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## **SPECIAL CONVENTION CALLED LIONS OF OKLAHOMA MD-3**

Saturday, January 9, 2016

approx.. 2:30pm

OKC West Side Town Hall

The Council of Governors of MD-3 Oklahoma moved to petition LCI to postpone the redistricting to begin July 1, 2017 rather than July 1, 2016, and to change the naming of the three (3) new districts. LCI advised that in order for this to take place we need to hold a Special Convention to allow the MD-3 membership to vote on both of these issues. LCI further advised that we need to give the membership a 60 day notice of the special convention for the voting. After the voting results have been determined, the Council will need to file a resolution with the LCI Board prior to March 5, 2016 (date of the next LCI Board of Directors Meeting) for the Board to take action on the two issues.

As it stands now, LCI will only recognize three (3) District Governors from MD-3 for the LCI Governor training in June, and we currently have five (5) who are in line to serve. Given this information, plus the necessity for each of the four (4) Boards (OLEB, OLBR, OLSF & Briggs) and the three new districts who must revise/create their Constitution and By-Laws, the later date of July 1, 2017 is all but required. It is the Council's recommendation that the delegates in attendance select the 2017 date. The Council asks that each club send delegates to the Special Convention to vote.

In summary, we will be voting on two separate issues:

1. Change effective date for implementation of redistricting plan to July 1, 2017, this will be a Yes / No vote.

2. Select Option 1 or Option 2 (AS SHOWN ON REVERSE SIDE) for the naming of the three (3) new districts.

Lions of Oklahoma MD-3 have always been a stronghold of dedicated Lions and we want to continue with that tradition. If you have any questions, please contact your District Governor.

The MD-3 Council of Governors

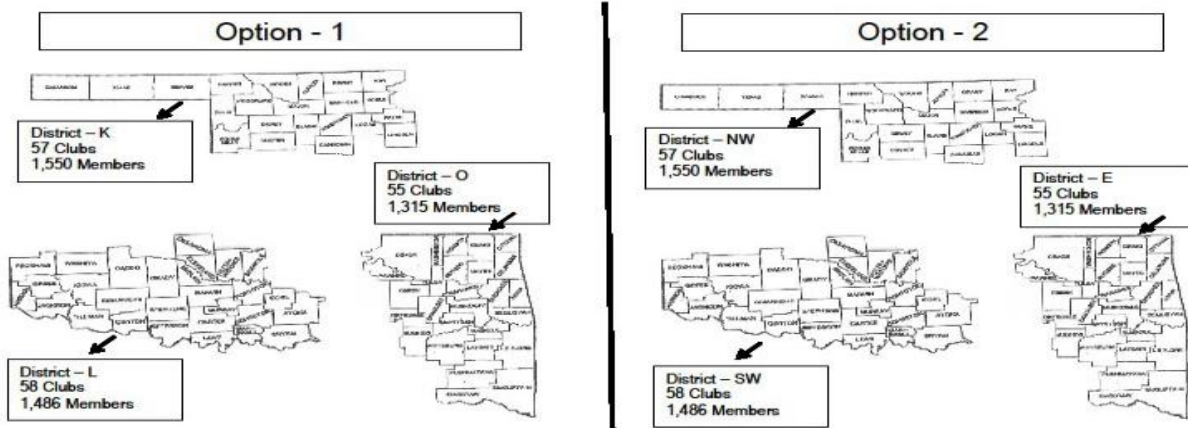
Lions of Oklahoma (MD-3) proposed districts for vote are:

Option 1 - Districts O, K, and L

Option 2 - Districts E, NW, and SW

Voting will be Saturday, January 09, 2016

Question and Answer session and voting will immediately follow Council Meeting



Membership numbers are as of June 30, 2015



# OKLAHOMA LIONS SERVICE FOUNDATION

By Lion Marie Burns, OLSF Executive Director



## Cowboy Cadillac Update

It's almost time to DRAW!

Please join the Oklahoma Lions and the Lions Service Foundation at the drawing December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 1:00 PM at **Stevens Ford in Enid Oklahoma** on the showroom floor. **The Address is 3101 West Garriott Rd., Enid, OK 73703, in Enid Oklahoma.**

**The Grand Prize** winner will receive a **2015 Ford F-150** extended cab truck, or \$20,000 cash! In addition, each district is guaranteed to win a consolation prize. OLSF will be awarding a tablet to one winning ticket in each district in addition to the Grand Prize.

**OLSF Grand Prize Sponsor thanks to our yearly highest salesman Lion Elmo Castle has a new show room floor and is excited to host the event.**

Thanks to the Garfield County and Enid



Lions Club for assisting in hosting the event. A very special thanks to everyone who participated, distributed and purchased tickets, and helped to make the fundraiser a success. In behalf

of all who receive eye care assistance and for the boys and girls at the Meadows of Hope we say your work is so appreciated!

Last year we were able to present a check to the Oklahoma Lions "Meadows of Hope" for \$40,000.00 and one to the Eye Bank for \$20,000.00 thanks to all the Oklahoma Lion members who participated in the fundraising event.

This year we would like to exceed this amount with your help.

The following clubs are the top sellers so far: **Edmond LC, Bartlesville Tuxedo LC, Bartlesville Limestone LC, Claremore LC, North Enid LC, Dewey**

**LC, Muskogee LC, El Reno LC, Midwest City LC, and the Ponca City LC.**

This is not based on actual sales but on sales per capita. Remember the top selling club right now, Edmond Lions Club has a challenge to all the clubs. They have purchased all their local law enforcement officials a Cowboy Cadillac ticket to show appreciation for all the work they do. They are challenging all the other clubs in the State to do the same. Wewoka Lions Club has accepted the challenge and I think some of the others in the state have as well. This would be great publicity for the Cowboy Cadillac event and Lions Clubs in our state.

We look forward to seeing you all at the event!

**MHSU Update:** Please refer to the calendar of events for the MHSU. The unit will be in service and unavailable for the last two weeks of November 2015.

## Oklahoma Lions State Secretary position available

### Abilities and Knowledge:

- Considerable knowledge of the organizational structure, policies, activities and programs of Lions Clubs International as well as that of the Multiple District.
- Ability to plan, layout, and direct the administrative services of Lions Clubs International as they relate to Multiple District 3.
- Ability to motivate volunteers to assist in the accomplishment of organizational goals.
- Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships between District Governors, Lions membership, International Officers and Headquarters staff.
- Knowledge of bookkeeping which will involve preparation and processing transmittal memos for all funds received to the State Treasurer and the bank.
- Post and file all accounts receivable and payable invoices
- Ability to interact comfortably with local, state, and international officials
- Needs to have limited knowledge of photography – should be able to visualize newsworthy photos.
- Needs to have limited knowledge of graphic arts – layout – follow through with profession-

al results expected.

J. Needs to have limited knowledge of public relations, including writing of newspaper articles, T. V. and radio spots in a professional manner.

K. Needs to have good basic knowledge of printing.

### Responsibilities:

Seek the cooperation of the District Governor, Cabinets and all other Lions of Multiple District 3.

A. Provide assistance to Multiple District 3 officers pertaining to individual Lions, clubs, districts, committees and projects.

B. Carry out all assignments as directed by the Council of Governors.

C. Carry out the efficient administration of the State Headquarters, including:

- Supervise and make work assignments for office administrative assistant.
- Supervise the maintenance of necessary records and files of Multiple District.
- Order and keep accurate inventory of merchandise as directed by the Council of Governors.

D. Carry out all additional duties and responsibilities as noted in the LCI Standard Form

Multiple District Constitution and current LCI Board Policy for Council Secretary, that are not specifically covered above.

### Specific duties and responsibilities in the following areas:

#### A. INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

- Supervise the ordering, storage, transport and the selling of state trading pins.
- Supervise the ordering, storage and transport new Governors and International Family gifts.
- Assist Convention Chairperson and Council Chairperson with the parade and other duties as required.
- Assist the International Officers of Oklahoma as requested

#### B. STATE CONVENTION

- Supervise the design, ordering and transport of State plaques to be awarded at the State Convention.
- Ensure that registration and publicity are completed in a timely manner. This includes supervising the planning and production of

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**District 3-O**  
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November 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> was celebrated with the District 3-O convention held at Sequoyah State Lodge. Attendees from around the district as well as across the state had a good time Friday night on a star lit hayride and bond fire with s' mores. Saturday was filled with great speakers and topics; PDG Kent Ryals on LCIF, PCC Tom Cummings with the Spot Vision Cameras, Lion Marie Burns on OLSF, Guest Christine Boone with the Oklahoma School for the Blind, PID Pat Shurley on redistricting and our special guest key note speaker PID Hal Long who injected a lot of variety into **our lunch hour. A special** thanks to all for helping make our convention a success.

Elections were held at our Cabinet Meeting and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Leanne Bercher was voted in as District Governor Elect and will take office following the International Convention in July, 2016. State board members elected for the next Lion year were: R. C. Morrow, Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch; Louis Davis, Dr. Eugene Briggs Memorial Scholarship Board; Kurt Gibson, Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation Board; and Jim McClen-don, Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank.

## Club News

**Barnsdall-** Held a Lions Halloween Hot Dog and Costume Contest, and also had a Chicken Noodle Dinner and Bake sale, the club donated \$250 to help the Bartlesville clubs purchase a Spot Vision Camera.

**Broken Arrow-** Since July they have performed a clean-up of Aspen Creek Park. The club purchased three pair of eye clas-ses, assisted a family with a \$165 utility bill, had members work the Linde Oktober-fest, participated at the B/A Fun and

Games on Main, and provided a \$70 dona-tion to the Vo-Tech team competition.

**Muskogee Noon-** Turned in 500 pairs of glasses to the State Office, approved \$600 for gifts for two needy families, welcome new members Gary Weiesenbach, Russell Raper and Rachel Jamison.

**Pawhuska-** Donated \$100 to Help Works Inc., Charity Auction.

**Tulsa Brookside-** Raised \$800 at the Boo-HaHa breakfast and won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in crea-tivity for their float in the parade. Welcome one new member Glenn Beustring.

**Tulsa Downtown-**Started their Christmas shopping for the Tulsa Public Schools Spe-cial Needy Kids holiday parties, had work-ers rack up over 300 hours at the Linde Oktoberfest.

**Tulsa Metro-McCullough-** Delivered eye glasses to the State office, donated \$500 to the Bob McCullough Scholarship for a OSU Medical student.

announcement flyer, registration form, name tags, and other materials that will facilitate the planning and successful production of the convention.

3. Ensure that State pins are available for sale  
4. Assist the Convention Chairperson and the State Council Chairperson with planning, arrangements, reception, and protocol, as requested.

5. Work with Finance and Audit Committee in developing annual budget.

6. Supervise the recording, transcribing, printing and distribution of the minutes of all business sessions.

### C. DISTRICT CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS

1. The State Secretary will assist the District Governor and the District Convention Chairperson as requested.

2. The State Secretary will attend all District, State and International Conventions, if possible.

### D. DUTIES CONCERNING THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

1. Plan and prepare the agenda for the Governor's Council Meeting, in conjunction with the Council Chairperson. Supervise the recording and mailing of the Council minutes of all such meetings.

2. Assist the Finance and Audit Committee in the preparation of its budget and in cooperation with the Treasurer arrange for the banking and disbursement of funds.

3. Act as a consultant to the Governors as requested

4. Maintain in an up-to-date Multiple District Constitution and By-Laws and at the direction of the Council of Governors, arrange for reprinting.

5. Edit the Multiple District 3 newsletter (*Oklahoma Lion*). Prepare articles or editorials, plan layouts, design cover, arrange/supervise the arrangement of publication and mailing.

6. Arrange for the printing of all Multiple District 3 office letterheads, envelopes, programs, etc.

7. Work with all the standing committees, when requested.

8. Prepare for the hospitality needs of state meetings.

### E. DUTIES CONCERNING THE MULTIPLE DISTRICT 3 DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

1. Assist the elected Chairperson to call meetings and prepare an agenda.

2. Act as Secretary of the Committee, taking minutes and filing all relevant materials

3. Assist the State Treasurer with disaster relief accounts, grants, and documentation.

4. Attend meetings regarding disaster preparedness, relief and recovery and disseminate information to the committee.

This position is part time 20 hours per week

Resume's will be accepted until December 31, 2015. Please email all resume's to lionadmin@coxinet.net or mail to Lions of Oklahoma, 4123 NW 10<sup>th</sup> St., OKC, OK 73107



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### District 3-K

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*"We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone-Ronald Reagan"*

Well the Holidays are upon us and before you know it, it will be a new year. I have been busy visiting clubs and preparing for the holidays. I know I have several visits planned to attend club meetings and Christmas parties.

In October and the first part of November, I have had the opportunity to visit several clubs. I attended the Shawnee Lions Chuck Wagon event and listened to a cowboy poet. It was a great event and I loved hearing the poet spin stories. I also visited Ada and Hugo during the month of October. Ada Lions Club has been conducting a membership drive/contest and focusing on the number of people they had to visit their club. So far they have had over 100 visitors to their club. I also heard all about the Annual Zombie parade that is held in Ada each year. When visiting the Hugo club, I had the chance to meet the Hugo Leos. I was so impressed with these young adults. Their Leo president, Keiffer, is a real go getter. He is very service oriented, not only as a Lion but in several other organizations as well. I invited the Leos to attend our convention and it sounds like they will. So far in November, I met with the Konawa Lions. While there, I had my first Thanksgiving dinner and met with their two students of the month. We talked about ideals for recruiting new members.

Besides, club visits, the 3K Convention committee has been busy planning our convention. Be sure to mark your calendar and turn in your registration forms. The convention is scheduled for January 22 & 23<sup>rd</sup> and will be held at the Gordon Cooper Technology center in Shawnee.



We have a theme of .....Out of this World, a Service above and beyond. International Director, Ed Farrington and his wife Elaine will be joining us for our convention.

We also have several mini seminars planned. The seminars include: Lions Quest, OLEB, Meadows of Hope a project of the OLBR, personal safety, meeting with Sally & her service dog, Vision Equipment Training and more.

### Club Activities

**Atoka-** has been busy selling cowboy Cadillac tickets. Picture here is Jacob Ryan, Kaylyn Carter and our future little Lion Ma-



**Broken Bow:** Lion Billie Tomlinson with over 100 pairs of donated eyeglasses. She has been an active member of Broken Bow Lions Club since 2004.



**Gore-Webber Falls** held their annual Lions Club Rib Sale on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>. This year they were able to net \$4,810. This will allow them to be able to support the community with eye exams and glasses and allow them to make donations to the OLEB and the OLBR. Welcome a new member Parke Largent to our club.



Gore-Webbers rib sale Seated is Belinda Madding, Terry Sloan, Standing from left Charlie McConnell, Bill Buttram, Don Carter, Gary Andrews, back row Jared Briley and Lucky McCrary.

**McAlester** Two Good Citizens from MHS attend our weekly meetings during the school year; participated in Cowboy Cadillac sales; and participated in the McAlester Main Street Trick or Treat Party in the Streets on October 31, 2015, in the process of our annual fall fundraiser to collect money to support the club's local eye care/eyeglass assistance program.



**Pauls Valley:** got together last week and helped decorate our downtown depot area with Christmas lights.



**Shawnee:** recognized several elementary students from Bethel for their achievements in the Master of Manners Program. Their principal also gave a presentation on the curriculum.



**Wewoka** -Donated 184 pair of glasses, \$100 to Seminole nation museum. Passed out peace poster kits to the schools area Approved up to \$150 to each of three candidates for eyeglasses. Gave \$200 to Briggs scholarship. The clubs is preparing for the Sorghum day breakfast which is a fund raiser. Will sell fruit which is an annual fund raiser, and cowboy Cadillac tickets

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## District 3-L

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The holidays are fast approaching will be getting ready for Christmas, service projects and family time. We just spent a wonderful time at the OLBR Christmas party meeting new families and seeing the joy in the children's faces. I was given this story a long time ago and it touch my heart and wanted to share and reflect. May God Bless each home this season and remember Jesus is the Reason for this Season.

### "A new Christmas Poem"

Twass the night before Christmas, he lived all alone in a one bedroom house of, plaster and stone.

I had come down the Chimney with presents to give, and to see just who in this home did live.

No stocking by mantle, just boots filled with sand, on the wall hung pictures of far distant lands.

With medals and badges, awards of all kinds, a sober thought came through my mind.

For this house was different, it was dark and dreary I found the home of a soldier, once I could see clearly.

The soldier lay sleeping, silent, alone, curled up on the floor in this one bedroom home.

The face was so gentle, the room in such disorder, not how I pictured a United State Soldier.

Was the hero of whom I'd just read? Curled up on a poncho, the floor for a bed?

I realized the families that I saw this night, owed their lives to these soldiers who were willing to fight.

Soon round the world, the children would play, and grownups would celebrate a bright Christmas day.

They all enjoyed Freedom each month of the year, because of the soldiers, like the one lying here.

I couldn't help wonder how many lay alone, on a cold Christmas eve in a land far from home

The very thought brought a tear to my eye, I dropped to my knees and started to dry.

The soldier awakened and I heard a rough voice, "Santa don't cry, this life is my choice;

I kept watch for hours, so silent and still and we both shivered from the cold night's chill.

I didn't want to leave on that cold, dark, night, this guardsman of honor so willing to fight.

Then the soldier rolled over, with a voice soft and pure, whispered, "carry on Santa, it's Christmas day, all is secure."

One look at my watch, and I knew he was right, "Merry Christmas my friend, and to all a good night!

*This poem was written by a Marine.*

Christmas will be coming soon and some credit is due to our U.S. service men and women for our being able to celebrate these festivities. Let's try in this small way to pay a tiny bit of what we owe. Make people stop and think of our heroes, living and dead, who sacrificed themselves for us. Please, do your small part to plant this small seed is thanksgiving.

### New Members

**El Reno**-Lion Brooke D Robertson, sponsored by Richard Steanson

**Hinton**- Lion Mark Lumpkin, Jr. sponsored by Lion Gregory George

**Marlow**- Lion Duane Lovett, sponsored by Lion Jack Brackett

### Club News

**Altus**- Breakfast with Santa Claus and fun was had by all. DG Karen and PDG Lora Blanton attended.

**Cache**-Had 35 students complete in the Peace Poster contest ages 11, 12, 13. One winner from each age group will be sent on to compete in the District Level. Have recycled 12 pairs of glasses, and 300 new contact lenses that individual members recycle on a daily basis and take to collec-

tion centers. Purchased 10 AED signs to put in the school sites.

**Canute**- Celebrated together on Dec. 6th at Family traditions with a turkey and dressing dinner and all the trimming, then they all proceeded to play a good old gift exchange of Dirty Santa.

**Elk City**-Honored our two sixth grade Lion Cubs of the month; donated to the United Fund; donated to the Elk City Ministerial Alliance Christmas Basket Fund; gave a scholarship to the Miss Elk City/Miss Queen of the West and donated to the OLBR "Meadows of Hope" Christmas Party. Elk City lions celebrated together with a Christmas Party at the Church of God on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Marlow**-Honored the "Student of the Month" and 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Dan Farrell presented a program on current Lions Activities on a District and State Level. They continue with the eye examination and eye glass program.

**Mustang**-Continue with the work on their Lions Building.

**Pocasset**- had a very successful Thanksgiving Dinner served over 400 and made a good profit. The club provided a KidFirst Vision Screening at Amber-Pocasset Elementary and referred one student. DG Karen Blanton attended the Thanksgiving dinner along with PDG Lora Blanton, 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG JP Williams, Lion Marge Williams and several more lions from the Chickasha Lions club

**Velma Alma**- held a Golf Tournament as a fundraiser in October. Each month the clubs donates to the local food bank and select two Velma-Alma High School students as Velma-Alma Lions Club Student of the Month.

Reminder to all clubs that I need all nominations for the District Melvin Jones, George Hazlebaker Award and Deroy Skinner Rookie of the Year by January 15th, 2016. If you have any questions call or email me.



**District 3-A**

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**Greetings 3-A Lions:**

Things have changed in the last month; I had been informing the Clubs I have visited (24) that we would vote on name of the new districts and when we wanted it to take effect, at our District Convention in February. Well that has all changed at this time. LCI informed the Council of Governors that we must have a special state convention before March 5, 2016; the date of the next LCI Board of Directors meeting to take action on the two issues.

The two issues are the name of the new Districts and delaying going into effect until July, 2017. The districts are going to revise and will create their constitution and by laws for each District and Boards (OLEB) (OLBR) (OLSF) and (BRIGGS).

All clubs in 3A must send their delegates to this special Convention to represent our districts on how we think; it should be named and when we would like it to go into effect. The special Convention will be held following the Council Meeting on January 9, 2016 at the Westside Lion's Town Hall at , 2.30pm, next to Lions State Office at 4135 NW 10th Street in OKC.

District 3A had their 2nd Cabinet meeting of the year at Big Dan's Steak House in Woodward on October, 31 2015 at 11.30am and had representation of 6 clubs.

The next Cabinet meeting will be at our District Convention in Enid at Redeemer Lutheran Church on February 13, 2016.

Zone Chairperson PDG Don Lynch had a Zone meeting at Cherokee on Nov.10, 2015 at 7pm with 4 of his 6 clubs represented.

All attending stated they enjoyed the meeting and learned about each other and how to better plan projects and have more volunteers. They plan on having another meeting in 3 months and Region II Chair

Darlene Schulz is having a Region and Zone Chair meeting on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 in Enid at 6.30pm.

**Dates to Remember 2015**

Dec.3<sup>rd</sup> Fairview Christmas Party  
Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> Boys Ranch Christmas Party  
Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> Cadillac Cowboy Tickets draw in Enid  
Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> Agenda Meeting  
Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting  
Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> Special State Convention  
Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> District 3A Convention in Enid

**Club News**

**Covington:** Held it's annual town yard sale and had bake sale with it raising money for Melvin Jones Foundation.

**Fairview:** Invited the student of the week to have dinner with the Fairview Lion's. Donated \$500 to the Fairview Girls softball team. Clean up a Lady's yard by trimming up bushes and trees along with flower beds.

**Garber:** Will participate in Garber Christmas Parade, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> and will be hosting the MHSU .

**Guymon:** Held it's Halloween fundraiser.

**Kingfisher:** Fixed a pre-game meal for the football team, coaches and team managers.

**Laverne:** Distributed 70 boxes of food to needy and collected 16 pair of eyeglasses. Held a Bake Sale for a Scholarship Program and they have started a Facebook Page -Laverne OK Lion's Club.

**Lomega:** DG Joe and guest visited the Lomega education foundation, and started planning for Christmas candy for Lomega Schools.

**Medford:** Hosted DG Joe and are selling nuts and candy for a club fundraiser and on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> is their Christmas Party.

**Nash:** Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> held its Thanksgiving Dinner and on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> will be Santa in Nash.

**Newkirk:** Painted all fire hydrants in town , held 2 fundraisers , a labor day picnic and participated in the Charlie Adams Day.

**North Enid:** Attended Garfield County Lions meeting and attended 3-A Cabinet meeting in Woodward. Collected eyeglasses and recycled glasses and ink cartridges,

as well as worked on MHSU with Intergrity Community Health Fair. Donated \$1,000 to LCIF. Worked the United Way Chili Cook-off and worked the Chisholm football gate and cross country track gates. Had a Cornbread and Bean Supper and worked on the Toys for Tots Campaign. Visited **Fairview** and **Hennessey Lion's Clubs** and will have a Christmas Party on Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> and will donate gifts to YWCA Women's Crisis Center. On Jan. 7 - 9 will work the Wheat Capital Basketball tournament and will work the agrifest for glucose testing.

**Okarche:** Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> had October Fest and meal and raffle.

**Pioneer Pleasant Vale:** Purchased 2 pairs of eye glasses and attended the Cabinet meeting and Garfield County Lion's meeting. Hosted DG Joe and honored two Pleasant Vale Students as Cubbies of month. Distributed Programs for the Tops in Blue program and worked the Football gate for Pioneer High school.

**Ponca City Noon:** Worked with the MHSU at Kanza Health Fair at which they also had the kids sight trailer and screened approximately 50 children. Sold Cowboy Cadillac tickets. Participated in and supported our branch club in the annual Strides Walk for Diabetes.

**Northern Oklahoma e Lions (NOEL):** Donated supplies for children with diabetes to the school nurses to be distributed as needed. Held our 4th annual Strides Walk on October 17th and we raised \$1,200.

**Cubbies:** still doing their fundraiser with Papa Murphy's the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of each month. During Children's Dignity Week they collected stuffed animals. We are happy to say that over 200 stuffed animals were collected and have been delivered to the police and sheriffs departments. Next week, some will be delivered to the Domestic Violence Shelter.

**Ponca City After Five:** Joined Northern Oklahoma e-Lions in helping sponsor Strides Walk.

**Tonkawa:** Had a Chili Supper on October 30th.

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### HAPPY "TURKEY LEG" one and all

This is such a time to be thankful. I am thankful for family, friends and fellow Lions. As Lions, we will once again have the opportunity to serve those less fortunate with gift baskets and food baskets. It is such a great feeling to be able to help those in need. WE SERVE is certainly our motto but during the holidays it takes on a deeper meaning. By now, you should have received your notice of a short "State Convention" to be held in conjunction with the Counsel Meeting on January 9. We need each club to send their delegates to vote on the names of the new THREE districts and also the implementation date. Options are Districts NORTHWEST, SOUTHWEST AND EAST or Districts O,K,L. Also we must decide whether to implement the change on July 1, 2016 as outlined by Lions Club International or delay it to July 1, 2017. If you have any questions, please contact me or a member of the DG Team of 1<sup>st</sup>VDG Troy Jenkins, 2<sup>nd</sup>VDG Tom Mulligan. We are excited to make Official Visits to your club so just drop me an e-mail at mooneytunes@cox.net. We are here to serve YOU.

### District 3-H Club Activities

**Carney:** Lions will host a chili cook-off March 5, 2016. Their annual Golf Tournament will be June 3, 2016.

**Cashion:** Lions are busy selling Cowboy Cadillac tickets and received their first Centennial Celebration Gem patch. New member Anita Robinson was Inducted by DG Jacquie Mooney during her Official Visit. Lion Anita was sponsored by Lion Russ Adams who received my second Membership "Bee" pin.

**Choctaw-Nicoma Park:** Are making plans for their annual Operation Blue Lion where they team with the local Police to shop for children in need at the local Walmart for Christmas.

**Cushing:** Lions helped with the festival in the park as well as the Chili Cook-off. They had three sessions of eye screening for children, two in Cushing and one in Yale. Cowboy Cadillac ticket sales are going well.

**Davenport:** Helped take tickets at youth football games. They have a neat program "Get a book/give a book" station at the local park since they do not have a Library. They donated

a CPR child dummy to be used in demonstration & training for the fire department.

**Edmond:** Lions have sold all their cowboy Cadillac tickets. Plans are being made for their Christmas Party to be held at Ted & Jo's house; it will be held on Dec. 8. They started a new agenda item; asking a Lion Veteran to tell about his time serving our country. First speaker was Lion Larry who served in the Air Force for 27 years.

**Midwest City:** Sponsored the Kidsight USA vision screening at a local church and screened 27 kids. The youngest was 7 months old.

**Mulhall-Orlando:** Held their annual Halloween party and are selling Cowboy Cadillac Tickets

**Newcastle Community:** Participating in Cowboy Cadillac ticket sales. Newcastle Community Lions Club has already earned the FOUR gem award for the LCI Centennial Challenge.



**Norman:** International Student-of-the Month for Nov. is Pabel Vivanco-Cardenas from Peru. They had a speaker, Kathleen Romero who spoke about Friends of the Norman Library.

**Oklahoma City Capitol Hill:** Lions held a bean supper fundraiser in early Nov.

**OKC Northwest:** Northwest are selling Cowboy Cadillac tickets, and are planning their annual Jewel Box Theatre fundraiser. **The OKC NW e-Club:** had a Halloween project of safe trick-or-treating in the Hilldale School parking lot. The Northwest Lions helped by providing \$250 towards the purchase of candy for this event. They donated \$50 to OCCF for Jason Hawkins a guest speaker in Sept. and \$150 to OLEB in honor of speakers. Beginning in 2016 the OKC NW LC will again be meeting on Thursdays.

**OKC West Side:** Continued with its Flag Program by putting up flags for Veterans Day. Donated \$200 to the **Langston City Lions** holiday food basket program; \$100 to Cornerstone Church Food Pantry in memory of Lion Jim Morgan; \$100 to the Regional Food Bank of OK and \$500 to the OLBR-MOH Christmas campaign., also donated the use of the

Town Hall for the 3-H Quest workshop on Nov. 5 - several lions volunteered. Held their semi-annual Pancake Day fundraiser on Nov. 7. Welcomed new Lion Debbie Morgan, sponsored by Lion Marvin Ainsworth, they will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army on Dec. 1 at Walmart. They continue their monthly service of cooking and delivering 195 Mobile Meals a well as providing eye care to those in need.

**Perry:** Help park cars for home football games, painting the Lion in the Perry Lions Park; continue to collect eyeglasses, printer cartridges & cell phones for the State Office. Perry Lions have purchased and donated approximately 40 Cowboy Cadillac Tickets to the local fire/police/sheriff personnel.

**Prague:** Held it's Family Fish Fry on Oct. 18, 2015. Lions Frank Aylor and Jerry Opela fried the fish They served over 45 and were treated to Lion Reese Capron's famous butter pecan homemade ice cream. The club displayed 160 American flags on Veterans day and donated \$1,000 to help with back to school supplies.

**Stillwater Noon and eBranch Club:** They honor student Lions of the month and have performed several eye screenings with the SpotVision cameras. They regularly assist with parking cars at home high school football games. They will finish up with their annual fruit sale fundraiser. Helped feed the hungry by donating time and food at their local "community meal". They are assisting local citizens purchase eyeglasses and are actively selling Cowboy Cadillac tickets. This club helped fill week-end backpacks for kids who are in need The club hosted a cook-out on Nov. 5 at Couch Park for students and faculty at Lincoln Academy Alternative High School.



New member SPONSOR'S pin. Ask 1 to Bee 1



# 3-0 District Convention Highlights



**Top Left to Right :** International President Certificate of Appreciation presented to Wayne Middleton by PID Hal Long ; Zone Chair. Kent Ryals with South Grand President Sheryl Hicks on the success of their 90 plus members and 52 member Leo Club; International President Certificate of Appreciation presented to Dollie Wooddell by PID Hal Long; **Middle Left to Right :** International President Certificate of Appreciation presented to Jimmie Marsh by PID Hal Long ; Wagoner hostess Monica Medley warming up by the bond fire; Zone Chair. Kent Ryals with Vinita President Judy Echenrode on how to keep a solid club going; **Bottom Left to Right:** Getting ready for the ride--Lynda Cummings, Jacque Mooney, Billie and Louis Davis ;PID's Pat Shurley and Hal Long with awards .





District 3K Lions  
Mid-Winter Convention, Shawnee  
Jan. 22-23, 2016

Early registration Deadline Monday, Jan. 11 - Every attendee must register

Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ First Timer? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse/guest \_\_\_\_\_ First Timer? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration fee (by 1/11/16) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration fee (after 1/11/16) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturday Luncheon (by 1/15/16) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Saturday Dinner (by 1/15/16) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Credit card accepted, but please add \$2.50 processing charge to total  
 Credit card # \_\_\_\_\_ expiration date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card security code (three digits on back) \_\_\_\_\_ fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total due: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Shawnee Lions Club  
 Mail registration to 2VDG Nancy Cook-Senn  
 1705 Spruce Circle  
 Shawnee OK 74804  
 (405) 990-1014

Convention hotel is Holiday Inn Express  
 I-40 & SH 18, Shawnee, OK 74804  
 Phone (405) 275-8880 & tell them you're a Lion

Convention will be held at Gordon Cooper Technological Center, I-40 & SH 18 Shawnee



## Guidelines for the Oklahoma Lions State Pin Contest

1. Each Lion may submit only **one entry**. The Club may submit an entry as a group effort, or hold a club contest of individuals designs selecting the representative design.
2. **All entries must be received NLT March 1, 2016 mail all entries to Lions of Oklahoma at, 4123 NW 10th St, OKC 73107**
3. The pin must represent Oklahoma Lions and not an individual area or region
4. The design (drawing) will be submitted on an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper or art board.
5. The design will be no smaller than 3" x 5" or larger than 4" x 6", this will provide the pin company with an adequate sample to produce the pin. Actual size to be determined by the designing company and pin coordinator.
6. A short narrative will accompany the design explaining the meaning and color representation
7. Only Lions may enter the contest.
8. The initial design will be selected by the pin committee and be submitted to the incoming governors at the state convention or their training.
9. The winning design will be given to the appropriate pin committee member and sent for final art development and production. Upon receipt of the finished pin the Lions of Oklahoma State office will have them available.

11. Any questions or clarification of this guidelines may be directed to PDG Bill Middleton, 580-233-1771, email [lionbill@swbell.net](mailto:lionbill@swbell.net)

**\*\*To all lions who have a child or grandchild as a graduating senior this year please check to see if they are eligible for the LIPTC Scholarship. This also goes for Leo's In Oklahoma. Please contact PDG Bill Middleton at [lionbill@swbell.net](mailto:lionbill@swbell.net) phone 580 233 1771**

## BONEYARD NEWS

By PDG Yolanda Middleton

I missed getting an article ready for last months' paper because Bill and I were traveling—Reno Pin Swap and Arizona to see our Daughter. We just returned this afternoon from a Pin Swap in Winchester, VA. Lots of fun!

On behalf of the Boneyard members, a BIG Thank You to Lora Blanton for arranging the Luncheon at Eichens' in Okarche for 24+ members of the Boneyard and the afternoon at the museum in Kingfisher. On exhibit were artifacts from the TG&Y Stores that we are all

used to go to as well as western items and old farm machinery that many of us remember using when we were young and living on the farm. Also were able to tour of the Seay home. It was great, Lora—Thanks!

The paving orders that were received over the summer have been sent in and should be ready for pickup soon.

See you at the Boys Ranch/ Meadows of Hope Christmas Party in Perkins and the Cowboy Cadillac Drawing in Enid.

Merry Christmas!