



Unite with International President Joe Preston and Lions around the world in strengthening the pride. (Join IP Joe Preston on his Facebook page: https:/ www.facebook.com/lcijoepreston)

Strengthen the Pride through Service. Service is the foundation of our association, so let's continue to build on it as we approach our Centennial. [Lions Club Secretaries: Report your club's service activities on-line a www.lionsclubs.org > MyLCl, or submit a monthly report to your District Governor and to the OK Lions State Office.]

**Centennial Service Challenge** "Lions will celebrate 100 years of service in 2017, and I'm inviting you to be part of this special moment in our history. The Centennial Service Challenge encourages Lions around the world to help reach our goal of serving 100 million people by December 2017. Lions can participate by supporting our Global Service Action Campaigns throughout the year: *Engaging Our Youth* in August, *Sharing the Vision* in October, *Relieving the Hunger* in December and January, and *Protecting Our Environment* in April. Let's celebrate 100 years of Lions Clubs International by doing what we do best: Making a global impact through service!" Joe Preston, LCI President

Serve Children in Need – Find out how your club can support and empower children in need. (see below for more information.)

Strengthen the Pride by Strengthening Your Club. Make sure your club is on track for success and growing to meet the needs of your community.

Ask One – Just imagine how much more Lions could do and how many more people they could serve! All it takes is asking one person...get started today!

**Just Ask**. Use the **Just Ask! Guide** to lead your club through the process of recruiting new members and effectively managing club growth.

Strengthen the Pride

**Promote your next meeting**. Spread the word about your club by using a sample press release provided at www.lionsclubs.org. It can be quickly and easily customized to include your club's information.

**Club Excellence Process** (CEP) – Get your club performing at its highest level through an interactive CEP workshop; now available in two versions – CEP Pro and CEP Lite. Check with your district's Global Leadership person or with your District Governor.

**Club Blueprint** – Map out your plan for ongoing club success in three simple steps.

Strengthen the Pride through Creativity. Use technology to enhance your communications and create new connections with your community.

**Online Tools** – Find new tools to increase your online presence and club efficiency.

Social Media – Use the power of social media to promote your club and connect with new members.

Check out the **2014-15 President's awards** to learn how exceptional clubs and members can earn special recognition for strengthening the pride! Ask your District Governor.

# Organize Service Projects for Children in Need

Organize service projects and activities for underserved children in your area by becoming a Lions Services for Children (LSC) chairperson in your club or district. Motivate clubs to undertake service projects that: • Support efforts that aim to improve the lives of children and adolescents living in adverse circumstances.

 Provide programs and assistance to underserved children, such as: health screenings, provision of eyeglasses, hearing aids, or assistive technology to improve literacy, summer reading programs, immunizations, toy and clothing collections, school lunch and community feeding programs, support of recreational camps and sporting events for children with disabilities, and participation in global missions.

LCI Children in Need on Facebook: https:// www.facebook.com/lcilionschildrenfirst

LCI is partnering with many global organizations to help Children in Need; just look at the sponsors and participants for the recent **2014 Children In Need Symposium** held in Toronto in conjunction with the LCI Convention: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Civic Enterprises, CNIB, GAVI Alliance, Global Education Fund, Global Food Banking Network, International Diabetes Federation, International Relief and Development, Lions Quest Canada, Lost Boys Rebuilding Southern Sudan, Perkins International, Save the Children Canada and USA, Scholastic, Speak Up Africa, Special Olympics, Street Kids International, UNICEF Canada, UNICXEF Headquarters NY, USAID, World Wide Hearing





Celebrating with Building the Foundation! Executive Director Marie Burns

The Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation is more than just the fundraising arm for Oklahoma Lions. The Foundation has helped to serve the citizens of the great State of Oklahoma in cooperation with the Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank and The Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch. The partnership has restored eye sight to the blind, assisted young boys with a brighter future, and provided health screenings to those in need through the Mobile Health Screening Unit. OLSF was founded in September of 1974 according to the Internal Revenue Service and will be celebrating its **40**<sup>th</sup> **Year Anniversary** in September of 2014. Oklahoma Lions have supported the foundation with tax deductible donations to assist the Oklahoma Lions State Projects as well as the Mobile Health Screening Unit. Oklahoma is blessed to have Lion members and the service projects that help so many of its citizens.

This past year has been successful as the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation (OLSF) through many faithful and dedicated Lions. Lion members have provided over **1,000 screenings** to Oklahomans through **the Mobile Health Screening Unit (MHSU)** in cooperation with the service foundation. Thank you to all the club members who have served in your local communities through the MHSU this year. Local communities have responded by giving thanks for the unit and some individuals have called the state office with compliments and praise for the screenings provided.

Annual fundraisers helped to bring in additional funds to support state projects. Almost \$18,000.00 was donated through the White Cane Campaign and almost \$79,000.00 through the Cowboy Cadillac. The foundation has contributed to the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch and Eye Bank with the following:

#### OK Lions Boys Ranch FY 2013-14 budget \$95,000

\$28,419.17 OLSF Board approved non-restricted payment from Trust
\$6,886.60 OLSF Board approved non-restricted payment from Trust
\$15,833.40 Unrestricted from OLSF
\$25,404.00 Restricted from OLSF
\$7,500.00 Grants received by OLSF to OLBR \$58,639.17
\$84,043.17 = FY 2013-2014 Year

### OK Lions Eye Bank FY 2013-14 budget \$50,000

\$9,473.06 OLSF Board approved non-restricted payment from Trust
\$11,725.83 OLSF Board approved non-restricted payment from Trust
\$8,334.00 Unrestricted Funds from OLSF
\$4,455.00 Restricted Donations from OLSF
\$33,987.89 = FY 2013-2014 Year

While it has been a good year with the foundation fundraisers, receiving good audits, and serving the community, there is still so much more to be done. In support of such an effort the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation (OLSF) Board of Directors held its annual *OLSF Board Training and Strategic Planning session on July 26, 2014.* The goal was to review the organizational structure, financial goals, and fundraising goals for the upcoming year. I would personally like to see an increase in the annual giving towards the support of the Eye Bank and the Boys Ranch. To do this effectively we need help. We need to focus on **Building the Foundation**!

All of us have devoted time and energy to making sure our homes are financially stable and our loved ones are taken care of. It is no different for a service foundation. We must all make sure that the Oklahoma Lions Service foundation is financially stable so that funding and growth will continue. Administration and governance is an important part of insuring that dollars go towards the projects intended, insurance and financial matters are handled appropriately, and the future of the foundation is secure. Planned giving, BTF, Special Projects, and fundraising campaigns are needed to assure that Lions Services continue for another 40 years. The OLSF goal is to add partnerships with foundations, corporations, and government funding, but we all need to plan and work together to make it happen!

Building the Foundation will help maintain security and ensure the longevity of the foundation. Please consider supporting the foundation with a monthly gift and becoming a BTF member. If you are already a member please consider raising the support and challenging other Lions to do the same.

Planned giving is another way to secure the longevity of the work Lions do in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma Community Foundation is willing to assist in the endeavor to support OLSF, the Boys Ranch, and the Eye Bank with continual support through an endowment. Call to make an appointment with the staff from OCCF, the State Office, OLBR, or OLEB. Your support is needed and will render blessings to so many in need. Let's make the Lions Projects known throughout the State of Oklahoma and secure the future of these and other Lions projects for the next 40 years to come!

Again, Happy Anniversary to the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation and thanks to all Oklahoma Lions for making SERVICE a priority!



Hello, 3-O Lions! I trust this month's article finds all well with you and yours!

I want to first say "Thank You" for selecting me as your District Governor. This is not a position I take lightly, and I am humbled and honored to serve our District in this capacity. My desire is to honor the Governors before me, to serve our Lions, and to serve our District—and, therefore, our Multiple District—to be stronger by the end of my year.

International President Joe Preston has challenged us to focus our efforts to **Strengthen the Pride** this year.

We're challenged to **Strengthen the Pride through: Service**: As IP Preston says, "Belonging is never enough!" We're challenged to get our members involved in serving our communities in honor of our upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary (2017). Seek new ways to serve your local community; get involved in Districtwide projects like "Just Plane Fun;" increase your involvement in events to strengthen our Multiple District projects like the Boys Ranch and the Eye Bank; and International efforts through LCIF!

Strengthening our Clubs: We're encouraged to "Ask One!" Simply stated, each of us knows at least one person who espouses Lions values, but isn't a member. Ask that person to join Lions! Maybe that person doesn't live in your Club's immediate area; just point them toward a Club that they live near! My desire is to see our Clubs increase membership by 10%. It's <u>NOT</u> unattainable or unreasonable if we each Ask One!

**Creativity**: We have to challenge ourselves to move forward with a more powerful internet presence, both with websites and through proper utilization of social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. There is most likely someone in your Club who can help lead this charge to bring your Club roaring into the 21<sup>st</sup> century!

On June 28, my son and I drove to Tulsa to pick up our rental van for the trip to the International Convention in Toronto. Yes, we drove, all 5 of us; some might think its crazy, but we had a lot of fun and saw a lot of AMERICA on that trip! Driving through Chelsea, Oklahoma, I was proud to see our Lions out, bright and early, standing at all corners of the stoplight for their White Cane Day event. I visited with one of the Lions as I came through, and got to visit with another when I came back through an hour later on the opposite corner! It was then that I heard of another vehicle that had stopped earlier in the morning. A man had pulled up to one of our Chelsea Lions and dropped cash into the bucket. As he looked the Lion in the eye, he said "You all (Lions) paid for me to get my first set of eyeglasses!" What a wonderful opportunity for a Lion today to see the difference that a Lion several years ago made in that man's life!

Great Congratulations go to the <u>Henryetta</u> Lions Club, who celebrated their 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in July, and they aren't showing any signs of slowing down! Lion President Billie Been has already shared her four major goals with the Club for the upcoming year through their print and online newsletter, and they have an action plan in place to make sure they happen!



2014-2015 Henryetta Lions Club Officers are Immediate Past President Jeremy Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Jeanda Spurlock, Treasurer Judy Stidman, President Billie Been, (seated) Secretary Marilyn Althaus and Installing Officer PCC Linda Hughes. Not pictured: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Joy Wittman and Tail Twister Dirk Palmer.

I had the pleasure of installing officers for the **South Grand Lake** Lions Club in Langley as my first official act as District Governor! This seven year-old Club has a fantastic web presence in both their website and multiple Facebook pages; they maintain and use these platforms to help keep their members and the general public informed of their activities.

Other than great service activities, FUN, and a heart committed to service, what do these two successful Clubs also have in common? Intentional Communication If you want to see a Lions Club that has high member satisfaction and top-of-mind awareness in their community, you'll find it's a Club that places a priority on communication. Ask yourself these questions and see how you rate:

Do our members hear from the leadership team between meetings?

If you stopped at any gas station in town and asked if there was a Lions Club locally, what would they say?

When was the last time we submitted anything to the newspaper, local radio and internet radio stations, or television for publicity?

Is our "public face" current, or do we have out-of-date information on the internet? If your answers weren't what you hoped they would be, do something about it! Put a Lion in charge of communications. Keep those lines of communication positive, open, and flowing both ways.

Thank you for all you do for your Club, your Community, and for Lions Clubs International! If there is any way I can serve your Club, please let me know!

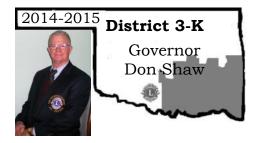
DG Randy Keller email

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1st VDG Mike Fritz email



DG Randy Keller visiting South Grand Lake Lions



District 3-K was well represented at International Convention in Toronto: DG and wife, Nelda Shaw, Idabel; PDGs Billy and Cloye Thompson, Ardmore; Lion Russell Wright, Coalgate.

No doubt, at the Lions International Parade on Saturday, July 5, the Oklahoma "Indians" were the most photographed group.

It is so interesting to discuss Lionism with other Lions from around the world. We all enjoyed reports from past International President Barry Palmer, Australia, and from incoming International President Joe Preston, Arizona, who has written a song "Strengthen the Pride" which we sang a dozen times.

Past President Palmer reported to us that he was away from home 350 days during his year as International President, and that he visited most of the 207 countries which have Lions Clubs.

DG Dawn Miller, DG Dee Carson, and I were in DGE school class Nbr. 24 with Lions

from USA, Canada, Nepal, South Africa, Nigeria and India. [Instructor was from Australia.] The DGE classes were conducted in 8 different languages.

Our first cabinet meeting will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning, Aug. 16, at the First United Methodist Church in Atoka, followed by new officer training.

Ada Lions has a new branch club at Sulphur. I see branch clubs and e-clubs as being an important way for Lions to grow membership.

I hope each club will prepare school supplies for needy children at some school in your community and remember to purchase Kleenex, paper towels, pencils, erasers and paper for the teachers.

Start now to make plans to assist the needy in your community with Thanksgiving baskets and Christmas baskets, and work with the OK Dept. of Human Services for the Adopt an Angel program.

# **Club Activities**

<u>Atoka</u> Awarded a \$1,000.00 scholarship and two \$500.00 scholarship to three Atoka High School students. Donated \$500.00 each to the Carney, Stringtown and Tushka school scholarship foundations. Presented \$50.00 to the Atoka County High School student of the month. The club sold Bar-B-Q lunches raising over \$1,700.00 for White Cane, and provided vision test and glasses for a limited resource individual.

**Broken Bow** Lion David Norris was honored with 57 years of Lion Service before moving from Broken Bow to New Orleans, LA. Club Officer installation was held June 10 at the Stephens Gap Restaurant. The club also purchased two pairs of eyeglasses.



District 3-K last cabinet meeting of 2013-2014. (L-R) 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Don Shaw, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Stephanie Pettett and PDG Daryl Pults

# **2014 International Convention**



OK Lions at LCI Con-International Parade, Toronto 2014: DGEs Randy Keller (and his wife and 3 kids), Don Shaw (and wife Nelda), Kristi Fields, Dee Carson (and M-in-L PDG Carobelle Carson), Dawn Miller; CC Tom and Lion Lynda Cummings, VCC Sue Thompson, VDG Jacque Mooney, PVCC Arlene Shore, PDG Russell Wright, Lions John and Colleen Schmidt. PDGs Billy and Cloye Thompson also attended Convention, but not the parade.



Hello fellow Lions! I hope you are all having a wonderful summer. My name is Kristi Fields and I am excited to serve as your district governor for the upcoming year. Is it just me or did this past year just fly by? I can't believe my term has already started and, as I write this, July is almost over. My month has been very busy so far. I had the privilege of representing our district at the Lions International Convention in Toronto. In fact, I'm still not unpacked. During my trip, I was able to meet our new International President Joe Preston. He is very enthusiastic and extremely excited about his upcoming year. His theme for this year is "Strengthen the Pride." I will expand on this and programs for this year in my next newsletter and in future emails to Club Presidents.

Before I get to the rest of my newsletter, I would like to let everyone know of an important date coming up. Our annual officer training will be held August 16 in Chickasha. This is a very important event. Attendees will learn what to expect as a new club officer, as well as ways to grow their clubs. You will receive more information the first week of August. If you are a club or district officer, please mark your calendar to attend this important event.

The main purpose of this first newsletter is to introduce myself and give you an idea of what you can expect in future newsletters. I would like to include the following: club activities, dates of upcoming club visits, other important dates to remember and a place to recognize new members and their sponsors. In order to do this, it is important that club secretaries do monthly activity reports or email me with updated information about service projects and new members. Please include pictures and I will get in as many as possible. You can email information to kristi.fields@sbcglobal.net. Please put "Lions" in the subject line.

I thank you all for giving me the opportunity to serve you and look forward to the upcoming

year as we get to know each other and work together to grow our organization.

# **Club News**

<u>Altus:</u> Sponsored The Whiskey Bent Band as a fundraiser; installed a returning member to the club.

<u>Anadarko</u>: Worked concession stand for Honor America Day on July 4.

<u>Canute</u>: Put out flags for flag day and July 4<sup>th</sup> with the help of FFA youth; installation of officers by VDG Karen Blanton from Elk City; providing refreshments for Canute School staff in August.

<u>Chickasha:</u> Presented Lion of the Year to Lion Wayne Leu. Presented awards to members of 30+ years (Lions: James Elston, Weldon Foster, Gale Thorsen, Jerry White, Ron Justice, and Ealmer Kippel)

**Lawton NE On-Line Branch**: Hosted the "In Like a Lamb, Out Like a Lion" fundraiser on July 19. This is the second year Lion Starr Cannon has chaired the event.

Lawton Noon: Purchased over \$1,600 in mattresses for Salvation Army shelter and sports equipment for the Boys & Girls Club in Lawton.



Lion Jamie Hall, Lion Israel Roseno, and Past President Jennifer Robinette of Lawton Noon Lions presenting sports equipment to the Boys and Girls club of Lawton.

<u>Marlow:</u> Hosted activities at the annual Independence Day celebration in Redbud Park. This is a signature project for the club. Sold raffle tickets for a John Deere Gator and raised over \$7,000. Way to go Lions!



DG Kristi Fields with a future guide dog at the Lions International Convention.

## Welcome New Members!

Altus: Lion Harold Hayes Sponsor: Danny King El Reno: Lion Margie Avant Sponsor: James Avant Hobart: Lion Scott Tompkins Sponsor: Cecil Stockton

## **Upcoming Club Visits:**

Aug 4: Lawton Noon

Dates to Remember:

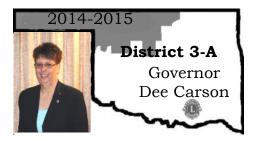
Aug 16: Officer Training Cabinet Meeting

DG Kristi Fields email kristi.fields@sbcglobal.net

1st VDG Karen Blanton email blanton\_specialk@yahoo.com

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Daniel Farrell email danielfarrell@hotmail.com

Secretary Marge Williams email cabsec3lmarge@yahoo.com



Thank you for my opportunity to be your District Governor this coming year. WE are a team! We are 935 members strong in 35 clubs. I appreciate the leadership of PDG Terry Woodruff this past year.

The first district cabinet meeting and officer training will be held in Garber on Saturday, Aug. 9; registration will be at 10am at the Garber Ambulance Building, 510 Main St. Training will start at 10:30 so bring your laptop or tablet so we can work on the LCI website. Bring your questions and we will have the answer (maybe)-lol. Lunch will be at the Garber United Methodist Church, 506 Seneca; donations will be appreciated. Cabinet Meeting will be at 1pm at the church. Encourage your members to attend.

Your dues notices have been mailed to the club treasurers. If you have not received the statement please contact me. Please remit payment by August 15 to Dana Cowan, District Treasurer, 1062 Grand Ave., Nash Ok. 73761.

At Governor's training in Toronto we were asked to bring a picture of a service project in our district. Mine was a picture taken by North Enid Lion Ron Schulz, showing members of several clubs decorating the graves at the NORCE Cemetery in Enid. Each DGE in the class contributed something describing a service project in their area; pictures were from several states and countries. I am proud to say that our class # 24 won second place out of 26 groups. Also attending International Convention were John and Evelyn Schmidt from Guymon and Carobelle Carson and Arlene Shore from Garber.

The "A" Team includes 1st VDG Joe Chandler (North Enid), 2nd VDG Harold Shore (Garber), District Global Leadership Terry Woodruff (Ponca City Noon), District Global Membership John Schmidt (Guymon) and Zone Chairs. We will be making visits to your clubs.

We are all volunteers. Thanks to each of you that will serve on a state board or one of the district committees. Thank you for your commitment to Lions.

Please let me know of your club activities, projects and fundraisers. I have a group page on Facebook: Oklahoma District 3-A Lions Clubs. You can put your fundraisers on the page to advertise them to all of District 3-A members and other districts. Contact the state office to get your event listed on the calendar in the state newsletter.

Coming up in September is the USA/ Canada Leadership Forum in Puerto Rico. Hope you can go to learn and enjoy. If you can't make it this year, I hope you can go to some of the others in the coming years.



Poster designed by District Governors Dawn Miller, Don Shaw, and Dee Carson, while attending class at the Internal Convention. The came in Second Place out of 26 groups

## LCIF Report-June 30, 2014 by PDG Carobelle Carson

A BIG SHOUT OUT to the COVINGTON LIONS CLUB for being the TOP DONOR CLUB IN DISTRICT 3-A. The 15-member club contributed \$2,235.75 to Measles to Sight programs and to the area of greatest need. A Melvin Jones Fellowship was given at District 3-A Convention in Ponca City to Lion Boyd Cline who has been a member for 21 years. Other Melvin Jones Fellows are Charles Metscher, PDG Don Boynton, Mike youth. Schram and Wendell Knouse. One third of their members are MJF's - WAY TO GO COVING-TON!

responded to the needs of the world by their contributions to LCIF. The top clubs were: Covington, North Enid, Ponca City Noon and Guymon. The next group is Garber, Okarche and Pioneer-Pleasant Vale. Group three (in alpha order) are:

Balko, Hennessey, Kingfisher, Nash, Tonkawa and Vici.

Thanks to each club and the members for raising \$8,246.75 during 2013-2014. Please consider adding LCIF to your budget for 2014-2015; look forward to seeing your name listed this year, your donations come back to Oklahoma.

The OK Lions Boys Ranch received the exciting news that Lions Club International Foundation awarded a \$75,000 grant toward the construction of the two new foster homes to be built this year. This will allow us to serve 8-10 additional foster

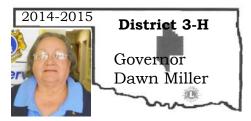
At the International Officers' reception at International Convention, Governor Dee, PDG Arlene and I had the opportunity to express to newly Thirteen Clubs or their individual members elected Bob Corlew our appreciation for this grant. Vice President Corlew mentioned his visit to the Boys Ranch in 2013 when he visited 3-A. Thank you, PID Pat Shurley for taking him there before we had the pizza party at Garber. VP Corlew asked to be informed of the dedication or open house ceremony that will occur when the

homes are finished. He would like to be invited back to OLBR to see the homes that are made possible by LCIF.

Thank you for your contributions in the past. I when you help Strengthen the Pride.



PVCC Arlene, PDG Carobelle, Newly Elected 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice International President Bob Corlew and DG Dee



#### **Summer Fun in Service**

Greetings, District 3-H Lions. And welcome to this year's "Strengthen the Pride" in Service theme! Please surf the Lions Clubs International website (www.lionsclubs.org) and view the motivating, colorful and interesting videos and publications as well as all the helpful hints and service ideas. And be sure and bring International President Joe Preston's theme song to your club and your family. Words will be published in the August issue of the District 3-H newsletter.

Many of you start your Lions year with back -to-school activities. The Cashion Lions do this by feeding the teachers during one or two of their preparation/inservice days before students start attending. What kind of school service activities does your Lions Club do? Please send articles and photos, both for this monthly state newsletter and our own District 3-H newsletter.

Are you a new Club Secretary this year, or are you continuing your prior service as Club Secretary? Just for all of you, the District will host a "hands-on" training on the afternoon of Saturday, August 23 at Rose State College Student Center in Midwest City. The computer tutoring will be one-on-one! There are a few new reporting challenges on the LCI website, especially concerning service activities. This workshop is incorporated into a larger session for Club leaders including Presidents, Vice-Presidents and Membership Chairpersons. But the computers and tutors are especially for Club Secretary use.

We may have the smallest District in Oklahoma, both by area and by number of clubs, but our Pride of Lions is mighty and strong. To strengthen this Pride, the District 3-H leadership team is hosting an extension and membership recruitment workshop the week of August 11, based here at the state office in Oklahoma City. Global Membership Team-Area Leader PDG Hal Griffin from Amarillo, Texas, will team with GMT-District Leader Marvin Ainsworth and as many of our club membership chairpersons and other interested Lions as possible. The flyer will be published soon and will come to you both by e-mail and mail, as well as posted on the web via our District website and Facebook page. Speaking of websites and Facebook pages, is your club active on-line? If not, just ASK and Lion Troy Jenkins, district IT and PR chair will be happy to help you. Create a video of your activities and Lions meetings and upload the videos to YouTube for Lions all over the world to see. Additional help is available from SMiLE, the Lions International program promoting the use of social media.

And now for something club specific, here's a few activities clubs have reported.

#### **District 3-H Club Activities**

**Carney**: On Facebook Lion Debi Reed reported the Carney Lions Club hosted their annual golf tourney on Fri., June 6, with only a 2-hour rain delay. She said, "With great hole sponsors and awesome teams playing, everyone had a fun time. Our members served up a hot lunch to all with plenty of food and drinks and no one leaving hungry."

**Cushing**: Lion President Jim Pickard posted on the 3-H Lion website that his Lions "braved high temperatures to man the gates and ticket booths for the Bank of Cushing sponsored 26<sup>th</sup> annual PRCA Rodeo," helping make this rodeo another huge success. Also sent in by Lion Jim, the photo featuring new Lion Howard Phillips, sponsored by Sharon Hudgins, and installed by CC/DG Tom Cummings. **Norman**: Although the Norman Lions do not typically meet during the summer months, Lion Don Steveson reported that the club paid for 4 eye exams and pairs of eyeglasses in June. And, for the fifth year in a row, the club donated \$100 to the Optometry Student Association at Northeastern State University in Tahleguah

**OKC Northwest**: Last year's Secretary Doug Schultz and this year's Secretary Jim Barnett reported that the club donated to the OK Lions Service Foundation (OLSF), OK County Sheriff's Triad, and to OKC Animal Welfare Division. They held their annual golf tournament on June 16, with 60 participants and "a lot of wind." They sponsored the OK Lions Mobile Health Screening Unit (MHSU) for Delta Airlines and screened 25 persons. They also collected 247 pairs of used eyeglasses and 29 pairs of lenses for recycling.

Stillwater Noon: Secretary Gladeen Allred reported by service category (exactly as needed by LCI). Thank you, Gladeen! The club awarded their \$750 Rick Darlington scholarship for a student in optometry. Purchased 2 pairs of eyeglasses (\$85), and 6 Lions helped park cars at the community "Boomer Blast" Independence Day celebration (5:30-9:30pm). In "Feeding the Hungry" the club continued with its monthly service project at the First UMC and hosted a speaker from "Kickin' the Hunger" weekend foodsacks for children project. Environmentally the club continues to recycle used eyeglasses and hearing aids.



Lions Sharon Hudgins and Bob Ashier





**Midwest City Lions Club** Eight members plus Sandy Marler adopted a mile on Midwest Boulevard adjacent to MWC Lions park. Lions in attendance were: Dave Kerr, Billy Moman, Ron & Dianna Hancock, Gayle Cochran, Ray & Sandy Marler and Gerald & Jacque Mooney

### August 2014 Membership Focus: Students and Leo Lions

Engaging Our Youth Global Service Action Campaign

Aug 1 District Team Leadership Training (DGs, VDGs, GMT-Ds and GLT-Ds, 3pm, Howard Johnsons, OKC by GLT-MD 3 Leader Arlene Shore and GMT-MD-3 Leader Charles Michael, Jr.

MD-3 OK Lions Council Agenda meeting, 7pm, OK Lions State Office, 4123 NW 10<sup>th</sup> St., OKC 73107

Aug 2 MD-3 Okla. Lions State Board and Council Meetings, West Side Lions Town Hall, 4135 NW 10<sup>th</sup> St., OKC 73107

7:45am OK Lions St. Conv. Planning Comm. Meeting 8:15am OLEB Executive Board Meeting (tentative), OK Lions State Office

8:55am OK Lions Council Meeting Opening 9:00am OK Lions Eye Bank Board Meeting 9:45am Briggs Scholarship Board Meeting

10:30am OK Lions Boys Ranch Board Meeting

- 11:15am OK Lions Service Foundation Board Meeting
- 12noon Lunch by 3-A Lions; Boneyard Meeting 1:00pm OK Lions Council Meeting, followed by clean-up

After Council Meeting/clean-up, MD-3 Audit Meeting, OK Lions State Office

- Aug 4 LCIF deadline for Standard, Core 4 and IAG Grants to be reviewed at the Oct. 2014 mtg.
- Aug 9 Rush Springs Lions Club annual Watermelon Festival 3-A Officer Training and Cabinet Meeting, 10:00am, Garber EMS Bldg. and later lunch and meeting at Methodist Church

Aug 11-15 3-H Extension Week, OK Lions State Office Conference Room, 4123 NW 10<sup>th</sup> St.

Aug 15 Leo Club Excellence Award applications due to LCI

Aug 16 3-K Cabinet Meeting and Club Officer Training, 10:00am, FUMC, Atoka

Aug 23 The Village Lions Club annual Car Show, Duffner Park, just east of N. May and Hefner Rd., OKC District 3-H Club Secretary and Club President Hands-On Computer Training, 2pm, Rose State Student Center, Mid west City District 3-L Club Officer Training, Canadian Valley Tech.

Center, Chickasha

# September 2014

Membership Focus: Students and Leo Lions

- Sept 1 Labor Day Holiday-OK Lions State Office Closed
- Sept 8 International Literacy Day
- Sept 11-13 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Puerto Rico
- Sept 27 OK Lions Boys Ranch Board of Trustees Meeting, Perkins South Grand Lake-Langley LC Chili Cook-Off
- Sept 30 LCI Deadline for Club and District Excellence Team Awards