



## THE ALPHA LION NEWSLETTER

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BRAVE**



### Mark your calendars!!!

**Thursday, July 8th**—BOD at Crooked Creek | 7:00 pm

All members are eligible and encouraged to attend.

You can participate in the discussions and you'll be able to vote.

Join us, we always have a good time!

**Saturday, July 24th—**

18L District Kick-Off Rally, McDonough, GA.

McDonough Presbyterian Church, McDonough, GA

427 McGarity Road, McDonough, GA 30252

Hosted by Griffin Lions Club

9:00 AM Registration/Breakfast | Meeting starts at 9:45 am.

**Please bring school supplies!!!**

**Saturday, July 31st**—Annual picnic at Wills Park Pavilion.

4:00 pm. We'll eat at 5:00 pm. \$10.00 per person.

Volunteers needed to cook, setup and clean up.

We'll cook hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring a covered dish.

Also bring quarters. They'll be donated to United Military Care.

Also, this is a great opportunity to bring prospective members and show them what a good time we have as a group and talk to them about who we are and what we do.

**Follow us ...**

[Facebook.com/Alpharetta Lions Club](https://www.facebook.com/alpharetta-lions-club)

**Website:** <https://www.alpharettalions.com>

ALPHARETTA LIONS  
CLUB OFFICERS  
2021-2022

President—Tony Pickens  
Past Pres.—Amy Andrews  
1st Vice Pres.—Rick Custer  
2nd Vice Pres.—  
3rd Vice Pres.— Carl Fricks  
Administrator—Rob Lefebvre  
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Membership Chair—Mary Lefebvre  
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Teresa Ceneviz  
Ben Easterling  
Fred Edwards

Webmaster—  
David Crawford

# HELP OUR VETERANS TODAY!

## GIVE QUARTERS CAUSE YOU CARE

Donate online, mail a check or drop by with your piggy bank!

<https://bit.ly/3wP7Cco>



**Transportation is  
essential to everyone's  
day-to-day activities.**

**Your gift of quarters gives  
struggling Veterans the  
ability to get to work, the  
grocery store, and doctor  
visits.**

**One-way bus trip is  
10 quarters.**

**\$10 = 4 One Way  
\$25 = 5 Round Trips  
Everything Counts!**



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

# June Spotlight and Highlights



Thank you so much to everyone that attended the State Convention. Our Club had excellent representation! Congratulations to our own Amy Andrews for receiving the Ervin Crumbley Award. This award is the highest honor that the Lions of Georgia, Inc. can bestow upon a Lion. It recognizes the Lion's outstanding, life-long contributions to the Lions of Georgia, Inc. Congratulations Amy! Very well deserved!

\$242.00 were collected by selling bird houses and feeders made by Mark Pamperin.

For additional pictures and videos, please go to...

**[Facebook.com/Alpharetta Lions Club](#)**

**Website:**

**<https://www.alpharettalions.com>**

Alpharetta Lions Club  
2021 Centennial State  
Convention Delegation

Garner & Amy Andrews  
Charlie Andrews  
Dennis Chapman  
Rob & Mary Lefebvre  
Mark & Valerie Pamperin

**Thursday, June 10th**—BOD meeting. Amy Andrews, Presiding.

Present : David Crawford, Mark & Valerie Pamperin, Fred Edwards, Dennis Chapman, Rob & Mary Lefebvre, Rick Custer, Bill Requa, Tony & Lillian Pickens.

Our guest was Bob Evans, CEO of “Jeffrey Evans Transplant House”.

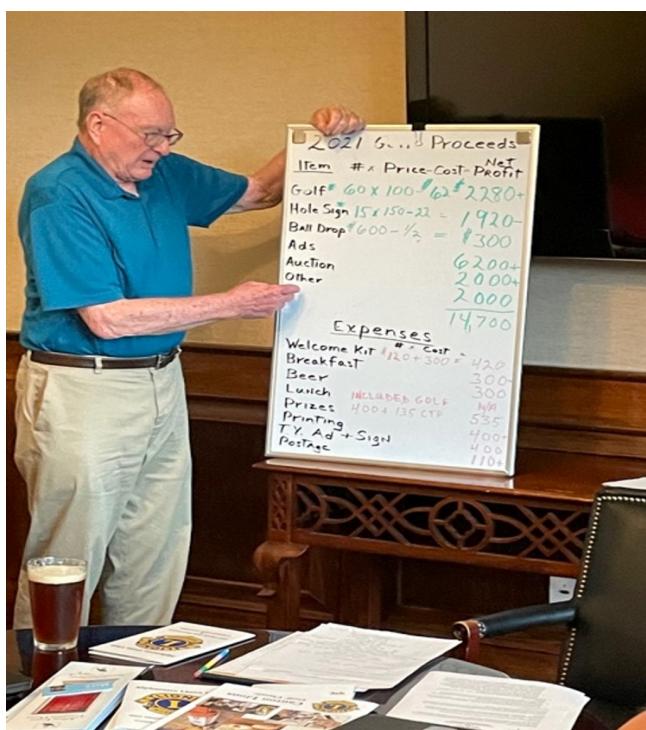
They provide housing for patients needing organ transplants and their families .

<https://jcevansfoundation.org/>

Bill Requa gave us a summary of expenses expected on our 2021 Lions Charity Golf Tournament. It will take place at Crooked Creek Golf Club Monday, September 27th.

Please help us get sponsors and players! **We'll need volunteers!**

More information to come.



**Thursday, June 24th**—Regular meeting. Amy Andrews, Presiding.  
Installation of 2021-2022 Slate of Officers by DG Pamela Williams.  
Please take a moment to congratulate them and wish them the best of luck!  
A token of appreciation was given to the members that served this past year.

Dennis Chapman was given the Melvin Jones Fellow Award. This award represents a Lions dedication to humanitarian service to the highest degree. He has recruited 13 members to join our club , he has done an excellent job throughout the year supporting all the events we've had and has done an amazing job working with NAMI (North American Membership Initiative). He was also named Alpharetta Lions Club 2020-2021 Lion of Year! He's very humbled and gratified by these awards.  
Good job Dennis, thank you for all you do!

Bill Requa and Ben Easterling gave us an update about our 2021 Charity Golf Tournament to be held Monday, September 27th at Crooked Creek Golf Club.



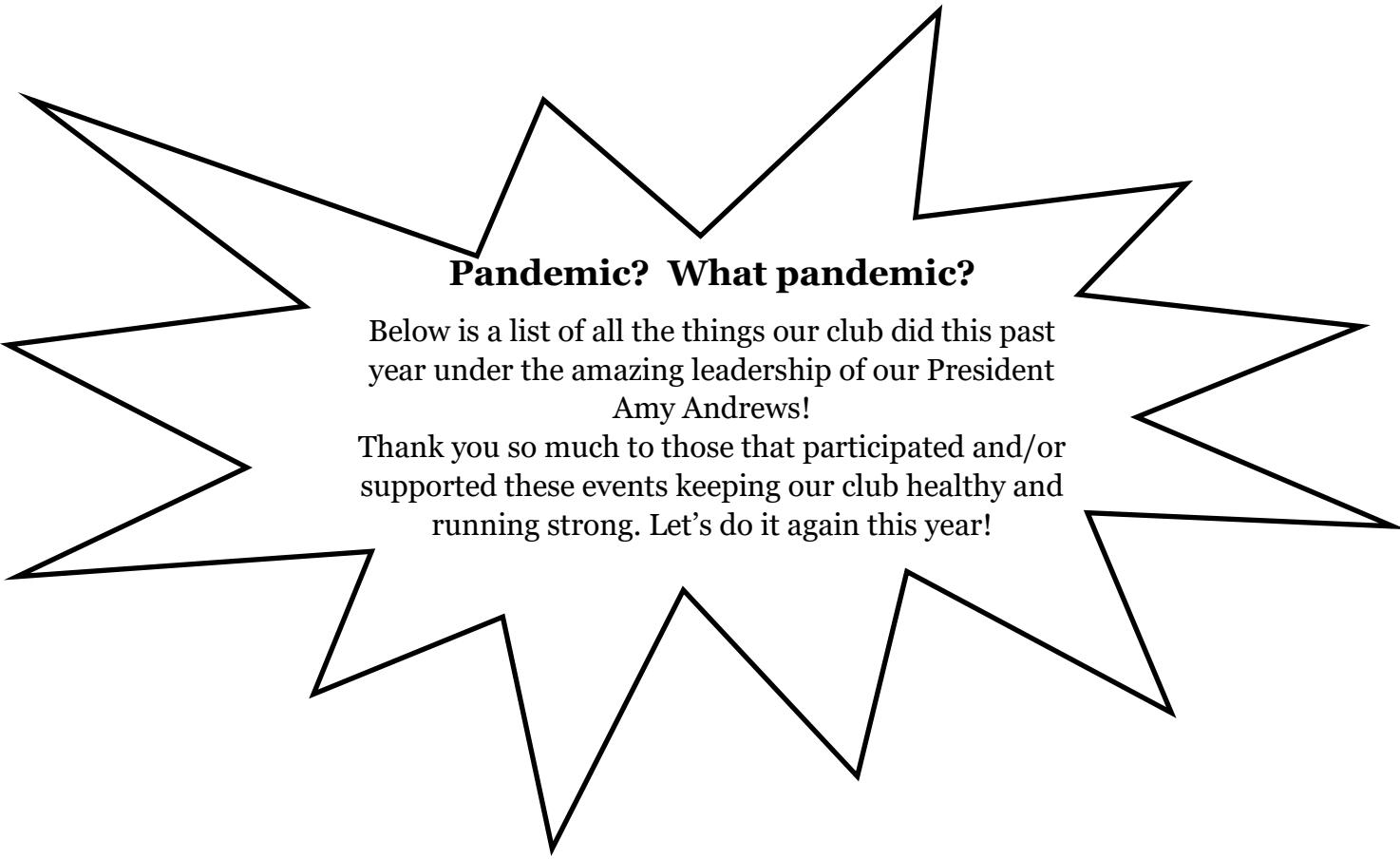




Meet Hannah Pinnock, student from Centennial High School.  
She gave Amy two boxes of glasses she collected in May.

Thank you Hannah!!





## **Pandemic? What pandemic?**

Below is a list of all the things our club did this past year under the amazing leadership of our President Amy Andrews!

Thank you so much to those that participated and/or supported these events keeping our club healthy and running strong. Let's do it again this year!

## **2020-2021 Year in Review**

When we started this lions' year it was an uncertain time. Businesses were closed. Restaurants were closed. Mask were required to go places. The world was scared. We could have buried our heads in the sand, but we did not. We adapted and therefore were able to persevere as a club during COVID.

- \* We bought a trailer to haul all our brooms and other Lions supplies.
- \* Broom Sales – just over \$1200 this year
- \* We sold bird houses raising \$277.
- \* Donations were made to Learning Ally, Leader Dog, Southeastern Guide Dogs, GA Lions Camp, Ga Lions Lighthouse, LCIF
- \* We smoked salmon, ribs and turkey breast in July, November, December, and April. We raised around \$3500.00.
- \* Some of our members participated in handing out food boxes from the Farmers to Families Food Box program. We never got any boxes for our community, but we helped other lions clubs hand out food.

- \* We were able to have our Annual Shrimp boil at Will's Park.
- \* We had our first ever Peace Poster entry that won our districts competition and came in 3<sup>rd</sup> in the state.
- \* We took lunch and dessert to the new Milton Fire station #44.
- \* We hosted an in-person District Meeting at Union Hill Park. Socks, underwear and t-shirts were collected and donated to United Military Care.
- \* Our club hosted a golf outing instead of our golf tournament.
- \* Road clean-up was performed twice. October and April
- \* Casa Nuova hosted two Lions days. Total raised was \$2300. \$500 was donated to each Warrior Freedom Service Dogs and United Military Care. \$1300 was donated to the Drake House that help battered women and children.
- \* We worked a holiday market for two weekends in December as well as the weekend of December 18, 19, 20 at Northpoint Mall.
- \* We collected \$255 from our members to donate to Wreaths Across America. We had a few members participate.
- \* We had our First Responders Awards at the City Council Meeting.
- \* We have a working website with an option for online payments.
- \* We have continued to collect eyeglasses. Fred has counted about 40% collected (1992 lens, 803 cases, 2566 glasses, 4 hearing aids, 29 batteries, and 6 phones) and pay for eye exams and glasses.
- \* Our own Dennis Chapman was elected at 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG for next year and Garner Andrews was elected at Vice Chair of the GA Lions Lighthouse Board.
- \* We've had some amazing speakers. Adam Keith, Warrior Freedom Dogs, Garner Andrews from Ga Lions Lighthouse, Alpharetta Mayor, Jim Gilvin, Mike Sena, Steve Beecham, Harold Earls, retired US Army Ranger and Captain of the Guard.
- \* Lillian Pickens received a Presidential Award given by DG Tom Jackson for her communication for the district. Garner, David and Dennis received Presidential Leadership Award for their work with NAMI.
- \* Amy Andrews received the Erwin-Crumbley Award for her work within the district as well as the state – this award is the highest award one can receive from the Lions of Georgia.



## **Calling all members!! We need everyone's help!! Mark your calendars!!**

Our Alpharetta Lions Club Charity Golf Tournament will take place on Monday, September 27th at Crooked Creek Gold Club. Proceeds from this tournament will be shared between the Georgia Lion Lighthouse Foundation and the Jeffrey Evans Transplant House. They provide living accommodations near Emory Hospital for patients, with their parent, spouse or caregiver who are waiting for major transplant surgery. [www.jcevansfoundation.org](http://www.jcevansfoundation.org)

Rain date, Monday, October 4th. **\$100.00 per person.**

We need golfers and sponsors!! Ads will run \$400.00 for full page, \$250.00 for half page, \$150.00 for 1/4 of a page. They'll be black and white. We'll have hole sponsors for \$ \$150.00, we need donors of auction items (\$100.00 value or more) And last but not least we need donors of cash, tournament prizes, services, etc. Everyone will get a special notice of appreciation in the local newspaper.

We'll appreciate your participation, either helping the day of the Tournament, selling ads or playing golf. An official email with more information will be sent out soon. For more information or questions, please contact:

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
AND MANY  
BLESSINGS TO ALL OF  
YOU BORN IN THE  
MONTH  
OF JULY

