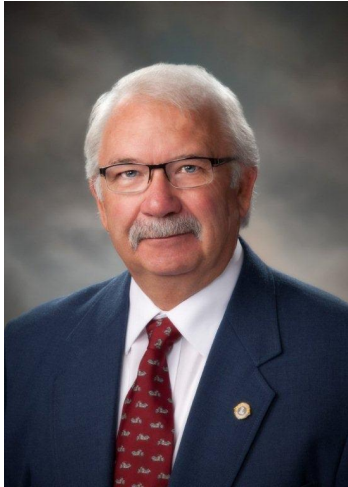


DISTRICT 29-C NEWS



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DG's Message

By DG Charles Biggs

Looking back on the first month as your District Governor it is amazing how hectic, challenging, and rewarding it has been. I want to thank all the Lions who have helped in any way or volunteered to serve the District during the following year.

In late June tragic flooding struck West Virginia and District 29-C was smack in the middle of the worst. Even though his term was winding down, DG Ken Valko and PID Bob Browning worked long and hard hours to obtain resources for Lions to assist in recovery efforts, including a \$10,000 emergency grant from LCIF. PID Bob Browning cut his vacation short and accepted the responsibility for organizing the distribution of these funds. MD 29 contributed toward the relief, as did Lions Clubs and individuals from West Virginia and other states. I want to thank all Lions and friends of Lions who contributed money or time for relief efforts.

As it happened, I was out of the country when the flooding occurred, attending the International Conference in Fukuoka, Japan. The trip was very educational and rewarding. Classroom sessions were

informative and accommodations were excellent. It was a great experience to be among Lions from all over the world, all focusing on ways to better serve our communities through Lionism. Fukuoka is a busy city. Sidewalks always buzzed with activity, pedestrians, and bicycles! Traffic was bumper-to-bumper and I never saw an American-made car. It was the rainy season in Japan, and everyone carried an umbrella. Dinner was an adventure everyday as we chose local restaurants with not many English speaking staff. But, the people were always friendly and made every effort to be helpful.

Now to business. All clubs, please send to me at least two dates for confirmation for DG visitation. Remember, confirmations made before September 1 earn points in the DG Contest (see Contest details elsewhere in this newsletter).

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Our Fall Conference is scheduled for November 4-6 at the Country Inns and Suites in Beckley. This is a more central location for the District. Room rates are \$75 per night, and includes breakfast. Please plan to attend. The conference registration form is included with this newsletter, and is available on the District webpage.

I hope each club will work with local schools to participate in this year's Peace Poster contest. It would be great to have a national winner from WV.

Finally, I and all the District cabinet are looking forward to the coming year. My goal is to finish the year with a net membership gain, and ask that all of you help work toward that goal.

DG Charlie



LCI News

LCI has announced a new all-digital Lions Magazine now available on-line. The digital LION is optimized for phones and tablets, so you can read your favorite magazine on the go, or on your PC at home. Plus, you'll receive special content and features unavailable in print:

- Get special access to extra videos and stories
- Share content instantly through email and social media
- Read the magazine before your print copy arrives in the mail

Bookmark www.LionMagazine.org today so you can always enjoy the latest issue of LION Magazine!

August 8-14 will be an international Lions Week of Service for Youth. Consider how your club could participate with special events that week. For more info or ideas see the Centennial website: www.lions100.org



Scenes from Fukuoka, Japan



Message from 1st VDG

I am starting my year as First Vice District Governor and am very excited about visiting the different clubs to see what they are doing.

I want to congratulate the Crab Orchard - MacArthur Lions Club for adding 5 new members in July.

1VDG Dale Fitzpatrick



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on the web at <http://e-district.org/sites/29c/>



District Governor's Contest 2016-17

Club Categories

According to Membership as of July 1, 2016

I (1-15) II (16-30) III (31 & Above)

<u>A. Activities and Visitation</u>	<u>Points</u>
Speaker	50
Cabinet Member Speaker	100
Attend Zone Meetings (per member attending)	50
Attend District Conference (per member attending)	100
Club Visitation (per member attending)	10
Leadership School (per member attending)	100
MD (State) Convention (per member attending)	100
Sight Foundation Meeting (per member attending)	100
Club Activities (per member attending)	100
New Member Orientation (per member)	200
Recruit New Member (Each)	100
Net Gain In Membership	500
New Club Sponsor	1000
LEO Club Sponsor	1000
 <u>B. Publicity</u>	
Newspaper Article (Send Copy)	200
TV Program or Ad	200
District Newsletter Article	50
International Magazine Article	400
Club Facebook Page (Existing or New)	200
Article Posted to District Facebook Page	50
 <u>C. Gold Award</u>	
Confirmation of DG Visit by Sept. 1 st 2016	150
Glasses Purchased (per pair)	50
Recycled Glasses (per pair)	10
Hearing Aids Purchased (per pair)	50
Hearing Aids Recycled (per pair)	10
Parade of Checks and Completed Form Mailed to District Treasurer by October 20, 2016	250

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C. Gold Award (continued)

Top Club in Any Category of DG Contest	500
International Dues and District Dues Paid by September 1, 2016	250
Second Half Dues Mailed by February 15, 2017	500
Melvin Jones Presented (per award)	500
Leonard Jarrett Presented (per award)	500

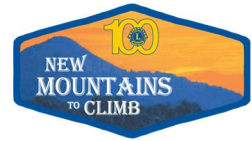
Clubs may submit points retroactive to July 1, 2016. The contest will end on May 3, 2017. All points for April 2017 must be submitted to PDG Linda Burke by May 8, 2017.

Report any of the information listed above relating to your Club at the end of each month to the Contest Chairperson:

PDG Linda Burke
705 Johnson Street
Oak Hill, WV 25901
lindasburke2013@gmail.com
(Home) 304-469-3014
(Cell) 304-663-4272



International President 2016-17



Dear Lion,

It is truly an honor to serve as your new international president during our 100th year of service. As a young boy in Tennessee, I grew up instilled with the bonds of community—a rich tradition of neighbor helping neighbor, and friends and strangers coming together for the good of our community.

Years later, I'm honored to bring that commitment to community service to the office of international president. As we move toward our Centennial convention in Chicago, I encourage you to celebrate this special moment in our history and to continue to answer the call to serve those who need us most.

No matter where you are, there's an opportunity for your club to reach out to the poor and underserved, and to help bring hope to humanity.

I hope you'll visit my [Theme Page](#) to learn more about our vision for the upcoming year. I look forward to working with you, and Lions around the world, to climb new mountains and reach new heights of service.

Very truly yours,
Chancellor Bob Corlew
Your International President



The 2017 International Convention and Lions Centennial Celebration will be June 30 – July 4, 2017 in Chicago, Illinois. Visit the [LCICON website](#) at www.lionsclubs.org!



Club News



The South Charleston Lions meeting on June 14 featured installation of officers by PDG Eddie Queen. Duane White was installed as president for the next year. The club Lion of the Year went to Jack Jones and the Citizen of the Year to Col. Greasebomb of the South Charleston ROTC. WV Sight Foundation Service Coordinator Charollette Henson presented a Leonard Jarrett award to Dr. Gary Harris of the Hearing Place for help he has provided over the last several years.



New Rainelle Lions Club officers were installed at their June meeting.



Winners of the Larry Yankey Memorial Lion golf tournament held at the Greenbrier Hills Club on June 18 are (L to R) James Cox, Joey Backus, John Mitchell and Jon Riffe who represented Marquee Cinema.

The Alum Creek Lions Club is having a car show and pig roast August 13th at the Alum Creek Lions Clubhouse. Other Clubs are invited to bring a car to show-off and to enjoy the roast pig. Even if you don't have a car to enter, come pull some pork and enjoy the festivities!



At their July 14th meeting, Beaver Lions Club President John Hawse presented Lion Tom Okes with a Membership Key and a Silver Centennial Lion pin (for sponsoring two new members who remained Lions for at least one year & a day) as part of the Centennial Membership Awards program.

Lion Tom Oakes



In Memorium

Harry Moffett Knight, 86, passed away Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at his residence in Lewisburg. He graduated from West Virginia University with a Bachelors of Animal Science degree. He was a lifelong farmer of Knightland Farm in Lewisburg; a charter member of the Richland Ruritan Club; a Farmers Home Administration county supervisor; board member of the Greenbrier Valley Soil Conservation District; member of the Benevolent Order of Elks (BOE) Lodge #1758; member of the Lewisburg Lions Club; and was a lifelong member of Lewisburg United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Esther Louise Middaugh Knight. Services were held May 7th in Lewisburg. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Greenbrier Valley Hospice Care, 1265 Maplewood Avenue, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Hayward L. Hinzman, 94, of Lewisburg, WV, passed away Thursday, June 9, 2016, after a long illness. He was born March 9, 1922, in Gaston, Lewis County, WV, a son of Roy W. and Chaffie Warner Hinzman. Hayward graduated from Weston High School in 1940. He worked for a time in Washington, D.C., before entering the armed services and becoming a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He then graduated from WVU with a degree in agriculture under the G.I. Bill. He spent 35 years working for Farmers Home Administration. He was a member of the Lewisburg Lions Club and Greenbrier Masonic Lodge No. 42, having served all of the offices in each organization, and was also a 50-year member of Lewisburg Chapter No. 14, Order of the Eastern Star. He was a member of Lewisburg United Methodist Church and was the church's longtime treasurer. He was a volunteer for 28 years at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center in Fairlea, WV. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Evelyn; sister, Dorothy; brothers, Thomas, Orval, and Norval; and nephew, Jeff Taylor. Hayward is survived by his wife, Emelie. Services were held June 15 in Lewisburg. Memorials may be made to Gideon International, P.O. Box 1380, Lewisburg, WV 24901.

Editor's Note

The District 29-C newsletter is distributed by posting a PDF file on the District website, and the availability of a new issue is announced by email. The email address list used has been built over the past couple of years and includes about 200 names. This year we tried to ensure at least the President and Secretary of all clubs in the District are included as well as all District Cabinet members.

Because of the cost and work involved, paper copies are no longer mailed out, but we encourage Clubs who have interested members without email

to print and distribute copies locally.

Everyone with an upcoming event they wish publicized, or something to brag about that their Club accomplished, are encouraged to send it in. We plan to prepare an issue each month during the first week, so submissions need to be to me by the first day of the month. They can be sent by email to: rdnorrod@gmail.com or by US Mail to my address in the Lions Directory.

Editor Lion Roger Norrod

