



District 29-L Newsletter

June 2018

Thank You

by District Governor Lee Ann Welch

Namaste.

It's hard to wrap my head around the fact this Lions year is coming to a close. I've made new friends around the District, the nation and the world and traveled to parts of Wild, Wonderful West Virginia I'd never been.

Your hospitality has been wonderful and warm. Your understanding of my travel challenges being a full-time journalist has been most appreciated. Your friendship is most cherished. Our Vice District Governors, Gary Pitcock and Jordan Glass have been marvelous to make visits in their regions of the District during my work weeks, and I thank you both.

This next century of Lionism is not without challenge; we must strengthen our existing clubs and strive to make entry into new areas of service to our state. We appreciate the rich heritage of our individual clubs, but now we must focus on the future.

Through the Power of We, the Power of Service and the Power of Action, we will make a positive impact on the future of West Virginia.

There are a few other Lions and clubs beyond the Vice Governors, which need recognition for their unselfish assistance to me personally this club year. First, my own club, The Huntington Downtown Lions Club, which has supported me with their wisdom, encouragement and finances; I believe they are some of the finest Lions and gentlemen in the state, if not the nation. Next, the Lesage Lions Club has provided guidance, emotional support and wheels for my travel, in addition to hosting the District Conference. From that club, PDGs Karen Hall-Dundas, Donna Pinkerman, John Pinkerman and Kris Pinkerman, have been tremendous pillars of strength on which we built this house. And finally, one of my oldest, dearest friends and fellow Highlander,

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Cabinet Members

District Governor, LeeAnn Welch

First Vice District Governor, Gary Pitcock

Second Vice District Governor, Jordan Glass

Immediate Past District Governor, Linda Leasure

Secretary/Treasurer, Harry Schramm

Zone 1 Chair, Linda Amos

Zone 2 Chair, Chris Doty

Zone 3 Chair, John Wensyel

Zone 4 Chair, Dan Heintzman

Zone 5/6 Chair, Jordan Glass

Zone 7 Chair, Dave Roberts

Zone 8 Chair, Richard McMillan

Zone 9 Chair, George Woodrum

Zone 10 Chair, Donna Pinkerman

Thank You, continued

PDG Harry Schramm, who has kept me driving in the proper lane, reeling me in when I get frustrated and been my Secretary-Treasurer. I could not have done this without you.

It has been a privilege and honor to be your District Governor, the first in our great Association's next century of service.

Focus forward. We Serve.

Wrapping up the Lions year and looking to the future

by Gary Pitcock, First Vice District Governor

We are quickly approaching the end of another Lions year. The year has been a good one and I enjoyed making new Lion friends and meeting old friends as well. Thanks to Governor Lee Ann for a great year. I enjoyed serving as your First VDG and look forward to serving as District Governor in 2018-19.

We will be making history this coming Lions year with our first woman International President Gudrun Bjort Yngvadottir. We will have both brand new officers and repeat officers working together this coming year.

We still have a good number of clubs in the District who have not sent their incoming officer lists (PU101) to LCI. This must be completed so that the information provided to you in our directory is as accurate as possible.

Our District leadership team is available for any questions/concerns. Get ready for an exciting and fun Lions year.

May God Bless!!

Welcoming a new Newsletter Editor

by Lion Jamie Halligan, Incoming Newsletter Editor

Greetings Fellow Lions of District 29L

I am Lion Jaime Halligan of the Weirton Lions Club and I am writing you as the incoming editor of the District Newsletter. It is my honor to serve you and convey all our District information for the upcoming Lions year.

Please send your articles and correspondence to me by the 25th of each month via either email or post. I can be reached at pitcock4250@comcast.net or my home address: Jaime Halligan, 1215 Swearingen Road, Weirton, WV 26062.

I hope to hear wonderful news from your clubs this year and wish you all the best!!

Wrapping up another year

by Bernice Pitcock, Leadership Chair

In this final article for this Lions year, I would like to share some quotes on leadership. I encourage you to ponder what these famous leaders have to say on the subject.

It has been a pleasure serving as District Leadership Chair this year and I did such a good job, I get to do it again next year!

A final reminder to Club Officers and Zone Chairs – the final scheduled Officer Training session will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at the Ohio County Library (downstairs meeting rooms) in downtown Wheeling beginning at 1pm. Please give me a call at 304-797-8374 or email at bpit@comcast.net to let me know you will be attending.

All Lions are invited to attend.

To handle yourself, use your head; to handle others, use your heart.

- Eleanor Roosevelt

Leadership is not about titles, position or flowcharts. It is about one life influencing another.

- John C. Maxwell

Don't tell people how to do things, tell them what to do and let them surprise you with their results.

- George S. Patton Jr.

If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.

- John Quincy Adams

A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don't necessarily want to go, but ought to be.

- Rosalyn Carter

Upcoming Events

June 2 Officer Training 1:00 pm Ohio County Public Library, Wheeling

Sept. 20-22 USA/Canada Leadership Forum, Columbus, OH

Receive the Newsletter by Mail

Would you or members of your club like to receive a printed copy of the District 29 L Newsletter by mail each month? Subscribe to the District 29 L Newsletter for the 2017-2018 Lions year for \$10.

Contact the District Public Relations & Lions Information Chairperson at md29newsletter@gmail.com for more details!

Be Featured in the Newsletter

Please send any newsletter submissions to the District Public Relations & Lions Information Chairperson at md29newsletter@gmail.com on or before the 20th of each month to have your club's events or accomplishments featured in the newsletter.

The 96th MD 29 Convention: Final Thoughts

by PID Steve Glass, Convention Chairperson

Our MD Convention, which was held the weekend of May 4-6, 2018 at Lakeview Golf Resort & Conference Center was by all accounts a very huge success! Our goals were to add some variety in our entertainment, provide good meals, offer some different orientation and learning opportunities, and to provide an environment for fun and fellowship. I believe that we achieved our goals in all four of those areas. There are many Lions to thank for a successful convention so I will attempt to recognize and thank as many as I can remember.

Let me begin by thanking all of you who attended all or any part of the weekend. You made it possible to have a convention! Without you, all of the planning and effort would go for naught. Our entertainers, our vendor, and all of those who provided favors for our hospitality bags, have each received a personal hand-written thank you from yours truly. Kudos and gratitude go to PCCs Kris and Doug for some wonderful and informative club officer training. I can't say enough good things about Megan Reeler and the entire Lakeview staff who met our every need at every moment of the weekend. Thank you to all of our multiple district chairpersons who brought displays! You were awesome!

Last, but certainly not least, to the members of my home club, the Lions Club of Clarksburg -thank you! You made it all come together so seamlessly. To the Council of Governors, my deepest gratitude to you for giving me the latitude to take some risks and do things differently and to all of the candidates for first and second vice district governor, we thank you for providing the hospitality room for the weekend. It was the scene of much fun, laughter, and goodwill!

Finally, a full financial report will be presented to the Council of Governors at its July 28th meeting at Flatwoods. I can tell you now that the convention was profitable, I encourage everyone to mark your calendar now for next year's convention at Flatwoods under the capable leadership of PCC Kris Pinkerman. I would also encourage any club to step up and offer to host a future convention in a site in your district. If you receive the kind of support that I did for this year's convention, it will be a breeze! It was a pleasure serving you!

District 29-L Welcomes New Lions

Chester Lions Club

Delbert Miller
David Shilling
Lori Ogden
Matthew Shilling

Grantsville Lions Club

Karen Law

Newell Lions Club

Lisa Virden

Sistersville Lions Club

Audist Pancake

A Month in West Virginia

by Rino Utaka

I had an exciting time this summer. I went to the state of West Virginia in the U.S. in order to do a home stay from August 3 to August 28.

I could experience many things I can not in Japan. There are the best memories of my life. I was very excited when I could go to an amusement park with my host family. And I was very surprised when I saw some "Zero" at the air and space museum. And then, my host family took me various places. So, I could learn about American history. My host family was very kind and cheerful. I really appreciate what they have done for me.

It was the first time for me to do a home stay. I had a lot of things I wanted to tell and talk with my host family but I could not put them in words well. So, this home stay became good stimulation my more study of English.

It was nice meeting them. I will never forget the memories with them. I'm looking forward to meeting them someday. Thank you very much.



Host families needed

As we move into the spring season the Youth Exchange activity is beginning to increase. So far, we will need host families for seven students this summer. We have families to host four or five, but we are still looking for hosts for the rest. We need to locate families where one of the adults can be at home with the student. Teachers are a good fit to be a host family. Please consider hosting a student for a period of 4-5 weeks this summer. For more information please contact Henry Krautwurst - HenryK248@gmail.com

MD 29 Global Leadership Team Final Report

by PID Steve Glass

As this is the final article for this Lion year, I wanted to review for you where we have been, and where we are headed on this three-year journey. We began this year with four distinct goals:

1. Increase cooperation and communication between and among MD GLT, GMT, and GST and district GLT, GMT, and GST.

We have achieved this goal as evidenced by meetings held in August and at every district conference and through the implementation of conference calls using the GoToMeeting app.

2. Increase the number of newly-identified leaders in every district.

We have achieved this goal as evidenced by the thirty-four first-time attendees at our Lions of West Virginia Leadership Retreat and the thirty first-time attendees at our MD 29 Convention.

3. Increase the number of leadership opportunities and tools available in the multiple district.

We have provided learning seminars at every district conference through using our International Directors and Third Vice President Haynes Townsend at the MD Convention in addition to the various seminars during the LWVLR. Lion Chris Doty has created a hotlink off of our MD webpage that includes folders on Membership, Leadership, Service, and LCIF. This is a work in progress and is one of our goals going forward into the new year.

4. Ensure that each district develops a leadership development plan for 2017-2018 by September 30, 2017.

This has been achieved through all of the efforts reported for 1-3 above.

Going forward into the new year, I would encourage every incoming club officer to take advantage of the training opportunities that have already been scheduled in your district. I know that the district GLT coordinators have shared with me the dates and locations for their orientations and leadership meetings. Take advantage of these! Also, every club officer should look at the club officer e-books that are available on the LCI web page. This provides an easy way to learn your role in the comfort of your own home or office at your own pace.

Finally, I want to encourage every Lion to attend this year's USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Columbus, Ohio. I assure you that this is some of the finest leadership development opportunity and orientation that you will ever get! Once you go, you will make this a part of your Lionistic experience. The date is September 20-22, 2018. Check it out at www.lionsforum.org. You'll be glad you did!

Thank you for a great year! Until we meet again, thank you for your service and leadership.

2018-19 Peace Poster Theme: Kindness Matters

The contest is an opportunity to get involved with the youth in your community and a chance to obtain positive publicity. Share past experiences of previous Peace Poster Contests.

The Peace Poster Contest was created in 1988 to give young people the opportunity to creatively express their feelings for world peace and to share their visions with the world. Approximately 600,000 children from 75 countries participate in the contest annually. Lions clubs sponsor the contest, open to children ages 11-13, in local schools or organized, sponsored youth groups, such as Scouts and Boys & Girls Clubs. The contest provides Lions with the chance to interact with young people in their communities, introducing the youth to international understanding, as well as giving Lions a vehicle for obtaining positive publicity for their clubs.



The Public Relations Division has materials that may be helpful to you, including a media advisory and information kit. The materials are free of charge and can be found in the Peace Poster section of the Lions Clubs International website (www.lionsclubs.org). Visit the Peace Poster section of the Lions Clubs International Website to view merit award and grand prize posters, obtain additional information on the contest, download materials (i.e. Honorable Mention Certificates and the Peace Poster video).

The grand prize winner receives a trip to an award ceremony where he/she will receive a cash reward of US\$5,000 (or local equivalent) and an award. Two family members (one being the child's parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring Lions club president or a club member (as designated by the club president) will accompany the winner to the award ceremony.

The 23 merit award winners each receive a cash award of US \$500 (or local equivalent) and a certificate of achievement. In addition, the 24 finalist posters are exhibited at the International convention.

Clubs, districts and multiple districts may give out additional prizes at the local level as they see fit. Honorable Mention certificates (PPC 790) are available to download from the Peace Poster section of the LCI website (www.lionsclubs.org) or by request from the Public Relations Division at International Headquarters.

A club must purchase a Peace Poster Contest kit for each contest it sponsors. Peace Poster Contest kits (PPK-1) are available from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. The kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide & Rules (PPC-1)
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules (PPC-2) *
- Participant Flyer (PPC-3) * (May be duplicated for each student)
- Sticker (PPC-4) to place on back of winning poster

- Certificates for contest winner (PPC-5) and sponsored school or youth group (PPC-6)
 - Peace Poster Contest Kit Order Form (PR-785) The kit form offers an overview of the contest. It is available in all official languages.
 - Peace Poster Contest Brochure (PR-775)
 - Judging the winning posters. This may be ordered in quantities for presentations. Appropriate for both Lion and non-Lion audiences, this brochure is available in all official languages.
 - Peace Poster Video
 - This colorful presentation, appropriate for both Lion and non-Lion audiences, is available in English only. View this video at www.lionsclubs.org or contact the Public Relations Division at International Headquarters for your copy.
- * The club forwards only these two pieces of the kit to the contact at the participating school or youth group. The club retains all other items in kit.

Judging the Contest

Each year a theme is chosen to help spark the students' imaginations. Expression of the theme, artistic merit and originality are the three criteria used to evaluate the posters at all judging levels. For each contest a club sponsors, one winner is chosen to advance to the district competition. At the district level, one poster is chosen to advance to the multiple district council chairperson. The multiple district then chooses one poster to send to International Headquarters for the international level of the competition. Note: Clubs not belonging to a district and single districts must send their entries directly to International Headquarters.

At the international level of the competition, members of the art, education, media, peace and youth communities serve as judges to select the 23 merit award winners and one grand prize winner.

Contest Deadlines

Entries that do not meet the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- January 15, 2018 - Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- October 1, 2018 - Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- November 15, 2018 - Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- December 1, 2018 - Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning poster to the multiple district council chairperson.
- December 1, 2018 - Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Public Relations Division at International Headquarters.
- December 15, 2018 - Postmark deadline for one multiple district winner to be sent to the Public Division at International Headquarters.
- February 1, 2019 - International winners will be notified on or before this date.

Contest Rules and Conditions

Clubs, district and multiple districts should make sure their winning poster meets all the guidelines before submitting it to the next level of competition. Entries not meeting the rules and conditions listed below will be disqualified.

- Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school(s) or organized, sponsored youth group(s), such as YMCA programs, Boys & Girls Clubs, Scouts, ect. A Lioness club can sponsor the contest through its sponsoring Lions Club.
- The contest cannot be held in youth groups that a Lions club sponsors, such as a Leo club or Scout unit. However, individual members of those groups (such as Leos or Scouts) may participate if the contest is held at their school or other organized youth group.
- Contest is open to students who will be 11, 12, or 13 years of age on November 15, 2018. Eligible birth dates are listed in the contest kit.
- The contest theme changes annually and can be found in the contest kit.
- Artwork must be no smaller than 13 inches by 20 inches (33 centimeters by 50 centimeters) and no larger than 20 inches by 24 inches (50 centimeters by 60 centimeters). Do not mat or frame artwork.
- Only one entry per student, and each entry must be the work of only one student.
- All artwork must be the student's original creation. Duplications are not accepted.
- All media are accepted. Chalk, charcoal and pastel entries should be sealed to prevent smearing. Do not laminate entries.
- Three-dimensional entries will not be accepted. Nothing may be glued, stapled or attached to the artwork in any way.
- The use of lettering or numbering on the front of the poster, in any language, is not allowed. All artist signatures or initials should be written on the back of the poster.
- Artwork should be done on a flexible material so it can be rolled for shipping in a mail tube. DO NOT FOLD POSTER.
- Participants accept all responsibility for late, lost, misdirected or illegible entries. Entries sent with insufficient postage will be disqualified. Lions Clubs International is not responsible for entries damaged, destroyed or lost during the judging process. Entries cannot be acknowledged or returned; they become the property of Lions Clubs International upon receipt. Peace Poster Contest images cannot be used without written permission from Lions Clubs International.

In consideration of the opportunity to enter the Peace Poster Contest, participants agree to allow Lions Clubs International to use their names and photographs for promotional and publicity purposes. In addition, the international grand prize winner, two family members (one being a parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring club president) are required to attend an award ceremony. An international grand prize winner is not eligible to receive subsequent prizes in future Peace Poster contests sponsored by Lions Clubs International. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges and Lions Clubs International. Lions Clubs International may cancel the contest without notice at any time. The contest is void where prohibited, taxed or restricted by law.

Questions or Requests

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 Website: www.lionsclubs.org

District contact

2018-19 DG Peace Poster Contest Chair Ramona Sago 304-662-6265 or rsago1959@gmail.com.

29-L Monthly Leo Contest 2018-2019



Sight/Hearing Services



1. Each pair used eyeglasses collected for Lions collection – 10 points _____
2. Each pair used hearing aids collected for Lions collection – 20 points _____



Health Services (attach picture/date)

1. Blood Drive/Health Fair – 500 points _____
2. Strides Walk/Relay for Life -500 points _____
3. Diabetes Screening – 500 points _____
4. Vision Screening -500 points _____
5. Assisting Lions Clubs with a Vision Screening – 250 points _____
6. Assisting with a health issue affecting your local community – 250 points _____



Hunger

1. Deliver meals to those in need – 500 points _____
2. Donate food to a shelter/food bank – 500 points _____
3. Food Drive – (picture/date) - 500 points _____
4. Volunteer at a food bank – 500 points _____



Environment (attach picture/date)

1. Adopt a Highway or Community Cleanup – 500 points _____
2. Tree/flower planting project – 250 points _____
3. “Going Green” project – 250 points _____



Literacy

- 1. Collect school supplies for students in need – 250 points
- 2. Donate books to a local school or library – 250 points
- 3. Volunteer as an after-school tutor – 250 points



Youth (add picture/date)

- 1. Leo Club/Lions Club joint project – 500 points
- 2. Peace Poster Contest – 500 points



Community Services (description/date)

- 1. Aid to Elderly/Crime Prevention/Homelessness – 500 points

- 2. Assisting another organization – 500 points



Donations (List organization and dollar amount)

- 1. List donations made – 100 points



Honors

1. List each Honor and date – 500 pts _____



Fundraising (picture/date)

1. Club Fundraising – describe/note amount of funds raised) – 500 points _____



Publicity (attach articles/photos/dates)

1. Article/photo in local paper describing a Leos project – 100 points _____

2. Article/photo featuring club project/club member in LIONS magazine – 200 points _____

3. Project featured on TV or radio – 250 points _____

4. Set up Leos Awareness Display at a community function – 250 points (picture) _____



Visitations (attach signed visitation card)

1. Visiting a Lions Club – 30 points _____

Please fill out, sign and date

Club Name _____

Club Address _____

Club Telephone Number _____

Club President _____

Date _____

Clubs Teacher/Sponsor _____

Date _____

**Please return to me by e-mail by the 30th of each month or by regular mail by the 20th of each month.

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OR

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We Serve



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