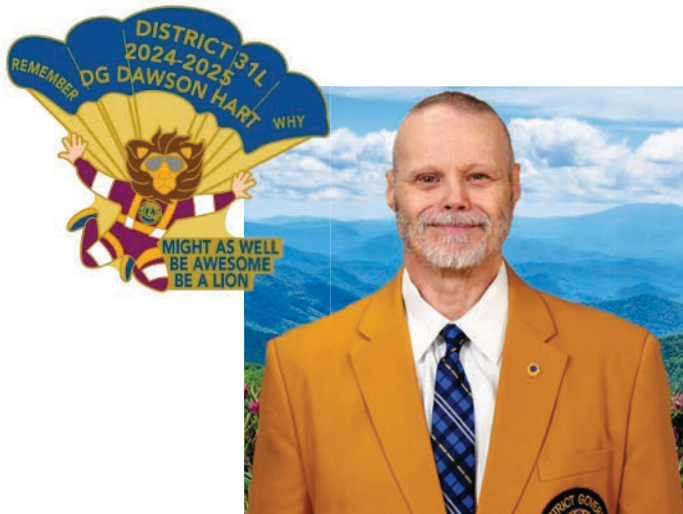


MD31L NEWS: FEBRUARY 2025



DISTRICT GOVERNOR, DAWSON HART

District 31L Lions,

Let's all welcome our newly installed Second Vice District Governor Dick Wilcox of the Etowah Lions Club.

DISTRICT CONVENTION:

turn in ASAP: registration form-pg22, booklet advertisement form-pg23 [new due date February 20th]

~Contact Lion CC George with **donations for the auction** [pg 14]. We would like to have idea of how many items will be in the auction.

~Be sure to wear your best **Wizard of Oz** costume on Family Fun Night. Prizes will be awarded for the top three costumes.

~Bring your spare change to family fun night to **pie DG Dawson for a good cause**



~ There will be a seminar session to help those needing assistance learning to navigate the new Lions portal on Saturday afternoon.

Thank you to the clubs, cabinet, and district chairpersons who have sent in your reports.

***Moving forward, if clubs continue to submit the monthly district service reporting form, this will save a lot of headaches for everyone involved.**

~Instead of a sea of emails and phone calls for all, keep a list of applicable information from the form as you go through the month, then submit. It doesn't have to be written on the form, we just need the important information from it. It will be posted and all members will have access to it in the member portal of the district website. ANY Lions club member can submit this, it DOES NOT have to be the secretary.

~ **Why don't you just reports on LCI?** This is not conducive to district needs.

-This would require a single click on every single project from each club a lions leader wanted to see.

- A district report is not available in the portal system.

- District report only provided to the Global Service Team only includes a number of service projects completed & people served for each global cause, no other details included.

~**What does district monthly reporting do for me?** With one click every lion has access to all the service projects of every club, just scroll to find the desired club, or scroll to get inspiration, ideas, and collaborate.

The updated cumulative district-wide service report will be posted in the district website member portal in the coming days. For help access this, contact Lion Liz Hart.

Presidents & Secretaries: Please make sure you keep the reporting of your members, new and deceased, officer changes, and contact information up to date in the portal. This helps our Lions team how we are doing, know how we can be of support, and who best to contact and how. Please also give your zone chair a call or shoot them a text so that DG Dawson can call immediately to welcome lions, send condolences, and change email lists. Thank you for all you do!

I hope to see you all at the district cabinet meeting. There is no cost for the meal. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

MD31L NEWS: FEBRUARY 2025



1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR,
EILEEN ARTAVIA

Good day Lions of District 31L!

This year has been tough for our District, but as Lions and Neighbors of Western North Carolina we are resilient! Many Lions from all over the country have helped us. During our time of need, and the help is continuing to come in! I am very thankful for our Governor, who has handled the situation with much hard work and dedication to the Lions of this District! Also, I would like to thank Council Chair George Suggs and Lion Tammy McClean, our District LCIF Coordinator, for all their hard work delivering Supplies to our neighbors most in need! Many other Lions around the District have quietly been working behind the scenes, not for recognition, but because there is a need, so the Lions are here! Although it will take years for WNC to recover fully, it warms my heart to see all the efforts to get to the new normal! I am so grateful to witness and be part of the efforts to help our fellow man! To those that lost everything, my prayers are with you all! If you need anything, please reach out to me at.



2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR,
RICHARD "DICK" WILCOX

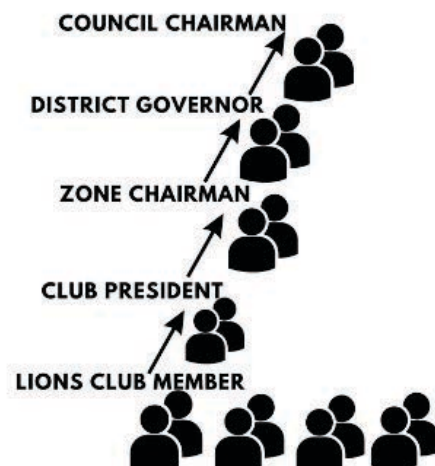
Hello I am Richard Dick Wilcox newly installed 2nd VDG for District L. I have been a member of the Etowah Lions for 6 years and have served in a variety of positions including Club president. I am a transplant to North Carolina moving here in 2017 from western New York. While I am relatively new to LIONS, but I am no stranger to community service organizations. I have been a member of the Grange for 59 years and the Knights of Columbus for 30 years. I look forward to serving the LIONS in this capacity and will pledge my commitment to assisting the Governor in whatever he asks. I reside in Hendersonville with my partner in service Janice. We have 2 adult children living in the area and 1 granddaughter.

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LIONS CHAIN OF COMMAND

WHO SHOULD I ASK FOR HELP?



Submitting Newsletter Stories, #WhyIAmALion & Rooted in Lions Submissions

When: continuously

[stories submitted by the 15th of each month will be guaranteed in the next newsletter edition]

How: email elizabethkhart@gmail.com

****Please submit text separately from pictures**** No PDF format accepted

NOT SURE about the format jargon?

Just email me and I will help make sure your story gets heard

Directory Updates

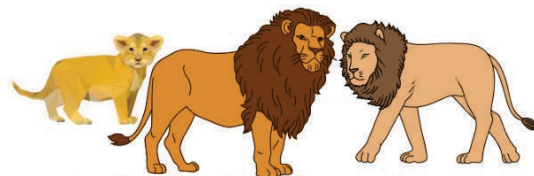
Newton Lions Club
President email
address updated

New Treasurer for
Newton Lions Club

New President for
Hot Springs Lions

NEED HELP? REACH OUT TO DG DAWSON

WHETHER IT BE AN EXTRA HAND AT AN EVENT OR TALKING THROUGH STRATEGIES AND PLANS, GIVE HIM AND HIS TEAM A CALL: DON'T DELAY. REMEMBER WE ARE ONE BIG TEAM & FAMILY



In this family we love and support one another.

**“Make Your Mark” ~International President Frabricio Oliveira
With the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, the future holds unknowns. Below for your reference are scheduled dates, hoping these may still be able to occur.**

February

2/7-2/9: NC Lions Foundation Board Meetings Weekend

2/15: District Cabinet Meeting at Etowah Clubhouse; ALL ARE WELCOME!

2/20: District Convention Ads DUE

2/22: Long View Lions Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

2/23: District Convention Planning Meeting via Zoom

March

3/14 @ 11am: Zone 5 Port-a-Chicken

3/14-3/15: District Convention at Camp Dogwood; REGISTRATION IS OPEN! [Cabinet meeting Saturday afternoon]

3/20-3/22: Regional Learning Leadership Institute at Camp Dogwood; Contact DG Dawson if interested

3/22: Long View Lions Chili Cookoff Fundraiser; Rutherford College Lions Ham Day Fundraiser

April

4/3-4/9: Clean Up Week at Camp Dogwood

4/11-4/13: NC Lions State Convention in Greensboro [District Cabinet Meeting on Sunday Session]

3/22: Long View Lions Chili Cookoff Fundraiser

WORLD LEOS CLUBS MONTH - CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH- ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS MONTH

May

5/4-5/6: NC Lions Foundation Board Meetings Weekend

Camp Dogwood Season Begins - COME VOLUNTEER - WE NEED YOU!

June

COME VOLUNTEER AT CAMP DOGWOOD - WE NEED YOU!

6/14: End of Year Celebration at Camp Dogwood at 12Noon

Email newsletter editor Lion Liz to get your club's upcoming fundraiser on the calendar

What to Say to Comfort Someone After a Natural Disaster

“I’m so grateful you are safe.” “It’s okay to feel overwhelmed.”

“I wish I could take away your pain.”

“I’m thinking of you and your family.” “Your safety is what’s most important.”

“I’m so sorry you’re facing this situation.”

“You don’t have to go through this alone.” “Take all the time you need to process this.”

“I’m so sorry for what you’re going through.”

“I can’t imagine how hard this must be for you.” “You’ve got a lot of people who care about you.”

“You’ve been through so much; it is okay to rest.”

“It’s okay if you don’t feel like yourself right now.” “It’s okay if you are not ready to talk about it yet.”

“You’ve already been so brave through all of this

“You are not alone, even when it feels like you are.” “You are allowed to feel upset, angry, or frustrated.”

“Let me know if you need a break from everything.”

“It is completely normal to feel how you are feeling.”

“You’ve made it through the worst; now it’s time to heal.” “It’s okay to feel shaken but know that you are still standing.”

“Don’t worry about anything, just focus on yourself right now.”

“There’s no right or wrong way to feel after something like this.”

“How are you feeling today? No pressure to talk, just checking in.” “You’re not expected to be ‘okay’ right now. Take the time you need.”

“You don’t have to worry about anything other than healing right now.”

CALLING

ALL



PLEASE RSVP

BY

DISTRICT CABINET MEETING
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH
12 NOON
ETOWAH LIONS CLUBHOUSE
447 ETOWAH SCHOOL RD.
HENDERSONVILLE, NC

MEAL MENU:
PULLED PORK, BAKED BEANS, COLESLAW, SALAD, ROLLS
FLAN, COOKIES
SODA, TEA, WATER, AND COFFEE

NO CHARGE FOR MEAL, DONATIONS ACCEPTED
FUNDS COLLECTED WILL GO TOWARDS CHILDHOOD CANCER

ALL LIONS ARE WELCOMED &
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

RSVP TO IPDG SUSAN FERNANDEZ AND DG DAWSON HART AT
SL29470@BELLSOUTH.NET & DAWSONHART313@GMAIL.COM
PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR NAME, CLUB NAME, AND NUMBER IN YOUR PARTY

What is Camp Dogwood?



- friends at a home away from home; truly family
- no limits to possibilities
- boat rides, kayaking, fishing, swimming
- Braille Art, tie-dyeing, & other tactile crafts
- Bingo
- nail painting
- temporary tattoos
- educational seminars
- talent show
- playing the piano
- s'mores by the campfire
- archery & bb gun range
- recreation room: billiards, air hockey, & more
- putt-putt
- nature trail, exercise class, dancing
- devotions, flag raising
- beep ball, beeping Easter egg hunt, beeping basketball, and other adaptive sports
- a forever life changing experience AND SO MUCH MORE!!!



**What are you waiting for...
come visit and volunteer today!**



SCAN THE QR CODE, SIGN UP FOR CLEAN UP WEEK @ EYEGLOSS SORTING



SPRUCING UP THE CAMPUS FOR CAMPERS

MEET AND FELLOWSHIP WITH LIONS
FROM ACROSS THE STATE

FREE BOARD & MEALS WITH REGISTRATION

North Carolina Lions



North Carolina Lions



A ROAD FOR HAPPY CAMPERS

The last time campers went on off campus trips was during summer session 2019. Since then, every year campers have requested to bring this aspect of camp back, but WE need YOU to make this possible!

SEEKING BUS DRIVER VOLUNTEERS

To make this a possibility, we need to ensure that we have 2 bus volunteer drivers for each session

REQUIREMENTS

A free background check completed for insurance purposes

Hold a valid driver's license with no reports for 3 years.

Provide a copy of your valid driver's license

Participate and complete a short series of free online training videos on sexual abuse and any other topics required by insurance

Commit to your session and driving the bus for the scheduled trips during your session

Be able to operate and park a 15-passenger bus in various types of traffic

INTERESTED?

Email tammy@nclf.org for more information

A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE...





Currently hiring camp counselors and lifeguards and seeking lions volunteers for all sessions!

Camp Sessions
 May 25th - May 29th
 June 1st - June 5th
 June 8th - June 12th
 June 22nd - June 26th
 June 29th - July 3rd
 July 6th - July 10th
 July 13th - July 17th

Camper Application



Caregiver Application



Volunteer Application



Theme for Summer 2025

SANTA'S SUMMER WORKSHOP

Ugly T-shirt Contest

EACH SESSION | FREE ENTRY

Bring a T-shirt to camp and we will supply the rest.

ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR ACTIVITIES AT CAMP IS



CAMPERS LOVE WINNING "BINGO BUCKS" TO SHOP WITH IN THE CAMP STORE FOR SOUVENIRS & FOR ICE CREAM AND SNACKS IN THE CAMP SNACK SHOP

SEEKING...BINGO SPONSORSHIPS

- each bingo game is worth \$5 or more for the camper winner
- donate any amount of \$ for camper bingo bucks
- your club's name will be announced at the bingo night
- if you can, we would love to have you come volunteer on your bingo night, but understand if you are only able to make a monetary donation.

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE
 Make donations payable to NCLF with "Bingo Bucks" on the memo line

REMEMBER WHY



Childhood
Cancer



Diabetes
Awareness



Disaster
Relief



Environment



Humanitarianism



Hunger



Vision



Youth

GOAL: 1 SERVICE PROJECT PER CLUB FOR EACH OF THE 8 GLOBAL CAUSES DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

LET'S FILL THIS PAGE UP WITH SERVICE!



The Long View Lions doing their quarterly street cleanup for the NCDOT Adopt-a-Highway Program. They removed 9 bags of trash from the streets.



Etowah Lions Club
20 pints of blood collected



Rutherford College Lions sponsored a lane at East Burke Middle School's Archery Tournament



Long View Lions provides a vision screening for Walkin' and Roll Activities League- an activity and sports league for persons of all abilities- during Lions United Vision Days.



Lion Chuck David, Chair of the Lake Lure Lions Club's Helene Relief Committee presents a \$5,000 check to Barbara Cohen, School Director, and Mitchel McNeely, Operations Director of the Lake Lure Classical Academy. Due to all the road closures bus routes have lengthened and buses need to travel high speed interstate roads causing expensive repairs for their used buses.



Long View Lions hosted a pancake breakfast fundraiser



The Lake Lure Lions Helene Relief Committee purchased appliances, range, refrigerator, washer and dryer for a couple whose home was flooded three feet. WFC Watson out of Columbus sold the appliances and is keeping them until the home is repaired enough to install them. Construction on this home should begin in February. Thank you!



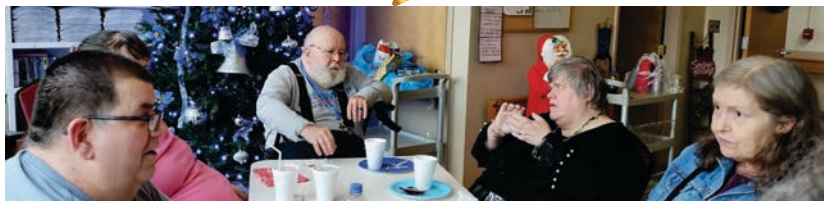
The Long View Lions Club, Claremont Lions Club, and community volunteers from JustServe.Org, Lenoir-Rhyne University, and Hickory Christian Academy worked together at the Backpack Program of The Corner Table to fill over 1,200 food bags that will go home with less fortunate school children.



McCune Moments



+ ✨
2025
✨ Happy ✨
New Year
✨ +



The cottage ladies enjoyed a Mardi Gras party with a New Orleans' King Cake!





McCune Moments



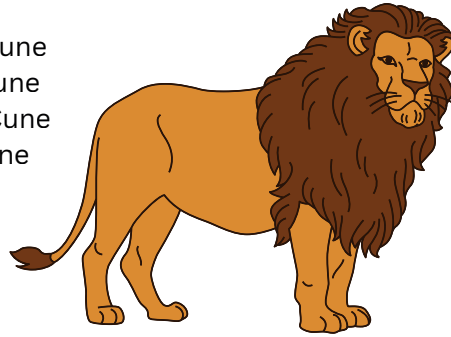
The residents enjoyed visiting with therapy dogs brought by Groce United Methodist Church in Asheville.



Welcome to our PRIDE

July 2024

Barbara Allison- Black Mountain McCune
Carl Andersen- Black Mountain McCune
Carolyn Hughes- Black Mountain McCune
Grant Helms- Black Mountain McCune
Chuck David Jr.- Lake Lure
Christina Towery- Sherrills Ford



November 2024

Donald Hale- Andrews
Joy Lynn-Hale- Andrews
Denise Hansen- Erwin District
Brian Alper- Franklin
Karen Alper- Franklin
Bruce Albury- St. Stephens
Jennifer Albury- St. Stephens
Beverly Phillips- St. Stephens
Brent Phillips- St. Stephens

August 2024

Gary Ridenour- Asheville Greater
Alma Bush- Black Mountain McCune
Luke Farmer- Candler
Lindsey Farmer- Candler

September 2024

Charles Vanderkolk- Weaverville
JoAnna Vanderkolk- Weaverville

October 2024

Julia Gaines- Weaverville
Jeff Oxendine- Long View

December 2024

Billy Mitchell- Black Mountain McCune
Chuck Smith- Black Mountain McCune
Vera Lowery- Lincolnton

January 2025

Joshua Denton- Hendersonville
Danelle Drake- Sand Hill
James Drake- Sand Hill



Prayer Requests



Please pray for Lion Cassandra
and her husband Lion Patrick of the
Spruce Pine Club
as she goes through chemotherapy
in her fight against cancer.

Please pray for health
for Lion Bonnie of the
Lincolnton Club.
Please continue to pray for
Lion Tony
of the Franklin Club
and his mother's health.

Until we

Lion Ethel Rhodes
1 year of service
Hendersonville Lions Club

Lion Katie Fleming
23 years of service
Newton Lions Club

RIP



meet again

Lion William Richard Hood Sr.
18 years of service
Rutherfordton Lions Club

Ronald McDaniels
29 years of service
St. Stephens Lions Club

2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNER IS INDUCTED



Lion Richard "Dick" Wilcox of the Etowah Lions Club is officially your 2nd Vice District Governor for the remainder of this Lions year.

#Why_I_Am_A_Lion

Lion Barbara of Andrews



Growing up in Lionism:

My dad was in lions over 50 years. As a young girl, I remember him dressing up to go to meetings. On Ladies night, mom would do the same. Some meetings would be held at a member's home. My brothers, sisters, and I loved it when mom hosted because we were allowed to help serve refreshments. It was a thrill for us to walk into the living room to be with so many finely dressed men and women. Growing up, over the years, I would gain many more memories including as a teenager campaigning for dad when he was running for District Governor and going door to door selling mops, brooms, and light bulbs.

From a young age, my parents taught my siblings and me to show love and to help anyone in need.

In the early 80's my parents started a local food bank out of our family store, Khouri's Department Store. The Lions Club took over the food bank when it became too much to handle which they still run to this day, the Cherokee County Food Bank, Inc.

Joining the Lion Pride:

After I retired, I joined the Lions Club in honor of my dad. At the time, he was in the nursing home and not able to remain actively involved in Lions; however, his memory is forever engrained in our community and our Lions Club. Our club named an award in his honor that I have been humbled to receive. I have served as President for the last five years and look forward to mentoring our Vice President who is stepping up in July along with continuing all the other community service work in which I am involved. Andrews is a little mountain town with a big heart, and I LOVE being a lion.

THE MOUNTAINEER

INFORMING, ENGAGING AND INSPIRING OUR COMMUNITY SINCE 1884



Congratulations to Canton NC Lions Club member and Pisgah LEO Club Sponsor Stephanie Morgan! We are so happy that all your hard work is being recognized and celebrated!! Scan the QR Code to read the article in the local newspaper, The Mountaineer.



The Etowah Lions Club honored one of their long-time standing community volunteers who has provided years of dedication in assisting their lions club, with a Melvin Jones award. It was a heartfelt moment as Roy's family was directly impacted by the effects of Hurricane Helene and the donations that were given towards the Melvin Jones Fellow to the Lions International Foundation were earmarked for disaster relief.

Lions support Lions

**District 31L
Fall Convention
Tail Twister Auction to
benefit**



- Donations Wanted**
- solicit local businesses
 - new or like-new items
 - gift cards
 - travel & service packages
 - artisan work
 - ...and more

Contact Convention Auction Chair
PDG George Suggs, Council Chair
at
gesuggs@aol.com
for more information



Zone 5
Port-A-Pit Chicken
March 14th 11am



Rutherford College Lions Club
Ham Day
March 22nd



LONG VIEW LIONS


SPAGHETTI DINNER

**50/50
RAFFLE**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO BACK INTO THE LOCAL
COMMUNITY AND LIONS CLUBS CHARITIES**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND
 4:30PM - 6:30PM
 LONG VIEW RECREATION CENTER
 3107 2ND AVENUE NW, HICKORY, NC 28601

MENU: SPAGHETTI, SIDE SALAD, GARLIC BREAD,
 DESSERT, BEVERAGE

COST: ADULTS \$10,
 KIDS 11 YEARS OLD & UNDER \$6,
 KIDS 5 YEARS OLD & UNDER FREE

**THE LONG VIEW LIONS
CLUB PRESENTS
CHILI
COOK-OFF**

Long View Recreation Center
 3107 2nd Ave. NW
 Hickory, NC 28601 4:00-6:00 PM
 Across the street from the Hickory Airport Runway

**1ST PLACE \$100, 2ND PLACE
\$75, 3RD PLACE \$50**

For entry information,
 email
 chili@longviewlions.org


\$10

DRINKS, CORNBREAD, HOT DOGS, DESSERT,
 AND ALL YOU CAN EAT CHILI, OPPORTUNITY
 DRAWINGS, AND FAMILY ACTIVITY AREA
 KIDS 11 & UNDER \$5
 AGES 3 & UNDER FREE

All proceeds
 go back into local community
 and Lions Club charities!

**Sponsored by
 Long View Drug**

We will be taking a vote to endorse PCC Gary Steele as a NC Candidate for International Director at our upcoming district cabinet meeting on February 15th.





July 13th-17th

Come support our NC Candidate running for International Director, Lion Gary Steele

Promote Lion Gary by passing out literature about his candidacy at the convention.

Both Lion Gary and his wife Lion Elizabeth are military veterans and very active lions always welcoming to lend a helping hand and serve in many leadership roles.



**The Lovely Lion Pair
Gary and Elizabeth Steele**

- Member of Cleveland Lions Club of District 31I for 22 years
- Past District Governor of Multiple District 31E [district level]
- Past Council Chair of Multiple District 31 [state level]
- Served several chairman positions on a district and multiple district (state) level
- Current Multiple District Council of Governor's Secretary/Treasurer [state level]
- Coordinator, Facilitator, and Moderator for Lions University and the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum
- Past President of NC Lions Multiple District 31 Past District Governor Organization
- Group Leader of First Vice District Governor School/District Governor School 2020
- Recipient of many Lion Fellowships and Awards
- ...and many more...

Other Leadership Experience:

Past Member of the Board of Governors for Piedmont Players Theater, Salisbury
 Elder at Third Creek Presbyterian Church, Cleveland
 Graduate University of Maryland University College,
 Bachelors Degree in Management Studies
 21 Year Military Veteran, Retired First Sergeant Class

Leaving a Legacy

Remembering Late PDG Joe El-Khourri



In 2014, the N.C. Department of Transportation named Bridge No. 92 in Andrews the “Joe El-Khourri Bridge.” The Joe El-Khourri Bridge spans over the Valley River at Robbinsville Road and Wilhide Street.



Joe was a father, husband, military veteran, and devoted community member by various means including a Lion. He was a native of Lebanon and came to the United States in 1949 where he would meet his wife to be Rose. Shortly after Joe became a naturalized citizen, Rose and Joe moved to their forever home, Andrews, NC where they raised 7 children. They purchased and operated Khourri’s Department Store for over 30 years and started a food bank out of the department store when they saw the need amongst their customers. This food bank is still under operation under the name of Cherokee County Food Bank, Inc. by the Andrews Lions Club.

The El-Khouris were the town’s first Catholics and held the first Catholic masses in their home. In addition to being an active member of the Andrews Lions Club and serving as District Governor in 1971-1972, Joe was also a board member of Western Carolina University Board of Visitors, Cherokee County United Way, the American Red Cross, Andrews Chamber of Commerce, Board of the Daniel Boone Council of Boy Scouts, and many other area and statewide organizations. There is much more that could be said about the beautiful family of Joe and Rose El-Khourri. Their hearts were strong in community service, Lions, and their town of Andrews. They will forever be remembered.



Joe El-Khourri
District Governor MD31A
1971-1972
Andrews Lions Club



Partner-in-Service
Rose El-Khourri

Explore your district website for resources



www.nclions31l.org

District 31L Lions Clubs of WNC

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Legal Documents & Forms
District Goals
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WNC Lions Foundation
NC Lions Foundation

Bylaws & Policies

- NCLF By-Laws
- State Constitution & By-Laws (2022 Update)
- District 31L Constitution & By-Laws
- WNC Lions By-Laws
- District 31L District Policy and Procedures Manual
- Fall Convention By-Laws

Forms & Infographics

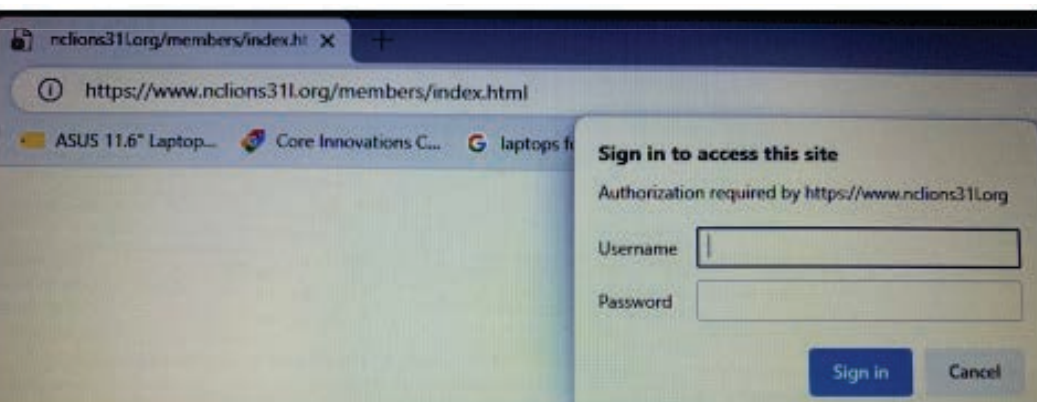
- District 31L Monthly Service Reporting Form 24-25 (PDF)
- District 31L Monthly Service Reporting Form 24-25 (WORD)
- McCune Honorarium Form (PDF)
- Bill Osborne Fellowship (PDF)
- Money Sending Guide (PDF)
- Award Support Documents (PDF)
- Where Do My Lions Club Dues Go? (PDF)
- DG Goals Explained (PDF)
- M-26 Club Visitation Report (PDF)
- Brighter Visions Information (PDF)
- Understanding Lions Entities (PDF)
- Lions Club Charities, Entities, and Foundations (PDF)
- New Member Guide (PDF)
- Levels of Lionism (PDF)
- Lions Chain of Command (PDF)
- Understanding Lions Leadership Levels (PDF)

AID

- Cane Request Form
- Vision Screening Policy (Updated 5/22)
- VSP Request Form (PDF)
- VSP Request Form (en español) - Must contact local Lions Club to complete request process.
- Social Workers & Agencies

District 31L Lions Clubs of WNC

District 31L LIONS CLUBS HOME Administration About District 31L District 31L Projects Resources Contact Us **MEMBER LOGIN**



Use the login information shared by your club secretary OR

Reach out to Lion Liz Hart, Virtual Technology Chair for the login info.

In this password protected portal you can access the most up to date district directory and cumulative district service reporting log of all club activities for the entire lions year.

WHY REPORT SERVICE TO DISTRICT?

District 31L Monthly Service Reporting Form

Club Name: _____ Month and Year: _____

8 Global Causes: [include project/activity description, approximate number of people served/# of items collected (for collection drives), name of organization/charity served, amount of \$ donated, etc.]

Childhood Cancer _____
 Diabetes Awareness _____
 Disaster Relief _____
 Environment _____
 Humanitarianism _____
 Hunger _____
 Vision _____
 Youth _____
 Fundraisers: _____

Points Contest Information:

Membership:

of new members _____ # of Lions attending Club Building exercise _____
 Organize and sponsor new club, branch club, or LEO club _____
 # of Lions fulfills Guiding Lion qualifications _____
 # of club officers completed officer training during the month _____
 check for club maintained club website per month _____
 check for club maintained social media page [Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.] per month _____

District Financial Goals

\$ _____ contributed to NCLF \$ _____ contributed to the McCune Community
 \$ _____ contributed to LCIF
 \$ _____ contributed to sale of Camp Dogwood Tickets
 # of VIP Participants Sponsored to the VIP Fishing Tournament _____
 # of VIP Participants Sponsored to Camp Dogwood Camp Session _____

Membership Involvement

of recycled products to NCLF _____ # of Lions participating in McCune Clean Up Day _____
 # of Lions participating in Camp Dogwood Clean Up Week _____
 # of Lions participating as a week-long volunteer at Camp Dogwood (per session) _____
 # of Lions participating as a VIP Fishing Tournament event volunteer _____
 Lions Prowls [visit of at least 2 club members to another club] _____
 Visit of at least 2 club members to zone meeting _____
 Visit of at least 2 club members to district cabinet meeting _____
 # of Lions attending district, state, and/or international convention _____

- **Your service is available for any district lion to view in the password protected member portal of the district website.**
- **Share ideas and know be able to reach out to clubs to learn more about starting projects like theirs**
- **Lion leaders can easily access information about your club's service without all the extra emails...**
- **Zone Chairs can get the info they need**
- **The DG can get the information he needs for quarterly reports for the Council of Governors**
- **The Global Service Team can get the information he needs**
- **And various district chairman can get the information they need on service related to their position...**

**-The McCune Liaison
 -District Vision Chair
 -Boys and Girls Homes Chair
 -VIP Fishing Tournament Chair
 -Diabetes Awareness Chair
 -Leo Club Chair
 ...AND MORE**

We understand that reporting gets pushed to the side with priority coming to serving, especially in this disaster relief erd, but if you are able to, please report your service. Also, a blank report is desired over no report. Let's keep the communication paths open.

Thank you for submitting your monthly club reporting form. Please email to Global Service Team Lion Fred Huscher and DG Dawson Hart at fred@huscher.us and dawsonhart313@gmail.com. Upon receiving this form, you will receive an email receipt with your points earned for the month based on the following:

per new member-1000	Organize & sponsor new club, branch club, or lgo club-5,000	per lions attending club building exercise-1,000	per lion fulfilling guiding lion qualifications-500	each global cause service project-100
per maintained club website and/or social media page per month-10	each dollar contributed to NCLF, McCune Community, & LCIF-1	-each VIP participant sponsored to the VIP Fishing Tournament and/or Camp Dogwood-10	-each recycled product to NCLF-2	-each lion participating in McCune Clean Up Day-10
-each lion participating in Camp Dogwood clean up week-10	-each lion participating as a week-long volunteer at Camp Dogwood per session-20	-each lion volunteer participating in the VIP Fishing Tournament	-Lion prwl (visits to other clubs with at least 2 club members)-20	-visit of at least 2 club members to zone meeting-20
-visit of at least 2 club members to district cabinet meeting-10	-each lion attending district, state, and/or international convention-15			

ANY designated lion from your club can report, it doesn't have to be your secretary.

We ENCOURAGE you to share the officer workload of your club.



a weekend experience includes:

- learn more about your Lions' organization**
- state of the art leadership training by Lions' Past International Directors of our NC family with skills transferable to your professional career**
- meet, greet, and network with lions from across the state**
- free room accommodations and meals**

[first night meal is on your own-outing with the group at a restaurant]

You pay \$25 for a VALUE of Training worth approximately \$600

Each year the Multiple District 31 (state of NC) sponsors lions from each district [md31l, md31i, md31o, md31n, md31s] to attend

WHEN? Thursday, March 20th-Sunday, March 23rd

WHERE? Camp Dogwood

HOW? Contact DG Dawson for more information
dawsonhart313@gmail.com or (828) 302-6957

SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR 2nd Vice District Governor 2025-2026

ELECTION TO TAKE PLACE AT DISTRICT FALL CONVENTION,

Eligible lions shall have completed the offices of:

CLUB PRESIDENT
ZONE CHAIR

MARCH 2025

2ndVDG Duties:

Expectations as you move up to sitting governor:

1st VDG:

- you are the district fall convention planning chair
- attend a paid for week-long training at LCI & the Q-center
- 1st VDG's club is responsible for district convention hospitality room
- District Governor Elect is responsible for state convention hospitality room financial contributions

DG:

- SECURE A CABINET OF OFFICERS AND CHAIRPERSONS
- CREATE YOUR DIRECTORY
- LOCATE A NEWSLETTER EDITOR OR SELF-PRODUCE YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
- CREATE AN ACTION PLAN, CARRYOUT AND ADJUST AS NEEDED, AND NOTE PROGRESS
- CHECK SIGNER FOR DISTRICT FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
- ATTEND VIRTUAL MEETINGS WITH YOUR GROUP LEADER ASSIGNED TO YOU BY LCI
- COMPLETE REQUIRED REPORTS [INCLUDING SOME REIBURSEMENT FORMS FOR MONEY BACK FROM EXPENSES]
- BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLUBS STAYING CURRENT ON THEIR LCI DUES
- ATTEND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
- ATTEND VIP FISHING TOURNAMENT AS A VOLUNTEER DIGNITARY
- CREATE AGENDA AND RUN DISTRICT CABINET MEETINGS
- DESIGN AND PURCHASE YOUR LIONS PIN, MUST INCLUDE LCI LOGO; DEVELOP THEME/SAYING FOR YOUR YEAR

-DUTIES PER DISTRICT CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
CAN BE LOCATED IN ARTICLE III: DUTIES OF DISTRICT OFFICERS/CABINET, SECTION 3: 2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR [PAGE 18]



OTHER DUTIES INCLUDE:

- ATTEND ALL NCLF AND COG MEETINGS [QUARTERLY MEETINGS]
- VISIT CLUBS AS NEEDED
- ATTEND DISTRICT & STATE CONVENTION
- INCREASING LEVEL OF TRAINING AND ASSIGNED HOMEWORK AS YOU MOVE THROUGH THE LEVELS OF GOVERNORSHIP
- PURCHASE GOVERNORSHIP UNIFORM [SUIT JACKET, TIE [MEN ONLY], AND POLO]

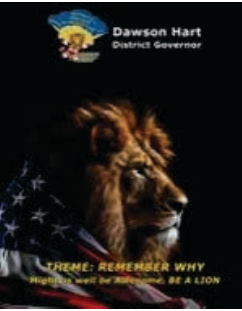
Immediate PDG:

- continue to attend all NCLF & COG meetings
- serve as district budget chair and promotions chair

interested?

- acquire an endorsement letter from your club
- secure nomination speech and supporting speech
- contact PCC Martha Butler, Nominating Chair for MD3IL

note: this document is not conclusive & may be missing info



10th Annual District 31-L Fall convention
“Remember Why-Might as well be awesome, be a Lion”
March 14th-15th,2025

Fall Convention Registration Form

Name(s): Please Print first and last name(s) & circle title and honors that apply.

Club _____ District _____

1. _____
 PIP ID PID DG PDG CC PCC 1VDG 2VDG Lion Guest MJF JSF WLW BOH HOF AMB

2. _____
 PIP ID PID DG PDG CC PCC 1VDG 2VDG Lion Guest MJF JSF WLW BOH HOF AMB

3. _____
 PIP ID PID DG PDG CC PCC 1VDG 2VDG Lion Guest MJF JSF WLW BOH HOF AMB

4. _____
 PIP ID PID DG PDG CC PCC 1VDG 2VDG Lion Guest MJF JSF WLW BOH HOF AMB

FFN	TTB	DGB
\$25 BBQ _____	\$18 _____	\$35 Ribeye _____
		\$27 Salmon _____
		_____ \$27Chicken _____
		\$24 Veggie Option _____
		Total _____

Please Mark meal preferences for DGB above with number of each choice.

- Meal descriptions for DGB: Option 1- Grilled ribeye,
 Option 2- Bourbon glazed salmon
 Option 3-chicken Cordon Bleu
 Vegetarian Option 4- Ratatouille

All with side salad, Chef choice veggies, Cheesecake and Chocolate Dessert.

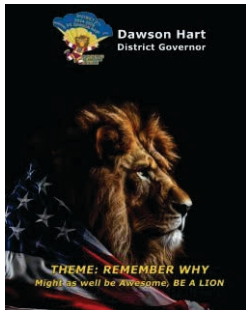
Please note any food allergies _____.

Registration Deadline: Must be postmarked on or before March 01, 2025. You will need to fill out and send in the registration form if you are attending and wish to receive a convention booklet and goodie bag. There will be no meal reservations without a check. Make checks for meals payable to 2024 District 31L Fall Convention.

Mail Check and Registration form to Curtis Erickson, PDG
 445 Bass Lake Drive
 Pisgah Forest, NC 28768

Convention to be held at Camp Dogwood
7062 Camp Dogwood Drive Sherrills Ford,
NC 28673

For Room Reservations call April George at 828-478-2135 ext.250.by March 1,2024 for Lion’s rate!



DISTRICT 31L FALL CONVENTION AD SHEET

March 14th-15th

"Might as well be awesome; Be a Lion"

DEADLINE: February 20th



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/lad 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: _____

Thankyou from the District31LConventionCommitte

AD FORM

2025 NORTH CAROLINA LIONS COUNCIL STATE CONVENTION

Serving Through Adversity

April 10-13, 2025

Greensboro/High Point Airport Marriott
Greensboro, North Carolina



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

Ad deadline: February 15, 2025

Name of Club, Business or Individual: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Approval Signature: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please include payment with Ad Design.

Make checks payable to:

NC Lions State Council Convention

Mail to:

Susie Dailey

4304 Waterbridge Court

Gibsonville, NC 27249

Please Check Box Indicating the Ad Size:

Back Cover	\$1500	<input type="checkbox"/>
Inside F/B Cover	\$1000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Full Page (8-1/2x11)	\$ 300	<input type="checkbox"/>
Half Page	\$ 150	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quarter Page	\$ 100	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business card	\$ 50	<input type="checkbox"/>

Note:
A 3% convenience fee will be added
for credit card use.

Cash: \$ _____ or Check #: _____

Credit Card Amount

(Charge): \$ _____

If applicable, e-mail Ad File To: lionsusied@gmail.com

Debit or Credit Card# _____

Exp. Date: _____ / _____ Zip Code: _____ CVV#: _____

For Club Use: Ad Sold by: _____ Phone: _____

Club Name: _____

**For questions, please contact Convention Ad Chair Susie Dailey at:
704-439-6278**

101st ANNUAL NORTH CAROLINA LIONS COUNCIL STATE CONVENTION



North Carolina Lions Strong... Serving Through Adversity



April 11-13, 2025

**Greensboro/High Point Airport Marriott
Greensboro, North Carolina**

CLUB: _____ DISTRICT: _____

Name(s) (PRINT first and last name, Circle if Lion or Guest)

Contact Phone Number: _____

		FFN	TTB	BANQUET	
		Italian	Vegetarian	Chicken	Vegetarian
_____	<i>Lion or Guest</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<i>Lion or</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<i>Guest Lion</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<i>or Guest</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____	<i>Lion or</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<u>Function</u>	<u>Cash or Check Cost</u>	<u>Credit Cost</u>	<u>Guest</u>	<u>Number Adults</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Family Fun Night	\$20.00	\$21.00	_____	_____	\$_____
Tail Twister Breakfast	\$20.00	\$21.00	_____	_____	\$_____
Governors Banquet	\$40.00	\$42.00	_____	_____	\$_____
TOTAL COST:					\$_____

Please indicate any food allergies or special dietary needs: _____

Friday, April 11th	
Friday Fun Night – look for updates on our special evening! 6:30 pm – 10:00 pm	
Saturday, April 12th	
Tail Twister Breakfast with Live Auction	8:00 am
Governors Banquet	6:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Sunday, April 13th	
General Session	8:30 am
District Cabinet Meetings	

See Page 2 for payment instructions and hotel reservation information

North Carolina Lions Strong..... Serving Through Adversity

Make Check for meals payable to.....**2025 NC LIONS COUNCIL STATE CONVENTION** or
Add your debit or credit card information below – must include:
Debit or Credit card number/Expiration date/Security Code/Zip Code

Card No

Exp Date

Sec Code

Zip

Mail this form with check or debit/credit card information by March 28th to:

PDG Susan O'Brien

1003 Croyden Court, Fort Mill, SC 29715

Room Reservations at

Greensboro-High Point Marriott, One Marriott Drive, Greensboro NC
Lions Room rate is \$129.00 (plus tax/service charge) until March 26, 2025

Make room reservation with the link below

[Book your group rate for North Carolina Lions State Convention](#)

Or call:

Call 1-888-236-2427

Request rate for North Carolina Lions State Convention

FOR GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION: CUT HERE AND SUBMIT WITH PAYMENT

North Carolina Lions State Golf Tournament Friday, April 11

\$60 per player (includes lunch)/Mulligan \$5 (2 each person max./Tee off approximately 10:00 am

All proceeds are going to LCIF for the Hurricane Helene Relief Disaster Fund.

Prizes will be presented Friday evening during the convention's Friday Fun Night

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Club: _____

Average Score: _____

Men _____ Ladies _____ Senior 65 or older _____

Make checks payable to NCPDGO and mail completed form and payment to:

PDG David Smoot

105 Circle Drive, Thomasville, NC 27360

336-991-8731 csmoot@traid.rr.com