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Thank you for your service!

Veterans Day, November 11th, 2018

The History of Veterans Day

Military.com | By [Ho Lin](#)

[Veterans Day](#) gives Americans the opportunity to celebrate the bravery and sacrifice of all U.S. veterans. However, most Americans confuse this holiday with Memorial Day, reports the [Department of Veterans Affairs](#).

What's more, some Americans don't know why we commemorate our Veterans on Nov. 11. It's imperative that all Americans know the history of Veterans Day so that we can honor our former service members properly.

A Brief History of Veterans Day

Veterans Day, formerly known as Armistice Day, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. In legislation that was passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.'" As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

In 1954, after having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress -- at the urging of the veterans service organizations -- amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, Nov. 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

In 1968, the Uniforms Holiday Bill ensured three-day weekends for federal employees by celebrating four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Columbus Day. Under this bill, Veterans Day was moved to the fourth Monday of October. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holiday on its original date. The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on Oct. 25, 1971.

Finally, on September 20, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed a law which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of Nov. 11, beginning in 1978. Since then, the Veterans Day holiday has been observed on Nov. 11.

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Celebrating the Veterans Day Holiday

If the Nov. 11 holiday falls on a non-workday -- Saturday or Sunday -- the holiday is observed by the federal government on Monday (if the holiday falls on Sunday) or Friday (if the holiday falls on Saturday). Federal government closings are established by the U.S. [Office of Personnel Management](#). State and local government closings are determined locally, and non-government businesses can close or remain open as they see fit, regardless of federal, state or local government operation determinations.

United States Senate Resolution 143, which was passed on Aug. 4, 2001, designated the week of Nov. 11 through Nov. 17, 2001, as "National Veterans Awareness Week." The resolution calls for educational efforts directed at elementary and secondary school students concerning the contributions and sacrifices of veterans.

The difference between Veterans Day and Memorial Day

[Memorial Day](#) honors service members who died in service to their country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle. Deceased veterans are also remembered on Veterans Day but the day is set aside to thank and honor living veterans who served honorably in the military - in wartime or peacetime.

President Eisenhower's letter to Harvey V. Higley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, designating him Chairman, Veterans Day National Committee

The White House Office

October 8, 1954

Dear Mr. Higley:

I have today signed a proclamation calling upon all of our citizens to observe Thursday, November 11, 1954 as Veterans Day. It is my earnest hope that all veterans, their organizations, and the entire citizenry will join hands to insure proper and widespread observance of this day. With the thought that it will be most helpful to coordinate the planning, I am suggesting the formation of a Veterans Day National Committee. In view of your great personal interest as well as your official responsibilities, I have designated you to serve as Chairman. You may include in the Committee membership such other persons as you desire to select and I am requesting the heads of all departments and agencies of the Executive branch to assist the Committee in its work in every way possible.

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I have every confidence that our Nation will respond wholeheartedly in the appropriate observance of Veterans Day, 1954.

Sincerely,

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

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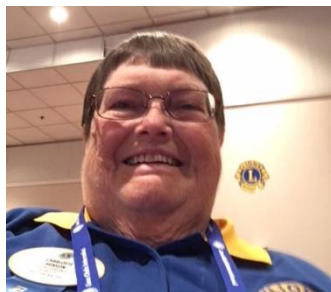
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District Governor's Update



(DG Charolette Henson)

Fall Conference is behind us, and it was a big success. Thanks to each of the 101 Lions who attended. It was a fun-filled weekend at the Marriott in Charleston.

Lots of awards were presented. The Parade Checks was good. There will also be some pictures of the fall conference in this newsletter.

ID Gwen White, from North Carolina, was our guest for the weekend. She is one the best speakers that I have had the pleasure of hearing at a Lions Conference.

November is the start of a busy season! November 14th is National Diabetic Day. Please try to plan an activity for this.

It is the time year when we give thanks for the families and friends that we have. This year try to make others a little happier, not only your fellow Lions, family, and friends, but the less fortunate in your area as well. When you sit down at your Thanksgiving dinner, say a prayer for those who may not be having one.

Remember your Lion friends around the world.

This is also a good time to do a service project to help others. Make a basics bag. Take a large zip-lock bag and fill it with items such as a towel, wash cloth, tooth brush, tooth paste, soap, shampoo, a pair of socks and any other items that you can think of. When you are out driving around, and see someone you think might need it, give it to them and wish them a Happy Holiday. Sometimes just a small gesture of kindness means so much to others.

Be sure to list your service project in MyLCI, because they are playing a big part in the DG Contest this quarter.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL THE LIONS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

One of our Lion family is terminally ill. Remember her by sending her a "Thinking of You" card to help make her final days happy.

Lion Evelyn Coleman
210 Grosscup Avenue
Dunbar, WV 25064

Thank you for helping to let Evelyn know how much her friendship has meant.

(DG's Update continues on next page)





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We also need to send Lion Paul Peck, from Burnsville Lions Club, cards of good wishes.

Lion Paul was in a fire and is now in the burn unit at Cabell Huntington Hospital in Huntington, WV.

Send cards to:
Paul Peck
1340 Hal Greer Blvd
Cabell Huntington Hospital
Burn Unit
Huntington, WV 25701

We are looking for a Second Vice-District Governor candidate.

Qualification requirements are as follows:

- 1.) Be an Active Member in good standing of a chartered Lions club that is in good standing.
- 2.) Have served or will have served at the time he/she takes office as second vice district governor:
 - a.) As officer of a Lions club for a full term or major portion thereof.
 - b.) As a member of the district cabinet for a full term or major portion thereof.
 - c.) With none of the above being accomplished concurrently

If you are interested in running for this office, then please notify Election Chairman Dick Clark or me.

We are hoping to hold an election for this position by the first of the year.



South Charleston Lions Club is selling this utility trailer. It has shelves in it. Asking \$1000. If interested, or for more information, contact:

President Jack Pullen
304-925-3479 or 304-541-5990

DG Charolette Henson
304-951-9022
charlions29o@yahoo.com





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Vice-District Governor's Note



FVDG Gary Boyd

The Importance of Partnerships!

The building of relationships with those who have similar or like goals can be a win win!! I received a brochure from Dr. Michelle Easton, Dean of the University of Charleston School of Pharmacy, by virtue of my Lions club position. The brochure outlined several community outreach initiatives including diabetes awareness, which is also a goal of the Lions organization. I contacted the school of pharmacy to explore ways in which we might partner to enhance our ability to tackle diabetes awareness, we have met to brainstorm with faculty members at UC and at the Alum Creek Lions community center to discuss potential methods. The UC SOP faculty indicated an interest in attending Lions events and providing screening information to attendees and thus we set the first event for the SOP to attend, the District Conference which included attendees from all over the state. The school of pharmacy students under the direction of SOP faculty member Annabelle Hood provided blood pressure checks and diabetes screening for several attendees at the conference. It was great seeing our members interact with the pharmacy students, maybe a future Lion. We are also working to develop a diabetes awareness toolkit that can be delivered to rural communities by Lions members, after a brief training session, which will significantly expand the outreach. I hope that we have members that are interested in being a diabetes toolkit presenter volunteer. Please let me know if you are interested.

I would also like to ask the MD-29C clubs to start sending digital photos of your club activities to Mike Fleshman, our Newsletter editor. We are working on a surprise for next year's conference!

Happy Thanksgiving Lions!

Gary Boyd

FVDG District 29-C





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WV District 29C Fall Conference Awards

District Governor's Contest for First Quarter:

Oak Hill Lions Club - with 150% increase in membership!

Scholarships for registration fee for Leadership Retreat in January:

Rita Griffith (*Marlinton Lions Club*)

Timothy Leather (*Pineville Lions Club*)

Kathryn McCormick (*Dunbar Centennial Lions Club*)

Bill Ward (*Alderson Lions Club*)

New Voice President International awards:

Pat Friend (*South Charleston Lions Club*)

Elizabeth Tackett (*Man Lions Club*)

Phyllis Lucas (*Marlinton Lions Club*)

Melvin Jones Award:

Jim Slamick (*Kanawha City Lions Club*)

Leonard Jarrett Award:

Mike Fleshman (*Crab Orchard-Macarthur Lions Club*)

International President Award:

Steve Clendenen (*White Sulphur Springs Lions Club*)

Jim Slamick (*Kanawha City Lions Club*)

Keyota Jarvis (*Clay Lions Club*)

Congratulations to all winners!





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WV District 29C Fall Conference Parade of Checks Results

Thanks to all who sent, or brought, their checks for the Parade of Checks. We collected a total of \$20,815.

The donations were as follows:

LCIF \$6925

WV Sight Foundation \$8015

Diabetes Awareness \$450

Pediatric cancer \$200

Camp Kno-Koma \$200

Romney School for the Blind \$1450

Leader Dog \$2025

QUEST \$200

Youth Exchange \$600

Pilot Dog \$750

If any club wishes they may still send their checks in and we will add them to the Parade of Checks list.

Challenging all clubs to give something to LCIF this year.

Editor's Note

Thank you DG Charolette Henson and Crab Orchard – MacArthur Lions Club for the Leonard Jarrett Award.

Please continue to send newsletter submissions, new ideas, and anything else you would like to see in the newsletter.

Lion Mike Fleshman

michael.fleshman@suddenlink.net





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WV District 29C Fall Conference Photos



(Pineville Lions Club: 65 year patch)



(Oak Hill Lions Club: DG Contest)



(Marlinton Lions Club: 65 year patch)



(Lion Mike Fleshman: Leonard Jarrett Award)



(Oak Hill Lions Club: "08" year patch)



(Lion Steve Clendenen: Int. President Award)





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(Lions Lucas of Marlinton Lions Club)



(Rest assured of tall tales being told)



(White Sulphur Springs Lions Club)



(FVDG Boyd & PDG Queen Health Inspection)



(Phyllis Fisher & Bill Nichols)



(ID White presents gift to DG Henson)

(All pictures in this section were sent in by Lion Marietta Lyall)





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Mark Your Calendars!

November 12th... White Sulphur Spring Lions Club DG visit

November 14th... World Wide Diabetes Day

November 15th... Mt Hope Lions Club DG visit

December 11th... Charleston West Lions Club DG visit

December 18th... Clay Lions Club DG visit

January 22nd... South Charleston Lions Club DG visit

January 25th – 26th ... West Virginia Lions Leadership Retreat / Flatwoods

February 4th... Athens Lions Club DG visit

March 15th-16th... District L Conference / Wheeling

May 3rd-5th... State Convention / Flatwoods

July 5th-9th... Lions Clubs International Convention / Milan, Italy

If you haven't done so yet, please contact DG Charolette Henson to schedule her visit to your club!





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Youth Exchange

Creating Global Citizens Across Cultures and Around the World

The Youth Camp and Exchange Program (YCE) brings the ideal of global citizenship to life. Each year this program gives thousands of young people the opportunity to experience life in other cultures and gain new understanding of the world through travel abroad. Unlike some youth exchange programs, YCE does not involve academic study or employment. Instead, participants are encouraged to use this travel opportunity to represent their home countries and share their own culture while learning about and embracing a new one, forging the way to becoming young ambassadors for peace and international understanding.

YCE is composed of various Lions Youth Exchanges and/or Lions Youth Camps arranged by Lions clubs around the world.

A **Lions Youth Exchange**, or “host family stay,” can be arranged independent of a Lions youth camp in hundreds of countries where there are Lions clubs and typically lasts between four and six weeks.

Become A Host Family

Is Hosting Right for Me?

Are you interested in learning about other cultures and ways of life while sharing your own customs and experiences? Are open-mindedness, tolerance and cultural competence of high importance to you? Do you have a desire to contribute towards peace, international understanding, and the creation of young global citizens? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may enjoy being a host family for the Youth Camp and Exchange Program (YCE)! You may contact the West Virginia Multiple District Youth Camp & Exchange Chairperson: Lion Henry Krautwurst at henryk248@gmail.com





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Benefits of Hosting

Hosting a young person from another country is a fulfilling experience and has many benefits:

- You experience the joy of sharing your culture and daily customs
- You learn about your visitor's customs and culture
- You open a new world of possibilities and thinking to a young person
- You make a new friend - maybe a friend for life

What to Expect

Youth participants are usually between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one. They come from any of the more than 200 countries and geographic locations where there are Lions clubs. He/she will have completed an admissions process before being accepted to participate in the program.

He/she may or may not know the language of your country but will have a desire to learn. Host families should include the participant in their daily routine, including family meals, as YCE is intended to be an immersive learning experience. Local excursions are not required of host families, but the host Lions club often arranges for participants to visit local points of interest and engage in social activities, like picnics and get-togethers.

Host Family Eligibility

The host Lions club must approve all host families. To be eligible to become a host family you must:

- Have regular contact with youth of the approximate age of the participant
- Be familiar with Lions clubs and the goals of YCE
- Be able to provide a bed and meals for your guest
- Follow all local laws related to youth protection





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We Serve! **World Wide Diabetes Day**

Did you know diabetes is the fastest growing disease in the world today? It affects all races, genders, and ages. It is estimated that by year 2045 this fast-growing disease will affect 629 million people. Mark your club calendar for November 14 as the world-wide Diabetes Day. Lions across the global are being asked to do a service project for our priority challenge, Diabetes.

Lions International is partnering with the International Diabetes Federation to help prevent diabetes and improve the lives of those already affected. The two organizations agreed to the following goals:

- Prevent diabetes and improve the quality of life for those already affected.
- Raise diabetes awareness by providing education.
- Develop holistic diabetes-service projects.
- Elevate the diabetes issues onto the national and global agenda.
- Increase access to diabetes care, medication and diagnostic equipment.

Go to fightdiabetes.lionsclubs.org/ and learn more about the Diabetes challenge and how you can enter to win a FitBit Charge 2 during the monthly Diabetes Service Journey Contest.

Remember, after you have completed your project...report it to LCI.

PDG Linda Leasure
29L GST
MD29 GST





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Benvenuto A Milano!

The 102nd Lions Clubs International (LCI) Convention will be held July 5 – 9, 2019 in Milan, Italy. Milan is one of Italy's most fashionable and bustling cities but it also holds several historic and artistic attractions, including the largest Gothic cathedral in the world, Leonardo da Vinci's painting of "The Last Supper", and the famous La Scala Opera House. Travelers to Milan will find a fast-paced, glamorous city with a thriving cultural scene and a top city for shopping. Located in northwest Italy in the Lombardy region, Milan is about 30 miles south of the Alps. It is very near the Lake District, including Lakes Como and Maggiore. From Milan, Rome is reachable by high speed train in as little as 3 hours, Florence in 1 and a half hours and Venice in less than 3 hours. The city has 3 international airports where you can easily connect to many other European, Middle-Eastern and North- African cities in one or two hours. Milan is noted for its sights, museums, memorable meals, night life and walks. This promises to be a wonderful time for all attendees.

We hope you will join us for all the fun and excitement at the Lions Clubs International Convention in Milan, Italy!

For more information please visit the lionsclubs.org website and click on LCICON or contact Multiple District 29 International Convention Chairperson PCC Al Cox at 304-216-5251 or anewtc2@aol.com.





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Lions Clubs International Foundation



LCIF recently offered a Lion Leader Checklist. You may have seen it. It offers some excellent suggestions for Leaders at the District and Club level to promote and participate in Campaign 100. If you haven't already seen it, here it is again.

Lion Leader Checklist. Is Yours Complete?

- Encourage participation, which is essential! Educate friends, family and business associates about Campaign 100 and about how Lions are changing the world through service and our eight global causes. Note: visit lionsclubs.org to get more information.
- Give! The easiest way to raise funds is to first give yourself and then ask others to join you in supporting Campaign 100. Contribute today (and often!) at lcif.org/donate and share this link!
- Visit our campaign website lcif.org/BE100 to check out the available resources. More materials designed to make your leadership easier and more impactful are added regularly!
- Encourage your club to become a Model Club. Be sure you're offering concrete steps to help members reach Model Club success. And don't forget to mention the benefits and recognition that come with Model Club status! [The Model Club commitment form with details is at http://www.lionsclubs.org/resources/EN/pdfs/lcif/LCIF_C003.pdf]
- Share your Lion story. The best way to encourage others to be involved – to #BE100 – is to share your passion through moving stories of serving our world citizens in need. We're eager to hear from you at campaign100@lionsclubs.org!





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2019 Leadership Retreat

Please be sure to save the dates of January 25-26, 2019 for the next Leadership Retreat, which will be held at the Days Inn in Flatwoods, WV. The Retreat committees have been busy at work making sure the upcoming Retreat will be beneficial and informative for all attendees.

Seminars are being planned by PID Joyce Middleton, Lion Martin Middletown, PDG Wendy Cain, PDG Michael Gibbs, Beth Slade from Leader Dog, Bethanne Telford, Lion Daniel Elkins, PID Bob Browning, SVDG John Mason and other contributing Lions. Some of topics will include “New Voices”, “LCIF”, “Computer Labs for MyLion and Social Media”, “Storytelling”, “Harness the Leader in You”, “You Want Me to do What?”, “You’re a Leader but You Don’t Know It”, “How to Recruit and Retain Younger Lions” and more to be announced.

Registration fee will be \$100 for both days or \$75 for Saturday only. Call the Days Inn at 1-866-700-7284 for room Reservations that start at \$89 for one or two people and \$99 for three or four people. There will be a complimentary breakfast for those staying at the hotel. A registration form can be found in this newsletter.

This year there will be one club from each district that will receive a \$100 prize for sending the most first timers. Join us for fun and fellowship. We hope to see you on January 25!

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, concerned citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.” Margaret Mead

PDG Linda Leasure





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Scholarship Application for First Time Attendees of the WV Lions Leadership Retreat

Sponsored by the West Virginia Past District Governors Association

Note: One registration per district, \$100.00 each, will be awarded. This amount covers **registration**, meals and classes (not lodging) at Days Inn, Flatwoods, WV; January 25-26, 2019; \$75.00 Registration for Saturday lunch and dinner, if cannot attend Friday evening.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Club: _____

Please indicate below when you joined Lions; why you are interested in attending Lions Leadership Retreat, club offices held; interest in pursuing higher leadership roles in your club or district; and any other pertinent information. (Answer as completely as possible using separate sheet if needed)

I hereby submit this application for a “First-Timer Scholarship” to the 2019 WV Lions Leadership Retreat at Days Inn, Flatwoods, WV, January 25-26, 2019.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Deadline to apply: December 31, 2018

Send/submit application to PDG Secretary, Bernice Pitcock, of the WV Past District Governors Association, 1430 Overbrook Drive, Weirton, WV, 26062 or e-mail bpit@comcast.net





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WHAT: WEST VIRGINIA LIONS LEADERSHIP RETREAT

WHEN: JANUARY 25 & 26, 2019

WHERE: DAYS INN FLATWOODS

REGISTRATION: \$100 FOR BOTH DAYS

\$75 FOR SATURDAY

(\$100 includes dinner Friday evening, Lunch Saturday and Dinner Saturday

\$75 Saturday lunch and dinner Saturday, plus materials for retreat)

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE JANUARY 18, 2019

ROOMS: DAYS INN FLATWOODS –CALL 866-700-7284

\$89.99 PER 1 or 2 PEOPLE PER ROOM

\$99.99 PER 3 OR 4 PER ROOM

**BREAKFAST IS INCLUDED FOR INDIVIDUALS STAYING AT THE
HOTEL**

ROOM DEADLINE JANUARY 4TH

RETREAT ACTIVITIES INCLUDE: Seminars (including topics such as Women in Lions, officer training, computer lab for online training, fun activities for all ages, different personalities make up all clubs, you are a leader but you just don't know it, what does the LCIF really do, Why do we give to the sight foundation, etc.) silent auction, hospitality room, door prizes, keynote speakers and much more.

**THERE IS A SPECIAL CONTEST: ONE CLUB FROM EACH DISTRICT
THAT SENDS THE MOST FIRST TIMERS WILL WIN \$100 FOR THEIR
CLUB!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

NAME: _____ special dietary needs _____ 1st timer _____

NAME: _____ special dietary needs _____ 1st timer _____

Club _____ District _____ Registration \$100 _____ # \$75 _____ #

Makes checks payable to: Lions of West Virginia Leadership Retreat or LWVLR

Mail to: Lion Sue Long, P.O. Box 988, Fort Ashby, WV. 26719

