

District 24 C: Upcoming Events

International Initiative for Mission 1.5 Training of GAT and District Leaders.

Jan. 8th, Jan. 22, and Feb. 5

- Encourage and invite the following Lions to attend: Council Chair, MD Global Membership and Extension Chairs, DG Team (DG, 1st VDG, 2nd VDG), District Global Action Team, District Marketing, Region/Zone Chairs, PDGs, Guiding Lions, Successful Membership Recruiters, Others Interested in Lions growth.

* MDs 24 and 29 are in Constitutional Area 1-D, and these workshops are scheduled for **Wednesdays – Jan. 8, Jan. 22, and Feb. 5 at 8 p.m. Eastern**

You can register now at <https://bit.ly/AreasCDGrow> and begin promoting with the flyer and registration link.

Jan 24th - Listen Up OAE Training for Volunteers

**10 am to 2 pm - Lions State Office in Roanoke, VA
501 Elm Ave SW
Roanoke, VA 24016**

Jan 26, 2025 - District 24 C Cabinet Meeting

**Roanoke, VA 2:30pm
Melrose Library, Roanoke, VA**

MD 24 Regional Lions Leadership Institute 2025 Session

**February 28th to March 2, 2025, at the Holiday Inn
Monticello in Charlottesville, VA,**

**Applicants will only pay \$150 of the fee and rest will be
taken care of by the District. However, your club can
pay the \$150 or the applicant and upon completion of
the course the \$150 will be reimbursed to the source.**

This is a great opportunity for interested candidates.

Go here for full info and the application.

<https://www.md24clions.org/blank-1>

MD 24 Lions of Virginia 102nd State Convention

May 1 - 4, 2025 Fort Magruder Hotel Williamsburg, VA

Special Guests: Lion Jay and Nancy Moughon

Lions of Virginia International Director 2022 – 2024

MD 24 Regional Lions Leadership Institute 2025 Session

**Breaking News! new location of the International Conference
Orlando, FL July 13 - July 17th 2025. Link below for info.**

https://lionscon.lionsclubs.org/#_ga=2.255097480.1214089399.1730784005-1837241996.1695871855

WHITE CANE CONTEST 2025

Contest begins September 1st 2024 and ends April 30th 2025.

- Clubs that wish to take part will forward to me the location and date of each event (White Cane) as well as the amount of donations collected.

You can send this to me by text, email or phone call. Please send each one as you do them. I will maintain records of each club's entry.

- Prize is the same as last year. A \$250.00 matching award to the club that collects the most donations during the period.

You collect \$250.00 or more during the contest period, you will receive \$250.00. If the winning amount is less than \$250.00 then that amount will be matched.

- My contact information is as follows: call or text 434-610-1933
email: dannymiller1952@gmail.com

- Winner will be announced at the State Convention in Williamsburg, May 1 - 4 2025.

2025 Regional Lions Leadership Institute

Enrollments are open for our upcoming 2025 Regional Lions Leadership Institute which is scheduled to happen February 28, 2025 through March 2, 2025 at the Holiday Inn Monticello in Charlottesville, VA. The Classes will start around 2:00 p.m. on Friday Feb. 28, 2025 and wrap up on Sunday March 2, 2025.

This year MD 24 C is offering a tuition reimbursement program that will allow Lions who complete the weekend institute to be reimbursed the \$150.00 registration fee. This means that whether your club pays your registration fee or you pay the registration fee, all you have to do is attend and complete the classes and the only cost to you will be your time and your gas. Your Hotel, meals, and books are being covered by LCI and your district. The registration form accompanied by your registration form must be submitted to the District Governor for his approval.

For 2025 we are hoping to have around 36 Lions and Leos from around the Commonwealth of Virginia in attendance so getting your registration in early is critical. Registrations must be received by January 28, 2025.

This institute provides an excellent opportunity for you to network with Lions and Leos from across the state. Corporations pay as much as \$2,000.00 to attend such an event. Our dedicated team of faculty receives the highest marks each year and this is something that carries over into your personal but also your professional life.

If you have any questions, please contact Past Council Chair Lion Marty Alford either by email at marty.alford1960@gmail.com or by phone at (540) 392-1453. There are only 12 seats for each district, so get your name on the list early.

Yours in Service

Lion Marty Alford, RLLI Coordinator for MD 24

LITPC YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

In June 2025, the Lions International Trading Pin Club will be awarding FIVE Youth Scholarships of \$2500 each to a graduating Senior who is a child or grandchild of a Lion, Lioness Lion, Lioness, or a member of a Leo Club. The most important aspect of the Youth Scholarship Program is to help a young person pursue their education and follow their dreams.

The LITPC takes great pride in fulfilling the motto of Lions Club International, "WE SERVE". During the Sight First II Campaign, the pin traders contributed \$144,000 to LCIF. Our Scholarship Program is another example of the pin traders' slogan, "Lions First".

Selection of the scholarship recipient is based on academic achievement, an essay stating the student's goals, a statement of reason(s) for applying, and an overview of work, community and school service, and letters of recommendation. Applications and supporting documentation are to be completed and submitted to the pin trading club Scholarship Chairman named below by March 1, 2025.

All graduating Seniors who are the children/grandchildren of Lions members or who are members themselves of Leo Clubs are encouraged to participate in the LITPC Youth Scholarship Program. Important: Since Virginia has a pin trading club (PTCV), all scholarship applicants from Virginia must submit their completed applications to Lion Vrla B. Leach, PTCV Youth Scholarship Chairman, and not DG Steve Staudinger.

To obtain LITPC Youth Scholarship Information:

1. Go on the LITPC website: LITPC.ORG
2. Click on LITPC Scholarship Information
3. Click on Scholarship Application Form
4. Send completed application with all required information by March 1, 2025 to:

Lion Vrla B. Leach

37 Woodlawn Drive

Staunton, VA 24401

Phone: 540-885-4240

Email: vbleach@gmail.com Some title here\

Governor's Message

Hope you had a good Thanksgiving and now with Christmas right around the corner I hope and send my blessings for a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We are marching into 2025 with the "Listen Up" Hearing Heath Program gearing up for a start in Feb. We had a great training session in Roanoke and an overflow of attendees. Another training has be setup on Jan. 24, 2025. It too is filling up and we are thankful for the interest. We are moving our training focus out to Western VA. Dec. 13th in St Paul, VA and Dec. 14th in Bluefield, VA. Information above.

As we move into the New Year, we are also focused on bringing in new members and new clubs. With the request i expect to do the hearing screenings alone we will need more volunteers and this would be a great project for them to work on.

Let's ask every school in our District if they would like to support a LEO club, talk in your meetings about possible groups that could become a community LEO Club. Hold a recruiting event for your club. I brought in my new member for the first half of this year and I plan on bringing in another this spring. Just give it a try and be surprised that it is so easy to ask. Have fun over the Holidays and be safe. Unless something comes up I will see you in the New Year.

Thank you for your service!

"Let's Make Our Mark"

District Governor Andre' Peery