### The year in review

Blue Ridge Lions Club 2022-2023

Lion Trent Barbare, president

#### We Serve

Lions Clubs International Motto

Flu Shots offered in partnership with Ingles



## Hats, coats, and gloves collected For Lexington Latino Branch Club

Past District Governor Im Barbare encloued Lexington Latino Branchand helps distribute Pet Smart Donations. RUSSIA

Thank you so much for The cards + gift cards. We appreciate all the love + prayers! We miss so much but we rejoice She is in heaven w Jesus he **Supporting families** dealing with childhood cancer



## Lion Susan Randall delivers one of our three Thanksgiving Meal boxes to Blue Ridge Middle School.





Community member Lana explains how Blue Ridge Lions Club and Lions Vision Services helped her keep her vision.





Supporting our very own Kimber McClimon as she headed into the classroom Blue Ridge Lions Club screened 772 people last year and referred 59 for further examination.

Thank you to Lions Clara LeBlanc, Jud Blackwell, Sheila Blackwell, Megan Johnsen, Keith Johnsen, Jim Barbare, Hope Barbare, Becky Bagwell, Paula Crane, and Charlotte McClimon for help in vision screening this past year.





Our club packed bags for the district convention. Thanks also to Greer CPW and Jerry Hatley for Leader dog items.

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# Lions Hope and Clara check out one of the trees we planted at Skyland.

# We support our International Organization

Lions Jim, Hope and Brian, along with 30 other SC Lions traveled to Boston MA for the Lions Clubs International Convention. Following are pictures from that event including the parade highlighting all of the countries and districts present.













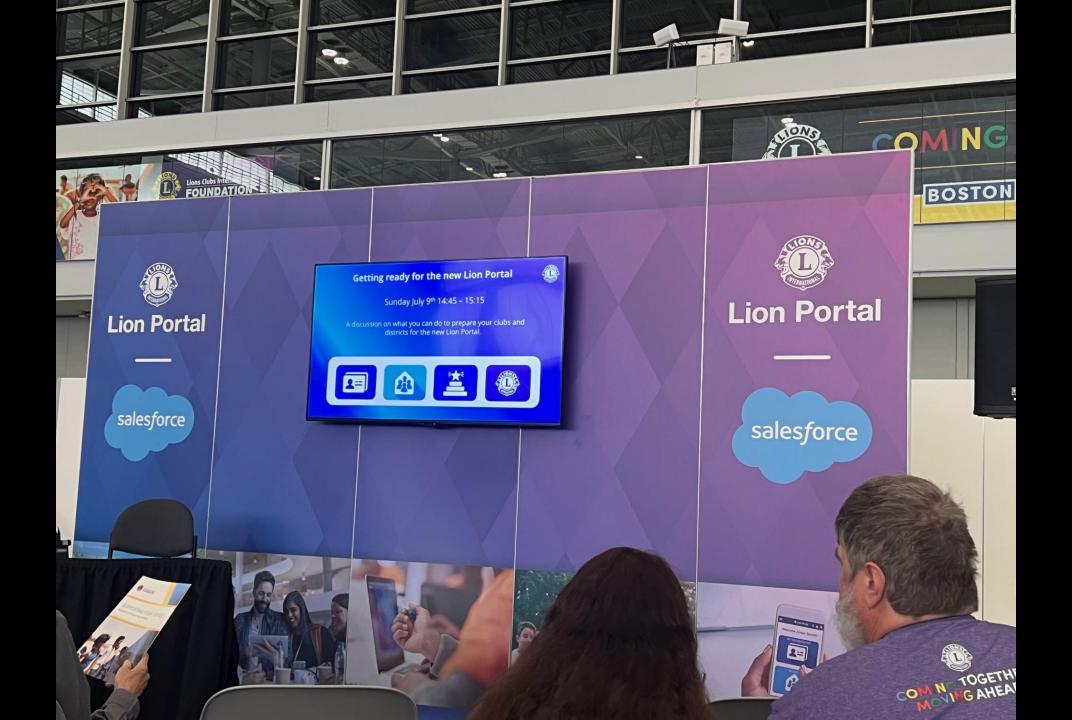




### Our SC International-Director Dr Dianne Pitts and husband Dr Joe Pitts join us on our final leg of the Parade.

















## calgary USA Canada Leadership Forum Calgary, Alberta September 2022

Welcome to Calgary!

We support our state Lions Districts S and C at cabinet meetings, club meetings, and District conventions









Italy







Sometimes our Lions travel to other places and connect to Lions around the world.





We celebrate happy events, mourn losses, and support those struggling with surgeries and diseases. We raise money to support our Charity Fund, James Blackwell Memorial Scholarship, LCIF, Leader Dog, and Lions Vision Services as well as pay for eye exams and glasses.













We Support Youth Peace Poster Contest James Blackwell Memorial Scholarship















## We celebrate, give to our community, and have fun.























## Gap Creek Singers Presents

"It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year"

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## Award winners

**Anderson Lions Club Belton Lions Club** Blue Ridge Lions Club Cherokee County United LC **Easley Lions Club Great Falls Lions Club Greater Irmo Lions Club Greer Lions Club** Joanna Lions Club **Laurens Lions Club McCormick Lions Club Pacolet Lions Club Piedmont Lions Club Salem Llons Club** Spartanburg Southside LC **Taylors Lions Club** The Mathews Lions Club **Union Llons Club** Winnsboro Lions Club











Thank you to officers : Trent Barbare, President Will Cothran, V-P Becky Bagwell, treasurer Angela Barnhardt, secretary Clara LeBlanc, Vision Care Coordinator Paula Crane, Membership Board Members: Ray LeBlanc and Peggy Johnson Scholarship committee: Phil Bowers, Jim Barbare, Hope Barbare, Blake McClimon Marketing: Timothy McClimon Service Chair and Facebook: Peggy Johnson Golf Sponsorship and Tournament :Trent Barbare, Phil Bowers, Jud Blackwell Jim Barbare

In addition,thanks also to all who served concessions, screened eyes, helped with fundraisers, brought food, sent cards, and on and on: Sheila Blackwell, Megan Johnsen, Keith Johnsen, Susan Randall, Kimber McClimon, Mandy Bunnell

We donated \$500 to Lions Vision Services, \$250 to LCIF, \$250 to Leader Dog, \$350 to Double Springs Youth for camp expenses for students, bought eye glasses and paid for eye exams, saved 250 pounds of plastic from landfills, achieved 501c3 status, achieved club excellence for 6<sup>th</sup> year in a row, began an annual charity golf tournament, contributed to families battling childhood cancer, collected food for food banks, conducted chili cookoff, sold Belk Charity Day tickets. Whew!! What a difference we've made in our community.

IF YOU WANT TO TOUCH THE PAST, TOUCH A ROCK. IF YOU WANT TO TOUCH THE PRESENT, TOUCH A FLOWER. IF YOU WANT TO TOUCH THE FUTURE, TOUCH A LIFE.

