia State Convention April 28 through May 1, 2022

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Welcome Lions, Leos and Guests, to the 99th Annual Lions of Virginia State Convention Celebrating 100 Years of Lionism in Virginia . Our host, the Tappahannock Lions Clubs has planned a fun-filled and exciting convention. Enclosed you will find brochures, pamphlets and other informational material to help you select just the right venue for your trip to Chesapeake, Virginia. This year the convention dates are April 28 - May 1, 2022. Make plans today to come out and attend the best convention anywhere.

The 2022 Lions of Virginia State Convention will be held in the heart of Chesapeake, Virginia at the Delta Hotel by Marriott Chesapeake. We are honored to have Lions Clubs International Director Jose Marrero, MD and his spouse, Ana Iris as our guests for the weekend. Please join us in a warm Virginia Lions welcome.

To start things off, we are offering a unique experience as we host a Dining in the Dark on Thursday evening. Try your hand at blind corn hole, sponsored by the District Governors. Or try your luck and guess what is in the secret box. We *have* listened to your suggestions. On both Friday and Saturday we will be offering training classes. Friday, following the district meetings, we will have training for Club Presidents, Club Secretaries and Club Treasurers. After the foundation meetings, the Pin Traders will be holding their annual Luncheon. The first plenary session is scheduled Friday afternoon. To end our first day, the James Bland Music Competition is to be held on Friday evening. The Vice District Governor's Hospitality Room will be open after the Bland, giving attendees a meeting place to gather, and make plans to do fun things in Chesapeake. This will be a great opportunity to make new friends and renew acquaintances!

One of the most important aspects of our convention is the level of educational and leadership opportunities available. Whether it is leadership development, membership or succession planning, you will find what you are looking for on Saturday morning at this year's convention. Following the morning classes, we will hold a Memorial Service to honor all the Lions in Virginia that have passed away this Lions year. LOVF is hosting the Saturday luncheon. This will be followed by the second plenary session. Don't forget to stop by our Exhibits and booths. We are offering an array of products, and of course, pin trading.

Enjoy the Lions of Virginia State Convention. Enjoy Chesapeake, Virginia. Your presence is an indication that you are committed to making a positive difference, not only in your own Lions Club and district, but throughout the state and the nation. Meanwhile, I'm here to help you. If there is anything I can do for you please do not hesitate to contact me.

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