

# On Track To Serve!

## CABINET:

DG—Robert Moffett  
1stVDG—

Harrison Schramm  
2ndVDG—

Eugene Saunders  
SECY/TREAS—

Daniel Heintzman  
IPDG—Patty Nutter

## Zone Chairs:

1—Brian Webster

2—Phyllis Amrhein

3—Gene Saunders

4—Linda Leasure

5—Deborah Delaney

6—Robin Dicken

7—Crystal Bennett

8—Lowell McAfee

## Membership—

PDG Richard McMillan  
Leadership/Spec Prog—

PDG Eva Dague  
Contest— Chris Doty  
Conference—

Nancy Sickles  
Deaf/Blind Recreation—

Barbara Baker  
Diab. Awareness/LEHP—

Dave Roberts  
Info Tech—Dave Ice  
LCIF/Tail Twister—

PDG Paul Amrhein  
LEO Co-Chairs—

Doug Pettit, Julia Cooper  
Mobile Sight Equip—

Argy Polsinelli  
Newsletter Editor—

Phyllis Amrhein  
Peace Poster Contest—

Bonnie Summers  
Sight & Hearing/WVU  
Liaison/Spec Prog —

PDG Jeff Baxter  
Leader Dog—

Dave Atkinson  
Pilot Dog—

Scott Summers  
Environmental—

Russell Flanigan  
Youth Exchange —

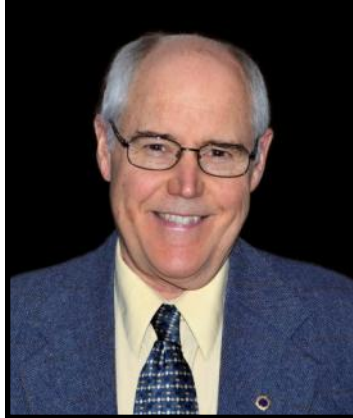
Appointed-  
Dave Elder  
Elected-

Michelle Hashbarger

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## District Governor, Robert Moffett



The leaves have turned colors, fallen, and many of us have raked and collected them to discard, signaling the change to another season. One season follows another and we adjust our lives and activities accordingly.

As we find ourselves staying indoors a little more during the day, we might take some of that time to reflect. November is a season for reflection, for it is the time of Thanksgiving -- a time to step back and think of how we have all been blessed in some way or another. Please allow me to reflect on my blessings.

I am grateful for my friend Bud who asked me to go with him to a Lions Club meeting just about 40 years ago, for if he or somebody else had not

invited me, where would I be today? I am thankful for the club that put me to work right away and trusted me to do it, even when I made mistakes. My club nurtured me and over the years, I developed as a Lion. Others outside my own club also asked me to go to work in Lions and then trusted me to do it.

Of course, I am thankful for Lion Aletta and all of my family. They have supported me when things went well and when things did not go so smoothly.

I am thankful for the District 29-L Cabinet officers, our past district governors and all those who have and continue to provide leadership throughout our district, state organization and our International Association.

I am especially thankful for the Lions Clubs and their members who give so freely of themselves to make life a little better for their neighbors -- some they

may know and some they may never know. Lions offers us all so much as we do our many kinds of service: the camaraderie of great friends, the opportunities to meet other people and make new friends, skills development in areas such as problem solving, leadership and more. Time for thanksgiving leads to thanks-living.

As Lion Aletta and I have traveled this year, we have had the opportunity to make so many new friends and to renew acquaintances from earlier meetings. This is a great experience, and so I want to thank all of you Lions for your wonderful hospitality, your warmth, your friendship and your service. I am truly grateful for you and for all that you do "In A World of Service."

Yours in service,

Lion Bob

Bob Moffett  
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# Message from President Madden



Dear Lion,

In my travels to the area forums I have had a chance to visit with many of you about things I would like you to consider doing or accomplishing during your year.

I want all of our clubs to be excellent clubs. My formula for excellence:  
**Dedication + Preparation + Team work = excellence.**

The first thing is teamwork. Are you getting all or most of your club involved in your service projects? Isn't it more fun and productive to have 20 Lions working a service project as opposed to just two or three? With more Lions involved the work becomes much easier for all and you have more Lions expertise to draw upon. So get your Lions engaged in your club activities.

Second, my goal for all of our clubs this year is to achieve excellence. I want each of your clubs to achieve the [club excellence award](#). It is a great roadmap to success! Take a look on the LCI Web site to get started. Make it your goal to pay your club bills on time, submit your reports on time, do at least three service projects and advertise them in your local media, make a contribution to LCIF, have a net growth in membership for the year (so if you started the year with 25 members by the year end you need to have at least 26 members), attend zone meetings, have your key officers attend officers training, and make sure your secretary files the PU 101 report on time next spring. With dedication, preparation and team work, every club can be on track to achieve the Club Excellence Award. Your club will receive a nice banner patch and you will receive a nice lapel pin recognizing you as a Club Excellence President.

Third - get your club involved in the [Reading Action Program - RAP](#). Twenty-Six percent of the world's population is considered illiterate - unable to write their name or read as well as a 10 year old child. This problem not only exists in developing countries but developed countries as well. In my own country - the USA - one out of seven is considered to be illiterate by the aforementioned definition. Go to LCI's Web site and take a look at the suggested ways your club can get involved in the RAP program.

To make sure your club achieves the goals you set out for them to achieve I have instituted [four quarterly pit stops](#) this year - one every three months. Just like in the INDY 500 auto race when a race car needs to come in periodically to receive new tires, a fresh tank of gas, and to have the engine tweaked to make sure it is running competitively - your club needs to stop periodically and have a pit stop to make sure everything is running smoothly. Gather your fellow officers and check to see if you are on pace to achieve the goals you set out to achieve. If not decide what you need to do to get back on pace to achieve those goals. Don't wait until June 1<sup>st</sup> and realize you did not come close to achieving you goals - take a pit stop NOW and make sure you are on pace to have an excellent year.

I look forward to having an excellent year as international president. But for that to happen you must have an excellent year. Together we can achieve success!!!

Sincerely,

Wayne A. Madden, International President



## **DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S SCHEDULE**

Nov. 1	Williamstown DG Visit
Nov. 2 -3	District 29-N Conference, Pipestem State Park
Nov. 12	Warwood DG Visit
Nov. 13	Friendly DG Visit, 6:30 pm
Nov. 22	Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 26	Grantsville, DG Visit, 6:00 pm
Dec. 6	Valley Grove DG Visit, 7:00 pm
Dec. 7	Barrackville Lions Christmas Parade
Dec. 8	Fairmont Lions Christmas Parade
Dec. 12	Follansbee DG Visit, 6:30 pm
Dec. 25	Merry Christmas
Jan. 1	Happy New Year!
Jan. 5	MD 29 Council of Governors Meeting, Pipestem State Park
Jan. 10	Boaz & Waverly DG Visit
Jan. 15	Harrisville DG Visit
Jan. 25-27	WV Lions Leadership School, Flatwoods

PLEASE NOTE: any club that has not already scheduled their District Governor Visit for this year is asked to do so right away. Contact District Governor Bob at 304.363.7060 or [rmoffett@ma.rr.com](mailto:rmoffett@ma.rr.com)

The Peace Poster Contest began in 1988. This is the 25<sup>th</sup> year and the theme is "Imagine Peace". Winners from the US have included the following states: 1993 Pennsylvania, 1995 Arizona, and 2006 California and 2008 California.

Clubs remember, you must select one winner from each youth group sponsored by your club. The winning poster must be postmarked to District Governor Bob by November 15<sup>th</sup>. By December 1<sup>st</sup> each district governor will send one poster on to the multiple district council chairpersons. Once a winning poster has been selected by MD-29, it will be sent to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters by December 15<sup>th</sup>. One grand prize winner and 24 merit award winners will be selected. Those winners will be notified on or before February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013.

Please use the press release enclosed in the Peace Poster kit to promote your club's participation. I will gladly assist any club with the press release or completing award certificates.

If you have an individual that participated in the Essay Contest, the theme is "Imagine Peace" and the deadline to submit one selection to District Governor Bob is November 15<sup>th</sup>.

If you have questions or need assistance contact me anytime at [n8vso@frontier.com](mailto:n8vso@frontier.com) or call 304-366-7646 before 8:30 p.m.

Lion Bonnie Summers,  
Peace Poster Contest Chair.



## 2nd Vice District Governor, Eugene “Gene” Saunders



Fellow Lions,

I recently attended our 2nd Cabinet Meeting which was held in Harrisville. I want to thank the Harrisville Lions Club for a great meal.

I also had the privilege to introduce the Zone Chairs who were present at the meeting. Each Zone Chair gave a positive report regarding their clubs working in the communities.

The District Governor appointed me the District RAP (Reading Action Program) Chair. I, along with the Zone Chairs, will be working to promote The Lions Reading Action Program in our District and in the State of West Virginia. I am asking the Zone Chairs to have each of their clubs appoint a RAP Chair or a contact person and inform the clubs about the opportunity to use the resources of the local libraries to get the program started in the Schools and the communities. I am also asking the Zone Chairs to send me a report on how their clubs are doing with the program by November 12, 2012. I will be happy to visit Clubs or Zone Meetings to promote this program.

I really want to thank all the clubs again for their reports and I plan to visit the New Cumberland Club soon.

Eugene Saunders, Sr  
2nd Vice District Governor

### Dan Dague Memorial Car and Bike Show for Sight – 2012

A wrap-up meeting was held to close our 2012 Dan Dague Memorial Car and Bike show for Sight, and start our preparations for our 2013 event. Our flyer has been prepared for 2013 and is ready for copying and distribution. The flyer includes the date of the show (Labor Day), September 2, 2013; our rain date of Sunday, September 8, 2013, our home phone numbers and our cell phone numbers. The decision of using our show date will be made at the show site at 7 a.m.

A check will be presented to the Sight Foundation in November in the amount of \$7,362.00. This will make our total donation for this year's event \$10,000.00.

Again, thanks for everyone's hard work in making this donation to the new equipment possible.

Co-Chairs PDG Jeff and PDG Eva

The Extension and Membership Division of Lions Clubs International conducts monthly Newscasts on important membership topics every fourth Wednesday of the month. Netcasts are Web-based forums designed to be interactive. Lions are able to ask questions of the panelists and share success stories of their own. The goal is to provide an opportunity for Lions to learn and motivate each other. Your participation is highly recommended.

Netcasts will be recorded and posted on the LCI Web site. The next scheduled Netcast is planned for November 28, 2012 from 7-8 p.m. The topic is "Club Excellence Process Success Stories" and the panelists will be PID Ed Lecius (US), VDG Monica Segura (Argentina) and PDG OJ Wilura (Canada). Space is limited, so register today!

If you have any questions regarding upcoming Netcasts, please contact the Membership and New Club Development Department.

# Leadership Opportunities

For more information,

Contact PDG Eva Dague, [evadague@aol.com](mailto:evadague@aol.com)

304.845.7647

## WV Lions Leadership School Days Inn – Flatwoods January 25, 26 and 27, 2013

The countdown for the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership School is getting closer. Our early discounted registration fee of \$100 must be postmarked by 12/15/12. The benefits you receive for \$100 include four meals, two (2) luncheon speakers and two (2) dinner speakers, and a choice of six seminars. A fun activity will be held Friday evening and we will play bingo Saturday evening.

We hope you will come join us, make new acquaintances, renew friendships and have a great learning experience.

A featured speaker will be PDG Wendy Cain who served as DG in 12-N (Tennessee) in 2006-07. Lion Wendy became a Lion in District 29-L and is the daughter of PDG Paul and Lion Phyllis Amrhein. She is a very familiar face at our Leadership School. Her accomplishments include serving on the faculty of two LCI and five regional Lions Leadership Institutes. She has also been a presenter at the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums numerous times. Her awards include: Certificates of Appreciation, International President's Leadership Medal, and is a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. She is an engineer the US Department of Energy in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. She and her husband, Barry, live in Knoxville, TN.

### Leadership Expanding Our Impact

Lions around the world are dedicated to providing service. Now, with community needs on the rise, we need to extend the reach of our service more than ever. President Madden encourages Lions to actively participate in our four Global Service action campaigns: Although the first two activities were assigned in August and October, we still have a chance to make positive contributions for the last two campaigns.

- . Engaging youth in August
- . Working with blind and visually impaired in October
- . Feeding the hungry in December and January
- . Positively impacting our Environment in April.

### Effectively Manage Change

Although change is not easy, it can also be simple. In order for Lions Club International and our clubs to grow and thrive, we must be willing to let go of what we have always done and risk trying something new. President Madden suggests we:

- . Identify new ways to enhance our club success.
- . Invite new ideas and approaches from young people and Leos.
- . Use social media to communicate and build awareness.
- . Maintain our dedication to service, revitalizing old traditions while establishing new ones.
- . Identify and develop new leaders. Good leadership is too important to the future of your clubs and to the future of Lions Clubs International to leave to chance.

Yes, in today's world, there are challenges. But there is also hope and the promise of a better tomorrow, because **IN A WORLD OF SERVICE**, there are Lions. Additional information can be found on LCI's website, international theme.

*PDG Eva*



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## LCIF: Diabetes Awareness in November

November is **Diabetes Awareness month** and Lions across the world, with the support of Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), will be helping their local communities by providing diabetes education and screening programs. Some of these Lions have been active for months, including the Lions of District 24A in Virginia, USA.

Over the October 20-21st weekend, the Lions of District 24A worked with the Fairfax County Health Department to provide diabetes preventive health screenings. Paula Paige, a counselor for those receiving the screenings, said "Thank You [Lions], I am so grateful. Know that regarding this project of Diabetes Awareness and the various services the Lion's provide, I am willing and ready to support you."

Through a grant from LCIF of US\$72,000, the Lions of District 24A, together with the American Diabetes Association (ADA), established a **Lions Diabetes Detection and Education Program** in Virginia's northern Fairfax County. The pilot program focuses on providing training to select Lions to become **Diabetes Ambassadors**. These Ambassadors function as trained lay-personnel for targeted diabetes and diabetic retinopathy mobile screenings; they provide patient follow-up management and serve as educators of diabetes self-management classes. The project aims to reduce diabetes complications through targeted health screenings and education programs. More than **3,000** individuals will be served by this grant.

James Copeland, Director of Community Health Development and Preparedness at the Fairfax County Health Department, said over the weekend, "The partnership between the Lions Clubs, ADA and the Fairfax County Health Department is an example of organizations that recognize they have shared interests and goals and the way to achieve these goals is by working together." Together, Lions, the ADA and LCIF are working to limit the impact of diabetes in northern Virginia. Worldwide, LCIF has awarded recent diabetes education and awareness grants to Districts 103SW and 103CE in France, 112A in Belgium, and District 354B in Korea.

According to the World Health Organization, diabetes currently affects **346 million people worldwide**, and the numbers continue to rise. There are 25.8 million individuals with diabetes in the United States alone. Diabetes can damage the heart, eyes, and kidneys and the overall risk of dying is at least double the risk of peers without diabetes.

Diabetes programs are funded through the LCIF **Humanitarian Needs** area of giving. This month, consider joining the Lions around the world in their fight against diabetes by making a donation to **Humanitarian Needs**. For more information about the impact of LCIF diabetes grants or LCIF Areas of Giving, please visit [www.lcif.org](http://www.lcif.org).

PDG Paul Amrhein  
LCIF Coordinator  
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## CLUB NEWS ...

For the second consecutive year **Western Monongalia Lions** provided eye screening for the sixth graders at Clay-Battelle Middle School. Thirty- nine students and three adults were given the puff test and the visual acuity test. This is one way the club provides a service for the community's youth.

The club is participating in the "Fall Roundup" membership drive. They have mailed nearly two dozen letters to prospective members in hopes of getting them to attend an informational meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup>. District GMT Coordinator, Richard McMillan, will be the guest speaker for the evening.

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The **Friendly Lions Club** will be conducting their annual DG Night on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at the Friendly Community Center in Friendly, WV. It will start at 6:30pm and will be a covered dish meal with the Club providing the meat.

We ask that you RSVP Lion Dan Heintzman by 11/1/12 if you can attend. His phone number is (304) 652-1766 or email at [deheintzman@msn.com](mailto:deheintzman@msn.com).

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The **Wheeling Lions Club** and the Seeing Hand Association will be sponsoring a Vision Awareness Walk-a-Thon. The date is Saturday, November 3 at Heritage Port in Wheeling. (Contact Lion Linda Amos at [ljamost@comcast.net](mailto:ljamost@comcast.net) for more information pertaining to the event.)

There will also be eye screenings, vision awareness booths, diabetes awareness booths, other health testing, Chinese auction, 50/50 drawing, prizes for the team with most money collected, Lions Club with most money collected, individual with most money collected and best team T-shirt.

We hope that your club participates in this worthwhile event. Proceeds will benefit the Seeing Hand Association and Wheeling Lions Charities Inc.

Thanks and hope to see you and your club represented.

Lion Mike Hooper, Lion Karen Haught, and Lion John Wensyel

## ZONE MEETINGS SCHEDULED

**Zone 2** (Dallas, Elm Grove, Mt. Olivet, Valley Grove, Warwood, West Liberty)

**Wednesday, November 7th at West Liberty Federated Church, West Liberty. Meeting will begin at 7:00 pm**

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**Zone 3** (Moundsville, Washington Lands, Wheeling, Wheeling Island)

**Thursday, November 15, 2012, 6:30pm, at the Washington Lands United Methodist Church**

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**Zone 5** (Brookhaven, Cheat Lake, Clay-Battelle, Morgantown, Western-Mon, Westover)

**Saturday, November 10, 2012  
Shoney's in Star City  
9:00 A.M. – Breakfast  
10:00 A.M. – Meeting**

**LION CHRIS DOTY, DISTRICT CONTEST CHAIR**

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CONTEST**

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP TO 20:**

Club Name	Total
Cheat Lake	54376
Grantsville	45271
Western Mon Area	37286
Friendly	24557
Pleasants Area	15612
South Parkersburg	15375
Rivesville	13057
Fairview	12350
Westover	9200
Waverly	7385
Paden City	6625
Sistersville	6579
Brookhaven	3200
Mannington	1700
Clay Battelle	0
Follansbee	0
Vienna	0
Weirton	0
Wheeling Island	0
Whitehall	0

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP 21 to 35:**

Club Name	Total
Morgantown	48415
Washington Lands	46094
Mt. Olivet	36209
Pine Grove/Shortline	31087
Washington	22633
West Liberty	21680
Dallas	10412
Valley Grove	8990
Boaz	8400
Barrackville	4555
Chester	0
Glenville	0
New Martinsville	0

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP 36 & above:**

Club Name	Total
Wheeling	105752
New Cumberland	71510
Wellsburg	66743
Fairmont	65178
Newell	63233
Harrisville	62963
Warwood	59239
Elm Grove	30892
Moundsville	29680
Parkersburg	21250
Doddridge County	20110
Williamstown	0

**Thanks for all you do!**

**VISITATION CONTEST**

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP TO 20:**

Club Name	Total
Friendly	480
Westover	280
Western Mon Area	240
Fairview	60
Cheat Lake	40
Grantsville	40
Brookhaven	0
Clay Battelle	0
Follansbee	0
Mannington	0
Paden City	0
Pleasants Area	0
Rivesville	0
Sistersville	0
South Parkersburg	0
Vienna	0
Waverly	0
Weirton	0
Wheeling Island	0
Whitehall	0

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP 21 to 35**

Club Name	Total
Morgantown	1880
Mt. Olivet	580
Washington Lands	560
Barrackville	460
West Liberty	440
Chester	200
Valley Grove	60
Boaz	0
Dallas	0
Glenville	0
New Martinsville	0
Pine Grove/Shortline	0
Washington	0

**CLUB MEMBERSHIP 36 &**

<u>ABOVE -</u>	Total
Club Name	Total
Warwood	3020
Harrisville	2480
Newell	1540
Moundsville	1280
New Cumberland	1260
Fairmont	1160
Wheeling	1080
Parkersburg	420
Elm Grove	240
Doddridge County	200
Wellsburg	0
Williamstown	0

**Hello, Lions:**

**As I complete the points listing, I notice that I am missing a few reports. If you believe your points are incorrect, please e-mail me at [d29lcontest@gmail.com](mailto:d29lcontest@gmail.com) or [lionchris@comcast.net](mailto:lionchris@comcast.net) Secretaries, please remember that DG Bob has requested everyone use the new activity reporting form.**

**Lion Chris**





**IPDG Patty Nutter receives a plaque of appreciation by PID Larry Johnson from the PDG Association**



**Fish Fry at Washington District Governor visit.**



**DG Bob installs new members of the Mt. Olivet Lions Club during his official visit.**



**Lion Boyd Hastings of the Morgantown Lions Club receives a Leonard Jarrett from President**



**Attended 29-I conference with ID Carolyn Messier and PDG Normand**

**DISTRICT 29-L  
NEWSLETTER**

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