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Fellow Lions,

July 2023 is here, and I am ready and very excited to begin as District Governor. The next year will be a busy and productive one with my team who are in place.

The Club visits will be split between the 1st and 2nd VDGs this year because I want the Clubs to know all of us. In addition, I will do my best to attend Zone Meetings and will also be visiting some of the Clubs along with 1st VDG Dawson Hart and 2nd VDG Eileen Artavia.

1st VDG Dawson Hart is working with the Committees for a successful and fun Fall Convention. We encourage all Lions to attend at least a portion of the Convention. Friday will be Family Fun Night and Saturday will be a day filled with numerous activities, meetings and will end with our Banquet. Each Lion will receive a personal invitation. More details to follow.

District Governor Susan Fernandez
cordially invites you



To share the vision together
at the
District 31L Fall Convention



NOVEMBER 17TH, 18TH, 2023
DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON HOTEL
115 HENDERSONVILLE ROAD
ASHEVILLE, NC 28803



Registration is free, more info will follow, hospitality room will be provided.

Mark your calendars for **July 22, 2023** to attend the Installation of District Officers, Brighter Visions Kickoff and first District Cabinet Meeting of the Year. It will start at noon at the Etowah Lions Club. There will be a complimentary lunch, so please let Lion Tammy Thomas know as soon as possible if you will be attending. A separate flyer will be sent out soon.

*****Please read and save the very last page of this newsletter for important information to help you throughout the year. It was heard that some didn't even know about the point contest. There is information on the district web page that all secretaries should be aware of. Please take a moment to go and look to see what you may be missing out on for your club. Thank you! *****



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR GOALS 2023-2024

District Monetary Goals

These are projects within the district supported by the District Governor's team. In most cases these are long standing programs that are based on humanitarian and recognition matters. All members of the district are encouraged to support this fund so that the district can continue to support the efforts and recognize those that help.

Clinical Eye Research:	\$2.00
VIP Fishing Food:	\$4.00
McCune Capital Improvement:	\$2.00
McCune Activities:	\$4.00
Convention Fund:	\$3.00
LCIF/Melvin Jones:	\$2.00
NC Ambassador:	\$1.00
William L Woolard:	\$1.00
Beacon of Hope:	\$2.00
Leader Dogs:	\$1.00
Per Person Goal:	\$22.00

Brighter Visions Goal

\$90 per member and \$67,500 (based on 750 members) for the district.

Please make check payable to NCLF direct.

Programs will be scheduled by your Brighter Visions Chair.

Memorials or Honorariums

Camp Dogwood

Memorials and Honorariums will be counted towards the Brighter Visions goal for the year over and above the goal per member.

Send to: PO Box 39, Sherrills Ford, NC 28673

Marjorie McCune Community



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Located in Black Mountain, this is your district project. These do not count towards Brighter Visions. The donation form can be found on our website NCLions31L.org.

Send to: 101 Lions Way, Black Mountain, NC 28711

Membership Growth

By the end of the 2023-2024 fiscal year, our district will achieve a positive membership growth (meet or exceed last year's membership numbers).

- a. Our team will charter two (2) new clubs.
- b. Our clubs will induct 60 new members into existing clubs.
- c. Our district will not surpass 10 dropped members.

Service Projects

Each Club in District 31L will have at least one service for project for each of the five global causes: (1) Environment; (2) Childhood Cancer; (3) Vision; (4) Hunger; and (5) Diabetes.

Camp Dogwood Tickets

3 **5** ticket books + per member

 **Please note change**

This is for maintaining the camp on Lake Norman that we own and operate.

VIP Fishing Tournament

Sponsor at least two VIPs

In addition, the District 31L Points Contest will be continued this year.

Let's all work together and make this a banner year!



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HUDSON LIONS CLUB VISIT THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2023

The last club visit for my District Governor's year was scheduled for the Hudson Lions Club.

[My thanks](#) to Lion Rebecca Parsons, club Secretary, for an incredible dinner meal, club President Robert Parsons, and the entire Hudson club for their hospitality.

The Hudson Lions Club's entire focus for their volunteer activities is their community VIP's and both families and individuals in need. Their successful fundraising proceeds from selling strawberries and peaches during the year go into their community. Just recently, their fundraising efforts were featured in their local newspaper. They sell so much fruit that the club recently purchased a cargo trailer that will be used to assist with transport of the berries and peaches and storage for club meeting property. In addition, club members plan to allow residents in need to use the trailer for moving purposes.

On Saturday, August 12, 2023, club members will sponsor their annual VIP picnic and on Saturday, December 9, 2023, the Hudson Lions club will sponsor their VIP Christmas party catered by a local barbeque restaurant.

Both the Hudson Lions Club and the Granite Falls Lions Club are the only two remaining clubs of the Caldwell County Lions Association. Both clubs have formed a partnership in serving the community including large donations to the Caldwell County Food Bank, funds for cataract surgery, eye exams and glasses, Brighter Visions, children's diabetes fund, and sponsoring VIP's to Camp Dogwood and the outer banks fishing tournament. Within the last two years, the Hudson Lions club has given out 70 VSP gift certificates for eye exams and glasses within their community.





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50 YEARS OF SERVICE CELEBRATION

When a Lion reaches 50 years of service to their district, club, and community, that Lion deserves a grand gesture of recognition. I wish to congratulate Lion Bill Wells of the Rutherfordton Lions club, recognized for his years of dedication. On Saturday, June 24, 2023, Lion Bill was honored by his club members and guests at a special surprise dinner celebration. Club members presented him with a beautiful plaque. Lion Bill's family members were also present for this momentous event. Lion Bill has held many club officer positions over the years and most notably demonstrates the virtues of Lionism day in and day out.





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The Saint Stephens Lions Club also had planned to honor one of their own club members this month. Lion Everett Houston would be honored at a surprise dinner celebration for his 58 years of service to his club, district, and community. Sadly, Lion Everette passed away before the event could take place. Club President, Ricky Killian plans to present the

special plaque the club had made for Lion Everette to his family at a later date to be announced. Lion Everette will be missed.



We Serve





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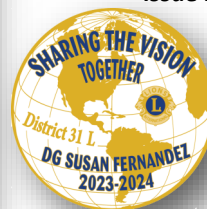
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Hudson Lions Club fundraiser



Our strawberry sales were great this year. We sold strawberries for 9 days (4 ½ weeks on Tuesday's and Thursday's), on average about 3 hours each day and sold a total of 600 – 2 gallon flats of strawberries. Our sales are fast and furious. Our customers usually start coming in before the truck arrives with the berries. Some of our members were not able to help at our sales this year due to various issues. Granite Falls Lions knew our situation. There wasn't a day that at least one of their members was there to help us and for this we were extremely grateful.

Our local newspaper came out and interviewed my husband, Wayne Parsons, who is

our president of the Hudson Lions Club. He and Lion Susan Long made the front page. The title of the article was "Lions Club's strawberry sale supports visually impaired". If you would like to read the complete article go to cdavis@newstopicnews.com. In the search box type lions, scroll down and you will find the picture and the article.

Strawberries are one of three fund raisers we have each year. Last year we started selling NC peaches, which was a success. This year we are hopeful to begin peach sales the second week of July.

Thank You,

Lion Rebecca Parsons





DAWSON HART
1st Vice District Governor



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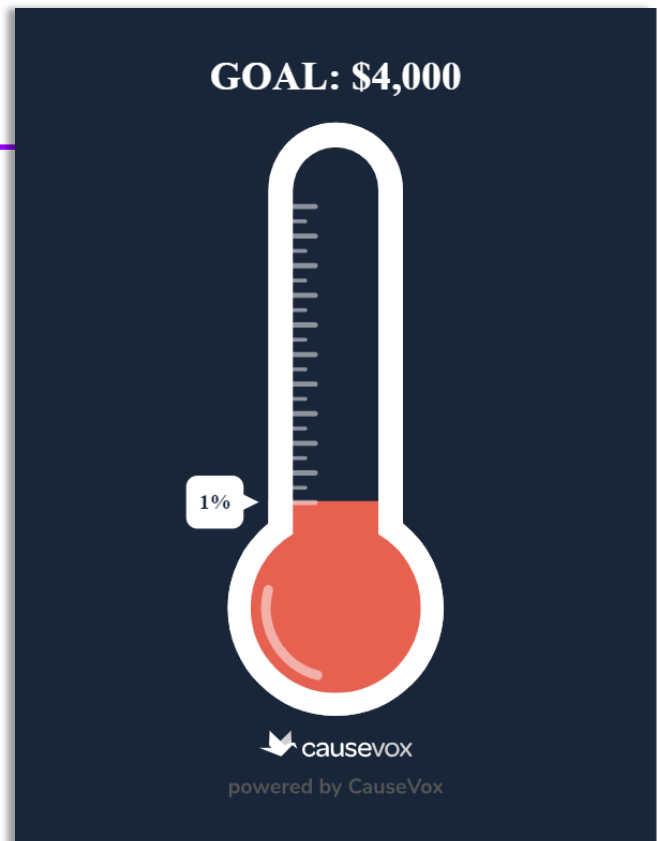
As this Lions year is coming to a quick close, I would like to thank DG Marilyn for all that she has done. It has been a pleasure serving with her team under her leadership. I look forward to an exciting new year serving as 1st Vice District Governor under the leadership of DG Elect Susan. As your incoming 1stVDG I am working hard to plan the upcoming fall district convention to be held in November. Family fun night will hold true to its name this Lions year with music and interactive games for the whole family. November may seem far away but it will be here before we know it. It is my goal that each club submit an advertisement for the convention ad booklet, whether it be purchased by your club or solicited from a local business. Also, the \$20 per club deal greatly helps the organization and operation of the hospitality room. Please send in your \$20.00 made payable to the Long View Lions Club, memo line: District Convention. Hospitality, to P.O. Box 1375, Icard, NC 28666. Thank you for all you do for your communities and for Lions.

Blessings,

Dawson Hart 2nd VDG

You make our district sparkle and shine!

Thank you to the Mount Holly Lions Club for your DG goal contributions since the last newsletter publication. Your contributions will assist the district in being able to continue these great programs and support of these well deserved causes.





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Hello Fellow Lions!

What an honor to serve as your Second Vice District Governor! I am looking forward to starting out the new year serving along with First Vice District Governor Dawson Hart and District Governor Susan Fernandez. What a great team to work with from the Cabinet, to the PDGs to everyday Lions in the trenches like you! I believe, if we pull together, we can do anything in this District!

I am looking forward to a great District L Brighter Visions Kick-off, Cabinet Meeting, and Installation of Officers on July 22 at Etowah, Lions Club. They are always such gracious hosts at events! I hope that each and every club that can, will contribute to Brighter Visions in the coming year as it is Vital to the survival of many of the programs and services that we provide in each and every community in our wonderful District L! We have a big goal ahead of us, but with your cooperation, we can do it! I look forward to continue to work with each and every one of you this Lions year!





DISTRICT 31L FALL CONVENTION ADSHEET

November 17-18, 2023

"Sharing the Vision Together"

DEADLINE: October 2, 2023

The District 31L Fall Convention Committee encourages your advertising participation in the annual program book. This year, the program book will be in full color throughout. Advertising by your clubs, members and community businesses is what ensures a successful fall convention. Why do we have a convention? Lions from District 31L gather to do the business of the district, meet our fellow Lions, fellowship, and pick up some new ideas to take back to our communities to make us better Lions. The Fall Convention Committee hopes that your club will participate at the full-page level but if this is not feasible, please participate at one of the other advertising levels. Each ad will be professionally designed, and a PDF Proof of ads will be provided to you for approval prior to printing. Our goal is to sell as many ads as possible. Please let your potential customer know that this can be written off as an advertising expense.

Name _____

E-Mail _____ Phone# _____

Ad Received by Lion _____ of the _____ Lions Club

Buyers Printed Name _____ Signature _____

Please check all that apply. Use separate sheet for each ad sold.

Full Page Ad \$100.00__ Half Page Ad \$50.00__

Quarter Page Ad \$25.00__ Inside Front/ Back or Back Cover \$200 __

New Ad, Copy Attached__ New Ad, Copy Emailed__

Use Ad from Last year__ Use Ad From last year with changes__

Make check payable to District 31L Fall Convention, mail the check/ad to Lion Tammy Thomas, 2685 Hopewell Church Rd., Sherrills Ford, NC 28673 or email ads to liontammy2020@gmail.com.

INTERNAL USE ONLY

Received Ad _____ Excel Line _____ Received Payment Check/Cash _____

Submission Guidelines: Send advertising materials in any of these formats: PDF, JPG, TIFF, EPS, PNG, Publisher or Word. Send your photos in the highest resolution possible. 300ppi preferred. Low resolution photos pixelate becoming blurry when increased in size.

Actual Ad sizes are as follows: Inside Front/Back and Back Cover - 8.5" x 11", Full Page Ad - 7.75" x 10.25", Half-Page Ad (horizontal) - 5" x 7.75", Quarter Page Ad - 3.75" x 5". All measurements width x height.

District 31L Receipt (cut or tear off for your records)

Paid _____ for a _____ page ad in the District 31L 2023 Fall Convention Book.

Check# _____ /Cash _____ Date: _____

Thank you from the District 31L Convention Committee



***DISTRICT 31L WISHES TO CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING LIONS AND CLUBS FOR BEING
RECOGNIZED AT OUR DISTRICT CELEBRATION AND AWARDS CEREMONY
SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 2023 FOR THEIR SERVICE TO THEIR DISTRICT AND COMMUNITIES.***

AMBASSADOR AWARD

Lion Johnny Berry – Rutherford College LC
Lion Curtis Erickson – Mills River LC

MELVIN JONES

Lion Wayne Houser – Long View LC
Lion Gordon Gilomen – Canton LC
Lion Debbie Bell – Hendersonville LC - Progressive

GLOBAL ACTION TEAM LEADERSHIP AWARD

Lion Alice-Faye Peugh – Long View LC

BEACON OF HOPE

Lion Mary Buckner – Valley Springs LC – Lighthouse
Lion Susan Fernandez – Etowah LC – Lamplighter
Lion Elizabeth Hart- Long View LC – Lighthouse
Lion Tammy Thomas – Sherrills Ford LC – LH Keeper
Lion Ramona Fox – Weaverville LC – Lighthouse
Lion Pat Stevens – Lincolnton LC – Lighthouse
Lion William Morrissey – Asheville Greater LC – Lighthouse
Lion Eileen Artavia – Sherrills Ford LC – LH Keeper
Lion Lora Brooks – Lincolnton LC – Lighthouse
Lion Tamara Strickley – Valdese LC – Lighthouse
Lion Faye Poovey – Lincolnton LC – Lighthouse
Lion David Bolick – Long View LC – Steps to Service
Lion Paulette Gasperson – Pisgah Forest LC – Steps to Service
Lion Carolyn Furman – West Hickory VIP LC – Supporter

WILLIAM WOLLARD

Lion Dawson Hart – Long View LC – Founder
Lion Kathryn Nichols – Etowah LC – Supporter
Lion Clay Plemmons – Candler LC – Founder
Lion Fay Kobland – Lake Lure LC – Founder
Lion Doris White – Newton LC – Founder
Lion Connie Sue Monday – Claremont LC-Founder
Lion Barbara El-Khoury – Andrews LC – Founder
Lion Deborah Hicks – Etowah LC – Knight
Lion Joe Penland–Greater Asheville LC- Supporter

DISTRICT 31L POINTS CONTEST

Hendersonville LC

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER AWARD

Lion Deborah Hicks – Etowah LC

CLUB NEWSLETTER AWARD

Lion Michael Schwartz - Gastonia Evening LC

LIONS CLUB OF THE MONTH AWARD

Andrews LC
Saint Stevens LC

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Lion Deborah Hicks – Etowah LC
Lion Joe Penland – Greater Asheville LC



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Your 2023 Executive Board Members

Lion George Suggs, PDG installed the WNC Lions officers for the upcoming 2023-2024 Lions Year.

Officers are as pictured "President and Assistant Treasurer: Lion Curtis Erickson, PDG; Treasurer: Lion Fred Huscher, Asst. Secretary: Lion Connie Sue Monday; Secretary: Lion Tammy Thomas; 1st Vice President: DG Marilyn Wunderler; Not pictured - 2nd Vice President: Lion Max Bumgardner, PDG; 3rd Vice President: 2nd VDGE Eileen Artavia; Past President 1st VDGE Dawson Hart.

At large Board Members:

Lion Kathy Nichols, Lion Larry Moore, Lion Bob Roland, Lion Laura Brooks, Lion Roz Cantania



Members from District 31 L enjoying the meeting.

If you are interested in learning more about the McCune Center or if you have a passion for serving and would like to be a part of the Western NC Board. Please contact one of the current Members.



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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 GASPERSO PCC

DISTRICT CHAIR FOR DIABETES

E-MAIL: lfgasperso@comporium.net

HOME: 828-883-8596

CELL: 828-384-0057

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North Carolina Lions
**Camp
Dogwood**
THE SUMMER DESTINATION
FOR THE
VISUALLY IMPAIRED & BLIND
**VIP CAMPERS ENJOY THE FIRST
SESSION OF CAMP!**





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Calling All Lions of District 31L



**District Governor Elect Susan Fernandez
Welcomes you to Roar into 2023-2024**

July 22, 2023

12:00 Noon

Etowah Lions Club
447 Etowah School Road
Hendersonville, NC 28739

- ✓ Brighter Visions Kickoff
- ✓ District Officer Installation
- ✓ 1st Cabinet Meeting of the Year

Lunch will be provided.

RSVP to DGE Susan Fernandez at sl29470@bellsouth.net

by July 16, 2023

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**NORTH CAROLINA LIONS FOUNDATION
CAMP DOGWOOD
7062 Camp Dogwood Drive Sherrills Ford NC
Eye Glass Sorting**

Please complete form and return by August 18,2023

August 31-September 6, 2023

NAME _____

NAME (roommate) _____

DAYTIME PHONE NO. _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

LIONS CLUB _____ **DISTRICT** _____

ARRIVAL DATE _ (Rooms not available until 3pm on 8/31) _____

DEPARTURE DATE _ (CHECK OUT OF ROOM IS AT 9 AM ON THE 6TH.) _____

NUMBER OF PERSONS Occupying room _____

Day Attendee Only _____

Space is limited. Roommates are suggested...

NUMBER EATING MEALS:

	8/31/23	9/1/23	9/2/23	9/3/23	9/4/23	9/5/23	9/6/23
Breakfast	<u>xx</u>						
Lunch	<u>xx</u>						<u>Xx</u>
Dinner							<u>xx</u>

Please, remember that camp staff will be preparing food to accommodate the number of people signing up for each meal. If you find that you will not be at camp for a certain meal, please notify April so that meal preparation can be adjusted.

PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN August 18,2023

Return to April George at April@nclf.org



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State of North Carolina

Department of Health and Human Services

Division of Health Service Regulation

Adult Care Rating Certificate



Rating Score: 100.00

Marjorie McCune Memorial Center

License #: HAL-011-011

101 Lions Way

Black Mountain, NC 28711

Rating Summary:

Base Points:	+100.00 points
Total Demerits:	-3.50 points
Total Merits:	+3.50 points

Score Calculation:

Base Points +/- merits/demerits = Rating Score
 100.00 base points - 3.50 demerits + 3.50 merits = 100.00

Star Rating Key:

Four Stars	100 points or greater
Three Stars	90.0 - 99.0 points
Two Stars	80.0 - 89.0 points
One Star	70.0 - 79.9 points
Zero Stars	69.9 and lower

* Facilities must obtain two consecutive 100 point or greater annual surveys to earn a Four Star Rating.

Date of Inspection: April 26, 2023 - Annual Inspection

Date Issued: May 30, 2023

For more information about Star Rating Program and inspection results, please go to the

DHSR web address: <http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr/>

Authorized by:

Secretary, N.C. Department of Health and Human Services



Director, Division of Health Service Regulation



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AD FORM

2023 NORTH CAROLINA LIONS VIP FISHING TOURNAMENT 40TH ANNIVERSARY SOUVENIR PROGRAM OCT.16-18, 2023



AD DEADLINE: SEPT. 15, 2023

NAME OF CLUB, BUSINESS OR INDIVIDUAL: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY/STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE INCLUDE PAYMENT WITH AD DESIGN

CASH \$ _____

CHECK # _____

CREDIT CARD

CARD # _____

EXP. DATE: ____/____/____ ZIP: _____ CVV# _____

PLEASE CHECK BOX INDICATING THE AD SIZE

BACK COVER	\$1,500	<input type="checkbox"/>
INSIDE F/B COVER	\$1,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
FULL PAGE (8 1/2 x 11)	\$300	<input type="checkbox"/>
HALF PAGE (HORIZONTAL)	\$200	<input type="checkbox"/>
HALF PAGE (VERTICAL)	\$200	<input type="checkbox"/>
QUARTER PAGE	\$125	<input type="checkbox"/>
BUSINESS CARD	\$75	<input type="checkbox"/>

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO

NC LIONS VIP FISHING TOURNAMENT, INC.

MAIL FORM, PAYMENT & AD COPY TO

NC LIONS VIP FISHING TOURNAMENT, INC.
PO BOX 140
COLUMBIA, NC 27925

IF APPLICABLE, E-MAIL AD FILE TO
WHITEINK1@EARTHLINK.NET

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT LION MICHAEL H. SCHWARTZ
704-854-5315 OR SCHWARTZ5483@GMAIL.COM



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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."**



**Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION**



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2023 CAMP DOGWOOD

\$15,000 RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations



CONGRATULATIONS to the Southport Lions Club for being the
Grand Prize Winner \$15,000 Cash Giveaway.
Drawing held June 15, 2013

2nd place \$500, Pat KoKo

3rd place \$400, Randy Floyd of Lumberton

4th Place \$300, Ben Vanhoy of Rockwell

5th Place \$200, Brooks and Jane Barnhardt of Oakboro

Thank you all for all you do for Camp Dogwood!



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Weaverville Lions Club Classic Car Show

**Free
Admission
to the
Public**



**\$20
Registration
per
Vehicle**

**Saturday July
15th, 2023
Car Registration
9:00 am
until Noon**



Weaverville Primary School Ball

**Food
Available**

Field

**Car
Awards**

**Raffle
Drawings**

**All proceeds will benefit Weaverville Lions Club
and help provide Local Community Support**

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Year End Review

KidSight Success

Never Ending Need for
Vision Education

**A Mission to Care,
Support and Help
Our North Carolina
Citizens**

The North Carolina Lions

Foundation is a 501(c)3

nonprofit organization

established in 1934. As the

official charitable organization

for the Lions of North Carolina

and working closely with

community based North

Carolina Lions Clubs, we

collectively enrich the lives

of those blind and visually

impaired, offer needed services

for those less fortunate in each

community and a hallmark of

continuous support of research

for health related issues

concerning vision and overall

wellness of all our citizens.



Something Old is Now Something New, a Name Regeneration of Our Foundation

Carlton Metts, NCLF Executive Director

At the May 7, 2023 North Carolina Lions, Incorporated Board of Directors meeting a motion was made and passed to reestablish the ole name of the North Carolina Lions Foundation, Incorporated. It has been a little over ten years since the change took place with hopes of a larger corporate participation but the ole name never went away.

So here we are with fresh restart of actually what we really are and that is a foundation. It did cause a little confusion with some of our donors thinking we were a Lions Club verses being a 501(c)3 Nonprofit Foundation.

The ole acronym of NCLF will become synonymous with NCLI utilizing both domains piggybacked with each other. The domains www.nclionsinc.org and www.ncf.org will be transparent to the user for a while before dropping the NCLI.

This should be in effect by July 1, 2023. The email addresses with follow suit such as carlton@nclionsinc.org and carlton@n-clf.org. The nclionsinc.org will be phased out at the appropriate time.

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New Member Roll Call 2023-2024



We Serve

May 2022

Matthew Duncan—Edneyville Community LC

June 2023

James Boff—Granite Falls LC

Jeannie O. Oliver—Hendersonville LC

Brittany Guerrero—Sherrills Ford LC



The road to success!

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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

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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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