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Lion's Meadows of Hope Party a Success!

Colleen Fowler

Saturday December 5th, 2015 was a beautiful sunny day as Lions and supporters from all over the state gathered in Perkins, Oklahoma. With over 200 present the day was spent enjoying a wonderful buffet lunch, watching the "Parade of Checks" and most of all just being together. For many it was the first time to meet the new Foster families... The Barry's and the Buckminster's and to hear from the Fowler's how the transition was working. The décor was a reflection of a simple pioneer Christmas and delightful music provided by Perkins Elementary School Principal Bobby Simma gave a festive air to the gathering. One of the highlights of the day was a presentation to Jack and Roberta Spangler. They served at the Boy's Ranch almost 17 years and humbly received a commendation from the office of Congressman Frank Lucas and an official proclamation from the Office of the Lieutenant Governor. Lots of hugging and laughter was shared as well as some tears as our Executive Director Bryan Larison spoke of the transition and how much it means for our kids of the Meadows of Hope to have a safe, loving home not just at Christmas but every day.

The live auction brought some intense bidding with the big item being a pkg. donated by OSU Pres. Burns Hargis' office, which included the use of the Presidential suite at an OSU BB Game and 16 tickets. The most popular items however were the collector MOH Mugs with the handprints of all of our children on them. These were numbered and all 36 sold quickly. If you are interested in purchasing 1 or more @ \$25.00 each, email me at cfowler@lionsmoh.org or cfowler@olbr.org.



We were honored to have many first time visitors as some clubs made the journey to join our celebration. It's been quite a year... new focus, new name, new logo...same heart. Change of focus and broadening of range of service but still the same desire to serve children and youth in Oklahoma and do it in a different and better way. We were honored this past Saturday to host the Wakita Lions Club! They came to the Lion's Meadows of Hope and cooked burgers and hot dogs for all 22 of us! It was a special time as we gathered in the Buckminster's living room with children from babies to almost 18's laughing, talking, sharing and enjoying the simple act of being together. We parents were able to share our dreams, thoughts, motivations and hear from the Lion's how they felt about the new direction. With lots of hugs and laughter, we enjoyed a beautiful day together and really felt that they could see and feel our hearts and we were honored by their service to us and our children. We invite and encourage you to come see for yourselves what the folks here experience every day. We are a community of families whose goal is to provide a loving safe family environment for children and youth. We believe that family is the medicine that begins the healing in a broken child and we want to be that place of healing and growing for them.

Please go on our new website (www.lionsmoh.org) read the testimonials, see the progress and join our cause. We appreciate all of your love and concern and look forward to another year of giving and caring as we strive to serve the children and youth of Oklahoma.

Merry Christmas from Bryan, Kyle and Colleen your Meadows of Hope Staff!





OKLAHOMA LIONS SERVICE FOUNDATION

2015 Cowboy Cadillac Fundraiser News!

By Lion Marie Burns, OLSF Executive Director



Oklahoma Lions club members gathered at Stevens Ford in Enid Oklahoma at 11:00 AM to sell and buy last minute tickets before the 1:00 PM drawing. Lions balloons colored the showroom floor as families entered the dealership. Tables displayed Lions information and sold Cowboy Cadillac t-shirts. The t-shirt will be sold year round. The Mobile Health Screening Unit set up for critical health screenings from 10:00 AM till 2:00 PM. Lion members attended from all over the state from Enid and Garber to Coalgate. CC Dee Carson, District Governors Jacque Mooney and Joe Chandler both attended as well as 1st Vice DG Dan Farrell. Board Members Campaign Chair Terry Woodruff, Cyndy Farrell, Nancy Cook-Seen, Russell Wright, Elmo Castle, and Charles Michael Jr also attended. Emily Sommers from the Enid News and Eagle covered the event. Lions sold over \$750 dollars at the drawing! The long awaited day had arrived!

Opening remarks were presented by Chair-Terry Woodruff who welcomed everyone to the event and stressed the importance of community service. He stressed the importance of state projects and the expansion of the Meadows of Hope to provide these children with a safe stable environment to grow.

Chairman Terry Woodruff also presented a brief report from OLEB Executive Director Lori Miller. "OLEB has recovered 987 corneas! That is 145 more than last year. As of November 30 (the latest data), we have placed 614 of those corneas for transplant, 265 to research. He read a letter written by Melisa Weathers, a double cornea recipient. Excerpt "*The gift of sight means so much to me. This gift has helped me complete my Bachelor of Science degree and succeed in many goals in my career path. The gift of sight also has given me the chance to see the world. I love to travel and see the ocean and with this gift I can see all the beautiful things around me. I can never repay the donors*

for this gift but I hope the families know that I am forever grateful for this gift of sight. They saved my life."

Bryan Larison, Executive Director of the Meadows of Hope, stressed the importance of keeping foster children together in a safe family environment. Many of these children just want a family, and the Meadows of Hope provides a community of family support! The program will serve both boys and girls in the hopes of future adoption for a permanent placement. Bryan also stressed the importance of fundraisers such as Cowboy Cadillac to provide children the opportunity to attend activities they may not otherwise be able to attend in DHS custody. Bryan stated, there are many children in foster care that we as Lions can help to make the system better.

The Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation, Executive Director, Marie Burns announced the guidelines for the drawing process as the refurbished drawing bin (thanks to our MHSU Driver Keven Kody) was brought to the center of the Stevens Ford Showroom floor. District A Governor Joe Chandler, the North Enid Lion, and local children came to share in the drawing for the winning tickets! Drum Roll!!!!

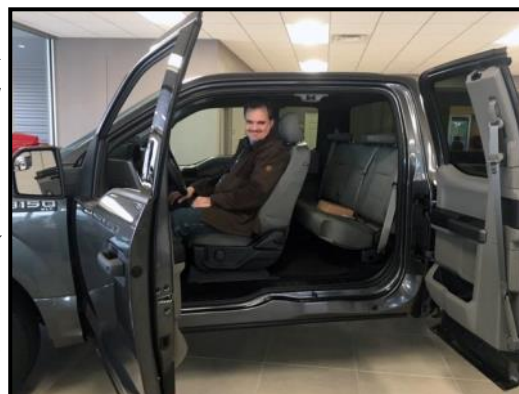
The Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation gave away 5 iPad Minis, one to each of the 5 Oklahoma Districts. The Winners were: **MD3-O- Cary McElrath, MD3-K-Cloye Thompson, MD3-L-Dan Farrel, MD3-A-David Merrill, and MD3-H-Joe Ball.**

The final Grand Prize ticket was drawn by Randy Floyd, the dealership area Manager. The Winner is James Tittle from the Norman Lions Club MD3-H!

Lions have opened up their hearts and wallets to make the event a success! So almost \$79,000 has been collected with more still coming in. This shows the caring and serving heart of Oklahoma Lions.

Recognitions for all the behind the scenes work including **Oklahoma Lions Clubs** first and foremost. The work at the **Meadows of Hope and the Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank. The Host Clubs in District -A, including North Enid, and Garber Lions.** Recognition of Winners last year's winner Aaron Hoggard and Family. How wonderful it was to be a blessing to families at Christmas time. Special thanks to **Stevens Ford** for co-sponsoring the event! Thanks to the **OLSF Cowboy Cadillac committee** for the planning and preparation of the event. The office staff for the extra work put into the event.

Every Lion is a winner because this event changes lives!



2015-2016



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Well, here we are, halfway through the Lion year. I hope the holidays were a joyful time for all but now it's back to business.

How many of the clubs are halfway to their goal for the next year? How many clubs SET a goal for the year? It is never too late to do that and it is not too late to achieve great things within your clubs. At this half way point I feel we should go back and review some points from early on.

1. Goal setting. **SMART** goals are the only ones that produce results. A goal should be: **Specific, Measureable, Actionable, Realistic, and Timebound.** Without a goal you do not know where you are going, how to get there or when you arrive. Do you as a club member know what your club goals are? Do you know if your club has any goals? If not, ask your leaders why not.

2. Are you and your club **CONFORMERS, REFORMERS OR TRANSFORMERS?** We recently lost another club. Why? It's just like a member of that club stated: "It is just like in our church, all the younger members have gone out to this other church that do things a different way. We have always done it his way in the past and it worked, why change?" I'll tell you why, people under 60 don't live in the past, they are looking to the future. If you want to recruit new members with new ideas and hope for the future, you may need to become a **transformer**. By definition, a transformer looks to start over, to do a complete inside out change, so that, in effect, a new person or group with new standards, attitudes and practices emerge. Don't be afraid of change!

3. **lions100.org** Have you been to this site? The Centennial Celebration is well under way and you should be familiar with this site and the rewards offered to members and clubs alike. There are banner patches for your club banner, special centennial membership pins for new members as well as centennial sponsor pins which can be upgraded over the next three years to silver, gold and diamond. Your club can be a centennial club with three new members during a Lion year. that should be an easy task for all clubs.

These three steps are a very simple way for a club to grow and become more active. Even

doing just one of these, your club could not help but be more attractive to prospective new members and at the same time, help retain the members you have. Give one a try. I dare you to do all three!

A rewarding part of being District Governor is presenting the Monarch Chevrons for years of service. I have given out a slew of them with a good size stack to go. Along with a lot of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, and 40 year chevrons I've had a few that really stand out. William Walker of Bartlesville Tuxedo 45 years, W. A. McClintock of Bartlesville Limestone 50 years, Alvin Trissell of Vinita 50 years, and Harold Murnan of Pawhuska 55 years. Congratulations and keep up the good work.

Club News

Barnsdall Lions: held a Pediatric Eye Screening at the elementary schools and screened 152 students.

Broken Arrow Lions: Purchased a pair of glasses, collected 1400 food items and 50 meat items and collected \$500 for the Broken Arrow Neighbors Meat the Need Project. Donated \$300 to the Boys Ranch and rang the bells for the Salvation Army.

Muskogee County Lions: Purchased nine turkeys for families connected with The Oklahoma School for the Blind. Volunteered with collecting donations at the Muskogee Garden of Lights.

Muskogee Noon Lions: Purchased clothes for six children from two families in need and invited all the family members to join them in their Christmas Dinner.

Okmulgee Lions: Donated to Meadow of Hope, purchased eyeglasses for three, rang the Salvation Army bells and purchased gifts for Angels from the Christmas Tree. They also donated food for food baskets.



Pawhuska: Held their annual pancake breakfast and raised \$1,176, donated \$100 to the Boy Scout Troop #33 and donated two \$50 food cards for two families who had lost their jobs.

Porter Lions: Donated \$500 to the Boys Ranch and assisted the Porter Fire Department with the Porter Christmas Parade.

Sapulpa Lions: Donated \$450 to the Meadows of Hope, \$250 to the Salvation Army and donated food and drinks to the Sapulpa Basketball Concessions.



The third one next--The South Grand Lake of Langley is proud of their 52 member Leo Club. L-R Taylor McGimpsey, Brett Long, Librarian Ms. Woods, Ariana Goforth and Ryan Lewis presenting a check for \$500 to the Ketchum library.

Tulsa Brookside Lions: Welcomed new member Glenn Beustring and transfer members Linda Collins and Bob Hoppe. Purchased 130 children books distribute to McClure Elementary and the South Tulsa Community House for Christmas.

Vinita Lions: Donated \$500 to the Salvation Army back pack program and \$200 to the Thanksgiving drive. The club rang the bells for the Salvation Army. Donated chili and cornbread to the Senior Center and will donated \$150 to the Vinita High School football uniform fund. Awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship to club member Henry Haynes.



The middle one first--Vinita Lions receiving Monarch Chevrons were Robert Jones 25 yrs., Pete Hisely 15 yrs., Alvin Trissell 50yrs., Bill Gardner 25 yrs. presented by DG Mike.

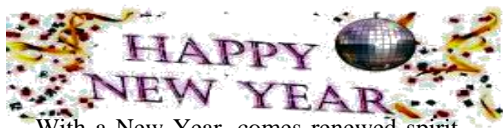
Wagoner Lions: Hosted a KidsSight screening and found 26 children that had some type of eye deficiencies. Collected \$750 cash and 5,600lbs. of frozen chicken for the Area Neighbors and Wagoner Community Outreach. The club donated another \$750 to the cause. The club purchased 93 Cowboy Cadillac tickets.

2015-2016

District 3-K



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With a New Year, comes renewed spirit to set new goals, but before we get the New Year and new goals started, I would first like to say thank you to all of the 3K clubs who have made their communities better by doing what Lions do...serving! I think 2015 has been a great year. I have seen some amazing fundraisers and Service Projects. I am so impressed with 3K! I can't wait to see that Lions will do in 2016!

I hope you had a very Merry Christmas and I wish you a blessed New Year!

Club News



Ada Lions: Hosted the MHSU on Halloween. Lions Bill Speed and Joshua Edward welcome everyone. Lion Katherine Friant checks bone density. Lion Dr. Megan Slate performs blood work on one of her students

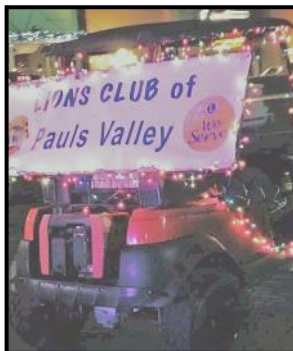
Ardmore Lions: volunteered for DOT Foods of Ardmore "1st Annual Walk to End Alzheimer's. The Ardmore Lions Club Members volunteered with set-up of the event and the Promise Garden Flower Pick-Up Station. The flowers, which can be personalized with hand-written messages, highlight the diverse reasons for Walk participation and collectively create a colorful and meaningful garden. Participants are encour-

age to take the flowers home as remembrance of their Walk experience and the promise made. Picture below are Ardmore LC President Gay Celcer and the Promise Garden.

Blanchard Lions: participated in Christmas Parade.



Paul's Valley Lions: Paul's Valley Lions had a float in the local Christmas parade.



Poteau Evening Lions: President Nina Bowen gives a check for \$1,575 to Trent Hampton, Vice President of the Poteau High School Band Boosters. The Evening Lions prepared cotton candy, funnel cakes and caramel apples at all home football games and donates one half of the proceeds to the Band Boosters. The Evening Lions has provided \$11,285.50 in support of the band. (Picture top Right) The **Poteau Evening Lions** also donated \$1,000 to the Leflore County Youth Services for the Angel Tree. The Poteau Evening Lions in conjunction with Wal-Mart has in the past eleven years provided \$18,000 for the Adopt-An-Angel Program of the LeFlore County Youth Services, Inc.. Picture is Lion Rick Couri, former LCYS director, Terri Krebs, LCYS Director, and Nina Bowen, club President.



Shawnee Lions: Congratulations to our state Peace Poster Winner



Wewoka Lions: The Wewoka Lions donated \$200 to the Boys Ranch, \$100 to the sheriff's fund for toys for tots. The club built a float and entered it into the Wewoka Christmas parade. On Christmas eve the club helped with the Wewoka Christmas dinner for the community. The club also participated in selling Cowboy Cadillac tickets.



2015-2016

District 3-L

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Hope everyone had a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. We have kicked off another year 2016, Wow did you every think you would be here for that year. Now time to get to work serving when and were ever we can. Another way to serve is local food banks and I found this article about items that people might need but the food banks never ask for: Some items are in high demand at the food bank and you may not realize it. Because they aren't essentials, the staff doesn't publicly ask for them. A survey on Reddit.com asked volunteers what items people would be most appreciative of and we've listed the top 10 below. If you're looking for an easy way to help out, pick some of these up while shopping and drop them off at one of our area food banks.

1. Spices. Think about it. People who rely on the food bank eat a lot of canned food, rice, oatmeal, white bread, etc. They love spices. Seasoned salt, cayenne pepper, chili powder, cumin, cinnamon, nutmeg, allspice, oregano, basil and so on.

2. Feminine Products .Can you imagine being worried about affording these? Pads, tampons, panty liners, etc. Recommended: Buy in bulk at Costco for donating.

3. Chocolate. People don't need it, but think about being in their shoes and how nice it would be to be given a chocolate bar or brownie mix along with your essentials.

4. Toiletries. Grocery stores are great about donating surplus or unsold food, but they have

no reason to donate toilet paper, tooth paste, soap, deodorant, shampoo, etc. Food stamps often don't cover these.

5. Canned meats and jerky. This isn't true of all food banks, but some struggle to give users enough protein.

6. Crackers and tortillas. They don't spoil and everybody likes them.

7. Baby toiletries. Diapers, baby wipes, baby formula, baby shampoo, baby soap, baby food, bottles, etc.

8. Soup packets. Sometimes you look at rice, beans, instant potatoes, and cans of vegetable and think, "What do I make with this?" Hearty soup is a complete meal.

9. Socks. From a former homeless person: "Socks mean the world to you. They keep you warm, make you feel like you have something new, and just comfort you."

10. Canned fruit other than pineapple. Food banks get a lot of pineapple donated. Their clients love it when other kinds of fruit are available.

And remember! Food banks love cash donations because it allows them to buy whatever they need!

Club News

ALTUS: Pancake Breakfast with Santa Claus. Participated in the Christmas Parade.

CANUTE: Annual Christmas Party. Held drawing for prizes then played dirty Santa, talked about the Christmas baskets that will go out in the community to the families. In January the city of Canute will install in the park a new water fountain and bench that the Canute Lions has purchased

DUNCAN EVENING: Lions purchased eye glasses for seven needy adults and collected 133 used eye glasses, they also contributed to the community pancake dinner.

ELK CITY: Purchased two pairs of glasses in the community. The club honored our two Lion Sweet-cubs of the month as well as our Lion Sweet-heart. We had our annual Christmas Party and we bought gifts for the city mayors toys drive and played dirty Santa



Elk City Lions President Joe Thompson delivering toys to City Hall for the Mayors Toy Drive (1st on left).

MARLOW: Honored their Students of the Month and continued with their eye examination and eyeglass program.

MUSTANG: Continue with the work on their Lions Building

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



Altus Lions Club Float in the Christmas parade



Lions of Oklahoma 2015-2016 District 3-L Convention

March 4-5, 2016

Clarion Inn and Suites

101 Meadow Ridge, Elk City, OK 580-225-6637

Lions rate \$69 plus taxes

Dignity, Harmony, Humanity

Past International Director Mark Hintzmann and wife Lion Jayne

Registration Form to follow in next month newspaper



**District 3-A**

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Greetings to all my fellow Lions in District 3A

I hope all have recovered from all the delightful Thanksgiving dinners.

Now we can all think about what blessings we have received, just think what a wonderful country we live in and about what the Countries overseas have. We are blessed that we can worship in whatever denomination we want, we can all vote whatever the person we vote for wins or not and not have to worry about getting put in jail or some other person telling us what we should do.

Now is the time to get ready for the greatest thing that happened over history and that is the birth of our Lord and his love for us. I know we think about the gifts we need to buy for our loved ones and the unfortunate. So now is the time for us all to serve, not just for our love ones but all the people. So remember it's not for just sports or their activities but all mankind.

Be sure that all the Lions Clubs in District 3-A vote and send their delegates to the special convention on January 9th, 2016. To express their wishes to the council and LCI.

Your Vote Counts. That is freedom in our country and although we might not like the outcome the majority rules and we need to forget our differences and work and Serve together.

Club News

Burlington Lions: PDG Don Lynch presented Chevrons for years of service to several club members, District Governor Joe Chanderls also attended. The club collected eye glasses, worked on Christmas activities and gave \$100 to the Boys Ranch.

Fairview Lions: the club held its Christmas party and DG Joe and wife Marjorie, 1st VDG Harold and wife PDG Arlene Shore attended. Honored the new members

of the year and had DG Joe award the club with the President excellence Award for 2014-2015 to Past President Brian Hamar. The club was also awarded with the Centennial Service award for 2014-2015. The Lion of the Year was presented and also the Melvin Jones Fellow was recognized. The club also participated with the Fairview Christmas Parade, Lions Christmas lighting contest, Tour of Homes and passed out Christmas Baskets.

Garber Lions: Members of the Garber Lions club visited the Pioneer-Pleasant Vale Lions. Help the Nash Lions with their annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Garber Lions put US flags at the cemetery entrances and at the grave sites of all service members. Had three Lions to attend the 3-O Convention where PID Hal Long was the guest speaker. Two members attended the OKC West Side Lions pancake event, and some members attended the Cowboy Cadillac drawing in Enid.

Goodwell Lions: Held their Chili cook-off.

Guymon Lions: Guymon Lions were honored by the Oklahoma Panhandle State University Foundation (OPSU) for their scholarship program. Attended the OPSU Chile Cook-Off. Gave \$600 to the Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch/ Meadows of Hope. Sold over \$2000 in Cowboy Cadillac tickets. Purchased four pairs of eyeglasses with exams. Sent a donation to the Oklahoma City Community Foundation for the Dr. Eugene Briggs Memorial Scholarship Fund. Welcomed five new members George Lambert, Hillary Lee, Nedra Sandels, Chance Dean, and Jeff Johnson.

Helena Lions: Attended the Zone Chair meeting that was held in Cherokee and attended the Nash Lions Thanksgiving Dinner.

Jet Lions: Attended the Zone Chair Meeting that was held in Cherokee.

Laverne Lions: Turned in a peace poster by Cooper Cayot and her teacher is Mrs. O'Neil. Sold Cowboy Cadillac tickets.

Lomega Lions: Will pass out Christmas candy bags for elementary schools.

Medford Lions: Will sell nuts and candy for a Christmas party and projects.

Nash Lions: Held their Thanksgiving dinner and had PDG Don Lynch, CC Dee

Carson, Lion Jerry Carson, PDG Carobelle Carson, Lion Jimmy Balisle, DG Joe and Marjorie Chandler helped served the Thanksgiving dinner, and also hosted Santa in Nash.

North Enid Lions: North Enid Peace poster winner was Ashley Benjamin a 8th grader at the Oklahoma Bible Academy and her teacher was Mrs. Williams. Held their club Christmas party and donated gifts to the YWCA Women's Crisis Center, helped the Salvation army ring bells, and worked the Toys for Tots program. Put out flags on Veterans Day at the NE Park and Lions Park. Collected 392 pairs of eyeglasses, and purchased two pair of eyeglasses for individuals in need of assistance. Hosted the MHSU for the Cowboy Cadillac drawing at Stevens Ford in Enid. Provided vision screening at two different schools. Student of the month was Tyler Harmon of Chisholm. North Enid Lions will be the Host club for District 3-A convention and are getting Committees together.

Okarche Lions: Held their annual German Dinner and served over 800 people. Donated \$150 to the Okarche Community Fair, \$50 to the Okarche High School Basketball program, \$40 to scouting, \$4,250 to the Meadows of Hope, \$500 to the Christmas Connection. Assisted local women with eyeglasses. Okarche Lions welcomed new member Kyle Beechan.

Pioneer Pleasant Vale Lions: Held their annual Soup and Chili Supper. Purchased eyeglasses for a 13 year old student and honored two elementary students. Distributed programs for the United States Air Force Tops in Blue Program.

Ponca City Noon: Held Kids sight free screening for children ages 6 months to 6 years old at the Ponca City Crazy Days and screened 115 children with 13 referrals.

Vici Lions: Participated in the Vici Christmas parade and held a fundraiser for member Micky Young.

Wakita Lions: Helped with the Wakita Christmas Parade.



**DISTRICT 3-A LIONS MID-WINTER CONVENTION
FEBRUARY 12-13, 2016**



**All activities are at the Redeemer Lutheran Church-Family Life Center
215 S. Cleveland, Enid**

**Host Hotel: Ramada Inn, 3005 W. Owen K. Garriott Rd., Enid
580-234-0440**

ROOM RATE: \$98.00 PLUS TAX HOTEL CUTOFF DATE Feb. 6, 2016

Registration Form

Lion Name _____

Spouse/Guest (Lion?) _____

Home Lions Club _____ District _____

Leo Name _____ Leo Club _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

E-mail address _____ Phone # _____

Please register and remit payment by Feb. 6, 2016, to guarantee meals.

Registration is in foyer of Redeemer Lutheran Church: Friday 3-5 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m. -12:00 noon.

Pre-Registration Fee for Lion/Spouse/Guest Number _____ X \$ 8.00 = _____

Registration at the door Number _____ X \$10.00 = _____

Registration Leo Number _____ X \$ 2.00 = _____

First Timer?: Yes _____ Name _____ Club _____

Friday evening buffet: casual dress Number _____ by donation
Meal is at 6:00 p.m. Spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, green salad, dessert, coffee/tea/water

Saturday noon buffet Number _____ by donation
Soups: white and brown beans, vegetable soup; relish plates, crackers, dessert, coffee/tea/water

Saturday evening meal: suits and casual dress Number _____ X \$21.00= _____
I.D. Reception: 6:00 p.m. in church foyer Meal: 6:30 p.m. in Family Life Center
Catered and served by Raymie's of Enid: Prime rib, baked potato, broccoli with cheese sauce, corn,
ambrosia and strawberry fluff salads, cucumber and onion, tossed green salad, white and wheat rolls
pecan pie, strawberry shortcake, coffee/tea/water

GRAND TOTAL REMITTED _____

Please note special diet needs: _____

Please complete registration form and mail with check to:

Lion Darlene Schulz, c/o District 3-A Convention, 326 Asbury Circle, Enid, OK 73703

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2015-2016



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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

It has been an exciting six months. I have had several "official" and some not so official visits to the clubs in my district. I am always greeted warmly; thank you so much. This month is extremely busy "personally" for all of us with our own family events. It is a wonderful opportunity to serve our community whether it is ringing bells, children's activities or delivering food baskets. I know many people who are alone really appreciate any extra effort we make to make their holiday joyful. Keep a smile on your face & keep up the great work. It is heartwarming when I am reading the updates you send to me of the activities your clubs are doing. It makes me so proud to be a Lion.

I have been asked about receiving the newsletter "on line" rather than by US Mail. It is so easy. Just contact either me or Renee at the state office, lionadmin@coxinet.net or 405-947-6540. You will get it faster, fancier (living color) and sometimes with extra pages. Even if you print it at home, it is only about 8-10 pages. When it is mailed, we have limitations as to size. Don't forget to make plans to attend our SHORT State Convention on January 9 to vote on District names and timeline to become active. **If you have any questions give me a call @ 405-308-5503.**

The DG "team" is ready to make Official Visits to the club so just drop me an e-mail at mooneytunes@cox.net. You can also request 1VDG Troy Jenkins or 2nd VDG Tom Mulligan. We all have a wonderful TEAM. We are here to serve YOU.

District 3-H Club Activities

Cashion: welcomed DG Jacquie Mooney for her official visit. While there she inducted their newest member into the club, Anita Robinson who was sponsored by Russ Adams. They had their Christmas Meat Sale which funded a \$700 donation to the Cashion Ministerial Alliance for the Christmas Basket Program. Cashion LC donated \$200 to the OLBR, Meadows of Hope for Christmas. They plan to assist the Ministerial Alliance in distributing food baskets on Friday, December 18. They also were able to donate \$200 to Cashion Christian Church

Choctaw-Nicoma Park: They will have their annual Operation Blue-Lion – Shop with a Cop event Dec. 15, 2015



Cushing: finishing up with their annual Fruit Sale earning their club \$2,042, and sold about \$495 in Cowboy Cadillac Tickets.

Davenport: This club has a very unique service project. There is not a public library in their town so they are building two "library buildings" (much like a very large birdhouse) that will be installed in their two parks. This will encourage reading by "get a book/give a book" stations.

Midwest City: donated \$1,500 to the annual Christmas Food basket drive. We welcomed new member, Mary Holland, sponsored by Dianna Hancock. Lion Marry attended the MOH Christmas Party in Perkins along with Lion Gayle Cochran and DG Jacquie Mooney. MWC Lions donated \$1,125 to Meadows of Hope at the Christmas party. This is a big month for MWC. They donated \$750 to Rose State for the Mary Lou Hawkins Scholarship. Donated \$100 each to the three High Schools for Academic Letter Jackets. Donated \$500 to the Mid Del Food Pantry; \$200 to RSVP; \$260 to OLSF; \$1,125 to the Eye Bank, \$150 to LCIF; \$250 to White Cane; \$200 to Briggs Scholarship; \$100 to Leader dogs for the blind & \$100 for World Service for the Blind.

Mulhall-Orlando: gave \$100 to the Meadows of Hope OLBR Christmas party and gave \$100 to the Oklahoma City Community Foundation – matching grant for Briggs Scholarship Foundation. Finished selling Cowboy Cadillac tickets

Newcastle Community: Lions Melissa Montgomery and Stephanie Keith attended the Meadows of Hope-Oklahoma Boys Ranch Christmas party. Newcastle Community Lions Club is the first club in 3-H to earn all Four Gem Award patch as part of the Centennial Service Events.

Norman: International Student of the month of November is Pabel Vivanco-Cardenas from Abancay, Peru. High School Student of the month is Lynette Long, student from Norman North High School.

Norman Sooner: Lion James Tittle was the proud winner of the Cowboy Cadillac grand prize this year. Congratulations.

OKC Northwest: collected mittens for children at Hilldale Elementary and had a Christmas Luncheon on Dec 8 Special recognition was awarded to Jim Barnett for ALL HE DOES for their club by Robert Hahn.

OKC West Side: put out Flags in honor of Veterans Day. On Dec. 1 rang bells for the Salvation Army at the Reno & MacArthur Wal-Mart. Several attended the OLBR/Meadows of Hope Christmas party and donated \$500. They hosted the annual Holiday food baskets. They have been helping Buchanan School with their Scholastic Book Fair. The school raised over \$4,000 in four days. OKC West Side Lions sold over \$2,000 in Cowboy Cadillac Tickets. They held their annual Christmas Party and Dinner on

Dec. 12 and were honored that DG Jacquie Mooney and Gerald Mooney along with VDG Tom Mulligan and wife Jean attended.

Perkins: They have been working on two Christmas projects, Christmas baskets and Christmas lights.

Prague: Lions are gearing up for the Annual Chili Supper scheduled for Jan. 15, 2016 at the Prague Community Center, 4:30-7:00 pm Wishing all a very Merry Christmas.

Stillwater Noon and eBranch Club: Stillwater Noon LC provided eyeglasses for 5 people and had a Spot-Vision Screening at a local elementary school. Four Lions helped serve those in need at the First UMC Church. Two Students were honored as students of the month. Six Stillwater Noon Lions attended the Meadows of Hope for OLBR on Dec. 5. Fifteen Lions have pledged to help 15 children Christmas shop at Walmart's. The club raised \$1300 for this project. Fruit sales are completed and grossed \$2,400. *Pictured right is Stillwater Lion, Danny Chance and son Andrew ringing bells for Salvation Army*



Stroud: On Dec.5 held their annual Pancake Breakfast which was very well attended. There were three club members attend the Meadows of Hope Christmas party and donated over \$3,000. Stroud Lions have selected a boy and a girl from the community Angel Tree to help for Christmas.

The Village: The Village Lions gave \$250 to BritVill Food Pantry, \$500 to the Meadows of Hope-Boys Ranch, two gift certificates in the amount of \$100 each to two families of Ridgeview Elem. School and gave \$1,000 for coats to Britton Elem. School kids. Also donated 17.5 hours of service to BritVill Food Pantry, directing traffic and handing out turkeys during their Turkey Give Away Day



Stillwater Noon Lions raised \$1500 to give local children a brighter Christmas. They took elementary students Christmas shopping and helped a family with 6 children who lost everything in a house fire. Members are pictured here before taking the little ones shopping

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Come to our Hawaiian Luau!

Time: 8:30am – Registration and Hospitality
9:00 am – Opening

At Noon – We will have a wonderful Luau Luncheon prepared by YOU, our fellow Lions
Entertainment and contests – wear your craziest Hawaiian Shirt – Decorate your table
Guest Speaker – our very own Past International Director – Pat Shurley
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Please complete this form and send it with a check made out to:
District 3-H Lions to District Secretary, Gladson Allred – 2026 S. Iba Street – Stillwater, OK 74074

Lion Name: _____ Title: _____
Spouse/Guest name: _____ Lion?: _____
MD-3 Districts _____ Lions Club: _____
E-mail address: _____ Phone number: _____
Circle what food are you bringing? Main Course _____ Vegetable _____ Dessert _____ Specialty _____
Registration is ONLY \$10.00 per person

In an effort to conserve cost, we ask that all District 3-H Lions/Lions Clubs contribute with dishes for this Hawaiian Luau potluck meal. This keeps us from charging for the noon meal and more fun with a variety of foods to share from other Lions and Lions Clubs.