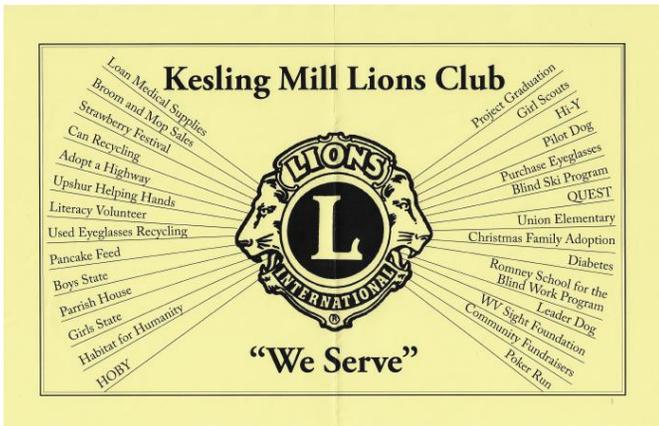




## Lion Gray Jones District Governor

*"There are two kinds of heroes. Heroes who shine in the face of great adversity, who perform an amazing feat in a difficult situation. And heroes who live among us, who do their work unceremoniously, unnoticed by many of us, but who make a difference in the lives of others."* **Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono**

*"I'm always asked, 'What's the secret to success?' But there are no secrets. Be humble. Be hungry. And always be the hardest worker in the room."* **Dwayne Johnson**



October started with a visit to the Buckhannon Kesling Mill Lions Club. They are a small club with a great record of supporting their community. They use custom designed placemats highlighting the things they do for their community. What a wonderful way to publicize what their club does!



On the 6<sup>th</sup>, I had a delightful visit with the Mountain Lions Club. They really made me feel at home and Club President Leonard Snyder and I had the honor of presenting a Heart of Service Coin and Certificate to John Sawyer.



The 10<sup>th</sup> saw me at the Paw Paw Lions Club. There Zone Chair Linda Adams and I were privileged to assist Club President Joan Maggio in presenting two 15 year Chevron awards, one 20 year Chevron award, along with a 100% Club Secretary award and a 10 Key Builder award to Lion Dick Campbell.



Club President Joan and I also presented a Heart of Service Coin and Certificate to Bob Arnold.

I had a wonderful visit with the Junior Lions Club on the 11<sup>th</sup> where Club President Ted Ware, Zone 5 Chair Frank Becker and I had the privilege of presenting Two Heart of Service Coins and Certificates to Diane Long and Pam Booth, after PDG Marshall Reed described the selfless activities performed over many years by Pam and Diane!



On the 12<sup>th</sup>, Zone Chair Jeff Barnhart and I visited with the Lost Creek and Johnstown Lions clubs. Lost Creek Lions Club President Richard McClain, Club Secretary Greg Wriston, and I presented Lion Worthy Hall with a Certificate noting 63 Years as a Lion (64 years on November 1<sup>st</sup>!) That's dedication and a Lion's Heart of Service!

At the end of my visit, Lost Creek Lions Club Treasurer Virgil McNemar presented me with their checks for the Parade of Checks during the upcoming Fall Conference!



President Richard McClain and I presented Heart of Service certificates and coins to Paula Finster and Carolyn Romine!

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of October, I had a delightful visit with the Jane Lew Lions Club and President Pat Casey, Zone Chair Jeff Barnhart, and I had the honor of presenting a Heart of Service Certificate and Coin to Steve Allman, a firefighter of 47+ years.



Club President Pat Casey also presented some well-earned Monarch Chevrons to deserving Lions, and I had the distinct privilege of presenting a Senior Master Key award to Lion Bill White for recruiting 25 members into Lions!



After the meeting, Club President Pat Casey and I, along with Lion Bill Bragg went to the home of Lion Leonard Drake who was too ill to attend the meeting, but who has always been there whenever anything or anyone in Jane Lew needed help. Pat Casey and I presented him with a Heart of Service Coin and Certificate. His “partner in crime,” Lion Frank Bragg and I then posed with Lion Leonard while he held the certificate.

The District 29-I Fall Conference occurred the weekend of October 28 – 29. Soon, we’ll publish a special edition of the Newsletter with information of the Conference.

District Governor Calendar  
2022-2023



**Schedule of Events**

**November**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
9	7:00 PM	WVLSCF Meeting	Zoom
14	6:30 PM	DG Visit with Elkins Lions	Beverly United Methodist Church
15	5:45 PM	DG Visit with Nutter Fort Lions	1422 Buckhannon Pike, Nutter Fort
22	6:00 PM	DG Visit with Martinsburg Lions	Hoss's Restaurant Martinsburg

**December**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
1	6:30 PM	DG Night with Romney Lions	Main Street Grill, Romney
2	12:00 PM	DG Visit with Clarksburg Lions	Brickside Bar & Grill, Bridgeport

**January**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
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**February**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
9	6:00 PM	DG Visit with Pikeside and Hedgesville Lions	Hoss's Restaurant Martinsburg



Lion Kermit Hawley  
First Vice District  
Governor

## Recognize Your Winners

Everyone needs recognition for his accomplishments but few people make the need known quite as clearly as the little boy who said to his father: "let's play darts. I'll throw and you say 'Wonderful.'"

*"The best of bits and Pieces"*

### The English Language is being taken over by Acronyms.

(Acronyms definition – an abbreviation formed from the initial letters of other words and pronounced as a word).

Having been in the military you would think I am used to them. Such as AWOL, which means absent without official leave or a way out literally. Even your Lions club uses acronyms. Among many examples are 1<sup>st</sup> VP, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, FVDG, GAT, GMT, GLT, GST, and LCI.

Ok. Let's try out our knowledge of acronyms:

1. What is 1 <sup>st</sup> VDG?	7. What is Nudis (One answer)?
2. What is a Blog (Five answers)?	8. What is DNA (Eighty two answers)?
3. What is XXX (Two answers)?	9. What is GB (Three answers, -Four if you count God Bless)?
4. What is SA (approx. two hundred answers)?	10. What is PDG (One answer)?
5. What is J14 (One answer)?	11. What is IP (One answer)?
6. What is GABF (Four answers)?	

Have fun working on the answers.

I have the answer to the above, you might see them in next month's newsletter. Most of these have more than one answer.

Hopefully, in the next newsletter, we will be addressing the Gat (Global Action Teams).

### WHAT IS PENDING IN THE LEARN PORTAL?

Update on training courses located under **LEARN** in your member portal.

Club President Learning Path	Decision Making
Club Secretary Learning Path	Delegation
Club Treasurer Learning Path	Effective Listening
Club President Responsibilities	Effective Teams
Club Secretary Responsibilities	Global Membership Approach Orientation
Club Treasurer Responsibilities	Club Officer Training.

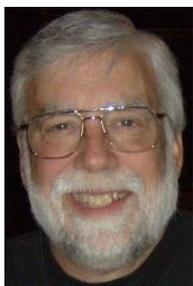
There are training courses for Council Chairperson Orientation, Conflict Resolution, Coaching, Leo Clubs, and more.

I am writing this the third week of October, prior to the District Conference. As I look out my window at all the fall colors it is a wonderous sight. The beauty of Nature is on display. As November will bring us into winter's unpredictable weather, we can look forward to the holiday. Wishing all a very good and Happy Thanksgiving.

**Have a great November!**

**Lion Kermit**

**GOD BLESS!**



**Henry Krautwurst  
Chairperson  
MD-29 WV Lions Youth Camps & Exchange Committee**

WV Lions Youth Camps and Exchange program is up and running for the 2022-23 Lion year. Scholarship Contest Rules and Scholarship applications have been sent to high schools throughout the state. News releases about the program have been sent to newspaper all across the state. The rules and application are on the WV Multiple District website:

[www.wvlions.org/youth.html](http://www.wvlions.org/youth.html)

Our scholarship contest started in September and will end on November 11, 2022. I am now reaching out to EVERY Lion to help me get the word out to students, family, friends, co-workers, and church families about the wonderful opportunities that are being offered. This year we hope to be able to send out six students each with a \$1,500 travel scholarship.

I am also asking each of you to consider being a host family or recommending a family that you think might be interested in hosting a youth for a 4-6-week period during the summer. I am seeking families where one of the parents is home with the student. It is not necessary to have children at home. We have had very successful hosting experience with seniors as they generally have the time and interest in hosting our youth exchange students.

In order for the Youth Camps & Exchange program to be successful there must be host families around the world that are willing to host a foreign student. You say you don't speak a foreign language. My experience has been that most of the students in the program speak English at varying levels. This is an opportunity for them to improve their English speaking and reading skills as well as culture sharing between you and the student.

Don't be afraid to encounter an experience that will forever enrich your life and enable you to make a new life-long friend. My wife and I have hosted six students over the last several years and we want you to be able to know the joy that we have known by hosting. There can be no youth exchange program if there are no host families.

Please contact me at [HenryK248@gmail.com](mailto:HenryK248@gmail.com) if you or someone you know would like to either be a host family and or recommend a WV student to apply for a scholarship.

The Valley District Lions Club, in conjunction with West Preston School, has announced the October Fifth Grade Student of the Month, Carter Slaughter. Carter was nominated by his teacher, Ms. Lipscomb for outstanding achievement. Carter received a certificate and \$50 cash prize. Pictured (left to right) are Lorrie Nielsen, Carter Slaughter and Ms. Lipscomb.



Fort Ashby Lions Club members (L to R) Charlotte Kimble, Chairperson Jamie Gera, and Sue Long participate in Fort Ashby’s Trunk or Treat Halloween celebration.

The Franklin Lions Club presented their first “Heart of Service” award to our town Veterinarian, Dr. Greg Bowers. Along with his work with Sports Boosters, he is chairman of the Pendleton Manor Board of Directors and church treasurer. Club Vice President Bill Mitchell presenting the award.



Martinsburg Lions Club's newest Lion, Nicole Taggart, organized an event involving Senior Towers residents and students from St. Joseph's School. The groups collected used eyeglasses. Lions Dave Plume, Marty Keesecker, and Marlyn Keesecker were at Senior Towers on October 24 to accept the glasses and provide a program to explain Lionism, Martinsburg Lions Club activities, and the application process to receive assistance for sight and hearing. Lion Nicole also invited a reporter from the Martinsburg Journal.

# St. Joe's, Senior Towers donate eyeglasses

**BY AINSLEY HALL**  
ahall@journal-news.net

MARTINSBURG – Saint Joseph School and Senior Towers Apartments recently worked together with the Martinsburg Lions Club to collect unwanted eyeglasses to donate to people in need.

On Monday, the eyeglasses were given to Martinsburg Lions Club President David Plume and other club members at a private event at the Senior Towers. Residents learned how their donations will impact people internationally.

Nicole Taggart, Senior Towers' service coordinator, is a new member of the club. She had previously helped many residents get connected with the Martinsburg Lions Club, so she thought it was a great opportunity to continue to help those in need.

"The residents are always talking about how fortunate they are," Taggart said. "I wanted to give them the opportunity to give back."

## The Journal REGION

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Saint Joseph School students and Senior Towers residents reached their goal of filling two boxes full of eyeglasses to be sent off for cleaning and repair before distribution to people outside the country who need them.

"We partnered with Saint Joseph, because they are our neighbors," Taggart said. "We want to continue doing projects like this with them in the future."

The Martinsburg Lions Club has collected and donated over 30 million eyeglasses throughout the country as it works towards fighting blindness. The club also helps people in the community who can't afford the proper eye care they need.

"The Lions Club's main priority is to help those in the community," Plume said.

In addition to collecting eyeglasses, the Martinsburg Lions Club serves in the community in different areas, such as ringing the bell during Christmas time to help the Salvation Army. It also has an ongoing fundraiser selling brooms. As a way to reward those who donated, it held a raffle for one of the brooms for the residents.

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# Across the District

## Reported in October 2022

**WELCOME**  
*new members*  
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<b>New Member</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Sponsor</b>
Daisy S. Hunt	Central Upshur	Glen Hawkins
Nancy M. Lynch	Clarksburg	Betty Waddy
William E. Clark	Fort Ashby	Kam Jeffries
Terry Blaine Cutright, Jr	Hodgesville	Joseph Carrico
Peggy E. Barnett	Lumberport	Nancy Exline-Webb
Jessie Garcia III	Nutter Fort	Rhea Garcia



<b>Deceased Member</b>	<b>Club</b>
Harold Drew Tate	Bridgeport
Terry Cutright	Hodgesville
Joel L. Goughnour	Parsons



# THE RENO REVIEW



OCTOBER 2022

The Latest News & Information for the Reno 2023 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

## UNIFORM PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS FOR YOUR CONVENTIONS

DEBBIE DOTY, MARKETING

In an effort to help Lions and LEOs share the excitement of the 2023 Reno Forum, the Marketing Committee has designed some downloadable promotional materials. These items are meant to help spread a consistent message with matching text and graphics.

We have created two designs. One is designed to be printed in two large 24"x36" sections and mounted to a 48"x36" tri-fold board. It would need to be sent to a professional shop to be printed on a wide-carriage printer. The other is designed with elements laid out on standard letter size to be printed on a home printer or color copier before arranging on a tri-fold board.

Both documents can be found in PDF format under the Promotions tab at [LionsForum.org](http://LionsForum.org).



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL CHAIR JAMA WAHL



Lions and LEOs,  
Let me introduce myself, I am Lion Jama Wahl. I have the privilege and honor of being the General Chairperson for the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Reno, Nevada, September 21-23, 2023.

Before I share information regarding Reno, we want to thank PID Randy Heitmann, General Chair for the Calgary Forum, and his Planning Committee as well as PCC Tyler Bray, Host Committee Chair, and his Host Committee for bringing such a fun-filled forum to Lions and LEOs. The smiles were

infectious. I am sure every attendee took home many ideas that could be used immediately to enhance leadership, membership and service.

So, what is in store for our attendees in Reno 2023? The Reno Forum promises to continue the great tradition of providing leadership and learning opportunities for Lions and LEOs. We want attendees to leave feeling energized and ready to serve! This year's theme is Up and Away with Leadership. Just like the balloons soar at the Great Balloon Race each fall in Reno, Lions and LEOs will soar, too.

In each monthly newsletter, a different aspect of the Forum will be featured. This month, we want to share a new marketing concept. Besides our newsletters and social media posts, a media package for the Reno Forum will be available on the website, [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org). Lions and LEOs are encouraged to use the media package to promote the forum at your club, zone, district and multiple district events. All Lions and LEOs are welcome at our annual Forum. Some just need to know more details about this exciting event! Please use the media package to share these details.

And, if you didn't register in Calgary, registration is open at [www.lionsforum.org](http://www.lionsforum.org).

It is time to soar Lions!  
*Up and Away with Leadership*

*Jama*



November 2022

# Diabetes Awareness MONTH



**“Today's Diabetes Hits Different!”**

Join us for these community events to get educated, find resources and make sure all those around you are aware of diabetes. It's our chance to show you what life with diabetes is really like and provide ways to manage it.

## Diabetes Awareness Month Events

<b>Martinsburg Library</b> Monday, November 7 <sup>th</sup> 12 pm – 2 pm 101 W. King St., Martinsburg	<b>North Berkeley Library</b> Thursday, November 17 <sup>th</sup> 2 pm – 4 pm 1255 TJ Jackson Dr., Falling Waters	<b>Hedgesville Library</b> Monday, November 28 <sup>th</sup> 11 am – 1 pm 207 N. Mary St., Hedgesville	<b>Charles Town Library</b> Tuesday, November 29 <sup>th</sup> 12 pm – 2 pm 200 E. Washington St., Charles Town
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- Diabetic Health Presentation • Free Screenings: Glucose, Blood Pressure & More!
- Variety of Diabetes Information • Dining With Diabetes Information
- Diabetes Risk Assessment • Checklist for Managing Diabetes • Journal for Tracking Glucose
- Info on Indoor Herb Gardening by Angela Lawrence – WVU Extension

### POP UP Farmers Market all 4 Locations

Stop by for lots of FREE fresh produce and recipes to make healthy, delicious, diabetes-friendly meals!



### Cooking Demos

November 7<sup>th</sup> Martinsburg Library  
Karin Kozlowski, WVU Extension

November 29<sup>th</sup> Charles Town Library  
Diane Blust, Farm to You Volunteer



### Sock Drive Collection!

Event participants are invited to bring donations of new socks to benefit local community agencies serving those in need.



WVUMedicine.org

# Disaster Relief & Recovery

## Ukraine continues to need your help!

We're encouraging donations to the LCIF Refugees and Displaced Persons fund. Contributions made to this fund will help ensure that Lions are there to help families find the safety and security they desperately need. LCIF grants have been approved for Poland and other countries receiving Ukrainian refugees.

The Lions Clubs in Ukraine and the surrounding countries are doing all they can to help with the refugees and they need our assistance. **We have over 1500 Lions in our District and are asking for support from individual Lions and Clubs. No amount is too small and the need is great!**



### How Can You Donate?

Please make your check payable to LCIF and on the memo line put your Lion membership number and Refugees & Displaced Persons Fund.

*Donations made to this fund will qualify for your Melvin Jones Fellowship Credit.*

You can send your contributions to either of the following:

LCIF

Department 4547

Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547

-or-

John Mason

318 Fairview Drive

Berkeley Springs, WV 25411-3403



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