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Hello MD 3NW Lions!

Well, the 3NW Midwinter Convention is now behind us and it was an enjoyable event. We had 40 folks there on Friday night at the museum, which was somewhat a surprise because we only had 26 registered for the event. Tom Nelson put on a demonstration of a wheel fitting on a wagon wheel and explained the complexity of how everything had to be just right if it was to fit. He later made small items in the blacksmith shop. While this was going on we divided into two groups and toured the museum facilities which include Rose Hill School, a 1900 era one room school.

On Saturday March 29th we met at the Christian church for the main event. There were around 60 people there to hear from our ID Marie Cunning from Arizona as she and PID Mike Banks talked about what was going on in Lions worldwide. After their presentation, we heard from Lion Vicky Golighty about how to approach a blind person. She also explained that just because a person is blind does not mean they can't contribute. Lion Vicky is currently the secretary of the Eye Bank board.

We then took a tour of the convention project which was "For the worth of a child", which is a program adopted by 4 ladies of the Methodist Church in Perry. They supply needed items to foster families in Noble, Payne, and Kay counties. We then went back to the Christian Church for lunch served by Reverend Dr. Joshua Bell followed by ID Maria's address and then the district awards were presented followed by a short cabinet meeting. We appreciate all that helped to make this midwinter conference a good time.

I would like to give a shout out to Mulhall-Orlando Lion John H. Pfeiffer Jr. who is Governor Stitts 2025 recipient of the Outstanding Achievement in Agriculture Award and is the 28th inductee into the Oklahoma Agriculture

Hall of Fame. He will be honored at the Ok Ag day at the state capital on April 22^{nd} .

REMINDER: Now is the time to report your officers for next year. Your District Governor will not be a mind-reader and will require small things such as the names of officers along with their contact information and a mailing address for at least one officer. The job is not finished until the paperwork is done!

On April 5th members of <u>Stillwater</u>

Noon, Ponca
Noon, and Mulhall-Orlando
distributed
cleanup supplies
to the folks that
lost their homes
around Stillwater. There were
14 families that
were served that
day.



On April 26th,

the Cushing Lions will sponsor a distribution for their neighbors around Yale that lost their homes. A big shout out to the Cushing club for taking this on. Lion Mary Kelly has arranged for us to be on the local radio station on April 23rd to talk about LCIF and how we can serve



our communities in time of need. As of April 18^{th,} we are still planning a distribution on May 10th for the folks that lost their homes east of

Guthrie. At this point it looks like that will take place at the Logan County Emergency Management headquarters.

Ponca After
5 Easter hot
dogs' sale
and fundraiser was
April 12th
with a

good turn-



out. All the Easter baskets were made by the members.

North Enid Lions had their annual pancake supper on April 12th. This is a major fundraiser for them. They recognized their student of the month as Trevor Haws, a Senior at Chisholm High School. Four North Enid Lions attended the 3NW convention in Perry with PDG Kim Coleman receiving the International President's Certificate of apprecia-

tion and PDG Karl Youngers receiving his 13th Lackey award. The club voted to approve purchase of 4 pairs of eyeglasses. PDG Joe Chandler visited the MOH to donate in honor of his late wife Marjorie.



The <u>Laverne club</u> continues to sponsor Bingo events for the town and these events help to pay for the scholarships that the club gives.

They are also working with the Har-

per County Health department regarding possible hearing screening opportunities in Buffalo but have not heard back.



A representative of the Hough Institute will be the speaker at the April 30th meeting.

Now is a good time to remind everyone that Lions of Oklahoma also recycle hearing aids. Their next Bingo night is 4-19-25.

The Perry Lions had an Easter Egg Hunt for the little ones. Took 2 hours to hide and 48 seconds to clear them out!

Please remember to get your officer information listed with LCI by May 15th. Until next time, WE SERVE!

Convention Pictures (more on page 8)

