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## Oklahoma Lions to Vote Saturday, April 25 on Redistricting

The Council of Governors in October 2014 approved putting the resolution to redistrict on the ballot at the State Convention in Tulsa, April 24-25. The Redistricting Task Force, chaired by PDG Terry Woodruff (Ponca City Noon) recommended the Council approve the resolution to go on the ballot for a vote by certified delegates from all Oklahoma Lions Clubs.

District 3-O held an information session at their district convention in November, and 3-H will have an information session at their mid-winter on Feb. 7. Hopefully the other 3 districts will have information sessions at the mid-winter conventions as well.

The resolution cites all five districts in Oklahoma (Multiple

District 3) are under the numbers required by LCI for districts in good standing (1,250 Lions in a district). Some of the districts are also under the required 25 clubs per district required.

The resolution, if passed, will divide Oklahoma into 3 districts, roughly east, central and west. The 3 districts would comply with LCI number requirements, as figured by Woodruff in late 2013-2014. The 3 districts would carry the names 3-O, 3-K and 3-L.

For more information, contact PDG Woodruff by e-mail [woodruff.terry@gmail.com](mailto:woodruff.terry@gmail.com), your District Governor, or the Oklahoma Lions State Secretary, [liondawn@cox.net](mailto:liondawn@cox.net) or 405-947-6540.

## Dr. Eugene S. Briggs Memorial Scholarship Applications for 2015-2016 Due before March 15, 2015 Apply on-line at [www.occf.org](http://www.occf.org)

Lions of Oklahoma, please note that procedures to endorse applications for the Dr. Briggs scholarship are changed this year. Since endorsement has to be on-line at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation, only board members can endorse applications. In the past the applicants were asked to go to their local Lions Club for endorsement.

Applicants will be asked to call the closest Briggs Board member; that Lion will interview the applicant(s) by phone and then give them their name and email address to list on the [www.occf.org](http://www.occf.org) online application website.

The Briggs Board member then gets a notice from OCCF on-line application website (Academic Works) that shows he/she has an applicant needing

Lions reference. The Board member then logs onto the OCCF online application website and answers the reference questions. (Note: Board members were trained in the procedure on Jan. 10, 2015.)

If you, as a Lion or as a member of your local Lions Club, know the applicant(s) personally, please contact your closest Briggs Board member; your information is valued but cannot be directly input in the new on-line application system.

For your convenience, the list and contact information for the Briggs Board members follows.

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## Lions of the Year and Other Awards to be presented at the MD-3 Lions of Oklahoma State Convention April 24-25, 2015, Tulsa Wyndham Hotel

District Governors are currently asking for your help in submitting names, biographical information and photos of deserving Oklahoma Lions in each district for consideration as that district's **Lion of the Year**.

*Annually District Governors will select a "Lion of the Year" for their respective districts in accordance with their Sub-District Constitution and By Laws. These awards will be presented at the annual state convention, in coordination with the State Secretary who will order the awards and be responsible for preparation of the Lion of*

### **the Year brochure.**

*The award will be given to Lions who are considered outstanding Lions and whose identity should remain confidential until presented. The recipient of this award must be an active Lion in good standing. District Governors are excluded from consideration. A Lion may get this award only one time in the district.*

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## Leaving a Long Lasting Legacy with the Oklahoma Lions!

By Marie Burns, OLSF Executive Director



Building the Foundation and the Legacy Campaign are two of the ongoing efforts to secure the future stability of the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation. We would like to build a strong support base to assist the OK Lions State Projects as well as assisting clubs with individual service projects. Raising the monthly support is one way to build revenue that encourages additional corporate and foundation support. Foundations encourage matching funds for specific projects; therefore, it is our desire to have a fund set up to assist clubs in this area when opportunities for projects arise.

**Building the Foundation** currently has approximately \$1,800 in monthly donations. While this is much needed, it is not enough to set aside funds for larger service projects. OLSF encourages you to consider a small monthly donation towards BTF. For just a dollar a day, less than a coke in most places, you can help to build this endeavor. You may specify what you want it to go towards, such as Club projects, OK Lions Eye Bank, or OK Lions Boys Ranch. While pass-through funds do not build this activity fund, it is much needed to support State Projects!

Please consider Building the Foundation with a monthly gift. You may call the state office: 405-947-6540, or email [exdir@oklionsfoundation.org](mailto:exdir@oklionsfoundation.org) to

request a BTF donation card. We will mail that to you with details concerning BTF giving options.

**Legacy Campaign** The Oklahoma City Community Foundation (OCCF) is one of the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation's (OLSF) partners in planned giving. The endowment held by OCCF brings in a constant stream of revenue that continues. **OLSF currently has a balance of \$192,230.12** in the endowment. In 2014, the balance in the endowment increased by **\$11,481.34**. In addition, OLSF received unrestricted funds of \$8,435 last year in interest from the principle.

Since 1995, endowment donations have been close to **\$142,588**. The total distribution received by OLSF over the years has been \$123,911. There is an increase in market value of \$49,642.12 plus the distributions of \$123,911, which totals **\$165,734**, which is more than the original donations received. THIS PROVES THE VALUE OF PLANNED GIVING OVER TIME!

**A Charitable bequest in a will or trust is one of the simplest ways to make an estate gift.** OCCF can customize a fund agreement that allows donors to change the charitable intent of their bequest without having to change their will. Many donors do not realize the tax

benefit of including a charity in a trust or will. The OCCF website has several ways of helping the donor learn including a calculator that creates a presentation showing the income and tax benefits of several planned giving vehicles such as gift annuities, annuity trusts and more.

**The Oklahoma City Community Foundation's: A Guide to Planning Your Will and Trust** is designed to encourage donors to think about how their assets are to be distributed at death. The guide assists in gathering information needed for an attorney to prepare a will or document the donor's wishes.

Please consider planning your gift for the future! This encourages individuals to think about how they want their assets distributed and provide for others to **leave a legacy** for many years to come. If you are interested in planned giving please call the OLSF State office to make an appointment to visit about giving options. OLSF and the Oklahoma City Community Foundation can help provide you with additional information for giving options that best suit your needs.

**Tax Letters: THANK YOU to all who donated to OLSF in 2014! We are preparing tax deduction letters to go out before January 31. OLSF is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization. Donations are tax deductible!**

## Dr. Eugene S. Briggs Memorial Scholarship Foundation Board 2014-2015

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Governor  
Randy Keller

A funny thing happened on the way to our last Multiple-District 3 Council meeting in Oklahoma City. I got the flu.

Okay, maybe it wasn't so "funny," but it happened. My son had tested positive for the flu the day before, so I decided to stop by my doctor's office on the way to OKC to be checked myself, since I wasn't feeling wonderful. One test and a prescription, and I was on my way home to deal with a rising fever.

I couldn't believe it. I was going to miss a Council meeting. I was going to let 3-O down...I was going to fail our incredible District!

But, you see, that simply didn't happen. True, I wasn't there for Council meeting, but DGE Mike Fritz was. Voting privileges were extended to him to take my place at the table for our Council meeting. Before the agenda meeting, I texted one of my fellow DGs some ideas I had related to the Council Policy we were to be discussing...and she replied that DGE Mike had it under control. The next day, through coughing, fever, aches and pains, I would look at the clock and know where we would be at in the agenda...and, while I missed being there, I was incredibly comforted knowing that DGE Mike was fully capable and was doing an incredible job of standing in for me. DGE Mike, THANK YOU!

Thank you also to VCC Sue Thompson, DG Dee Carson, and other Lions who helped with the lunch. I had committed to provide lunch for that Council meeting, but they stepped up to do the "boots on the ground" work in my place. You're all fantastic!

The weekend's events really drove a point home to me that I'd like to share with you. Our Lions Clubs are strongest when we stand together, arm in arm. Whether it be as the Multiple District or as a single District or as a Zone or even as an individual Club, we do our best work when we join arms and work together. YOUR great support has helped your Club be the impactful Club that it is. Your Club's support helps your Zone be strong. The support of

all of our Clubs makes our District the best it can be. When our District supports the Multiple District, we all benefit. And when we all join arms as Lions International, we make a difference on a world-wide scale that only 1.37 million Lions can do!

Regarding the flu-minimize your risk! You seriously don't want this junk!

Please mark your calendars for April 24 and 25 for our State Convention to be held in the heart of 3-O, at the Tulsa Wyndham Hotel on 41<sup>st</sup> just east of Highway 169. The State Convention Planning Committee is working hard to develop an excellent Convention, and there will be a critical vote on the plan for Redistricting that each Club will need to have certified delegates in attendance. Please mark it on your calendar now and make plans to attend!

And now, for some highlights from around the District...don't forget to send me your news AND pictures!

**Barnsdall:** Third annual Chili Cook-off is set for Sat., Feb. 21 from 11am to 1pm. Shooters Training Education Program is set for June 20, 2015.

**Bartlesville Tuxedo:** Lions sell Christmas trees for their major fundraiser. It took about 48 man-hours to setup and take down the tree lot while 16 Lions helped sell the trees, working about 190 hours. Seven Lions helped ring the bells for Salvation Army for 20 hours of service to the community.

**Dewey:** Gave \$900 to the OK Lions Boys Ranch at the Christmas Party.

**Henryetta:** Over 300 area families had a brighter Christmas thanks to an over 60-year tradition that the Lions have led. Families who are approved receive a box of food and presents for the children. It's a \$23,000 community-wide effort, from the VFW loaning their building to prepare the baskets, to the elementary students who collected over 1,000 canned goods, and a variety of groups and volunteers to put together and deliver the baskets.

**Muskogee County:** Stephen Kearney was named the Lion of the Year.

**Porter:** Donated \$500 to OK Lions Boys Ranch; packaged 225 bags of apples, oranges and candy for the Porter Christmas parade.

**Sapulpa:** Donated \$250 to help the girls' basketball team go to tournament; collected 50

pairs of used eyeglasses; donated \$400 to OK Lions Boys Ranch Christmas!

**Tulsa Metro-McCullough:** Four members attended Cowboy Cadillac drawing in Muskogee. Five members attended the OK Lions Boys Ranch Christmas Party and brought the club donation of \$200 to be presented in the parade of checks; other members took articles for auctions. Collected toys that were given to the Tulsa County Sheriff's office for distribution for underprivileged children.

## Lions Awards

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District Governors are required to submit their district's Lion of the Year recipient information and photo to the state office on or about March 1, 2015 (or later, depending on processing time for awards at manufacturer).

Other awards typically presented at each state convention include the Dr. Bob S. McCullough Meritorious Service award (i.e., an Oklahoma Lionism Lifetime Achievement recognition) and the Oklahoma Lions Humanitarian of the Year award (for a non-Lion). Lists of previous recipients are on-line at the [www.oklahomalions.org](http://www.oklahomalions.org) website. Contact your district governor or the state office for more details.





2014-2015

## District 3-K

Governor  
Don Shaw



Our District 3-K Mid-Winter Convention, held Jan. 23-24 in Poteau, was a success due to the hard work of the Pocola and Poteau Evening Lions; thank you Lion Sherry Keisman and Lion Marshall Brence. A big thank you goes to all 3-K Lions who serve on state boards and committees.

I have made an effort for clubs to "partner" with nearby clubs in fundraisers and projects, to share the Lions Spirit, and to get to know fellow Lions.

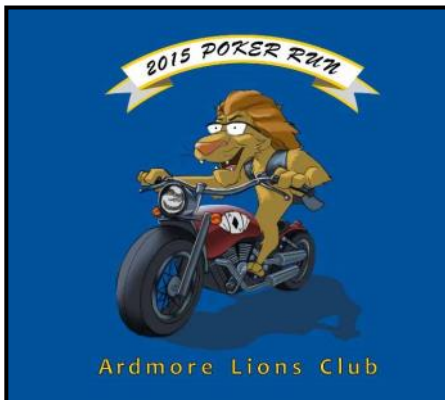
Please keep me updated on your new members, fundraising activities and service projects so they can be reported in this newsletter.

### District 3-K Peace Poster Contest

Congratulations to our Peace poster winners: First Place-Katie Williams, Pocola 7<sup>th</sup> grader; Second Place-Haley Knoepple, Shawnee Middle school 8<sup>th</sup> grade. And thank you to you Savannah Chaffin, New Lima School 7<sup>th</sup> grade (submitted by Wewoka Lions), and to Harmino Bo sponsored by Atoka Lions.

### District 3-K Club Activities Report

**Ardmore:** Preparing for spring fundraisers. Several members are active on the state and district level.



*Saturday, April 11, 2015*

**Atoka:** Donated \$500 to OK Lions Boys Ranch, \$100 to the Atoka Angel Tree and \$250 to Regional Food Bank. Sold fruit and pecans, earning \$4,248 for local projects. There are 41

members in this club; 110 man-hours volunteer work to assist 419 people in 7 activities-Lions Serve. This club has several members who serve on district and state boards.

**Holdenville:** Completed annual potato bar fundraiser. Donated/partnered with Fire Dept Toy Drive. Donated to OK Lions Boys Ranch Christmas. Inducted several new members since September! **Way to Go!**

**Hugo:** Sponsored Christmas bazaar/ auction, their big fundraiser for the year; it was very successful due to 100% member participation. Club members are working hard to recruit new members; the club's weekly program is always in the newspaper to help with community awareness of Lions presence, projects and activities.

**Idabel:** Worked with McCurtain County food and toy drive; honored 2 students of the month; donated \$100 to Hand to Hand food pantry.

**Lindsey:** Recruiting new members.

**McAlester:** Is the #2 Club in 3-K with 52 members and growing; they are working hard to get new members. They gave toys and food baskets to those in need for the holidays.

**Pocola:** Partnered with Poteau to sponsor 3-K district convention. This is a small club, but very active in the community. They have collected aluminum cans for several years, a project started by Lion Jim Keisman who needs all our prayers at this time.

**Poteau:** Partnered with Pocola to sponsor 3-K district convention. When need arises, this club responds.

**Purcell:** Donated \$500 to OK Lions Boy's Ranch and \$200 to new baseball field; for the past 50 years, the Lions have maintain Purcell Lions baseball park. Club members collect used eye glasses and buy new eyeglasses. The Lions are busy recruiting new members.

**Sallisaw:** Held Christmas activities and supported food baskets and toys.

**Shawnee:** Welcomed 2 new members, making their club with 64 members the #1 club in 3-K. They get good newspaper coverage of activities and projects so all in Shawnee know about Lions. These members are active in district and state activities and boards. Members attend USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forums as well as district and state conventions to make presentations and to learn from the training sessions.

**Stigler:** Planning a spring fundraiser. Gave toys and food baskets to those in need in Dec.

**Wanette:** Is a small but very active club. They welcomed 4 new members. Donated to senior citizens' center and also community citizens for food and toys during holidays. They partner with other local organizations for projects.

**Wilburton:** Is another small, but active club. They helped Salvation Army ring the bell at Christmas. They are now working hard to sponsor the Southeast Okla. Spring Livestock Show. It would be nice for Talihina, Antlers, and McAlester to lend a helping hand! This club knows how to raise money! They donated \$250 to Salvation Army for Christmas baskets for Latimer county, \$200 to Eastern College for boys' basketball Thanksgiving dinner, and \$200 to high school speech department for trip to Florida. Wilburton Lions meet every week for a program and to plan fundraisers and project activities.



Second graders from Bethel Public Schools recognized by the Shawnee Lions Club for "Being Masters of Manners". These students have mastered the art of polite conversation



Shawnee Lions Club

2014-2015

**District 3-L**



Governor  
Kristi Fields

It's Convention Time! That's right...the district convention is just around the corner. This year it will be held February 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Hilton Garden Inn in downtown Lawton. Friday night will be social time from 6 pm to 8 pm and Saturday morning will begin at 7 am for registration and breakfast, with the program starting at 9 am. There will be a luncheon on Saturday, with guest speaker PID Pat Shurley, and Saturday night a dance with a 50's theme. You do not have to dress in 50's attire, just dress comfortably. For those who have never been to a convention, I encourage you to attend. It's a great time to meet new friends and to learn about all the wonderful things Lions are doing throughout the state. Many Lions in the district have been working tirelessly putting together a program that will be both informative and exciting for all. I am using this newsletter to let you know what you can expect from the convention.

First, I am so excited that there will be a training session on the new spot vision cameras now available through Lions of Oklahoma. These cameras help diagnose vision problems in children ages 2 - 6. On Saturday morning, from 8:00 am to 8:45 am, CC Tom Cummings will be training those interested in learning how to operate the camera. The goal is to train as many Lions as possible so that we can set up vision screenings throughout the district. The camera is so user friendly that it almost operates itself. I expect many Lions will be interested in this training.

In addition to the training, we have numerous items on the agenda. Those include updates on the new Meadows of Hope foster care community, information on how to market your club and bring in new members, and a presentation by members of a local Lions club who were instrumental in starting the Heartland Council for the Blind support group in Lawton. We will also have the district speech contest which never disappoints, winning peace posters on display, and a fun game for first timers. Informational booths will be set up in the convention area and the pin traders will be on site as well. As we have every

year, we will have a silent auction to help raise funds for our state projects. I ask that all clubs consider donating items for the silent auction. Anything of value will be accepted. If you received gifts over the holidays that you can't use, please re-gift them to the Lions silent auction. They will be put to good use.

I hope I have stirred up enthusiasm for the convention. For those who have not yet registered, I have included a form for your convenience. I hope to see you all at the 3-L convention!

### **Welcome New Lions!**

**Cordell:** Amy Riggs – sponsor Sheryl McComas

**El Reno Canadian Valley:** David Venard - sponsor Janet Montgomery

**Elk City:** Caleb Redd and Teresa Redd - sponsored by Debra Freels

**Hobart:** Phillip Fischer-sponsor Stephen Boyd

**Lawton Noon:** Michael Donnelly II – sponsor Daniel Farrell

**Mangum:** Eric Yarborough and Lamesa Yarborough -sponsored by Ralph Bauer

### **Lions Doing Great Work!**

**Cache:** The Cache Lions donated \$100 to the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch for Christmas, sponsored a special needs student with a \$150 donation for their participation in the state Special Olympics meet, and gave 115 items to the local food drive sponsored by Cache primary. The Lions also purchased and donated a AED fully automatic to the Cache Public School for use in the Sports and Athletic programs and games, both at home and on the road. The Lions sponsored three peace poster contestants. All three placed at the district level and one of those sponsored by Cache was chosen as 1<sup>st</sup> place winner.

**Duncan Evening:** The Duncan Evening Lions made donations of \$200 to both the Stephens County Community Christmas dinner and to the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch Christmas party.

**El Reno:** The El Reno Lions Club sponsored 50 local preschool and elementary aged children by donating \$125 to the National Fire Safety Council, Inc. The funds help to purchase fire safety materials which are distributed to all preschool and elementary aged children. The El Reno Fire Department annually organizes a fire education program with diversified materials targeted for the children in our community. The lions also collected canned goods and made a monetary donation of \$250 to assist the El Reno Blessing

Baskets with their 2014 Christmas distribution which provides food, toys, blankets, and other household items each year to approximately 600 people in need.

**Elk City:** The Elk City Lions celebrated cubs of the month, two 5th graders who were hand selected by their teachers. Also in attendance were two seniors who were cubs of the month when they were 5th graders.

**Hobart:** Hobart Lions gave \$200 to Great Plains Youth and Family Services to provide gifts to foster children and disadvantaged families and another \$200 to toys for tots.

**Hollis:** The club will be awarding this semester's Citizenship Award to Marshal Welch, a 5th grader at the Hollis Public School.

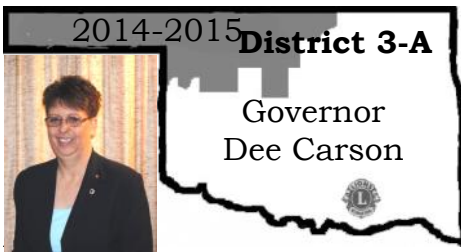
**Lawton NE:** On January 19, the Lawton NE Lions put out flags in honor of Martin Luther King Day. Lion Gary Weise of the Lawton NE branch club, along with fellow Lions, friends, and co-workers at CGI put together a large "box of love" that was mailed to a boy in California, named Matthew, who is seriously ill with cancer. The box contained toys, gifts, a get well card, and a CD of "Over the Rainbow/What a Wonderful World". The club members hope to brighten the spirits of Matthew and his parents during this ordeal.



**Lawton Noon:** Lions Diane and Robert Phillips held an organizational meeting for a new Leo club in Lawton. The Lawton Noon Lions recycled 20 pair of eyeglasses and 12 ink toner cartridges. Several club members have also been helping DG Kristi with the planning of the upcoming district convention.

**Lawton Patriots:** The Patriots recycled 100 pair of used eyeglasses.





Hello, District 3-A Lions.

I hope things are going well in each of your clubs. District 3-A had a good turnout selling OLSF Cowboy Cadillac tickets; we are the top district in sales.

We are gearing up for the District Convention and looking forward to seeing you there. It's going to be a fun time. ID Linda and Vern Tinch-er will be our International guests, from Riley, Indiana. Friday Feb. 20 we will have Guiding Lion Training from 2-4 at Central Christian Church in Enid. District GLT Terry Woodruff will to the training. Please take advantage of this class. Friday night will be filled with fun things to do.

Saturday morning, Feb. 21 from 8-9 we will have CC Tom Cummings do training on for the Pediatric Vision Screening program, using the Spot cameras. This is a great opportunity for

clubs to get together and get the training done so they can use the cameras in their area.

Then we have other sessions that will be informative. Our Youth and Adult Speech Con- test will be held at 11:15 am on Sat. **Title for Youth:** *How can I promote peace and under- standing through service to others?* **Title for Adult:** *How can I strengthen my Lion's Club's Pride?* Please let me know if you have a con- testant.

Voting on Constitution/By-laws changes will occur; these proposals were printed in last month's newsletter. We have candidates for: District Governor Joe Chandler (North Enid), 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Harold Shore (Garber) and 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Deb- bie Woodruff (Ponca City Noon/ NOEL Branch). Elections for a 3year term for the Boards of the Boys Ranch, Eye Bank, Briggs, Service Foun- dation and a 2 year term on the State Conven- tion Planning Committee will be Saturday after- noon.

A Big Thank You to PCC Arlene Shore for being my District Convention Chair and for all the hard work she has done for this convention.

Congratulations to Olivia Parish as the win- ner of our District Peace Poster Contest. She was sponsored by the North Enid Lions Club and is a student at Oklahoma Bible Academy in

Enid. Olivia, her family, and teacher will be invit- ed to our convention. Peace Poster Chair PDG Barbara Swineford will present her with a plaque and a check. Thanks Buffalo Lions and Laverne Lions Clubs for also sponsoring stu- dents.

Dues notices have been sent to your Treas- urer from International, State and District. In order to vote at District Convention, these dues will need to be paid.

I want to thank each of you for the time you give to your service projects and your commit- ment to help your community.


Happy Valentines Day.

### Welcome New Lions:

**Guymon**-Marcy A Hawkins, Sponsor Charlene Slane; **Hennessey Correction**-Josh T. Lippoldt; **Jet**-Adam Tucker, Sponsor Jerry La Grow; **Laverne**-Stephen R. Wisdom, Sponsor Terri Wheeler; **Okarche**-Mike Bomhoff, Sponsor Tom Schaefer; **Ponca City Noon**- Zack B. Stovall, Sponsor Claire Scott and Sharon Kay Uhlig, Sponsor Peter Uhlig; **Seiling**-Luke Faires

### In Remembrance of these Lions and to thank them for their years of Service:

**Cherokee**-Ronald Shepard-31 years of service.



**DISTRICT 3-A LIONS MIDWINTER CONVENTION**  
**REGISTRATION FORM**  
February 20-21, 2015 - Enid  
All activities are at Central Christian Church  
1111 West Broadway, Enid, OK.  
Host Hotel: Comfort Inn  
210 N. Van Buren  
Make your reservations: 580-233-1214  
Room rate: \$111.00 plus tax - Hotel Cut-off Date: February 6, 2015  
Lions of Oklahoma District 3-A welcomes from Riley, Indiana  
Our International Director Linda Tinch-er and her husband Lion Vern

Lion Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/Guest (Check here if Lion \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Lions Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Leo  
Address/City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Please register and remit payment by February 11 to guarantee meals.**  
Registration in foyer of Central Christian Church  
Friday 2:00-5:00 p.m. - Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00

Registration Lion/Spouse/Guest	Number	X \$ 10.00	=
Registration at the door	Number	X \$ 12.00	=
Registration LEO	Number	X \$ 2.00	=
First Timer: Yes _____ Name _____ Club _____			
Friday Night Buffet	Number	X \$ 12.00	=
Dress: (casual) western _____ Meal: 6:00 p.m. _____			
Lasagna - garlic bread - mixed salad - dessert - coffee, tea, water			
Saturday Noon Buffet	Number	X \$ 12.00	=
Meal: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, dessert, hot rolls - coffee, tea, water			
Saturday Evening Meal	Number	X \$ 17.00	=
Dress: Business attire _____ Reception: 5:00 pm _____ Meal: 5:30 p.m. _____			
Chicken Kiev, wild rice, mixed vegetables, green salad, hot rolls, coffee, tea, water			
(served by the Garber 4-H)			

GRAND TOTAL REMITTED \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL DIET NEEDS \_\_\_\_\_  
Everyone must pay registration if they attend and/or eat meal. Clubs are responsible for registration and meals of their speech contestants and guests.

Mail to: DG Dee Carson  
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Fellowship, food, seminars, awards, speech contests, cabinet meeting, elections, international guests,  
Pin traders, silent auction, door prizes, f-u-a -----f-u-a  
Guiding lions training - Friday - 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Chapel

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## District 3-H

Governor  
Dawn Miller



The following clubs and club presidents are receiving the LCI Club Excellence Awards for 2013-2014: Lion Mike Bendele-Chandler; Lion Terry Bran-non-Cushing; Lion Gary Fitzgerald-Harrah; Lion Jacque Mooney for Lion Raymond Valdez-Midwest City; Lion Phil Berkenbile-Morrison; Lion David Donaldson-Norman Sooner; PDG Jim Barnett-OKC Northwest; PCC Marvin Ainsworth-OKC West Side; Lion Juanita Phelan-Stillwater Noon. Congratulations all for your hard work last year and your club's dedication to community service!

**Cashion:** Lions worked with the local Ministerial Alliance to provide food baskets to 24 families in Dec.

**Choctaw-Nicoma Park:** Worked with the local police departments for the Blue Lion project, providing Christmas toys and goods to local children in need.

**Crescent:** Welcomed new Lion Dustin Damergy sponsored by Sandra Voskuhl.

**Edmond:** Lions celebrated Lion Gifford Parkhurst's 98<sup>th</sup> birthday on Jan. 13; he is a Charter member of the Club (1963). Present were 15 guests, 13 relatives of Gifford. Former Edmond Lion Sharon Johnson attended; PIC Pat Shurley read 2 letters from Lions Burchie Smith and Hulda Hamilton recounting memories of Lion Gifford. PID Shurley presented Gifford with a LCI Presidential Certificate of Appreciation signed by LCI President Joe Preston. District 3-H Governor Dawn Miller gave him a district certificate of appreciation as a District 3-H Legacy Lion. Lion Gifford told a couple of stories and gave some advice to all Lions: "Do not hesitate to ask people to join Lions. I was in Rotary and Kiwanis before Lions, and the Lions organization is much more fun and with more meaningful community service activities." Club members also had a decorated birthday cake and gave cards to Lion Gifford.

**Guthrie:** Welcomed new Lion Daniel Gustafson sponsored by Frank Davis. Club donated \$1,000 to the Logan County Sports Museum and gave \$25 gift certificates to both an outstanding teacher and an outstanding school support employee. Mourned the passing of Lion Billy Wagoner, who joined Lions in 1968.

**Harrah:** Welcomed new Lion Ricky Martin sponsored by Joe Ray Thomas.

**Langston City:** Welcomed new Lion Alberta Mayberry sponsored by Darnell Williams.

**Midwest City:** Welcomed new Lion Beth Patterson sponsored by Pat Felock. MWC Lions were very active this past month, donating \$1,500 to the MWC Elks Lodge and became a solid member of their Christmas Basket Program. On Dec. 20, 7 Lions helped unload groceries from 2 large delivery trucks

and immediately began making up 208 Christmas Baskets, and then delivered 19 food baskets (ham, turkey, eggs, milk, various canned goods) to selected families, thus providing food for about 80 people during the holiday season. If the families came to pick up their Food Baskets the children received free toys. It was inspiring to watch the reactions on the family's faces. They were extremely appreciative. The club also provided funds and 4 volunteers to support the Elks' Hoop Shoot held at Jarman Middle School for students from Mid-Del and Crooked Oak. The Lions may have had more fun than the kids. On Jan. 12, 10 Lions met at the State Office to sort used eyeglasses. About 18,000 pairs of glasses were prepared for transport to the Texas Center in Midland; one new Lion even took off from work to contribute her time.

**Mulhall-Orlando:** Lions are selling fruit as a fundraiser. Gave treats to school children and Lions Koch and Bode took extras with them to the OK Lions Boys Ranch Christmas party, as a treat for the boys there. Club brought Santa to Christmas concert, and held "Ladies' Night" with a program on safari.

**Newcastle Community:** Welcomed new (and final) Charter members Michael Fullerton, Linda Ott and Jeremy Keith.

**Norman:** Honored Jan. Student of the Month Jaden Stecklow, senior at Community Christian School, a scholar and also in Key Club and soccer player. The club observed their 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Jan. 20.

**OKC West Side:** Continuing to purchase eye exams and eyeglasses for people in need in western OKC/Bethany/Warr Acres. Continuing help with mobile meals, both cooking and delivery. US flag displays will be done for subscribers on Presidents' Day, Feb. 16. Donated the cost of utilities and rental for 3-H Mid-Winter District Convention to be held Feb. 7.

**Perkins:** Welcomed new Lion Eric Lovelace sponsored by Lee Ray Murlin. Provided boxes of food to 35 families and toys to 84 children at Christmas time. Replaced defective light bulbs on 16 light fixtures and provided Christmas candy for 200 children. Mourned the passing of Lion Gene Wollenberg, a Lion since 1991.

**Perry:** Welcomed new Lion Darin Wood sponsored by Rick Arterberry. Helped plan, organize and facilitate the annual Perry Christmas Pet Parade on Dec. 6; about 50 children and their pets participated, many in costume. They paraded around the square and were rewarded with shiny new \$1 coins donated by both local banks. Perry Lions donated \$141 to buy candy canes and paying for Santa Claus to be present for photos and interviews with the children, and donated \$500 to OK Lions Boys Ranch; President Mandy Snyder delivered check to OLBR. Continued Mobile Meals

**Stillwater Noon and eBranch Club:** Purchased eyeglasses for 2 persons. Lions helped serve, wash dishes and clean up at the Community meal to feed the hungry at First United Methodist Church. House

parents from OK Lions Boys Ranch gave program and brought a rescue dog who was trained by "Love on a Leash" to have social manners to be adopted into a family. In a touching story, the boys at the Ranch learned that the dog would be adopted into their family as a therapy dog

**Stroud:** Club donated \$500 and individual Lions donated a total of \$600 to the OK Lions Boys Ranch Christmas. Club supported 5 children from Angel Tree, purchasing Christmas gifts for them. Provided eye exam and eyeglasses to an elderly adult in need. Hosted (and fed) school choir at Dec. club meeting; choir performed parts of their upcoming school performance. Another Dec. club program was on the new assisted living center coming to Stroud.



The Stillwater Noon Lions Club "Students of the Month" for January. Pictured from left to right are 2nd VP Cindy Cummings, Trini Bui, Haden Cornstock, and Club President Keith Disney.



Stillwater Noon Lions Receive Banner Patch and Immediate Past President Juanita Phelan receives special pin for club excellence 2013-2014. From left to right are president Keith Disney, Past President Juanita Phelan, DG Dawn Miller, and 2nd DG Troy Jenkins.





## DISTRICT 3-L LIONS CONVENTION



**Friday, February 27, 2015 – Saturday, February 28, 2015**

**Early Registration Deadline: February 14, 2015**

**Location: Hilton Garden Inn of Lawton-Fort Sill / 135 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Lawton, OK**

**Keynote Speaker: Past International Director Pat Shurley, Edmond Lions Club, OK**

### Event Schedule

<b>Friday</b>	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm.....	Welcome/Social Time (Hotel bar area – cash bar)
<b>Saturday</b>	7:00 am – 9:00 am.....	Registration / Breakfast (Included in registration)
	9:00 am – 11:30 am.....	Opening, Meetings, and Speech Contest
	Noon – 2:00 pm.....	Luncheon / Awards
	2:00 pm – 4:00 pm.....	Cabinet Meeting
	6:00 pm – 10:00 pm.....	50's Dance (Wear your 50's outfit or any dancing clothes!)

**There will be a silent auction that ends after the cabinet meeting.**

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Accommodations are available at the new Hilton Garden Inn. Lions will receive a special room rate of \$89.00 per night (available Friday and Saturday). For reservations, call 580-280-2100 and be sure to mention it is for the Lions Clubs District Convention.

Hotel website:

[http://www.hotels.com/hotel/details.html?children%5B0%5D=0&previousDateful=false&reviewOrder=date\\_newest\\_first&city=1481321-PROVIDED-PROVIDED&rooms=1&rate=6&did=1481321&rooms%5B0%5D.numberOfAdults=2&tab=description&lat=Lawton,+OK+Inn,+United+States+of+America&hotelId=447522](http://www.hotels.com/hotel/details.html?children%5B0%5D=0&previousDateful=false&reviewOrder=date_newest_first&city=1481321-PROVIDED-PROVIDED&rooms=1&rate=6&did=1481321&rooms%5B0%5D.numberOfAdults=2&tab=description&lat=Lawton,+OK+Inn,+United+States+of+America&hotelId=447522)

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### CONVENTION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**Early Registration Deadline: February 14, 2015**

**Please Print**

Lion \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ First Timer: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_ First Timer: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*All who attend must register and pay the registration fee. Clubs who sponsor speech and/or peace poster contestant(s) must pay the registration fee and cost of meals for the contestant and their party.\*\*\***

Registration Fee (Breakfast Buffet Included) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 Luncheon \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 Dance \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00

**After February 14, 2015, the registration fee is \$25.00 and the special hotel room rate is not guaranteed.**

**In response to the LCI Centennial Service Challenge of Relieving the Hunger of 25 million people, we will be accepting donations to benefit the Food for Kids program. Please bring snack items such as cereal bars, granola bars, cheese crackers, or any type of snack item that children enjoy. Thank you.**

Please make checks for registration, luncheon and/or dance payable to District 3-L Lions and mail with this form to: District Governor Kristi Fields, P.O. Box 3353, Lawton, OK 73502.





**BECAUSE ALL LIONS ARE SUPERHEROES!**

So why not come dressed as one?

Or come as your favorite fantasy or sci-fi character. The important thing is to come...

Come and enjoy some fellowship with your fellow Lions. Come and learn at our breakout sessions. Enjoy food from expert Lion cooks and Lions Club chefs. Lunch will be followed by the speech contest (if we have contestants), Peace Poster recognition, and the 3-H Cabinet Meeting and General Meeting for 2014-2015 positions: District Governor Jacque Mooney, First Vice District Governor Troy Jenkins, Second Vice District Governor candidate(s) and three-year terms on the boards for the OK Lions Boys Ranch, Eye Bank, Service Foundation and Dr. Eugene Briggs Memorial Scholarship, plus two-year term on the OK Lions State Convention Planning Committee.



District 3-H Mid-Winter Convention  
February 7, 2015  
OKC West Side Lions Town Hall  
4137 NW 10<sup>th</sup>, Oklahoma City, OK 73107  
Registration starts at 8:30 am  
Convention starts at 9 am



Please complete this form and send with check made out to District 3-H Lions to:  
District Governor Dawn Miller: 3-H Lions: P.O. Box 76328: Oklahoma City, OK 73147-2328

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

Spouse/Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lion? \_\_\_\_\_

MD-3 District: \_\_\_\_\_ Lions Club: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration is \$10 per person.

We ask that all District 3-H Lions/Lions Clubs contribute with dishes for our LionCon meal! This keeps us from charging for the noon meal and makes it more fun for all with a variety of foods to share from other Lions and Lions Clubs.  
3-H Club presidents will be receiving additional information.

**REGISTRATION**

OK Lions SRVC FNDR  
4123 NW 10th ST  
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## February 2015

### *Membership Focus: Women*

- Feb. 1** International Peace Poster Contest winners will be notified on or before this date.
- Feb. 7** District 3-H Mid-Winter Convention: LIONCON, OKC West Side Lions Town Hall, 4135 NW 10<sup>th</sup> St., OKC 73107. Come as your favorite fantasy character or your favorite superhero (Lions to the rescue!) Lions and Clubs are asked to contribute to the potluck lunch, with prizes for best decorated table!
- Feb. 12** LCIF application deadline for Standard, Core 4 and IAG grants to be reviewed at the April 2015 Board Meeting
- Feb. 13** Lawton N E e-branch Lions Valentine's Party for Special Needs Children
- Feb. 20-21** District 3-A Mid-Winter Convention and 2015-16 elections, Enid
- Feb. 21** Barnsdall LC Chili Cookoff
- Feb. 28** District 3-L Mid-Winter Convention and 2015-16 elections, Lawton

## March 2015

### *Membership Focus: Women*

### *Eye Donor Awareness Month*

- Mar. 1** LCI Deadline for **multiple district** council chairperson to submit a single Lions **Environmental Photo** Contest entry to LCI.
- Mar. 7** (tentative) Choctaw-Nicoma Park Lions Club Charter Event
- Mar. 7** Lions Day at the United Nations in New York
- Mar. 7-9** Advanced Lions Leadership Institute in Calgary, Alberta, Canada)
- Mar. 21-22** MD-3 Governors School, OKC West Side Lions Town Hall
- Mar. 31** Last day for regular LCI convention registration fees

### **\*\*Please Note\*\***

**The Pediatric Vision Screening Cameras are ready to be sign out through the state office. Please call the state office at 405-947-6540 to reserve a camera. The cameras are only sign out to trained lions. Please make sure that your name has been turned into the state before scheduling an event.**