



# District-N



## North Carolina Lions

### Look At What Our District Is Doing



# Update Your Officers For Next Year (2022-2023)



# OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Fellow Lions,

Wow, it's hard to believe we are so close to the end of this year. What a journey it has been. We just finished our celebration of 100 years of service in North Carolina at our State Convention in Greensboro. We had over 30 Lions from our District in attendance and I'm sure if you ask those who attended, it was truly a convention to remember.

As we near the end of this year, clubs should be working on making sure that their officer information for next year is complete, pu101 forms are being submitted, installation meetings are being set, and officer training is being scheduled. Being one of the leaders of your club is a privilege, and I am proud the work that has been done throughout our district by the current sitting officers in each club. Thank you for your commitment to your club, for serving your peers and community, and for striving to serve and lead from your heart.

I look forward to our awards and installation banquet at the beginning of June and hope to see a record number of Lions in attendance. I challenge every club to have a representative there and to bring a Brighter Vision donation with so that we can reach and exceed our goal, and commitment, to the camp. The dollars donated WILL make a difference for someone in your community, so please find it in your heart to see your club supporting YOUR camp.

Thank you again to ALL the Lions of District 31N for being the loving, generous, hard working Lions you are. It's been a lot of fun sharing your successes and impacts to your community with the leaders across the state, nation, and world!

Sincerely,

Lion Bob Block Jr.  
District Governor - District 31N  
New Bern Lions Club

# DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT

Greetings, Lions of 31N...

When Lion Pat Ryan, of the Bluegrass Lion's Club, was a child, his grandmother came to live with his family. One thing Ryan noticed quickly was that his grandmother had two different sized feet – size 10 on her right and size 8 on her left. The reason? She had all of her toes amputated from her left foot due to diabetes complications. This was Ryan's first experience with the disease, but it would not be his last

With Ryan taking the lead, the Bluegrass Lions put together a two-year plan aimed at reducing the prevalence of diabetes and improving the quality of life for those diagnosed. With the help of a \$67,500 LCIF Diabetes grant, the Bluegrass Lions have educated and screened thousands of Kentuckians, with plans to reach even more.

To date, the Lions have hosted 28 screening events, which included both A1C screenings and retinal screenings for diabetic retinopathy. More than 240 people with possible diabetes or pre-diabetes were referred to the proper medical professionals.

[madmayra@gmail.com](mailto:madmayra@gmail.com)

Have a GREAT Lion day!

# FIRST DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT

Greetings Lions of District 31N!

I would like to reflect on a very important organization that plays a very important role in our state. That is North Carolina Lions, Inc. or better known as NCLI. NCLI could not operate without us as all of us are important to the success of the organization from our fundraising for Camp Dogwood, Brighter Visions, Clinical Eye Research, Grants, White Canes and Mobile Screening Unit.

As Lions we should not forget how much NCLI and Camp Dogwood is to the VIP's, Adults and Children in this state, with the services that is provided. I want to touch base on our Brighter Visions Campaign this year. Currently, we are at \$63,555.00 for the year. Our Governor has a goal of \$90,000.00. As you can see we are \$26,455.00 shy of this years goal.

I am asking along with DG Robert Block and Lion Gene Goetz (Brighter Visions Chair) is for all of the clubs to send in your Brighter Visions Goal.

We keep hearing as we are coming out of the pandemic, life will come back to normal. I wonder what is normal. We as Lions have been shut in, in some cases unable to meet for the past couple of years. Now, let us think about how our VIP friends are majority of the time. Some are shut in. Have to rely on others to get them around. Or the school children that were having to go to school online with most of the time while Mom and Dad were at work. Some of the eye screenings that we have normally done have not happen due to the local rules with the school systems not allowing us to perform them at the schools. It has been tough on everyone, but the needs in the state and our district have not stopped.

We all joined Lions Clubs because we wanted to serve. We are needed more than ever! So, I ask you. Will you and your club pledge to do what ever you can do for Brighter Visions, Camp Dogwood and locally. Let's finish off the year strong and then start off next year strong with DGE Mayra McCloud.

Serving Along Side,

1st VDGE Carlie and Lion Dawn Metts  
New Bern Twin Rivers Lions Club

# Lions Can Have Fun



**Celebrating 100 Years**

Wilmington Lions Club  
10 Jeb Stuart Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28412  
910 232-5707  
sealion2@aol.com

Dear Fellow Lion:

The Wilmington Lions Club is celebrating its One Hundredth Birthday Celebration on May 21, 2022, and you, your family and club are invited!

The banquet will be held at the Madeline Suite on the University of North Carolina Wilmington campus. We will gather at 6:00 PM with the dinner to start at 6:30 PM. Lion Past International Director Gwen White will be our featured speaker.

All meals must be reserved in advance. We have a special price of \$20 per person for a buffet including tip and tax. There is plenty of parking. Directions can be found at [https://uncw.edu/map/directions\\_madeline.html](https://uncw.edu/map/directions_madeline.html)

Please return the form below with your check made out to the Wilmington Lions Club and send it to Lion George Holston, 10 Jeb Stuart Drive, Wilmington NC 28412 by Friday, May 13, 2022.

Come join us as we celebrate one hundred years of service to the Greater Wilmington Community.

Feel free to duplicate for your club.

Yours in service,

George Holston, PDG

100th Anniversary Banquet, Wilmington Lions Club      \$20 per person,      \$10 for children under twelve

Names:

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Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Use back or another page if needed)

Send to George Holston, PDG,  
10 Jeb Stuart Drive,  
Wilmington, NC 28412  
by 5/13/2022 Checks should be written to Wilmington Lions Club

Buffet includes preset garden salad, oven roasted seasoned pork in a brown sugar-pecan sauce, Chickpea Tagine with couscous, vegetables, dessert, iced tea, and coffee. A champagne toast (or sparking apple cider) is also included.

# 31N Weekend Of Fun



**\*Come out to meet ID Justin Faber\***

**June 3, 2022; 5 PM Fayetteville Woodpecker Game \$20**

Segra Stadium; 460 Hay St., Fayetteville, NC

**June 4, 2022 3 PM Townhall & Update Lions Club International No Fee**

Cooper Cricket Restaurant 98 Amarillo Lane, Sanford, NC

**June 4, 2022 4:30 PM Awards and Recognition Dinner \$25**

Carolina Lake Club House 91 Club House Drive, Sanford, NC

# 31N Weekend Of Fun



# *ANNUAL AWARDS AND INSTALLATION BANQUET*

**JUNE 4, 2022 4:30 PM CAROLINA LAKES' CLUB HOUSE**



## Recognize Officers Of 2021 - 2022



## Recogniton Of 2022 - 2023 Officers



Save The Date



**District 31N Awards & Recognition**

**Carolina Lakes Clubhouse**

**91 Club House Drive**

**Sanford, NC 27332**

**June 4, 2022 4:30 PM**

**\*Awards\***

**\*Dinner\***

**\*Recognition of 2022– 2023 Officers\***

**Menu**

**Appetizer**

**Chicken Marsala, Deluxe Mashed Potato, Summer Vegetables**

**Cost: \$25**

**RSVP May 29, 2022**

**Check Payable to: District 31N**

**Payments paid at door or Mail to:**

Lion Betty Shingleton (252-939-5259) 214 Jessie T. Bryan Rd. Kinston NC 28504

PDG DeAngelo Jackson (910-747-5808) 2015 Hollywood Drive. Fuquay-Varina NC 27526

**Name Registration Information:**

| <b><u>Lion / Guest Name</u></b> | <b><u>Club Name</u></b> | <b><u>\$20 Baseball</u></b> | <b><u>\$0 Townhall</u></b> | <b><u>\$25 Dinner Qty</u></b> |
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# District 31N Day With The Fayetteville Woodpecker



Friday June 3, 2022 7:00

Tailgate Party Prior To Game

(Details Next Page)

Visiting International Director to Throw Out First Pitch

Fireworks After The Game

Ticket Price: \$20 (bring payment to game)

RSVP by May 29, 2022

Makes checks payable to District 31N

m5djack@yahoo.com or 910-747-5808



# 31N Tailgate Party



Tailgate Party 5:00 PM



Come out and let us Party as a District

Let us say Farewell to DG Robert Block & Family

Meet DGE Mayra McCloud

Location:

The Care Clinic Parking Lot

239 Roberson Street



Baseball Game Start at 7:00 PM



**Sponsored By Fayetteville Massey Hill Lions Club**

# Global Leadership

Our District Governor had the insight to conduct our training  
in two areas in our district.

February/March: Member Orientation

May: Public Speaking

June: Club Officer Training



**Membership Training at Lions Industries Of The Blind Inc, Kinston. February 5**

# Public Speaking

For Those Seeking Leadership Position Or Just To Improve Your Speaking Talent



**May 14,2020**

**10:00 AM — 1:00 PM**

**Snacks Will Be Provided**

Lions Industries of the Blind; 4126 Berkley Ave, Kinston, NC 28504

# Meet Lion Brian Hinsley



The guest speaker and lead trainer for our Public Speaking training event is Lion Brian Hinsley from the Western Harnett Lions. Lion Brian is an extremely talented individual and he brings a wealth of life and public speaking experience to the Lions.

Lion Brian lived in Southern California his entire life until moving to North Carolina only three years ago. He, his wife Kim, and daughter Megan immediately got involved in their community. Brian is Vice President of the Western Harnett Lions, serves on the board of directors for the local fire department and is the local precinct chair of a major political party. Kim serves as club Secretary, was awarded “newcomer of the year” in our club, and serves on the community affairs committee of Carolina Lakes. Megan serves on the social media committee and volunteers for other club committees. All three of the Hinsleys run the club’s largest fundraiser (Golf Tournament), a “Stuff the Bus” Drive for children needing school supplies, and a Mother’s Day Breakfast for the community, as well as so much more. The Hinsley’s support to the Western Harnett Lions is truly a family affair!

While he was a successful Firefighter Paramedic with Los Angeles County, Lion Brian was diagnosed with autoimmune hepatitis. This diagnosis completely changed his life and threatened his career. He battled fatigue, ascites (excessive abdominal fluid), anemia, hepatic encephalopathy (mental confusion due to ammonia build-up), and other side effects due to chronic liver failure.

## Lead By Example

# A NIGHT IN MONTE CARLO

GAMBLING TABLES, LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS, MUSIC & DANCING

It was certainly a night to remember! Having not been able to have our annual “February Event Fundraiser” last year because of Covid, the Western Harnett Lions Club went all out and recently put on a fantastic evening of gaming, food and entertainment in a fun filled “Night in Monte Carlo”. We hired a casino company that provided gambling tables and phony money for both the beginner or experienced gambler. Games included Roulette, Black Jack, Craps, & Poker. We also had silent and live auctions, a catered meal of heavy hors d’oeuvres and wine.

We played music from many different eras, so folks could dance to their favorite songs, and we offered a fun photo booth to commemorate the event. We were honored to have in attendance Past International President Sid Scruggs and Lion Judy, Past District Governor Allen Swaim (31S) and our very own District Governor, Lion Robert Block, Jr! It was a special and fun night for all . . . and we were able to exceed our expectations and raise a significant amount of money for charity! What goes on in Monte Carlo, stays in Monte Carlo!

By Lion Joe Poth



Do you feel lucky. . .Baby needs a new pair of shoes!



District Governor Lion Robert at the “Photo Booth” with Western Harnett Lions Cailee Poth & Megan Hinsley



# Our New Lion Members

## 3rd Quarter

## WELCOME

### **BEAUFORT LIONS CLUB**

CHARLES J GALLARDO  
SMYNA, NC 28579  
Joined: 01/01/2022  
Sponsor: EVELENE GALLARDO

EVELEEN GALLARDO  
SMYRNA, NC 28579  
Joined: 01/01/2022

### **BURGAW LIONS CLUB**

PAUL E DONALDSON  
BURGAW, NC 28425  
Joined: 03/30/2022  
Sponsor: SUZANNE COOPER

### **CALABASH LIONS CLUB**

DONNA PRINCE- LONG  
CALABASH, NC 28467  
Joined: 04/01/2022  
Sponsor: IRWIN SIEGELWAX

### **FAYETTEVILLE COMMUNITY LIONS CLUB**

CARLOS A JONES  
FAYETTEVILLE, NC 28311  
Joined: 12/17/2021  
Sponsor: LEON SMITH

JONAH R. WILLIAMS  
FAYETTEVILLE, NC 28303  
Joined: 02/03/2022  
Sponsor: SANDY NORTH

### **FAYETTEVILLE MASSEY HILL LIONS CLUB**

JACKSON T FUNKE  
FAYETTEVILLE, NC 28308  
Joined: 02/03/2022  
Sponsor: EDWARD SAMUELIAN

### **GOLDSBORO DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB**

THOMAS ROBERT  
DUDLEY, NC 28333  
Joined: 01/27/2022

### **GRIFTON LIONS CLUB**

JAMIE GRIFTON, NC 28530  
Joined: 02/21/2022  
Sponsor: JERRY WILLIAMS

### **HAMPSTEAD LIONS CLUB**

JOSEPH F. ROSSI  
HAMPSTEAD, NC 28443  
Joined: 04/07/2022

### **JACKSONVILLE HOST LIONS CLUB**

CONNIE H FLINCHUM  
SNEADS FERRY, NC 28460  
Joined: 04/07/2022  
Sponsor: EDWARD FLINCHUM

MARY P MANNING  
JACKSONVILLE, NC 28546  
Joined: 04/07/2022  
Sponsor: FRANK MANNING

### **LILLINGTON LIONS CLUB**

LLOYD W. DERAMUS  
BUIES CREEK, NC 27506  
Joined: 01/11/2022  
Sponsor: BILLY WEST

### **PEMBROKE LIONS CLUB**

BRYAN HUNT  
PEMBROKE, NC 28372  
Joined: 01/18/2022  
Sponsor: LEN HOLMES

ORYAN LOWRY  
PEMBROKE, NC 28372  
Joined: 01/18/2022  
Sponsor: WILLIAM RAY

AMY LOCKLEAR  
MAXTON, NC 28364  
Joined: 02/15/2022  
Sponsor: LEN HOLMES

MARY ROBERTS  
MAXTON, NC 28364  
Joined: 01/18/2022  
Sponsor: GWENDOLYN CHAVIS

PERRY ROBERTS  
MAXTON, NC 28364  
Joined: 01/18/2022  
Sponsor: GWENDOLYN CHAVIS

# Our New Lion Members

## 3rd Quarter

### WELCOME

#### **SMITHFIELD LIONS CLUB**

JAYNE E HAFER  
CLAYTON, NC 27527  
Joined: 03/15/2022  
Sponsor: SONYA WILSON

#### **SNOW HILL LIONS CLUB**

JODI SMITH  
SNOW HILL, NC 28580  
Joined: 03/07/2022  
Sponsor: BETTY SHINGLETON

#### **WESTERN HARNETT LIONS CLUB**

JOAN JACKSON  
SANFORD, NC 27332  
Joined: 03/08/2022  
Sponsor: SHERYLE POWELL

STEVE JACKSON  
SANFORD, NC 27332  
Joined: 03/08/2022  
Sponsor: SHERYLE POWELL

PAULA M. KIM  
SANFORD, NC 27332  
Joined: 03/05/2022  
Sponsor: VINCENT SCHIMMOLLER

CRYSTAL M. SEBOE  
CAMERON, NC 28326  
Joined: 02/12/2022  
Sponsor: KEITH CARROLL

GUIANN THOMPSON  
SANFORD, NC 27332  
Joined: 02/25/2022  
Sponsor: JOE POTH

CAROL A SCHIMMOLLER  
HEATHSVILLE, VA 22473  
Joined: 01/01/2022  
Sponsor: DARRELL SCHIMMOLLER

JASON A. SEBOE  
CAMERON, NC 28326  
Joined: 02/12/2022  
Sponsor: DONNA CARROLL

RAYMOND C. THOMPSON SR.  
SANFORD, NC 27332  
Joined: 02/25/2022  
Sponsor: JOE POTH

# Leader Dog

Hello Lions,

Please follow this link to the latest Leader Dog- Lions Newsletter article. Please share it with your club and district newsletter editors and members.

[https://leaderdogsfortheblind918.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/Philanthropy-LDFB/EWCdCsxXWmDkTz5iIjd5DoBckgmDqFCf0EGnltbZO\\_99Q?e=mWMEli](https://leaderdogsfortheblind918.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/Philanthropy-LDFB/EWCdCsxXWmDkTz5iIjd5DoBckgmDqFCf0EGnltbZO_99Q?e=mWMEli)

Additionally, copies of newsletters may be found online: <https://www.leaderdog.org/lions-club/resources/>. Scroll to the "Newsletter" button to access.

Also, share [this video](#) to thank Lions for the important role they play on the Leader Dog team!

Leader Dogs for the Blind  
1039 S. Rochester Rd. • Rochester Hills, MI 48307-3115  
Direct  
Toll Free (888) 777-5332

To learn more about our programs and services visit [LeaderDog.org](http://LeaderDog.org)  
Visit our virtual learning resources at [leaderdog.org/resources/virtual-learning](http://leaderdog.org/resources/virtual-learning)  
We are always in need of volunteers to raise our puppies. Learn more at [LeaderDog.org/puppy](http://LeaderDog.org/puppy)

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# Camp Dogwood VIP Camp Update

Fellow Lions,

It is with great regret that I have to inform you that Summer Camp will be cancelled this summer. Camp Dogwood is experiencing staffing shortages just as everyone else in N.C. We are currently half staffed for the summer.

However, we will be offering limited Summer Retreats. Lower numbers attending with limited activities.

Each session will begin on Sunday arrival between 1-4 and must be picked up on THURSDAY ( this is a day early) by 10 am. Price will be \$200.

We are sending emails and calling our VIP's and Social Workers today. If you have any questions please give me a call. 828-478-2135 ext 229.

Thank you  
Tammy

*Your Thoughts And Prayers Needed*





# Lions Club Night

*Come enjoy the beautiful spring weather with your local Lions Club members and an evening of exciting Mudcats Baseball at Five County Stadium!*

**TUESDAY, May 17th @ 7:00**

Carolina Mudcats vs. Downeast Wood Ducks

**Lions Club Tickets only \$10.00**

**Before the game, join us at the Pilot Lions Den for a free Picnic Supper at 5:00 p.m.**

Please have your ticket money and dinner reservations turned into PDG Wayne Faber by

**(MAY 12<sup>th</sup> 2022)**

- Tickets are box seats. Discount is not available at the gate. Regular gate price is \$12.00 per ticket.

(CHECKS MADE OUT TO DISTRICT 31-S)

Mail to: **Wayne Faber**

1105 Maple Ave

Apex Nc 27502

919-780-8819

Wfaber100@hotmail.com

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Apex Lions Club

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Carrboro Lions Club



**Tree Trimming Challenge Has Been Met!**

**Camp Dogwood Tree Trimming will begin soon!**



*thank you!*

**This is an awesome Thursday!**

# Diabetes Grant Awarded

Due to Covid-19, The Fayetteville Community Lions Club finally was able officially present the grant to Cape Fear Valley Kids with Diabetes at the Spring Ball.

Cape Fear Valley Kids with Diabetes is a non-profit group that was founded in 2008. Its goal is to build healthier lives by providing diabetes education, resources and support to children and parents who have been affected by this disease.

The group sponsors the only “Diabetes Boot Camp” in Cumberland and surrounding counties. Through this camp, the children enjoy participating in traditional camp activities and connecting with other children with diabetes. Healthcare professionals oversee daily diabetes care and help these children learn to live successfully with their disease.

Thanks to the Fayetteville Lions Club seeing a need in their community with children living with Diabetes.





**HARNETT COUNTY LIONS' CLUBS HEALTH FAIR**

**HARNETT COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMPLEX**

**DEPARTMENT OF AGING BUILDING**

**THURSDAY MAY 19, 2022**

**9:30 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM**

**HOT DOGS, CHIPS, and DRINKS FOR FIRST 100 PARTICIPANTS**

**HEIGHT AND WEIGHT ASSESSMENT**

**BLOOD PRESSURE AND DIABETES AWARENESS**

**EYE SCREENING ADULTS AND CHILDREN**

**PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION AWARENESS**

**RADIOLOGY AWARENESS**

**OLD MEDICATIONS DROP OFF**

**OLD GLASSES DROP OFF**





# Membership Challenge



**Let us finish the year strong.**

**May and June are the last two months of this Lion's FY**

**The clubs that induct the most new members in May and June  
our District Governor will pay for one of your club's dinner**

# Free Meal

# Lions Industries for the Blind, Inc.

(252) 523-1019



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Kinston, NC

