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LIONS ROAR

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KIDSIGHT EYE SCREENING PLANNED

Lion Buddy Greene has confirmed March 22 as the date for a KidSight screening at the Seymour United Methodist Church, beginning at 9:30. The director of the program will be passing out the permission forms, and Lion Ken Moffett has arranged to pick up the screening device from Past District Governor Jim McFarland.

Knoxville Tri-County

2,943

People Served

226

People Served Per Member

17

Service Activities Completed

1,093

Volunteer Hours

July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

Club Metrics reported to Lions Clubs International through January 31, 2019

Tri-County Lions Club to be Well-Represented at District 12-N Convention Next Weekend

A good number of club members, including President Connie Emmons, plan to represent the club at the March 8-10 Convention in Gatlinburg (see last month's issue for info on the convention at the River Terrace Hotel.) The club will have an exhibit and is providing gift items and baskets for a silent auction and keynote speaker, and is also hosting the hospitality room. Seminars, informational displays, District elections, and more occur at these yearly events. LIONS ROAR is planning a special feature on the convention in the March issue about the event, which District Governor Brandon Johnson is expecting to attract over 200 Lions from 15 states.

2019 GRANDE CONFECTIONERY ART SHOW AND COMPETITION BENEFITS THE EAST TENNESSEE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Tri-County Lions have an opportunity to have a decorated cake entered in the competition hosted and sponsored by Sugarbakers Supplies, and will be held at the The Grande Event Center, 5441 Clinton Hwy. (next. to the Expo Center). The entry fees and all proceeds will benefit the hospital. (The Club's entry fee was generously donated by a club member.) The decorating of the cake, supporting the theme, "The Sweeter Side of Oz". You will recall there is a cowardly lion that gains courage in the Wizard of Oz story by L. Frank Baum. Members wanting to take part in decorating please plan to meet at the home of President Connie Emmons on Thursday, March 28, prior to the event, March 30. Find out more at the March meeting!

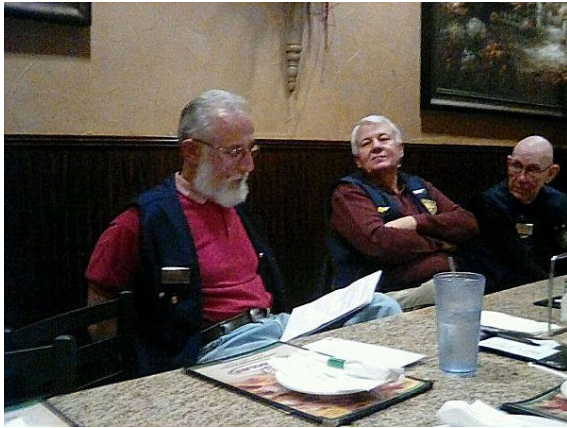
Tri-County Lions Hosting Medic Blood Drive in March

Thanks to Lion Bill Barnes for setting up the blood drive in the parking lot in front of Krogers in Seymour, March 29 from 12 to 6pm.

MEDIC is an independent, not-for-profit blood center and is an accredited member of the American Association of Blood Banks and America's Blood Centers. MEDIC Regional Blood Center is the sole provider of products for 29 area hospitals. Learn more at the upcoming March 11 meeting.

The **LIONS ROAR** is a (mostly) monthly publication of the Knoxville Tri-County Lions Club.

The Club meets at the Gondolier Restaurant, Chapman Hwy., on the 2nd Monday of each month, at 6pm. Editor is PDG Ken Moffett. Article submissions and/or photos should be sent to moffettken@hotmail.com.



NEW MEETING LOCATION, GONDOLIER RESTAURANT, WELL RECEIVED

Last month's meeting went well, in a quiet, private room at the Gondolier Restaurant near Lowes and Food City, just off Chapman Hwy. We received new member information for Brandon Libbrecht, owner of County Line Garage in Seymour, who donated \$250 toward the Campaign 100 initiative of LCIF! Thanks, and welcome! Plans are for him to be inducted at the District convention. We look forward to our next meeting at the Gondolier on March 11.

Celebrate 20th Anniversary of Smokies Baseball in Kodak with Us

Family members and friends are invited to attend the Club's annual picnic and baseball game outing at Smokies Stadium in Kodak on June 10.

Calhoun's at the Yard will cater a delicious traditional picnic dinner at 6:30pm. The game promises to be an exiting nine-inning vacation when the Tennessee Smokies face the Chattanooga Lookouts at 7pm. Each participant will receive \$6.00 stadium cash in addition to the meal and ballgame.

The Smokies are a Double-A affiliate of the Chicago Cubs. The Smokies were named the top Double-A organization by Baseball America and received the 2018 Double A Bob Freitas Award. Smokies Stadium is celebrating 20 years this season, and we are inviting District 12-N Lions and their families and friends to join us for this fun event!

Calhoun's At The Yard is a wonderful place to take in the game and enjoy a buffet provided by Calhoun's. Included in the buffet are mouth-watering dishes such as hickory smoked pork barbeque, smoked barbeque chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, spinach artichoke dip with tortilla chips, a hot dog bar, chocolate chip cookies, and Pepsi products/bottled water!

There is a nominal parking fee, so car-pooling is recommended. Cost for adults is \$29; children 12 and under are \$27.



Enjoy the Lions Float in the Tournament of Roses Parade?

Here's the design for the upcoming event in January, 2020.

The theme in 2020 is the Power of Hope. The first Lions float was in 1948. Since 1992, Lions have had a float in the parade continuously.

12-N Guiding Lion Training Scheduled

Certified Guiding Lions help organize and support new Lions clubs in underserved areas. For several years, Lions Clubs International has required guiding Lions be certified. The training will be conducted Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 10:00am to noon at Walter State Community College, 500 S. Davy Crockett Parkway, Morristown.

Any Lion interested in becoming a certified Guiding Lion or becoming re-certified may come to the training. Please contact Past District Governor Paulette Bailey if you plan on attending at this email address: [ladipee@gmail](mailto:ladipee@gmail.com) or call 423/371-9738.

Spring Forum Coming Up in Sevierville

The District 12-N Spring Forum will be held June 1 at the First Baptist Church, 317 Parkway, Sevierville, and will include a 2-hour Dale Carnegie session as well as several others. New Officer Training will be conducted from 9:00-10:00am.

Regarding Recent Floods

Last week, East Tennessee was hit with a “hundred year flood” resulting in much damage, even impacting some of our club members. The long term effects are still being assessed, but there will likely be those with needs, at least in the short term. Here are some resources if you or anyone you know has suffered damage, courtesy Seymour Volunteer Fire Department:

Crisis Cleanup Help Line toll-free at 1-833-556-2476 to get help from relief organizations.

- ◆ Residents in Knoxville and Knox County with flood damage to homes or business are asked to call 3-1-1 to report it for damage assessment purposes.
- ◆ Residents in Sevier County goto <http://www.seviercountyttn.org/emergency-information.html> to self-report damages to residential property.
- ◆ FEMA has provided guidelines and information on returning to flooded buildings (<https://bit.ly/2vFUpDx>) and on repairing flooded homes (<https://bit.ly/2EB4aK9>).



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Calendar

March 8-10	District 12-N Convention, River Terrace Resort, Gatlinburg
March 11	Tri-County Lions Mtg. Dinner 6pm Election of Officers , Gondolier Restaurant
March 22	KidSight Eye Screening, Seymour United Methodist Church, 9:30am
April 8	Tri-County Lions Mtg. Dinner 6pm, Gondolier Restaurant
April 27	Certified Guiding Lion Training, 10-noon, Walters State Community College, Morristown
May 3-5	MD-12 Tennessee State Convention, Holiday Inn – University of Memphis, Memphis
June 1	District 12-N Spring Forum, First Baptist Church, Sevierville
June 10	Tri-County Lions Family & Friends Picnic/Baseball Game, Smokies Stadium, Kodak
July 5-9	Lions Clubs International 102nd Convention, Milan, Italy