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WORK DAY AT THE LIONS STATE OFFICE

By Virginia Rodriguez PCC, State Secretary

On Friday September 21, several Lions from the Building Committee and a non Lion converged on the State Office working on several projects that really needed attention. Trees were trimmed on the west side of the office building. Two bushes were removed from in front of the storage trailer in back of the office. Some much needed painting on the over hang on the back of the state building was done.

A special Thank You goes to Billy Thompson DG and Bill Middleton PDG for donating a portable metal storage shelving unit which was assembled and placed in the back storage room of the office.

Those who spent the day working were: Building Committee members, Franny Rodriguez PDG Chair, Cloye Thompson

PDG, Doug Garren PDG and his 4 legged buddy , Bill Middleton PDG, Larry Wibben DG, Lion Don Henn and Don Owens from Ardmore.

This group is very much appreciated for all of their hard work that they have contributed this year, so far. Thank you for all that you have done and will do for the state office. A special Thank You to Don Owens for his time. Ardmore, have you approached him to become a Lion?

You will soon see changes in the inside of the State Office. The BEST is yet to come.

This is your Lions of Oklahoma State Office. Should any club like to volunteer to come in and do work on the building, please contact us. We can always use your help.



Work Day at the State Office Left to Right (Back Row) DG Billy Thompson, PDG Franny Rodriguez, Chairman Building Committee, PDG Doug Garren, PDG Bill Middleton, and DG Larry Wibben Front Row Left to Right PDG Cloye Thompson and Lion Don Henn

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Council Chairman Corner

Marvin Ainsworth



Mary and I have just returned from the Lions USA/Canada Forum in Tampa Bay. We were surrounded by over 2,000 Lions who descended on the Forum in search of better ways to be a Lion and improve our Association. The forum offers 77 different seminars to choose from. Mary and I did not go to any of the same seminars.

If you have never been to a Forum it is three information packed days. Thursday afternoon we had a choice of seven different seminars each approximately one hour and twenty minutes in length. On Friday it really gets going...reminds you of high school where everybody is running from class room to class room but only on a giant scale. At 8 AM there were 10 different seminars to choose from, at 9:40 AM another 10 seminars, then lunch. At 2:00 PM there were ten more seminars; then at 3:40 another 10. Saturday morning starts over at 8:00 AM with 10 seminars and 9:40 AM with another 10. Saturday after-

noon at 2:00 PM there are 10 seminars until 3:20. It may not sound like it but there is always time to renew friendships and compare notes with fellow Lions.

Every seminar I attended was packed. It is great to know that there are so many Lions who want to grow our Association. The State of Oklahoma was well represented and we all got together for a group photo. If you are not a great note taker each of the seminars is recorded and those recordings are available for purchase at a nominal fee.

Each evening we were both entertained and informed by world class speakers and programs at the Dinners and the Presidents Luncheon.

We came back informed, revitalized, recharged, and yet.... ready for a nap.

2012-2013 Dates To Remember

October 13 North Central Oklahoma Lion Strides - Diabetic Walk
e-Lions Club Ponca City Contact VDG Terry Woodruff 580-716-1920

October 19 VDG Training 4:00 p.m.
OK Lions State Office Council Agenda Meeting 7:00 p.m. State Office

October 20 Westside Town Hall SCPC meeting-7:45 a.m. OLEB Board-9:00 a.m. Briggs Memorial-9:45 a.m. OLB Board-10:30 a.m. OLSF Board-11:15 a.m. Lunch Served by Dist L. Boneyard Meeting-12:00 noon. Council Meeting-1:00 p.m. Pin Traders Meeting following @ State Office

October 27 North Enid Lions Annual Ham, Beans & Corn Bread Supper 5-7 p.m. North Enid Community Center

220 Redwood
October 27 Oklahoma Vision 5K LawtonPatriots Lions Club 10:30 a.m. Elmer Thomas Park

November 3 Cowboy Cadillac Drawing 11-1 Bob Moore Northwest Expressway Oklahoma City

November 10 Pioneer Pleasant Vale Lions Chili & Soup Supper 5-7 p.m. The Grace Place Cleveland & Indian DR.-Enid

November 17 District O Convention Trinity United Methodist Church 3737 South Peoria Avenue Tulsa, OK

November 21 State Office Closes @ Noon 22-23 State Office Closed for Thanksgiving (Continue on page 8)

Health on Wheels

Troy Jenkins, Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation, Executive Director

"Healing is a matter of time, but it is sometimes also a matter of opportunity."

Hippocrates

The Mobile Health Screening Unit (MHSU) of the Oklahoma Lions has been providing free health screenings for Oklahomans since the late 90s. Now in our 14th year of operation, the Lions of Oklahoma have screened well over 75,000 people, with half of those patients failing one or more of their tests. We currently offer eight different screenings: Bone Density, Visual Acuity, Body Mass Index, Lung Function (Spirometry), Blood Pressure, Glaucoma, Blood Sugar, and Cholesterol. In the past, we also screened for hearing problems.

As many of you know, we are having a great deal of trouble securing a regular driver. In a lot of ways, this is not a surprise. CDL drivers are in high-demand right now, and while our mission of service can be a big draw, it is hard to compete with a steady, full-time schedule. With our current set-up we may only have one event a week. Other weeks might have five screenings; occasionally we have none. This makes it really difficult to keep the MHSU on the road. Often, we are scrambling to find a driver the day before a scheduled event. We have had some success on weekends with different drivers filling in, but on weekdays their regular jobs prevent this from happening. We will keep searching, though, and hopefully take this mission to the next level.

So, what does the next level look like? Ideally it would involve almost daily screenings. Oklahoma has some of the worst health in the nation. Oklahoma has the fifth worst mortality rate in the nation. While the mortality rate has dropped by 22% nationwide in the last 20 years, the rate in Oklahoma has only dropped by 4%. This is a result of a number of different factors: According to the **2011 State of the State's Health Report**, Oklahoma ranks 49th in the nation in heart disease deaths; Oklahoma ranks in the bottom five in the nation in deaths due to stroke; Oklahoma has the worst rate of Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease Deaths in the nation; Oklahoma has the seventh highest rate of Diabetes and the fourth highest Diabetes Death rate in the nation. Not coincidentally, Oklahoma ranks 49th in lack of physical activity, dead last in the consumption of fruit and vegetables, 47th in obesity, and has one of the highest smoking rates in the nation. The more we are out screening, the better chance we have of turning this around.

Many of the screenings we provide have a direct relation to these results. Our spirometer test for lung function can identify the risk for Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), the major cause of Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease death in Oklahoma. By

using our Body Mass Index (BMI) meter, we can make people aware of the degree of their weight problems. Sometimes, seeing the results defined and in writing serves as a wake-up call. We test for cholesterol and high blood pressure; both are leading causes of cardiovascular disease. It is estimated that roughly a third of diabetes cases are undiagnosed. Screening for diabetes can help identify some of these cases. When you add in the glaucoma, visual acuity, and bone density screenings, and factor in the fact that Oklahoma has the 48th highest rate of uninsured adults in the nation, it becomes very clear that Lions provide a tremendous, and much needed service.

The question now is how do we take our service to the next level? There are a number of ideas for this, but I think the answer boils down to one thing: Get the unit out more, and try to get to more underserved parts of the community. We have talked with some folks in the State Department of Career Technology, and have discussed the idea of partnering up to provide more screenings. The idea is that we would involve nursing students from around the state to perform the screenings, which would cut down on the number of Lions needed to run an event (we are supposed to have at least two Lions with the truck at all events). To take the idea a step further, we could also use Early Childhood Education students to provide child care so single parents would have the opportunity to get screened as well.

Of course, no matter what course we choose to take, we need to be able to provide resources to the Oklahomans we screen. If one of the patrons of the MHSU has a test-result that indicates the need to see a physician, but they do not have the financial means to make it happen, we should be able to recommend a place for them to go. Over the last few weeks, we have worked on updating some of the items in the MHSU. Along with new signage, we put together a resource guide to be used at the registration table when the need arises. The screening is only half the battle. If there is no follow-up, the work of the Lions is for naught! The MHSU is a great example of how the Lions of Oklahoma serve their community. While this is not an official state project, and is funded primarily through grants, the Lions have a lot of sweat equity in this mission. In an average year, we put in well over 5,000 volunteer hours to run the MHSU. Through these efforts, we have helped a lot of Oklahomans. As Hippocrates, the "Father of Medicine" noted in the opening quote, healing is often a matter of opportunity. With the MHSU, the Lions of Oklahoma have a fantastic opportunity to live up to our motto, **"We Serve!"**

It's that time again—let's Cowboy Up!

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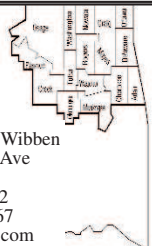
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"We are Winning the Race"

Unfortunately, it's the wrong race!! We are definitely winning the "Demolition Derby". It's not the race we want to be winning. During this race we have taken a lot of hits, lost some wheels, and run out of fuel. It is time to put new tires on that race car, fill with fuel, put new driver names on it (New Members) and enter the Indianapolis 500 race.

International President Madden says it's time for a pit stop. During a pit stop we can check our tire's (see how far we have come), adjust our traction bars (goals) and refuel.

New Members

(reported for Aug 2012)

- Bartlesville Downtown** Jeff Gordonwood
- Bartlesville Green Country** Edward C Mason
- Broken Arrow Evening** Dan Bargas
- Dewey** Eileen A Dunlap
- Muskogee** Kerry W Riley
- Wagoner** Robert Snodgrass

UPCOMING EVENTS PROJECTS

(To list your club -email your upcoming event/project to lewib9355@aol.com)

- Muskogee County Lions** Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast October 6, 2012 7:00 am to 10:00 am Cost \$7.00
- Applebee's 415 W. Shawnee Muskogee, OK to Support the Oklahoma School for the Blind
- Barnsdall** Craft Fair Bigheart Park Oct 12-13, 2012
- Bartlesville Green Country** Soup fund raiser @ First Church of the Nazarene 3650 Adams Blvd, Bartlesville Oct 13 2012
- Tulsa Brookside** Boohaha Pancake Breakfast Oct 27 2012

- 3-O Convention** and chili cookoff Nov 17, 2012
- 3-O Cabinet Meeting** Nov 17, 2012
- 3-K Convention** Jan 25 -26 2013
- 3-H Convention** Jan 2013
- 3-L Convention** Jan 2013
- 3-A Convention** Feb 2, 2013
- 3-O Cabinet Meeting** March 9 2013
- Chelsea** Chicken Dinner March 2013
- Fairland**-Golf Tournament April 2013
- State Convention** Apr 26-27 2013
- Broken Arrow** Garage Sale May 2013
- Just Plane Fun** June 1 2013
- 3-0 Cabinet Meeting** Jun 8 2013

Club Reports:

Bartlesville Downtown: Sponsorship. Sponsorship of Copan High School for the "I WANT ANSWERS" Rogers State University Public TV program was approved with a \$500. donation. Donations were also approved in the amount of \$150. for Robots 4 Youth and \$89.50 for Professional Optical.

Bartlesville Green Country: Continued Bartlesville's Park maintenance, mowing and weed eating in Oak Park Attended Dewey 's 60th Anniversary (6 members) Donated \$500 to the District 3-0 Disaster Relief Fund. Donated eyeglasses/cell phones. Attended DG Cabinet Meeting, Aug 25th Attended Zone E Meeting, Tuxedo Club (9/17/12. Hosting potluck "Among Friends" Sept 18, Oak Park Methodist, Delbert King speaking on the History of Lions.

Broken Arrow Evening: Re-cycled 164 pairs of eyeglasses and 34 eyeglass cases. Sponsored the MHSU at the Broken Arrow Back to School Bash event. Screened approx. 30-35 people. Sponsored a Zone Meeting on August 20.

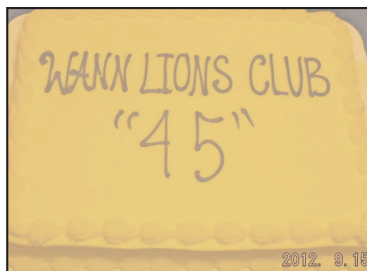
Dewey:60th Anniversary
Muskogee County: Muskogee County Lions and the Coweta Lions Donated 700 pounds of frozen chickens to Wagoner Area neighbors Food Shelf.

Pawhuska: Scholarship money for two high school seniors total donated \$1000 Sapulpa: Donated \$100 to Glenpool Lions golf tournament. Donated \$100 to Sapulpa FOP golf tournament. Donated \$300 to Sapulpa school foundation golf tournament Working concession stands for Sapulpa football games

Tulsa Red Fork: The Hearing association and they are having a Health Fair and have scheduled the mobile screening from OKC Lions for September 29th They need Lions to volunteer (6/8)

Wagoner: Collected 125 pair of used eye glasses. Shipped about 110 ink cartridges to Oklahoma City Gave out 8 eye exam vouchers and 8 eyeglass vouchers Paid \$350 for vouchers that were used this month Held our fourth annual golf tournament (best ever) Planning an inner club food drive with Muskogee County Lions and the Coweta Lions Donated 700 pounds of frozen chickens to Wagoner Area neighbors Food Shelf.

Wann: 45th Anniversary.



DISTRICT 3-O CONVENTION

****Saturday --- November 17, 2012 ****

Registration Deadline: November 1st, 2012

Trinity United Methodist Church
3737 South Peoria Avenue
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74105

The Lions of District 3-O invite you to join us for the 2012 District Convention.
Saturday, 7:45 am -- 8:45 am Pancake breakfast sponsored by Tulsa Brookside
Saturday, 9:00 am - Opening session followed by informative workshop.
Updates from OLSF, OLBR, OLEB, (exciting things have happened)
Saturday 12:00 noon - Chili & Dessert Lunch sponsored by participating clubs, followed by District Cabinet meeting, nominations & elections, Constitution & By-Laws changes, etc.
"I'm District Governor Larry Wibben and I approve this message"

Should you wish to come on Friday night, the closest hotel is the Trade Winds Central Inn 3141 East Skelly Drive, Tulsa Phone 918-749-5561
Please make your own reservations. The costs including tax:
Double \$73.79 - Single \$62.44 (Queen Size bed)
There is no Hospitality Room on Friday night.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Registration Deadline: November 1st, 2012

Please Print

LION: _____ Club: _____
District: _____ First Timer: Yes No
Spouse/Guest/ Lion: _____ Club: _____
First Timer Yes No
Email: _____ Phone: () _____

Each Attendee Must Pay the Registration Fee of \$15 per person

Registration Fee (Meal included) _____ @ \$15 each + **Child's Book: Total \$ _____

** Bible Story Book for ages 4-10 - grades 1st-6th for Mansfield Wildlife Children) ** bring the day of the convention.

Breakfast: 7:45am -- 8:45 am (for those early arrivals)
(All you can eat Pancakes) and Sausage: _____ @ \$5 each Total \$ _____
Total enclosed \$ _____

Lunch: Noon ---- Chili & Dessert (Meal included in registration)

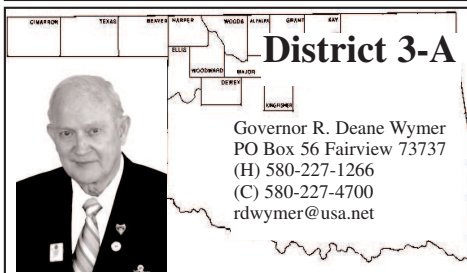
Would your club like to participate in District 3-O's Chili Tasting Contest?
(Please contact PCC Gary Taylor: 918-230-6272 for details & reserving table)
Would your club like to participate in District 3-O's Dessert Tasting Contest?
(Please contact Lion Trudy Fnyart 918 314-1276 for details & reservation)

If pin trader or other display tables are needed, please call Lion Doug King: 870 656-2615
(Chili Cook-Off & Bake-Off tables will be provided)

**Please bring the Child's book to the registration desk the morning of the convention.
Please make check payable to District 3-O Lions and mail with registration form to: Lion Wayne Middleton, District 3-O Secretary, 2916 Kingston Dr., Bartlesville, OK 74066



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Greetings District 3-A Lions:

Our District held our first Cabinet Meeting in conjunction with our Officers Training on August 25, 2012. The sessions were held in Fairview at the First United Methodist Church. We had twenty-seven (27) Lions in attendance for the sessions, which included presentations by our Global Leadership Chair, PCC Delbert King, and our Global Membership Chair, PCC Charles Michael. The freewill lunch was provided by the UMW (United Methodist Women). The sessions and meeting ended at 2:45. The second Cabinet Meeting is scheduled on November 17, 2012, again to be held at the Methodist Church in Fairview.

Also, highlighting the evening of this day, August 25, we celebrated the Golden Anniversary with our **North Enid Lions Club**. They rolled out the Red Carpet for this affair, and they had two (2) of the original Charter Members, James Coleman and Jim Powell having served for the full fifty (50) years. The speaker was Doctor Virginia Peters, Ph.D, who retired after thirty-five (35) teaching at the University of Central Oklahoma. She was our State Lions Convention keynote speaker in 2008, this evening providing a motivational yet humorous health and fitness Positive Lifestyle program, that kept the Lions members in stitches. Much thanks to President Joe Chandler, to Darlene and Ron Schultz along with the others on the Anniversary Committee for this great evening! I did find that my deceased Uncle Charley Dowd had been a charter member. The Club had many additional activities: Worked at the Commons pond (an Enid retirement facility), mowed, trimmed and watered trees at the Lions Park, spent 74 hours on the "Feed the Teachers" project, collected 214 eyeglasses and purchased 3 + 1 frame for needles, three (3) members visited an Enid /Briggs meeting, eight (8) Lions met with the Garfield County group of Clubs. This is only a partial list of their reported activities!

The **Fairview Lions Club** accepted three (3) applications for membership turned in by Lion Allen Moose. One is from Jan

Edwards, PDG who gave up her membership in the Oklahoma City Lions Club after her term as the DG, then moved to Fairview. Welcome home "Sheet Lady" Jan! The other two (2) are Chad Eldred and Bill Johnston. The Club did drop three (3) members during the month. The Lions Club is supporting the 5 K "Fun Run" again

this year, put together by PP Roger Knak, the Hospital Administrator, scheduled for November 10. Lion Game Warden Frank Hubert Jr has requested the Club to assist him with a "Hunter Safety Program" to be held at the NW VO-TECH Center on October 13th. We will feed approximately eighty (80) attendees, payment to be by a donation from a local bank sponsor. Preparation continued for the September 1, Labor Day weekend Gloss Mtn Car Show. The Medical Screening Unit will be in Fairview for the October 16 Health Fair being presented by the Fairview Regional Hospital and Clinic, along with the OU Harold Hamm Diabetes Outreach Unit screening for diabetes. Butch Edingfield is working of our highway signs to replace with a stronger back that will stand up to our adverse winds. He will need members to assist with the welding. The Club completed the summer youth "Back Pack Program" earlier in the month of August.

The **Okarche Lions Club** reports one (1) new member, Arthur Meyer, sponsored by Ed Krittenbrink. Their meetings start back in September and plan to have their fundraiser in October, according to their President, Tom Schaefer.

Pioneer Pleasant Vale Lions will continue to work the gate for their Pioneer Mustangs football games, starting September 7. An eyeglasses purchase was approved for a working adult; although, normally purchases are restricted for youth. They plan to fund a "supply list" to be received from the teachers as opposed to an appreciation meal. The "Tops in Blue" concert, which was a great success, was attended by eight (8) Lions members who assisted in program distribution and seating VIP guests, and have stated they are ready for next year. PPV members attended the Garfield County meeting held on August 29 and have volunteered to serve at the County Fair September 8. The guest speaker on August 21, Rob Houston from the Enid Visitor's Bureau, spoke about the upcoming National Convention Kite-Fest to be held October 1 - 6 in Enid. The Club plans to assist with the Fest. They paid the first half of the two Pioneer

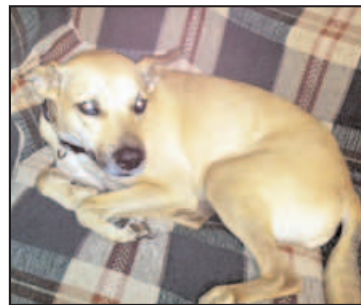
Scholarships and held a pizza party for the Pioneer Pleasantvale 4-H club

The **Ponca City Lions Club** reports they purchased twelve (12) pairs of eyeglasses spending \$1350 and collected 563 pair of used glasses for recycling. Their EVA program transferred four (4) customers to the State Department of Visual Services, and they now have brand new updated equipment. Six (6) Lions through their LVSG program provided transportation for seventeen (17) individuals. They assisted their first (1st) OK Prevent Blindness screening, for 29 children, ages from ten (10) months to three (3) years. Seven (7) individuals were referred for potential vision problems. Used cell phones being collected will go to Operation Pioneer Spirit to be sold and the proceeds will be used to buy and mail phone cards to deployed soldiers. Lions Stride Diabetes AwarenessWalk is set for October 13. For additional information contact Lion Terry Woodruff at 580-716-1920.

The **Garber Lions Club** collected fifty (50) pairs of eyeglasses for recycling and twenty-five (25) printer cartridges. One (1) US flag and two (2) Oklahoma flags were donated by two (2) members for the Ambulance Building. The Club donated \$100 to a class at the Garber Grade School. The members were kept busy attending the various meetings including: the North Enid 50th Anniversary, the State Council meeting and Board meetings, the Cabinet meeting, the Garfield County meeting and the District Officer training meeting held in Fairview.

If your Lions Club was not included in this report that means your report has not yet been received by your Governor!

R Deane Wymer DG 3-A



Mabel's Mutterings... Got the boys on the school bus...checked the yard for strangers... had a snack...NOBODYS looking...I'm taking a nap on the couch!

At The Ranch!

By colleen fowler

One of the things that makes working at the Boys Ranch so interesting is that we are always being challenged to grow and to learn. We attend workshops and conferences all through the year. A recent one was on Improving Counseling skills and one of the topics was something very familiar but now so clear to me. Most of us have used the terms *consequences* and *punishment* interchangeably. We learned the difference. Consequences are actions taken to teach and correct behavior...punishment is meant to hurt and harm. It is really the basis of what we do here. These boys come to us sometimes with behaviors that have made it difficult for them to be successful. We use "consequences" not just to stop them from misbehaving, but to help them learn the correct behavior. If we punish without teaching, we are setting them up to continue to fail. This small concept is a great responsibility to all of us. If we ask for your support, but do not teach you what about who we are and what we do and why...we have done you a disservice. It takes us all to comfort, care and correct. We owe the boys the best we can give. Fall is approaching we hope to be outside more working in the yard and trying out our new Disc Golf set we received from the Harrah Lions Club (Thank-you!). We have begun the task of adopting a highway. Every month we alternate the houses to go and pick up the trash from north of the river bridge to the Highway 33 & 177 intersection. We have a matching stipend to help the houses earn extra money. This can be put to use for extra vacation money, something for the whole house or any activities we want to do. It's great to have the boys (and staff) working together for a cause that rewards all of us. They have become more aware of trash being thrown out and they get pretty upset if someone "messes" up our road -hahaha! We recently went to the Circus courtesy of the Perkins Lions Club and now we are trying to figure out what to do on Fall Break! We have 2 seniors this year, one at each house so we are in the midst of Senior pictures, class rings and yearbooks. What a joy to be able to share this accomplishment with them. Always remember that you have a part in this by providing food, shelter and stability for them. Two things I want to mention... I am now updating the website www.olbr.org regularly as well as the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch facebook page, so I invite you to not only go there and browse, but share it with all your contacts! Also start planning now to attend our annual Christmas Party on December the 1st at the High School Commons in Perkins. There is great food, an auction, an opportunity to meet the staff and the boys as well as a chance to meet and network with other Lions from all over the state!

That's more than enough for now.. see you at the Ranch!.....Colleen

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ROBERTS RAMBLING

Last month I reported that I had estimated to LCI that by the end of October we would have had 15 new members and 15 drops. By September 14th, we have had 9 new members while dropping 13 for a net loss of 4.

Several Lions Clubs have committed to recruit even more new members than the average of their losses over the past nine years. West Side Lions Membership Chair Linda Webb challenged Northwest Lions Membership Chair Amy McGory to recruit 10 new members. Amy in turn challenged Linda to the same. The looser is to make a donation to the Service Foundation in the name of the Winner. Both clubs needed to recruit about 5 new members to overcome their average losses. I encourage other clubs to do the same.

It appears that a major hurdle in reaching our District Membership Goals lies in the area of retention. Clubs are encouraged to participate in the Club Excellence Process Workshop. Contact me to start the process of being assigned a Workshop Facilitator.

Club Excellence Award

Earlier this month I signed and submitted an application for the 2011-2012 Club Excellence Award. Only one of our clubs felt that they had met the requirements of the award. There should have been more. The District Governors Team hopes that at least half of our clubs will qualify for this award this year. There are seven areas which must be met to qualify for the award.

I. Club In Good Standing – All dues and fees paid to International.

II. Service – Three service projects must be identified with date.

III. Contribution – The club must have made a contribution to LCIF. Notice it just says a contribution. It does not state how much. I asked and they agree that \$5 would satisfy the requirement. While this is true, I do not expect the clubs which give much more to just give this amount. I know of two clubs who have given at least \$100 each.

IV. Membership – The club must either have had a net growth in membership or sponsored a new club. The new members must have been inducted and then received an orientation to Lions Clubs.

V. Communication – The club must explain how it has publicized its activities, especially its service projects.

VI. Leadership Development – All officer positions were properly elected and a majority of them participated in leadership training from the district.

VII. Club Development – The club must have held 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.

The District Governors Team will also be working towards qualifying for the District Governors Team Excellence Award. If each of the clubs strive to qualify, it will be easy for the District to qualify.

Many of our clubs have fallen into a rut when it comes to service projects. Several take the easy route of funding other groups to accomplish their projects with the exception of providing eyeglasses. One suggested method of doing Service Projects is the Global Service Action Program. It suggests one Community-Based Service Project per quarter: July-September: Youth; October- November: Vision; December-March: Hungar; April-June: Environment. As you can see in the Club reports later, a couple of clubs met the first quarter youth requirement.

Another way to be involved in a Community-Based Service Project is to participate in President Madden's Reading Action Program. Help our children and youth learn to read so that they can become fully functional adults in our society.

DEATHS

Cushing: Will H. Prather, August 15, 2012.

NEW MEMBERS

Guthrie: Michael L. Simpson, 09/03/12, by S.Janna Pierson, and J. Lucy Swanson, 08/10/12, by Kathy Montgomery.

Morrison: Tiffany B. Dziuban, 08/04/12, by Rick McSwain.

Perry: Shauna Crowson, 08/08/12, by Jack Adolezal.

The Village: Lauren T. Miller, 08/01/12, by Lacey L. Biffle.

Dates and Events

October 20: State Lions Council and Board Meetings, OKC West Side Town

Hall

October 27: District 3-H Cabinet Meeting, location not yet determined.

November 1: Capitol Hill Lions Bean Dinner

February 23, 2013: Edmond Lions 50th Anniversary

Club News

Cushing: On August 21, the United Fund provided representatives from Love INC, Back Pack Food Program for Kids, Boy Scouts of America, Wings of Hope, and the Ministerial Alliance to give presentations of their programs to Club Members. They reported that the United Fund Kickoff Ice Cream Freeze Off would be on August 24th. Over a half dozen Cushing Lions attended to watch another Lion participate in the Freeze Off Contest. We collected tickets at the Cushing Community Rodeo.

Edmond: We have had a couple of good speakers at our last two meetings. Larry Jefferies & wife Marcia told about their ministry for folks who for one reason or other are living on the street and need help which 'Love Link' provides for free. Mainly they need help with non-perishable food items. We used some of the 'Tail Twisters' money and many brought food items to donate. At the next meeting we had a speaker from Parents Helping Parents, Pat Nichols. The parents are dealing with children who are addicts to alcohol or drugs. He showed a video of a couple who have a daughter who got caught up in drugs, landed in prison, and is now in rehab & how Parents Helping Parents helped the couple deal with the problem.

We discussed several items including our scholarships, our fund raisers, thank you guest speakers, sponsor the mobile health unit for the student nurses of UCO, plans for our clubs' 50th anniversary in 2013, & passed our budget for the 2012-13 Lions' year. We bought three people in Edmond eyeglasses as well as collected and turned in 375 pairs of used eyeglasses to be recycled. We were brought up to date on our members who are ill.

Midwest City: Turned in 415 pairs of eyeglasses, 15 cell phones and 2 hearing aids. On August 28 we had an official visit by 3 Lions from OKC Northwest. Purchased three new trailer tires and rims for the Eyeglass Trailer. Donated \$750 to the Mary Lou Hawkins Fall Scholarship at Rose State College; donated \$25 in memory of Hilari Star Smith Tayrien, Louis Lackey's Granddaughter.

OKC Metro: Collected and Donated 51 Books with Boys and Girls Club of Oklahoma County. Collected 191 pairs of eyeglasses.

OKC Northwest: Five members made an inter club visit to the OKC West Side Lions Club; collected 148 pairs of eyeglasses. Donated funds to the Boys & Girls Club of Oklahoma County in honor of speakers.

OKC West Side: Provided Backpacks for Kids for use when elementary aged children are picked up by the Department of Human Services due to alleged home abuse or neglect, the family became homeless, or parents have been incarcerated. Sponsored the MHSU

Prague: Family Night on September 20th. Had a Fish Fry for Lions family and prospective members.

Stillwater Noon: There were 6 requests for eyeglasses. Two eyeglasses were purchased at a cost of \$85 a pair. We continue to recycle eyeglasses to send to other nations for those in need. We provided a booth at the Payne County Fair for three nights to provide free eye-screening for adults and children. Numerous people were served. There were 12 Lions who helped park cares at two Stillwater High School football games in September. This is both a community service and a fund raiser for our club. Noon Lions also helped park cars for the OSU Cowboy Jamboree cross country track meet. Six Lions signed up to help Edwin Fair Mental Health register people for a free mobile screening health unit. Ink cartridges and cell phones and hearing aides continue to be recycled. Roberta Stangler, who has served as a Ranch Parents for 14 years at the OLBR, spoke to club members about the youth who are helped through the Ranch. Justice Douglas Combs of the Oklahoma Supreme Court presented a program to members. Stillwater Mayor spoke to the club about issues involving the community. OLSF Executive Director Troy Jenkins provided information about the Foundation to New Lions members. Sales of Head Country ribs grossed \$2700.

Stroud: The club was busy with Fund Raising during August: we raised funds for a scholarship; had a fund raising dinner for Habitat for Humanity; and another dinner along with youth cheerleaders. We also continued planning our September 15th Golf Tournament.

The Village: We held our Seventh Annual Village Lions Car Show with 95 cars being registered. We raised \$3021. Our new member participated with registration. At the car show we collected 64 pair of eyeglasses to go along with another 58 pair of glasses collected earlier. On September 8, we sponsored the MHSU at the Estes Park Church of Christ as a part of their Health Fair.



District 3-K Mid-Winter Convention

January 25 – 26, 2013
St. Crispins Conference Center
Seminole, OK



Directions to St. Crispins Conference Center:
From the west - take Hwy 9 East out of Seminole 6.3 miles; turn right on the Conference Center road
From the east - take Hwy 56 to Hwy 9, turn west and go 4.8 miles; turn left on the Conference Center road

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Friday, 6:30 p.m. – dinner and activities

Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – Opening session followed by informative seminars, youth and adult speech contests. Our International guest will be delivering our keynote address at the noon luncheon. District 3-K Cabinet Meeting will convene immediately following the close of the noon luncheon.

Saturday's Silent Auction Fundraiser: 9:00 a.m. until 15 minutes following the adjournment of the Cabinet meeting.

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. – Reception followed by banquet and entertainment at 6:00 p.m.

MEALS

Friday evening – Brisket, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, salad bar, bread, assorted cobblers

Saturday breakfast – Biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit & yogurt, assorted cereals

Saturday lunch – Baked potato bar, chili, broccoli cheese soup, corn bread, assorted cookies

Saturday evening banquet – Meat & cheese lasagna, green beans, garlic bread, salad bar, cake

Sunday breakfast – Breakfast casserole, home fries, fruit & yogurt, assorted cereals

LODGING INFORMATION


St. Crispins Conference Center
All rooms are furnished with twin beds
\$50.00 per individual/\$75.00 per couple per night
Reservations made below – DO NOT CONTACT ST. CRISPINS

Area Hotels (contact facility directly):
Best Western Seminole Inn & Suites
405-382-3139
Wewoka West Side Inn
405-257-8100 or 405-257-4223

A special gift will be available for the first 90 registration forms received. Meals & rooms guaranteed only if registration postmarked by 1/05/2013


Mail registration form (with check, if applicable, made payable to 2013 District 3-K Convention) to Denise Bailey, Treasurer, P.O. Box 1235, Wewoka, OK 74884. If you have questions, please call Lion Larry Bailey at 405-257-2431 or email at ghia3940@sbcglobal.net.

As of November 1, 2012, if you wish to pay for any or all of your registration by credit card, call Greg Arbuckte at First National Bank, 405-257-3333. Please have your credit card handy when you call. PLEASE NOTE: If paying by credit card, your reservations will not be complete until registration form is received at the address noted above and verification of credit card payment has been made with First National Bank.



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January 25 – 26, 2013
St. Crispins Conference Center, Seminole, Oklahoma



Name: _____ (Please Print) Home Lions Club: _____ First Timer: Yes No

Name of spouse/guest: _____ (Please Print) Is spouse/guest First Timer: Yes No

Email: _____ (Please Print) Phone: _____ Is Leo First Timer: Yes No

Early Registration (postmarked by January 5, 2013) Lion @ \$10.00 \$ _____ Spouse/Guest @ \$10.00 \$ _____
Late Registration (postmarked after January 5, 2013) Lion @ \$15.00 \$ _____ Spouse/Guest @ \$15.00 \$ _____

MEALS

Friday evening dinner (casual dress) Lion/Spouse/Guest/Leo # _____ @ \$13.00 \$ _____
Saturday breakfast Lion/Spouse/Guest/Leo # _____ @ \$6.00 \$ _____
Saturday lunch (Lions/Business Attire) Lion/Spouse/Guest/Leo # _____ @ \$8.00 \$ _____
Saturday evening banquet (Business/Semiformal Attire) Lion/Spouse/Guest/Leo # _____ @ \$11.00 \$ _____
Sunday breakfast Lion/Spouse/Guest/Leo # _____ @ \$6.00 \$ _____

LODGING

St. Crispins Room (twin beds) Roommate if applicable: _____

Single: Friday Saturday _____ Nights @ \$50.00 \$ _____
Double: Friday Saturday _____ Nights @ \$75.00 \$ _____

Total Due \$ _____

Check Enclosed: # _____ Amount: \$ _____ Paid by Credit Card: \$ _____ (See Instructions Below)

Special needs: _____

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Dates To Remember

<p>December 1 OLBR Christmas Party</p> <p>December 21-27 State Office Closed for Christmas</p> <p>January 11 VDG Training State Office</p> <p>January 12 State Convention Planning State Board Meetings Boneyard Meeting State Council Meeting</p> <p>January 19 1st Annual Southwest Pin Swap Lake Murray Lodge Contact Travis Cummings 405 222-5421</p> <p>January 25-26 District K Convention St.</p>	<p>Crispin's Conference Center, 36302 State Highway 9, Wewoka</p> <p>February 2 District A Convention-Fairview</p> <p>February 9 District H Convention</p> <p>February 16 District L Convention</p> <p>March 21-22 DGE/VDGE Training Oklahoma City</p> <p>April 26-27 State Convention Oklahoma City Marriott Northwest Expressway</p> <p>April 26 OLBR Golf Tournament</p>
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Left Don Henn, Don Owens, DG Larry Wibben Removing a tree in front of the storage trailer at the state office.
Above Don Owen taking a break from the state office work day.

Mark Your Calendars.....

April 26-27, 2013
Multiple District 3 Lions of Oklahoma
2013 State Convention

Marriott Hotel - Oklahoma City
3233 NW Expressway
405-842-6633

Rooms - \$93.00 for Lions of Oklahoma
Registration forms will be available shortly as soon as meals are confirmed.

Expect.....
Educational sessions
International Representative
Scrumptious food
Entertainment /Speech Contests

Adult theme: "How does a World of Service" Challenge my Generation
Youth theme: "What Does a "World of Service" Mean to Me?"
Youth Peace Poster Contest Winner - Theme: "Imagine Peace"
Celebrate 25th Year of Women in Lions

Many opportunities to see old friends and make new ones
Recognition of those with exemplary service to Lionism
Your Lions Convention Committee is working hard for you to have a wonderful weekend.

We are looking forward to seeing you there.
VCC Arlene Shore
Convention Chair