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## Lions Clubs International

### 22-D MONTHLY DISTRICT BULLETIN

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## FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

### DISTRICT GOVERNOR JOHN BURRIS

Dear Fellow Lions,

First I would like to wish each and everyone a happy new year. Yes, it is a new year, but the lion's year is only half over.

There are still a ton of port calls to make in this lion's year before the SS Courage docks back at its home port of 22D. Such ports as the rest of the clubs the district governor and cabinet have to finish up, the polar bear plunge, cabinet meetings, and Leader Dog north and south. Yes, I know I did not list them all here, but if you stay on course with the SS Courage you will be seeing all the other ports as well.

With each club having their own ports that have to visit (club projects), one can see all the greatness this district has done this year. In the year to date, the lions of 22D have logged over 28,000 service/fund raising hours. If you divide that across the number of members we have in this district (1307), that gives each lions at least 21 hours of service for each member. That in itself is amazing to see that much time and effort go into something. And what is it all for; it is for the betterment of the people in the world. Each one of these hours that have been logged have put a pair of glasses on someone that could not see, allowed them to have a good holiday, and maybe just put a smile on a face. To me, what Lions truly do is to put a smile on a face to empower them so that maybe someday they can themselves pay it forward.

Let it be known that these hours do not go unnoticed by the people that truly work for the empowerment of others. Why, on January 12, 2019 at the Melvin Jones breakfast, we saw just how the hard work can be awarded. There were over five Melvin Jones fellows named for all the hard work they

have done in the name of Lions and humanity. This speaks volumes to me, to see just how all the hard work does get noticed for the people that are able to put forth the effort to do for others that can not do for themselves.

I have spoken about empowerment of others, but I also need to speak about empowerment of our own Lions. The year is already half over, so there are a lot of clubs that are starting to look for the officers for the next year. If you take a look in the roster book, you can see that every one of the Zone Chairs is a new one this year. I did this so that we can have Lions step up and take the leadership roles going forward. To me it is very important that we as Lions are always looking at the new Lions to step up and take a role within the club. If we do this as Lions we will be sure to always have Lions that are ready to step up to the next level.

The way we can ensure this happens is to guide fellow Lions to take any and all courses that are offered to them, such as the MD22 institute that is coming up in March. For every lion that has never taken any kind of courses through the district, the district will pay half of the cost for the training. Let us not forget the training that our own district does every June. This is yet another great tool to enrich yourself as a Lion.

Closing this article out for this month I would like every Lion to take a moment to sit down and think about just what each and every one of you has done since you have joined this organization. Ask yourself why you did it, how we can make it better, and how you can empower others as well as yourself.

“Ready to Lead, Ready to Follow, Never Quit” -- U.S. Navy Seals Official Motto

-- District Governor John Burriss

**VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR KENNY VINCENT**

**Greetings Fellow Lions,**

**Happy New Year!** I wish you and your club a successful happy new year with new dreams, new members, new service projects, and best of health. *“Your success and happiness lies in you. Resolve to keep happy, and your joy shall form an invincible host against difficulties.”* – Helen Keller

**Time Flies!** We are half way through this year’s Lion year. I have had a rewarding time traveling with the cabinet visiting clubs up and down the state. At the time of writing this letter, we have visited 25 clubs. We are more than half way through our visitations. As you may know, each club is unique and that is why I enjoy visiting. From where the individual clubs meet to the traditions of each club’s way of running a dinner meeting, it is a delightful experience. I am also impressed with all the community service projects our clubs do. The list is extensive! I’m proud to be a Lion in 22–D.

**Retention!** We recruit new members, however keeping them sometimes appears to be a challenge. Many new members leave within their first 2 years of joining. Why? Here are a few answers. New members are not kept active enough. Serving is more important to them than attending dinner meetings. New members bring ideas, however they are told that won’t work or we have tried that before. I suggest your club listen to the new members and try again. Also, be sure your club has a “new member orientation” and a “mentoring program”. From what I have learned, these two activities can make a great difference. Furthermore, Lions Club International has a Member Retention Toolbox on line. I have browsed through it and suggest you do the same. There are lots of ideas of how to retain members. If we can retain our members our total membership will significantly increase. The more hands we have involved in service the more good we can accomplish. Good Luck with your club’s retention plan of action.

**Trivia question for this month!** In this year’s Roster Book under “Donations Cont.” on what page is the “Lions Club Contact Persons for Hospital Equipment” found? This time the 4th person to email me will be the winner. Good luck to all! Last month’s winner was Past International Director Ted Reiver of the Talleyville – Naamans Lions Club. The answer was: Helen Keller.

### Looking Ahead

On February 3rd the Polar Bear Plunge for Special Olympics will be held in Rehoboth Beach. This event is their largest annual fundraiser. Come join the Lions group, who meet on the boardwalk, and plunge for this great cause.

February 15th is "International Childhood Cancer Day". Childhood Cancer is one of the five Lions Clubs International focus areas. Is your club involved with a childhood cancer project?

Yours in Service, VDG Kenny Vincent

## SPECIAL PROJECTS

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS:

### **RUN TO THE PLUNGE, OR BE A POLAR BEAR!**

**Please Note: All material here borrowed from the websites for the plunge and the run.**

The 5K Run to the Plunge  
Saturday, February 2 @ 1:00pm  
*sponsored by Jack Lingo Realtor*

The course for this 5K run/walk begins at the Rehoboth Beach bandstand and travels through the streets of Rehoboth north toward Cape Henlopen State Park. Events like this race fuel the mission of Special Olympics Delaware to provide year-round sports training, competition, leadership opportunities, and health screenings for 4,200 athletes across the great state of Delaware. Registration for both runners and walkers is \$25 per person.

Click here for the Run to the Plunge Website:

<https://www.classy.org/event/2019-5k-run-to-the-plunge/e213220>

**LEWES POLAR BEAR PLUNGE**  
benefiting Special Olympics Delaware

February 3, 2019, 1 pm, Rehoboth Beach, DE

### Why the Plunge?

The Lewes Polar Bear Plunge, held annually on the first Sunday in February, has developed into a truly unique Delaware happening and is Special Olympics Delaware's most significant fundraiser.

### What is it?

Individuals, including many Special Olympics athletes and their family members, take the plunge into the icy Atlantic Ocean during the height of winter!

Other crowd favorites during the Weekend Plunge Festival include the Saturday's 5K Run to the Plunge, Pooch Plunge, Chili Contest, Ice Sculpting Demonstration, Polar Ice Cream Throwdown, and other fun family activities!

Polar Bears are asked to raise a minimum of \$75 to plunge.

Chill out and join thousands of other brrrrrave souls for the coolest thing you'll do this year.



### How to get started?

[Create or join a team!](#) Or [sign up individually](#) and ask friends and family members to join you or create a buzz around the office cooler by starting an office plunge team! If you are a high school student, teacher or administrator, get involved in the [Cool Schools](#) challenge. Are you a working adult? Go big and get your business involved as a big group of Polar Bears! What a great team building activity that combines courage, team spirit, and community service.

As of Jan 15<sup>th</sup>, there were 1,718 pre-registered Polar Bears!

Click here for the Plunge Website: <https://www.plungede.org/>



## **DLF - DELAWARE LIONS FOUNDATION**

The Directors of the Delaware Lions Foundation  
are proud to announce:  
the 21st Annual Delaware Lions Foundation Breakfast  
Saturday, February 16 2019, 9:30 am.  
at the Rookery North, 6152 South Rehoboth Blvd. Milford Delaware  
19963.

Cost: \$16 per person, RSVP by FEBRUARY 7, 2019

Help celebrate the success of our growing Foundation and honor the memory of two distinguished Lions, Past International Directors Ralph N. Helm and James A. McCarty.

You do not have to be a Ralph Helm Fellow or a Jim McCarty Fellow to enjoy the fellowship and delicious buffet breakfast -- it is open to all. Your club can present a Ralph Helm Fellowship or a Jim McCarty Fellowship at the breakfast if desired, and clubs are encouraged to present annual donations.

Questions? call PDG Don at 302-798-3407.

Wish to present?

Call Foundation Secretary PCS BJ Ryder at 302-284-9377.

[Click to Download the DLF Breakfast Registration Form](#)



**Come out and enjoy a  
Great day at the Beach  
and at the same time  
Raise Funds to help those  
in need.**

**Dewey Beach  
Lions Club House  
115 McKinley Ave.  
Dewey Beach, DE**



In Support of  
**The Delaware  
Lions Foundation**

## **Walk For Sight**

Held at  
**The Dewey Beach  
Lions Club House**

Sponsored By The  
**Delaware Eye  
INSTITUTE**

&  
**The Delaware  
Lions Foundation**



**Sunday, April 28, 2019**

Registration – 12:30 – 1:30 PM

Walk – 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

\$25 Registration

P.O. Box 393

Camden, DE 19934

[www.delawarelionsfoundation.org](http://www.delawarelionsfoundation.org)

### **The 2019 Annual Walk for Sight Dewey Beach, April 28, 2019**

Participants in Walk for Sight collect at least \$25 to take part, and in return, receive lunch and a T-shirt while attending.

For only \$125, your club can have a business-size ad on the back of the T-shirt given to all walkers who collect \$25 or more for the Walk. Your ad shows your club's support of the Walk for Sight and the DLF. The more money we raise, the more grants DLF can award to clubs.

Please send your check and ad by **February 20th** to BJ Ryder (or a note asking to repeat the 2018 ad). Please make checks out to Delaware Lions Foundation with Walk for Sight in the memo line.

PCS BJ Ryder  
Walk for Sight  
636 Indian Point Rd  
Felton, DE 19943  
(302) 284-9377 / lionbryder@comcast.net

Thank you for your support of the Delaware Lions Foundation!

[Click for the Walk for Sight Brochure](#)

**LEADER DOG**

# LEADER DOGS for the BLIND

## Fellow Lions:

You are cordially invited to attend the Leader Dogs for the Blind Program. Come and learn why the school is an internationally recognized school for serving the blind community, and listen to a speaker who will relate, first hand, her knowledge of what it means to have a Leader Dog. A night you won't want to miss!

### LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND PROGRAMS

<b>NORTH</b> <b>MONDAY MARCH 25, 2019</b> Social Time 5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm <b>DELAWARE CITY FIRE HALL</b> 815 Fifth Street Delaware City, DE 19706
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<b>SOUTH</b> <b>TUESDAY MARCH 26, 2019</b> Social Time 5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm <b>CARLISLE FIRE HALL</b> 615 NW Front Street Milford, DE 19963
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*Informative  
Fellowship!*

**COST - \$22.00 NORTH**

*Make it a  
meeting night!*

**COST - \$20.00 SOUTH**

**LEADER DOG FIELD REPRESENTATIVE:  
BJ BLAHNIK AND LEADER DOG GOOBER**

We hope you will show your support for this program by being with us as we enlighten your knowledge about Leader Dogs for the Blind. Don't wait to hear from your fellow Lions about the evening.....**BE THERE** and hear it first hand!

**RESERVATION DEADLINE – MARCH 7, 2019**

**VISITATIONS SLIPS WILL BE GIVEN BY THE HOST CLUB TO ANY  
CLUB ATTENDING WITH THE REQUIRED DELEGATION.**

[Click to Download all Leader Dog Info](#)

**CAMPAIGN 100**



Lions Clubs International  
**FOUNDATION**

January, 2019

# Campaign 100

A Campaign to Empower the Service of Lions

**\$300 Million / \$97,669**

**We Have Another Model Club – Wilmington Manor Lions Club**

The bar has been set high by LCIF for District MD 22 – D and as of the end of December, the district has donated \$24,537.36 toward this year’s LCIF goal. There still time left in the 2018/2019 Lion Year and there is also some good news about donations. The best way that Lions can help the victims of the wild fires in California is to donate to LCIF and this year make a personal pledge to “Campaign 100”. Where there is a need there is a Lion ready to help!

The Honorary Committee Challenge headed by PDG Jim Minnich and PDG David E. Jones have asked all 36 PDG’s to pledge \$1,000 toward “Campaign 100” and 7 PDG’s have pledged already. Also, ten other Lions have made their pledges. See the Lion Wall of Honor below. Please, make sure that you let me when you have made a “Campaign 100” pledge.

Thank you all for what you have already done to support LCIF, your foundation, and what you can do to support Campaign 100.

Yours in Lionism,

PDG A. Kendall “Ken” Chew, IILCIF Coordinator

**Past District Governors’ Wall of Honor**

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	<b>Lion</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>1</b>	PID Ted Reiver	Talleyville-Naamans Lions Club	June 15, 2018
<b>2</b>	PDG Ken Chew	Claymont Lions Club	July 21, 2018
<b>3</b>	PDG Jim Minnich	Wilmington Gateway Lions Club	August 26, 2018
<b>4</b>	PCC Ralph Schieferstein	Dover Lions Club	September 22, 2018
<b>5</b>	PDG Mary Lee Phillips	Millsboro Lions Club	October 2, 2018
<b>6</b>	PDG David E. Jones	New Castle Hundred Lions Club	October 3, 2018
<b>7</b>	Anonymous		

### Lions Wall of Honor

	Lion	Club	Date
1	PCT Ann Reiver	Talleyville-Naamans Lions Club	June 15, 2018
2	Lion Marie Chew	Bellefonte Lions Club	September 22, 2018
3	KL Daniel Elkins	Bellefonte Lions Club	September 22, 2018
4	Lion Sheila Schieferstein	Frederica-Spring Creek Lions Club	September 22, 2018
5	Lion Thomas Foreman, Jr.	Bellefonte Lions Club	October 9, 2018
6	Lion Kate Roshon	Smyrna Lions Club	October 9, 2018
7	Lion Tom McDonough	Claymont Lions Club	October 24, 2018
8	Lion Frazier Van Velsor	Claymont Lions Club	October 24, 2018
9	Lion Mel Nace	Capitol City Lions Club	December 7, 2018
10	Lion Hayat Omar-Hubert	Bellefonte Lions Club	December 7, 2018

[Click for the LCI Campaign 100 Website](#)

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**22-D and MD-22 NEWS**

**22D DISTRICT-WIDE EVENTS**

## LIONS CLUB 2018 CAR RAFFLE RESULTS

Miss Delaware, Joanna Wicks, drew the grand prize winning ticket in the Milford Lions annual Car Raffle on December 26th, 2018, at the Dover Mall.

Winner of the car or \$18,000 cash was Juanita Roberts of Lincoln, DE. with a ticket sold by our very own Milford Lion Jack Simon.

Winners of the \$500 cash prizes included M F Widner of Arlington, VA (Lord Baltimore Lions); Denise Hill of Delaware (Bridgeville Lioness Club); Paul Caruso of Brooklyn, NY (Midway Lions); and Deb Gortrell of New Windsor, MD (Taylorsville-Winfield Lions).

Congratulations to the winners and a hugs thank you to all who bought or sold tickets!

**Raffle Report - Clubs and Tickets By the Numbers**



**DISTRICT 22D  
3rd Cabinet Meeting**

**February 5, 2019, at 5 pm (meeting at 6 pm)  
Modern Maturity Center, 1121 Forrest Ave, Dover, DE 19904**

**Cost: \$19. RSVP by January 29, 2019.  
Please make checks payable to District 22D.**

**[Click for the Cabinet Meeting RSVP Form](#)**

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**DISTRICT 22 D  
MID-WINTER SOCIAL  
SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019**  
Felton Fire Hall, 9 E Main St, Felton, DE 19943  
Cost: \$27 per person.  
Cash bar at 5:30, opening ceremony at 6 pm

Relaxed, fun evening of music and dancing, a scavenger hunt, a silent auction, door prizes, and a 50/50 raffle.

If you have never been, please come. Good food, great fellowship, entertainment, and Lions roaring!!

**Questions?** Call PCS Joan Bestpitch (302-653-7351) or email her at [j7garden@verizon.net](mailto:j7garden@verizon.net).

[Click for the Mid-Winter Social RSVP Form](#)

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE CABINET SECRETARY

FEBRUARY 3RD SOME OF OUR BRAVE LIONS WILL BE PLUNGING FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS.

IPDG CHARLIE TAYLOR WILL PLUNGE FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR JOHN BURRIS SINCE HE IS UNABLE TO DO THIS EVENT.

Let's sponsor DG John with a contribution to Special Olympics. And LET'S CHEER THEM ON STANDING ON THE BEACH!!! THE LIONS MEET AT THE END OF REHOBOTH AVENUE AND YOU WILL SEE THE LIONS FLAG FLYING.

As for the DLF Walk for Sight: Walk brochures/pledge sheets are available by clicking the button in this email bulletin, on the DLF website, and in paper format at the DLF Breakfast.

LION DELORES SPRINGER  
CABINET SECRETARY

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## ROARING LIONS

Roaring Lions will be held in January and February 2019.

- If there is enough interest in the North, the class will be held in Wilmington Manor Club house.
- If there is enough interest in the South, the class will be held in the Dewey Beach club house.
- I will hold both classes if there is enough interest.
- The class is held evenings from 7 to 9 pm. Night of the week will be determined by participants. Classes last for six weeks. If anyone is interested in Saturday classes, please let me know.

Joan

[J7garden@verizon.net](mailto:J7garden@verizon.net)

302-670-4735

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## MULTIPLE DISTRICT 22 EVENTS

### LVRF: LOW VISION RESEARCH FOUNDATION

December 27th – Members of the Lord Baltimore Lions Club joined other Lions from Multiple District 22 in Delaware and Maryland for the Lions Day Roundup 2018 at the Low Vision Research and Rehabilitation Center at Wilmer Eye Institute.

More than 100 members gathered in the Chase Auditorium at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore and listened to several speakers to learn about the life-changing work of the Lions Vision Center.



Lord Baltimore Lions Tony Rinaudo, Jack Bauer, John Monahan, Anne Gude and PDG Karl Gude attended the program...

(Click or visit <https://www.capegazette.com/article/lord-baltimore-lions-support-low-vision-research-and-rehab-center/171670> for more details.)

### Cape Gazette LRVF Article

## MD22 LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE 2019

MD22 Lions Institute

March 15-17, 2019

Comfort Inn Conference Center

4500 Crain Highway, Bowie, MD 20716

Reg Deadline Jan 31, 2019 Registration: \$150 --

\$75 for first-time leadership event attendees

### Course Topics Include:

Service: Servant Leadership <> Promoting Hands-On Service Projects

Leadership Roles: Leadership from the Club Level to the MD Level <> The Right Leaders for each Position

Communications: Writing & Speaking for Effect <> Marketing & Communications

Friend-Raising: Greater Retention of Existing Lions <> Collaboration to Promote Harmony

[Download the Institute Flyer](#)

[Download the Institute Registration Form](#)

## LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Pursuing New Horizons  
with International President Gudrun Yngvadottir**

**Dear Lions,**

As service leaders, you have an opportunity to help prepare the next great generation of volunteers. That's why supporting and collaborating with Leos and other young people in your community is so important.

These young men and women are already doing so much to help us deliver on our promise to make the world a better place. So consider planning a project with Leos or young people to help them develop new skills and new passion for service, or even starting a Leo club of your own. When you do, you'll help the leaders of tomorrow be service leaders today.

In friendship,

**Gudrun Yngvadottir**

**Your International President**

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**LCICON 2019, MILAN, ITALY**

**MILAN, ITALY · JULY 5–9, 2019**  
**Show Milan the tangible kindness of Lions**

Lions and Leos from around the world are coming together to show Milan what service looks like—in action! Head to [lcon.lionsclubs.org](http://lcon.lionsclubs.org) to learn more about the service project opportunities available at LCIcon 2019. Service project registration is now open!

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW SERVICE PROJECTS](#)

## LDUN

### Lions Day at the United Nations New York!

Save the Date to be part of our global partnership! With a theme of “Protecting Our Future: The Health of Our Children”, the 41st Annual Lions Day with the United Nations will take place on Saturday, March 9, 2019, at the UN Headquarters in New York City, USA. Visit the LDUN website at <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/lions-advocacy/lions-day-united-nations/new-york> for more information.

Email for more info about LDUN

## LEO FORUM 2019



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

[LEO REGISTRATION FORM](#)

[LION REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Parents are welcome to attend the Leo Leadership Forum.  
For more information visit <https://leosforum.org/>.

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