



# Georgia Lions Camp



February 2022

Campers at this past years Christmas Camp helped in making awards that will be used in the upcoming Cars and Crafts Show that will be hosted here at the Georgia Lions Camp on February 19, 2022.

For the past five years the Woodbine Lions Club has sponsored and organized this fundraising event. We have averaged around 75 entries each year. This year we hope to get as many as 150 entries. That would be a great day. If you or someone you know has a car, truck, motorcycle, or anything they would like to show off. Come be with us on the 19th.

These one-of-a-kind awards will be given to the top Twenty-five entries. This year's judge will be long time Woodbine Lions Club member and Georgia Lions Camp supporter, Mr. Louis Keene. Mr. Keene has served on the camp's board of directors and until recently served on the Building and Grounds Committee for many years. He is still an important part of the everyday operations of the Lions Camp.



Picture of campers making awards



Picture of finished award (top 25)

Mr. Louis (as I call him) organizes the volunteers from his club and is part of the Car Show committee that organizes this event. Come volunteer, enter a vehicle, come as a vendor, or just come support the Georgia Lions Camp. We have RV spaces available if needed. Come Friday evening and let's make this a great weekend.

Coming up on March 19, 2022 the Georgia Lions Camp will host the 45th running of the Annual 10-K and 1 Mile Fun Run. The camp has hosted this run for the past six years and each year there have been an average of about 160 to 180 runners.

Sponsorships from local businesses help with this event. This will be the third year that our local Chick-Fil-A has been a corporate sponsor. Anyone can donate just contact the Track and Cycle Club.

All who may want to come spend a day at the camp and run are welcome. Once again, we do have several RV spots available if you would like to come help, or participate. There's nothing more encouraging to a runner than to have someone on the sidelines cheering them on. A great way to show some Lion enthusiasm!! When the race is over, you can kickback, relax and prop your feet up as you enjoy some South Georgia weather.

If you like, set up a tent and tell what your club does to support the camp and their communities.



Picture of Swamp Run logo

Keep the Campfires Burning

Don't forget to check out the following news about many fundraising events for the Georgia Lions Camp that are going on around the state. Raffles for a Cruise, Casino Night, Cornhole Tournament, and others. Lions Service Days will be at the end of April on the 29th. See the work list posted in this newsletter to see where you can help.

Hope to see you soon,

Mike Williams  
Camp Director  
Georgia Lions Camp, Inc.

## FEBRUARY CAMP NEWSLETTER CHAIRMAN'S FEBRUARY REPORT

**Thank you the Lions of Georgia** for approving the Camp's revision to the Constitution and for electing the new officers for 2022-2023 on January 29.

The Lions of Georgia approved the slate of the current officers to continue in their positions for the next Lions year:

Chair - PCC Paul May  
Vice Chair - Lion Jay Taylor  
Secretary - PCC Olin Newby  
Treasurer - PDG David White

We are all honored to get to **serve the Camp more** another year.

During the Board Meeting the new Bylaws were approved. Both the New Constitution and the Bylaws have been issued to the Lions of Georgia by the MD18 State Secretary, Lion Linda Selby.

For the last half of this Lions Year the Board will be putting their efforts on getting more campers to the Camp and to obtaining the funds to meet the budget for 2022.

The Fundraising Committee is very active in implementing several projects for the Camp. (See Bill Owens report below). Now we need for all the Lions Clubs in Georgia to step up and support the Camp with their contributions. The Camp depends upon you the Lions of Georgia. I have asked the Board Members to contact each Club in their district. Eighty percent of the Camp's budget comes from the Lions of Georgia.

I would like to thank the 40+ Lions and a few non Lions that donated to the 2021 Chairman's Challenge. The total collected was \$12,546.

In addition I would like to thank the New Houston County Lions Club for sponsoring the Camp by selling tickets to the Macon Mayhem Hockey team on February 26. (see flyer below).

Another thank you to the Cobb County Lions Club for sponsoring a Casino Night on March 26 (see

attachment) to raise funds for the Camp.

A reminder to the Lions of 18-L and 18-N that your District Director for the Camp is up for election at your upcoming District Convention.

### **Serving the Camp More,**

Paul May

Camp Chairman of the Board of Directors

Is it valentine's day already? UGH! I still need to buy some cards and flowers. Time flies when you're having fun and it won't be long until we are all wishing it was a bit cooler outside. While camp is still months away you can feel the energy building as preparations are already underway to make 2022 another great year at the Lions Camp. But none of that will ever happen without help from you.

As the Fundraising Chair for the Lions Camp, it seems I'm always talking about funds and money, but the camp cannot operate without you, and you KNOW there's no such thing as a free lunch. Someone must pay for it and as Lions We Serve so that the visually impaired can experience an amazing week that for most is the highlight of the year. I'm not going to cover the normal fundraising such as the 1976 club, Memorial Garden or Challenge coins in this newsletter. Instead, I'm going to talk about several new fundraising events occurring and upcoming.

The first is a Caribbean Cruise raffle for 2 people. This is one of our larger fundraisers for the year and the tickets are only \$10 each. The drawing will be on May 14 at the Governors Banquet during the State Convention. The winner will have a full year to use the tickets so it should be easy to work around any schedule or COVID restrictions. Raffle tickets are coming to your local clubs but if you don't hear or see any please let myself or the camp know, and we can make sure you and your club get some tickets. Lions, if we sell all of our tickets for this fundraiser the bulk of our financial obligations for the camp will be met for the year. Buy some tickets, sell some tickets!

We're planning a golf tournament. That was a broad statement as we are still "planning" but we're hoping that it will be a huge event. Currently we are in talks with the Lions Lighthouse about hosting a joint golf tournament. We are very much in the planning (talking) stage of this but I wanted to ask for a little help from you at this stage as well. As we move forward the tournament will need sponsorships and I wanted to ask to see if you know any companies that may be a sponsor for our event? Hole sponsors (typically \$100) are good, but we will need larger corporate sponsorships to really make this event work for both the Camp and Lighthouse. If you think you may have some good connections, please let me or the Camp know.

The last thing I'll mention is the Silent Auction at the State Convention in May. We're only two months away from the Convention and we need items for the Auction. I've done plenty of Silent Auctions in the past and let's face it, if you don't have a large selection of cool items to bid on the auctions are more of a flop. Give some thought on what you might be able to add to the auction. This is another easy way for us to raise funds for the camp, and honestly, it's always fun to see what's there to bid on.

I hope all of you have an amazing month and don't forget about the Camp. You make the Camp possible every year. Making it possible cost money but remember smiles and laughter are priceless.

Bill Owens

Fundraising Committee Chairman

## **CHAIRMAN CHALLENGE - January 01, 2022 - January 31, 2022**

Thank you to the following Lions of Georgia that are making a special individual contribution to the Camp.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>LIONS CLUB</b>
Glennville Lions Club	Glennville
Joanne Huff	Thomson Camelia

## **1976 SOCIETY - January 01, 2022 - January 31, 2022**

Thank you to the following Lions of Georgia that are making a special individual contribution to the Camp.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>LIONS CLUB</b>
JC Coefield	Centerville
Rita Gail Coefield	Centerville
Joanne Huff	Thomson Camelia

## **CENTURY CLUB - January 01, 2022 - January 31, 2022**

Thank you to the following Lions of Georgia that are making a special individual contribution to the Camp.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>LIONS CLUB</b>	<b>LEVEL</b>
Lloyd & Judy Britt	Centerville Lioness	Bronze
Michael Britt	Centerville Lioness	Bronze
Marlene Humphry	Byron	Bronze
WR Sutton	Woodbine	Bronze

## **Brick Memorial Garden - January 01, 2022 - January 31, 2022**

Thank you to the following Lions of Georgia that are making a special individual contribution to the Camp.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>LIONS CLUB</b>
Arlene Hendrix	Richmond Hill
Camilla Lions Club	Camilla
Lyons Lions Club	Lyons
Steve Williams	Forsyth

## Camp Finances Y-T-D thru JANUARY 31, 2022

A New Financial Year has started for the Camp. January 2022 has started the Camp off to a good start! We made our Budget for January -- now the challenge begins. The challenge before us is to build our cash in preparation for Camping Season. That may seem like a long way out, since this is only February -- but time goes fast.

Our expenses for the Months of June and July (the peak of Camping Season) are extremely high for us -- that is why we need to build our Cash position BEFORE Camping Season gets here.

Please contribute to the Camp any way you can, and as early as you can -- and urge others in your Club to do the same. There are numerous ways to make your contribution -- and your Club will receive credit at the same time. Our Fundraising Committee is working hard to do their part, please support them in their effort.

The Budget needed will get a little harder to attain as each month leading up to Camping Season goes by. Please help us make the Budget each month -- it will benefit the Camp in many ways. You can monitor the progress below as the months go by...

### Operational Income vs Expenses -- Y-T-D thru JANUARY 31, 2022

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Income for 2022 to-date	11,745.76	11,440.00
Total Expenses for 2022 to-date	10,888.04	16,830.00
NET Operating Income for 2022 to-date	<b>857.72</b>	<b>(5,390.00)</b>

### Club Contributions -- Y-T-D thru JANUARY 31, 2022 -- Year End

	<u>18L</u>	<u>18I</u>	<u>18O</u>	<u>18N</u>
# of Clubs Contributing in 2022 to-date	2	4	8	5
% of ACTIVE CLUBS Contributing	5%	7%	13%	9%

**As you can see above** -- not many Clubs have contributed to the Camp this year --but, remember, only 1 month of our fiscal year has passed, there is plenty of time to make up for that. Please help your Club add to our numbers by the next report.

As stated earlier, we beat our January expected budgeted income -- please help us beat February's expected budgeted income as well, so we can be on our way to be financially prepared for Camping Season.

Thank-You!  
Treasurer, David White



## GEORGIA LIONS CAMP, INC. CARIBBEAN CRUISE FOR 2 RAFFLE

Tickets go on sale starting January 29, 2022.  
Drawing for the winner will be at the Governors Banquet  
at the State Convention on May 14, 2022

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Details: Basic Cruise has a purchase value of up to \$3000 maximum and includes taxes. Cruise is for 7 days & 6 nights. Cruise will be a balcony room for 2. The port departure and destination will be selected by the winner at time of booking. Cruise must be taken within 1 year. No cash substitute for cruise is allowed. Cruise must be taken.

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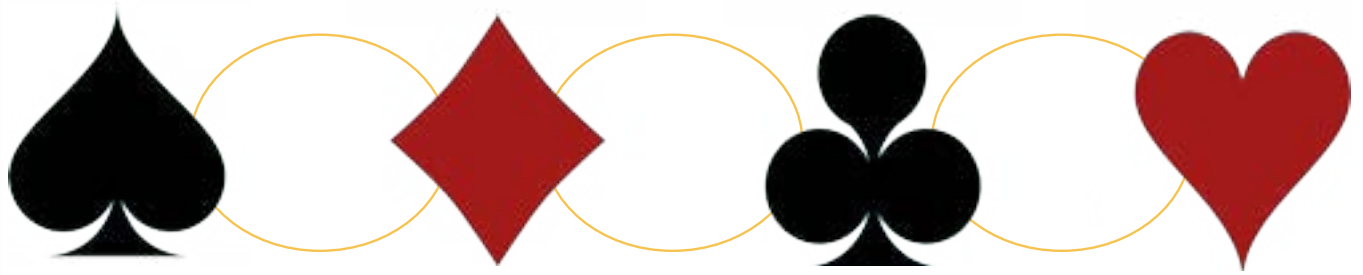
Tips and any extra purchases or  
cruise modifications will be  
paid by the winner.



*“Do not have to be present to win”*

**\$10.00  
PER TICKET**





# You're Invited!

**What: Casino Night for the Georgia Lions Camp**

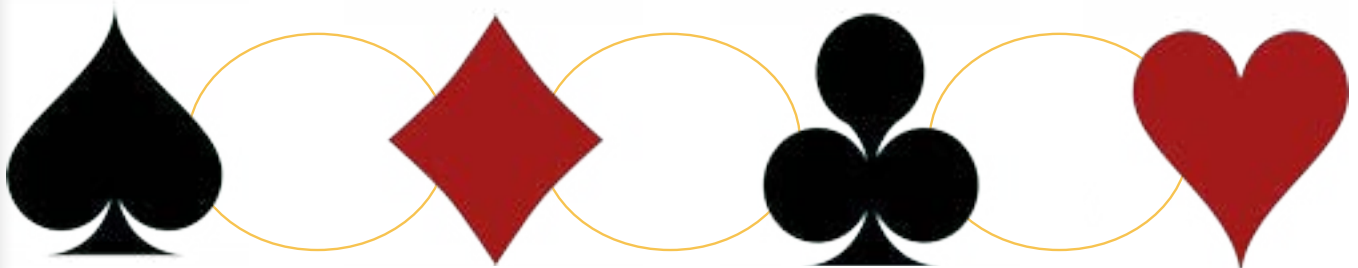
**Where: American Legion Post, 4220 S Main St, Acworth, GA 30101**

**When: Saturday, March 26, 2022 starting at 7 PM**

**There will be casino games, heavy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. In addition, there will be a silent auction and raffle.**

**Tickets are \$50 in advance. No ticket sales at the door. Only 150 tickets to be sold.**

**Tickets are available through a Cobb County Lions Club or the American Legion Post.**



Houston County Lions  
Club is selling tickets to

# HOCKEY ★ GAME ★

MACON  
MAYHEM

VS

BIRMINGHAM  
BULLS


FEBRUARY 26

MACON CENTERPLEX COLISEUM

Organiser



TICKETS : \$15

Scan the QR CODE and click on the  Unlock button  
on the right side and enter passcode: **LIONS**



or go to <https://bit.ly/3H2Y3w2> (if QR Code is not working)

\$5.00 from every ticket will go to the  
Georgia Lions Camp in Waycross.  
Come join in the fun and support Georgia Lions Camp  
[www.glcb.org](http://www.glcb.org)







*Picture of car from car show*

**SAVE THE DATE:  
FEBRUARY 19, 2022**

The Woodbine Lions Club will be having their 5th annual Car Show here at the Lions Camp. Proceeds from this event help with Camper program needs and Camper fees.

There will be food trucks, art and craft vendors, activities for the young and young at heart.

The first year the camp hosted this event there were 77 entries. Each year has seen an increase in participation. Our goal is to double that amount this year.

4-Full Hookup RV spots are available for overnigheters. We also have 6 more RV spots that provide power and water. A restroom is nearby. We need Lion's support and participation.

Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles, anything you would like to show off is welcomed.

Vendors: We have limited power and water for those who may need these services.

Do you have something you would like to donate as a door prize?  
Contact the camp office at 912-283-4320

Let's show South Georgia what the Lions Camp is all about.

Let's "**KEEP THE CAMP FIRES BURNING**"  
Add more Wood, "**MAKE IT BURN BRIGHTER**"

Mike Williams  
Camp Director



## Georgia Lions Camp 2022 Alumni Reunion

The alumni weekend, May 27-30, 2022, is intended for adults only. Attendees must be 21 years of age and be able to care for themselves; i.e., administer your own medication(s), bathe/shower, & feed. The cost to attend for the full weekend is \$100.00, with a deposit of \$25.00 required no later than January 31, 2022, to hold your place. The remaining \$75.00 must be received no later than March 31, 2022. Any deposit received after January 31 will result in a late fee of \$25 being applied for a total camp cost of \$125.00. All payments must be paid in full and received by March 31, 2022.

- \*Deposits are non-refundable.
- \*Send all payments via check and made payable to Lion Edward Ressler, 4103 N. Gloucester Place, Chamblee, GA 30341. In the memo field write GLCB Reunion.
- \*Applications may be emailed to [GLCBAlumnia@gmail.com](mailto:GLCBAlumnia@gmail.com).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male  Female

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred form of contact: Email  Phone

Emergency Contact Name and Number:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any medical or dietary need?  
\_\_\_\_\_

We are looking into the transportation needs of those that will be attending. Please select the box that represents your needs: I will transport myself to the camp  I will need transportation from Macon, GA  I will need transportation from Jacksonville Airport

WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

1. In consideration for receiving permission to participate in the GLCB Alumni Reunion I hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE AND HOLD HARMLESS: The GLCB Alumni Association, its Commission, and any partner, employee, servant, representative, associate, officer, agent, volunteer, successor and assigns of The City of Fort Lauderdale, (hereinafter referred to as RELEASEES) from any and all liability, claims, demands, action, judgments, costs, expenses, court costs, attorney fees and causes of action whatsoever arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury, including death, that may be sustained by me, or to any property belonging to me, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE, including but not limited to, SOLE, CONTRIBUTORY OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, or otherwise, while participating in such activity, or while in, on or upon the premises where the activity is being conducted.

2. I hereby elect to voluntarily participate in said activity, and to enter the above-named premises and engage in such activity knowing that certain risk of harm is or may be inherent in the various activities contemplated herein and that the activity may be hazardous to me and my property. I VOLUNTARILY ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY RISKS OF LOSS, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH, that may be sustained by me, or any loss or damage to property owned by me as a result of being engaged in such an activity, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE, including but not limited to, SOLE, CONTRIBUTORY OR GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES or otherwise.

3. I further hereby AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS the RELEASEES from any loss, liability, damage, demands, liens, liabilities, judgments or costs, including court costs and attorney fees, that they may incur due to my participation in said activity, WHETHER CAUSED BY OR CONTRIBUTED TO IN WHOLE OR PART by any action or failure to act, negligence, breach of contract, or other misconduct on the part of RELEASEES or otherwise.

4. It is my express intent that this Release and Hold Harmless Agreement shall bind the members of my family and spouse, if I am alive, and my heirs, personal representatives, executors and assigns, if I am deceased, and shall be deemed as a RELEASE, WAIVER, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the above named RELEASEES. I hereby further agree that this Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.

5. I expressly agree that this Release and Hold Harmless Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the laws of the State of Georgia, and if any portion of this Agreement is held to be invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

IN SIGNING THIS RELEASE, I ACKNOWLEDGE AND REPRESENT THAT I have read the foregoing Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement, understand it and sign it voluntarily as my own free act and deed; no oral representations, statements, or inducements, apart from the foregoing written agreement, have been made; I am at least eighteen (18) years of age and fully competent; and I execute the Release For full, adequate, and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by same.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**GEORGIA LIONS' CAMP**  
**Lions Service Days (Work Weekend) Reservation Form**

Complete and Fax to the Camp at (912) 283-5130  
Please contact the Camp (912) 283-4320 with any questions or if changes occur after this form is submitted.

**April 29-May 1, 2022**

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Arrival: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Departure: Day \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the number of male participants \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the number of female participants \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate number of each participant for each item below:

Meals:      Saturday Breakfast      \_\_\_\_\_  
                 Saturday Lunch            \_\_\_\_\_  
                 Saturday Dinner            \_\_\_\_\_  
                 Sunday Breakfast            \_\_\_\_\_  
                 Sunday Lunch                    \_\_\_\_\_

Participants Arriving on Friday. Your Dinner Meal will be on your own!
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Beds:      Friday Night      \_\_\_\_\_ (Males) \_\_\_\_\_ (Females)  
                 Saturday Night      \_\_\_\_\_ (Males) \_\_\_\_\_ (Females)

Please note in the space provided below any unique maintenance skills, materials, or equipment that your group can provide to this event.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_





### Amazon.com Smile

There are several ways to help your camp receive some unexpected money and it does not cost you any extra money. Did you know that if you buy things on Amazon, and most people do, Amazon will donate to the Georgia Lions Camp. Here's how you do it.

1. Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com).
2. Log in using your normal sign in. You will be sent to the amazon smile link where you start typing Georgia Lions Camp then click on search to select the camp. You are now logged in and you are linked so that a portion of your purchase goes to your camp.
3. Complete your purchase as you normally would.



### Kroger

Here is another way to help your Georgia Lions Camp and it will not cost you any extra money. If you already have an account at Kroger for digital coupons and other saving ways, then you are almost there. If you do not already have an account with Kroger, you can use the same links below to get one. If you are not already set up to have funds donated to the camp, here is how to take care of that.

1. Go to [Kroger.com](https://Kroger.com)
2. Sign in like you were going shopping or looking for specials.
3. Go to my account.
4. Go to community rewards. Select Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind, which is the old name for the Georgia Lions Camp.

**2021-2022**

## **Work Projects**

The following projects will be updated monthly in our camp newsletter. If you see a project that you or your club would be interested in helping with, please email your interest to [director@glcb.org](mailto:director@glcb.org)

**April 29-May 1, 2022 are our next scheduled Service Days:**

**(Please know that you can call and schedule a workday anytime the camp does not have an event going on)**

**(You don't have to wait until a scheduled Service Day to come work at the camp)**

1. Buildings need pressure washing.
  2. Weed pulling, edging, raking, wheel barrow use, and sanitation are many other jobs to be done during this work session. BRING your gloves and definitely some BUG SPRAY!!
  3. Repair the Whale Watch element at the Low Ropes Course.
  4. Climbing Wall due for pressure washing and wood treatment (Man lift will need to be rented to accomplish this task). Other minor maintenance can be done during this activity.
  5. Clean Low Ropes area.
  6. Repair screens at the bar-b-que shelter.
  7. Wooden picnic tables need repairs or replacing. (Some work has been done, need more help) some painting needed.
  8. Nature Trail – clean up debris. To build up low lying areas we continue to need Two loads of crushed asphalt and Two loads of fill dirt.
  9. Clean up fallen debris from trees around the camp.
  10. Several dead pine trees need to be cut down and debris cleaned up.
  11. Paint water heater room located behind the newly renovated Staff Building.
  12. Paint the Water Tank.
  13. Paint the new Lifeguard stands for the pool.
  14. Stain and treat all wooden rockers and chairs.
  15. Paint the pump house at the pond.
  16. Fish Pond needs some fall cleanup.
  17. Paint sidewalks at the exit doors to the bunkhouse.
  18. Repair Emergency exit door at restrooms in the Dining Hall.
  19. Clean and paint swing frames at the fire pit area.
  20. Swings at the fire pit need to be cleaned and painted.
  21. Activity Site Warning signs have been replaced and repaired but framing needs cleaning and painting.
  22. Repaint Dining Hall.
  23. Some Emergency Lights in Main Dorm needs to be replaced.
  24. Lights in Large Dormitory and Bunkhouse Dormitory still need to be converted to LED bulbs.
- \*Remove carpet from (Rental House) (Director's house)  
\*(Rental House) Replace carpet with laminate flooring. Funding needed. \*These two items will be completed when funds are available.

**Lions Service Days at the Camp are Scheduled for:**

**Spring of 2022**

**April 29-May 1**

**Fall October 21-23, 2022**

# Upcoming Events

**February 19, 2022**

5th Annual Car Show – Fundraiser

**March 19, 2022**

10-K Swamp Run – Fundraiser

**April 29- May 1, 2022**

Spring Lions Service Days

**May 27-30, 2022**

Camper Alumni Reunion

**October 21-23, 2022**

Fall Lions Service Days

## **Lions Camp Information**

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Georgia-Lions-Camp-Inc-152370411465833/>

Website: <https://www.glcb.org/>

Telephone: 912-283-4320

Fax: 912-283-5130

Address: 5626 Laura Walker Road, Waycross, GA 31503

## **Camp Alumni Contact Information**

Camp Alumni Association Contact: Brian Donegan: [doneganbrian1@gmail.com](mailto:doneganbrian1@gmail.com)