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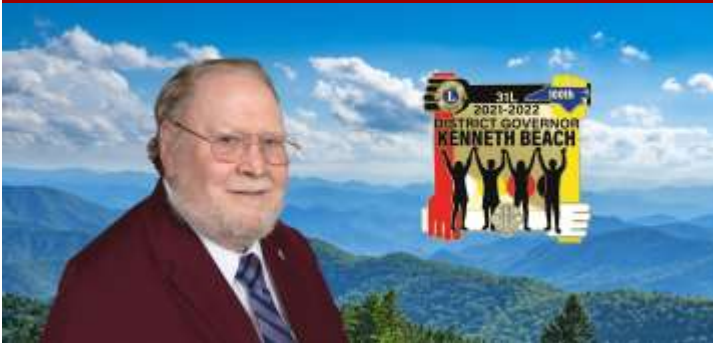
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## District Governor Kenneth Beach



Happy New Year to each Lion. I hope you each had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends. These good memories should be remembered when we think of the hardships still going on in Canton and the surrounding area. Although they did receive help from the government it was limited and far from enough to make them whole once again. But we as a District are so thankful for all the help our local Lions and Lions from across the state have given.

With that in mind, it is time to "Pay It Forward" the saying goes. As no doubt you have heard and read about, Kentucky is in need of our help. They recently have experienced the devastation of multiple tornadoes on the ground at once. We need to give them some of the help we received in August. Lion Max Bumgardner of the Canton Lions Club has been in contact with the Lions of Kentucky and has made arrangements to forward to them any and all donations from our Lions Clubs. So if you are able to help please con-

tact Lion Max at 828-593 or send him an email at [bummy13@bellsouth.net](mailto:bummy13@bellsouth.net).

In this past year, we have had several of our Lions Clubs close their doors for good. And several of our Lions Clubs need help and guidance. That is the reason we need several Lions willing to become guiding Lions. These Lions would help the faltering clubs with projects and guide them in the day-to-day operations. In the past we had several Guiding Lions in our District but currently no one has come forth to help.

In February, we will be having our quarterly District Cabinet meeting. It will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10 AM. at the Marjorie McCune Community Center. It is my hope that all of our Zone Chairs as well as Region Chairs will be able to give us a report on their area. If they are unable to attend in person, it is hoped they will provide a copy of their report to Lion Tammy Thomas.

It would be great if your club, when they are having projects or special events, let us know so we can mention them in our newsletter. Each of us are looking for projects for our clubs. Sharing your projects and their success will help each club to perhaps try a similar project in our own clubs.





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## District Governor Elect Marilyn Wunderler



Fellow Lions,

A new year is upon us, a chance for us all to move forward with building district membership and discovering new fundraising and service projects.

Regarding membership, please keep in mind that charter and entrance fees are waived through June 30, 2022.

Looking for some guidance on building membership and new clubs, use your Lion Account login credentials and take the New Club Development online course found in the Lions Learning Center (LLC) featuring a step-by-step guide to developing new clubs. Let everyone know how proud you are to be a Lion and head to the Lions Shop to find a variety of new Lion's gear!

Service reporting is important for helping Lions tell our story while also measuring our impact and growing membership. Please make sure your club is reporting your service activities!

Speaking of service, I would like to extend a big "thank you" to all our district clubs that worked so hard to make the holidays brighter for the less fortunate in their communities.

At my Lincolnton Lions club Christmas get-together at a local restaurant on Tuesday, December 7th, we presented our community Christian ministries with a check for \$500 and toys for the needy children of families they serve. We also honored the winner of our District 31L poster contest, Grace Michaels, from Lincoln West Middle school.

My club also held their annual VIP gift bag give away on Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> in the parking lot of Boger City Methodist Church in Lincolnton. Since we could not provide our usual sit-down lunch due to COVID fears, we had a prepacked lunch with fruit ready to go. Our VIP's were able to stay in their cars and receive their goody bag and lunch.

I had a chance to help celebrate the holiday at a fun filled Christmas party that Administrator Nancy Rathbone put together for the residents of the Marjorie McCune Center on Thursday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Santa made an appearance, we hosted a raffle for Christmas stockings filled with treats, and each resident received a snuggly lap blanket.





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## 1st Vice District Governor Elect Susan Fernandez



**SUSAN FERNANDEZ**  
2nd Vice District Governor

Dear Fellow Lions,

Thank you everyone for your service projects and kind acts during the year and the month of December 2021. Much appreciation to those clubs that donated to Kentucky during that horrible event where so many lost everything.

Hoping everyone had a very Happy and Healthy Holiday Season. I am looking forward to visiting during Club Meetings and Zone Meeting

Visits this year. I will be reaching out to the Zone Chairs during the month for a current update.

As a reminder, please continue to SELL, SELL, SELL Camp Dogwood tickets.





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**It is a good time to visit the Lions website and learn more about LCIF**

## From LCIF Chairperson Dr. Jung-Yul Choi

As we near the start of a new calendar year, let us embrace 2022 with optimism for a positive global impact through LCIF grants. Just six months remain in our historic campaign and LCIF needs your support to increase our commitment to communities and the service capacity of Lions. Also, don't forget to enter LCIF Week Melvin Jones photo contest. Thank you for your dedication to doing and giving! Visit [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) and click on LCIF to learn more!

**LCIF, your community support arm of Lions Clubs International**

## Create Hope for 2022

**[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) click on LCIF to learn more!**

Integrity is one of our core values. That's why fiscal responsibility is so important to LCIF. Learn more about LCIF's commitment to donors to operate ethically, responsibly, and prudently. Your Foundation is always here to help answer questions. Contact the LCIF team for support.





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## Your District Lions Project



The McCune Center would like to say a Big Thank You to these Lions Clubs and Family members Erwin Lions, Longview Lions, Black Mountain Lions, Lake Lure Lions, Valley Springs Lions, Hildebran Lions, Claremont Lions, Andrews Lions, Franklin Lions, Waynesville Lions, Granite Falls Lions, Etowah Lions, Mills River Lions, Weaverville Lions, Brevard Lions, Pisgah Forest Lions. Also Martha Baldwin, Tony Yaccarino, Howard and Mona Wood, Linda Briggs, Nick and Deniece Ogle, George and Lynn Webb, Karen Edwards, Doc-

tor Smith, Andy and Gloria Burnam, Don Shuman, Clara Hollar, Clara Hare, Charles and Patricia Hermison, George and Deanna Russell, Mary Ann's son Chad, David Male, Wanda Robertson. Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Love Lion Deniece

Deniece Ogle

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### 2021-2022 WNC Lions Inc

#### Officers

**President:** Lion Walt Vosburgh

**Immediate Past President:** Lion Mary Sedgwick

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Lion Dawson Hart

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Lion Mellie Davis

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President:** Lion Judy Burnette

**Secretary:** Lion Mellie Davis

**Assistant Secretary:** Lion John Dobbins

**Treasurer:** Lion Curtis Erickson, PDG

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## Good time to induct new members! Entrance Fees waived \$35.00 Savings

### Dear Club Leader,

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic continues to impact the work of Lions and communities around the world, creating financial hardships for Lions and the people we care for.

To support the incredible men and women serving with us, the International Board of Directors passed another resolution to help our clubs in the new Lion year.

### Here is an overview of the new resolution approved by the board of directors:

- **Charter and entrance fees waiver** – We have waived all charter and entrance fees from July 1 through December 31, 2021. Charter and entrance fees are also currently waived through June 30, 2021.
- These additional measures will help Lions facing finan-

cial hardships and give our clubs the support and encouragement they need during these challenging times. For more than a century, Lions have taken on the greatest challenges facing humanity, and together, we will overcome this.

The world needs Lions now more than ever, so thank you for your outstanding service and commitment to our communities and the world.

Regards,

Dr. Jung-Yul Choi  
International President

**This has been extended through June 2022, so please do your recruiting!**

## LCI News you might use.



You can go and register for this event on [lionsclubs.org](https://lionsclubs.org)



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## What your new members will be receiving from Lions Clubs Int. membership division

### The world's largest service organization just got a little bigger

Congratulations on sponsoring a new member and increasing your club's service capacity! You play a critical role in ensuring your Lions club will continue to grow and serve your community for years to come. As a new member sponsor, your role is to make sure the Lion you sponsored feels welcomed and is enjoying their experience as a Lion. You should be their role model and support system within your club.

Below is a chart listing some of the emails the Lion you sponsored will be receiving as part of the New Member Experience. The goal of the New Member Experience is to help new members feel connected and engaged within their first few years as a Lion.

Timing	Theme
Day 1	Welcome to Lions!
Day 30	Service Impact
Day 60	Global Connections
Day 90	Service Framework Global Causes
6 month	Your Membership
9 month	LCIF and Its impact
1 year	Happy Anniversary!
18 month	Your Lion's Journey
2 year	LCIF Donations
2.5 year	Global Action Team Overview
3 year	Expand and Diversify Your Club's Membership

As a sponsor, you will be receiving corresponding messages to help your new member along their journey. **We encourage you to reach out to the Lion that you sponsored and have a conversation about the topic of each email.** Good luck in your new role, and don't hesitate to let us know if you need anything!

Sincerely,

Lions Clubs International Membership Division



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## Franklin Lions Club—Santa Pal Program 2021



Picture caption PICTURED L TO R:

Lion Dave Jones, Lion Jason Arnold, Lion President Ruth Hensz-Stilwell

For over 40 years the Franklin Lions Club has helped the less fortunate in the community during the holiday season. The “Santa Pal” program’s main focus is on underprivileged children. Franklin Lions provide clothing, shoes, and other apparel needs for dozens of kids each year during Christmastime.

We work with our community partner, Macon Program for Progress that identifies families in need through a thorough screening process. Franklin Lions also provide food gift cards to the elderly and shut ins.

In addition, Franklin Lions also treat the children to surprise toys from none other than Santa himself.

The “Santa Pal” program is funded by donations from “Dime Board” weekends as well as other donations from individuals, businesses, and churches in the community. This year Franklin Lions collected donations at Big Lots.

“Santa Pal is one of the favorite projects of the Franklin Lions and we love working with our community partners to brighten the holidays for those in need,” said Lion Ruth Hensz-Stilwell, president. “We are proud to carry on this tradition of serving others in our community this time of year.”





# AD ORDER FORM

2022 NORTH CAROLINA LIONS 100<sup>th</sup> STATE CONVENTION  
Honoring the Past and celebrating the future!

April 22-24, 2022

Greensboro/High Point Airport Marriott, Greensboro, North Carolina

**THANK YOU for YOUR SUPPORT of the NC LIONS of Multiple District 31**

Ad deadline: March 15, 2022

Name of Club, Business or Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

E-mail ad to: [gcwclc@gmail.com](mailto:gcwclc@gmail.com)

Include payment with Ad Design

Make Checks Payable To:

**NC Lions State Convention**

**Please Check Box Indicating the Ad Size:**

- Back Cover \$1500
- Inside F/B Cover \$1000
- Full Page (8-1/2x11) \$ 300
- Half Page \$ 150
- Quarter Page \$ 100
- Business Card \$ 50

**Mail to:**

April Allred  
5329 Shoffner Road  
McLeansville, NC 27301

Amount Paid \_\_\_\_\_

Form of payment: Cash  Check  Credit

Debit or Card #

Exp. Date (XX/XX)

Zip Code

For Club Use:		
Ad Sold By	Phone	Club Name

For questions, please contact Convention Chair PDG Susie Dailey at:  
704-439-6278 or lionsusied@gmail.com



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## Acronyms for our Lions

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 Stickly Fellow

WLW = Willard L. Woolard

BOH = Beacon of Hope

HOF = Hall of Fame

AMB = Ambassador

You will see these on the fall convention form. If you are one circle it.



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.

## Points Contest for this Lions Year 2021-22

DISTRICT 31L 2021-2022 POINTS FORM				
Club Name: Your Club	Month:	Points	Multiplier	Total
	NOVEMBER			
<b>A. MEMBERSHIP</b>				
Each new member		1,000	0	0
Organize and sponsor a new club, branch club or LEO Club		5,000	0	0
Lion attending Club Building exercise		1,000	0	0
Each Lion that fulfills Guiding Lion qualifications		500	0	0
<b>B. CORE 5 SERVICE PROJECTS</b>				
Pediatric Cancer and Engaging Our Youth		100	0	0
Sharing the Vision (each project)		100	0	0
Relieving the Hunger (each project)		100	0	0
Protecting the Environment (each project)		100	0	0
Diabetes Awareness (each project)		100	0	0
<b>C. DISTRICT ACTIVITIES FINANCIAL GOALS</b>				
Each Dollar Contributed to NCLI		1	0	0
Each Dollar Contributed to McCune Center		1	0	0
Each Dollar Contributed to LCIF		1	0	0
<b>D. MISCELLANEOUS CATEGORIES</b>				
Maintained Club Website (per month)		10	0	0
Maintained Facebook Page (per month)		10	0	0
All recycled products to NCLI (each)		5	0	0
Each Lion participating in VIP Fishing Tournament		20	0	0
Lions Prowl (visits to other clubs at least 2 members)		20	0	0
<b>Grand Total of all your points for the month:</b>				0
Send Electronically to District Governor Kenneth Beach				

Found at [www.nclions31l.org](http://www.nclions31l.org) for downloading