# Georgia Lions Camp



## October 2021

OCTOBER!! Can you believe it? 2021 is three quarters gone. With the temperatures now becoming a bit more bearable and the leaves beginning to change colors, it's a great time of year. A great time to plan a trip to the Lions Camp.

Our second of two Lions Service Days (work weekends) are scheduled for October 22-24, 2021 which is a perfect time to help do some pre-fall clean-up and maintenance.

This year's list of projects is listed in the monthly newsletter. If you haven't been here for a while, please contact us and make plans to attend. If you've never been here, that's even better. Come see the camp and help



Trail picture

with some of the projects and enjoy some time with others who will be here. You are always welcome at the Camp.

There will always be a project you or your club can do here at the camp. All projects help keep this camp in top shape for our campers and other groups who use these facilities.

Please complete the registration form included in this month's newsletter. One note is that there will only be the small dorm available for sleeping (sleeps twenty-four) and the house referred to as the director's house (sleeps up to ten). All other buildings are in use that weekend.

Some may ask. Do you have to be a Lion to come work? No, you do not. Anyone is welcome to come help. They may become a Lions after they visit the camp!!

What else is happening at the camp in October? It's time to begin camper registration for Christmas Camp 2021. Scheduled for the weekend of December 10th-12, 2021. Campers will be able to register after October 15, 2021. Registration ends on November 23rd, 2021. A completed applications must be in by November 30th, 2021. All Fees paid and all required documentation. No extensions. Christmas Camp Cost is \$100.00 per camper. A \$75.00 transportation fee for those who will need transportation from the Macon Academy for the Blind to the Lions Camp.

Great News! Beginning with the Summer 2021 Camping Season; Our ACA accreditation guidelines have changed concerning a camper's annual Physical. A camper's Physical requirement is now good for Twenty-Four months from the date it was administered. Proof of Physical is required and must be signed by a qualified Physician.

Can you help with Christmas Camp? Yes, Volunteers are encouraged. Many Lions have helped in the past. Santa always needs a helper. Contact Camp Director Mike Williams or Office Manager Gail Williams to see where your services are needed. You can also contact the Camp's Board Chairman Paul May. Call the camp office at 912-283-4320 for more contact information.



Shopping at Walmart for others or talking with Santa.

What are we doing this year at Christmas Camp? You will not want to miss out. I guarantee it will be something to remember!!

Christmas Campers are thankful for your continued support. Just like Summer sessions we could not do camp without your support. Please help us "Keep The Camp Fires Burning". Contribute today! Visit the camp's website to see how you can donate. <u>www.glcb.org</u>

I encourage you to talk to anyone who may know of an individual that would love to

spend some time with their peers here at the Lions Camp. Everyone knows someone. We all have to reach out to help those who need a little encouragement.

The Lions Camp enables individuals to try new challenges. Encourages them, that they can overcome obstacles. Empowers them to become whomever they want to be. Here at camp, we are all equal. The Lions Camp has several goals and a mission to serve the Blind. Let's spread the word!!

#### 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 overnighters. 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



Car show

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

#### Car /Craft Show 2022 Waycross, Georgia

Date: Saturday February 19, 2022

Entry Fee: \$50 per food space \$25 per Craft Space

### Power additional \$10.00 fee Woodbine Lions Club

<u>All applications</u> are subject to approval by the Lions Camp for the Blind Vendors may pay by personal check, money order or cash. Make money Orders or checks out to the <u>Woodbine Lions Club</u>.

**Approved applications** will be sent a confirmation by email when your payment has cleared. The card must be presented upon arrival at check in to receive your space and parking permit.

**Rules:** Check in begins Friday on the Camp grounds You can set up any time after checking in but no later than 8AM Saturday, February 19, 2022 Each Participant is responsible for display set up, such as tables or tents.

**Limited space available.** Spaces are 12 ft. X 12 ft. with room for one vehicle behind. Parking and unloading will be permitted with permit.

**Limited electric or water for exhibits available**. A small quiet generator is permitted but must be supplied and is the sole responsibility of the vendor.

**Declare your pet** all pets must be declared by vendors, be on a leash and under control at all times on the grounds and adjoining properties.

ENCLOSE ( ) Cash ( ) Check or ( ) Money Order PAYABLE TO: Woodbine Lions Club

Check #\_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$\_\_\_\_\_

Mail application and entry fee by 2/10/22 to: P. O. Box 968, Woodbine, GA 31569

Name of Company			
Name			
Address			_
City			
Telephone			
Email address			
***** (Your confirmation will be s	sent to this	email address)*****	

By signing, I agree not to hold the Lions Camp for the Blind or any of its members responsible for ANY DAMAGE, LOSS OR INJURY, I am at least 18 years of age and I understand that I will be responsible for my exhibit at all times.

Date\_\_\_\_\_ Signature\_\_\_\_\_

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual - Lions Camp for the Blind Car Show

#### 5626 Laura Walker Road, Waycross, GA



Feb. 19, 2022

Car registration 8-10 AM Trophies @ 2PM

Vendors - Food, Arts & Crafts, Breakfast Available

**Proceeds to benefit the camp** 

Entry fee per car: \$15 for pre-registered before Feb. 09,

\$20 day of show, Spectators \$5 adult, children under 12 free

#### No Alcohol, Dogs must be leashed

For more info call: 912-882-4046 or email: MikenJune@sbcglobal.net

Make Checks payable to: "Woodbine Lions Club" write "Car Show" on memo line

Mail to: Lions Car Show C/O Mike Daugherty, 158 Colonial Court, Woodbine, GA 31569

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## GEORGIA LIONS' CAMP 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.

## October 22nd-24th, 2021

Club Name	2	District	
Address		City	
Phone			
Estimated A	Arrival: Day	Time	
Estimated	Departure: Day	Time	
Please list	the number of male part	icipants	
Please list	the number of female pa	rticipants	
Please indi	cate number of each par	ticipant for each item below:	
Meals:	Saturday Breakfast Saturday Lunch Saturday Dinner Sunday Breakfast Sunday Lunch		
Beds:	Saturday Night 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.

The summer heat has finally broken and we are now moving into fall; a time for change. Your Camp is changing from its summers camping mode to its Christmas Camp mode to be followed by the planning of next year's summer sessions. The Board needs your Clubs help in making these changes. We need your support in several ways: participating on Work Weekend, attending the Board Meeting in November and most of all your financial support.

Work weekend, Oct. 22-23 is a chance for you and your Club to provide a service to the Camp. Mike Williams has a big list of things that need to be done to spruce up the Camp and to prepare it for the winter. There are jobs for everyone regardless of your skills or lack of skills. If you can only come for one day or even part of a day, we can use your help. This is a way for your Club to come and see what a tremendous asset the Lions of Georgia has. So please take some time and come to help by **SERVING MORE** at the Camp.

On Saturday November 13 the Camp Board of Directors will be having a joint meeting with the MD18 Council of Governors and the Lighthouse. The Board and its committees have been hard at work in fulfilling its responsibilities to the Camp. This is a time for fellowship with Lions outside of your Club and District, to hear what is going on at with the Camp, the Lighthouse and the Council. The Council Meeting is at 9:00, the Camp at 1:00 and the Lighthouse at 3:00. The Camp will be discussing and approving the financial budget for the calendar year 2022.

I know that this past year and half has been very tough on every Club. Likewise it has also be tough on Camp. However we did have summer camp and we will be having Christmas Camp on Dec. 10-12. Contributions are way behind budget this year and it appears that we may have to go to the Investment Fund before this calendar year is out. If your Club has not contributed, please consider doing so before the end of December. If your Club has, could it **SERVE MORE** and make an additional contribution? There are several ways that individual Lions can **SERVE MORE** thru several initiatives:

1976 Society Century Club Brick Memorial Garden Chairman's Challenge Coin (see more below)

Let's, the Lions of Georgia, rise to the challenge so that we do not have to go to the Investment Fund!!

I hope to see you at the fun, serving workday at the Camp on October 22-23.

Paul May Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Georgia Lions Camp SERVING MORE Per the Constitution of the Georgia Lions Camp, Inc. a Lion desiring to run for an office on the Board of Directors is to have their application in by December 1. The election of officers is to be held at the Winter Meeting of the Georgia Lions Camp Board of Directors. The officers to be elected each year are: **Per article V. Officers** 

#### Section 1. Officers

A. **Chairman**. The Chairman must be a Lion in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing in MD-18, at the time of their election and at all times while in office. Any

candidate for Chairman must have served at least one full term of office on the Board within the last five (5) years before standing for election. The Chairman will preside at all meetings of the Board. The Chairman will be an ex-officio, non-voting member of all committees. The Chairman must have served at least one full term of office on the Board within the last five (5) years before standing for election. The Chairman shall be authorized to create ad hoc committees and appoint members to such committees as needed.

B. Vice Chair. The Vice Chair shall be a Lion in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing in MD-18 at the time of their election and at all times while in office. In the event the Chairman is not able to perform their duties, the Vice Chair shall assume the role. The Vice Chair shall perform such duties as assigned by the Chairman or the Board.

C. **Secretary**. The Secretary must be a Lion in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing in MD-18 at the time of their election and at all times while in office. The Secretary is responsible for recording the actions of the Board, serving as the custodian of all corporate documents, and such other duties as assigned by the Chairman or the Board.

D. **Treasurer**. The Treasurer must be a Lion in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing in MD-18 at the time of their election and at all times while in office. The Treasurer shall be responsible for developing an annual budget for the operation of the Camp, chairing the Finance Committee, supervising the financial accounts of the Camp, preparing financial reports for the Board, filing any federal, state and local governmental forms and returns required by law, and performing such other duties as assigned by the Chairman or the Board.

#### Section 2. Annual Election of Officers

B. **By December 1st** of each year, any Georgia Lion interested in becoming a candidate for a Camp officer position shall submit to the Immediate Past Chairman a letter of intent to stand for election. Said letter must be countersigned by the president of the candidate's home Lions Club and must certify the club's endorsement of the candidate. In the event that no candidate submits a letter of intent for a position, a nomination may be accepted from the floor, provided that the nominated person is a Lion in good standing of a Lions Club in good standing in MD-18 and meets all other officer qualifications. The Immediate Past Chairman and two other members of the Board, appointed by the Chairman, shall comprise an ad-hoc Nominations Committee. The Nomination Committee shall certify that each candidate meets the requirements for each position and shall conduct the elections.

#### Camp Finances Y-T-D thru September 30, 2021

Financially, 2021 is proving to be a challenging year for the Camp -- just as it is for Lions Clubs in general. However, things did pick up a little for the Camp during September 2021. This financial pick-up was one GOOD step in the right direction -- we have many more to go to get back to our pre-COVID Financial position. A big **Thank-you** goes to all who contributed to the Camp during September -- Please continue, and encourage others to do the same.

We depend on the Contributions of the Lions of Georgia for about 80 % of our income. Please remember our Camp with your Club Contributions and your Individual Contributions as Lions. IF your Club has not been able to contribute to the Camp so far in 2021 -- PLEASE consider a donation to the Camp before the end of 2021. A personal or individual donation by a Lion Member, to the Camp, will be given as credit to your Club -- a win-win situation. Every donation helps in our effort to offer the 'Camp Experience' to more Campers. As you can see below, every contribution to the Camp **is very much needed and appreciated!** Thank-you

Operational Income vs Expenses Y-T-D thru August 31, 2021		
	Actual	<b>Budget</b>
Total Income	139,163.94	263,585.00
Total Expenses	173,390.39	245,599.47
NET OPERATING INCOME	(34,226.45)	17,985.53

Contributions Y-T-D thru August 31, 2021				
	<u>18L</u>	<u>18I</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>18N</u>
# of Clubs Contributing in 2021 to-date	22	36	20	28
% of ACTIVE CLUBS Contributing	50%	67%	31%	48%

## CHAIRMAN CHALLENGE - SEPTEMBER 01 - SEPTEMBER 30 2021

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

NAME Edward Ressler Patty White David White

## LIONS CLUB

Marietta-East Cobb Marietta Marietta

## 1976 SOCIETY - SEPTEMBER 01 - SEPTEMBER 30 2021

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

## NAME

David White Dimple Forrest JC Coefield Joanne Huff Kembra Smith Patty White Rita Gail Coefield Theodore Vickroy

## LIONS CLUB

Marietta Thomaston Centerville Thomson Camelia Decatur North Marietta Centerville Ellijay

## **CENTURY CLUB - SEPTEMBER 01 - SEPTEMBER 30 2021**

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

NAME	LIONS CLUB	Levels
Carl Forrest	Thomaston	Bronze
Dave Forrest	Thomaston	Bronze
David White	Marietta	Bronze
Patty White	Marietta	Bronze
Theodore Vickroy	Ellijay	Diamond

## Brick Memorial Garden - SEPTEMBER 01 - SEPTEMBER 30 2021

No gifts were made do the Brick Memorial Garden this month.

From May 1 to December 31, 2021 the two Chairmen will match up to \$5000 total in donations to the CHALLENGE. As we did last fall, it must be on a personal check, marked CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE in the memo field and must be postmarked by December 31, 2021.

If you prefer not to write a check, you can use PayPal which is available on the Georgia Lions Camp website which is <u>www.glcb.org</u>.

Again, any donation amount is appreciated but this time we have a CHALLENGE COIN that has the camp logo on the front and Keep the Camp Fires Burning on the back. For a donation of at least \$100 you will receive the coin plus a 3D display to place the coin in, if desired.



Challenge Coin Front



Challenge Coin Back

#### THE CAMP NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Georgia Lions Camp newsletter is created to let the Lions of Georgia know what is happening now, next month and in the future at your camp. Information we have received says that there are 4600 Lions in Georgia but only 3000 are in the Constant Contact list at the state office. There are no Leos receiving this information and they are supposed to be our future Lions. We at the Georgia Lions Camp request that if you receive our newsletter, please share with your club and friends. If your club is sponsoring a Leo Club, share the newsletter with them but also send us the contact information for them so we can add them to a group and assure them that they receive the information.



#### 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 youbuy things on Amazon, and most people do, Amazon will donate to the Georgia Lions Camp. Here's how you do it.

1. Go to <u>smile.amazon.com</u>.

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 digitalcoupons 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
- 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 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 <u>director@glcb.org</u>

#### October 22-24, 2021 is our next scheduled Service Day:

# (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. 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!!
- 2. Repair the Whale Watch element at the Low Ropes Course
- 3. Clean Low Ropes area
- 4. Repair screens at the bar-b-que shelter
- 5. Wooden picnic tables need repairs or replacing. (Some work has been done, need more help) some painting needed.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Paint water heater room located behind the newly renovated Staff Building.
- 8. Paint the Water Tank
- 9. Paint the pump house at the pond
- 10. Paint sidewalks at the exit doors to the bunkhouse.
- 11. Repair Emergency exit door at restrooms in the Dining Hall.
- 12. Clean and paint swing frames at the fire pit area.
- 13. Swings at the fire pit need to be painted.
- 14. Warning signs have been replaced and repaired but framing needs cleaning and painting.
- 15. Buildings are scheduled for a Fall deep cleaning.
- 16. Some Emergency Lights in Main Dorm needs to be replaced.
- 17. Fish Pond needs some fall cleanup.
- \*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.



Nature Trails



Picnic Table

## **Upcoming Events**



October 22-24, 2021 is the next scheduled Service Day at the Georgia Lions Camp.

December 10-12, 2021

December 10-12, 2021 is Christmas Camp at the Georgia Lions Camp.

February 19, 2022

February 19, 2022 is the 5th Annual Lions Camp for the Blind Car Show.

**Lions Camp Information** 

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#### **Camp Alumni Contact Information**

Camp Alumni Association Contact: Brian Donegan: doneganbrian1@gmail.com