

# DISTRICT 31-I NEWS



BEYOND THE HORIZON



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## District 31-I Lions in Service

### HURRICANE FLORENCE RELIEF

LCI has provided a \$100,000 grant - a great example of our contributions to international coming back home to North Carolina!

Those attending the USA/Canada Leadership Forum donated \$7000.

What else can we do?

**Konnoak Hills Lions Club** will participate in CROP walk at Bailey Park on the Long Branch Trail which is handicapped accessible and is one mile in each direction. The club voted to begin the donations with \$100. If you wish to make a donation or ask friends and family to donate, you may do so online or give it to your secretary as cash or a check. Checks need to be made to CWSP.

To donate online, go to: [www.cropwalkforsyth.org](http://www.cropwalkforsyth.org). Click on Donate. Type in Konnoak Hills Lions to get to our page. A portion of the donations from this year's walk will go to **Hurricane Florence** relief.



The North Davidson High School Leo Club helped serve at the Brighter Visions Kickoff, helping Lions raise money to serve our VIPs. Pictured above (l-r) are Megan Condrey (club advisor), Michaela Myers, Madison Bumgarner, Kelly Pendergast, Anna Hill and Hailie Norman.



**Lexington Downtown Lions Club** donated \$750 to Pastor's Pantry, a nonprofit food pantry with no religious affiliation that targets senior hunger. Their main focus is seniors (age 60-plus) in financial stress. They provide groceries once per month, and also provide emergency food to individuals of all ages. Pastor's Pantry currently helps more than 700 individuals on average per month in nearly 500 senior households throughout Davidson County. The food is offered at no cost to the recipient.

Pictured left is club President Phil Grande presenting the check to Jennifer Davis from Pastor's Pantry. Lion Rodney Walser is holding up the logo.

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## Membership News

### In loving memory of Lions who have died this past month

Member	Club
PDG Dr. Jerry Bates	Former member of Denton and Lexington Downtown Lions Clubs
Samantha Davis	State LEO Club President—Union Pines Leo Club

*Information obtained from MMRs submitted to LCI*

Remember all Lions, family and friends who are in need of prayers at this time - those who are ill or suffering losses and those who are facing the challenges created by **Hurricane Florence!**

### Welcome New Lions

Club	Member	Sponsored by
Bethlehem	Carol D. Lee	Marilyn LeValley
Charlotte SouthPark	Miguel Lopez	Cesar Perez-Sanchez
Salisbury	George E. Sprague	Harry Garwood
Southmont	Jeremy Gilbert	Arnold Sharpe
Thomasville	Curtis L. Conner	William Mills
Thomasville	Cindy A. Floyd	Glenda Gandy
Thomasville	Colon E. Starrett	William Mills
West Jefferson	Rozanna Yates Bolac	Gwynita Steele
West Jefferson	Tony D. Lyall	Harry Steele
West Jefferson	Mark B. Poteet	Gwynita Steele
West Jefferson	Mary K. Poteet	Gwynita Steele

### Directory Changes

Pg. 16: PLEASE NOTE

Woolard Partner in Service \$1/member  
 Ambassador Club \$2/member  
 Scruggs Beacon of Hope \$2/member  
 are part of the District Governor's goals  
 Please remit to the District Treasurer

Robin Cauble  
 32564 Bridge Street  
 Mt. Pleasant, NC 28124

NCLI should continue to receive only  
 Brighter Visions contributions and  
 Camp Dogwood ticket money and stubs at  
 NC Lions, Inc. Attn: Acctg. Dept.  
 P.O. Box 39  
 Sherrills Ford, NC 28673

Pg. 23: Creston Riverview meetings  
 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.



A view of the crowd at the Brighter Visions Kickoff

## Live-Love-Learn and Leave a Legacy DG Carolyn Sprinkle

How many of us have interviewed, been offered a position and accepted the position with feelings of hopefulness and gratefulness about this new venture? If our new responsibilities entailed training in manufacturing or other manual labor intensive jobs, we were placed with a co-worker until we were well trained and comfortable in our work. However, we also have accepted positions that had titles like administrative assistant, proof reader, human resources director, accounting supervisor, etc. Sometimes (if not most of the time) the job description is non-existent, not current or worse yet, not shared.

During my time as a Lions Volunteer, I have had the opportunity to be in manual intensive work and more so in the administrative and organizational fields. I have written my own job description for most of my jobs in order to reveal the true value of the personal efforts, the time and ingenuity to accomplish the desired outcome of professionalism and integrity.

My point is this (finally you sigh); volunteers are Lions Clubs International's greatest asset. We are the legacy, the present and most critical – the future of the World's Greatest Service Organization. How many of us have read, written or seen documents of our past work, the goals of our directors, officers and yes – shared our own with each other? Do those that depend on us – those we serve and those we serve with – have confidence that any of us know what we are doing, what we should be doing, where we have been and most importantly where we are going?

I suggest that each of us take on this question for ourselves and then plan a group discussion of our personal answers for future club, zone, cabinet, district or whatever meetings that we define the appropriate time and venue.

Each of us NEEDS to download the Form LA-2 (International Association of Lions Clubs) Standard Club Constitution and By-Laws. Or, if that does not work for you, send me an email ([sprinkle89@skybest.com](mailto:sprinkle89@skybest.com)), and I will email a copy to you. You can save it to your phone or computer for reference when needed, or you can print it. Please read the section of By-Laws beginning with Article III and continuing through Article V. This is a concise and easily understandable document on LCI volunteer positions. Find for yourself a "job" that fits your skills, talents, on the job training and fits your desire to serve others.

I will appreciate hearing from each of you –first that you took me up on this challenge – and your thoughts and comments about what you learned about the opportunities and responsibilities of living to our motto "We Serve".

*Carolyn Sprinkle, District Governor*

336-372-8956 (home) or 336-466-5974



### On the Road with DG Carolyn

Club Name	Zone	Date	Time
Davidson	5	10/1	6:30pm
Harrisburg	4	10/2	6:30pm
North Charlotte	5	10/3	11:30am
W-S Twin City Host	2	10/4	11:30am
Creston Riverview	1	10/4	6:30pm
Salisbury	4	10/10	Noon
Thomasville	3	10/11	Noon
Hickory Grove	5	10/15	6pm
Boone Area	1	10/16	Noon
Yadkinville	1	10/16	6pm
Mocksville	2	10/18	6pm
North Wilkesboro	1	10/18	11:45am
Walnut Cove	1	10/18	7pm
Linwood	3	10/25	7pm

## 1VDG Jimmy Myers

I write this as I begin my trip to Columbus, Ohio for the Canadian and USA Lions International Forum. This brings to my mind the international impact of Lionism. We recently raised \$58,000 in one evening for Brighter Visions for our projects in the state of North Carolina. This was outstanding, and thank you for all who were involved, but we need to remember our international programs as well. I think of PID Lion Lacy Presnell's friend he met at his District Governor training, PDG Lion Jimmy Carter (seems like he did something else as well) who was instrumental in getting Lions International to fight River Blindness in Africa.

I challenged District I to raise \$50,000 for Brighter Visions, and you did. I am making another challenge that each club present at least one Melvin Jones Fellowship to aid Lions International in our worldwide efforts to make a difference in people's lives. God bless you in your efforts.

Jimmy Myers - First Vice District Governor

## 2nd VDG Donald Cobb

### Building Teams Through Leadership A USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Experience

If you remember back to July in the first newsletter article I wrote as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor, I mentioned that I would keep you posted on my journey as a Lion in this new position. My journey has begun, and I want to share part of my journey with you.

Last week, Lion Gayle (my wife) and I attended the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum for the first time. The theme for the forum was "Building Teams Through Leadership." We had a wonderful time meeting Lions from across the USA as well as Canada, sharing Lions stories with them and probably learning more from them than they learned from us.

Another highlight of the Forum was attending several of the 85+ seminars that were offered. We attended seminars such as "Membership Models for the Future, The Power of Storytelling, How to Attract and Keep Great Lions, Why Service Clubs are Dying and How to Fix Them, Enticing Millennials to be Lions," and others. The seminars offered opportunities to improve leadership skills as well as gain knowledge related to Lionism.

The Forum's featured speakers at meal events were excellent as well. We heard from our International President and three other speakers whose messages focused on leading and inspiring teams, strategies to respond rather than to react to new realities, the importance of building strong leaders and teams, and helping team members understand the impact each member makes regardless of their position.

It was also announced during the closing banquet that Lions International had approved sending \$100,000 to the area hit by Hurricane Florence for relief. In addition, over \$7,000 was collected during the banquet for relief. This is another example of how Lions help those in need.

If you've never been to a USA/Canada Leadership Forum, you might want to consider attending one. The 2019 Forum will be in Spokane, Washington, on September 19 – 21. Our own PDG Paul Bledsoe will be the general chairperson for this Forum.

Lion Donald Cobb - 2nd Vice District Governor





## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### October

Tuesday, October 2 - Thursday, October 4		Eye-glass Sorting Event	Camp Dogwood
Wednesday, October 3	8:30 a.m.	Barrier Awareness Day 9-12 - Challenge   Noon - Lunch	J. Smith Young YMCA. West 3rd Ave, Lexington
Wednesday, October 3	6 p.m.	Davidson County Lions Council Raffle Dinner	J. Smith Young YMCA. West 3rd Ave, Lexington
Saturday, October 6	12-4 p.m.	National Blind Sports Day	Second Ward Gymnasium, 710 E. MLK, Jr. Blvd, Charlotte
Saturday, October 6	5 to 8 p.m.	Denton Lions All-You-Can-Eat Shrimp Boil	Denton Masonic Lodge 228 S Main St, Denton
Sunday, October 7	3 p.m.	District Convention Meeting	Sagebrush, Mocksville
Thursday, October 11	6:30 p.m.	Linwood Lions "Joyful Noise"	Linwood Lions Den
Friday, October 12 - Saturday, October 13	9 a.m.	Camp Dogwood Clean-up Days	Camp Dogwood
Saturday, October 20	11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Southmont Lions BBQ Chicken and Raffle	Southmont Civic Center 184 Owen Road, Lexington
Sunday, October 21	1:30 p.m.	CROP Walk	Konnoak Lions Club, Bailey Park- Long Branch Trail, Winston-Salem
Monday, October 22 - Wednesday, October 24		VIP Fishing Tournament	Manteo Gym

### Brighter Visions

We are definitely off to a running start. Thank you to all the clubs who made a donation at our Kick Off! Thank you to all the clubs who attended. Thank you to our speakers and special guests. It was definitely a treat to have Tammy and Ilene, from Camp Dogwood, attend our Kick Off. Thank you to our VIPs who shared wonderful stories of attending camp. A special thank you is extended to my Welcome club and the Arcadia Leo club who served and cleaned up the kitchen following our meal.

Let's keep up this momentum and our goal will be behind

us and we can forge way past it. The TRUE goal is our continued support of the programs and services of Brighter Visions. Briefly let's remind ourselves what they are: Camp Dogwood, Mobility Canes, Matching Funds, the Mobile Screening Unit, Educational Grants, Clinical Eye Research (not a part of Governor's goals this year), Low Vision Aids, the Deaf Blind Retreat, Lions Eye Health Program (LEHP), Organ and Tissue Procurement and support of the VIP Fishing Tournament. Our recycling efforts also help support some of the above programs and services.

In the coming months we will review in more detail the programs and services of Brighter Visions. I would love to meet your club. Let me know when I can attend your club and provide a brief program about Brighter Visions.

**Quick Heads Up** – Mid Winter Convention is right around the corner, Jan 11-13, 2019. We will continue our fundraising efforts with our Zone Theme Baskets and our Brighter Visions Boutique. Start planning now if you'd like to donate something or multiple things to the BV Boutique. Contact your Zone chair to donate to your specific theme basket. Thank you in advance.

Thank you ALL for everything you are doing in the name of LIONS!

Respectfully, Lion Michelle Gregory **Brighter Visions** Chair <[michgregory358@gmail.com](mailto:michgregory358@gmail.com)>

*Our 2018-2019  
District 31-I  
Brighter Visions  
Goal is  
\$150,000*

*Follow our progress  
each month*

July		100%
June		91.67%
May		83.33%
Apr		75.00%
Mar		66.67%
Feb		58.33%
Jan		50.00%
Dec		41.67%
Nov		33.33%
Oct		25.00%
Sep	<b>\$60,080</b>	<b>40.5%</b>
Aug	<b>\$58,007</b>	<b>38.67%</b>
July	<b>START</b>	<b>8.33%</b>

## Global Action Team

GLT District Coordinator - IPDG George Culp

It's Saturday afternoon, and I'm writing this to you from Columbus, Ohio where I am attending the USA-Canadian Lions Leadership Forum. This year's theme is 'Building Teams Through Leadership'. The conference has been an exciting event with over eighty available seminars, guest motivational speakers, and new ideas shared by Lions of which there are over 1800 here.

As your district GLT chair, I shall be brief and provide you with some thoughts that came to me while attending the forum.

Leaders come in all shapes and sizes. The best ones are those that lead by establishing an energizing spirit in their followers. These team members want to make their leader successful.

Think, if you will, of a rowing team on the smooth water of a flowing river. Perhaps you have seen one with two rows and each side with a leader shouting the cadence of when to pull the oars. Consider that without those rowers, absolutely no forward motion would be accomplished. Rowers only on the left or right would only put the vessel in a circle with zero gain.

Each club is encouraged to ensure their leaders have the skills to be good leaders. Are they comfortable in their role? Or, perhaps just doing it because nobody else wants it. It is time to look at your clubs organization and consider the role of your officers. Do you have Vice Presidents with responsibilities to support the president? Have your officers and club members taken [advantage of the learning opportunities provided by Lions University? How about your Secretaries, Treasurer](#), Board members, Membership, Leadership, and Service chairs? If not, contact me. I am happy to assess your needs to find and provide the tools necessary to perhaps have a better year. At the same time, you will gain confidence and hopefully get the boat heading in the right direction.

PDG George Culp GLT District 31-I

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## Global Service

Greeting Fellow Lions,

October is here, and soon we will be involved in the typically fall activities. I have two non-typical suggestions for a fall activity. First, this year Camp Dogwood is having fall clean-up days Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. They will provide lunch as they always have done, but you will need to make a lunch reservation with them (828-478-2135).

The second non-typical suggestion is packing 2000 care boxes for our troops overseas. On the first week of November, Tilley Harley Davidson of Salisbury will be hosting this event. They are located at 653 Bendix Drive, Salisbury, 28146. For more info, call them at 704-638-6044.

As always, the governor and I do appreciate the service activities the clubs report. If there is ever an occasion that I could help in the way of service issues or maybe a club program, please give me a call (704-662-8516) or email

Lion Ron Rich

Global Service Team Chair

[Casper101@windstream.net](mailto:Casper101@windstream.net)

### Suggested Service Projects-Oct-Dec

- Collect can tabs for Leader Dog Program
- Hold a food drive
- Recognize a notable citizen
- Sponsor a V.I.P. Christmas Party
- Hold a vision/diabetes screening
- Partner with Operation Christmas Child
- Prepare North State military Christmas Boxes
- Maintain a "Little Free Library"
- Volunteer at the V.I.P. Fishing Tournament
- Partner with Angel Tree
- Contribute to a toy drive such as Toys for Tots
- Partner with Toy Store for Jesus
- Visit nursing homes and take a treat
- Collect used pill bottles for poor country in need
- Recycle eyeglasses
- Distribute personal-need bags for men/women shelters

## Club News and Events

Past District Governor George Culp was on hand to honor Jeanie and Larry Martin, of the **Kernersville Lions Club**, for the endowment they established for their club. The club thanks both Jeanie and Larry for their devotion and support. PDG George presented Larry with the prestigious Jack Stickley Award in appreciation of his generosity and service. Lion Larry was also recognized for his leadership as President of the club for 2017-2018.

Congratulations to **Kernersville** who will celebrate their 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a meal to be held at Maple Chase Golf & Country Club. The club boasts members who have been with the club over 50 years which is over half of the club's existence.

**Southmont Lions Club** will be having a BBQ Chicken fundraiser October 20 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Southmont Civic Center. Eat in or take out for \$8.00 per plate which includes 1/2 BBQ chicken, BBQ slaw, potato salad, roll, dessert (drink included if dining in). Winner of 3/8" Ryobi corded drill provided by Robert Hedrick Supply to be drawn at 5 p.m.

**Linwood Lions Club** will make a "Joyful Noise" Thursday, October 11. Food (chef's choice) at a cost of \$7.50 begins at 6:30 p.m. and music at 7. Proceeds from half and half tickets and collection go to Brighter Visions.

Maria Julian and Elizabeth Curley from Appalachian Regional Health Department provided a program on opioid use at the Sept. 4 meeting of the **West Jefferson Lions Club**. Emphasis was on the indications and effects of opioid use and statistics about the opioid epidemic. Some of the indications of opioid overdose/poisoning are changes in the size of the pupils of the eyes, relaxed muscles "nodding out" (neck muscles relax so head may roll or go back) scratching of itchy skin, slurred speech and being "out of it." Signs of opioid overdose are unconsciousness, lack of responsive to noise, awake but unable to talk, **and** other noticeable signs. Naloxone is an immediate response drug for overdose reversal. The expert advice is to recognize the signs and learn how to best deal with the case if you have contact with someone exhibiting the symptoms of opioid overdose. The statistics of use show opioid use is among all age groups from middle school to the elderly. A discussion was held about future treatments as well as the efforts to stem the increased use of opioids.



**Troutman Lions Club** asks, "How do you raise money for Brighter Vision?" One car at a time. Lions Dan Tedder and Ron Rich are busy filling the parking lot at the Iredell County Fair. Thanks goes out to all the folks who helped us with this nine day project. A special thank you to members of **West Iredell** club for their help.



Date	Lions Club
22-Oct	Thomasville
26-Nov	Gold Hill
3-Dec	Pilot

Cleo Zemke  
VAVS-District Co-Chair  
704-785-4478

**Denton Lions Club's** All-You-Can-Eat Shrimp Boil, Saturday, Oct. 6. 5 pm to 8 pm at Denton Masonic Lodge, South Main St. is STILL JUST \$20 for meals eaten at the Lodge. Shrimp, kielbasa, corn on the cob, baked potato, coleslaw, dessert, tea/coffee. If you want a plate to-go, the cost is \$16.

Tell us about your club events, fundraisers, service projects and honors received so that we can share them with your fellow Lions.

Email the details to [ebc4986@yahoo.com](mailto:ebc4986@yahoo.com) or mail to Lion Elizabeth Conrad, 1270 Beck's Nursery Rd, Lexington, NC 27292 *by the 20th of each month.*

## Did you know that October 2018 is

Vision Awareness Month

Lions Membership Growth Month

Leo Membership Growth Month

## Lions also observe

World Sight Day on October 11

International White Cane Safety Day on October 15



## The Brighter Visions Boutique

*Calling all Knitters, Bakers, and Candlestick Makers (and Shoppers)!!!*

Our district convention will be here before we know it (January 11- 12). To raise money for Brighter Visions, we will again have the “Brighter Visions Boutique” where we will sell items made by Lions and their friends, as well as other items suitable for gifting. This “store” is geared toward items that are not big enough to go in the auction. We will again have the Lions’ Corner which will consist of lion-themed items. These donations can be items from LCI that you would like to pass on to others, as well as unique items that include lion(s) in their design.

To receive Brighter Visions credit for your items, attach a tag with the **name of the club** and the **price** we should charge. (Please make prices in whole dollar amounts so we do not have to worry about coins for change.) Many VIPs do crafts, so don’t forget to include them when your club is looking for items to donate. Also, consider asking for donations from businesses, friends and family.

Thank you for your help! This will be a fun way to increase our Brighter Visions contributions as well as offer an enjoyable shopping activity at the convention. Contact me if you have any questions.

Debbie Williams  
[djwms@triad.rr.com](mailto:djwms@triad.rr.com)

Ideas:

Home-canned goods

Baked goods

Baskets

Jewelry

Knitted/Crocheted items (scarves, dish cloths, etc.)

Embroidered items

Paper Crafts

Small quilted items (glasses cases, pot holders, table runners, etc.)

Ceramics/Pottery

Wooden items

Metal items

Decor items

Christmas ornaments

Handmade toys or games

Anything else you can think of!!!!





I have been busy packing TABS from our Lions clubs that our members have brought to the district meetings. "Thank You" sounds so simple but it comes from all the folks at Leader Dogs for the Blind who train our dogs to help our VIP/blind people. YOU have made a difference by collecting your TABS and quarter cards. Please continue to gather the TABS and bring them to our meetings OR invite me to come to your club for an informative program about our Leader Dogs. I have new hand outs, "freebies" and videos to share with your club. I look forward hearing from you. Let's set a date for me to come to your club to share the good news concerning our very special dogs.

Anthia Reid, District Chair

## The Mobile Screening Unit

I know that many of you have heard rumors about the Mobile Screening Unit (MSU). I am happy to report that the MSU is up and running and ready to get back into full swing! We have had some mechanical troubles with both the truck and the generator on the MSU, but we currently have everything repaired/replaced and are back on the road! We continue to look for options as to how we may have a backup vehicle to pull the MSU. Because as with any vehicle, unexpected repairs do happen and repairs must be made, which can leave us without the ability to meet our screening obligations. So, if you know someone that you feel might be of assistance, please let me know.

I am truly excited for the opportunity to get back out on the roads of North Carolina and help the Lions Clubs serve in their communities! With your continued support we have the opportunity to help so many people across the state. We have had many folks come through the MSU in the past year, some with signs of glaucoma, diabetic retinopathy and some with signs of intraocular melanoma. So I feel that we have had a hand in potentially saving the sight of many and the lives of several! It is not always about the number of people that we see, but those that we can help! I too like to see large numbers of people attending our screenings, but as I have told many of you "If at the end of the day we have helped just one person, we have done what we are called to do!"

Just a reminder, we are currently taking reservation through June of 2020. That's right **20/20!** So go ahead and get your next screening booked today, before the calendar fills up! You can give me a call or drop me an email. You can also look at our calendar @ <https://nclionsinc.org/mobile-screening-unitcalendar/> Thank you for the opportunity to serve with you!

Bryan Hoover Mobile Screening Unit Coordinator [bryan@nclionsinc.org](mailto:bryan@nclionsinc.org) 1-800-662-7401 Ext. 241

### Where to find it on the web:

[nclions31i.org](https://nclions31i.org) to find information of interest on the district level

<http://nclionscampdogwood.org/staff-volunteers/> to register for to volunteer for a week

(or contact Camp Director, Keisha Ramseur at 828-478-2135 ext. 230 or at [keisha@nclionsinc.org](mailto:keisha@nclionsinc.org))

<http://ncvipfishing.org/applications/> for VIP-Fishing-Tournament-Volunteer, Guest and Participant Applications



THE SUMMER DESTINATION  
FOR THE  
VISUALLY IMPAIRED & BLIND

### Hello from Camp Dogwood

We have boxes of glasses that are ready and waiting for volunteers to sort and prepare for shipping. October 2 thru October 4 have been set aside as Eyeglass Sorting Days. YES, we do accept sunglasses and broken frames.

If you have any questions please give me a call. If you are available to join us, we will serve dinner on Tuesday, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Wednesday and breakfast on Thursday.

Thank you so much for all you do. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Contact Tammy Thomas, Properties Manager at 828-478-2135 ext. 230 if you are available to help.

Camp Clean Up Days are set for October 12 (starting at 9 am) and October 13. Rooms are available upon request and meals will be provided. If you are interested please call Tammy 828-478-2135 ext. 232.

Tammy Thomas, Properties Manager

### Tammy Thomas, Food Services and Properties Manager

September / October 2018

#### News from North Carolina Lions Camp Dogwood

Sidewalks have been completed. Road paving is set to begin the end of September depending upon weather. This will make maneuverability around camp easier for our VIPs as well as improving the appearance.

A new washing machine for our laundry department has been ordered to replace the 12 year old plus unit we currently have.

The camp is also undergoing an inspection of the sewer lines. It has been discovered that a lot of our lines are terrae cotta clay and the joints are shifting allowing roots to build up in the lines and slow down the drainage.

Robert Carroll and Jim Chandler visited Camp Dogwood recently to begin collecting ideas for projects to be completed during volunteer week and for the Properties Committee.

Remember Camp Dogwood is here year round. So if you have a few hours or a day free give us a call and volunteer. Don't wait till April to volunteer. There are so many things to be done around the camp.

Thank you for the volunteer and financial support of this beautiful camp that enables all of us the opportunity to provide a vacation "home" for the visually impaired in North Carolina.



### Camp Dogwood Christmas Camp

Join us December 13th -16th for Christmas Camp. Spend Friday at Billy Graham Library. Make s'mores and drink cocoa. Saturday will be filled with making Christmas crafts, caroling and don't forget the Christmas dance.

Registration deadline is November 15th. There will be a lottery drawing since only 50 spots are available. Once notified you will have until November 21st to pay in full to reserve your spot. Cost \$125.00.

### What's Cooking?

Want to be a part of the 1st ever CAMP DOGWOOD COOKBOOK? Do you have a special recipe you would like to share with others across NC? If you would like to submit a recipe, email [Tammy@nclionsinc.org](mailto:Tammy@nclionsinc.org).



## *\* Registration Required \**



**NC Lions, Inc. Executive Committee, Board of Directors and Council of Governors Meetings - Nov. 9-11, Hampton Inn and Suites, Aberdeen.** Contact the hotel at 910-693-4330 by Oct. 12 to reserve a room. (\$109) or suite (\$119).

ALL LIONS are welcome!



### Update on Boys and Girls Club

Friends and Fellow Lions....this message comes from the bottom of my heart. The Boys and Girls Homes at Lake Waccamaw suffered severe damage with the hurricane. Their Chapel and the Lang building have severe water damage.

I'm hoping everyone will help them get back on their feet. I have a list of things they need. If you can help in any way, they will greatly appreciate it. The needs include #10 cans of food, housekeeping supplies, brooms, mops, paper towels, cleaning cloths, sheets, pillows, blankets, personal toiletries, and of course, cash donations. Thank you for your support of these children at this time of need.

**Save the dates!!!!**  
**At North Carolina Lions Camp Dogwood**  
**District 31-I Winter Convention**  
**January 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> 2019**

Registration form and additional information  
 coming soon!!!!

**2<sup>nd</sup> International President Haynes**  
**Townsend and Lion Donna guest speakers,**  
**Seminars, Brighter Visions Boutique, Food,**  
**Fellowship, Silent and Live Auctions,**  
**Entertainment and more!!!!**

### Important Deadlines:

October 1: Deadline to purchase Peace Poster Contest kits from Club Supplies Sales

October 9: Application deadline for Matching, Lions Quest and Diabetes grants to be reviewed at the January 2019 board and LAC meetings

October 12: Application deadline for Sight-First grants to be reviewed at the January 2019 SightFirst Advisory Committee (SAC) meeting

October 12: Deadline for hotel reservations for NCLI meetings

**NC VIP Fishing Tournament**  
**OCT 22, 23 & 24**  
 The theme is Kentucky Derby



*Lion Judy Headley, State Boys and Girls Home Chair*



### **Camp Dogwood Testimonials at the BV Kickoff**



Left: Lion Dwayne with the mic and Lion Trish eager to speak. Below: Lion Angie leading her mom, Lion Becky, to the "stage"



Left: Lion Theresa no doubt reminding everyone to "keep selling 'dem Camp Dogwood tickets."

District 31-I Newsletter is published monthly.

**DEADLINE** for inclusion of articles is the 20th of each month if by email. Cost of producing and distributing this publication is paid from member dues received.

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All articles, announcements, etc., for inclusion in the District 31-I Newsletter should be sent to:

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