

The Lion's Tale



Newsletter for and about the
Lions of District 43-C



A WELCOME MESSAGE FROM DG SIMON

Dear Lions,

I hope everyone had a great Christmas. Today is January 1, 2013. We are looking ahead to a bright future for District 43-C. We are expecting many great things in the next six months of my term as your District Governor. I hope to make some big announcements in the next few weeks. We are working hard to establish two new Leo's clubs. We are also close to starting a Lions Quest program at Corbin High School (my thanks to Lion Al Lipson for his hard work on this). This will be the first Lions Quest program in the state of Kentucky. This is very exciting. We are continuing to work on membership and extension. We know several clubs are in jeopardy. If we work together, we can make our clubs stronger and more attractive to new members. Please consider the Club Excellence Process and New Member Orientations. We will strive to charter two new clubs in this Lions year. We will do our best to serve our communities. That's what Lions do.

I enjoyed my visit to the Whitley City club on December 17 despite driving in some atrocious weather. The club has a lot of vitality, and Lion President Wendy Duncan conducts excellent meetings. The club welcomed two new members that night, fantastic! Clubs like Whitley City do a lot of important work in their communities and receive very little recognition. EVERY club in District 43-C is important and should be made to feel included. I hope to pay a return visit and hear about more successful projects and meet new

members!

We have two **important dates** on the calendar this month. Please join us at the Holiday Inn Hurstborne Parkway in Louisville on January 18-20 for the Roy Cawood Sr. Leadership Conference. Special guest will be First International Vice President Barry Palmer from Australia. 1st VP Barry will be inducted as LCI International President at the International Convention in Hamburg, Germany in July. He is very inspirational and I am sure you will enjoy meeting him. He is very prolific on Facebook! It is not too late to book a room at the Lions rate (deadline is January 4), and make meal reservations at the hotel (deadline is January 14). If you don't wish to stay the night, you can always drive up Saturday morning and spend the whole day. There is a great program (several interactive workshops) that will interest EVERYONE.

Our third District Cabinet Meeting will be Saturday, January 26 at ECU in Richmond. Address and directions will be sent out separately. Our guest speaker will be Lion Dr. Matt Burchett, who will speak about the Opening Eyes Program that the Richmond Lions Club has sponsored for the Kentucky Special Olympics State Games for many years. Lunch will be at Gillum's Sports Lounge at the old Richmond Mall after the Cabinet Meeting. Please

note lunch will be on your own. We will have a bake sale at the Cabinet Meeting, and all proceeds will

go to our District Convention in April. My gratitude and thanks to the Richmond Lions Club for graciously hosting the meeting.

I will be making plans to visit more clubs in the next few months, weather depending. Please don't forget that I can help with your club fundraiser or project if I am available. I look forward to meeting more Lions as I continue my journey as your District Governor. I am very excited about the next six months. We have a lot of opportunity ahead. Thank you all for giving me the chance to serve you.

I wish you all a happy and healthy New Year!

Lionism: Live It; Love It; Learn It.
[District Governor Simon Mortimer](#)
In A World of Service



CONGRATULATIONS TO LION JOHN SHOUSE
2ND VDG

DG Simon Mortimer has appointed Lion John Shouse as the 2nd District Vice Governor, effective Jan 1, 2013. And a Happy Birthday, (January 6th) 2nd VDG John!

Dear Lions,

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

I am writing this with a heavy heart this morning. November 2012 was a month of highs and lows. First of all, we had a great Cabinet Meeting on Saturday, November 3, hosted by the Campbellsville Lions Club. The food was fantastic, the guest program was fun, and I was amazed by the quality of the District Reports. We have a superb District Cabinet this year. The only thing that was missing was Lions! We were disappointed with the turnout. Those unable to attend missed a fun and informative meeting. Our next Cabinet Meeting will be at ECU Richmond Campus on Saturday, January 26. We are grateful to the Richmond Lions Club for hosting the meeting. Lunch will be at Gillum's Sports Lounge after the meeting. Please attend and support your District.

I was invited to attend the Lexington Lions Club Charity Gifting Night on Thursday, November 15. Many organizations received donations from the Lexington Lions Club. It was a wonderful evening, and it was very satisfying to hear how all the hard work and dedication of the Lexington Lions who worked at the Bluegrass Fair would benefit many men, women, and children in so many different ways. I was constantly reminded that fundraising is not about money. It is about how much we can help people in our communities. I really felt that the evening embodied the true spirit of Lionism. Congratulations to all the Lexington Lions.

I visited the Wilmore Lioness Club on Monday, November 26. After traveling on some small back roads, which involved some skilled off-road driving, I finally made it to La Casa de Jose restaurant. I knew I had arrived at a good meeting when I walked through the door and heard a lot of laughing. Fellow Lion, we need more laughter at our club meetings! We have two Lioness clubs in District 43-C and both are to be commended for the work they do in their communities. Lioness Beverly is a very well organized President and the meeting was very enjoyable. Good luck Lionesses in your future endeavors!

EYE HEALTH PROGRAMS FOR 2013

Are you looking for materials for your next health fair, vision screening or eye health awareness event? The Lions Eye Health Program (LEHP) includes professionally authored materials for you to use. We partnered with the National Eye Institute/National Eye Health Education Program (NEI/NEHEP), and as a result, we offer three outstanding programs for you to use. Choose from: Making Vision a Health Priority; Age-Related Eye Diseases and Conditions; and Low Vision. Each program includes a how-to sheet, PowerPoint, speaker's guide, handouts and more. Start today to plan your next community eye health event

I hope to see you all again.

Just another reminder that the Roy Cawood Sr. Leadership Conference at Holiday Inn Hurstborne Road, Louisville is only a few weeks away. Please make every effort to attend our Mid-Year Convention. We will be joined by International First Vice-President Barry Palmer, from Australia. I met Lion Barry at the International Convention in Busan, South Korea, in June. He is great fun and very thoughtful. We are truly honored to have the First Vice-President attend our Mid-Year Convention on January 18-20. I would clubs to consider taking out an ad in the program. Checks payable to District 43 can be sent to PDG George Lonneman, 3129 Royal Windsor, Edgewood, KY 41017. We would gratefully appreciate your support.

Finally, we are mourning the great loss of several Lions who served our District, notably PDG Don Jacobson of the Lexington Lions Club. I was saddened to hear that my great friend, IPDG Alicia Pontius, of District K, died on Thursday, November 29. DG Eldon Pontius serves on the State Council, and he and IPDG Alicia have become close friends. My wife and I are devastated by her passing. We are comforted by the thought that she no longer has any more pain and suffering, and that she has gone on to a better place. Please keep DG Eldon and the Lions of District K in your thoughts in the days ahead. IPDG Alicia's funeral will be held in Oklahoma, with a memorial service in Cadiz, KY. Arrangements are pending at this time.

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. I look forward to building on the momentum we have created in the last few months, and visiting more clubs. We are getting close to announcing some exciting news from Albany soon. We have a lot of work ahead of us. Thank you all for your dedication and service to Lions. Have a happy and safe holiday.

DG Simon & Dawn Mortimer
In A World Of Service

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We're on Facebook!

You can find us at
[Lions Club District 43C](#)



WORKING TOGETHER MAKES FUNDRAISING FUN

Laurel Community Lions and Corbin Lions collaborated on a great fund raiser by selling parking spaces for \$5.00 at the 2012 World Chicken Festival in London. Members of both clubs signed up to work 3 1/2 days and raised almost \$1400 to split between the clubs. Huffman and Huffman Eye Surgeons

generously donated the use of their parking lot during the Chicken Festival. When the neighboring accounting firm of Greene and McCowan saw the club's set up, one of the accountants came out and donated the use of their parking lot too!

Doris Callebs President, Laurel Community Lions Club



District Governor Simon Mortimer and 43C Zone Chairman Roger Conrad are working the night shift at the World Chicken Festival. That moon hanging over DG Simon's head is really a reflection in a Stop sign.



Laurel Lions Treasurer Mark Heiser, Vice President Hank Wilhoit and Corbin Lion Jim Manning are waiting for customers at Greene and McCowan Accountants Parking Lot. They maneuvered the really large SUV's and Pickups into this lot.

LAUREL CLUB COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS

Laurel Community Lions Club on Saturday, December 1st. Lions Mark, Hank, and I, along with retired contractor and Lions friend, Wade Horton, went to two homes to see about the possibility of building handicap ramps. Mark, Hank and Wade ended up being able to actually greatly improve-- on the spot—a porch at one of the homes on Bentley Road.

After the ramp projects we went to the East Bernstadt Baptist Church's picnic shelter and handed out blankets. The blankets were donated to the CCC by County Judge David Westerfield and Linda Gilreath. They particularly wanted the blankets to go to the Laurel County tornado families.

We took on the project to get the blankets to the families affected by the March 2nd tornado. First we held a marathon of phone calls to families we've been in contact with on Friday. Saturday Lion Mark's pickup truck was filled with new and gently used blankets, throws, and sheets. We were able to give **27 people** (65 total household members) warm blankets. We also gave them a Christmas card from the Laurel Community Lions Club, which they seemed to enjoy as much as getting the blankets.

So many of them hugged and thanked us. This was a great project that only cost us a little bit of our time!!

Doris Callebs President, Laurel Community Lions Club

NICHOLASVILLE LIONS AT WORK

The Nicholasville Lions Club held their Annual Auction on Saturday Dec 8, 2012. We started at 10.30 AM at The Charles Collins Auction House on Edgewood Dr. in Nicholasville. In spite of the poor economy the event was a success, in part because the businesses in Nicholasville. We thank them for their very generous donations. The blessing is every dollar that we make is another dollar that we have to help those in need within our community. We had eight lions to take part and help with this event. Thanks to everyone who helped to make it a success.

We also had provided funds to furnish Christmas Food Baskets for six families in our Community.

We delivered the baskets Dec 9th and 10th. This is a project that is very rewarding!

THIRD CABINET MEETING

JANUARY 26, 2013 RICHMOND, KY

Following is the Agenda for the District 43C Third Cabinet Meeting, scheduled for Saturday January 26, 2013 at ECU Business & Technology Center, Richmond Campus*

- 9:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Doors open for breakfast/social time
- 9:30-10:00 a.m. Welcome from Richmond Lions Club President Justin Woosley,
Remarks from District Governor Simon Mortimer
- 10:00-10:30 a.m. Special Guest Program, Lion Dr. Matt Burchett, Richmond "Opening Eyes Program" for the Special Olympics.
- 10:30 a.m. District Governor Simon Mortimer will open the Cabinet Meeting
1. Secretary's Report
 2. Treasurer's Report
 3. Unfinished Business
 4. Committee Reports (limited 3-5 minutes)
 5. Club announcements

Raffles including bake sale – please bring a cake, all proceeds from bake sale will go to help cover part of the cost of the District Convention

Adjournment

Please join us for lunch at Gillum's Sports Lounge, Richmond Mall, 830 Eastern Bypass after the Cabinet Meeting. Lunch is on your own.

Our Cabinet meetings will be Informative and Fun

please mark the date and come join us!

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To reach ECU's Business and Technology Center take I-75 Exit 87, Go East on the Eastern Bypass to light # 6 in front of Alumni Coliseum. Turn Right onto Veterans Drive and you will be facing the Business & Technology Center.



January 26th

**Bring your
Home Baked
Goodies for the
District 43C Lion's
Club Bake Sale.**



MULTIPLE DISTRICT 43 NEEDS YOUR HELP



*Multiple District 43 Roy Caywood, Sr. Leadership Conference
January 18, 19 & 20, 2013*

Holiday Inn Hurstbourne

1326 S. Hurstbourne Parkway

Louisville, KY 40222

We, once again, have the privilege of chairing this year's Roy W. Caywood, sr. Leadership conference. This year's dates of the leadership conference are January 18th, 19th & 20th. We feel that last year's conference was a fairly good success and we hope that this year's is even better. In order for this to occur it is going to require all of us working together. Due to the efforts of PID Tom Matney it is our privilege and honor to have Lions International 1st Vice-President Barry Palmer and his wife, Anne, of Berowra, NSW, Australia as our guests. It is our hope that many of our members will take this opportunity to not only come and meet our guests but also to come to the conference to both learn and have questions answered.

I promise you everything will be done to make your weekend both meaningful and rewarding. It is a great opportunity for you and members of your club to attend a leadership conference very close to home. It will give you the opportunity to not only ask questions but also get answers.

We have scheduled a great amount of time for instruction and leadership development. PCC Chuck Carlson, PDG Joie Mills and CC Mike Kouns have put together programs that you will find very helpful and beneficial. If you have never been to the mid-year conference consider dropping in and giving it a chance. It will definitely make a very positive change in your role as a lion and I have attached a

schedule of events (as of October 12, 2012) for you to look and scan over. If we are required to make any changes we will notify you through your District Governor's newsletter.

In order to help with the expenses of the conference, we have come up with two ways to help defray the costs. First of all, we are asking that you consider putting an ad in the convention program and have attached information on this. Secondly, on Saturday night we are having a silent auction and ask that you might consider donating an item. If individual Lions or clubs would consider doing this, it would go a long way in making the conference a success.

PDG's GEORGE & CHARYN LONNEMAN

PROGRAM ADS NEED TO BE IN MY HANDS BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2013

PROGRAM ADS ARE AS FOLLOWS:	¼ PAGE	\$ 25.00	½ PAGE	\$ 50.00
	¾ PAGE	\$ 75.00	FULL PAGE	\$ 100.00

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION OR PROBLEMS, PLEASE CONTACT ME BY PHONE (859-341-6139) OR BY E-MAIL liontrad@fuse.net

MEAL CHECKS AND PROGRAM ADS CHECKS ARE TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO MULTIPLE DISTRICT 43 AND CAN BE SENT TO: PDG GEORGE LONNEMAN 3129 ROYAL WINDSOR EDGEWOOD, KY 41017

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF ANYTIME UP TO THE NIGHT OF THE BANQUET.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The hotel will hold our rooms until Friday, January 4, 2013, so

Please make your reservations early to avoid any problem. You can either call the Holiday Inn Hurstbourne direct @ 1-502-426-2600 from 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m, ask for reservations. You want to make reservations for the Kentucky Lions Winter Conference or call

Holiday Inn @ 1-800-holiday and use code lk3.

Call the Hurstbourne Holiday Inn and make reservations under Kentucky Lions Multiple District 43.

Room Rates are \$ 77.00 per night

THE 64TH CORBIN CHRISTMAS BASKET PROGRAM

Hundreds of food baskets have been delivered to needy families by the Corbin Lions Club since 1949. Once again, club members and volunteers will carry on their proud Christmas tradition for the 64th straight year, starting with sign-ups later this week. The sign-ups will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday and Friday inside the Princess McBurney Center gymnasium, across from Campbell Field.

Lions Club member Mike Pawula pointed out this year's goal is \$15,000, to help pay for food costs for their program.

"All the money goes to this campaign. As in past years, we ask individuals, organizations and business to help out as much as they can. We also need volunteers to help us deliver the baskets on the morning of Monday, December 24th," Pawula said in a phone interview Friday. Last year, the Lions Club Christmas Basket program raised \$10,464 toward paying for 240 baskets that were delivered Christmas Eve. It's a far cry from the five baskets the club delivered in 1949 when their program first started.

Pawula said the basket will contain 26 items for those families who will be selected.

Each basket will have a canned ham, frozen Salisbury steaks, potatoes, carrots, cabbage, canned

sweet potatoes, apples, oranges, canned creamed corn, canned green beans, canned sweet peas, pork and beans, canned fruit cocktail, cranberry sauce, macaroni and cheese, self-rising flour, corn meal, dried mixed beans, stuffing, cake mix, vegetable oil, margarine, bread, milk, Pepsi products and candy.

After the sign-ups this Thursday and Friday, the Corbin Lions Club will decide at their regular meeting next Monday, Dec. 3, which families will get the food baskets.

"Who will get those baskets are determined not by order, but by need," Pawula said. Once those families are chosen, the Lions Club will mail orange postcards, which the families will receive by Dec. 23. Pawula added, "Those cards will be put by the window, or by the mailbox. That's to help those who'll be delivering the food baskets."

The baskets will be delivered by Lions Club members and volunteers on Dec. 24th. Those delivering will meet at David's Steakhouse on the Cumberland Gap Parkway, near Exit 29 of I-75., to have breakfast and go over final plans. From there, they'll go to the auto shop at Corbin Vocational School, to finish putting together the food baskets.

The club will start delivering the baskets around 7:30 a.m. on Dec. 24, Christmas Eve day.

"Prior to the 24th, the auto shop students put the baskets together with all the non-perishable items. On the 24th of December, some of them also help by breaking down big 50-pound sacks of fresh potatoes, as well as the other fresh fruits and vegetables in big sacks and bags, into putting the perishable foods into the food baskets and getting them ready for delivery for the needy families," noted Pawula.

While volunteers are welcome to help deliver the goods, Pawula pointed out teenagers are especially welcome to take part in the Lions Club project.

"It's always satisfying for them to help deliver food to those that need it. It helps those in need, helps those delivering the food to see how and what they've done to make a difference in someone's life, and most of all it puts a smile on everyone's face," he said.

You can mail donations to the Corbin Lions Club Christmas Basket Program to P. O. Box 365, Corbin, KY 40702.

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By Jeff Noble / Staff writer

International Convention: Plan Your Holiday in Hamburg

There are many sights to see at the next international convention in Hamburg, Germany. Capture the local flavor with a specialized harbor tour. Visit the historic fishing village of Blankenese. Discover your family history at the BallinStadt Emigration Museum. Take a Magical History Tour and retrace the steps of the Fab Four. The hardest decision will be deciding what to do each day! All tours are escorted by an expert guide and offered at special discounted rates for Lions and their families. Start planning today by visiting our Local Tours page. Find out more about the International Convention, Registration, Airline Discounts and Pre or Post Convention Tours

Announcing the 2013-2014 Peace Poster Theme

It's a new year and time for a new Peace Poster Contest theme. The theme for the 2013-2014 contest is "Our World, Our Future." Work with your club to sponsor the contest in local schools or youth groups to help make this world a more peaceful place. Contest kits will go on sale on January 15 from Club Supplies. Learn more about the contest, including how to order a kit. Also, learn about the Lions International Essay Contest for students who are visually impaired

Whitley City Club Holds Food Drive

On 11/17/12, The Whitley City Lions Club had a food drive outside of the Kroger and IGA stores, to collect food for the McCreary County Christian Care Center. With the help of local citizens, the Lions Club collected about 500lbs of food. The Club was also able to present the Center with a check for \$450.00. The Lions Club would like to thank everybody who donated that day with either food and/or money.

Wendy Duncan



Pictured L-R, Lions Club members Dr. Steve McKinley, Buddy Wilson, Lions Club President Wendy Wilson Duncan, Lisa West, Sue Singleton, Center Director and Pat Cash. (not pictured but in attendance: Grady Wilson, Kay Morrow & Joan Waters).



How Can Lions Quest Help You Support Your Community?

Our Mission: *To empower and support adults throughout the world to nurture caring and responsibility in young people.*

Lions Quest programs are comprehensive, positive youth development and prevention curricula that unite the home, school and community to cultivate capable and healthy young people of strong character. Lions Quest K-12 programs teach essential life skills that support character development, social and emotional learning, civic values, substance and violence prevention, and service-learning.

Our programs enhance the academic mission of K-12 schools through exceptional professional development, which is an essential component of implementation. Sponsored by Lions Clubs International Foundation, Lions Quest Skills for Adolescence and Skills for Action programs are rated as "Select SEL" by the Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning (CASEL). Skills for Adolescence is rated a "Model" program by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Lions Quest curricula offer step-by-step lesson plans for transforming service into service-learning, which connects service to academic coursework, empowers students to take leadership roles in the process and gives students opportunities to reflect and celebrate the service experience. Contact us if you'd like to learn more about [Lions Quest](#) or request [materials](#) to share with a school.

Your club can explore [LCIF grant opportunities](#) to fund Lions Quest in your district

Remember Dr. King and his legacy of service by celebrating the [MLK Day of Service](#) on January 21. Visit www.mlkday.gov for resources to plan, promote and serve.

Numbers of Note

- ☆ One in ten kindergarten and first grade students will miss a month or more of school this year.
- ☆ The brain at positive is 31% more productive is than the brain at negative, neutral or stressed. In addition, dopamine floods the system at positive and opens up the learning centers of the brain. Shawn Achor, *The Happiness Advantage*.
- ☆ Grateful teens are 17% happier, and they experience a 13% drop in negative emotions and a 15% drop in depressive symptoms, plus decreases in drug and alcohol abuse and problem behaviors at school.

Lexington Lions Club Charity Night



The Lexington Lions Club holds their annual Charity Gifting Night on November 15th at the Lions Pavilion at Masterson Station Park in Lexington, KY.

The Charity Gifting Night is the event held each year at which the proceeds of the club's fund raiser – The Lexington Lions Bluegrass Fair – is distributed to the organizations and charities in the community and in Lionism.

This year donations were given to:

- * Visually Impaired Pre-School Services (VIPS) of Lexington
- * Central Kentucky Radio Eye
- * Bluegrass Council of the Blind
- * Lexington Hearing and Speech Center
- * Lions Eye Bank of Lexington
- * UK Ophthalmology Development Fund
- * Lions Camp Crescendo
- * Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation (KLEF) –

- * KidSight Program, Patron's Fund and Finis Davis Fund
- * Lexington Lioness Club
- * Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF)
- * Kentucky Lions Impaired Youth Camp
- * Kentucky Association of Diabetic Educators
- * Kentucky Chapter American Diabetes Association
- * Deaf Blind Retreat
- * Hearing Aid Distribution Program
- * Interpreter Training Program at EKU
- * Sight Conservation Program / Eyeglasses and Surgeries

Individuals representing the various organizations attend as guests of the club and are given a few minutes at the podium to speak about their organization when they receive their donations.

This year we were honored to have DG Simon Mortimer as our guest to participate in this annual event. Club members are proud to attend to see the fruits of their labor given to the many worthy recipients.

Day of Hope

A long time initiative in Madison County has been the Day of Hope. Businesses, Civic Organizations, Churches, Government Organizations, and Hospitals donate money, clothing, health screening, food, haircuts, etc. to help hundreds of the less fortunate from a five county area. In the past this event was held in Berea, but this it moved to Richmond due to a large, indoor space being available. This year the event was held on November 17, 2012

The Berea Lions Club using screening equipment from the KLEF screened 97 people for near and far vision, peripheral vision, and glaucoma. Lion Dave Adams from Lexington screened 16 small children using the new, improved camera. Dave is the leader of the Kidsight program for our District.

Margo Marquette from Nicholasville, a long time volunteer, performed all of the peripheral vision screening. Berea Lions participating were Lions James Anderson, Jim Farris, VeRon Moore, Gerald Moss, and John Tragesser. It was a wonderful event and it reminded us of the true spirit of the Holiday Season and the purpose of the Lions Clubs.

Gerald Moss Dear Lions Club Members,



Berea Lions Club members VeRon Moore, Gerald Moss and Jim Farris

District 43 C Lions -- Annual Convention April 5 and 6, 2013 The Renfro Valley Experience

DG Simon says "It's Time for a Change" Here are just a few things planned so far:

Friday April 5th.

- * *Golf at Noon-Cedar Rapids golf Course*
- * *Registration and Check in after 2:00pm-*
- * *6:30 pm A Famous Renfro Valley Friday night
Boarding House Dinner, followed by a*
- * *7:30 pm Country Legends Show
(on your own)*
- * *Hospitality room will open*

Saturday April 6th.

- * *8:30 am Memorial service in the little white church*
- * *9:15 am Guest speakers and opening ceremony*
- * *10 am Cabinet meeting*
- * *11:30 am Election of officers*
- * *Noon Lunch Provided by Mt Vernon Club*
- * *1 pm Questions and Answers with visiting
ID Marvin Chambers*
- * *2:00 to 6:00 FREE TIME Time to visit and enjoy Renfro
Village and attend other shows in the afternoon or visit
Kentucky's Country Music Hall of Fame*
- * *6 pm Governors Reception*
- * *6:30 pm Saturday Night Banquet*
- * *Hospitality room will reopen:*

There are only 39 rooms blocked for our Convention the price is
\$65.46+ tax per night, to make your reservations contact:

Josh Kesler @ 606-256-2638 or 1-800-765-7464

Once this is sold out you can make reservations at the Heritage Inn and Suites
just up the street, there room rates are \$89.00+ tax – 1-877-256-8600

These rooms are only blocked until March 15th 2013

Meals

Friday Night Famous Renfro Valley Boarding House Dinner

At the Renfro Valley Lodge

Their famous Fried Chicken and Country Ham, and all the fixings served family style.

Price \$19.50 per person

Saturday morning Breakfast on your own

Saturday surprise Lunch will be \$10.00 per person under the shelter cooked by our own Mt. Vernon Lions Club

Saturday Night Banquet held downstairs at Heritage Hall will consist of Carved Roast Beef and fish with all the fixings including drink, dessert and tax and tip for \$27.50

Total weekend Meal package \$57.00 per person

Meetings will be held in Mural Hall in Administration Building

District 43 C Lions -- Annual Convention
April 5 and 6, 2013
The Renfro Valley Experience

Application

Are you interested in golf? – yes { } –no { }

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Club _____

Number in party _____

Friday Night Boarding House Meal, # attending ____ X \$19.00 = \$ _____

Lunch on Saturday catered \$10.00 ea. # attending ____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

Saturday night Banquet \$27.50 ea. # attending ____ X \$27.50 = \$ _____

Total enclosed = \$ _____

Please send application and check to –PDG Bob Swett, 401 Dogwood Drive, Stanford, Ky. 40484 –

Deadline March 30th-

All Star Classic

Dear Lions,

As many of you know, we are already preparing for the 2013 All-Star Classic! We have several committees working hard to make next year's games highly successful and we are very thankful for the help of Lions because we just couldn't do it without you! I have attached an electronic form of the Corporate Sponsorship Packet and the Program Ad Purchase Form. As you will see in the Sponsorship Packet, we are hoping to secure many levels of sponsorships. We ask that if you know of any businesses or organizations that you think would be a good sponsor for the games, please let us know. We can arrange to have hard copies of the packet sent to you so that you can present this to the sponsor or we can take your contact information for that company and the sponsorship

committee members can help you. If you do contact a hopeful sponsor please let someone at KLEF know so that we do not duplicate our calls. If you have a business in mind that may not want to sponsor but wants to be involved, purchasing a program ad is a great alternative. These programs are collected by many and get in the hands of people of all ages from across Kentucky and Indiana.



Thank you for your continued support of the Classic and we look forward to working with you all and seeing you at the games in 2013!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Hunt, Kentucky Lions Eye Foundation
JenniferHunt@kylionseye.org

4th Grade Foresters

The Lions Club's Mission of community service, good citizenship, and promoting the welfare of the community is a very noble one. The 4th Grade Foresters project is a great opportunity to visibly demonstrate your mission. The trees that will be planted will promote the welfare of the community because they will beautify the locale as well as help meet basic air quality standards. You will serve the community by teaching children to be good stewards and good citizens. With your support, 4th Grade Foresters USA can help with your mission by providing trees for 4th Graders to take home and plant on Arbor Day. These tree packages could have your message attached to them.

Kentucky's Arbor Day is March 25-29, 2013. The deadline for participation is February 26, 2013. There are approximately 51,000 4th graders in Kentucky. We will be happy to provide you with the approximate number of students at public and private schools in your area upon request.

A Remarkable Idea, Arbor Day at School. In the beginning . . . and almost the end

In 1885 the National Education Association called for observation of Arbor Day in all of the nation's schools on the official Arbor Day of their own State. It was a resounding endorsement of J. Sterling Morton's founding of Arbor Day. When the Nebraskan was later asked about the holiday he remarked, "All other holidays repose upon the past, while Arbor Day proposes for the future."

School observations grew by leaps and bounds. Over the years, millions of children received and planted millions of seedlings . . . millions of seedlings that grew into millions of mature trees. Together, those trees make up a unique forest. A forest planted by generations of America's children.

Somehow the School Arbor Day tradition began to fade away and now only relatively few kids get a tree to take home and plant it on their State's Arbor Day.

It's time to reverse the decline.

Now in the era of global warming and air pollution, tree planting is even more important than ever.

Trees take carbon dioxide (CO₂) out of the atmosphere to help reduce warming and help clean the air we breathe. Planting trees is a simple, inexpensive and easy way to address the problem.

The Fourth Grade Foresters Project has four major goals:

1. To revitalize observation of Arbor Day in America's schools on the official Arbor Day proclaimed in their own state.
2. To send every fourth grader home with a tree of their own to plant and care for.
3. To support employment of workers with disabilities. (Each tree is individually packaged for distribution by workers with disabilities.)

4. To bring schools, community service organizations, businesses, and private individuals together to have direct positive impact on the urban forests of their communities.

In its first six years, the Fourth Grade Foresters USA and nearly 1900 sponsors provided more than 391,000 trees to fourth graders in 39 states. Lions Club's alone contributed 26,000 trees from 228 clubs. For more information visit: www.fourthgradeforestersusa.com.

How Lions Clubs Can Help

If a Lions Club becomes a sponsor of the Fourth Grade Foresters they will:

1. Build a new connection with the community by making it possible for trees to be planted and cared for in your local Urban Forest . . . the trees surrounding the homes of your citizens.
2. Share the message and vision of the Club directly with local families.
3. Help kids learn that they make a difference in their community and have a direct impact on the environment.
4. Help local Fourth Grade Foresters set an example for the entire community. The trees they plant will become a forest that will benefit the environment and generations to come.

There is absolutely no cost to the student, the teachers, the schools, or the school district. The individually packaged 12" – 18" trees are available for \$1.59 per tree. Every tree is, packaged by workers with disabilities.

The cost to provide a tree to a Fourth Grader includes:

- * **An individually packaged 12" to 18" evergreen tree recommended for growth in your state.*
- * **A bag tag attached to each tree featuring planting and care instructions and you attach any information about the Club you wish to include.*
- * **You will be provided with media kits to send information to local media.*

Fourth Grade Foresters USA is not a nonprofit organization but rather a catalyst for direct sponsorship of the project in local communities and at the grass roots level. Your sponsorship takes center stage as a community service and public relations outreach while we provide trees, packaging, and logistics. Our role is that of a service resource for the program. In providing those services we hire workers with disabilities to prepare and package all of the trees given to fourth graders.

As leaders in this program the Society will set an inspiring example to organizations across the state and nation and will be known by their good work at home and afar.

Sincerely,
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