

Grand Opening!

By Colleen Fowler

On June 11th, 2016 the Lions Meadows of Hope will host a Grand Opening Event!

WE have been working feverishly this year building and taking care of our families and children. It has been an exciting, exhausting year. From the news of the plans to close our group homes at the Boys ranch, to the dirt-work and construction, so many things have changed. We have gone from serving 12 boys to 4 homes with 25 children & youth as well as 8 parents. We have 5 families in the process of becoming offcampus community based foster homes under our agency along with constantly caring and training and growing our community. This time last year folks were being let go, kids were being moved and reassigned to better fit their needs and the feeling was pretty dark and heavy. Now, ten months later, what a difference there is in attitude and acceptance. The Lions Meadows of hope is a loud, happy vibrant place. We have kids, and critters and an array of bicycles, fishing poles the sights and sounds of family life!

Last year at the Convention we purposed to share with everyone who would listen about the transition and the plans we have. The future of the Boys Ranch as we knew it was unclear and bleak. What eventually happened was the firm foundation of integrity and stubbornness that helped us survive 63+ years became the backbone and building blocks of a new way of caring for chil-

dren in Oklahoma. What a joy to have little ones and girls on our campus! We have 4 sets of 3 siblings and 3 sets of 2 siblings in foster care plus singles and biological and adopted members of the family! We never expected the great success we have had in making this change. It was hard to hear old friends of the Boys Ranch refuse to accept it and have doors closed on us, but through the last 10 months folks have seen the progress and shared in our successes. The vision Bryan talked about in Hawaii and he and I have proclaimed in 79 different meetings, clubs, events, churches and civic activities since July 1, 2015 has spread like wildfire and now we have other agencies coming to us for help! There have been struggles and financial adjustments. Personnel changes and new philosophies have paved the way to a bright future for our families. It is all because you cared, you believed, you gave and you loved. Our children are very aware of the Oklahoma Lions. You have been in our homes, on our campus, at our parties and we have embraced growing this relationship

with you. We are a community that depends on each other, loves each other's kids and embraces the theme that family is the medicine that heals a broken child. I could give you so many examples of how our children and youth have grown and blossomed under your watch-care. The Grand Opening is the celebration of a dream that began many years ago when our visionary board and director saw the need to do things in a better way. I can only imagine what the next years will bring us. Where once the Oklahoma wind blew its' song of life, now the meadow's ring out with singing, playing and the evidence of love in action. Young ones sorrows and fears are embraced by loving arms and open hearts. No one who visits is ever the same, the wonder and blessing of these young lives being loved and protected is exactly what being the Lions of Oklahoma is all about. Please join us for this great time together as we do the ribbon cutting at 2pm.

Thank you for serving us as we serve them. We are better together.



Lions State Convention - Leo wearing the Lions costumes for the Arms Forces Parade

OKLAHOMA LIONS SERVICE FOUNDATION





"We Serve" Lions Motto.

"What if these men who are successful because of their drive, intelligence and ambition, were to put their talents to work improving their communities?" Melvin Jones' personal code, "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else," that reminds many Lions of the importance of community service.

With Memorial day on May 30th, we are reminded of those who gave and continue to give their lives to provide us with the freedom we experience today. We are free, but the cost was and is still not FREE. While the discussion of politics and religion is most often forbidden, The LIONS acronym stands for Liberty, Intelligence, & Our Nations' Safety. Memorial Day and Lions will be celebrating this Memorial Day with many who "Serve" our country all over the world. To all of those who have and continue to serve in our armed forces we "Thank You."

It is the Lions motto "We Serve" that fuels the fire for Oklahoma Lions, which was evident at the 2015-16 Oklahoma Lions State Convention. While Local Lions Club members are busy throughout the year serving in program's which include sight conservation, hearing conservation, diabetes, and youth outreach, Lions leaders prepare to recognize these efforts. The convention proved to be a year that honored these special individuals. Congratulations to all the honorees this year and thank you for all you do. Thank you also goes to our Council of Governors and Council Chair Dee Carson for the leadership provided this year! Without the leadership of people like Melvin Jones, Helen Keller, and our current Lions International President Dr. Jitsuhiro Yamada, our pride would wonder aimlessly and scatter. The dream for "We Serve" is evident in the State of Oklahoma!

Moving Forward a Challenge to Dream!

Helen Keller, in 1882, aged 19 months she fell ill with what was termed "brain fever" (now believed to be scarlet fever or meningitis) which left her deaf and blind.

Helen (June 27, 1880 - June 1, 1968) was an American author, political activist, and lecturer. She was the first deafblind person to earn a bachelor of arts degree. Keller's teacher, Anne Sullivan broke through the isolation imposed by a near complete lack of language, allowing the girl to blossom as she learned to communicate. Helen and Anne had a dream no one could see but them. 1925, she attended the Lions Clubs International Convention and challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness.

The Lions accepted her challenge and our work ever since has included sight programs aimed at preventable blindness (http:www.lionsclubs.org). Lions Clubs International (LCI) started with a dream by Melvin Jones in 1917. Lions Clubs International will celebrate 100 years of Service in Chicago, Ill in 2017. As a secular, non-political service organization with over 46,000 clubs

and 1.4 million members around the world Melvin Jones Dream is a reality. **Oklahoma** is the 3rd State in the Nation to Charter Lions Clubs. Many Oklahoma Clubs will be celebrating 100 years.

I would dare say Melvin Jones and Helen Keller saw something no one else saw and were ready to sacrifice everything for it. *I believe they would be gratified to see their dream a reality*.

The Oklahoma Lions State Service
Projects have **leaders with dreams.** These
are to provide sight to those who have lost
it to illness or accident through cornea
transplantation and to provide children the
experience of having a family in a safe
environment. We as Lions have visionary
leaders who have a passion and drive to see
this vision become a reality. We are absolutely without a doubt lucky to have them
be "Knights" for Lions vision.

We have SPECIAL NEEDS to be fulfilled by Lions!

Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank (OLEB) DSEK project for cornea processing. The grant was submitted for \$75,000 however, we as Lions must match this same amount for a total of \$150,000. 176 Cornea recipients are able to move forward, last year, through restored sight because of Oklahoma Lions.

Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch Meadows of Hope (OLBR MOH) must continue fundraising for the forth house of \$275,000. Lion Paul Milburn has been gracious to provide funds for these children, because he believed in the dream and sacrificed! Lion Paul and many others have been blessed to see the dream a reality

when Meadows of Hope had their grand opening last year. Many Oklahoma children now have a family and a place they call home.

Oklahoma Lions Mobile Health Screening Unit tested over 8200 tests with a failure rate of 30%. Countless

individuals are reporting how the unit saved their lives! We are in great need of funding to continue this project and remodel the trailer.

Endowment Program: OLSF and OLBR both have endowments, now beginning in June, 2016 OLSF will also be raising funds for the matching grant to the Kirkpatrick Family Fund to establish an endowment for the Eye Bank. We will need to raise a minimum of \$25,000.00 from clubs and individuals for this matching amount.

The Challenge: What is your Dream? Your Lions Club Dream? Your Service Dream?

What do you see that no one else can see? What are you willing to sacrifice to make that dream a reality?

Marie Burns

OLSF Executive Director



By the time this makes it to print, the State Convention will have come and gone. I only wish I new the results of all the awards to share with you but that will have to wait until the final news letter of this year. It's hard to believe that only 30 days from your reading this I will be a has been, again, a PDG.

Hopefully, all clubs have held their club elections and the secretaries have filed the proper forms with International. Some don't realize how important this "small"action is. The names, along with phone numbers and definitely emails are critical to keeping the clubs informed. International, State and District leaders need this information to be able to stay in touch with all club leaders. This year I have found some clubs with information that was three years old and many others that are just out of date. I know Governor Elect Leanne would appreciate getting off to a good year with proper information. Let's get er done!!

Please don't forget things like your yearly contribution to LCI. A Melvin Jones Fellowship can be obtained by making small donations until you reach the \$1000 mark or you can make it all at once. Either way you will be able to honor a worthy club member with something very special. Another to-do item is reporting those Centennial Service Challenge projects. It is just one extra step when filing your online activity reports to International. You have done the work, now get your rewards. And please, please, get those officers reported before the end of June-better late than never.

A special thank you to all those individuals and clubs that made a contribution to the Randy Keller Fund. The total is not the important thing, it was the action of so many helping a fellow Lion that made me proud. As I presented Lion Randy with the

check, he was speechless as the tears began to form. He couldn't believe what he was looking at but I assured him it was real. A big hug and a thank you followed and following is a paragraph he asked me to put in this letter.

"I have been so blessed over the years of being a Lion...blessed to help after natural disasters, provide eyeglasses and scholarships, and support our local communities. But I've never been more blessed as a Lion than I am right now. I'm overwhelmed by our great Lion's outpouring of support and encouragement to me and my family, and so very grateful for your care and concern. I thank you for your prayers as we walk this path in front of us, as I thank the Lord for great friends like you."

CLUB NEWS

Bartlesville Downtown-Seven members worked the Special Olympics Regional Qualifier at Dewey. The club donated \$500 to the B'ville Public School Special Olympians. Participated in the Bartlesville Operation Clean House on earth day. The club morns the loss of long time member, Melvin Jones Fellow, past president and secretary Carroll Ritchie. Along with his Lion service he volunteered over 8,000 hours to the Jane Phillips Hospital.

Broken Arrow Evening-Purchased 4 pairs of glasses and exams, collected over 300 pair of used glasses, donated \$200 to the BA 5th grade Botball team, \$300 for cancer patient Battle Bags and volunteered as ushers at the BA Playhouse.

Coweta-Donated \$100 to the Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank and awarded 4 Coweta seniors with \$500 scholarships for college.

Dewey-Cooked and served hot dogs and hamburgers at the Opening Day of baseball and cooked for the Stray Kat Kar Show. Donating \$500 to a Dewey senior for college. Hosted a zone meeting.

Henreyetta-Had great participation in Henryetta Pride Day-cleaning up the city.

Okmulgee-Preparing for Free Wheeling Through Okmulgee and their annual fireworks sale. Welcomed three new members: Renee Dove, Kay Rabbit-Brower and Richard Larabee.

Pawhuska-Donated \$100 to the local fire department for use in the childrens FIRESAFE program.

Porter-Collected 15 pair of used glassed and one ink cartridge, donated \$225 to Wagoner American Legion for a Boy State student. The club purchased animals at the Wagoner and Muskogee live stock shows to aid the 4-H students.

Tulsa Brookside-Held eighth annual Pancake Breakfast for the Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless. Thirteen Lions and five volunteers served 300 plates of pancakes and sausage.

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 11th-Final Cabinet meeting, 8555. Lewis Ave., Tulsa, University Village auditorium, 2:00 PM. Recognitions and awards.

June 30th-My last day as Governor of 3-O

Announcement Camp Noah

Camp Noah will be offering two camps for children this summer. Camp Noah brings hope and healing to communities that have been impacted by disaster. Camp Noah will serve disaster-impacted children and families by building resiliency, restoring hope and changing lives. They are asking for volunteers to help during camp. The locations are: Inner City Church, Oklahoma City June 13-17, 2016 and the All Souls Church in Tulsa June 20-24. Both camps will be open Monday-Friday 8:30am-3:00pm. If have any question splease contact: Rebecca Lewis@651-969-2258 or 800-987-0061.



In some ways it is hard to believe a year has gone by since I became Governor. I want to let everyone know that it has been a great honor to serve as Governor for our District. I have met so many amazing Lions and have learned about so many wonderful projects. Even though my year will soon be over, you have not seen the last of me. I have agreed to be the GLT (Global Leadership) and Centennial Coordinator for our District. That means you will see me helping out with training and talking about our upcoming centennial celebration.

If you did not get the opportunity to attend the state convention, you really missed a great time of fun and fellowship. Our convention had a Patriotic Theme: "Proud to be an American". On Saturday we all participated in the largest military parade in Oklahoma. I had the best seat in the parade. I sat on the back of the Lions float and watched as the Leo's, dressed in Lion suits, passed out tiny flags to the kids. The children loved our Lions! These Lions gave kids hugs and high fives!





Another highlight of the convention was meeting International Director Melvyn Bray and his lovely wife Ginny. On Friday, ID Bray met with our First Timers (Lions who are attending their first state convention) and answered any questions they had about Lionism or being an International Director. Saturday he rode on the float with us and that evening at our Banquet, he finished up with his speech.

I want to thank everyone for your efforts for increased membership this year. As of May 30th, we had increased membership in our District. A net increase of nine. This doesn't sound like much, but it is actually a great accomplishment. I would ask that all clubs work to finish this year strong. Many times at year end, clubs will drop members. Use the month of June to do some membership recruiting. Remember, sometimes all it takes is to "Just Ask".

One last reminder to all clubs about the opportunity to have your club and your president recognized for their efforts put forth this year with a Club Excellence Award and Banner Patch. There are seven requirements to receive a club excellence award. Five of these, for the most part, all clubs do; 1) Three Service Projects 2) communication-letting the public know what your club is doing. 3) Properly elected club officers and training 4) Regular Meetings and 5). Be in Good standing financially with LCI. The last TWO items to qualify are to 6) Have a

Club Membership Net Increase....so be sure to finish your year end strong and recruit and report new members by June 30th. 7) Donate to LCIF...any amount by June 30th. The application for the Club Excellence Award can be found at www.lionsclubs.org. Send these to me and I will sign and forward to LCI!

Well, if you want to talk about finishing the year strong....I am so excited to announce that District 3K has just chartered their SECOND Leo club! Congratulations SHAWNEE Lions Club on starting a Leo club. Steve Harbison from HUGO Lions club is our Leo Chairperson and has done an amazing job. If you have been considering a Leo club, be sure to get with Steve for details on what to do.

Again, I have enjoyed serving as your Governor and look forward to serving in new ways! I know I'm leaving you in good hands. DGE Greg Walker will soon take over and I know he will do an amazing job! 1st VDG Nancy Cook Senn will be there too offering leadership.

Love you and proud to a part of this organization. Keep doing what you do and making a difference in this world!

Dates to Remember

First Cabinet & Training Meeting in Atoka, July 23rd

Check out our District 3K Facebook page for all the Convention Pictures!









I want to start with a very important date to remember - on June 18th at 1:30 p.m. will be my last Cabinet Meeting in Altus at the Public Library. I encourage all cabinet members to attend and all Lions are welcome.

W-O-W!! This year has just flown by and this is my last article then soon your new District Governor will take over your district. Thank you so much for your support and service this past year and I am still making my visits and will finish up along with help from 1st VDG JP Williams.

I have been checking and I want to make sure everyone please get your PU101 in to International so DG Dan Farrell can get the directories started as soon as he gets back from Japan.

With most of our Lions club having new officers I want you to support your current leaders in their roles as it is crucial to the club, district and international. Helping current officers succeed is often left off formal and/or informal agenda. What can past officers and long-term members do to help support their officers? Serve as an encouraging "thought partner" and act as a source of positive feedback for their development. Remember a past officer is there for them to rely on those with experience as they ponder strategic questions also let them float ideas, help make a pivot, lever their expertise, etc. Beyond being a past officer you can be a mentor and give the current officer the opportunity to "grow" from your experiences.

Thanks to all the Lions in District 3-L for your service and looking forward to our journey in the next centennial adventure in Lionism as I will be serving for as long as I am able. Thanks for the Memories.

NEW MEMBERS

Canute-Lion Jason Gunter and Lion Marcie Gunter sponsored by Lion Kevin Merz. Lion Pat Riner sponsored by Lion Kem Riner.

Duncan Noon -Lion Michael Waller sponsored by Lion Karen Kaley.

Lawton Noon- Lion Justin Ingram sponsored by Lion Robert Phillips

Rush Springs - Lion Jamie Fitch sponsored by Brenda Preslely; and Lion Christa Porter sponsored by Lion Renee Payton.

Waurika -Lion Denise Linzman sponsored by Dana Williams.

CLUB NEWS

ALTUS - collected and donated shoe boxes of basic items to the Salvation Army to hand out to persons in need. Altus Lions Club celebrated 75 years of service to the community during its regular meeting on April 14, 2016. The regular meeting fell one day short of the same date as Chartered April 15, 1941.

<u>CANUTE</u> - Lona Horton, Postmaster in Canute, donating 300 lbs. of food to Lions Club. Food was gathered by the Rural Route Carriers. The 300 pounds of food was donated to Rose Werth, Director of the Saint Matthew Catholic Church Food Pantry in Elk City, OK



District 3-L Lion of the Year Kevin Merz with District Governor Karen Blanton

CHICKASHA - Collect used eyeglasses, summer food and fun donation, donation to Oklahoma Regional Food Bank for Food for Kids Backpack Program. Lion Ealmer Klippel Memorial Scholarship. Gave \$500 scholarship to the Chickasha High School "Best All Around Boy" and Lion Gale Thorsen Memorial Scholarship. Gave \$500 scholarship to Chickasha High School "Best All Around Girl"

<u>CLINTON</u> - Sponsoring the T-ball program for 4-7 year olds and coach pitch for 8-12 year olds. Players enjoy the league and the free snow cones thanks to the Clinton Lions.

ELK CITY -Presented 9 scholarships to the local FFA students and 1 scholarship to our Lion Sweetheart and 1 scholarship to a Merritt student totaling \$6,250. We also donated \$1,000 to LCIF for a Melvin Jones

ELK CITY LIONNESS LION -Presented a scholarship to an Elk City and Merritt student FREDRICK - hosted the Annual Dr. A.B. Gattis memorial fund raiser golf tournament. Frederick Lions Club recently assisted two more individuals in need with eye exams and glasses. Frederick Lions Club presented the Top Ten Sophomores (by GPA) a personalized embroidered duffle bag with Lions logo. The 2016 Lions Club Scholarships were awarded at the Senior assembly on Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at the Fine Arts Building of the Frederick High School. Two (\$250 each) scholarships are awarded each year in memory of long time Lions Club members and former active Frederick residents, now deceased: Owen Fry (city manager) and Laxton Malcom (OSU Extension Agent).

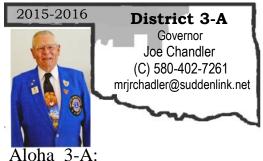
<u>HOBART</u> - gave \$100 to Hobart Public Schools to help fund an end of year luncheon for Hobart Teachers. Hobart Lions donated \$220 to the Hobart Public Pool to help pay for swimming lessons for Hobart Kids.

<u>LAWTON PATRIOTS</u> - Helped with the Lawton community library book sale weekend of May 7-10.

VELMA ALMA-Donated money to the local food bank which helped feed 135 families. Cailyn Wright chosen as Velma-Alma Lions club Student of the Year - presented with a plaque at Awards Assembly. Robert Dovers chosen as Velma-Alma Lions Club Student of the Year - presented with a plaque at Awards Assembly Emily Lewis and Chance Biffle chosen to receive a \$250 scholarship each from the Velma-Alma Lions Club



District 3-L Leo of the Year McKenzie Love with the Lawton Leos at the State Convention.



Aloha 3-A:

It just seems like last week that we traveled to Hawaii to be installed as District Governor For 3-A. It has been a fast pace visiting all the clubs and meetings so many good Lion's and seeing the different ways that they had fund raisers and supported there communities. Each club has its own signature for their community and they are the cornerstones of the Lion's organization.

At the beginning I didn't see how I was going to be able to see most of the 3-A membership in one year. But you know what with the brother hood and sister hood of the Lion's it made that task a wonderful assignment. It truly was an enjoyment traveling the entire 3-A District and seeing the Strength and Spirit of Lion's. District 3-A is a beautiful landscape of territory that graces this nations pages of beauty.

I want to thank each and everyone for a great and wonderful year serving you. I will never forget your support and encouragement throughout the year.

All the district cabinet meetings are over along with the State Convention and I am so blessed to be able to have named Lion Scott Corson as District 3-A Lion of the Year.

I also want to thank PDG Carobelle for all her help and receiving a Presidential award in our District from LCI.

I also want to thank PDG Terry Woodruff for his help and receiving a leadership award from LCI. I also want to thank PDG Charles Michael Jr. for all his help in the District along with Council Chair Dee Carson.

I know I cannot thank each of you in person but hope you can understand; how much I appreciated your support and encouragement this past year.

You should know I have to thank my Host club the North Enid Lion's for supporting me throughout the year and making our District Convention the best. I also want our ID Bill Phillipi and his wife Vickie to know that they where the Best.

I would like to say without the support of my Wife Marjorie and son Jimmy; I wouldn't have made it through this journey.

Thanks again to the Great District 3-A and all Lions we serve with pride and dignity and with the Grace of God!

DG Joe Chandler

Club News

Fairview: Welcome New members Michael O'Brien, Sponsored by Lion Steve Randolph and Tyson Hiebert, Sponsored by Lion Glenda Hill. Awarded Scholarships at "Class Night" May 17, 2016. Held its 3rd annual Lions Club Auction, May 21, 2016 On June 4th the Fairview Lions will be cooking hamburgers for the Fairview Ministerial alliance and on June 10th the Club will be cooking burgers for the Relay for Life"

Garber: Congratulations to Carobelle Carson for receiving LCI Presidential Award.

Laverne: They participated in monthly food distribution. DG Joe Chandler presented the club with a certificate honoring our members with the \$1,000.Dollar Club award. The Laverne club would like to thank Lion Steve for his above and beyond work for the

Lomega: Held their Lions Ladies Night on May 4, 2016.

North Enid: On May the 9, 2016 DG Joe Chandler had his official visit with our club. Welcome new member Phyllis Thompson was sponsored by Lion Don Winbolt.

Lion Ernie Hull has been leading the charge for families who need glasses in the Garfield area and now has a data base that anyone can get from him. This data base will inform you of who we have helped and who is still on the waiting list.

Lion Harold Cooper presented Chisholm High School with scholarship money of \$1,000 for 3 students.

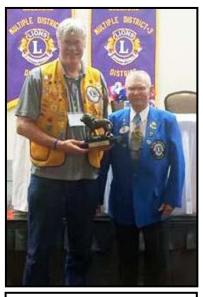
On May 26th the club placed flowers on all the graves in the NORCE Cometary for Memorial Day. May 30th Lions worked the Wall of Honor at the Woodring Airport and served meals to attendees of this event.

Installation of Officers for next year will be at the June 27th meeting with all invited.

Pioneer-Pleasant Vale: PDG Karl Youngers presented the McCullough Award at the State Convention

Ponca City Noon: PDG Terry Woodruff received the LCI leadership award. Lion Scott Corson received the District 3-A Lion of the Year.

Wakita: On August 27th, they will have an Ice Cream Social.



District 3-A Lion of the Year Scott Corson and DG Joe Chandler



Members of North Enid, Garber, and Pioneer Pleasant-Vale Lion clubs help serve veterans and their families for Memorial day.

2015-2016



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For those of you who missed it we had a great Oklahoma State Convention in Lawton, Ok on May 20-21. The Armed Forces Parade was outstanding on Saturday Morning. Several clubs sent their Lions mascot costumes and the Lawton Leo's wore them for the parade. They were a BIG hit with the children and spectators. I want to thank all of you for allowing me to serve as your District Governor this past year. I had a wonderful Team who helped all along the way. By vote of next year's District Governors I will gladly serve as the Council Chairperson for 2016-2017. Thank you for your vote of confidence. We have had a great year and so far this "Spring", had no measureable disasters to report in 3-H. Fingers Crossed. I look forward to continue to serve MD 3-H and the Oklahoma Lions in general.

District 3-H Club Activities

<u>Crescent</u>: held their annual golf tournament on April 15 at the Cedar Valley Golf Course with 24 teams and raised \$2,173.





<u>Cushing</u>: Planning their installation of new officers and Directors on June 14.

Midwest City: Eight MWC Lions and guests sorted glasses two times in the last month. Two Lions helped with a Kidsight USA, Vision Screening at the Stanley Haupfeld Acade-

my and two assisted at the Special Olympic Lions Opening Eyes on May 12. MWC Lions held their annual BBQ Dinner Fundraiser and it was a complete success. Lions Jacque Mooney and David Kerr attended the OK Lions State Convention in Lawton.

<u>Morrison</u>: Melvin Jones Fellowship was awarded to Vernon Leake.

<u>Mulhall-Orlando</u>: Purchased a basketball goal for the playground in Orlando. They are planning their installation of officers in May

<u>Newcastle Community</u>: Held their first annual Pancake Breakfast this month and it was a complete success.





Norman Lions Club International Student of the month Mohammed Alsalman from Saudi Arabia receiving gifts from Lion Claude Duchon and Don Steveson with pres Elect Duane Winegardner

OKC Northwest: Continue to sponsor guest speakers every week. This club is working on outfitting their new trailer to carry the flags and flagpoles for their American Flag program. They raised the flags on Sunday, April 24th for Flag Day. For White Cane, Lion Robert Hahn reported they raised \$1,000.

OKC West Side: Held a Pancake Breakfast on April 30th and is a success as usual. **Perry:** Five Lions donated 9 hours of service picking up trash on Highway 77. Perry LC hosted Perry High School Senior, Callie Curtis as Student Lion. They continue to

help the Community Meals on Wheels program. During April the club sponsored another successful fundraiser, their annual gun raffle. On April 21st they hosted approximately 40 local farmers and ranchers at the Farmer/Rancher Agribusiness day.

<u>Prague</u>: Helped the City of Prague celebrate the Kolache Festival hosting several activities for the day of fun.

Stillwater Noon and eBranch Club: Provided two pairs of eyeglasses and eye exams. They continue to recycle eyeglasses. Six Noon Lions assisted with the vision screening at Lions Opening Eyes on May 12th as part of the Special Olympics in Stillwater. Continue to recycle eyeglasses. Noon Lions have agreed to host a cookout for students and faculty for the Lincoln Alternative Academy. Four Noon Lions (including e-club members) help serve, wash dishes and clean up at the Community meal to feed the hungry at the First United Methodist Church. Lion Troy Jenkins was named MD 3-H LION OF THE YEAR. Congratulations

The Village: Donated \$250 to the BritVill Food Pantry as part of the Preventing Hunger Initiative. President Robert McMasters attended the MD3 Lions State Convention and donated \$250 to the MD-3 Leos Armed Forces YMCA's Food project for the preventing Hunger Initiative. He also presented the Leo's with 12 printer cartridges for the Environmental Protection Initiative. The Village Lions are hosting their 11th Annual Pat Harington Memorial Car Show to be held Saturday, August 20th at Duffner Park in OKC, just east of Hefner Road and May Avenue



Troy Jenkins was awarded the Lion of the Year award for MD 3-H.

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In Honor:

2015-2016 District Governors, from Dee Carson

In Memory:

Danny King, from Jim and Sherry Keisman, Ferril and Phyllis Williamson;

Oklahoma Lions Boys Ranch / Meadows of Hope:

Ealmer Klippel from Chickasha Lions Club; Brock Brockelban, from the Newkirk Lions Club; Steve Austin Strickland, from, Nancy Calhoun

Oklahoma Lions Eye Bank:

Jim Bish, from Glen Price; David Deveraux, from David Dougherty

OK Lions Service Irrevocable Trust

In Memory:

Danny King, from Bill & Yolanda Middleton; **Teresa Woods** from Bill & Yolanda Midleton



Speech Winners Contestant winners at the Oklahoma Lions State Convention.