

3-H ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

ROBERT'S REMARKS

RECAP

As of this writing, either DGE Tom Cummings or I have visited all 28 clubs at least once. Now the four elected district officers are going back and visiting again for various reasons.

We have celebrated a 50th Anniversary of three Clubs, Harrah, Edmond Evening and Cashion.

USA/Canada Forum

Many of the Oklahoma Lions Leaders are looking forward to the USA/Canada Leadership Forum next September in Overland Park, Kansas. This is approximately 340 miles, or 5 hours driving.

The District Leadership Team would like to encourage you to attend this USA/Canada Leadership Forum. They have classes for club officers, district officers, and just plain lions. Several classes are for your general knowledge. They will

have four speakers, one at each of the Event Catered Meals. These same four Speakers will also present a class.

CLUB EXCELLENCE AWARD

I have been encouraging clubs to strive to fulfill the requirements for the Club Excellence Award next year. The first requirement is that each club have their officers trained at a District Event. The First Event, for the South portion of the District will be June 22nd, along with the last Cabinet Meeting of this Lions year. This will be at the Village United Methodist Church, 2501 W Britton Road, Oklahoma City. Other requirements are that you turn in your reports (Monthly Membership Report, Service Activity Report, PU-101 reporting your newly elected officers); you have a net gain in membership; make a donation of at least \$1.00 to LCIF.

There are 7 items which have to be fulfilled.

1. CLUB IN GOOD STANDING - International per capita dues and new member entrance fees are paid in full and there is no outstanding balance of US\$50 or more that is ninety (90) days or more past due.

2. SERVICE - The club has conducted at least three service projects. Please briefly describe the service activities that were conducted:

3. CONTRIBUTION -

The club has made a contribution to LCIF. (One dollar given is a contribution. Surely you can afford at least a dollar.)

4. MEMBERSHIP - The club has achieved a net growth in membership (including branch club members when applicable) or sponsored a new club. The new members attended an orientation and were properly inducted into the Lions club.

5. COMMUNICATION - The club has publicized the club's service activities to the public through local media and effectively communicated activities to club members.

6. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT- All officer position were filled in accordance with the constitution and by-laws by qualified Lions, a majority of the club officers participated in a leadership training program at the zone, district, multiple district or international level and the club was represented at zone meetings.

7. CLUB DEVELOPMENT - The club has hosted regular and meaningful club meetings and submitted the Monthly Membership Report, the

Service Activity Report, and the Club officer Report (PU-101) in a timely manner.

NEW MEMBERS

Davenport: Lillie L. West, 4/1/13, by L A Guest.

Guthrie: J. Steve Montgomery, 4/12/13, by Kathy Montgomery.

Harrah: Brent D. Meyers, 5.6/13; & Loy D. Smith, 4/15/13.

Norman: Pat Williams, 4/23/13, by Benjamin H. Odom

OKC Capitol Hill: Rev. Dawn Richards, 5/15/13 by Ken Higdon.

OKC Downtown: Hulihamatu Bah, 4/16/13.

DEATHS

None

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 22, 2013: Cabinet Meeting & South Club Officers Training, Village United Methodist Church, 2501 W Britton Road. Oklahoma City. 8:30 to Noon at the latest.

June 24, 2013: OKC Northwest Golf Tournament, Coffee Creek Golf Club. 7:30 AM to Noon.

August 24, 2013: The Village 8th Annual Car Show, Duffner Park, The Village. 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM.

CLUB NEWS

Carney: Held our 2nd annual golf tournament on May 3rd. We had a wonderful time meeting new people and visiting with familiar faces. Served hamburgers, hot dogs and chile at the Seaba Station Swap meet. Gave \$250. College Scholarships to a boy and a girl in our local school.

Cushing: Paid for the large US Map to be repainted on the cement outside of the gym.

Edmond Evening: Sponsored the Mobile Health Unit so the UCO Student Nurses could fulfill a service project before graduation.

Harrah: Donated \$520.00 to Harrah High School Band for their trip to San Antonio, Texas.

Langston City: For the second consecutive year, along with the Foresters USA, sponsored tree adoption for the Coyle Elementary School Fourth Grade Class.

Midwest City: Donated to the Midwest City and Dell City Libraries. Donated to a local Rehabilitation Center. Sponsored a health screening for a local church. Attended a ground breaking for a new Veteran's Memorial.

MWC LIONS hosted our 67th 89er Day BBQ Brisket Dinner fundraiser on April 13. 15 MWC Lions and several non members hosted the event serving over 570 meals. We raffled off two bicycles and a flat screen TV. We also had a silent auction, plinko game and bingo. This month we donated 325 pairs of eyeglasses and 25 printer cartridges.

Newcastle: Hosted the Mobile Health Screening unit on May 6 as a part of our recruiting new members. Had assistance from CC Marvin and Lion Mary Ainsworth, DG Robert McMasters, DGE Tom Cummings, 1st DGE Dawn Miller, 2nd DGE Jacque Mooney, plus some nursing students from OCCC.

OKC Capitol Hill: Had DG Robert McMasters induct our newest member and gave a scholarship to a student from Capitol Hill, U S Grant and Southeast High Schools.

Stillwater Noon:

There were 3 requests for eyeglasses. Two pairs of eyeglasses were purchased at a cost of \$85 each. We continue to recycle eyeglasses to

send to other nations for those in need.

Twenty-four members of Stillwater Noon Lions helped fill around 500 food sacks for elementary school children in need to provide them with lunches over the week-end. Noon Lions hosted a pancake fundraiser at Applebees Restaurant. to raise money for service projects.

Ink cartridges and cell phones and hearing aides continue to be recycled.

A scholarship will be awarded to a student from Lincoln Alternative School Academy who is enrolled in college for the coming year. The student is selected by the faculty for the scholarship.

A program was presented by a speaker from Sunnybrook Christian Church about the programs they offer. The Executive Director of the Stillwater YMCA spoke to the club about their renovations and plans for new activities.

Stroud: Donated a refrigerator from our former Little-League concession stand to the Davenport Girls softball. Some ladies from the Sac & Fox tribe presented a program they are using in schools for diabetes awareness.

TORNADO INFORMATION

Here is a list of some of the emails I have been involved in concerning the Tornado Damage. This list does not include emails going back and forth about what we are doing.

Monday, May 20, 12:46 pm; received an email from 1st VDGE Melody Witcher, Dist. 44N, New Hampshire stating that her Blind Brother in Wellston had his home destroyed. Provide address and phone number. Forwarded to Troy Jenkins, District Disaster Committee Chair. Turned out he lived in Fallis.

Monday, May 20, 3:20 pm; submitted 1st email to LCIF asking for a \$10,000 Grant for both Sunday and Monday, including information from Dist 44N.

Monday, May 20, 4:17 pm; email from Tess Zimecko, LCIF wanting me to answer 4 questions.

Monday, May 20; between 4 & 5; received a phone call from DG Eldon Pontius, Dist 43K, Kentucky. He will personally donate \$2000 by wire transfer if provided with bank information. Sent email to Mike Banks about this.

Monday, May 20, 5:13 pm; received an email from DG Richard W. Kelp, Dist 12-S requesting an email on how they could help, and offering prayers.

Monday, May 20, 5:28 pm; submitted 2nd email with 2 page Attachment answering LCIF's questions to Tess Zimecko.

Monday, May 20, 5:35 pm; sent email to members of the Disaster Committee, to the Elected District Officers, plus CC Marvin

Ainsworth and PDG Mike Banks, Treasurer, which was a forward of Tess Zimecko email, plus my 2 page Answer to the questions, a \$2000 donation from DG Eldon Pontius of Dist 43K, Kentucky, and information from DG Richard Kelp from Tennessee, and the information from 1st VDGE Melody Witcher of New Hampshire.

Monday, May 20, 5:28 pm, submitted 2nd email with 2 page attachment answering LCIF's questions to Tess Zimecko.

Monday, May 20; 11:36 pm; received an email from DG Sara Patrick, Dist 202L, New Zealand offering prayers and condolences.

Tuesday Morning I was at Deaconess Hospital from about 7:20 to 11 am with an outpatient procedure.

Tuesday, May 21, 6:45 am; Read email from DG Sara Patrick and sent an acknowledgment email providing the known information at that time. (Much of it turned out to be wrong.)

Tuesday, May 21, 8:53 am; received email from DG Karen Rautson, Dist 11-C2, Michigan, asking how they could help. Forwarded to Disaster Committee after returning home.

Tuesday, May 21, 9:11 am; received email from PDG/MD2 (Texas) Alert (Disaster) Chair stating that his club, The New Braunfels Breakfast Lions Club, would like to send some money directly to us. Forwarded to Troy Jenkins and Mike Banks.

Tuesday, May 21, 9:53 am, second email from DG Karen Rautson stating she had the information needed from Facebook. Forwarded to Troy Jenkins at 11:33 am.

Tuesday, May 21, 10:24; received forwarded email from CC Marvin Ainsworth originally from KaSondra Byrd, LCIF, stating that any funds they receive from Clubs and others for Oklahoma will be forwarded to us when we need them.

Tuesday, May 21 between 11:30 and noon; received a phone call from Lion Jim Duncan, Ohio, offering 2 trailers — one with supplies and one to go to the United Methodist Church in Moore which was feeding people.

Being a retired United Methodist pastor, I called the Volunteers in Mission office and asked who would be doing this. They told me and stated that they did not need any more food as they were overwhelmed. I emailed the pastor and asked him about this.

Tuesday, May 21, 3:13 pm: Official email notification of our receiving a \$10,000 Emergency Disaster Grant, even though Marvin had already discovered that we got the grant plus a \$100,000 follow up grant from LCIF's Grant webpage.

Tuesday, May 21, 3:15 pm; received email from 2nd VDG Fred R. Rieger, Dist 20-K2 (Nassau County, NY and Bermuda) asking how they could help even though they were still recovering from Hurricane Sandy.

Tuesday, May 21, 9:50 pm; received email from CC Marvin Ainsworth asking that I call PCC Bob Austin (Edmond) about an Ohio Lions offering 2 semi loads.

Tuesday, May 21, 11:24 pm; emailed CC

Marvin Ainsworth stating that I had talked with Jim Duncan from Ohio and thought this might be the same person as Bob Austin's information.

Tuesday, May 21, 11:27 pm;
forwarded to CC Marvin Ainsworth email I had sent to the UM Pastor and his reply that he was too tired tonight but would get in touch with me on Wednesday. (Still has not got in touch with me.)

Wednesday, May 22, 11:50 am;
Phone call from Lion Jim Duncan of Ohio. He was offering a trailer of food for a Southwest OKC United Methodist Church. Informed him I was told they did not need any more food. Suggested Carney. Emailed Troy Jenkins asking that Troy put Lion Duncan in touch with the Baptist Church in Carney which was providing food.

Wednesday, May 22, 10:51 pm;
received email from DG Beverly Nichols, Dist. 17-O, Kansas, offering \$500 donation. Emailed her on where to send it.

Thursday, May 23, 12:48 pm;
received email from Lion Catina Hood, California Ridgecrest Lions Club informing us that she would be driving donations of personal care supplies on Wednesday, May 29. Forwarded to Troy Jenkins and CC Marvin Ainsworth asking them to get in touch with her to provide directions to where needed. Emailed her to give thanks and let her know that one of them would be contacting her.

Friday, May 24, 12:22 pm; received email from 2nd VDGE David J. Skillin, Dist. 35-I, Florida & Bahamas, wanting information how one of the clubs in the district could make a donation. Forwarded to Troy Jenkins and Mike Banks.

These are the emails and phone calls I received. I know that others, (Marvin, Dawn, and unknown) have received other contacts about donations.