



## DISTRICT 29-L CABINET:

Jeff Baxter, DG  
Patty Nutter, 1-VDG  
Robert Moffett, 2-VDG  
& Secy/Treas  
Bernice Pitcock, IPDG

Zone Chairpersons:  
Z-1—Chris Johnston  
Z-2— DG Sue Grub  
Z-3—John Wensyel  
Z-4— Arlene Amos  
Z-5—Ron Grubb  
Z-6—Jacob Brumage  
Z-7—Dave Roberts  
Z-8—Rex Zickefoose

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PDG Richard McMillan

Leadership—  
PDG Eva Dague

Extension— Lowell McAfee

Retention—Vacancy

Contest—David Atkinson

Dist. Conference—  
Susan Stevenson

Deaf/Blind Recreation—  
Daniel Heintzman

Information Technology—  
David Ice

Diabetes Awareness/  
LEHP—PDG Bernice  
Pitcock

LCIF & Special Projects—  
PDG Paul Amrhein

Service Dog—  
Scott Summers

MESU Coordinator—  
PDG Gary Pitcock

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Doug Pettit and  
Julia Cooper

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Phyllis Amrhein

Public Relations—  
Amy Johnston

Tailtwister—Dave Elder

Sight/WVU Liaison—  
Linda Baxter

Youth Exchange —  
Arlene Amos and Paul  
Nutter

Peace Poster Contest  
Chair—Jamesie Beecroft

Lions Day Salvation Army  
Chair—Aletta Moffett



G' Day  
Mates,

January 2011 is here already. This year has gone so quickly.

This time of year is a time of reflection on 2010. The Lions of 29L have accomplished so much in the last six months. We participated in the Greenbrier Classic ecology project in July, held our Dan Dague Memorial car show in September, and rang bells for the Salvation Army in December. We also held many individual club projects while doing these other large ones.

I am so proud of this district for all you do.

Excitement for the New Year is evident with the possibility of 2 new clubs and the new members we are bringing into our clubs. If you haven't asked someone to join, now is the time to do so.

## Message from District Governor Jeff

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> cabinet meeting will be held at the Rivesville Community Building on January 16<sup>th</sup> starting at 2:00 pm. Please send reports to me before Sunday January 9<sup>th</sup>. Lion Bob Moffett will need reservations by January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Our District 29L Conference is coming soon ... March 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. (Registration form included with this newsletter) The 4<sup>th</sup> cabinet meeting will start at 9:30 am on Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Reception will be at 5:30 pm and dinner starting at 6:15. Come and join us for this celebration of the year. We will be having a silent auction at our conference and door prizes. Watch next month's newsletter for more details.

Please keep Lion Arlene Amos in your thoughts and prayers. We all mourn

the loss of Lion Floyd. Lion Arlene will be fulfilling the Zone Chair position for Lion Floyd.

Don't forget our Lions Leadership School to be held in Flatwoods, January 28<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup>. Come and join in the great fellowship.

Consider the wonderful opportunity to network and benefit from many varied learning experiences.

Our MERLO team is still wanting to provide programs for clubs and zones. Please contact any of our MERLO team members for a program.

Hope you all had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

District Governor Jeff





I hope that each of you experienced a very Merry Christmas and enjoyed the fellowship with family and friends.

As we begin the New Year, let each of us dedicate our hands and hearts to serve others in our communities, our district, our state and internationally.

Our International President, Sid L. Scruggs III, encourages each of us to greet the New Year with enthusiasm and optimism in order to make our beacon of hope shine brighter. IP Scruggs suggests that we enlist the help of other organizations and the

general public to relieve world hunger. There are so many needs throughout the world, but we can improve lives of so many people as we assess community needs and develop interventions to address the needs.

I would like to remind clubs to contact the MERLO team members for programs if you have not already done so. They are willing to assist you with membership drives, retention/extension issues, leadership information, and training and orientation for Lions members. We can all benefit from these programs and hopefully increase membership throughout the district.

REMINDER: Leadership School is January 28-30, 2011. It is not too late to sign up for some wonderful training and improve your skills both personally and professionally.

Do you have any concerns or issues that you would like for me to address? If so, please contact me at [pnutter7@zoominternet.net](mailto:pnutter7@zoominternet.net) or call me at **304.643.4552** or **304.628.3748**.

I wish each of you a great year in 2011!

Yours in Lionism,

1st VDG Lion Patty Nutter

#### FROM 2ND VICE-DISTRICT GOVERNOR BOB



This month, I'd like to focus on developing our leadership skills as Lions. I hope to see many of you at the WV Lions Leadership School in Flatwoods later this month. Attendance at the seminars there is a great way to pick up new ideas, acquire some new skills and learn from excellent speakers.

It is an opportunity to share with other Lions what has worked for you. In turn, you will benefit from the tips and ideas you will gain from others in attendance.

The 35th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will take place in Anchorage, Alaska, September 22-24, 2011. Seminars, superb speakers and the Alaskan experiences are sure to make this an unforgettable time. Joining with Lions from across the USA and Canada is a great experience. Check it out: <http://usacanadalionsforum.org>

If you are unable to make it to either of these, however, Lions offers other opportunities. On the Lions Clubs International web site ([www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)) are a number

of leadership training resources. From the homepage, click on "Member Center." Once there, you will find the link to "Leadership Development" right under the "Member Center" tab. From the "Leadership Development" page, there are links to "Managing a Club," "Tips and Tools" and more. A mouse click on "Lions Learning Center" provides you with access to online leadership development courses. These include: "Effective Public Speaking," "Conflict Resolution," "Providing Community Service" and many more. You will also find numerous Power Point presentations ready to download to your computer for your use.

I would encourage you to take advantage of any and all of these leadership development opportunities offered through Lions. As we start a new year, let's commit to developing our leadership skills.

Have a Happy New Year!

Lion Bob Moffett  
2nd VDG/Cabinet Sec./Treas.  
[rmoffett@ma.rr.com](mailto:rmoffett@ma.rr.com)  
304.363.7060

#### LIONS OF DISTRICT 29-L,

The 29-L Past District Governors are offering a scholarship to a first time attendee to the Leadership School from District 29-L. The winner will be determined by a drawing from all the names of first timers. The winner will have his/her registration fee reimbursed.

## Tribute to A Special Friend and A Special Lion

### Lion Floyd Amos

By PDG Eva

On December 20, 2010, District 29-L lost an exemplary Lion. It was my honor to share the poem "*The Dash*" during his Lions' Service. I described Lion Floyd as being: a hard worker, a loyal and dedicated Lion who loved working with each of his clubs. His commitment and contribution to the Dan Dague Memorial Car Show was really appreciated. Even this year when he was not able to be with us on the day of the show, he still went out and solicited donations from the New Martinsville area. Additionally, Lion Don Kline has described him as an encourager and a giver. While visiting with the members of the Shortline Lions Club, their love, respect and loss were apparent.



Lions Dan and Floyd used the following poem in their memorial cards entitled "*Safely Home*".

I am home in heaven, dear ones.  
Oh, so happy and so bright!  
There is a perfect joy and beauty  
In the everlasting light.  
All the pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at peace forever,  
Safely home in heaven at last.

There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idly stand,  
Do it now, while life remaineth –  
You shall rest in God's own land.  
When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home;  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting  
Oh, the joy to see you come!

An explanation of "*The Dash*" – "We do not choose to be born. We do not choose our parents, or the country of our birth. We do not, most of us, choose to die; nor do we choose the time and conditions of our death. But within this realm of choicelessness, we do choose how we live."

One of the most difficult lessons in life to learn is that ... less, is usually more. And only as we grow older, have we "gotten it". Focusing on your most important priorities, and continually removing the clutter, will be the key to any true success in your life. In 239 words, this poem captures the "simple truths" of why we were put on this earth. Lion Floyd would want us continuing our Lions' work. His dash was long/wide, although he left us too soon. He'd also encourage us to focus, to reevaluate our priorities and remove the clutter occasionally.

Our sympathy goes out to Lion Arlene. She has certainly been his angel.

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- ◆ Pictured is Zone Chairman, Lion Curtis Gregory, and the Treasurer for the Grantsville Lions Club, Lion Shirley Gregory. They recently distributed lapghans and toiletries to the residents of MHHS Long Term Unit.



The Granstvills Lions Club sponsored a Crochet Class at their building, taught by Lion Shirley Gregory. She and the crochet class made most of the lapghans. They were assisted by a few other members of the community. They made and delivered twenty-four (24) lapghans.



- ◆ The Doddridge County Lions Club decorated their club house tree with LIONS.

District Governor Jeff attended the Christmas meeting and presented Melvin Jones fellowships to PDG Richard McMillan and Lion Darrell Jack Powell.

- ◆ Lion Julia Cooper of the Fairmont Lions Club participated in the Lion's Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army. Lion Julia assisted with the Bell Ringing at the Walmart Southside in Parkersburg.



- ◆ The Wheeling Lions Club invites 29-L Lions to their District Governor Luncheon on Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at the WesBanco Arena at 12:00 noon. The cost is \$7/per person. Please RSVP to Lion Linda Amos by Friday, January 14th at 304-232-5471 or ljamoss@comcast.net

**DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CLUB VISITS:**

Date	Day	Time	Club
Jan. 18th	Tues	6:00 pm	Paden City & Sistersville
Jan. 19th	Wed	NOON	Wheeling
Jan. 20th	Thurs	6:00 pm	Barrackville
Jan. 27th	Thurs	6:30 pm	Fairmont
Feb. 3rd	Thurs	6:00 pm	Mt. Olivet
Feb. 15th	Tues	6:00 pm	Elm Grove
Feb. 22nd	Tues	6:30 pm	Fairview & Mannington
Feb. 24th	Thurs	7:00 pm	Dallas
Mar. 8th	Tues	6:30 pm	Friendly
Mar. 21st	Mon	6:30 pm	West Liberty
Mar. 22nd	Tues	6:00 pm	Glenville

Once again, Lions Clubs International will participate in the annual Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year's Day. Be sure to look for it!

Also, beginning at 11 a.m. (Eastern) on January 1, the following link will be activated. Please use the link to vote for the Viewer's Choice Award for parade floats!

<http://www.tournamentofroses.com/the-rose->

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**DG'S CONTEST RESULTS**

0—21 Members:

Cheat Lake .....	76,330
Washington Lands .....	65,337
Grantsville .....	47,119
Friendly .....	37,837
Fairview .....	33,318
Westover .....	32,735
Brookhaven .....	27,616
Waverly .....	25,644
West. Mon. Area .....	21,862
Rivesville .....	21,430
Vienna .....	17,564
Paden City .....	16,510
Pleasants Area .....	6,762

22—35 Members:

Fairmont .....	89,738
Pine Grove Short Line ...	78,628
Morgantown .....	71,659
Doddridge County .....	50,666
West Liberty .....	49,044
Boaz .....	38,206
Dallas .....	30,188
Washington .....	28,958
Weirton .....	23,105
Barrackville .....	19,850

36 & over Members:

Wheeling .....	136,282
Harrisville .....	116,899
Newell .....	100,464
Warwood .....	89,857
New Cumberland .....	80,839
Mt. Olivet .....	79,755
Elm Grove .....	48,975
Parkersburg .....	11,259
Chester .....	8,455

**VISITATION CONTEST**

0—21 Members:

Washington Lands .....	3,280
Westover .....	560
Vienna .....	400
Cheat Lake .....	360
Friendly .....	300
West. Mon. Area .....	266
Brookhaven .....	260
Rivesville .....	100
Waverly .....	80
Fairview .....	60

22—35 Members:

Morgantown .....	3,500
Fairmont .....	3,000
Weirton . .....	1,920
Doddridge County .....	1,540
Barrackville .....	1,280
West Liberty .....	1,020
Pine Grove Short Line .....	680
Dallas .....	140

36 & over Members:

Harrisville .....	5,160
Wheeling .....	3,820
Mt. Olivet .....	3,740
Newell .....	3,220
Warwood .....	2,560
New Cumberland .....	2,660
Elm Grove .....	2,160
Parkersburg .....	1,280
Chester .....	380

**We Serve!**

**TALES FROM THE CONTEST  
CHAIR, LION DAVID ATKINSON**

This is the last time you will see the contest points in the District Newsletter. For the February and March newsletters, you will have to be content with my comments and sarcasms only.

Contest awards are presented by District Governor Jeff at Sunday's District Breakfast at the MD Convention in April. With point totals close for a lot of club s, no one will know who the winners are until District Governor Jeff presents the award ... (of course, I'll know).

Remember, I will be at the District 29-L Conference, just look for someone loud running around selling 50/50's!

Your Contest Chair,  
Lion David Atkinson



The WV Lions Youth Camps and Exchange Committee would like to thank all clubs who made donations to our program this year. Your donations make it possible to assist West Virginia students to experience exchange trips. In February, we will be choosing students to travel abroad in 2011. Please consider making a donation to the Youth Exchange program either now or during the "Parade of Checks" at our District Conference.

We need West Virginia host families for incoming students. We already have inquiries from Japan and Finland. Hosting can be a wonderful experience for everyone involved. You do not have to have youth in your home and you do not have to be a Lion to serve as a host family. The students bring their own spending money, stay for 4-5 weeks, and should be treated as a member of your family. Please let Lion Sue Via, chairperson, know if you would be interested in hosting a student. Please contact her at 304.772.5273 or bevia@frontier.com Youth Exchange Committee Members are: Lion Paul Nutter, Lion Arlene Amos, Lion Linda Ott, Lion Judy Butcher, FVDG Lion Connie Dorscheid and Lion Katie Heckman.

Lions Arlene Amos and Paul Nutter  
29-L Youth Exchange Co-chairpersons

Lions Club International  
**District 29-L Conference**

**'Passion in the Jungle'**

*Friday and Saturday*  
March 11 and 12, 2011

Registration fee **\$45.00** per person

Fee includes Saturday Lunch and Saturday Banquet  
Friday and Saturday Entertainment  
(Saturday Banquet *ONLY* \$35.00 per person)

Contact **Ramada Inn**, 20 Scott Avenue, Morgantown, WV

**1-800-834-9766** for Room Reservations

Room Rates **\$72.00** plus tax per night

**ROOMS RELEASED AFTER MARCH 2nd**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ L I O N

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Special Dietary Needs \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to: D 29-L Conference

Mail to: Lion Linda Baxter

108 Solar Drive

Morgantown, WV 26508-8658

Questions/Concerns: 304-594-3331 or



**89<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
WEST VIRGINIA LIONS STATE CONVENTION**

**LAKEVIEW GOLF RESORT & SPA  
MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINA  
MAY 20, 21 & 22, 2011**

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$80.00 IF PAID BY MAY 1, 2011  
LATE REGISTRATION: \$100.00 IF PAID AFTER MAY 2, 2011  
NEW MEMBERS AFTER JULY 1, 2010  
WHO ARE FIRST TIMERS TO STATE CONVENTION FEE IS \$40.00**

Fee includes: Friday dinner, Saturday lunch & dinner and  
Sunday lunch plus Friday & Saturday night entertainment  
**\$ 35.00 SATURDAY BANQUET ONLY BY MAY 1, 2011**  
**\$10.00 Sunday only registration – does not include breakfast**

**\$14.00 Sunday District Breakfast – Contact your District Governor or  
Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer for more information**

**CONTACT LAKEVIEW GOLF RESORT & SPA FOR RESEVATIONS.  
MAKE SURE YOU TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH THE LIONS.**

**\$95.00 + tax ROOM RATE**

**1-800-624-8300**

**ROOMS WILL BE RELEASED APRIL 23, 2011**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ L I O N

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ First Timer \_\_\_\_\_

Special dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: MD 29 State Convention**

**Mail to: PCC Trish Glennon  
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**Lions Clubs International**

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

**Multiple District 29**

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

**District 29-L**

[www.lions29l.org](http://www.lions29l.org)

**WV Lions Sight  
Conservation Foundation**

[wvsight.org](http://wvsight.org)



**Wishing each of you at Happy and Prosperous New Year!**