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Office of Second Vice District Governor was not filled at the convention. Here is how we fill it now.

Qualifications for Filling a Vacancy for the Office of 1st or 2nd Vice Dist. Governor.

Section 6. **FIRST AND SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS AND OTHER VACANCIES.** Any vacancy in office except that of district governor and first and second vice district governors shall be filled by appointment from the district governor for the unexpired term. In event of a vacancy arising in the office of first or second vice district governor, the district governor shall convene a meeting of the immediate past district governor, first vice district governor and second vice district governor and all past international officers who are members in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in the district. It shall be the duty of the attendees at this meeting to appoint a qualified club member as first or second vice district governor for the remainder of the term. In filling said vacancy, it shall be the duty of the district governor, or if not available, the most recent past district governor who is available, to send out invitations fifteen days (15) in advance of the meeting to attend said meeting and it shall also be their responsibility to preside as chairperson of the meeting. The chairperson shall convey the results to the international office within seven (7) days together with evidence of invitations sent and meeting attendance. Each Lion who is entitled to receive an invitation to attend and is present at said meeting shall be entitled to cast one vote for the Lion of their choice

In order for a Lion to be eligible and qualified to be selected to fill a vacancy in the office of first or second vice district governor, they must:

Be an Active Member in good standing of a chartered Lions club in good standing in their single or sub-district.

Secure the endorsement of their club or a majority of the clubs in their single district.

Have served or will have served at the time they take office as first or second vice district governor:

As officer of a Lions club for a full term or major portion thereof; and

As a member of the district cabinet for a full term or major portion thereof.

With none of the above being accomplished concurrently.

Has not completed a full term or major portion thereof as district governor.



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Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas & Happy New Year District 31L

The District 31L Fall Convention went great. A big thank you to DGE (He won the election and he will be your 2024-25 DG) Dawson Hart and his Committees. The Hospitality Room was a big hit and had a variety of foods from homemade chilis, soups, sandwiches, deserts (even cupcakes that looked like owls). PDG Debbie Hicks was the recipient of the dedication (the ad from the Program Book attached). A short summary is as follows with some pictures for those of you that were not able to attend:

Friday with ID Guy Hollander and Lion Carol

It was an honor to take ID Guy and Lion Carol to visit our McCune Center and for a tour. He was very impressed with the facility, and we (PDG Curtis) and I were proud to take them. Below are a few pictures from our afternoon. ID Guy spoke with many of the residents including PDG Jim Edgar and even got to hear some songs from Kim (a true Donny Osmond fan).





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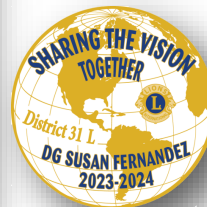
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Friday Fun Night

There was a 70s theme with PDG George Suggs as the DJ and numerous games. There was a contest for the best costumes and winners of the games. Lion AliceFaye Peugh was the first place winner and Lion Susie Andrews and her husband clinched the second and third places. PDG Marilyn Wunderler was the winner of the games and gotten everyone started with a large Connect 4, Jenga, and others table top games. It was a great time and it was a hoot to see so many Lions dressed up for the occasion, even ID Guy Hollander, his wife, Lion Carol and PIP Sid Scruggs and his wife, Lion Judy.





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Tail Twister Breakfast

A delicious buffet breakfast along with a lively auction for the numerous baskets and items that were donated for the proceeds going to Brighter Visions. \$1,440 was collected and an additional \$250 was sent. Thank you to everyone that participated. A special thanks to PDG George Suggs for being the auctioneer. Fun times!



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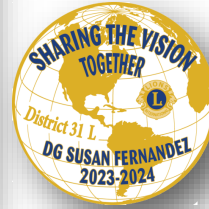
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Red Cross Blood Drive

Saturday morning a blood drive was held at the Convention site. The numbers weren't as high as we hoped, but 11 Lions did give blood. Thank you!

District Cabinet Meeting

It was a full agenda and led by PDG Marti's great granddaughter, Brooklyn Manny, singing the Star Spangled Banner. Such a beautiful voice. Elections were held and Lion Dawson Hart is now DGE and Lion Eileen Artavia is 1st VDGE. Congratulations to them both! The position of 2nd VDG is still open. And two new members were inducted!

A summary of the cabinet meeting will be sent so be sure to review so that you are aware of all that is going on in our district.



Round Tables

Round tables were set up for diabetes, vision screening, tail twister and membership. Hopefully those that attended the Convention made time to sit in on the 10-minute sessions.



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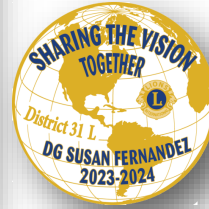
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District Banquet

It was a wonderful banquet with exceptional food. The evening's agenda included the flag ceremony by the Buncombe County Sheriff Color Guard, National Anthem by the Hominy Valley Men's Christian Acapella Choir (led by Lion Clay of the Candler Club), an introduction of our ID by PIP Sid Scruggs, key note speech by ID Guy Hollander, announcement of the Peace Poster winner, awards, drawings and a broom and owl auction. The centerpieces were beautiful and made by Lion Lorrie of the Etowah Club. Thank you to all that attended and, we are hopeful that more of our Lions will attend next year. I was very honored that the entire NC Council of Governors and our CC also attended.

Be sure to check the District 31L Facebook page for more pictures from the evening.

All in all, it was a wonderful convention and we are looking forward to next year's that will be held at Camp Dogwood. Thank you all and your continued efforts are very much appreciated.





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The [Long View Lions Club](#) is proud to have been presented the Club Excellence Award for the 2022-2023 Lions year this past weekend at the [District 31 L - Western North Carolina Fall Convention](#). Congratulations to the [Sherrills Ford Lions Club](#) and the [Etowah Lions Club](#) who also received this award.



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The 2023 Fall Convention is Dedicated to

PDG DEBBIE HICKS

PDG Debbie was born in Ohio on December 16, 1962. She helped to manage a family run business very early in life. From marketing an asphalt company to selling tools wholesale. She spent 20 years in the Air Force where she met and married her partner in service, PDG Will Hicks. She continued to help own and operate an electronic repair business and hobby shop. Debbie became involved in my community by joining the Etowah Lions Club and in doing so expanded her leadership and management skills through continuing education. She is currently working as the Operations Manager of the Etowah Lions Services, Inc a residential and commercial trash hauling service where she supervises ten employees on a daily basis and a customer base of over 3,800.

Debbie served as District Governor in 2015-16. She has also held many roles in the District to include 1st VDG, 2nd VDG, Zone Chair, District IT Chair, District GLT Coordinator, Newsletter Editor and District Public Relations Coordinator. Debbie was the first female in the Etowah Lions Club and She has held positions to include President, Treasurer, Secretary, Club Marketing Chairperson, Tail Twister and Club LCIF Coordinator to name a few and has been on numerous committees. In addition, Debbie has been very instrumental with New Member Orientation and a mentor to many.

Debbie has received numerous awards to include a progressive Melvin Jones, Woolard Partner in Service Knight, Stickley Fellow, Beacon of Hope Lighthouse, Ambassador, Presidential Excellence Award, a Life Member certificate, District Lion of the Year and Etowah Lions Club Lion of the Year. Debbie is also an Advanced Lions Leadership Institute graduate.

Debbie's passions include Amateur Radio, Sadie, her fur baby, and five cats (she has a kind heart with strays) and of course her best friend and husband of 37 years, PDG Will. They have 4 children between them, 6 grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Due to distances of family, Debbie considers the Lions "family."

Debbie will always lend a helping hand and rarely will say no. PDG Debbie has a heart of gold and is a true Lion through and through.

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This Halloween the Long View Lions Club made cheer for the children and youth at the Town of Long View's Trunk or Treat. They had a fun Halloween carnival game where the kids got to throw a bean bag at a balloon ghost. Kids excitedly waited their turn to try and pop a balloon off the board and shouted with joy when they did.

Not only was this a fun time but the Long View Lions Club also made this an educational experience. All of their prizes were diabetic and food allergy-friendly. Instead of candy, they had give-aways of the current trending toys and fidgets for prizes: pop-its, squishies, glowsticks, and more. To raise awareness about blindness, the children picked their prize without peeking.



All of our prizes are diabetic and allergy-friendly



Over 37.3 million Americans have diabetes.

About 1 in 10 people of diabetes

About 1 in 5 people have undiagnosed diabetes



= the total sugar for 1 day



Learn more how Lions International fights diabetes



email info@longviewlions.org to learn about sponsorship for your child at diabetes camp this summer from



Over 20 million Americans live with visual impairment or blindness

In 1925 Lions International accepted Helen Keller's challenge to be "Knights for the Blind in the crusade against darkness"

Do you need assistance with eyecare or do you face blindness? Email us today to learn more about the services and assistance that we provide: info@longviewlions.org



assistance with vision exams & eyeglasses
vision care for life
support groups



free vision screenings for children



free mobility canes for the blind and visually impaired

...AND MANY MORE





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The Long View Lions Club proudly presents Lion Dawson Hart,
District Governor Elect for the 2024-2025 Lions Year.



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SUPPORT GREATER ASHEVILLE Lions Club

Beginning

Friday, November 24th

Noon until the last tree is sold!

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE



AND

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND
11AM TO 2PM**



**SHRED YOUR
IMPORTANT
PAPERS!**

**\$10 EACH FILE BOX
OR KITCHEN TRASH BAG**

ACCEPTING OLD EYEGLASSES & MONETARY DONATIONS

**2310 HENDERSONVILLE ROAD
(NEXT TO DAIRY QUEEN, ARDEN)**



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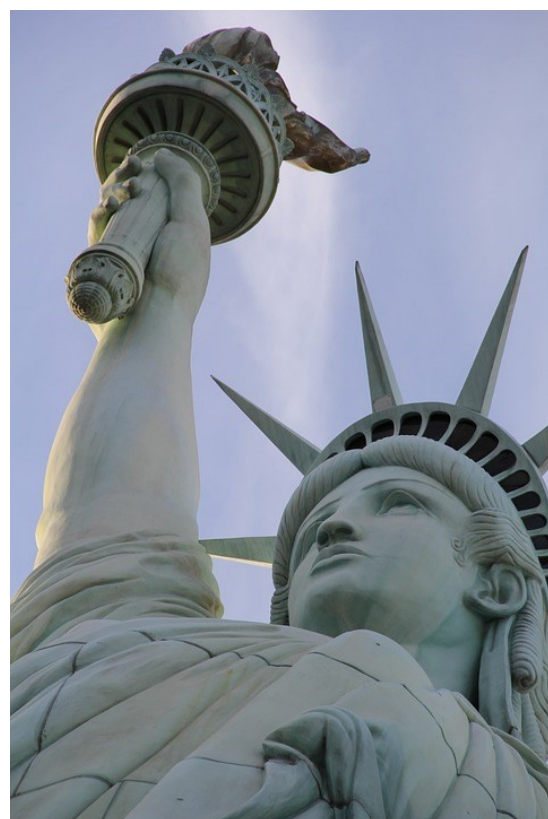
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2023-2024 Celebrate Liberty

Contest Rules

The following rules will be observed for the essay contest:

1. The theme of the essay is, "What the Preamble to the Constitution means to me and how it fits into society today."
2. Grades 9-12 are eligible to participate.
3. 750 words in length
4. Typed and double spaced
5. Must be postmarked and mailed to the District Governor by January 31, 2024.
6. Council of Governors along with the Celebrate Liberty Chair meet and review entries at the Council of Governors/Board of Directors weekend in February.
7. Winner will be notified in March and invited to the NC Lions State Convention in April (hotel and banquet meal for winner and immediate family will be paid).
8. Winner receives \$250.00





Greetings District 31-L Lions,

Congratulations on winning the District 31 - Month of Vision Contest. Winning the contest is a perfect example of how District 31-L Lions are making a positive impact on our community.

As we move into the winter season, our Winter Coat Service Project is focused on collecting winter coats for those in need. Winter can be a challenging time for many, and our Winter Coat Service Project will help provide warmth and comfort to those facing the winter cold.

Winter Coat Serviced Project:

Objective: Collect gently used or new winter coats to donate to individuals and families in our community who may be struggling during the colder months.

Coat Collection Contacts:

DG Susan Fernandez - sl29470@bellsouth.net – (786) 449-6174

IDG Dawson Hart – dawsonhart313@gmail.com – (828) 302-6957

Lion Fred Huscher - fred@huscher.us – (828) 691-6388

We encourage each member of our Lions community to participate in this meaningful initiative. By coming together, we can make a significant difference in the lives of those who need it most.

Thank you once again for your dedication and support. We are confident that, with your continued efforts, we can make our Winter Coat Service Project a tremendous success.

Have a great holiday season,

Lion Fred Huscher

District 31-L GST Chair



DAWSON HART
1st Vice District Governor



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Lions of District 31L,

I would like to wish you a warm holiday season. I am proud to have been elected as your District Governor for the upcoming Lions year and look forward to serving you. Thank you for your vote of confidence. I thoroughly enjoyed getting to engage with you all at our recent district convention. Thank you to all who came, especially our visiting lions and new lions who joined us for the first time. A large shout out to my team who worked together to make it all happen: the District Fall Convention Planning Committee and the Long View Lions Club Hospitality Room Committee. Your efforts did not go unnoticed. I have received endless compliments on the convention. I believe that all attendees had a time well had. Please remember that I am here as your support. Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions, would like any guidance, or just to talk. Take care and I will see you soon in my travels.

Lion Dawson Hart

District Governor Elect

dawsonhart313@gmail.com

Cell phone: (828) 302-6957



EILEEN ARTAVIA
2nd Vice District Governor

Happy Thanksgiving!

With the festivities of the Fall Convention behind us, it is time to get back to the business of "WE Serve"! Speaking of serving, a big shout out to the Long View Lions Club for the hard work they did in the hospitality room at the Convention! Thanks to everyone who contributed!

It was a great convention with a great speaker with ties to North Carolina. What a great sense of humor. I really enjoyed getting to know I.D. Guy Hollander.

Congratulations to PDG Debbie Hicks for the dedication of the 2023 Fall Convention to her. She works hard for this District! Well-deserved PDG Debbie!

Coming up on December 3rd, I am honored to be speaking at the Rutherford County VIP Christmas Luncheon at 1pm. This event is Sponsored by the Lake Lure, Chase and Rutherfordton Lions Clubs.

I am excited to attend and meet everyone.

I hope Everyone Enjoys their upcoming Holiday!

1st VDGE Eileen Artavia



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We are evolving our digital tools

MyLion, MyLCI, Insights
and other tools and
functionality will all be rolled
into a cohesive and
consistent experience in
the coming months.

GET THE NEWS

Dear Lion Leader,

We are continuing to make progress toward the new Lion Portal, which will provide a streamlined digital experience for Lions and Leos. We are grateful to the dedicated Lion testers who have played a critical role in providing input at every phase of the project, and this includes helping assess our readiness for launch.

Our top priority is ensuring our members have a positive experience with the new Lion Portal. With that priority in mind, we have determined that we need to adjust our projected Q1 launch. Lion testers are key to our success and their testing activities have been delayed to correct an unexpected permission and data access issue.

We have carefully assessed the remaining scope of work and necessary changes to support the resolution passed at the 105th international convention in Boston to determine the revised target launch date. Our next launch opportunity is January 2024. This incorporates the new rules for delegate count and allows midyear membership changes to be processed in a familiar system. Thank you for your continued support and leadership as we prepare for the new Lion Portal.

Sincerely,

Sue Ben

Chief of Technology

Lions International



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Who are the Friends of Lions?

The answer is Everyone! We all need members, yet our membership still needs to improve. Have you shared with your community that you need volunteers? **I challenge you to have a sign on your table asking for volunteers.** Have a sign-up sheet with their name, phone number, and email. Could you let them know you will email them to let them know what the club is doing and how you need their help? Make a group email named Friends of Lions, and anyone who signs up put them there. Just let them know you will take them anytime they are available to volunteer, and you don't have to join. Why would I say this? Most people need to learn who Lions are and what we do. By inviting them to your service projects and fundraisers, they work side by side with you and see what you are doing and who you support. This is the beginning of a new partnership with those in the community.

As they start coming to your service projects and fundraisers, you will get to know them as they get to know the club. At some point, you ask if they would like to attend a meeting with no obligation. It shows how we conduct ourselves in a meeting. Do we have an agenda for all? Do we have minutes? Do you have any information on your club and what you do to pass along to your guests? If not, I have a template for a club brochure. If your club does a newsletter, this should be sent to the Friends of Lion's email list.

I hope this gives you a new idea. Let me know if you are getting new volunteers for your events.

I am available to speak at your club as a program. So that you know, all you need to do is reach out.

Lion AliceFaye, GMT 828-302-3242

Have a great day!

Becky Petree

Managing Broker/Owner



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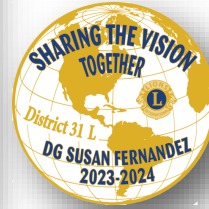
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DIMES FOR DIABETES

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE CLUBS THAT DONATED TO "DIMES FOR DIABETES". OUT OF 49 CLUBS WE HAD 12 CLUBS THAT JOINED IN THE FUND RAISER TO HELP KIDS GO TO A DIABETIC CAMP, RAISING \$2007.56. WE HAVE SENT THREE KIDS TO CAMP AND HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO SEND KIDS NEXT YEAR. THE BEST WAY TO FIND KIDS WITH DIABETES IS GO TO THE SCHOOL AND CHECK WITH THE SCHOOL NURSES.

ON NOVEMBER 18, AT METHODIST UNIVERSITY, 9a.m. TO 1 p.m. THEY WILL BE HAVING A DIABETES GAMES DAY. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS AND THE CAMP GO TO SWEETKIDSWITHDIABETES.COM IF YOU KNOW OF ANY KIDS WITH DIABETES THAT WOULD LIKE TO GO TO THIS GAME DAY LET ME KNOW.

I AM SO THANKFUL FOR ALL THE LIONS THAT HAS HELPED MAKE THIS A SUCCESS AND THE MORE THESE KIDS CAN LEARN ABOUT DIABETES THE MORE IT WILL HELP THEM DEAL WITH IT. WE WILL BE DOING THIS AGAIN NEXT YEAR, SO IF YOU WOULD LIKE FOR ME TO COME AND GIVE YOUR CLUB OR ZONE A PROGRAM, LET ME KNOW. I'M LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CAMP. CAPE FEAR VALLEY KIDS WITH DIABETES IS A NON-PROFIT GROUP THAT WAS FOUNDED IN 2008. THEIR GOAL IS TO HELP CHILDREN ACHIEVE OPTIMAL HEALTH THROUGH DIABETES EDUCATION, RESOURCES AND SUPPORT, I MET THE DOCTOR, BRUNIDA CORDERO, WHO IS THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF PEDIATRIC ENDOCRINOLOGY, SHE WILL BE AT THE CAMP TAKING CARE OF ALL THE KIDS. THANKS AGAIN LIONS:

LION PAULETTE GASPERSON PCC

DISTRICT CHAIR FOR DIABETES

E-MAIL: lfgasperson@comporium.net

HOME: 828-883-8596

CELL: 828-384-0057



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LIONS' PRIDE, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

WHAT?



The Lions Cottage's
outdated HVAC went
kaput

The boys living in the
Lions Cottage have had
to be moved to other
housing.



GOAL: \$30,000



DONATE NOW



BOYS & GIRLS HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA
400 FLEMINGTON DRIVE
PO BOX 127
LAKE WACCAMAW, NC 28450



We are at around \$21,000 for the HVAC for the Lions Cottage at the Boys and Girls Home of NC. When we reach \$24,000 the South Port Lions Club will finish the project-up to \$6,000!



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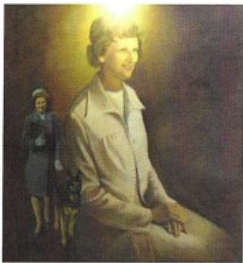
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History How the Marjorie McCune Community Began



The Marjorie McCune Community began in the 1970's when Marjorie McCune, the first blind social worker in Buncombe County, approached Lions in Western North Carolina

with a dream. That dream was that visually impaired individuals have a place to receive long term care in a beautiful environment. Lions in Western North Carolina agreed to make her dream come true.

Originally intended to accommodate the visually impaired, the Marjorie McCune Community has become home to many persons with various needs of assistance.

Today, the Marjorie McCune Community continues its mission of offering the most complete care with individual programs and activities. And most importantly, fulfilling a wonderful lifestyle for its residents. We promote a community with fellowship and friendships.

The Marjorie McCune Community is located only 12 minutes from exciting Asheville and forty minutes from historic Hendersonville.

What Makes the Marjorie McCune Community Special

Marjorie McCune Community is a Licensed Adult Care Home Serving Families Since 1976

Highly Rated Affordable Assisted and Independent Community

A Home Like Setting With a Caring and Experienced Staff

A Beautiful Residential Environment Centered on Community

Your freedom to choose...Complete assisted living center and charming independent living cottages in a wonderful mountain setting.

Marjorie McCune Community Assisted and Independent Living

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Black Mountain, NC 28711
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www.mccunecenter.org

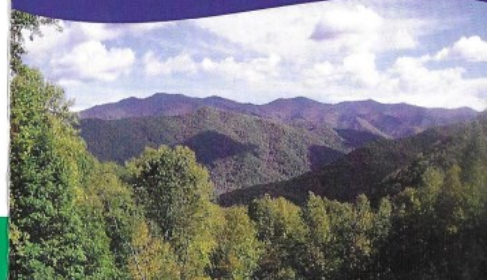


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Marjorie McCune Community Assisted and Independent Living



An exceptional value assisted and independent living community located in Black Mountain, North Carolina
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Marjorie McCune Community

Assisted and
Independent Living



*An Exceptional Value Assisted &
Independent Living Community*

Assisted Living



We offer so many extras compared to other assisted living communities. We are dedicated to meeting the needs of the people that live here. We are personally committed to excellence with the respect of each individual in our care.

Professional Services

- Nurse on Staff
- EMAR Medical Administration
- Doctor / Medical on call 24 hours a day
- In house visits by physician, podiatrists, physical and speech therapists, psychologists, psychiatrists and other professionals

Amenities

- Private and semi-private rooms
- Each room with private bath
- Built-in cabinets and drawers
- In double rooms, privacy dividers
- Private phone available
- Cable TV - WiFi
- Free Internet and computer access
- Library (written & electronic)
- Campus Solarium
- Walking trail, gazebo and gardens

Every Day Services

- All meals include 2 entree choices, breakfast buffet and salad bar
- Snack bar open 24 hours a day
- Daily housekeeping services
- Laundry services
- Transportation services
- Special events, outings, activities
- Large chapel with inter-denominational services
- Big screen TV's in lounge and event areas
- Beauticians and barbers available

**Marjorie McCune
Community**

Assisted and
Independent Living

- No Administrative Fees
- No Long Term Leases
- State Licensed
- Medicaid Approved
- VA Approved



Established in 1976

Independent Living

Our community includes affordable and charming private cottages. Our cottages have been recently renovated and include a bedroom, bath and kitchen with appliances. There is private parking and they are handicap accessible.



Services include

- One meal per day
- Activities
- All maintenance
- Electricity, water and sewer
- Transportation
- Telephone
- Trash pick-up
- Weekly housekeeping
- Weekly laundry service
- Pet and cable TV available for additional fee



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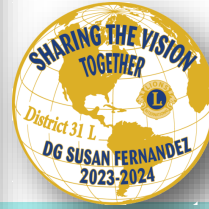
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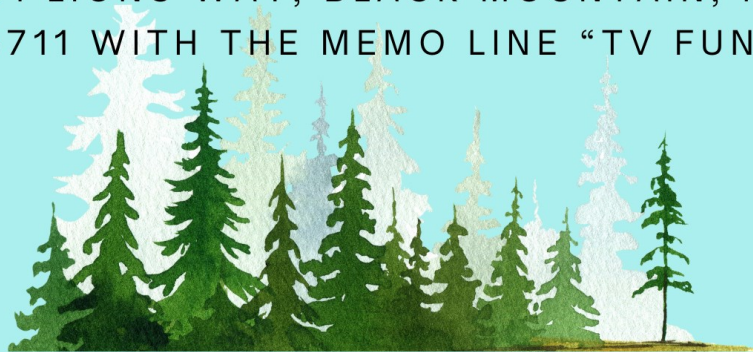
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NEW TELEVISIONS
ARE NEEDED FOR
THE RESIDENTS AT
THE MCCUNE
CENTER

PLEASE SEND DONATIONS TO THE WNC
LIONS AT:

101 LIONS WAY, BLACK MOUNTAIN, NC
28711 WITH THE MEMO LINE "TV FUND"





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LCIF UPDATES:

Thank you each and every one for donations to date for LCIF. At our Fall Convention we collected \$115 for LCIF. Thank you all!!!

Currently we have 10 of our 47 clubs donating a total of \$3,350. Reminder for those that can the yearly goal for 2023-24 is \$30.00 per member. District L has currently donated an average of \$4.60 per member. Currently in the district we have several members/clubs that are eligible to receive a Melvin Jones. If you would like to know if you are eligible, please reach out to me at liontammy2020@gmail.com. As we move forward over the next few months, I hope to visit your club. If you are the Club LCIF Contact and would like to receive info and brochures please let me know and I will get them in the mail to you (the brochures finally delivered and are in my possession).

Each month I would like to share some information with you on one of 8 global causes..... This month we will discuss Youth...

The Choose Kindness Project

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is proud to be a founding member of The Choose Kindness Alliance, a coalition of the nation's leading nonprofit organizations championing bullying prevention, intentional inclusion, and youth mental wellness.

The **Choose Kindness Project** is an initiative, guided by the 20+ members of the alliance and supported by ABC, ESPN, and the Walton Family Foundation, dedicated to inspiring a more inclusive world where all young people feel empowered to be themselves and safe to create the futures they imagine.

Follow @TheChooseKindnessProject on Instagram for expert guidance, vetted resources, research, and inspiring stories to support parents,

coaches, and other caring adults.

Lions Quest, LCIF's signature youth education program, is a social emotional learning program which gives students the skills to navigate life and prevent bullying and substance abuse. For over 30 years, Lions Quest has impacted more than 20 million children across the globe by providing students and educators with the skills necessary to celebrate diversity and establish positive relationships.

To learn more about Lions Quest, please visit lions-quest.org.

Global Statistics

1 in 3 students reports being cyberbullied; 20% report skipping school because of it or violence.

2 in 3 students in 160 countries worry about violence in and around schools.

Reading scores and bullying are directly correlated.

Schools with positive school climate practices like Lions Quest have lower rates of absenteeism and bullying.

Sources: UNICEF and Thapa, A., Cohen, J., Guffey, S., & Higgins-D'Alessandro, A. (2013). A review of school climate research. Review of educational research, 83(3), 357-385

Respectfully submitted by:
Lion Tammy Thomas
District LCIF Chair

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Information Needed to Possibly Receive a VSP Voucher

Top Portion to be Completed by Applicant

Patient Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Birth Date _____

Number of People in The Household _____

Have You Received Assistance from VSP in the Past 12 Months? Circle YES or NO

Please provide most current information.

House Payment/Rent per Month_\$ _____ Car Payment per Month_\$ _____

Housing Assistance per Month_\$ _____ Food Stamps per Month_\$ _____

Social Security/Disability per Month_\$ _____ Other Income per Month_\$ _____

Total Monthly Income_\$ _____

Total Yearly Household Income_\$ _____

Do you have Insurance? Circle YES or NO

If Yes, What Type? Insurance _____ Medicaid _____ Medicare _____

I _____, certify that the information given above is correct.

Date _____

To be Completed by Lions Club

Name of Assisting Lions Club _____

Name of Lions Contact _____

Mailing Address for Lions Contact _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

**Eye care services and prescription eyewear are not available through
these certificates if already covered through a private insurer and/or
government program.**

**"All questions must be answered and any application received
with Zero Income and NO explanation, will be Declined."**



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CAMP DOGWOOD IS STARTING A NEW RECYCLING PROGRAM

WE WILL BE ACCEPTING AND RECYCLING HEARING AID BATTERIES AND WATCH BATTERIES!

(WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING GLASSES AND CELL PHONES!)



**PLEASE DROP OFF AT:
7062 CAMP DOGWOOD DRIVE
SHERRILLS FORD, NC 28673**



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New Member Roll Call 2023-2024



May 2023

Matthew Duncan—Edneyville Community LC

June 2023

James Boff—Granite Falls LC
Jeannie O. Oliver—Hendersonville LC
Brittany Guerrero—Sherrills Ford LC
Mary A Anderson—Andrews LC
Carol A Broome—Andrews LC

July 2023

Brad Groom—Canton LC
Gene Monson—Canton LC
Sara Monson—Canton LC
Kittie Diana Smart—Clyde LC
Owen Brett Martin—Shelby LC
David Jenkins—Sand Hill LC

August 2023

Jaime Futch—Andrews LC
Frances Stevens—Greater Asheville LC
Mary Bonnett—Etowah LC
Roy Bonnett—Etowah LC
Judy Jay—Lake Lure LC
Alan Bridges—Sherrills Ford LC
Elizabeth Swann—Black Mountain LC

September 2023

Dennis Wyss—Etowah LC
Jeannie Edwards—Swannanoa Valley LC
Samantha Payne—Claremont LC
Sheila Shehan—Spruce Pine LC
Dot Eckhard—Black Mountain McCune LC
Linda Woody—Black Mountain McCune LC

October 2023

Steven Matthew Arrowood—Rutherfordton LC
Margaret A Bennett—West Hickory VIP LC
Carolyn Sue Melson—West Hickory VIP LC
William Puppy Scott—Canton LC
Patricia Adams—Canton LC
Gail E Hodge—Andrews LC

November 2023

Barbara Ann Hancock—Andrews LC
Paul Robinson—Greater Asheville LC
Robin Robinson—Greater Asheville LC

November 2023—con't

Sarah Bratton—Sherrills Ford LC
Tracy Hefner—Sherrills Ford LC
Summer Smith—Spruce Pine LC
Julie Yankelevich—Valley Springs LC



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In Memory of D31L Lions 2023-2024

From May 2023—April 2024

Bill Glenn—Valley Springs LC 05/02/2023

Jerry Thomas—Sherrills Ford LC 05/18/2023

Daisy Litman—West Hickory VIP LC 05/10/2023

Tracy S Lanham—Lake Lure LC 06/10/2023

Robert Carey—Burnsville LC 05/26/2023

Stefan B. Stackhouse—Black Mountain LC 05/03/2023

Everette A Houston—Saint Stephen LC 06/23/2023

Miriam Wood—Black Mnt McCune LC 07/20/2023

Dan McCracken—Clyde LC 07/30/2023

Billy Culbertson—Hot Springs LC 07/28/2023

Robert Walsh—Mars Hill LC 08/14/2023

W. Fred Higgins—Hendersonville LC 09/08/2023

Joyce C Smith—Mars Hill LC 09/11/2023

Kenneth Woodard—Clay County LC 10/12/2023

Joe Cook—Long View LC 10/20/2023

William Newsom—Etowah Lions Club 10/30/2023

Please send in your members for this current year that we have lost so we can keep this current. Thank you!

Gone but never forgotten!

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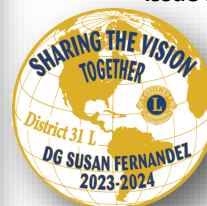
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Secretary Tammy Thomas	828-234-7659 liontammy2020@gmail.com
Treasurer Kathryn Nichols	252-495-2808 perkynick7@gmail.com



The most current district directory can be found at www.nclions31l.org you will need a user ID and Password to access

If you cannot find or do not know something ask! You are not alone in this journey!

Quick Reference

Acronyms for our Lions

You will see these on the convention registration forms. If you are one circle it.

Lions are digital Climb aboard!

www.nclions31l.org This is the District Website.
www.lionsclubs.org This is International's Website
www.nclionsinc.org This is your State Website
You can find the information you seek at these websites.

The points contest and Service Reporting
Keep up with it, saves a lot of heartache at the end of the year.

The annual points contest is a way to let the Governor know what the clubs have accomplished throughout the year. This is an excel form that is found on the district website. It is easy to fill out and if you keep it up monthly not so daunting. If you are one of those who say, "Aww I will wait until May 1st to do it" you may be in for a big surprise. "Why wait to do tomorrow what you can do today"? So a lot of clubs are doing things and secretaries need to get this and the reporting done online on MyLion so the Governor can do his job. Take a little time this month to catch up and you will not be so overwhelmed as the fastly approaching end of year arrives. Lions year that is. This is month 6. The Governor will need this form this year so he can calculate the for the awards.

DG	District Governor
DGE	District Governor Elect
PDG	Past District Governor
IPDG	Immediate Past District Governor
1VDG	First Vice District Governor
2VDGE	Second Vice District Governor Elect
1VDGE	First Vice District Governor Elect
2VDG	Second Vice District Governor
PP	Past President (Club or International)
IPP	Immediate Past President
PIP	Past International President
ID	International Director
PID	Past International Director
CC	Council Chair
PCC	Past Council Chair
MJF	Melvin Jones Fellow
JSF	Jack Stickley Fellow
WLW	Willard L. Woolard
BOH	Beacon of Hope
HOF	Hall of Fame
AMB	Ambassador