



Georgia Lions Camp



April 2022

Yes, it is fast approaching! Where does time go so quickly? It seems like only a few weeks ago we were able to relax a little from all the events of 2021.

As summer camp programs and activities are being planned here at the camp, along with several phone calls to get things rolling, we(I) need your help! Lions of MD-18 have been asked to help increase the attendance of the visually impaired youth here at the LionsCamp in Waycross. We hope to concentrate on increasing the attendance of ages five years old up to seventeen years old.

Now how do we accomplish this you might ask? Contact your local school systems and find out who may be able to help pass on information about the Georgia Lions Camp, Inc. Place flyers or brochures around local businesses (we have a good supply here at the camp), speak at other civic clubs, post information on your social media page. Networking as they say.

There are so many visually impaired youths that need a week to spend time among their peers. A week of excitement, fun, and chance to try new challenges. A week guaranteed to change a person's life!

This summer the camp has some great news. This summer's programs director is a former staff member. He worked here in the 90's along with another staff member who now has been his wife for over twenty-five years. Both of them come with experience of working with the visually impaired. I am excited to have them lead our staff and work with all our campers. Make sure you plan to be here Lions Day, July 23, 2022 and meet them.



Picture of 10K Swamp Run



Picture of 10K Swamp Run

As we continue to plan the summer's events, let me update you on some of the things that have happened here at the camp this past March.

For the past six years the camp has hosted the annual 10-K Swamp Run and 1-mile fun run. Each year there has been an average of at least 130 + runners. Many supporters also show up to cheer the runners on. There are about 300 people on the camp grounds that day. Always room for a Lion!

Although the camp had some severe thunderstorms earlier in the week, the grounds were in good shape. Maybe a few mud puddles as they ran through some of the trails over at the State Park.

This event has been a great support of helping many campers' attend camp. Funds raised usually equal up to about 10 camper sponsorships per year. Plan to attend next year if you can. The event

is always in March after Gate River Run held each year in Jacksonville, Fla. Did you know that the Gate River Run can have as many as 18,000 runners participate? What if we could have a thousand? We definitely would need your help to do this! It may even make the news.

The Woodbine Lions Club who puts on our annual Car Show here at the Lions Camp presented the camp with a \$7,400.00 donation. Proceeds were from the 2021 and 2022 events. Pictured are from left to right, Lion Mike Daugherty/Event Coordinator, Lion Mike Williams/ Camp Director, Lion Louis Keene/ Volunteer Coordinator, Teresa Sawyer/Advertising, June Daugherty/Registration, and Gail Williams/ Camp's Office Manager.

Call us anytime if you have questions about Camp events.

Let's "Keep The Camp Fires Burning"

Add more Wood, "Make It Burn Brighter"

Mike Williams
Camp Director
Georgia Lions Camp, Inc.

P.S. Don't forget to sign up for Lions Service Days at The Camp.
April 29-May 1, 2022



Picture of Woodbine Lions Club presenting camp with donation

CHAIRMAN'S APRIL REPORT

It has been a busy month visiting all four district conventions. It was good to visit with some Lions that I have not seen in a while and a chance to meet some new Lions. District 18- L elected Lions Donna Townsend to be its new Camp District Director. And 18-N re-elected Lion Larry Griggers to run a second term. District Directors Lion Joanne Huff from 18-I and Lion Johnny Barrentine from 18-O will continue as their District Directors for their second year of their term.

During March the Camp hosted the Annual Swamp Run. Several Clubs in 18-L held a Casino Night Fund Raisers that was headed up by Past Chairman Ed Ressler.

The Camp will be having its **SILENT AUCTION** at the State Convention in Dublin. I encourage each Club and/or individual Lion attending to provide a basket or item to be auctioned off with all proceeds going to the Camp.

Now is the time for Lions interested in **SERVING THE CAMP MORE** to consider working on one of the five Standing Committees: Finance, Building and Grounds, Fundraising, Constitution and Policy and Long Range Planning? In addition a Member-at-Large position for each District needs to be filled. If you are interested in any of these, please contact your Camp District Director. All of these position are for one year terms.

Another way the Lions of Georgia can **SERVE THE CAMP MORE** is by volunteering to come to work at the Camp on Lions Service Days at the Camp on April 29 – May 1, 022. This is a chance for you and your Club TO SERVE to help get the Camp ready for the summer sessions. We need your help even if just for one day or part of a day. There are tasks that need to be done no matter what your skills are. Come and fellowship and serve with other Lions!

As we will soon be entering our Camping Season, I need to encourage each Club to support the Camp financially. Eighty percent of the Camp's operational funds come from our Lions Clubs. The summer months of camping season are our most expensive months. We need your Club's help.

During the rest of April and most of May, the Camp needs your help in reaching out to attract more campers. I have put together a package that you can send to your local school board to give to their visual impaired students. If you are interested in helping to do this, please contact me at pafastphoto@windstream.net.

I encourage you to attend and will look forward to seeing you, the Lions of Georgia, at this year's State Convention in Dublin on May 13-15. All are welcome to attend the Camp's Annual Board Meeting at 3:00 on Friday.

If you need more raffle tickets for the Cruise drawing or have not gotten any, they will be available at the State Convention or you may contact me by my email and I will send you more raffle tickets.

I hope you, as a serving Lion, will step up and help **SERVE THE CAMP**.

Paul May
Chairman of the Camp's Board of Directors

1976 SOCIETY - March 01, 2022 - March 31, 2022

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

NAME	LIONS CLUB
JC Coefield	Centerville
Rita Gail Coefield	Centerville
Sherry Henry	Sparta
Joann Huff	Thomson Camelia
John Rudert	Norcross
Trudy Rudert	Norcross
Kembra Smith	Decatur North

CENTURY CLUB - March 01, 2022 - March 31, 2022

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

NAME	LIONS CLUB	LEVEL
RW Gowen	Woodbine	Bronze
Stephen Johnson	Snellville	Bronze
Elaine Adams	Ellijay	Bronze
Jimmy Adams	Ellijay	Bronze
Barbara Barrett	Ellijay	Bronze
Jim Bradley	Ellijay	Bronze
Sam Burrell	Ellijay	Bronze
Mike Carter	Ellijay	Bronze
Barrett Creech	Ellijay	Bronze
Ralph Cox	Ellijay	Bronze
Bonnie Dixon	Ellijay	Bronze
Charlie Dixon	Ellijay	Bronze
Rose Daves	Ellijay	Bronze
Susan Harden	Ellijay	Bronze
Jim Harding	Ellijay	Bronze
Ruthann Harding	Ellijay	Bronze
Larry Kenney	Ellijay	Bronze
Robert Lique	Ellijay	Bronze
Merle Naylor	Ellijay	Bronze
Larry Naylor	Ellijay	Bronze

Norman Pope	Ellijay	Bronze
James Ragsdale	Ellijay	Bronze
Emma Lou Stover	Ellijay	Bronze
Ted Vickroy	Ellijay	Bronze
Jane Weaver	Ellijay	Bronze
Margaret Grant	Ellijay	Bronze
Flora Hughes	Ellijay	Bronze
Bill Leinmiller	Ellijay	Bronze
Charlie Paris	Ellijay	Bronze
Charles Fletcher	Ellijay	Bronze
Martin Titus	Ellijay	Bronze
John Weekly	Ellijay	Bronze

Brick Memorial Garden - March 01, 2022 - March 31, 2022

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NAME	LIONS CLUB
Camilla	Camilla
Marietta-East Cobb	Marietta-East Cobb

Camp Finances Y-T-D thru MARCH 31, 2022

Financially, The GA Lions Camp finished the 1st quarter of 2022 a little behind the level of Income that was expected for the 1st 3 months of the year. ***As you can see below***, we expected to have 68,990.00 in income after 3 months -- we only had 58,702.97. However, thanks to doing a good job of Expense Control by the Camp Staff, we under spent on expected expenses -- so we pretty well balanced the 1st Quarter. **Our challenge is now the 2nd Quarter**, because Camping season will be here as we complete the 2nd Quarter -- so **NOW is the time** we need everyone's help to increase our cash so we can make it thru the upcoming Camping Season Financially. APRIL has started off well, financially, but we really need to concentrate on Income from all sources for APRIL to end well, financially. Our Expenses are extremely heavy during Camping Season.

Please support 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. We did it in January, February -- we were a little low in March -- so Please help us make the Budget in April and May-- 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 FEBRUARY 28, 2022

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Total Income for 2022 to-date	58,702.97	68,990.00
Total Expenses for 2022 to-date	47,256.98	58,318.00
NET Operating Income for 2022 to-date	11,445.99	10,672.00

Club Contributions -- Y-T-D thru FEBRUARY 28, 2022 -- Year End

	<u>18L</u>	<u>18I</u>	<u>18O</u>	<u>18N</u>
# of Clubs Contributing in 2022 to-date	9	17	10	17
% of ACTIVE CLUBS Contributing	22%	31%	16%	29%

As you can see above -- The number of Clubs contributing to the Camp in 2022 increased a little during March -- that is good, but not enough. Please help your Club add to our numbers by the next report.

As stated earlier, we beat our January and February expected budgeted income -- but we came in a little lower than expected for March. We need ALL Lions Clubs -- and individual Lions -- to do what they can to support the Camp.

Your Camp District Director receives a report each Month showing the contributions made from each Club in your District. Please contact him or her with any questions as to how you can help support our Camp in giving the Camp experience to others.

Thank-You!

David E. White,
Board Treasurer



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

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.

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**



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.

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



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.
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
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

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

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/>

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Camp Alumni Contact Information

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