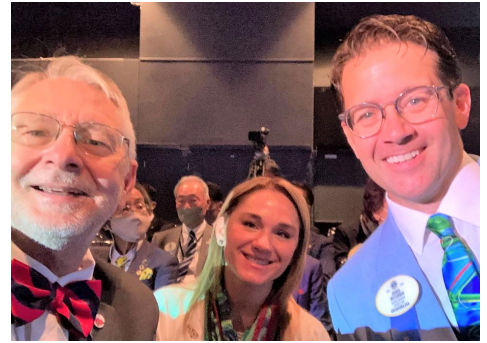


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and have left a Lion legacy; Always proud to hear from our state projects; I got to present a well-earned Chevron to Lion Camilla Riley and present our district Lion of the Year to Lion Shelia Stone.



**Past International Director Mike Banks, Kelly and DG Derek McCubbin**

**State of the District Governor** My first official District Governor Newsletter. So much has happened since late May. The weeks are flying by so fast I think that is what has generated all this heat. Or it could be all the energy we are building up to make our clubs excellent, our district better, our service projects broader and exciting, gain new members and re-energize our existing members. Together We Can! Join our Facebook group Oklahoma District 3NW Lions Clubs. And for crying out loud, get on MyLion. Secretaries, if you are not entering your clubs service activities, our district needs your information. If you need any help, please contact me. My zone chairs are going to track you down (they will likely just call or send an email).

**State Convention-** It was great meeting International Director Dr. Dianne Pitts from South Carolina; It was special to honor those Lions who passed this life

The Beach Party Theme Night, well, let's just say you should have been there. Something happened at the State Convention that left me fumbling for an answer. My wife and I were placed at a table up front with the ID Dr. Pitts. My wife and ID Pitts were speaking about the French Revolution (naturally I was focused on a big slice of cake wondering if anyone was going to bring me coffee or if I needed to go get it) Then ID Pitts asked my wife Kelly, "How long have you been a Lion?" We both looked at each other back and forth and then to her and told her she wasn't a Lion. "Why not? Derek, have you asked her to be a Lion?" At that point a giant "UH" was all that I could come up with. Kelly, excuse me, Lion Kelly is now looking forward to our local club's service projects, our District Convention in February, and our next State Convention in April. So just ask.

greet, tuxedos, District Governor jackets, pins from near and far, dancing penguins, t-shirt cannons, music, clapping, celebration, . . . . As you can read, the list goes on.

One of Stillwater Noon's charter members Lion Vic Van Hook told me when I first joined Lions "Go to at least one International Convention." I never thought too much about why he said that, but I know now. Boston 2023! The Lions of Oklahoma need to be in attendance. See you there.

**Meet your Zone Chairs:** Zone Chairs are important to our district. They make a District Governor's responsibilities possible. Each zone chair has a number of clubs in his or her area making it easier to travel to and get in touch with folks when a District Governor or Vice District Governors can't make it. We have 8 zones in our district.

Here are your current Zone chairs: **Adam Tucker**, Zone B Burlington, Cherokee, Helena, Jet, Nash and Wakita; **William Johnston**, Zone C Canton, Fairview, Seiling, and Woodward; **Katrina Sinor**, Zone F Medford, Newkirk, Ponca City Noon, and Ponca After Five; **Sharyl Pickens** Chandler, Cushing, Davenport, Perkins, Prague and Stroud. We still have **Zone A**, Balko, Goodwell, Guymon and Laverne; **Zone D**, Cashion, Crescent, Kingfisher, LoOmega, Okarche, Watonga, and Weatherford.



**PCC Neal Wood, Kelly and DG Derek McCubbin**

**International Lions Convention-** Montreal. Flight wasn't delayed nor bumped and our luggage made it too. My wife and I had an experience like no other. I had two days of District Governor training and then the official convention kicked off. I can't think of one gathering where so many countries with so many different beliefs, religions, politics, attitudes and oddities could come together in accordance to our motto We Serve. We were all Lions. It was awesome to meet so many people from all over the world and be energized with Lionism at the heart of it all. The International parade, seminars, Smokey Robinson, mixers, socials, meet and

**Zone E**, Covington, Garber, Hennessey, Kremlin, North Enid, and Ringwood; and **Zone G**, Guthrie, Morrison, Mulhall-Orlando, Perry and Stillwater Noon. If you are in those clubs and have served as club president you can be a Zone Chair. Help me please!

**State of the District Address:** We currently have 42 clubs, 1019 members. Vici, Langston City and Tonkawa have dropped. Tonkawa turned over its eyeglass collection box to Ponca After Five. I don't like seeing clubs drop or just stop paying. Please Clubs, if you need help, your district is here to assist you. We have lots of resources and want to implement the Global Membership Approach which has proven to work. Let's work together in assessing and re-energize our clubs. According to MyLion we only have 31% of clubs reporting service activities. I know there are more clubs out there serving. Let's get you the credit. Our district goals are to increase membership, donate to LCIF, train Presidents, Secretaries and Zone Chairs, create new clubs and my personal goal is for each club to work on the Club Excellence Award. Make me proud!

**Club Reports-** I need to apologize to any clubs that I have not mentioned in the past couple of months regarding service activities. I found the reporting feature on MyLion and will of course get them up to date in the future. So, some club reports will have some older mentions.

**Ponca City Noon-**Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the Lions of Ponca City Noon. Chartered June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1922 and their first club president was none other than E.W. Marland. We sang songs, cheered for another hundred years, ate delicious food, remembered and honored those who passed. I had the privilege to present our new International President Lion Brian Sheehan's banner, pin and a letter



to the club. I also was served a piece of cake with E.W. Marland's face on it. Held a Friendship Feast on July 19<sup>th</sup>. The club prepared and served food for the community. On May 21<sup>st</sup> the club raised \$341 to donate to OLSF and Meadows of Hope.

**North Enid-**Served meals for Memorial Day for the Wall of Honor to over 160 people who attended the ceremony. Lion Karl Youngers was presented the Louis Lackey Fellowship award on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Lion Judy Fields was presented the Hal Long Rookie of the Year award. Lion President Jeff Coleman received a special recognition award for serving as president for the OLSF Board. North Enid also received the Club Newsletter Award. If you want a great newsletter for your club. Contact North Enid. They are a great bunch.

**Balko-** April 27<sup>th</sup> raised \$4,000 to support local fire departments.

**Lomega-** Held a community Food Bank on April 6-29<sup>th</sup>. Food collection initiative that mobilizes the community to donate nutritious food for sorting, packing and delivery to local food organizations.

**Goodwell-** On April 20<sup>th</sup> the Goodwell club mowed the Goodwell Sports League Field.

**Stillwater Noon-** On June 30<sup>th</sup> I assisted Past District Governor Camila Riley with new club officer inductions and turned in my wife's Lions application. They had two four member teams compete in the Mead-

ows of Hope Golf Tournament and had 10 volunteers. Thank you to the 18 Lions. They even sponsored a Hole. They held a Vision Screening on July 11, 1:00-3:30pm at Our Daily Bread. Donated \$500 to the City of Stillwater Boomer Blast for the Fourth of July celebration.

**Prague-** July 7<sup>th</sup> I had the privilege to induct new officers. The Prague club meets at Ken's Pizza. I haven't been to Ken's pizza since I was eight years old. The folks there were welcoming. They even allowed me to speak! I spoke about the Global Membership Approach and LCIF. It was great to venture out down Highway 62. I discovered Prague has a Kolache Festival the first Saturday in May; and yes I will be there in 2023. I heard about their awesome Flag Fund Raising committee where they sell subscriptions to business, organizations and people. The Lions put up and take down the flags five different times a year. The town is Red, White and Blue those days.

**Stroud-** March 1, raised monies to support the Stroud Fire Department for the School of PUP Program. Then on March 22<sup>nd</sup> Raised \$200 for a donation to LCIF to support Refugees.

**Laverne-** Happy 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the Lions of Laverne. Held a pancake Breakfast which brought in \$1005 and held a Car Show that helped support their club's scholarships they give. Go Laverne. I'll see you this fall with Chevrons and a 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary patch. Together We Can & Together in Service,

*DG 3NW Derek McCubbin*

