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State of the Governor: I hope you enjoyed your Thanksgiving. We have plenty to be thankful for. I can't believe this year is almost over. As the next newsletter will come out January 2023, I must wish you a Merry Christmas too.

I have enjoyed visiting clubs in our district and I promise to visit all before June 30th 2023. I visited the Cashion, Davenport, Ponca City Noon, and Covington Lions clubs this



past month and it is awesome to see some of our small rural towns still serving. This has been some of my favorite privilege as District Governor. The drive out and back gives me time to think and process Lions, life and our love for service. Thank you clubs for treating me with meals and it is my honor to serve in this position. The district is here to support our clubs. Whether it is fellowship or funds please reach out.

State of the District: We have 1017 members and 42 clubs in district 3NW. Unfortunately, we are right back to our starting numbers on July 1st. Regardless, this is just more room for growth! Ask your friends, family and cohorts to help with your service projects. Get them

involved and inform them about the pride Lions have worldwide.

BELOW: GUY-MON NEW MEMBER – pictured left to right-PDG Charles Michael Jr, Charles Mi-



chael III and new member Lion Karin Godina.

February 18th District 3NW convention. Put it on your calendar. Stillwater Noon, Fairview, and the Fairview Chamber of Commerce have teamed up to make it happen. International Director Jay Moughon and his wife confirmed their visitation. My challenge: one Lion from our 42 clubs in the District to be present. Registration will go out in December by email. Please register promptly!

Lions of District 3NW: I need Lions who are deserving for district awards such as the PID R. Hal Long Rookie of the Year, Lion of the Year, Leo of the Year, and the Carobelle Carson Women in Lions Award. Our visiting International Director Lion Jay Moughon can present three International President's Certificates of Appreciation, which is the fourth highest award given, during our District Convention. We need your nominations. In addition to these district awards, our International President Lion Brain Sheehan has Presidential and International Leadership Awards with a deadline due to me December 31st 2022. Please contact me for further information and details.

This is a new little section I am adding. Zone Chair Robert Filtz suggested it; and pass this along to your club's tail twister. I will post my hidden word in this section and in future newsletters. Tail Twister's can fine club members for the month if they do not know the hidden word. Are you ready for it? **TEAM**

Club Reports- Thanks to the clubs posting service on MyLion and those sharing service projects, their guest speakers, and students they support on Facebook. However, it is important for LCI to know what your clubs are doing. Please contact me if you are having problems with service reporting.

Covington-Will be supplying 15 turkeys for their town's Christmas Parade on Dec 17th. Held their Chuck Wagon Feed at the Community Fair. They have been maintaining the gates for the football games. And I was told not to pass the Black Bear Creek. I learned about local rivalry that early morning.

<u>North Enid</u>- On October 28th cooked chili at the United Way Chili Cook



Off. On Nov. 15 collected food for the Salvation Army which served over 100 people. This Dec 13th the club will collect items in need for the YWCA Women's Crisis Center. The club was awarded Woodring Wall of Honor as the Volunteer of the Year during a Veterans Day Ceremony.



<u>Garber-</u>October 28th the good Garber Lions got to judge the pumpkins decorated by the school kids grade k-5. They gathered coats for some kids in need, thankfully right before the past cold spell.



Guymon- All Aboard! This is the Halloween Train. Choo Choo around



the lake, spooky trees and the tunnel of terror. Hope everyone kept their drawers on and had a successful fundraising event.

<u>Jet-</u> The Deer Hunt was Nov. 19th and Dec 3rd will be the pheasant hunt and after lunch the club is helping sponsor the Timberlake FFA trap shoot the same day. Santa Clause is coming to town. Jet will give away about \$5,000 worth of chocolate clusters and peanut brittle to everyone in town on Dec 17th.

Perkins-Will have a club meeting on Dec 5th. And I plan to be there. I hope to see some other Perkins Lions too. I want to give a Zone Chair Shoutout to Lion Sharyl Pickens. This gal spent 36 hours 40 feet in the air up while it was very cold on a billboard just south of Stillwater to raise awareness for the Saville Center in Stillwater. Although this wasn't a Lions' thing, only the brave at heart would do this for such a great cause. Yes Lion Sharyl it was nutty, you're awesome. District Governor material. Hint hint.

<u>Ponca City Noon</u>-On October 26th Lion Bill Thomason received his Life





Member. Prepared Cancer Carekits, screened 383 for the Tonkawa Mid & High Schools and another 12 at the Learning Tree. Held their monthly Friendship Feast doing their part to stomp out hunger. Their big fundraiser Auction Dinner was a success and had a good turnout.



Stillwater Noon-Will be bell ringing for the Salvation Army throughout the season. Held a Melvin Jones Fellowship dinner on Nov. 9th, performed vision screenings at OSU Childhood Development Center, Presbyterian Preschool, Pumpkin Patch, and St. Francis Xavier Day School. Combined screened 124. Their big



Pumpkin Patch fundraiser was a success and planning has already began for next year.

<u>Stroud</u>- Held the neighborhood flag project on Veterans' Day placing flags.

Together We Can And Together in Service, District Governor 3NW

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