



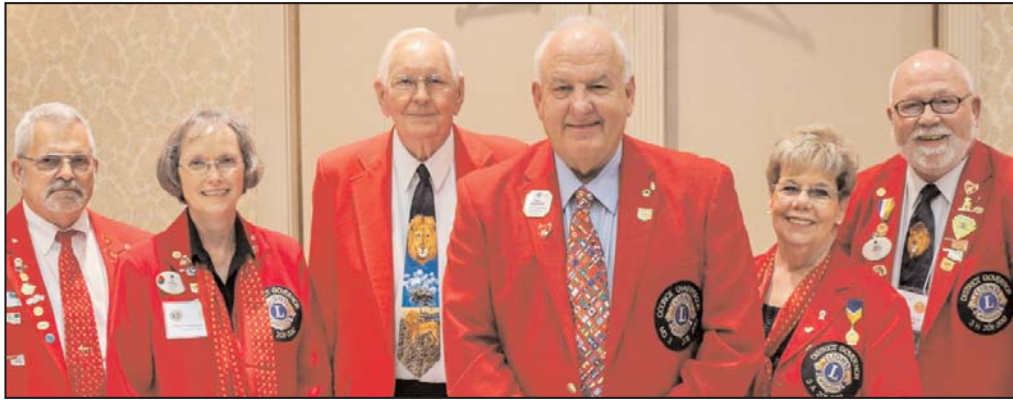
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**Thank you, 2011-2012  
OK District Governors  
and  
Council Officers!**

**Lions Year 2011-2012 Is  
Winding**

**Down ↓**

**Chickasha  
Lions Club**

**95th**

**Anniversary  
Celebration**

**Sat., July 28**

**Southern Oaks Church of  
Christ Activity Center  
3320 S. 16th St.,  
Chickasha 73018**

**Keynote Speaker  
Past Lions Clubs  
International President  
Jim Ross**

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## State Convention Report Issue

Combined July-August 2012 Issue will be published in August.

OK Lions State Office

### **New Front Plaza Dedication**

Friday, April 27, 2012

The Lions of Oklahoma dedicated the new front plaza for the state office at 4123 NW 10th St, Oklahoma City, with Lion and community dignitaries.

The extreme makeover was initiated by key Past District Governors (Boneyard) Lions such as Doug Garren and Yolanda Middleton, encouraged and supervised by State Secretary Virginia Rodriguez and PDG Franny Rodriguez, and incorporating a Boy Scouts of America Eagle Scout Project through Lion Richard Schiver's troop in Yukon.

Paving bricks were sold, engraved with Lion leaders' names, OK Lions Clubs names, and Friends of NW 10th Street Association's names and businesses.

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## **North Enid Lions Club Golden Anniversary**

Saturday, August 25, 2012 - 6:00pm

Circle of Life Event Center  
3022 N. Van Buren, Enid

Guest Speaker: *Virginia Peters, Ph.D.*

Lion: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ Lion? \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ St: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration (incl. anniv. pin) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ 3= \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib Dinner (Raymie's) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$22=\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NO MEALS GUARANTEED AFTER AUG. 15

Mail by Aug. 15 to:

PDG Darlene Schulz  
326 Asbury Cir.  
Enid OK 73703-4919

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# Rental versus Ownership: *Are You an "Owner" Lion?*

by Lion Troy Jenkins, Executive Director, Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation

*I have been impressed with the urgency of doing. Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Being willing is not enough; we must do.*  
Leonardo da Vinci

Let me start by saying that my first three-and-a-half months have been a whirlwind. I visited with clubs all over the state, attended conventions, sat in trainings, and accumulated a lot of windshield time. Through it all, my biggest pleasure has been the sense of pride that Lions have in their club, in their community, and most importantly, in their service.

3-H District Governor Lion Marvin Ainsworth has told the story of "renting" his Lions pin for a number of years before he finally got it and felt connected to Lionism and all of the good we do. I believe this is probably true for a lot of Lions; they join the club, but unless they have a strong sense of what it means to be a Lion, and what it means to have a servant's heart, they linger in that "rental" stage. So the question is, are you still renting, or have you bought in?

A while back, while visiting the Talihina club, Lion Jerry Pearce and his wife Jan went out of their way to take me on a tour of the town and the Talimena Scenic Byway before I headed back to the city. The views were astonishing, but the hospitality and the pride displayed by the local Lions was what really stuck with me. Having said that, as fantastic as the tour was, the most touching moment came the night before as I presented a Louis Lackey fellowship to Lions Don and Brenda Adams, who are so passionate about their service to Lions in any capacity possible. Lion Don told me repeatedly how much their annual fishing derby meant to the kids in the community; it was obvious it meant a lot to him as well!

Last week, I made my first trip to the panhandle, visiting the Hooker Lions and both Guymon clubs. After my final meeting with the Guymon Panhandle club, Lion Charles Michaels, Jr. took time out of his day to give me a tour of the Lions Park. Again, his hospitality and generosity were fantastic, but what really touched me was the passion he displayed for this project. He shared

with me the history of the park and all of the work that Lions in Guymon had done over the years to make the park a great attraction for visitors and locals alike. I had the opportunity to see the train that they operate, and watch them load one group of kids after another into paddleboats so they could enjoy a beautiful afternoon while paddling aimlessly around the lake. Again, the sense of pride in the community and the service was definitely on display!

These are just two examples of what I have seen in club after club. When given the opportunity to talk about what they do in the community, most Lions get a twinkle in their eye as they share their stories. It has been a great reminder of why I joined Lions. I feel very fortunate in that I felt the connection very early. As a member of the Stillwater Noon Lions who lived in Perkins, I had the opportunity to participate in a number of work-days at the Boys Ranch. I took that a step further and did a bit of tutoring at the ranch as well. I am very proud of all of the service our club offers to the community, but working with the boys at the Ranch was the activity that truly cemented my belief in our organization and the good that we do.

The moment that we convert from "renting" is different for everybody. A number of Lions had that moment while working with the Eye Bank, or witnessing the miracle of having a loved one, friend, or neighbor have their eyesight restored due to the tireless efforts of the Eye Bank in the arena of corneal transplants and processing. For others, it was a project at the local level that means a lot to the community. It does not matter how you got hooked; it just matters that you are!

At a Club Excellence training on Saturday a few items that were mentioned really jumped out. One of these was the importance of communication. The need to get the story of Lionism out in your community has been discussed many times. The need to get it to your membership is often overlooked. In the materials for the Extension Workshop, LCI states that "TODAY'S VOLUNTEER is focused on the service that they provide and are less concerned with

administrative duties, titles, and history." Is your club sharing your story of service to new members and potential recruits? Or is your club relying on the past without looking to the future?

The bottom line (and one that you see frequently in this column) is that as Oklahoma Lions, we have a lot to be proud of in our service, not only in our individual communities, but especially at the state level. Both the Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank and the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch should be a source of pride to all of us. In turn, our support of these projects is incredibly important, and should be a source of pride as well. Do you feel connected? If not, have you considered making a trip to visit the Eye Bank or the Boys Ranch and see for

yourself the service that is provided because of the support of the Oklahoma Lions?

Whether it is one of our state projects or a local service project, let's make sure we are sharing our story both inside the club and out. Let's make sure we get our new members and potential recruits engaged immediately, and keep our tenured members excited about the great work that we do. Let's make sure that if any one of us is asked to share the story of our service as Lions, we get that same twinkle in our eyes. Let's make sure that we have all bought in to what it means to be a Lion, rather than just "renting" our pin. Let's make sure we understand what it means when we say "We Serve!"

## BUILDING THE FOUNDATION

All Oklahoma Lions serve the Lions Boys Ranch and Lions Eye Bank when you pledge through the Building the Foundation Bank Draft Program. Your pledge provides the Lions Foundation a way to meet the needs of our Lions State Projects. Say YES to supporting our Projects with a

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I hereby authorize the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation, hereinafter called the FOUNDATION, to initiate debit entries to my checking account indicated below at the depository named below, hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, to debit the same to such account.

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This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until the FOUNDATION has received written notification from me of its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford the FOUNDATION and DEPOSITORY reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

OLSF Annual Meeting April 28, 2012





# TAKE A BOW

by PDG Larry Bailey  
2011-2012 State Convention Planning Committee Chairperson

**The 2012 OK Lions State Convention is now a part of history.** Numbers are being tallied to see how we fared financially. For the most part, I think it was a good convention. There were some minor issues, as there always are. The **Marriott** staff was one of the most professional, courteous, and helpful staffs I have ever been around. Evaluations of the convention will be tallied, discussed, and changes made where needed and possible.

I would like to recognize several that helped in the planning and carrying out of the convention. **State Convention Planning Committee:** 3-O-Gene Redford, Bill Gardner; 3-K-Larry Bailey, Billy Thompson; 3-L-Travis Cummins, Doug Garren; 3-A-Deanna Carson, Carobelle Carson; 3-H-Linda Webb, Bob Austin; also State Secretary Virginia Rodriguez, State Treasurer Mike Banks, Past International Director George Hazelbaker, and Council Chairperson Paul Anderson.

**Financial Contributors** (\$625 total): Wewoka Lions Club, Gerald Hill Insurance Agency (Wewoka), First National Bank (Wewoka), Security State Bank (Wewoka), Billy and Cloye Thompson (Ardmore).

**Silent Auction Contributors** (\$2,354.50 raised): Doug Garren (coordinator) (Weatherford Noon), Kent Clovis (Stroud), Weatherford Lions Clubs, Nancy Cook-Senn (Shawnee), Billy (co-coordinator) and Cloye Thompson (Ardmore), Chris Douthat (Tulsa Metro-McCullough), Harry Hicks, Jim and Sherry Keisman (Pocola), Gary Wilburn (Seminole), Pat Shurley (Edmond), Larry and Denise Bailey (Wewoka), Guymon Lions Club, Sheila Bell (Ardmore), Lesilie Walker (Ardmore), First National Bank (Ardmore), Bob and Marion Hatter (Konawa).

**Decorations:** Deanna Carson, Carobelle Carson, Arlene Shore and Jean Long-all from Garber; Sherrell Taylor (Sapulpa).

**Hospitality Room** by 3-H Zone D Frank Gomes Chairperson and Barbara Schiver (coordinator) both from OKC West Side; OKC Capitol Hill-Al Lindley; OKC Downtown-Joe VanLandingham, Scott Coppenbarger, Bob Lee, Lee Holland, Tom Springer, Russal Brawley, Bill Burkett; OKC Metro-Sandy Cox, Claire Twitchell;

OKC Northwest-Hank Sookne, Keith Scheidler, Tom Mulligan, Jack Andrews, Anna Faye Rose, Eileen Tucker; OKC Westside-Pat Davison, Phil Hendrick, Dawn Miller, Richard Schiver; The Village-Tina Laxton; Ardmore-Mike Graham.

**Registration:** Wewoka-Ferril and Phyllis Williamson, Larry and Denise Bailey; OKC Downtown-Jeanette King; The Village-Tina Laxton; Ardmore-Mike Graham

**Speaker:** Lora Blanton (Elk City); **Entertainment:** Travis Cummins (Chickasha); **International Guests:** George and Ann Hazelbaker (Duncan Evening), Pat Shurley (Edmond)

**State Office Dedication:** Virginia and Franny Rodriguez (Pioneer-Pleasant Vale), Yolanda Middleton (North Enid), Carobelle Carson (Garber), Richard Schiver (OKC Westside), Doug Garren (Weatherford Noon), Mike Webb (OKC Westside)

A number of Lions were involved in hauling items to and from convention as well as helping with cleanup Saturday night. I don't know all the names, but I know Troy Jenkins, Virginia and Franny Rodriguez, Eldon Hugaboom and Wayne Middleton were involved. I know I have probably missed someone. If I did, I apologize, and let me know and I will include you in the next newspaper. To all, thank you for a job well done.



**MD-3 Lions of Oklahoma Dr. Robert "Bob" McCullough Meritorius Service Award:**

Past Council Chairperson Yolanda Martin Middleton (North Enid LC of 3-A)

# Awards and Honors Presented at the OK Lions 2012 State Convention

by PCC Virginia Rodriguez, MD-3 State Secretary

One of the most exciting happenings at a Lions state convention is the presentation of awards and honors that are earned and given. The following is a listing of those presentations made at the April 27-28 OK Lions State Convention. Congratulations to all of these hard-working Lions in Oklahoma!

## **Lions of the Year:**

**District 3-O** - First Vice District Governor Elect Elmer Enyart, Wyandotte Lions Club

**District 3-K** - PDG Gary Wilburn, Seminole Lions Club

**District 3-L** - Lion John P. Williams, President of the Lawton Patriots Lions Club

**District 3-A** - Second Vice District Governor Elect Deanna Carson, Garber Lions Club

**District 3-H** - PDG Mike Banks, Stillwater Noon Lions Club

## **Lions Clubs International Presidential Awards:**

**Leadership** medals were presented to 3-O First Vice District Governor Elect Elmer Enyart (Wyandotte LC), 3-K PDG Larry Bailey (Wewoka LC), 3-L PDG Mark Gibson (Chickasha LC), 3-A District Governor Elect Terry Woodruff (Ponca City Noon LC), and 3-H Lion Phil Hendrick (OKC West Side LC).

**International Presidential** medals were presented to 3-O PDG Gene Redford (Tulsa Metro-McCullough LC), 3-K District Governor Elect Billy Thompson (Ardmore LC), 3-L PDG Travis Cummings (Chickasha LC), 3-A Second Vice District Governor Elect Deanna Carson (Garber LC), and 3-H Lion Troy Jenkins (Stillwater Noon LC).

## **MD-3 Oklahoma Lions Humanitarian Award:**

This year the Humanitarian Award was presented to Wiggins Auction who donated their time for several years in doing auctions for the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch Christmas Party.



## **LCIF Melvin Jones Fellowship Presentation:**

PDG Larry Bailey (Wewoka LC of 3-K)

## **MD-3 OK Lions Club News Bulletin Contest:**

First Place - North Enid Lions Link, Editor PCC Ron Schulz

Runner-up - Stillwater Noon Lions SNL Pride, Editor Lion Troy Jenkins

**MD-3 Lions of Oklahoma Speech Contest** - see page 12





# A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words

by Governor Cloye Thompson

Rather than closing my year with a thousand words I prefer instead to share your **Lions Family Photos**. I cannot close, however, without saying thank you for welcoming Billy and I into your **Club Families**. We will forever cherish the friendships we made this year and express our sincere thanks. But, also remember, you are not yet rid of us - **WE'LL BE BACK FOR ANOTHER YEAR!**

## Welcome New Members!

**Joshua Lemmond** (Atoka) Sponsor Stephanie Pettett; **Lucky McCrary** (Gore-Webbers Falls) Sponsor Terry Ann Sloan; **Melissa Barnes** (Heraldton) Sponsor Wilber Hammack; **Donald Ford** (Holdenville) Sponsor Steve Enos; **Jerrie Lindsey** (Holdenville) Sponsor Ernie Arocha; **Ashley Faulkner** (McAlester) Sponsor David Lerblance; **Lance Lewis** (Pauls Valley) Sponsor Jeff Paine; **Amanda Trudeau** (Sallisaw) Sponsor Tom Mitchell; **Rachel Creach** (Shawnee); **Kay Gregg** (Talihina);

Anniversary Celebration: 3-K Lions were honored during cabinet meeting in Atoka. (L to R) PDG Jim Keisman 50 years, Lion Don Shaw 30 years, Lion Phyllis Williamson 10 years, Lion Linda Potts 15 years, Lion Judy Elliott 15 years.



**Ardmore** Celebrated 95th Anniversary! Sponsored hole at OLBR Golf Tournament, donation to OLEB Building Fund, White Cane, LCIF, and Child Abuse Prevention "Kids Day in the Park".



### District 3-K

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**Roderick McCullough** (Talihina) Sally Ventris



## In Loving Memory

Gary L. Norton, Purcell

## Happy Anniversary

**Hugo** 6/01/1919 - 93 years  
**McAlester** 6/13/1918 - 94 years  
**Pauls Valley** 6/25/2010 - 2 years  
**Talihina** 6/08/1929 - 83 years  
**Wewoka** 6/24/1926 - 86 years

## 3-K Club Updates

**Ada** air show was May 19; Club provided 3 scholarships to East Central University students and collected 240 pairs of used eyeglasses.

**Atoka** sponsored 2 holes at OK Lions Boys Ranch Golf Tournament. Club raised \$1,417 from spaghetti dinner for White Cane; collected and delivered 150 used printer cartridges to OLSF. Sponsored Student of the Month; 2 Lions attended OK Lions State Convention; had program on cleanup and restoration services available for business and residential properties following disaster.

**Broken Bow**, in conjunction with the

Haworth Lions High School Golf Club held a Memorial Golf Tournament for longtime dedicated Lion and avid golfer Vic Pedrola. Despite a rain delay 12 teams participated. It was a success and a wonderful tribute to Lion Vic.

**Hugo** provided scholarships to seniors; donated to OK Lions Boys Ranch.

**Marietta** again organizing a successful baseball program with 300 children registered; awarded scholarships to Thackerville and Marietta seniors.

**McAlester** held 94th Anniversary Celebration Banquet June 14 at the McAlester Country Club; donated \$500 to OK Lions Eye Bank, \$1500 to White Cane, \$100 to OLBR Golf Tournament; assisted 26 individuals with eyeglasses.

**Seminole** sponsored a hole at OLBR Golf Tournament; collected \$1,500 for White Cane.

**Talihina** Lions held their 27th annual Free Kids Fishing Derby, co-hosted by the U.S. Forestry Dept., OK Wildlife Dept. and Oklahoma Veterans Center.

**Wanette** purchased eye exam and eyeglasses; picked up trash along State Hwy. 102; sponsored annual Wanette Flag Day event on Sat., June 2.

**Wewoka** participating in the baseball program; helping host the 2012-2013 District 3-K Convention.

**Wilburton** purchased 2 pairs of eyeglasses; guest speaker Cliff Downing informed the Club of new developments in the Main Street Program; recently entertained by members of the Eastern Theater group; gave \$250 to Latimer Co. OSU Extension Service.

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**Poteau Evening** participated in annual clean up Poteau day: 4 times/yr. Lions walk the mile and pick up trash. (L to R) first row is guest Grant Garland, Past Pres. Stan Garland, Debbie Decker, and Sec. Marshall Brence, (back row) Pres. Nina Bowen, Mike St. John, Rusty Miller, and Past Pres. Rick Couri.



Madill Club President Scott Uhlenhake presents a letter of appreciation from IP Tam and 25-year chevron to Lion Rick Lane. Club just completed annual golf tournament; preparations underway for Madill Round-Up Club rodeo Jul. 19-21. Presented 4-\$750 scholarships.



Pocola Lion Sherry shown presenting Community Service Awards to Pocola Middle School students. Club awarded scholarships to local seniors.



Durant long time Lions (L to R) Farrell Hatch, Joe Taylor, Ed Boynton and Bob Story were guest speakers and took us on a fun filled trip down memory of Durant Lions Club; donated 625 hours serving "Meals on Wheels." Held annual Spaghetti dinner fundraiser.





# Multiple District 3 of Lions Clubs International Lions of Oklahoma 2011-2012 State Convention



**OPENING** with U.S. flag ceremony by Girl Scouts and small Lions Club parade of banners



**SILENT AUCTION** by PDG Doug Garren, Lion Colleen Michael and DG Cloye Thompson



### LIONS OF THE YEAR

Each District honors a Lion of the Year for 2011-2012: 3-O VDG Elmer Enyart (Wyandotte), 3-K PDG Gary Wilburn (Seminole), 3-L Lion John Williams (Lawton Patriots), 3-A VDG Terry Woodruff (Ponca City Noon), and 3-H PDG Mike Banks (Stillwater Noon). Lion Elmer is pictured with spouse Lion Trudy at the Sat. eve. banquet. Lion Terry is shown receiving his LCI Presidential Leadership medal. Lion Mike is serving his third year as OK Lions State Treasurer.



**First Timers** receive special attention from 3-A DG Arlene Shore and other key Lions.



2011-2012 MD-3 Lions of Oklahoma Council Chairperson Paul Anderson (left) passes the gavel to 2012-2013 OK Lions Council Chairperson Marvin Ainsworth at the close of the state convention.



# Traditions - Business - Fun



The *Serious*  
and  
The *Fun*



Lions Clubs  
International  
Recipients of  
Presidential Medal and  
Leadership Medal

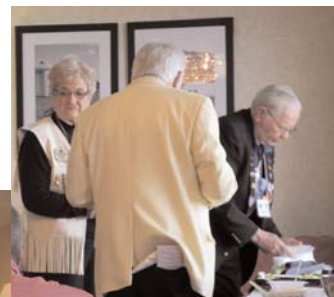
Chickasha Lions provide the music!



## HOSPITALITY

### Always a part of Lionism!

Hospitality Room hosted by Zone D of District 3-H, Zone Chair Frank Gomes: OKC Northwest, OKC Metro, OKC West Side, The Village and other Lions contributed and worked.





# Busy Times

by Governor Ealmer Klippel

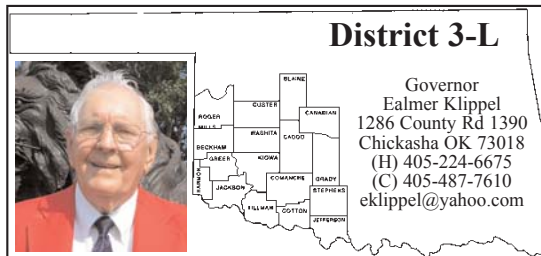
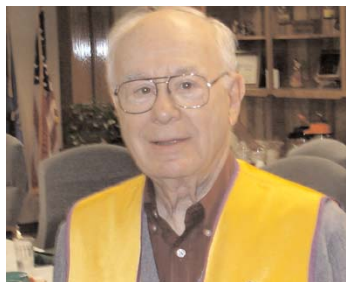
This is that time of the year when you don't have enough time to get everything done. The yard needs mowing, the garden needs weeding, trees need spraying and paper work must be done or nothing goes right. Graduation is something you cannot miss or you are in trouble with the family. To me you just cannot plan enough ahead to make everything come out the way it should. So the pressure begins to rise on what must I do and what can I let slide a while. I have a very difficult time in determining what can slide. Maybe, in 78 years, I have not learned to do a good job of managing my life. I always felt that the way becomes clear if you give it enough time.

I have difficulty with the the articles for this newspaper because I feel some of our Clubs just want to be left alone. Others want you to know what they are doing. I feel the more we communicate with one another the better Lions we become. I am asked from time to time what the Clubs are doing to raise money. We can read this newspaper and find all kinds of things other Clubs are doing to raise money. Every area is different. Rural areas will not turn out for some of the events that the city folk find interesting. So go through your area and ask questions. Some folks like pancakes, some beans, some biscuits and gravy. There may be other ideas that your community's residents will tell you about. One thing is for sure: you can't predict the weather or another person's taste. So good luck on your decision. LCI offers a book on different fundraisers. Not sure how you get it but the store can probably help you out on acquiring one.

I can tell you one thing. Life is short and there are no retakes, so have fun and enjoy being a Lion.

Included here are pictures of some

**El Reno Noon:** Congratulations on 64 years of service to Lions **Don Arnold** and **Stanley Younghion**, both of whom joined 1/1/1948.



of District 3-L *Old Timers*.

## Club Reports

**Altus:** Bought eye glasses for the needy. Collected used cell phones, ink cartridges and eyeglasses. Hosted 6 cub students for lunch. Helped with the Southwest OK Blood Mobile. Inducted new Lion **Betty J. Price**. Congratulations, Lion Betty! Congratulations also to **Lion William Appleby** for 58 years of service to your Lions Club (joined 7/1/1953).

**Anadarko Indian City:** Made a block for the OK Lions Boys Ranch quilt that will be auctioned at the Dec. Christmas Party in Perkins.

**Binger:** Gave scholarships to high school students.

**Cache:** Bought eyeglasses for middle school students and ad in soccer program. Donated to Food Bank and to Special Olympics.

**Canton:** Gave Scholarships to High School students; planting trees; held banquet/installation of new officers; closed for the summer.

**Canute:** Collected used eyeglasses. Cleaned cemetery. Put out flags for holiday.

**Chickasha:** Gave scholarships to high school students. Gave eyeglasses to needy and to Food for Kids program. Planning golf tournament and 95th anniversary of the Club. Congratulations to new Lion **Art Kell**, Sheriff. Congratulations also to Lion **James Elston** on 46 years of service (joined 3/1/1966).

**Cordell:** Working on and upgrading community park.



Canute's 50-year Charter Members

**Duncan Evening:** Purchased eyeglasses and collected used eyeglasses.

**El Reno Canadian Valley:** Finalizing officer elections and student scholarship program.

**Elk City:** Gave 5 scholarships to high school students, bought 12 pairs of new eyeglasses for the needy, put out flags for holiday, and have 4 new members.

**Frederick:** Congratulations to Lion **Ralph Heap** for 56 years of service (joined 7/1/1955).

Granite: Helped fund special community projects.

**Hinton:** Held election for 2012-2013 officers. Had program about electrical supply future. Supported Hinton school program, and planning golf tournament.

**Hobart:** Prepared for and held annual Hobart Fly Inn and Celebration on May 26. Congratulations to Lion **Harold Raskins** for 56 years of service (joined 8/1/1955).

**Hollis:** Planning bingo fundraiser.

**Lawton Noon:** Helped with funding of children's programs and collecting items to recycle. Planning annual carnival fundraiser.



Do you know this long-time Lawton Noon Lion?

**Lawton Northeast:** Donated to Boy Scouts.

**Lawton NE On-Line Branch:** Participated in Special Olympics and planted a tree at Cameron University.

**Lawton Patriots:** Cleaned Patriot Park and planted trees from Forestry Service.

**Lone Wolf:** Worked with the community on a clean up program.

**Mangum:** Presented scholarships to high School students. Donated to local FFA Showmanship fund. Helped with flag program. Repairing Lions Club picnic area. Placing Lions sign on museum

**Marlow:** Congratulations to Lion John Muncrief, the oldest service member in District 3-L. John joined Lions on Oct. 1, 1945, and served the community for 66 years. He has 30 years of perfect meeting attendance. His name is well known in the district for his work not only in Lions but with FFA.



Marlow Lion John Muncrief

**Mustang:** Installed 2012-2013 officers and continued maintenance of Club building.

**Pocasset:** Awarded 4 scholarships to highschool students. Installed new officers and held banquet recognizing longevity of members. Will not meet in the summer months.

**Surrey Hills:** Held Pancake Dinner. Cleaned up Lions Park. Donated to the Boy Scouts. Held a raffle and garage sale fundraisers.

**Tuttle Chisholm Trail:** Held plant sale and awarded scholarships.

**Union City:** Helped fund Union City's first ladies softball team.

**Velma-Alma:** Honored 2 highschool students and donated to Food Bank.

**Walters:** Sold aluminum cans to fund eyeglasses program.

**Watonga:** Presented scholarships to high school seniors.

**Waurika:** Sent funds to help build the new OK Lions Eye Bank. Presented scholarships to high school seniors.

**Weatherford:** Helped with flag program. Congratulations to Lion **C. K. "Ken" Shroyer** for his 50 years of service (joined 12/1/1961).



# Milestones

By Governor Arlene Shore

Thank you District 3-A for an awesome year! The tree planting, the family get together with our 40 Lions Clubs, celebrating 100 years of the Girl Scouts, the starting of the Cub program, having a great convention and the many other services that you provide through Lions to your communities. It has been a joy to serve as your District Governor. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity! - District 3-A Governor Arlene Shore and Harold

LCI President Wing-Kun Tam as of July 1, 2011, recognized individual Lions on their anniversary of service by awarding a Monarch Chevron for those celebrating 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, and 60 years of service. He says, "Anniversaries help us note the milestones in our lives. They give us the opportunity to celebrate, commemorate and reflect. On behalf of 1.35 million Lions worldwide, I thank you for your dedicated service and belief that changing a life or world starts with each one of us." Note under various clubs those members who are being recognized for their anniversary of their years of service, July 1, 2011.

## 3-A Club Reports

**Balko:** Had annual Consignment Auction of farm machinery, etc., on Apr. 28. Some monies will go toward 3 scholarships given at Balko School. Monarch Chevrons for Service Years to Lions James G. Trentham (30) and Shane Cowan (15)

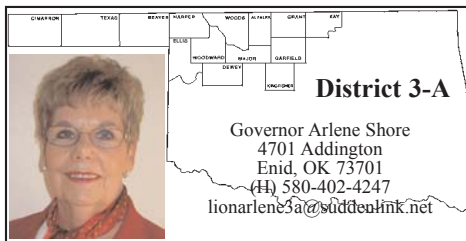
**Beaver:** Had concession stand at local car races.

**Buffalo:** Monarch Chevron for 30 Service Years to Lion D. Randolph

**Burlington:** Monarch Chevron for 15 Service Years to Lion Floyd Knopf

**Cherokee:** Monarch Chevron for 10 Service Years to Lions Greg Graham and Phil Wilber

**Covington:** Lions planted 100 trees. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Mike Schram (10), Jim Postier



(10), and Charles Metscher (35)

**Enid Noon Briggs:** Honored Student of the Month. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Brian R. Meyer (20), T. J. Mosher (25) and Dale R. Miller (45)

**Fairview:** Gave 4 scholarships. Donated an additional \$500 to keep **Friday Day Camp.** Club will have hamburger fry downtown and onsite on June 22 for **Relay for Life.** Annual **Gloss Mountain Car Show** will be on Labor Day weekend (Sept.). Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Craig Riffel (10), Greg Brown (35), Harold Wahl (15), L. Bruce Boehs (40), Elden Edingfield (25), Bob Van Meter (40) and Ronald Reams(35)

**Garber:** Helped with distribution of LCIF emergency grant for Woodward tornado victims, and 6 Lions helped transport/unload purchased supplies. Six Lions worked on preparing for and presented at and attended State Convention. Lions planted 14 trees at Residential Care Center, and 74 trees were made available for planting by DG Arlene Shore to Girl Scouts, neighbors, and various Lions Clubs. Cleaned park shelter. Monarch Chevron for 10 Service Years to Lions Richard Dugger III

**Goodwell:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Serafin A. Ramon (10), Robert H. Lamar (15) and Chris Johnson (25)

**Guymon:** Fifteen Lions, 1 Leo, 2 helpers, 21 Girl Scouts, Leaders and parents helped plant 100 trees around the game reserve and in the park April 21. Donated to White Cane. Seven members attended OK Lions State Convention in OKC. Club gave 2 scholarships. Welcomed a new member. Monarch

Chevron for Service Years to Lions Christopher Perkins (20) and Jerry Wadley (25)

**Guymon Panhandle:** Mowed roadside park east of town. Donated to OK Panhandle State University for Business Marketing Group for their tour. Purchased 3 pairs of eyeglasses. Monarch Chevron for 25 Service Years to Lion David L. Brane

**Hennessey:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions David A. Cofer (25) and Robert Lovell (55)

**Helena:** Monarch Chevron for 55 Service Years to Lion Ray Troutt

**Jet:** Monarch Chevron for 35 Service Years to Lion Eddie Bill Tucker

**Kingfisher:** Will install new officers June 28. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Doug K. Fisher (10), William T. Tucker (10), Robert Conner (20), Michael Frey (25), Mike Combs (25), J. Juan Jech (30), Jim Smith (35), Don Lawrence (45) and Owen H. Major (50)

**Kremlin:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Larry Johnson (15), Jerald Barr (30) and Joe R. Forbes (40)

**Lamont:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions David Quillin (15) and Bryan Kugel (40)

**Laverne:** Club worked with Dan Crocker and Jim Culp in putting an irrigation system in the park around the Bicentennial monument and helped with calf and fish fry benefiting the Community Center. Members of the Club helped with the basketball tournament, the golf tournament and the After Prom Party preparations. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Jackson C. Dunigan (15), Merle Swineford (15), Don Burke (20), Randall Owens (35) and Marvin Garrison (10)

**Lomega:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Robert Edsall (10) and R. D. Kramer (35)

**Medford:** Awarded annual scholarship to local high school senior. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Dea Kretchmar (10) and John Ray Dahlem

(20)

**Nash:** Preparing for Annual Memorial Day Dinner on May 27. Doing work on the building. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Robert Moore (40) and Eldon Shrewsbury (60)

**Newkirk:** Ten Lions picked up trash in an assigned area as part of the City Wide Cleanup organized by local Junior Main Street Association. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Ruby Huxley (10), Chester Huxley (10), Jim Wiersig (30), Roy E. Rogers (45) and Harley Keller (50)

**North Enid:** Worked on Commons project and cleaned rose garden. Worked White Cane Day at various businesses for OLSF. Worked Track Meets at Chisholm School for scholarships and worked at NORCE Cemetery. Made trip to OK Lions Boys Ranch to deliver mower. Collected 122 pairs of used eyeglasses and purchased a pair of new eyeglasses. Welcomed new Lion Jennifer Branch sponsored by Jim Coleman. Bryan Larison, OLBR Executive Director, gave a presentation at the April 23 meeting. The Club, along with the Lions Clubs of Garfield County, will be serving food to Veterans and their families at the Memorial Day service at Woodring Airport May 28. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Tommy Freeman (15), Don Melka (25), Joe Haskit (25) and Ron Schulz (45)

**Okarche:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Doug Wittrock (15), Tom Schaffer (20), S. F. Osterholt (20), Bob Alig (20), Dan J. Slater (25), David Krittenbrink (25), Pat Brueggen (25), Steve Krittenbrink (30), Ron Krittenbrink (30), Henry Wittrock (35) and Mike Krittenbrink (35)

**Pioneer-Pleasant Vale:** Held 2012-2013 officer installation on May 22 at Gov't Springs Park. Eleven Lions collected food items for **Horn of Plenty Drive.** Nine Lions worked with the Lions of Garfield County for White Cane collection. Two Lions and 2 classes of Pleasant Vale Elementary planted 5 trees for Earth Day. Three Lions worked at the OK Lions State Office work day.

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**Marshall:** From DG visit May 15: J. C. Diedrich 35 Years Monarch Chevron, Jane Burchardt 15 Years Monarch Chevron, DG Arlene Shore, Bill Diedrich 35 years Monarch Chevron, Rich Weathers 35 Years Monarch Chevron



Ron Schulz receiving 45 year Monarch Chevron, Don Melka - 25 year, DG Arlene Shore, North Enid President Don Winbolt

**District 3-A**, continued from page 9

Honored 3 Cubbies from Pleasant Vale Elementary. Donated \$100 to Pioneer Band, \$200 to YMCA, \$300 to OK Lions Boys Ranch to purchase a riding mower (in conjunction with Garfield Co. Lions). Two Lions worked with Woodward tornado LCIF distribution. Three Lions attended the OK Lions State Convention. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Terry Youngers (15) and Franny Rodriguez (40)

**Ponca City After Five:** Purchased 4 pairs of eyeglasses. Sponsoring Boys State and a high school scholarship. Monarch Chevron for 30 Service Years to Lion Frank Weber

**Ponca City Noon:** Had 15 Leos visit Club meetings during April. Leo President Jacob Hoak and Leo Jennifer Roubedeaux are recipients of our annual Leo Scholarships. Picked up 379 used eyeglasses, bringing our total for this year to 2,256. Provided 85 pairs of eyeglasses thus far this year with an expenditure of about \$10,000. Sponsorship of the Ponca Opry netted \$1,634 for Club. The Northern Oklahoma eClub is planning a Lions Stride Diabetes Walk for October 13. They are supporting the Lions Kids Diabetes Support Group with meeting places, fun outings, and school emergency snacks. The Electronic Vision Aids (EVA) have 27 magnifiers, 16 Magnicams, and 2 portable units with 6 in inventory. Club will celebrate 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary on June 28 during our regular Spouses/Awards banquet. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions William Armstrong (10), Jackie Bohon (10), Lyndon D. Boyer (10), Scott W. Corson (10), Janette Scheiber (10), Ron Steves (10), Lawrence E. Stover (15), Jay H. Stafford (15), John Bohannon (15), Brice B. Chism (35) and Russell W. Allen (45)

**Tonkawa:** Monarch Chevron for 35 Service Years to Lion Mike C. Owen

**Ringwood:** Monarch Chevron for 25 Service Years to Lions Herb Nickel and Clide H Brinson

**Seiling:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions David Pittman (20), James E. Pittman (55) and Dean Gaden (60)

**Vici:** Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Keith Morris (30), Lorri Dennett (15) and Geraldine L. Young (15)

Lions Jerry Brace (left) and Burton Casad (right) take donations for White Cane. Ponca City Noon Lions raised \$1400.



**Wakita:** White Can drive and collection of used eyeglasses and cell phones. Street cleaning followed by a potluck supper. Had fundraiser pancake/sausage breakfast.

**Woodward:** Distributed items purchased with LCIF funds for the tornado victims. Monarch Chevron for Service Years to Lions Doug Ross (15), Ted K. Craighead (15), Glenn Billings (15), David C. Guthrie Jr. (25), Greg Cook (25) and Gary Bowser (25)

*With deep appreciation we honor the memories of the members of District 3-A deceased during the past year (7-1-2011 to 5-18-2012):* Aline-Henry Clinton Cashwell, Enid Noon Briggs-Beryl Rhodes Bigger, Fairview-Marion Jensen, Lomega-Clifford Duffy, Medford-John D. Edmonson, Newkirk-Richard Sewell, North Enid-Clinton Clay, Ponca City Noon-Ralph E. Barker and George Collins and Gary W. Feil, Seiling-Gerald Whetstone, Vici-L. L. Jennings

**3-H Spotlight Club: Chandler Lions**

Lion Tony Jarvis, Chandler LC President reports that the club held the ribbon-cutting for their new digital sign which is on Route 66. The Chandler Lions invested \$30,000 in this sign which has been up and running for a month and has had a great response from our community. We offer monthly business ads to yearly ads; also offer birthday to congratulations ads. The sign was purchased from a local company and Acord has gone above and beyond to help us get the sign up and operating. Proceeds from sell of ads for the sign will help fund other Lions Club community projects along with the scholarship program. This year Chandler Lions gave 4 \$1,000 scholarships to local high school seniors and were also able to give several kids eyeglasses. The Chandler community has always supported this Lions Club and Lion Jarvis says the Lions will continue to be there for the community.



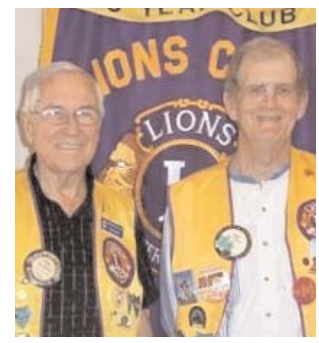
**Idabel** held Spring Banquet and officer induction, received OLSF recognition patch for selling \$1,000 in Cowboy Cadillac tickets, purchased several eye exams and eyeglasses; 5 Lions participated in "Walk-A-Mile in Her Shoes" for the abused women's center, honored an Idabel and Haworth Student of the Month; sold funnel cakes and sponsored an inflatable at Dogwood Days Festival.

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Purcell honored (l to r) Lions Greg Wayland 10 years, Ron Davis 25 years, and Sharon McGee 10 years. Each received a personalized letter from IP Tam and anniversary chevrons. Club welcomed new Purcell superintendent and head football coach as guest speakers; hosted visit from DG Cloye and DGE Billy Thompson.



Healdton (L to R) Lion Tom McNeil was honored for 40 years of service; received a personal letter from IP Tam and 40 year chevron. Lion Bob Pinkerton was presented a Key Membership Award. Club presented scholarships to Healdton seniors; recognized Briggs Scholarship winner Jordan Sanders.



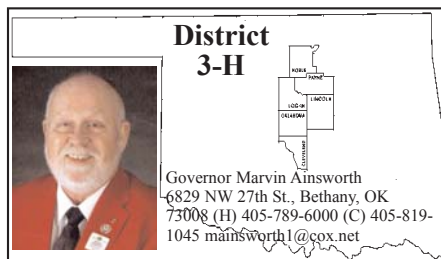


# Thanks for the Memories!

by Governor Marvin Ainsworth

## WELCOME NEW LIONS

OKC West Side: **M. Regana Mouser** 4/1/2012 Sponsor Marvin Ainsworth and **Jack Mouser** 5/1/2012 Sponsor Regana Mouser  
 Prague: **Kendra D. McBride** 05/1/2012 Sponsor Danny L Winchester and **Kimberly K. Root** 05/1/2012 Sponsor Daryl Dyche



### Club Officers Training-Opportunity

**1:** Sat., July 11, 8:30am, Capitol Hill Lions Club Youth Center, 3800 S. Robinson (east entrance), OKC

### Club Officers Training-Opportunity

**2:** Sat., July 21, 8:30am, Sunnybrook Christian Church, 421 E. Richmond Rd., Stillwater

**3-H District Cabinet Meeting:** Sat., Aug. 11, 8:30am, Prague United Methodist Church, 1103 Klabzuba, Prague (from intersection of Highways 99 & 62, go 1 block north, 1 block east)

## 3-H Club News

**Carney** Lions Club will host their first annual Golf Tournament Fri., June 8, 8am at the Stroud Golf Course in Stroud. Entry fee is \$65 per person for a 4-man team; hole sponsorship is \$50 per hole. Come join the Carney Lions for a fun day on the Green! They will serve burgers, links and drinks. The annual Ice Cream Festival will be Sat., June 9 at 4pm on Main Street in old downtown Carney. Join the Carney Lions and find out whose homemade ice cream reigns supreme. Will it be cherry nut, black walnut, strawberry or perhaps your favorite? Included at the event: a Pie and Cake Auction for your sweet tooth and a Silent Auction with a variety of items to choose from. You don't want to miss the fun activities that will be available for the family, and you are sure to enjoy the live entertainment. Come to Carney for a fun, old-fashioned Saturday night!

**Edmond:** Sec. Burchie Smith reported they had good meetings with good programs such as Mary Collins who spoke about her life experiences living in Korea. It was very interesting to hear about the Lions meetings there and their customs. Also, Sheriff Whetsel presented on the OK Co. Sheriff's Dept.-different services and projects. Club collected and donated 430 pairs of used eyeglasses for recycling. Donated to White Cane and Leader Dog. Preparing for June 12 Fish Fry; tickets-\$6-all you can eat. It will once again be held at the Nazarene Church on S. Boulevard. Pat Shurley shared information about the State Convention. Making plans for Club's 50-year anniversary in Mar. 2013. New officers for 2012-13 are: Pres. Bob Austin; 1st VP Sharon Cunningham; 2nd VP MG Allenbach; Secretary Burchie

Smith; Treasurer Larry Streitmatter; Tail Twister Arnold Courts; Lion Tamer John Harris. Installation of officers will be at last meeting in June.

**Harrah** Lions Club provided a concession trailer at 2 local auctions for fundraising purposes in the past month. Club also held its annual pancake breakfast and raised \$1,200. Club also awarded 2 academic scholarships to graduating Harrah High seniors. Club

is also in the process of working with the OK Lions Boys Ranch to provide disc golf cages for the use of the boys at both ranch residences.

**OKC Metro** Lion Sandy announced that she put in club's request for upcoming Jewel Box offerings for Feb. 2013. Club approved an eyeglass application that came through the YWCA. An applicant who was previously approved needs special lenses and frames due to the severity of her myopia and with discount offered by Eye-Mart, approval was unanimous.

**OKC Northwest:** Made an inter-club visit to Guthrie and OKC Downtown Lions Clubs. Collected 274 pairs of used eyeglasses and 8 pairs of lenses. Donated to OLSF White Cane, OK Lions Eye Bank, Operation Home Front, CAAVA, and Arthritis Foundation in honor of speakers. Presented 12 US flags to Hilldale Elementary School for their classrooms. Annual golf tourney fundraiser is June 18. New Officer Installation will be at Sportsman's Club June 28.

**Midwest City** Lions turned in 8 used cell phones, 23 printer cartridges and 330 pairs of eyeglasses. Donated \$500 to OK Lions Eye Bank building fund, and purchased an eye exam and glasses for a student. Lions Gerald & Jacque Mooney, Gayle Cochran, Dave Kerr and Irene Parrott presented a plaque of appreciation for a lifetime of service to Lion Nick Harroz and Crest Foods. MWC Lions also paid \$512 for a MWC Elementary student to attend a diabetes solutions camp, Camp Endures.

**Norman:** Club was honored by a visit and inspirational talk by District 3H Gov. Marvin Ainsworth on Mar. 13. Lions enjoyed this meeting and opportunity to talk with our DG. Pres. Mona Nelson collected ~200 pairs of eyeglasses from our deposit boxes. Immediate Past Pres. Ben Odom collected ~800 donated pairs of used eyeglasses. The 49<sup>th</sup> annual carnival on April 26-29 was a great success thanks to the good weather and to many Lions who worked many hours in the concession stand or selling advance tickets and distributing colorful posters. Lions Frank Seto, Odom and Bill Purcell were commended for going above and beyond obtaining all the required city and county permits. The *Norman Transcript*

gave us great publicity by publishing a carnival photograph each of the 4 days. Most of the Club's net income from the carnival goes towards funding numerous eye exams and eyeglasses for persons who cannot afford them. We also continue to award high school and international Students of the Month. Once a year 2 outstanding OU music students each receive an award. Lion Odom sponsored 2 new Lions since January, bringing our total membership up to 43. PDG Elvin Brown and Lion John Campbell received certificates of dedicated service for 56 and 55 years, respectively. The annual picnic and installation of new officers for 2012-13 was on May 15 in Lions Park. Pres. Jon Bredeson, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Sam. Friedman, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Wendy Welcher, Sec. Gwen Gough, Treas. Brad Hawkins. We anticipate another big year of Lions service.

**Guthrie Noon** Lions won first place on Club's float entry at the Guthrie 89er Parade. Helped 7 people get eyeglasses and eye exams this month. Sent \$200 to OLSF WhiteCane project. Two members are involved with the OK Lions Boys Ranch and helped with their golf tournament activities.

**Langston City:** Every Lion in the State of Okla. was challenged to contribute \$5 to one of the state's biggest projects, the OK Lions Boys Ranch. The Langston City Lions Club answered that call and donated \$75 on behalf of its 15 active members. On May 14, members of the Langston City Club journeyed over to Coyle to distribute 189 books to students in grades pre-kindergarten to 7. This is part of the *Reading is Fundamental* program that the Club co-sponsors with the Friends of Langston University Libraries.

**Stroud:** Donated to OK Lions Boys Ranch golf tournament. Assisted 2 adults and a young adult with eye exams and eyeglasses. Donated as school booster for ad at field.

**Norman Sooner** Lion Bill Clouston reported that in April 2012 the Club provided eye care for 7 students and delivered 1,500 pairs of used eyeglasses to the State Office for recycling.

**Stillwater Noon** Lions gave the \$750 Darlington scholarship to an optometry student, given each year in memory of Noon Lion Rick Darlington, an optometrist and outstanding Lion who was killed in an accident.

**Mulhall-Orlando:** Gave pencils to elementary students for Easter. Visited Crescent Lions Club. Lion Koch attended the State Convention. Lion Bode helped at OLBG Golf Tournament.

**Chandler:** Spotlighted on page 10.

**Remember: 2011-2012 Final 3-H Cabinet Meeting is Sat., June 26 at the Cushing Lion Den**

Thank you for the memories.

I can't believe my year as your Governor has flown by so quickly. It seems that each month there was more and more to do . . . my task list grew and grew. Thanks for all the help I was given by my Cabinet: Vice Governors Robert McMasters and Tom Cummings, District Secretary Dawn Miller, District Treasurer Mike Banks, Zone Chairs Lou Griffin, Charles Witty, Frank Gomes, and Troy Jenkins, District Advisor Paul Anderson, and Council Advisor/GMT Coordinator Frank Davis. My Club, OKC West Side was a big help in allowing me to do as much or as little as my time would allow.

And, of course, my wife Mary kept me going in the right direction when I would start to stray from one side to another. Sometimes the logistics for a person like me can be a problem, but she helped me get through every type of situation. It's good that I came into this with lots of handicap equipment and a loving wife.

I can't forget my Clubs. Before I became Governor you were *District Clubs* but now you are *My Clubs* and, wow, did you do a great job this year! I was proud to stand at the State Council meetings and report on *MY CLUBS*.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Governor this year - I will never forget you. *Lion Marvin*

## District 3-H News

DGE Robert McMasters has some dates he wants to share for the beginning of his year as District Governor. Remember, there will not be an *Oklahoma Lion* newspaper in July, so please put these dates into your calendar now.

## 2012-2013 Oklahoma Lions Important Dates to Remember

### OK Lions State Board/Council meetings

Saturday, August 18, 2012  
 Saturday, October 20, 2012  
 Saturday, January 12, 2013  
 Saturday, April 27, 2013 (tentative - during state convention)  
 Saturday, June 15, 2013

The meetings are held at the West Side Lions Town Hall, 4135 NW 10<sup>th</sup> St., OKC. The format will be the same as in the past few years: 7:30 a.m. Executive/Committee Meetings, 8:55 a.m. Council Meeting opens with invocation and U.S. flag salute, (closing until 1:00 p.m.), 9:00-9:45 a.m. OK Lions Eye Bank Board meeting, 9:45-10:30 a.m. Dr. Eugene Briggs Memorial Scholarship Board meeting, 10:30-11:15 a.m. OK Lions Boys Ranch Board meeting, 11:15 a.m.-12:00 noon OK Lions Service Foundation Board meeting, 12:00 noon -1:00 p.m. Lunch and Bone Yard Meeting, and 1:00 p.m. OK Lions Council meeting with no reports from the above boards.

Those wishing to have committee or other meetings following the council meeting are encouraged to notify the state office for the availability of the conference room or the front lobby of the state office.

### District Conventions (scheduled so far)

Saturday, November 10, 2012 - District 3-O Convention  
 January 25-26, 2013 - District 3-K Mid-Winter Convention  
 Saturday, February 2, 2013 - District 3-A Mid-Winter Convention

### First Annual Oklahoma/Texas Pin Traders Swap Meet:

January 18-19, 2013 at Lake Murray State Lodge, Ardmore

### District Governor Elect Training:

March 21-22, 2013 (tentative)

### ***OK Lions State Office Front Plaza Dedication***, continued from page 1

Several work days and informal work sessions completed the project. Many Lions and others helped, including Richard Schiver and Mike Webb (OKC West Side LC), Boy Scout Michael Wall and his family and friends (Eagle Scout project), Ken Smith (Smith Farm and Garden) and OSU-OKC art instructor and students who skillfully painted the lion statue.

Past Council Chairperson Virginia Rodriguez, OK Lions State Secretary, and PCC Yolanda Middleton, OK Lions Boneyard, enthusiastically led the event. Dignitaries who helped dedicate the beautification and branding project included OKC Councilman Larry and Joanne McAtee, OSU-OKC Vice President and Friends of NW 10th St. representative Heather Kay, and Eagle Scout Michael Wall; attending were Lions Clubs International Past

International Director Marshall and Wanda Cooper (Lubbock, TX), Oklahoma PIDs George Hazelbaker, Hal Long and Pat Shurley, and the current OK Lions District Governors (3-O Gary Taylor, 3-K Cloye Thompson, 3-L Ealmer Klippel, 3-A Arlene Shore, 3-H Marvin Ainsworth).



## MD-3 Lions of Oklahoma 2012-2013 Speech Contest

Lions Clubs International President Elect Wayne Madden's theme for the upcoming Lions 2012-2013 year is: *In a World of Service*. The District Governor Elects approved the Speech Contest titles as follows.

Oklahoma Lions Adult Speech Contest

***How does "A World of Service" challenge my generation?***

Oklahoma Lions Youth Speech Contest

***What does "A World of Service" mean to me?***

### 2011-2012 MD-3 Lions of Oklahoma Speech Contest Finals April 28

Adult - Lion Leland Streck, Enid/Briggs Noon Lions Club

First Place Youth - Daniel Poe, Lawton High School, sponsored by Lawton North East Lions Club

Runner up - Piper Wray, Loyal High School, sponsored by Lomega Lions Club.



Pictured PCC Yolanda Middleton and PDG Pat Halsey, OK Lions Past District Governors (Boneyard) representatives, present plaques and checks to Daniel Poe and Piper Wray.

### State Peace Poster Contest Winner Honored

The 2011-2012 MD-3 Lions of Oklahoma International Peace Poster Contest winner Kelsie Morgan, Cache Middle School, sponsored by Cache Lions Club, was honored at the OK Lions State Convention April 28.

Each year, Lions Clubs around the world proudly sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups. This art contest for kids encourages young people worldwide to express their visions of peace. For 25 years, more than four million children from nearly 100 countries have participated in the contest. The theme of the 2012-13 Peace Poster Contest is *Imagine Peace*. Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 on Nov. 15, are eligible to participate. Clubs can order Peace Poster Contest kits from LCI Club Supplies.